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**A PRAYER AND ACTION GUIDE FOR THE ENDING OF HUMAN
TRAFFICKING IN THE UNITED STATES AND MEXICO**

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DEAR REFORMERS, ABOLITIONISTS, PRAYER WARRIORS:

I am inviting you today to join me on a journey. For many decades now, an atrocity has been occurring, growing under our very noses, until we find ourselves at a point in time when there are more slaves on the earth than there were at the peak of the Trans-Atlantic slave trade - indeed, more than there have been at any other time in history.

27 million is a mind-boggling number, but as I have travelled the world and heard firsthand accounts from victims and rescuers alike, the number has come to represent individual faces and names.

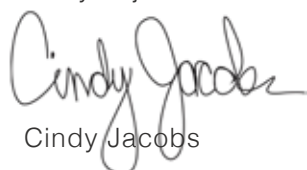
What pushed me over the edge, so to speak, were stories of babies - precious, innocent, helpless lives - being starved, then subjected to perverse sexual acts and ultimately discarded and left to die. And I knew we had to do something NOW.

Attention has increasingly been drawn to this issue by celebrities, journalists, politicians and others, but there is still much apathy and a general lack of awareness that exist in both the Body of Christ and society at large. As believers, we have a mandate to do the works that Jesus did, and He proclaimed He came to bring freedom to the captives.

This is a large-scale, complex issue, but I believe prayer is the key to seeing a shift. We are calling the Church to be aware, to prepare the way in prayer and to act. Throughout this guide and the corresponding articles, you will find detailed information about many facets contributing to the epidemic of human trafficking. You will hear from men and women on the front lines of the fight for freedom. You will find spiritual insight and Biblically-based points for prayer. And you will be given tools, steps and resources to help you begin to do something to end this travesty.

We cannot wait another day for someone else to do something about human trafficking. Each of us has a part to play, and as believers, we have the ultimate weapon of prayer at our disposal. For 21 days, we are asking God to give us His heart for this issue and to reveal the place He has for each of us in ending modern-day slavery. Let's believe together for such a fire to ignite in our hearts that any remnants of complacency, indifference or inaction would be removed, never to gain ground in us again.

Will you join me?



Cindy Jacobs

OUR APATHY



TODAY WE WILL FOCUS OUR PRAYER AND REPENTANCE ON OUR OWN APATHY REGARDING HUMAN TRAFFICKING.

*Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves, for the rights of all who are destitute.
–Proverbs 31:8*

FACING THE FACTS

Human trafficking is defined as the illegal trade of human beings, for the purposes of commercial sexual exploitation or forced labor.

Here are some facts:

- An estimated 27 million people are trafficked and enslaved around the world, the most slaves in recorded history.
- 1 million children will be exploited this year in the global commercial sex trade.
- The industry takes in at least \$32 billion of revenue annually and is growing, expanding, and spreading at a terrifying pace. In the United States, the industry generates an estimated \$9.5 billion. In Mexico, it is a \$15-20 billion endeavor.⁽¹⁾
- In the United States, there is an average of 300,000 children at risk of being forced into sexual exploitation.⁽²⁾ In Mexico, at least half of the nation's homeless children are trapped in sexual exploitation.⁽³⁾
- The US State Department estimates as many as 20,000 young women and children are trafficked across the US Southern border and into Mexico every year.⁽⁴⁾
- Along the US and Mexico border towns, there is an estimated 16,000 children involved in forced prostitution.⁽⁵⁾

FACING OUR HEARTS

Sadly, we as the Body of Christ have remained largely apathetic to this despicable injustice that transpires right here in the United States and Mexico. We have either not been aware enough to confront the evils of trafficking or have not cared enough to fight for the rights of those who are trapped in this form of modern day slavery.

However, the Lord is calling the Church now to repent for our apathy and to rise up with a justice anointing to contend for those whom He loves, those being exploited for pleasure and labor in our two great nations and around the world.

To read the full USRPN article on this issue, please [click here](#).

PERSONAL REPENTANCE

Lord, I repent if my heart has been apathetic or if I have been too concerned with my own comfort and convenience to truly see the urgency of this issue. I ask forgiveness if I have been indifferent and inactive while lives are being tormented and ended.

CORPORATE REPENTANCE

God, as Your body and Your children, we repent for seeing this as someone else's problem to solve instead of engaging in it ourselves. We repent for selfishness, indifference, and apathy. Anoint and empower us to confront and stop human trafficking in the United States and Mexico!

INTERCESSION

- *Father, over these next 21 days, I ask You to give me Your heart for the victims of human trafficking all around the world. Stir me to pray like never before.*
- *Please open the eyes of Your Church to fully see this issue for the tragedy it is, to own it, and to take action to stop it.*
- *Lord, awaken Your bride to fight for what matters to Your heart. Give us the passion to fight injustice and the wisdom to create strategies that will bring breakthrough and healing to those who have been victimized by human trafficking.*

TAKE ACTION

1. Educate yourself by learning the hard facts about human trafficking. You can do this by reading the information gathered by organizations such as [Traffick911](#), [Exodus Cry](#), and the [Polaris Project](#).
2. **Share this prayer guide with others** and commit together to pray for the ending of human trafficking.
3. If you are interested in volunteering with local organizations, please [click here](#).

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CHILDREN: A THROWAWAY GENERATION



TODAY WE WILL FOCUS OUR PRAYER AND REPENTANCE TOWARDS THE MISTREATMENT OF CHILDREN IN OUR SOCIETY.

Children are a heritage from the Lord, offspring a reward from Him. Like arrows in the hands of a warrior are children born in one's youth. Blessed is the man whose quiver is full of them.
- Psalm 127:3-5a

We have allowed children to be the victims of traffickers. They should be treasured members of our society, but increasingly they are viewed as merely inconvenient. The evidence of this attitude is revealed in several areas:

ABORTION

In the United States, nearly 1.2 million women have an abortion every year.⁽¹⁾ In Mexico, studies estimate 880 thousand abortions are carried out every year.

FOSTER KIDS & ORPHANS

On any given day, there are 400 thousand children displaced from their homes. A significant number will age out of the system without ever being placed with a family, increasing their odds for poor health, homelessness, unemployment, incarceration, and other negative outcomes.⁽²⁾

In Mexico, where there is no foster care system, 2 million orphans are available prey for traffickers and cartels.⁽³⁾

ON THE STREETS

Although the numbers are harder to pinpoint, the National Runaway Switchboard estimates there are between 1.3 and 2.8 million runaways and homeless youth in the US. Over 70% of these young people are at significant risk of physical and sexual abuse. Most of them will be approached by a trafficker within 48 hours of being on the street.⁽⁴⁾

In Mexico City alone, there are approximately 1.9 million children and teenagers are underprivileged or living on the streets as a result of abuse, violence and abandonment. Because of their precarious living standards, many will try on their own to find new opportunities, usually attempting to get to the United States, making them very vulnerable to

“coyotes,” or smugglers and traffickers. Unfortunately, an average of 8 children are killed daily in Mexico.⁽⁵⁾

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PERSONAL REPENTANCE

Lord, forgive if I have seen children as a bother or a hindrance to my own plans and desires. I repent if I have been too focused on my own world to notice the hurting kids around me.

CORPORATE REPENTANCE

The Church has been slow to engage this issue in a practical way, often finding it easier to send money to feed and rescue the rest of the world’s children rather than making the necessary sacrifices to rescue our own. The growing movement for adoption has often focused on babies, resulting in many older children growing up without families.

Lord, forgive us for not protecting the most vulnerable among us, our own children, to whatever degree. We repent for not revealing the Father’s heart to them.

INTERCESSION

- *God, we ask You to uproot the selfishness in our hearts that causes us to not see the enormous value of the next generation.*
- *We pray You would help us to not miss out on the opportunity just because it is inconvenient to be Your hands and feet to children who desperately need to know You.*
- *Help Your body to actively make a place for those who need a family. Open our eyes to see that children truly are a blessing from You.*
- *We pray that You would expose the mistreatment and abandonment of children in our nations. Raise up men and women willing to be counselors and adoptive parents, who see the importance of healing this wound.*

TAKE ACTION

1. Prayerfully consider adoption or foster parenting; if you’re not in a position to do this, contribute financially to someone who is in the adoption process.
2. Put your local school district in contact with **Traffick911** and encourage them to have the prevention training, called “Traps of a Trafficker,” presented to students.

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SEXUAL ABUSE IN THE HOME



**TODAY WE WILL FOCUS OUR PRAYER AND REPENTANCE
ON THE SEXUAL ABUSE OF CHILDREN IN OUR NATIONS.**

Instead of your shame there shall be a double portion; instead of dishonor they shall rejoice in their lot; therefore in their land they shall possess a double portion; they shall have everlasting joy. - Isaiah 61:7

Domestic sexual abuse greatly contributes to human trafficking. Through desensitizing its victims to the lowest sexual expression, these emotionally damaged individuals are more prone to being lured into the sex industry by coercion, manipulation, or traffickers posing as prospective “boyfriends” who fulfill the desperate desire to be loved and accepted.

Here are some shocking statistics regarding sexual abuse in the home:

- 1 in 4 girls and 1 in 6 boys in the United States have been sexually abused. Over 90% of these children are abused by someone they know and trust.⁽¹⁾
- Almost all of these victims will suffer some psychological or emotional problems (depression, nightmares, insomnia, shame, self-esteem issues, etc.).
- Recent studies have shown that as many as 80% of homosexual men were sexually abused.⁽²⁾

Unfortunately, the problem is much more difficult to diagnose in Mexico. As is the case in many poorer countries, virtually no studies or concrete information on child sexual abuse exist. The increasing rates of homeless and/or runaway children and of teenage pregnancies at younger and younger ages is a strong indicator that the problem is more widespread than anyone realizes.⁽³⁾

PREVENTING ABUSE

To end trafficking, the widespread problem of sexual abuse must be challenged. Prevention can be obtained by understanding the risks to which children are prone. Be careful whom you allow your children to spend time with, even if that person is a family member or friend. Also, monitor your children’s involvement with the internet, as well as content and web sites that are viewed.

An estimated one in five children are sexually solicited via the internet.⁽⁴⁾

It's also important to look for signs of sexual abuse that children may display. This includes extremely emotional behavior (anger, depression, etc.), inappropriate touching of other children, physical marks such as bruises and cuts, **and others signs**.

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PERSONAL REPENTANCE

Father, forgive me if I have not paid attention to the needs of the children in my society, particularly those who have been abused in any form. I ask that You would open my eyes to see the signs of abuse that may be taking place around me.

