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## PRAYER FOR AUSTRALIA

Bless, oh God, our country of Australia and all its inhabitants.

Let us have dreams in this land of long dreams

Let the hot winds from the desert fire our imagination

Let the red soil of the plains keep us rooted to the things that matter.

Let the waters of our oceans and lakes flow into our hearts giving us depth and understanding.

Let us remember the original inhabitants of these lingering song lines.

May we stand as strong and as mighty as our mountains and be as gentle as our places of quiet beauty.

May Your spirit range across our great spaces touching the contours of our many different souls. May Your spirit vitalise this great land, may it enter the hearts of our government and leaders.

Guide them with wisdom, compassion and integrity. Protect the members of the Australian Defence Force in all their endeavours at home and overseas. Implant in our hearts a spirit of love and unity that we may work and live together in harmony and fellowship for the well-being of this society that we are building together.

Let our compassion be like the embracing coastlines of our singular continent and may peace move slowly across this ancient and enduring land.

And let us say Amen.

