

PRAYER FOR THOSE WHO BRING HUMANITARIAN AID

We pray to you O God,
For the courageous people who deliver humanitarian aid,
In resources and services,
To our neighbours in need around the world.

We pray to you O God,
For rescue workers, firefighters, medical teams,
Emergency services personnel,
Relief workers and transport drivers,
Providers of shelter and food and clothing,
Trades people and security providers,
Charity and development workers.

We pray to you O God,
For people suffering in war-torn parts of the globe,
And those who bring aid to them.
We pray for those who risk their lives to help others,
And for the aid workers who have died in the past year.

We pray to you O God,
For those working in all hazardous regions
Including the four most lethal areas for aid workers -
Afghanistan, South Sudan, Syria and Yemen.

We pray to you O God,
For the workers who suffered in the 158 major incidents
In aid operations in 2017 and the ongoing incident tally this year.

We pray to you O God,
As we remember the parable Jesus taught us - the Good Samaritan.
And the risk of stopping and caring for the injured man,
And the fear and discrimination overcome,
And the realization that we are all neighbours.

We pray to you O God.
Amen.

The Good Samaritan 1890 | Vincent van Gogh | Public Domain