CORPORATE REPENTANCE

Father God, we stand in the gap on behalf of our nation and repent for the abuse, mistreatment, neglect, and dehumanization of our children. By understanding that sexual abuse aids trafficking, we repent for allowing it to occur.

INTERCESSION

- *Father God, rebuild the family unit in America and Mexico. Return the family to its original purpose and destiny as it was designed by God. Restore in families reverence and awesome respect for God.*
- *Restore innocence and sexual identity to those children who have been abused by friends and family members, those they trusted the most and looked to for protection and safety. Heal their deep wounds of betrayal and abuse.*
- *Expose sexual abuse in homes – alerting a caring family member, school teacher, doctor, friend, or church leader. Rescue these young vulnerable ones who are being abused; deliver these powerless ones from the hands of their perpetrators and a life of fear and torment.*
- *We cry out also for the sexual abusers, especially ones who may have been abused as children themselves. Bring conviction to these perpetrators. Give them courage to step forward in truth, to seek help and to find salvation, healing, and restoration in their lives. Where appropriate, we pray for relationships to be restored.*
- *In agreement today, we decree in Jesus' name that the cycle of sexual abuse in the home is broken, not only in our generation, but in the generation to come.*

TAKE ACTION

1. If you know of children who may be suffering sexual abuse, do all you can to get them help. If enough evidence is obtained, involve your local law enforcement.
2. Please [click here](#) to see a list of signs to look for in children who are involved with the sex trade.
3. If you are passionate about the physical, emotional, and mental restoration of children who have been abused and/or trafficked, learn how you can become involved in the restoration process by visiting the web site of [Unlikely Heroes](#).

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FATHERLESSNESS: A VULNERABLE GENERATION



TODAY WE WILL FOCUS OUR PRAYER AND REPENTANCE ON THE ISSUE OF FATHERLESSNESS.

The fatherless child is snatched from the breast; the infant of the poor is seized for a debt (and sold). - Job 24:9

Federal statistics show alarming long-term growth in the proportion of children living in fatherless households. The proportion of children under 18 years living with only their mothers as a result of divorce or lack of marriage has risen continuously since 1970.⁽¹⁾ Some 40% of the nation's children and 60% of African-American children live in homes without their fathers.⁽²⁾

And that's not all. 90% of all homeless and runaway children are from fatherless homes.⁽³⁾ This is of enormous significance to the topic of human trafficking, as 1 in 3 children will be forced into prostitution within only 48 hours of being on the street. This factors heavily into the sad reality that the average age children enter prostitution in the US is 13 years old.⁽⁴⁾

ANOTHER ANGLE

On the surface, family life in Mexico looks more stable. The divorce rate is relatively low – 11.3% as of 2004. The percentage of households without a father is 23.1% – nearly half that of the US.⁽⁵⁾

However, close to half of the births that take place happen out of wedlock. And there are at least 2 million orphans in the entire country. Above all, the statistics do not reflect the large number of families whose fathers are not present, even if temporarily, to seek work out of the country, leaving their children to grow up without their guidance.

FATHERLESSNESS IN TRAFFICKING

Fatherlessness in the United States and Mexico feeds the trafficking pipeline of supply by creating vulnerable and available children. It creates at-risk children looking to fill a void, and conversely, odds are high that someone who sexually exploits in anger was fatherless as well.

In addition to this, a primary way for pimps to lure their victims and keep them is to present some kind of “family” unit and structure. It is not uncommon for female victims to call their pimps “daddy” and refer to other victims who work for their pimp as “family.”

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PERSONAL REPENTANCE

Father God, I ask forgiveness for any way that I have neglected children by putting other pursuits and interests before them and by failing to disciple and protect them. I ask forgiveness for turning a blind eye to those fatherless children in my neighborhood and church who You have called me to come alongside.

CORPORATE REPENTANCE

We stand in the gap for fathers in our two nations and ask forgiveness for those who have been emotionally or physically absent from their children. O Lord, teach us to do what is right, to seek justice, relieve the oppressed, and correct and reprove the ruthless. Forgive us for not defending the fatherless, and fighting for the rights of the widow (Isaiah 1:17).

INTERCESSION

- *Lord, we recognize that those without the love of an earthly father are more vulnerable to being snatched up into sex trafficking. We ask You to “Defend the cause of the weak and fatherless; do justice for the poor and oppressed. Rescue the weak and needy; deliver them from the hand of the wicked (Psalm 82:3, 4).”*
- *Today we ask You to prompt and to equip the men in Your Church to step in and become father figures and mentors to those with absentee or disengaged fathers.*
- *We pray also for the healing of strained and broken relationships between children and their fathers, that old wounds affecting current healthy relationships would be healed.*
- *Lord, we recognize that those without fathers often have no blueprint for becoming a good parent themselves. We pray for healing and restoration of those without fathers, so the cycle of fatherlessness is broken, and the children in our two nations would be protected and loved rather than be exploited through evils such as sex trafficking.*

TAKE ACTION

1. One of the greatest ways to combat fatherlessness is to become a legal parent to a child whose mother and father are out of the picture. If you are interested in adopting a child, **contact a local adoption agency.**
2. Become a mentor to a fatherless child or youth who is in need of godly guidance, wisdom, and relationship.

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RESTORING THE BROKEN FAMILY

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**TODAY WE WILL FOCUS OUR PRAYER AND REPENTANCE
ON RESTORING THE BROKEN FAMILY UNIT.**

All the ends of the world shall remember and turn to the Lord, and all the families of the nations shall worship before You... A posterity shall serve Him. It will be recounted of the Lord to the next generation. They will come and declare His righteousness to a people who will be born, that He has done this. - Psalm 22:27, 30-31

A GROWING CRISIS

The number of single parent households is rapidly increasing. The factors that are contributing to this crisis include:

- Welfare availability
- A growing normality of single motherhood
- Childbearing outside of marriage
- Higher divorce rates

DISTURBING RESULTS

The connection between social pathologies and family instability in the US and Mexico is so strong, that many researchers conclude the likelihood of a child's participation in crime is most heavily determined by the extent of parental involvement in their lives, rather than race or income.⁽¹⁾

Most trafficked youth have a history of abandonment, abuse, and neglect. One study revealed that 64% of prostituted girls had one or both parents who were addicted to drugs and alcohol.⁽²⁾

GOD'S PERFECT DESIGN

God established the family unit as the foundation of society before any other area of cultural influence. Following His intended design brings blessing, whereas choosing not to follow His ways brings a curse (Deuteronomy 28). When the family breaks down, it not only affects individuals, but ultimately nations as well.

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PERSONAL REPENTANCE

Lord, forgive me if I have mirrored the sins of my culture through breaking marriage covenants, dishonoring my spouse, neglecting my children, and/or putting the god of materialism above You.

CORPORATE REPENTANCE

Father, we repent for breaking Your commandments regarding how to conduct marriage and family in ways that release Your blessings upon us, our children, and all of society. Forgive us for neglecting to disciple the next generation regarding holy relationships, marriage, and family.

INTERCESSION

- *God of creation, we call out to You for the healing and restoration of our families to Your original design. May husbands and wives honor one another and children experience a safe and loving environment.*
- *Give parents wisdom for a redirection of priorities, first a turning to You in repentance, then refocusing on the health and wellbeing of family members and relationships.*
- *Heavenly Father, we pray that pastors would teach on the biblical model and role of parents and the family.*
- *We ask that You would awaken fathers and mothers to the need to pray with and for their families consistently, intentionally, and fervently – that You would restore the family altar in homes across our nation.*

TAKE ACTION

1. Establish a consistent time for family prayer in your home. We encourage you to **buy a copy of Prayer Saturated Kids**, written by Cheryl Sacks, co-founder of **BridgeBuilders International** that will help you in praying with and for your children.
2. Invite a single parent and their child/children to regularly take part in your family's activities. Become an extended family and support system to them.
3. Make time with your children a priority – plan family fun nights, one-on-one “date” nights, etc.

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UNHEALTHY PERSPECTIVES OF WOMEN AND SEX

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**TODAY WE WILL FOCUS OUR PRAYER AND REPENTANCE ON
OUR UNHEALTHY PERSPECTIVES OF WOMEN AND SEXUALITY.**

And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect.
- Romans 12:2

Just as culture molds our social behavior, values, and unique outlook on life, it also shapes our views on sex and women.

IN THE UNITED STATES

In the US, where we are constantly saturated with sexual innuendo, images, movies, and TV shows, the majority of the population's perspective of women and sex is warped. Men idolize the body of a woman, elevated on the impossible pedestals of Hollywood standards. Men have perverted sex by selfishness and pleasure-seeking. Women have fueled this by exploiting the manipulative power of their bodies.

IN MEXICO

Mexican culture has some specific terms and values that define gender roles, perceptions, and attitudes. *Machismo* "values strong and dominant men and justifies identifying women as property and violence against women in various forms."⁽¹⁾ The presence of this value unfortunately results in a tolerance of the existing sexual labor force. Women's roles are further defined by *marianismo*, "the expectation that women present as wholesome and must comply with the needs of their family, particularly the male members."⁽²⁾ An overarching principle is *respeto*, a core value of respect, which complicates matters because a woman in an abusive situation "would likely fear the consequences of speaking out against an elder, relative, or man because it could be deemed disrespectful."⁽³⁾ In the process of striving to fulfill these roles, many women throughout Latin cultures become silent sufferers of violence.

IN THE CHURCH

In the Body of Christ, sexual immorality, due to these negative social perspectives, is rampant. We cannot afford to mix Kingdom culture with worldly culture! Sex, when not respected, will be perverted. This adds fuel to the human trafficking fire because men not only lack self control of their sexual appetites but are also culturally taught to devalue the sacredness of sex and the humanity of women.

We must renew the minds of our nations and shatter all perverted cultural paradigms by deciding that we will no longer stand for the objectifying of women and devaluing of sex.

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PERSONAL REPENTANCE

Lord, forgive me if I have not had the right perception of sex and people as You intended. I repent if I have entertained ungodly cultural perceptions that are found in my nation.

CORPORATE REPENTANCE

Father God, we stand in the gap on behalf of our nations and ask forgiveness for perverting sexuality and objectifying women. Have mercy on our nations as we repent for creating and exporting movies, TV shows, and music that teach our citizens to not follow your standards. Forgive us as your Church for submitting to these negative cultural forms instead of standing up for what is moral and pure.

