

# A PRAYER FOR REFUGEES

World Refugee Day is June 20. As a community who knows too well the feeling of being strangers, let us pray for those seeking refuge throughout the world. Include the following prayer in your Shabbat service during the month of June, to pray for the more than 60 million people displaced worldwide, as we face the largest refugee crisis since World War II.

And so we pray...

As we recount the centuries of human history,  
We pray that one day bondage will lead to freedom;  
We pray that indifference will give way to mercy;  
We pray that hatred will turn to compassion, and fear turn to hope.

We pray that one day, nations will defy history and proclaim in one voice:  
Never again will terror-stricken exiles face angry waters alone;  
Never again will vulnerable victims be locked behind barbed wire;  
Never again will desperate refugees be turned away at the borders of freedom.

And we vow...

Until that day arrives, we will be the miracle that parts the angry seas for today's refugees.  
We will take it upon ourselves to lead the mixed multitude to dry land, and we will bring them to a place of redemption.

AMEN

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