# Songs proposed for Global Day of Prayer to End Famine 2017

- Arise O Christ, ands save your people (Trinidad & Tobago, cf Psalm 44:28)
- Christ be our light (U.K.)
- For justice and for peace (Bangladesh)
- För livets skull (Sweden For the sake of life)
- Good weeps (New Zealand/USA)
- How long must we cry out (Australia)
- Huapango del pan (L.A.)
- Jeder braucht Brot (Switzerland)
- Las mesas partidas (L.A.)
- Let justice roll down (New Zealand)
- Lord, hear my praying (Australia)
- Seigneur, tu nous donnes ce pain (Switzerland)
- Su numbre és el Señor (Spain)
- Until all are fed (USA)

### Confession

- A ti Señor, te pedimos (Chile)
- Asato maa (India- Lead me from falsehood to truth, etc.)
- Jamée ma (Cameroon Forgive me, Lord)
- Señor, ten piedad (Cuba)
- Tell us Lord (Serbia Orthodox)

## **Intercessory Song**

- Beauty for brokenness, God for the poor (U.K.)
- Etdegdefene (Ethiopia Do not forsake us; Orthodox)
- Give, give us today our daily bread (Sweden)
- God is with us (European Orthodox)
- In his days justice will flourish (USA Psalm 72:2)
- Moran ethra (Syrian Orthodox Lord, have mercy)
- Mungu twaombea frika (Tanzania A Swahili prayer song)
- O God we call (Canada)
- Ouve Senhor eu estou clamando (Brazil)
- Pelas dores (Brazil)
- We wait for a new heavens (*Indonesia*)
- Yawe Alaa bitaai (Sudan Lord I cry out of misery)

### **Blessing Song**

• Bendice Señor nuestro pan

## **Closing Song**

- Anunciaremos to reino Señor (Spain)
- Bambela (South Africa You must never give up)
- Cuando el pobre (Spain)
- Deep in the human heart (New Zealand/Singapore)
- Envío (L.A.)
- Goodness is stronger than evil (Sweden)
- Heal the world (USA)
- I'm gonna sit at the welcome table (African-American)
- Lord of life and Lord of nations (Australia)

### Hymns that relate to the Matthew 25 reading

Jesus on the throne separating the sheep from the goats.

\*MV114 Behold the face of Christ (Farrell) A gentle, chant-like refrain with read scripture verses over instrumental backing. This could be very powerful. Highly recommended.

\*TiS 697 All the sleepy should have a place to sleep (Edwards / PITNEY) Great chorus. "Make love happen by God's grace and by God's power. Let God move you on this day and in this hour. New creations will then blossom like a flower for together we can be the hands of God".

**MV177 This is my body naked before you** (Damon) Excellent words about Christ's body being both the broken people, and we who can help the broken. The tune is not easy. Maybe best sung by a soloist at first.

**\*MV064 Because you came** (Murray) Powerful words of confession and forgiveness, sung to a lovely tune that will need to be taught, but will not be hard to teach. It has 5 verses, so maybe invite the congregation to join in as they hear it.

MV194 Bread of life feed my soul (Spencer) A simple communion prayer for healing and guidance. GC(II)750 / URW201 / God of Day and God of Darkness (Haugen) This song is specific for evening services, but lovely words and set to a familiar tune (BEACH SPRING). I often think this is only good for an evening service, but the image of darkness and night doesn't have to be taken literally, particularly at the Transfiguration! And the call to rest at the end of the last verse would be good for those who take the celebration of Sabbath as a call to rest.

SFFS 2178 / GC(II)713 / Cha654 Here Am I (Wren) Excellent words of God's presence among us in the suffering of all people. Good for a song before the intercessions or when communion is celebrated. Easy to sing. May have too much pathos for some.

**ATFG582** / Like a candle burning wildly (Mitchell) "We are called to live the passion". Good song. Particularly nice on guitar. Note that the NCYC version has good notes on how to play it on guitar.

\*TiS 689 / Lord hear my praying, listen to me / Sorrowing song (Mann) Powerful words of lamentation to a simple tune. Words are straightforward about asking difficult questions of God.

GC(II)668 / URW204 / Lord Whose Love in Humble Service / Lord whose love through humble service (Bayly) Good solid words of mission to a familiar tune (IN BABILONE or BEACH SPRING). Not all sources are inclusive.

\*FFS60 Stranger standing at my door Amazing words, but a tricky tune. Would be good if you have a good soloist in your congregation who would sing this while the congregation listens to the very meaningful words. Last verse is "I am fearful of your claim, yet I cannot turn away. Stranger with a foreign name, are you angel here to stay? You are messenger and guest, you the Christ I can't ignore, you my own compassion's test, stranger standing at my door; you the Christ I can't ignore."

VU183 / Cha183 We Meet You O Christ (Kaan) I like the tune LIFE for this one, which provides a great message of Christ's crucifixion for justice in the world.

\*TiS 629 / VU600 When I needed a neighbor were you there (Carter) A classic folk church song. Well known and fits well with this theme. "And the creed and the colour and the name won't matter"...