INTERCESSION

- *Holy God, we call out to You to bring a cultural revolution of purity and a restoration of godly sexuality and marriage as You created them.*
- *Bring a spiritual transformation to movies and entertainment in our nations, changing the portrayal of women as sex objects to one of dignity and respect.*
- *We pray for cultural views that devalue women and girls to be transformed into biblical views (Gen. 1:26-31).*
- *We pray for a counter-cultural movement opposing the normalization of homosexuality, pimping, pornography, and prostitution.*
- *We pray for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit in our two nations, with a river of righteousness, holiness, and purity.*

TAKE ACTION

1. Evaluate the standards in your life. Do they contribute to the objectifying of women and devaluing of sex? Define your standards and values. Make yourself accountable to a fellow believer.
2. Speak into the lives of younger people who look up to you. Teach them the woman-empowering and man-purifying standards that God has created for sex.
3. Teach your children the value of sexuality as God intended it. Focus On The Family has [great resources that will aid you in this](#).

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PORNOGRAPHY: THE NAKED TRUTH

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**TODAY WE WILL FOCUS OUR PRAYER AND REPENTANCE
ON THE ISSUE OF PORNOGRAPHY.**

Flee from sexual immorality. Every other sin a person commits is outside the body, but the sexually immoral person sins against his own body. Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body. - 1 Corinthians 6:18-20

Excessive pornography use in US and Mexican cultures is, unfortunately, considered common. However, pornography possesses incredibly destructive qualities that make it a threat to a moral society. These include:

ADDICTION

Porn causes the brain to chemically rewire itself, accommodating the overflow of chemicals and leaving the user addicted, like any narcotic.⁽¹⁾ However, the difference between sexual addiction and narcotic addiction is that sexual addiction causes the user to want **different** instead more.

NEGATIVE EFFECTS ON MARRIAGE

The use of pornography in marriage increases the infidelity rate up to 300%, and causes an incalculable amount of emotional damage to the user's spouse.⁽²⁾

FUELING HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Often times victims of human trafficking are forced to be in pornography, making the consumer just as guilty as the one who actually has sex with the victim (Matthew 5:28). Addiction can also lead to action, and a user who is bored with porn will ultimately look for sex he can pay for rather than sex on a computer screen.⁽³⁾

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PERSONAL REPENTANCE

Pornography use in the Church is shockingly high. 50% of pastors⁽⁴⁾ and about 70% of men in the Church⁽⁵⁾ are viewing it regularly. In order to stop sex trafficking, we must first repent for our consumption of pornography, which ultimately fuels trafficking.

Father, I ask forgiveness if I have consumed pornography. Forgive me if I have not possessed a spirit of self-control and purity. Change my heart and renew my mind now to Yours in this matter.

CORPORATE REPENTANCE

Father God, we stand in the gap for our nation and repent on behalf of those involved in pornography use. Forgive us for allowing such perversion to be rampant within our borders, which leads to the degradation of human beings who are bought and sold for sexual slavery. Hear our cry, and heal our land!

INTERCESSION

- *Lord, I ask that You would bring down the idolization and obsession with pornography in the US and Mexico.*
- *Cleanse the heart of my land by exposing those who are producing pornography using trafficked victims.*
- *I pray that You would convict those in the Body of Christ who are using pornography, and that You would set them free so they can live in righteousness and purity.*

TAKE ACTION

1. Get accountability by signing up for and downloading accountability software from sources such as **X3Watch** or **Covenant Eyes** on your computer or smartphone.
2. Visit **justicespeaks.org** to learn more about how porn contributes to sex trafficking.
3. Inform your children about the dangers of pornography and teach them the importance of sexual purity. A great resource that parents can use is Josh McDowell's book, **Just 1 Click Away**.

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PRAYER GUIDE – DAY 08

THE SLEEPING CHURCH

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FREEDOM

TODAY WE WILL FOCUS OUR PRAYER AND REPENTANCE ON THE ISSUE OF INDIFFERENCE IN THE BODY OF CHRIST TOWARDS INJUSTICE.

Therefore He says, Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall shine (make day dawn) upon you and give you light. – Ephesians 5:14

In the United States alone, it is estimated that there are 2.5 million slaves⁽¹⁾; the US is also the second highest destination area in the world for trafficked women.⁽²⁾ Mexico is one of the largest source countries in the world; countless numbers of the victims trafficked in the to US are originally from there.⁽³⁾

Statistics like these make it hard to deny that the church needs to better engage to bring an end to human trafficking. The reasons for disengagement are many and varied, but are perhaps best summed up in these two reasons:

1. AN INWARD FOCUS

An inward focus on the cares of this life causes some believers to concentrate only on what's necessary to survive the rat race. The parable of the Good Samaritan from Luke 10 (vs. 25-37) provides some insight, as believers can neglect to help those in their own backyard. For some, it's easier to let someone else fix this messy problem, while others may determine they have a higher calling. As a church, we must remember to “stop for the one” that's right in front of us.

2. FOR SOME SAINTS, WEARIINESS HAS SET IN.

For some saints, weariness has set in. There are those who have been hard at work doing good for a long time with little result. (Gal. 6:9) Also, the scope of large-scale injustice like human trafficking can seem insurmountable to solve, so some do nothing at all. (Hab. 1:4)

OUR RESPONSIBILITY

The church must realize that God is moving to restore His kingdom. Since righteousness and justice are the foundation of His throne (Ps. 89:14), it follows that for a greater dimension of His kingdom to manifest on earth, the Church must actively fight injustice.

Isaiah 38 records the story of King Hezekiah, who when ill, cried out to the Lord and was granted 15 more years to live. God hasn't given up on our nations, and even if He had, there are times when you can get more sand in the hourglass if only you ask (v. 8).

We cannot succumb to the thinking that it is too late for America, or that the issue of trafficking is too large to solve. We must call on the Lord to heal our land, and do our part to carry out His work of justice to completion.

To read the USPRN article on this issue, please [click here](#).

PERSONAL REPENTANCE

Father God, forgive me for my indifference towards those entrapped by human trafficking. I repent for not being awake and alert to the injustice that is going on around me.

CORPORATE REPENTANCE

Forgive Your Church, Lord, for turning a blind eye to the women and children who are caught in this dark place of depravity right in our own backyard. Instead of calling out to You day and night in prayer, asking for strategies to deliver these victims, we have become too paralyzed to bring about any change. Forgive us for our apathy, unbelief, and unwillingness to engage in abolishing the atrocity of this modern day slavery.

INTERCESSION

- *Lord, we ask You to awaken us and all of Your Church to the horrific issues of sex trafficking. Even as Your heart is broken over this injustice, may our hearts be broken, too. Today with thousands of Christians from two nations, we pray that the Church would arise from her complacency and boldly lead the way in the fight for freedom from sex slavery.*
- *We pray for an awakening of conviction upon the Church regarding this issue, a movement that would gain Holy Spirit-breathed momentum in our two nations to end this horrific plague. We pray that the Church would give liberally and lavishly of her time, talents, and resources, forming a coalition with individual churches and organizations to rescue victims and fight for an end to sex trafficking.*
- *We acknowledge the Gospel message holds the power to change hearts and, as a result, change culture. We pray, therefore, that the message of Jesus Christ would sweep our two nations, transforming hearts, delivering captives, and bringing people to abundant life.*

TAKE ACTION

1. Drink coffee! Really! Through **Project Zoe** of **Rescue Her** you can order amazing coffee and know that the proceeds are going towards safe homes for rescued trafficking victims as well as other organizations daily involved in fighting this atrocity.

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UNBRIDLED APPETITES

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FREEDOM

TODAY WE WILL FOCUS OUR PRAYER AND REPENTANCE ON THE ISSUE OF UNBRIDLED APPETITES IN THE UNITED STATES AND MEXICO.

Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—is not of the Father but is of the world. And the world is passing away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of God abides forever. - 1 John 2:15-17

We live in what can quite accurately be described as a consumer culture. We want what we want, and we want it now. Discipline and moderation increasingly become foreign concepts, as we see no need to curb or check our appetites. We do not know how to tell ourselves “no.”

The harsh reality is that ***the problem of human trafficking would not exist if there was not a demand***. Women and children would not suffer these atrocities if there were not people willing to pay for it. Globally, human trafficking generates approximately \$32 billion in profits every year. It is the fastest growing enterprise of organized crime. What these figures translate into is that for every woman or child rescued, there will always be more forced to take their places because enough people have an insatiable appetite for any type of sexual activity (porn included) to make it a thriving business for the traffickers.

CONTROLLING OUR APPETITES

If we truly want to see an end to trafficking, it will begin with a restoration of purity and discipline in the body of Christ in the United States and Mexico. It will begin with a willingness to recognize that when we do not rein in our unhealthy appetites, we create an atmosphere where bondage and ultimately death are given permission to flourish (James 1:13-15).

Women and children will be safe from the horrors of trafficking when their worth is deemed to be more valuable than the satisfaction of fleshly desires.

To read the full USRPN article on this issue, please [click here](#).

PERSONAL REPENTANCE

Father, I repent personally if I have any unbridled appetites. Forgive me for not possessing the spirit of self-control when it comes to the feeding of my cravings (food, spending, shopping, sexual addictions, etc.).

CORPORATE REPENTANCE

Father God, we now stand in the gap on behalf of our nations and repent for the sins of lust, promiscuity, and pornography that have opened the door to all forms of sexual perversion in our two nations, unleashing the horrific physical, spiritual, and emotional violence that permeates the sex trade. Forgive us, God, for the sin of greed, which is allowing businesses to profit from the misery of those trafficked and sold into slavery. Forgive us for our complacency in prayer. Forgive us that we have not cried out to You to rid our land of this evil. We repent for supporting the Transnational Criminal Organizations and their criminal activities by spending billions of dollars on trafficked girls and boys, destroying the innocent for illicit and lustful gain.

INTERCESSION

- *Lord, re-establish Your truth and standard of sexual purity in our nations. Bring Your deliverance to those lost in sexual addiction. Help us return to Your Word and Your purpose for our lives and those of future generations.*
- *Father of Light, expose the serious atrocities of the epidemics of sex trafficking, prostitution use, promiscuity, and addiction to pornography throughout Mexico and the US.*
- *Stir our national leadership to respond with immediate and godly solutions to these serious problems in our schools, entertainment, advertising, and society that lead to sexual bondage.*

TAKE ACTION

1. **Exodus Cry**, the ministry that released the award-winning documentary Nefarious, is currently working on the second video in its trilogy that exposes the depths of human trafficking on a global scale. This second video will focus on our sexualized culture, full of unbridled appetites that fuel trafficking. To get involved with or donate to Exodus Cry, please [click here](#).
2. Invest in the next generation by mentoring them one on one and encouraging their commitment to purity. Read about **Unearthed**, an organization with a desire to stop sexual exploitation by raising up a pure and whole generation, [here](#).

