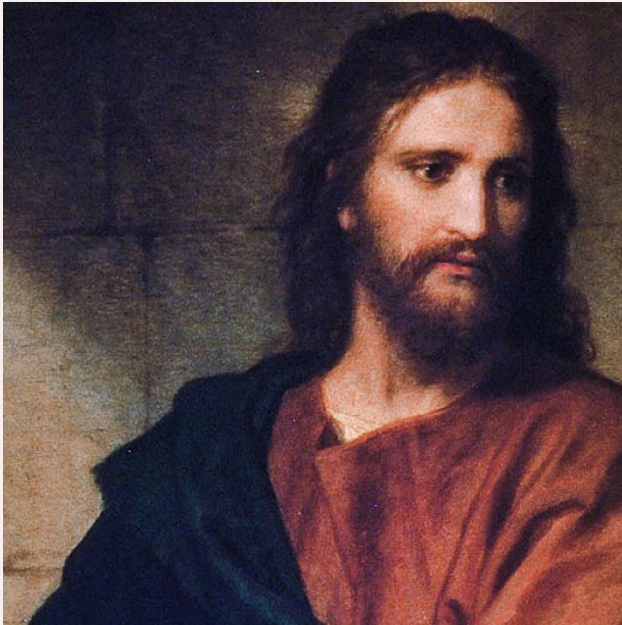


PRAYER FOR THE RETURN OF SAFETY & PEACE IN SRI LANKA



We pray to you Jesus in heartfelt prayer.

We pray for those who were killed in the recent bombings in Colombo, Negombo and Batticaloa.

We pray for their families, friends and communities, who are grieving in Sri Lanka and in other nations.

We pray for all who have been traumatized by this evil.

Help us to work together to overcome hatred with love.

We accompany them in prayer, Jesus, as they await safety and peace.

We pray for the safety of the people of Sri Lanka:
for their safety in attending public functions,
for their safety in praying publicly in churches and other places of worship,
for the safety of their children, and for the safety of guests to their nation.

We pray to you Jesus, for those working together for peace.

We pray for the gifts of religious and civil peace in Sri Lanka,
and the human right to gather together peacefully.

We pray to you Jesus, to show us the way forward in love.

We pray as sisters and brothers, as family.

We pray for your blessing, Jesus, on the people of Sri Lanka.

Amen

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