POVERTY

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FREEDOM

TODAY WE WILL FOCUS OUR PRAYER AND REPENTANCE TOWARDS THE CRISIS OF POVERTY THAT MAKES PEOPLE VULNERABLE TO EXPLOITATION.

*Do not exploit the poor because they are poor, and do not exploit the needy in court.
- Proverbs 22:22*

Poverty creates the perfect storm for traffickers to find easy prey and for impoverished individuals to grasp at any thread of hope, no matter how fragile.

In the United States, this can be hard to understand because even our impoverished are often better off than the average international family. And when it comes to domestic trafficking, family dysfunction and abuse are far more common stateside catalysts.

ACROSS THE BORDER

In Mexico, an estimated 60 million people (46.2%) live below the poverty line.⁽¹⁾ These tough economic conditions cause migration for employment to be a necessity. This, in turn, increases the vulnerability of the population to the lures and lies of traffickers.

The cycle often looks like this:

- A trafficker approaches an impoverished family, offering one of them a job and/or passage to the US, all expenses covered.
- Desperate to feed their families, a family member will agree to leave his or her home.
- Upon arrival, they are told they have to work off the cost of their trip. They are threatened with deportation, harm to their families, etc. Traffickers confiscate paperwork (i.e. passports, travel cards, and documents) and keep the individual in isolation. Money earned rarely makes it into the hands of the victim.

Variations of this cycle are continuously being discovered, not only in Mexico, but around the globe. This indicates that a critical component required to end human trafficking is addressing the issue of poverty.

To see the USRPN article on this subject, please [click here](#).

PERSONAL REPENTANCE

Father, forgive me when I have failed to be generous to those in need around me. Forgive me, for everything that I have comes from You and is intended to be used for Your Glory.

CORPORATE REPENTANCE

Forgive us, Your Church, for not being compassionate toward those in our midst who need food, clothing, and medical care. Forgive us for our lack of prayer and lack of focused attention on finding solutions for eradicating poverty in both Mexico and the USA. We ask forgiveness for all the ways our two nations have opened the door to the curse of poverty by enacting unrighteous laws, worshipping other gods, and dishonoring You with our words and actions. Have mercy, Lord, forgive our sin, and heal our land.

INTERCESSION

- *Heavenly Father, we ask You to impassion and equip Your Church to meet the needs of the poor and vulnerable by providing food, clothing, shelter, education, and medical care.*
- *Empower Your Church to create employment opportunities for victims and survivors of sex trafficking, that they would not be tempted to return to their previous life out of desperation.*
- *Holy Spirit, speak to Church leaders about ways they can offer biblical and practical training to help the impoverished break free of financial difficulties and become stable stewards of Your blessings.*
- *Reveal strategic solutions for problems in our education systems, so more of our populations will be equipped to find fulfilling careers and to adequately care for their families.*
- *God, raise up Christians as tutors and mentors who will come alongside young people who are struggling or thinking of dropping out of school.*
- *Father, impart wisdom to our government leaders to enact legislation that helps break the poverty cycle, and empowering our nations to prosper.*
- *Pour out Your Spirit upon our two nations, drawing people to Jesus Christ and the principles of the Bible, which leads to abundant life.*

TAKE ACTION

1. Work diligently to get yourself and your family out of debt, breaking the cycle of the debtor being a slave to the lender. One well-recognized resource is Dave Ramsey's **Financial Peace University**.
2. Get involved in helping the poor in your immediate community. Find a food pantry you can donate to or volunteer at. Participate in a back-to-school drive that helps struggling families get the needed supplies for their children.
3. Commitment to purity. Read about Uearthed, an organization with a desire to stop sexual exploitation by raising up a pure and whole generation, [here](#).

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THE NEED FOR LOCAL INVOLVEMENT

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FREEDOM

TODAY WE WILL FOCUS OUR PRAYER AND REPENTANCE ON THE NEED TO BE LOCALLY INVOLVED REGARDING HUMAN TRAFFICKING.

There is nothing concealed that will not be disclosed, or hidden that will not be known.
- Matthew 10:26

WHAT IF WE WERE ALL PAYING ATTENTION?

The global sex trafficking problem is based on the reality that sex slaves are treated as *chattel*—movable goods or livestock with economic value to their owners. The cash flow generated internationally has a local profit motive along the pipeline. Someone secures the sex slaves; someone gets paid for transporting them; and someone gets their cut networking service outlets until the victims are delivered at the local level. If the local providers were stopped, the buyers would not be able to victimize.

EYES AND EARS

What if we were all eyes and ears to stop trafficking on the local level?

Here are some common locations local providers and traffickers use for their discreet business:

1. Hotels
2. Truck stops
3. Gas Stations
4. Massage Parlors/Strip Parlors
5. Local Houses/Rental Houses
6. Bars/Restaurants
7. Nail Salons

NEIGHBORHOOD AND LOCAL WATCHES

Local activism and awareness training are essential to stopping human trafficking. We encourage you to receive some form of training from a local anti-trafficking organization or educate yourself on trafficking in your state. Please [click here](#) to see more from the Polaris Project, where you can browse through information specially tailored to your home state.

To read the full USRPN article on this issue, please [click here](#).

PERSONAL REPENTANCE

Father, I repent if I have not been involved on behalf of those who are victims of trafficking. Forgive me for being apathetic and for not desiring to be eyes and ears that will see, hear, and report trafficking activity.

CORPORATE REPENTANCE

Father, we stand on behalf of our nation, repenting for aiding human trafficking by not being aware or active. Forgive us for allowing trafficking to continue while being apathetic to its injustice. We repent for not being involved in our communities and neighborhoods and for not preventing human trafficking from occurring.

INTERCESSION

- *Father, we ask for the hearts and minds of community leaders to be made receptive to addressing local manifestations of the trafficking industry.*
- *Father of Light, reveal and expose every place in my community, state, and nation where human trafficking has a foothold. Uncover and make public the whereabouts of these places where trafficking rings operate.*
- *Call Your Church to take their place as watchmen on the walls of their communities, being alert to and reporting suspicious activity that would lead to the arrest and conviction of trafficking perpetrators and ring leaders.*

TAKE ACTION

1. As we just prayed, not only do we need to be watchmen in prayer, but also watchmen in our neighborhoods and communities. Be encouraged to **become a neighborhood watch volunteer**.
2. To educate your community about domestic minor sex trafficking, become an **Ambassador for Change** through **StreetLight USA** and be part of identifying opportunities.
3. Join your local Chamber of Commerce and encourage them to stand against local businesses supporting trafficking and adult services.
4. Speak out against trafficking in your local paper. Write truthfully and gracefully, and you will write well.
5. Partner with ministries and groups bringing education to ethnic groups, including conversational (ESL) English courses.

TECHNOLOGY, SOCIAL MEDIA, AND THE INTERNET



TODAY WE WILL FOCUS OUR PRAYER AND REPENTANCE ON THE PERVERTED MISUSE OF TECHNOLOGY, SOCIAL MEDIA, AND THE INTERNET.

They promise them freedom, while they themselves are slaves of depravity... – 2 Peter 2:19

There are many technological methods used by human traffickers to recruit their victims and effectively advertise to their consumers. Here are a few:

- **Social Media:** Traffickers often solicit young girls on social media sites by posing as prospective boyfriends, spamming a large number of girls' inboxes with flattering messages or job offers, and taking advantage of adolescents during their formative years.
- **Online Job Offers:** Victims are often offered a job (modeling opportunities, waitressing, dancing gigs, etc.) from an unknown online source and are lured in with false hopes for a better life.
- **Cell Phones:** Oftentimes perpetrators will use prepaid cell phones to make calls and conduct business. Prepaid phone providers do not require any identification to purchase a phone, allowing traffickers to network without any trace of their identity.
- **Internet Sites:** Pornographic websites are widely used by traffickers; many times pornographic movies are made by using their victims in scenes. Traffickers will also feature a paid, live webcast of their victims performing sex acts in order bring in more revenue.

Sites featuring local classified ads, such as Craigslist.org, have also been under scrutiny for facilitating the business of traffickers who post their victims in the 'adult services' section. In addition to this, classified online ads and websites featuring dating opportunities, nannies, maids, massage services, and mail-order brides can be the marketing technique of trafficking networks.

Although traffickers use the internet for their own business gains, and we should be aware of the dangers it possesses, law enforcement is also effectively utilizing technology to catch the perpetrators.

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PERSONAL REPENTANCE

Father God, in Jesus' Name, forgive me personally if I have spent more time seeking personal satisfaction, comfort, and attachment through technology, social media, and the internet rather than looking to You for authentic relationship, companionship, and comfort.

CORPORATE REPENTANCE

Today, we stand in the gap for parents in our two nations who are distracted and neglecting their responsibility to watch over the time and the content with which children are engaging on the Internet. Forgive us all for leaving a generation of children unguarded to those who would seek to bring them harm.

INTERCESSION

- *Mighty God, protect our children and young people from falling into the trap of predators seeking to enslave them in the sex trade through technology, social media, and the internet.*
- *Father, give wisdom, discernment, and information to young people about the traps and snares of false promises of dating relationships, jobs, and other online offers that would lead them into the sex trade.*
- *Heavenly Father, convict and deliver those who use internet pornography, turning their hearts to You for peace and satisfaction.*
- *We ask You, God, to give tips, leads, and successful technological strategies to law enforcement agencies to identify, arrest, and convict sex trafficker and put an end to sex trafficking organizations from using social media, and the internet.*
- *Father God, convict the owners of classified websites to screen and qualify all ads to prevent sexual exploitation and predators. We pray for strict laws to be enacted, preventing the use of social media for sex trafficking and related activities.*

TAKE ACTION

1. If you are either solicited by a trafficker, are a victim of human trafficking, or suspect trafficking activity, call the **Polaris Project** human trafficking hotline at 1-888-373-7888. You can also text INFO or HELP to BeFree (233733).
2. Inform others about the technological methods used by traffickers in order to prevent trafficking from occurring and to protect the lives of the young and innocent.

PRAYER GUIDE – DAY 13

THE NEED FOR RESOURCES

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FREEDOM

TODAY WE WILL FOCUS OUR PRAYER AND REPENTANCE ON THE NEED FOR RESOURCES FOR FIGHTING HUMAN TRAFFICKING.

Whoever welcomes one of these little children in My Name welcomes Me, and whoever welcomes Me does not welcome Me but The One who sent Me. – Mark 9:37

One of the most unfortunate elements in domestic minor sex trafficking is the lack of resources for our children. They are shuffled around the system, often labeled as a criminal or a bad kid making bad choices, without services that provide holistic healing. Here's why:

- 1. The federal government has been largely relying on Child Protective Services** to provide services for American children victimized by this crime. The child welfare field, like many other government structures, has been unprepared to handle cases regarding human trafficking mainly because of the complex misunderstandings.⁽¹⁾ In addition, CPS will often disengage if the child becomes involved with the juvenile justice system.⁽²⁾
- 2. Private funding for safe homes and other resources has flowed to third-world countries**, leaving American children without safe homes, licensed trauma counseling, protection, and other needed services for healing. In the entire United States, it has been estimated that there are only 358 beds for American children who have been sold into sexual slavery. Only about 50 of these are faith-based.
- 3. In Mexico, there is an all-around lack of funding and attention to the needs of human trafficking victims.** There are currently only three facilities in the entire country specifically focused on providing after-care for sex trafficked minors, in spite of research by the Mexican Human Rights Department indicating between 20,000 and 50,000 women and children are trafficked each year (specifically Mexican nationals).⁽³⁾ The Mexican government seems to be counting on international humanitarian organizations to step in with solutions and resources.

With a lack of holistic healing programs and funding, judges, probation officers, CPS and other agencies, desperate for a place for these children, turn to inadequate services.

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PERSONAL REPENTANCE

Father, forgive me if I, in any way, have not paid attention to the brokenness of those who have been victimized by these horrendous crimes. I repent if I have not helped to meet and provide the restorative needs so crucial in seeing victims recover and reintegrated into society.

CORPORATE REPENTANCE

Today we acknowledge that in our two nations, our vulnerable children are caught in the middle of a broken legal system. We ask Your forgiveness that as the Church and as a nation, we have done virtually nothing to change this situation. Forgive us and our nation for ways in which we have devalued women and children and left them to fend for themselves. We acknowledge Your Word: "Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves, for the rights of all who are destitute (Proverbs 31:8)." Lord, we repent that we who are free have not spoken up for those who are not free to speak for themselves.

INTERCESSION

- *We call out to You, El Shaddai, the God who is more than enough, asking You to release abundant provision for the rescuing and restoring of victims of sex trafficking.*
- *Bring to light the ineffectiveness of the system, and make the public, government and law enforcement aware of the inadequacies.*
- *We pray that Your Church would lead the way in finding creative, godly, and effective strategies to fix the legal and governmental system that our vulnerable women and children are trapped in.*
- *Lord, raise up houses of restoration within Your Church to provide safe havens for sex trafficking victims.*
- *Lord, we recognize that the problems of sex trafficking are so complex that we can never fix the problem in the wisdom of man. We ask for Your supernatural wisdom to know how to put an end to this evil.*
- *Even as You used Abraham Lincoln to abolish slavery during the Civil War, we ask You to raise up and anoint modern day reformers to overturn the evil of human trafficking.*

TAKE ACTION

1. Give. Plain and simple. At the end of this prayer guide is a list of vetted, respected organizations on the front lines of the fight against human trafficking, and they need to be resourced. All of them need finances. Additionally many of them need supplies, furnishings for safe houses, equipment, security, etc.

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LAW ENFORCEMENT

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FREEDOM

TODAY WE WILL FOCUS OUR PRAYERS AND REPENTANCE ON LAW ENFORCEMENT PROFESSIONALS AND THE HUGE CHALLENGES THEY FACE.

Have confidence in your leaders and submit to their authority, because they keep watch over you as those who must give an account. Do this so that their work will be a joy, not a burden, for that would be of no benefit to you. – Hebrews 13:17

On any given day, law enforcement professionals in the US and Mexico face a huge range of challenges including:

- Potentially dangerous situations as they protect and serve their communities.
- Ideological extremists willing to use violence as means to achieve their end.
- Daily exposure to human indecency and pain.
- A suspicious and sometimes hostile public.
- General lack of funding and resources to carry out the expectations placed upon them.

ADDING THE ISSUE OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING

The rampant rise of human trafficking has resulted in its own set of additional challenges. Personnel lack training for identifying victims and techniques for investigating traffickers. There is a lack of standardized guidelines for handling cases and emergency protocol for dealing with rescued victims.

Strong laws do exist in many of our cities, states, and nations, but there is often a gap between the laws on the books and the ability of law enforcement agencies to use these laws to build strong cases.

Law enforcement agencies cannot be expected to shoulder the burden this fight alone. They need the support and partnership of average citizens in prayer and action.

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PERSONAL REPENTANCE

Father, I repent if there have been times I have spoken or thought negatively of the law enforcement profession. Forgive me for taking for granted the risks they face daily to protect my community.

CORPORATE REPENTANCE

God, forgive Your Church for not lifting up our law enforcement professionals in prayer with more frequency. Forgive us for not seeing them as partners in our visions for our communities. Forgive us for leaving them to carry the burden of lawlessness alone and not speaking up when we see or suspect criminal activity taking place.

INTERCESSION

- *Father, release strategy and wisdom for protocol in how to handle victims when rescued and how to prosecute those who enslave them. We pray that law enforcement and Christian organizations would work together effectively to provide immediate and long-term assistance for those rescued.*
- *God, help local, state, and federal levels of law enforcement improve interagency coordination and communication. Bring about collaboration and information sharing between the governmental agencies of Mexico and the USA, resulting in more arrests and convictions of leaders of sex trafficking organizations.*
- *We pray for successful media campaigns which will educate the public and professionals in how to identify sex trafficking victims and how to report suspicious activity to the police.*
- *Grant police agencies adequate training, resources, and manpower to successfully investigate sex trafficking crimes, rescue victims, make arrests, and build cases against perpetrators.*
- *Protect our law enforcement officers and their families from harm. Encourage them, and let them know that there are thousands of Christians praying for their safety and success.*

TAKE ACTION

1. Contact the non-emergency number of your local police department and find out the procedure for reporting suspicious activity. Then be alert in your community.
2. If you know of or suspect trafficking, you can report it **here** through Polaris Project, who will in turn feed the information to appropriate law enforcement agencies.

THE USE OF SEX, POWER, AND CONTROL

**21
FREEDOM**

**TODAY WE WILL FOCUS OUR PRAYER AND REPENTANCE ON THE
MANIPULATIVE USE OF FORCE AND CONTROL BEHIND SEX TRAFFICKING.**

What leads to strife (discord and feuds) and how do conflicts (quarrels and fighting) originate among you? Do they not arise from your sensual desires that are ever warring in your bodily members? You are jealous and cover (what others have) and your desires go unfulfilled... You burn with envy and anger and are not able to obtain (the gratification, the contentment, and the happiness that you seek), so you fight and war... – James 4:1-2

DEHUMANIZATION

Individuals who buy sex reveal that they have the ability to de-humanize and commodify their victims. Here are some of their attributes:

1. An anger outlet – they beat and abuse their victims.
2. They view their victims as a public convenience or amenity, like going to a restaurant to dine.⁽¹⁾
3. They seek an outlet for the lowest level of perversion (pedophilia, pornography scene reenactment, etc.).⁽²⁾

POWER AND CONTROL

Bottom line, much of this comes down to power and control. There is an obsession to manipulate, control, and inflict pain upon their victims. They have exchanged the truth and beauty of a sexual relationship in a covenantal, God-sanctioned marriage for the animal-like sexual behavior (Romans 1:24-25).

To read the full USRPN article on this issue, please [click here](#).

PERSONAL REPENTANCE

Father, we repent for any unforgiveness we might have towards anyone who has wronged us on a personal level in these areas. We also ask You to search our hearts and expose anyway we might have manipulated, abused, or controlled others.

CORPORATE REPENTANCE

Father God, we now stand in the gap on behalf of our nation and ask forgiveness for the sins of our society that provoke such destructive behavior in our lands. Forgive us, as citizens, as citizens, for not seeing the need for strong laws to defend those being trafficked. We also repent for not being a voice that demands the true enforcement of current anti-trafficking laws.

INTERCESSION

- *Father God, I ask that You would reveal human trafficking going on in my city. Where there is corruption, expose it and bring every evil thing to light.*
- *We recognize that power, control, and the need to dehumanize another person are at the root of sexual assault and human trafficking. Therefore, we pray today that homes, schools, and churches across our two nations will be places where children feel safe, affirmed, and see and learn healthy boundaries.*
- *We pray that You would target the hearts of men caught in this perversion with Your love and conviction.*

TAKE ACTION

1. **The White Rose Movement** fights human trafficking by restoring girls and women who have been exploited by (or through) the sex industry. Learn how you can partner with them by **clicking here**.
2. Take every opportunity to instill a sense of tremendous value for people in the younger generation so that they would see themselves and others as individuals to protect and nurture, not manipulate and exploit.
3. **HOPE+RESQ** works to raise awareness and prevention of trafficking by utilizing the tool of media. To learn more please **click here**.

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LABOR TRAFFICKING

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FREEDOM

TODAY WE WILL FOCUS OUR PRAYER AND REPENTANCE ON THE PLIGHT OF LABOR TRAFFICKING.

Pay them their wages each day before sunset, because they are poor and counting on it. Otherwise they may cry to the Lord against you, and you will be guilty of sin. – Deuteronomy 24:15

According to the International Labor Organization, over 12 million people around the world are victims of labor trafficking – a form of slavery in which individuals perform their work through the use of force, fraud or coercion. This includes, but is not limited to, situations of debt bondage, forced labor and involuntary child labor.⁽¹⁾

LABOR ABUSE IN THE UNITED STATES

Industries most frequently associated with labor abuse include:

- Construction
- Landscaping
- Restaurants
- Hotels
- Domestic businesses

It can be very difficult to identify victims as they are usually kept as secluded as possible. Immigrant workers are particularly vulnerable to exploitation, especially if they are in the country illegally.

The United States is also the largest consumer of goods produced at the expense of slaves around the world. Coffee, sugar, chocolate, and cotton are just a few examples.⁽²⁾

LABOR ABUSE IN MEXICO

Mexico is tangled up in labor trafficking as a large source, transit, and destination country in the following ways:⁽³⁾

- Vulnerable Mexican nationals are particularly abused as domestic servants, street beggars, and construction workers – both at home and in the US.
- Victims in transit from Central and South America, the Caribbean, Eastern Europe, Asia,

and Africa come through Mexico on their way to the United States, but also end up enslaved in Mexico.

- Mexican men and boys from rural areas are used as forced laborers in northern Mexico, while victims from Central America are used in agricultural areas in southern Mexico.

For those caught in the trap of labor trafficking, the joy of service is fleeting as they quickly find themselves in abusive and unsafe conditions. What began as a promising opportunity to serve and/or make a living turns into a nightmare of captivity.

To read the full USRPN article on this issue, please [click here](#).

PERSONAL REPENTANCE

Father, forgive me if I, in any way, have been so focused on fulfilling my own desires and needs that I have neglected to consider the expense of others.

CORPORATE REPENTANCE

Lord, we repent for greed and the devaluing of human life in our two nations. Forgive us for establishing systems that allow and even, at times, require the exploitation of desperate individuals. We repent for tolerating this activity in our communities and ignoring the basic rights and dignity of those victimized.

INTERCESSION

- *God, we pray for the breakup, arrest, and just prosecution of human smuggling rings*
- *We cry out for the protection and effectiveness of law enforcement, border patrol, and military personnel seeking to dismantle the human trafficking problem in our two nations.*
- *Lord, we ask You to convict the hearts of business owners and operators who have sought unjust gain through the abuse of their laborers. Cause them to turn from their ways and make restitution to those they have wronged.*
- *God of Justice, create a culture for godly human rights to protect migrant workers and other hardworking individuals in our two nations.*

TAKE ACTION

1. Be a conscientious consumer. **Find out what your slavery footprint is** and make some adjustments to your lifestyle.
2. Find out if products and businesses you use are treating their **workers fairly**. Click here for a list of companies committed to Fair Trade.
3. If you see or suspect trafficking, **report it**.

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THE ROLE OF ORGANIZED CRIME IN TRAFFICKING

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FREEDOM

TODAY WE WILL FOCUS OUR REPENTANCE AND INTERCESSION ON THE IDENTIFICATION AND DISMANTLING OF TRANSNATIONAL CRIME ORGANIZATIONS (TCOS), AS WELL AS MAJOR PEDOPHILE OFFENDERS.

You, LORD, hear the desire of the afflicted; you encourage them, and you listen to their cry, defending the fatherless and the oppressed, so that mere earthly mortals will never again strike terror. – Psalm 10:17-18

As organized crime becomes more global, Mexico has become a major destination, transit point and supplier of victims for sex trafficking. Drug cartels have moved into this horrific trade, preying on immigrant women in particular. There are two aspects of their business that have made the threat so formidable:

- 1. Enormous profit:** The average age of the cartels' victims is 11 years old. Unlike drugs, which can only be sold once, people can be sold again and again. TCOs are profiting greatly off the appetites of child predators and sexual perverts around the world.
- 2. Corruption:** Due to the immense volume of illicit gain financially, it is not uncommon to see widespread corruption in law enforcement and the highest places of government influence, as well as the private sector which includes travel agencies, model agencies, marriage bureaus, hotels, construction companies, and internet businesses.

In the United States, state-wide prison gangs are also a growing organized crime threat. Many of them work directly with the Mexican cartels, and access to large profits from drug and human trafficking makes them less dependent on robberies, burglaries, and larcenies as a source of income.

To see the USRPN article on this issue, please [click here](#).

PERSONAL REPENTANCE

Father, forgive me for any way I have personally given in to greed and the lust of the flesh that allow these illegal trades to flourish.

CORPORATE REPENTANCE

Father God, we repent for allowing the huge financial benefit of this illicit slave trade to become a significant part of the USA and Mexico's economies. Forgive our nations for at times giving more funding and attention to environmental climate conditions than to our children and their wellbeing. Forgive us for neglecting to provide tools and biblical values, which contributes to poverty in the USA and Mexico where these children are taken as enslaved chattel for pedophiles. We repent for the unchecked corruption that has been allowed to grow within businesses, official governmental offices, and national police and military forces.

INTERCESSION

- *Sovereign God, expose and destroy the strongholds/principalities over the nations of the USA and Mexico where child sex trafficking is unbridled. Cause there to be an outcry over this atrocity among the peoples of our two nations. Establish a spirit of justice and righteousness.*
- *We ask You to expose and destroy organized crime networks such as the Russian and Albanian organized crime families, the Chinese Triads, Japanese Yakuza, and the seven major Mexican cartels and US gang affiliates that serve as surrogates for the cartels in the facilitation of trafficking. Take down and dismantle these gangs, which include MS-13, Tango Blast, Mexican Mafia and the Aryan Brotherhood. Bring division in their camps and cause them to crumble (Luke 11:17).*
- *Lord, create confusion, terror, paranoia, financial loss and overwhelming remorse (that many would come to faith in Christ Jesus) within these organized crime networks. Bring women and children being held captive to instant freedom in the confusion (Deut. 7:23, Ex. 23:27).*
- *Expose the locations of major pedophiles from the nations of the United States and Mexico. Arrest, convict, and deliver them so that they would stop exploiting these enslaved children.*
- *Father, impart and infuse hope to the children currently being held captive in our two nations and in nations throughout the globe. Mighty God, deliver them and rescue them from evil predators.*

TAKE ACTION

1. Download the Freedom App (available through the App store or Google Play) on your iPhone, Android smartphone, or newer Blackberry. This free app allows any citizen in any nation in the world to report known or suspected traffickers and/or victims. Information will be analyzed and acted on by the team of **Orphan Secure**, with priority given to cases involving children.

BORDER TOWNS: A RIPE ENVIRONMENT FOR EXPLOITATION



TODAY WE WILL FOCUS OUR PRAYER AND REPENTANCE ON THE ISSUES UNIQUE TO US-MEXICO BORDER TOWNS.

No longer will violence be heard in your land, nor ruin or destruction within your borders, but you will call your walls Salvation and your gates Praise. – Isaiah 60:18

A border town is a gateway into and out of a nation where people and goods continually cross back and forth. It is a place where cultures collide and blend to such a degree that it can be difficult to distinguish which country you're really while you're there.

A UNIQUE ENVIRONMENT

Border towns create an environment of opportunities where:

- Individuals find work either enforcing or avoiding the laws of the area.
- Companies use national differences in regulations to pursue their advantage and agenda.
- Societies thrive on the differences between both sides, of which people and institutions come to exploit the niches in the environment.⁽¹⁾

The result is a culture of exploitation, conditions of hardship, and motivations for revolt.⁽²⁾

AN OPEN WOUND

As the cultures of the United States and Mexico collide at the border, a policy of both sides exploiting the other has caused a gaping wound between our two nations. US citizens look for a quick fix or a good time through cheap labor, prostitutes, drugs, etc., while unethical elements from the Mexican side sometimes exploit the residents of border towns to make fast money. In this environment, red light districts – and by natural extension, human trafficking – flourish.

To read the full USRPN article on this issue, please [click here](#).

PERSONAL REPENTANCE

Father, I repent if I lacked awareness, compassion, and intercession for the struggles faced daily by those living in border towns.

CORPORATE REPENTANCE

Lord, on behalf of our two nations, we repent for acting wrongly towards the people of our neighboring nation. Forgive us for harboring unforgiveness and resentment towards one another over the past and over the actions of government leaders and forefathers. We repent for all the ways we have not been good neighbors, and for all the ways we have exploited one another. Forgive us for not loving one another according to Your command.

INTERCESSION

- *We pray that our two nations would commit to loving and unselfishly helping each other.*
- *We seek You for the grace to love and live as good neighbors, and for godly wisdom to overcome our differences.*
- *Father God, impart Your just and righteous characteristics to the hearts and minds of our local, state, and national government leaders.*
- *Teach us how to demonstrate Your humility and love for one another in meaningful and tangible ways.*
- *Lord, we bless our neighboring nation and their leaders with godly wisdom and passion for justice.*
- *Give our leaders and the people of our two nations hearts to know You and walk in Your ways.*
- *Father, I bless my nation with a spirit of mercy, reconciliation, and healing. I bless my neighboring nation with Your protection, provision, and economic stability.*

TAKE ACTION

1. If you are a church or ministry leader, consider “adopting” a church in a border town. Find out how you can support them in prayer and other initiatives.
2. If you are a church or ministry leader in a border town, reach out to a church or ministry leader in the town you share your border with. Come together with prayer and activism in your communities.
3. Bless Mexico! **Well of Life Ministries** in Mexico City is working to restore rescued survivors and fight human trafficking on many levels in Mexico. To see how you can support this organization and its rescued survivors, please **[click here](#)**.

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LAWS TO PROTECT THE INNOCENT

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FREEDOM

**TODAY WE WILL FOCUS OUR PRAYER AND REPENTANCE ON
THE ISSUES UNIQUE TO US-MEXICO BORDER TOWNS.**

The Lord secures justice for the poor and upholds the cause of the needy. – Psalm 140:12

Since 2000, every U.S. state has enacted or strengthened laws banning trafficking (please [click here](#) to see each states laws from the Polaris Project). There are also strong **federal laws prohibiting sex and labor trafficking**.

Within the past few years, Mexico has also seen major advancement in anti-trafficking legislation. In 2007, the Mexican Congress passed the first federal law and since then, all 31 Mexican states and the Federal District (Mexico City) have undergone major law reforms when it comes to trafficking and its penalties for offenders.

The good thing is that we have the laws on the books, but just how effective are these laws? We don't know.

THE NUMBERS

The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) agrees that the official statistics under-represent the actual number of trafficking victims and perpetrators.⁽¹⁾ And due to the secretive nature of the trafficking trade, victim counts are likely to remain inaccurate.

Since the implementation of these anti-trafficking laws, only 360 perpetrators have been prosecuted with 238 convictions, and only 1,264 people have been identified as trafficking victims in the United States.⁽²⁾

So the real issue becomes that the laws on the books are not adequately written, enforced, or resourced.

WINNING THE BATTLE LEGISLATIVELY

Achieving effective enforcement of trafficking laws will require dedicated citizen advocates – especially Christians. Those same legislators who received applause for passing the laws now need to be challenged to make the laws more effective. This may well involve updating the existing statutes based on lessons learned in the last decade.

One woman who is a prime example is former Mexican Congresswoman Rosi Orozco, president of the Commission United Against Human Trafficking. This once ordinary citizen was compelled to answer the call to end trafficking in Mexico by becoming involved legislatively. Her work, primarily in Mexico City, has shut down trafficking rings and strip clubs harboring prostitution in the Zona Rosa, and by working politically in the nation she has been able to effectively pass major laws against trafficking in its various forms.

To read the full USRPN article on this issue, please [click here](#).

PERSONAL REPENTANCE

Lord, forgive me as I have not cared about the legal battle for innocent victims. I ask that you would give me ideas and show me ways that I can get involved on behalf of survivors from a legislative perspective.

CORPORATE REPENTANCE

Father, we confess that we have often declared righteousness but failed to work for righteousness. Help us to be true in word and deed. Grant us your wisdom to know how to address this issue in our own communities.

INTERCESSION

- *Father God, give Your people favor as we advocate for more effective legislation and more comprehensive enforcement regarding human trafficking.*
- *Bring the issue of sex trafficking to the forefront of the media, making the public and our legislators keenly aware of the pervasiveness of this issue.*
- *Turn the hearts and minds of legislators toward being receptive to passing more effective human trafficking laws. Bring conviction and wisdom to our legislators regarding the need to update statutes and develop strategies for better enforcement of them.*
- *I pray for the exposure and removal of any corruption related to sex trafficking in the government of my state and nation.*
- *Lord, bring a spiritual awakening among legislators and the law enforcement community, uniting and empowering them to be a more effective force to fight evils such as sex trafficking.*

TAKE ACTION

1. The Justice Society does incredible work for the ending of modern day slavery. One of their primary focuses is the management of the Court Observation team, whose members attend court proceedings on behalf of youth who have been trafficked. To see how you can get involved, please [click here](#).

2. Get involved in your government on a local level forming petitions and connecting with legislatures. that will aid in helping human trafficking survivors once they are rescued and possibly in the court system.
3. Many times, the voice of an organization is more powerful than that of just one person. Speak to an accredited human rights/anti-trafficking organization who is interested in the development of legislation that protects the innocent in order to see how you can get involved.

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THE OCCULT: SANTA MUERTE SATANIC RITUAL ABUSE, AND SACRIFICES

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FREEDOM

TODAY WE WILL FOCUS OUR PRAYER AND REPENTANCE ON THE OCCULT'S INFLUENCE IN HUMAN TRAFFICKING.

For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places. – Ephesians 6:12

Many law enforcement agencies diligently work to expose and bring to justice those who traffic, kidnap, extort, exploit, and murder innocent victims. However, there is no doubt that our battle with criminal organizations on both sides of the border is more than a battle in the material realm; it is a battle in the spiritual realm.

In recent years, it has become evident that various forms of pagan religions and occultism associate themselves with illegal traffickers.⁽¹⁾ Two main deities worshipped by traffickers are:

SANTA MUERTE

Translated, this means Saint Death. Followers revere and worship death, who is depicted as a skeleton in a wedding dress or flowing robe, holding a scythe in her bony hand. Mexican authorities have linked the worship of Santa Muerte to prostitution, drug trafficking, kidnapping, smuggling, and homicides,⁽²⁾ as well as human sacrifice.⁽³⁾

JESUS MALVERDE

This folklore “saint” is widely celebrated in Mexico and the United States, particularly by those involved with trafficking, and is one of the “narco-saints.” Followers believe that he aids, heals, and protects those who are faithful to him.

Law enforcement often discover altars with these and other narco-related patron saints in stash/trafficking houses, residences, vehicles, and along smuggling routes and border crossings.⁽⁴⁾ The Mexican government recently tore down many of these altars along the border, due to the fact that they symbolize a seemingly never-ending era of violence, trafficking, and inhuman practices.⁽⁵⁾

One of the incredibly hideous practices in the worship of Santa Muerte is the offering of human blood sacrifices. Brutally graphic stories have emerged detailing how many Mexican criminal organizations perform ritualistic death sacrifices as tribute to Santa Muerte, which they believe will aid and empower them in their illegal activity.

It is vital that we pray for the fall of these idols and the breaking of the demonic powers that propagate this evil.

To read the full USRPN article on this issue, please [click here](#).

PERSONAL REPENTANCE

Father, forgive me for any areas of idolatry in my life. There will be no other God but You. Reveal any doors I have opened to demonic activity, and deliver me from evil.

CORPORATE REPENTANCE

Father we stand in the gap and repent on behalf of those engaged in occult activity in the United States and Mexico. Forgive our two nations for opening demonic doors of violence and idolatry that aid in human trafficking.

INTERCESSION

- *Father God, we ask that You would cause those who worship these deities to experience Your love and mercy, and, by Your grace, know You personally.*
- *We pray that You would expose those who worship these deities for the advancement of their illegal activity. Furthermore, we ask that You would expose the demonic forces behind this activity and cause the Church to war against them in prayer and fasting.*
- *We declare the rule and reign of Christ Jesus over Mexico and the United States. By the authority of Jesus' Name and blood, we pull down the demonic structures upon which these cults have been founded.*
- *We ask that, since Your blood was shed for the sins of the world, You would cease the spilling of blood on altars made for the appeasement of unclean spirits, strongmen, and principalities.*

TAKE ACTION

1. One of the best ways that you can take action on this issue is by being educated on occult practices and activity to look out for. We highly recommend Cindy Jacobs' book, *Deliver Us From Evil*, which will help you to understand various occult beliefs and their influences on society. [Buy the book by clicking here!](#)
2. If you suspect any occult activity that could also be criminal in nature, contact your local authorities.
3. If you have friends or family members that you think may be involved in the occult, talk to them about the dangers of occult worship and pray daily that they may come to know Christ.

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AWAKEN THE NATIONS: A GLOBAL CALL TO INTERCESSION

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FREEDOM

TODAY WE WILL FOCUS OUR PRAYER AND REPENTANCE ON THE DESPERATE NEED FOR INTERCESSION FOR GLOBAL AWAKENING

If My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land. – 2 Chronicles 7:14

During this initiative, the facts you have learned demonstrate just how much of a global crisis human trafficking is. However, in order for any actions taken to be effective on a global level, we must first contend in **prayer** for awakening on a global level.

THE 1857 – 1858 GREAT AWAKENING

A recurring component of revival at any time in any nation is the commitment to prayer and repentance. Prior to the Great Awakening of the 1850s, the United States was in decline in many respects. In 1857, two Wall Street workers, out of concern for their country, began to pray weekly for the nation to turn back to God. This weekly prayer gathering soon turned into a daily occurrence as more and more people joined, and they began to meet in churches. Revival quickly came to New York City and soon spread into other parts of the United States. It was reported that as many as 50,000 people were won to Christ from February to June of 1858!⁽¹⁾

THE ENDING OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING

What would have happened if these two ordinary, hard-working men had not prayed at all? What if they had left it for somebody else to do? Would revival have even occurred?

If we want to see revival and awakening take place in Mexico and the United States, it must begin with fervent prayer and repentance. Additionally, it must be seen as our responsibility, not anyone else's. Only by carrying Mexico and the United States to the throne of God in daily prayer will we see true reformation. And the spiritual awakening of our two great nations will be the ultimate remedy for human trafficking. Not only will we see the power of God for salvation and signs and wonders, but we will also see transnational criminal organizations exposed, law enforcement empowered and protected, and victims caught in the most horrible circumstances receive their freedom.

Will you answer this call to intercession?

To read the full USRPN article on this issue, please [click here](#).

PERSONAL REPENTANCE

Father, forgive me if I, in any way, have not spent time in prayer and fasting for those caught in trafficking before this prayer initiative. I now not only commit to acting on behalf of the innocent victims, but praying and fasting for them as well. In addition to this, I ask that you would awaken Mexico and the United States!

CORPORATE REPENTANCE

Lord, we stand in the gap on behalf of our nations and churches, asking that You would forgive us for not standing in prayer and action for revival in Mexico and in the United States, and for those who are enslaved in trafficking. Awaken us, God! Light a holy fire for intercessory prayer and action that will break the chains of human trafficking and bring revival to the nations of the earth.

INTERCESSION

- *Lord, we thank You for allowing us to come boldly before Your throne and approach You. We ask that Your people would answer the call to intercession around the world for those affected by and enslaved in human trafficking.*
- *Father of Light, we ask You to expose Satan's work in human trafficking by uncovering hidden brothels, cartel activity, perpetrators and consumers of trafficking crimes.*
- *We pray for the emancipation of modern day slaves throughout the globe. Break their chains of bondage in all forms – physically, mentally, emotionally, and spiritually. According to Isaiah 61, You came to free the captives. Do it now, Lord, for Your glory!*
- *We declare Psalm 91 over those law enforcement agencies and anti-trafficking organizations that are working in the trenches. Protect them, Lord, and give them success in their endeavors.*

PRAYER FOR AWAKENING

Please pray this final prayer with us for awakening in Mexico and the United States:

Lord Jesus, together as Americans from Mexico and the United States, with one voice and one prayer, we cry out for You to forgive our sins and heal our land in accordance with 2 Chronicles 7:14. Just as You awakened the valley of dry bones in Ezekiel 44, we ask that you would awaken our two nations to repentance and salvation that will defeat the powers and injustice of modern slavery in our time. We declare Your Kingdom come and Your will be done on earth as it is in Heaven! Awaken Mexico and the United States, and pour out Your Spirit on our two nations!

TAKE ACTION

1. We encourage you to sign up for the Reformation Prayer Network by going to www.usrpn.org where you will receive prayer alerts and articles on societal issues pertinent to the United States in many areas, including human trafficking. If you'd like to receive training on intercessory prayer and more incentives, please consider becoming a **Premium member**.
2. Global Impact is an international ministry that works in social development of underdeveloped parts of the world. They also are passionate about bringing freedom and purpose to victims of trafficking. To learn more about how you can partner with them, please **[click here](#)**.
3. Dedicate yourself to daily prayer for the victims of human trafficking, both nationally and internationally. As you pray, look for headlines in the news that will be answers to your prayer!
4. Mobilize others to pray with you. This can be done by gathering a small group of like-minded individuals to pray together on a weekly basis, or by recruiting prayer partners who will pray daily for the issue of modern day slavery.

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ON THE FRONT LINES

Throughout this prayer guide, we have featured the work of organizations who are at the forefront of the battle against human trafficking. All of these are trusted, respected groups whose efforts have proven effective. While there are many more and many different ways to approach this complex issue, we have identified some critical areas: Prevention, Awareness, Rescue, Restoration, Resourcing and Government/Law Enforcement.

In each column below we have placed the organizations that work in each area of influence. If you are a pastor, leader, or an advocate for justice we encourage you to ask the Lord which area(s) you He has called you to and then see how you can get involved with those organizations by accessing their website, provided for you beyond the chart below!

PREVENTION	AWARENESS	RESCUE	RESTORATION	RESOURCING	GOV'T/LAW ENFORCEMENT
Commission United Against Human Trafficking	Commission United Against Human Trafficking	Commission United Against Human Trafficking	Commission United Against Human Trafficking	Justice Society Polaris Project	Commission United Against Human Trafficking
Curvine Music	Curvine Music	Curvine Music	Exodus Cry	pureHOPE	Exodus Cry
Exodus Cry	Exodus Cry	Exodus Cry	FREE International	Rescue Her	FREE International
Global Impact	HOPE+RESQ	FREE International	Global Impact	Traffick911	Int'l Justice Mission
HOPE+RESQ	Justice Speaks	Global Impact	Int'l Justice Mission	Unlikely Heroes	Justice Society
Int'l Justice Mission	KlaasKids Foundation	Int'l Justice Mission	Justice Speaks		KlaasKids Foundation
Justice Society	Polaris Project	Justice Society	Polaris Project		Orphan Secure
Justice Speaks	Project Red Light Rescue	Justice Speaks	Project Red Light Rescue		Polaris Project
KlaasKids Foundation	pureHOPE	Orphan Secure	Rescue Her		Streetlight USA
Orphan Secure	Rescue Her	Project Red Light Rescue	Restore Her		Traffick911
Polaris Project	Streetlight USA	Traffick911	Streetlight USA		
Project Red Light Rescue	Traffick911	Unlikely Heroes	Traffick911		
pureHOPE	Unearthed	White Rose Movement	Unlikely Heroes		
Rescue Her	Well of Life		Well of Life		
Streetlight USA	XXXchurch		White Rose Movement		
Traffick911			XXXchurch		
Unearthed					
Unlikely Heroes					
XXXchurch					

COMMISSION UNITED AGAINST HUMAN TRAFFICKING

www.unidoshacemosladiferencia.com

(Prevention, Awareness, Rescue, Restoration, Government)

Commission United Against Human Trafficking, founded by former Mexican congresswoman Rosi Orozco, provides documentation, news development and information regarding the activity of traffickers in Mexico. They also produce videos to help the general public understand and be aware of the problem. They also provide assistance and resources for victims.

CURVINE MUSIC

www.curvinemusic.com

(Prevention, Awareness, Rescue)

Curvine is a Christian Hip Hop Artist and public speaker launching an album and movement called Death to Chains which exists to overthrow slavery through music, cinema, creative arts and strategic partnerships with a focus on prevention and rescue.

EXODUS CRY

www.exoduscry.com

(Prevention, Awareness, Rescue, Restoration, Government)

Exodus Cry is a prayer and action movement to end slavery. Their strategy centers around the areas of Prevention, Intervention and Restoration. They employ a number of methods including prayer, international government reform, outreach, safe houses and much more. They are the organization behind the internationally acclaimed documentary, Nefarious: Merchant of Souls.

FREE INTERNATIONAL

www.freeinternational.org

(Rescue, Restoration, Law Enforcement)

FREE International is committed to working with law enforcement agencies to bring an immediate rescue to victims of modern day slavery, while realizing that is just the beginning of freedom. They work to locate, nurture, develop, and network various forms of safe housing to be used for the aftercare and restoration of those who have been enslaved, and are committed to holistically addressing the needs of those individuals.

GLOBAL IMPACT

www.impacttheglobe.wordpress.com

(Prevention, Rescue, Restoration)

Global Impact is an international ministry that works on the social development of under-developed parts of the world. They also are passionate about bringing freedom and purpose to victims of trafficking. It is their desire to mobilize an army of compassion, consisting of a network of people from all walks of life who want to make a difference in the world.

HOPE+RESQ

www.hopeandresq.org

(Awareness, Prevention)

Hope+ResQ is a media group that produces Awareness, Educational and Preventative Campaigns on the issue of human trafficking. Their mission is to “Shed Light. End Slavery. Champion Justice.” A unique aspect of their organization is the resources they provide for teachers and those working with youth; in particular, their Kids 4 Freedom program gives kids a voice in fighting this injustice.

INTERNATIONAL JUSTICE MISSION

www.ijm.org

(Prevention, Rescue, Restoration, Government/Law Enforcement)

International Justice Mission is a human rights agency that brings rescue to victims of slavery, sexual exploitation and other forms of violent oppression. They seek to bring immediate relief for the victims, and to hold perpetrators accountable in their local justice systems. They also provide aftercare and seek to prevent abuse by strengthening community factors and local judicial systems.

THE JUSTICE SOCIETY

www.justicesociety.org

(Prevention, Rescue, Resourcing)

The Justice Society is a diverse group of social justice champions with a collective heart to serve the nations. They empower the world’s vulnerable populations to establish independence, eliminating susceptibility to slavery and exploitation while promoting cultures committed to contributing back to society. They provide legal advocacy and support for youth victims, consulting for safe-house development and evaluations for potential Microbusiness opportunities for vulnerable communities.

JUSTICE SPEAKS

www.justicespeaks.org

(Prevention, Awareness, Rescue, Restoration)

Justice Speaks, under the Hollywood-based ministry of Radiance International, believes that every human is afforded God-given rights to life and dignity. They combat human trafficking by extending themselves to care for victims who are silenced by their circumstances. It is their belief that every person can make a difference for justice, and every person oppressed by injustice should be heard. They are also currently working to build a restoration home for sex-trafficking victims in Thailand.

KLAASKIDS FOUNDATION

www.klaaskids.org

(Prevention, Awareness, Government/Law Enforcement)

The mission of KlaasKids Foundation is to stop crimes against children. It was established in 1994 to give meaning to the death of twelve-year-old kidnapping and murder victim Polly Hannah Klaas and to create a legacy in her name. They work to form and promote partnerships with concerned citizens, the private sector, organizations, law enforcement and legislators to take responsibility to become part of the solution.

ORPHAN SECURE

www.orphansecure.com

(Prevention, Rescue, Law Enforcement)

Orphan Secure was established for the purpose of conducting security and vulnerability assessments of orphanages around the globe, working to protect vulnerable children whose security is threatened by civil unrest, war or criminal activity. They also provide pro bono consulting to non-profits/NGOs and international law enforcement working to identify and rescue orphans who are victims of human/sex trafficking. They have developed the Freedom App, which will be available around the world to empower average citizens to report known or suspected trafficking activity.

POLARIS PROJECT

www.polarisproject.org

(Prevention, Awareness, Restoration, Resourcing, Government/Law Enforcement)

The Polaris Project is committed to combatting human trafficking and modern-day slavery and to strengthening the anti-trafficking movement through a comprehensive approach. This is done by offering training and statistical data, restoration of victims, policy advocacy, and facilitating the Global Human Trafficking Hotline. The Polaris Project is a main source of information for many anti-trafficking organizations worldwide.

PROJECT RED LIGHT RESCUE

www.projectredlightrescue.org

Project Red Light Rescue works in Asia's largest red-light district to prevent child sex trafficking and to rescue and rehabilitate trafficking victims after the rescue. This initiative provides for each girl's needs, provides care for children of women trafficked into the sex trade and rescues children before they can be trafficked. They have also developed powerful resources for raising awareness such as the Goodnight, Red Light film and the CAGE book.

PUREHOPE

www.purehope.net

(Prevention, Awareness, Resourcing)

The vision of pureHOPE is a world free of sexual exploitation and brokenness, and they work toward that through their mission of providing Christian solutions in a sexualized culture. In short, they work to equip individuals, families, and churches to pursue sexual purity and oppose sexual exploitation.

RESCUE HER

www.rescueher.org

(Prevention, Awareness, Restoration, Resourcing)

Rescue Her was birthed out of a revelation that while the issue of human trafficking can be overwhelming and seemingly hopeless, believers can come together to rescue ONE . . . and then another and another. This non-profit exists to raise awareness and provide people a way to start taking steps of action to end human trafficking.

RESTORE HER

www.restoreher.org

(Restoration)

Restore Her is a non-profit organization and ministry committed to fully restoring lives of girls who were exposed to sex-trafficking, giving them hope and an opportunity for a promising future. Girls in their safe home are provided with medical treatment, equestrian therapy, spiritual care, legal assistance, vocational training, licensed professional counseling, education and more.

STREETLIGHT USA

www.streetlightusa.org

(Prevention, Awareness, Restoration, Government/Law Enforcement)

StreetLight USA is a national leader in researching, assessing and piloting healing methods for victims of sex trafficking. They employ a three-tier strategy of Awareness, Prevention and Direct Care with the ultimate goal of ending child rape in the United States. They encourage the collaboration of various sectors such as private corporations, public law makers, law enforcement, human services and faith-based organizations, building community coalitions to prevent further exploitation of American children.

TRAFFICK911

www.traffick911.com

(Prevention, Awareness, Rescue, Restoration, Resourcing, Government/Law Enforcement)

Traffick911, located in Fort Worth, Texas, is an anti-trafficking, 501(c)(3) organization whose mission is to end the buying and selling of American children. They focus on preventing the commodifying of children, rescuing victims, and restoring the lives of those who have suffered the atrocities of trafficking. This year, they will open Triumph House, a long-term restorative campus of smaller homes where rescued children can flourish in a home setting.

UNEARTHED

www.unearthedpictures.com

(Prevention, Awareness)

Unearthed is an organization committed to ending sexual exploitation by killing it at the root and dealing with the human heart. In particular, they noticed men were largely absent from the fight against human trafficking, so they are looking to address how men fuel this industry and how men can change this industry. They are making a movie, *The Hearts of Men*, scheduled to be released in the third quarter of 2014. They also desire to stop sexual exploitation by raising up a pure, whole generation, which you can read more about here.

UNLIKELY HEROES

www.unlikelyheroes.com

(Awareness, Rescue, Restoration, Resourcing)

Unlikely Heroes is a nonprofit organization that exists to identify, rescue and rehabilitate child victims of sex slavery. They currently operate a restoration home for child survivors of sex slavery in the Philippines, one of the first of its kind, according to local officials. They are also in the midst of pioneering additional rescue and restoration projects internationally, including a new restoration home set to open in Mexico this year.

THE WELL OF LIFE

www.elpozodevida.org.mx

(Awareness, Restoration)

El Pozo de Vida/The Well of Life is a Mexico City based organization that works to create awareness and advocacy for trafficking victims, and has also established a rehabilitation home for victims. The operations of this home are to restore women and children who have been victims of sexual exploitation and sex-trafficking. The Well of Life provides them a safe place where they can receive counseling, medical attention and support in their process of renewal and restoration. In this process, The Well of Life has established relationships with the Mexican government and other rehabilitation homes.

THE WHITE ROSE MOVEMENT

www.thewhiterosemovement.com

(Rescue, Restoration)

The White Rose Movement is a modern-day global justice movement bringing societal reformation through unconditional love, hope, purity, beauty, innocence and redemption, reaching our cities one girl and one rose at a time. This organization focuses on women trapped in the sex industry, building relationships with them, serving them and lovingly offering a message of their true beauty and worth in Christ.

XXXCHURCH

www.xxxchurch.com

(Prevention, Awareness, Restoration)

XXXchurch is a non profit organization that exists to help people of all ages who are being assaulted by pornography. They provide online resources for those fighting porn addiction, recovery resources for men, women, parents and couples and employ a three-part strategy of awareness, prevention and recovery. They stand against the accepted norms about sexual behavior and pornography knowing that hope, healing and true satisfaction are within reach for all of us.