



You can make a difference!

Pray for persecuted children!



Let's think about Nigeria!

Some interesting facts...



- Nigeria is in West Africa.
- The green bands on the flag stand for the forests and the natural wealth of Nigeria; the white band means peace.
- The capital city is Abuja.
- It takes about 6½ hours to fly to Lagos from London.
- Nigeria has the most people of any country in Africa - nearly 175 million.
- The money used is called the Naira.
- Lots of Nigerians love football. The Nigerian football team are called the "Super Eagles".
- The highest point in Nigeria is the mountain Chappal Waddi at 2,419 m (7,936 ft).
- Nigeria has recorded 1,828 different types of butterfly.
- Just over half the people living in Nigeria are Muslim (about 51.6%). Just under half are Christian (about 47%).
- Muslim extremists, such as Boko Haram and Fulani militants, do not want people to believe in Jesus and attack and kill Christians.



English is the language spoken in schools, cities and in business. People living in the countryside also speak their native languages such as Yoruba and Igbo. Can you say these phrases in Yoruba?

Orukọ mi ni...	My name is...	Bawo ni?	How are you?
Ẹ n ẹ (en-le)	Hello	Jesu fe mi	Jesus loves me
Bẹ ẹ ni	Yes	Ra ra	No



Dear Jesus,

Thank You for all the children and their families in Nigeria who love You so much. Thank You that You love them even more! Be very close to those whose families have been killed because they love You. Hold them tightly in Your

arms of love and give them the strength, faith and hope they need to get through each day. Amen.



Dear Father God,

Please heal the children who have been hurt physically. Help them to trust You and not be scared. Please heal the children who hurt in their minds and hearts - who are broken-hearted or worried. Fill them with Your love and give them Your peace. Keep them and their families safe. Give them the happiness that only comes from You. Thank You. Amen.



Put these words in the right order to make the Bible verse in Psalm 31:16 (NIV):

face "Let me unfailing your on

servant; your in shine love." your save



Dear Jesus,

Please shine the light of Your love in the hearts and minds of Your children who love You around the world. Protect them from people who want to hurt or kill them and their families. Let them know that Your love never fails and You will answer their prayers and look after them. Amen.



Dear Jesus,

Please protect Christian children in Somalia who live in a society that opposes Jesus. Help the children to be brave and let them know Your love as they pray and that You are the one true God.

Thank You that a 12-year-old boy who was taken away from his Mum because she became a Christian is now back living with her. Help him to love Jesus too and may the boy and his Mum grow in love for each other. Amen.



Find these words to do with Nigeria in the grid. You can read the words in 4 directions:



Nigeria	N	a	A	b	Y	l	I	r	o	t
Naira	f	b	N	f	A	o	h	b	f	Y
Yoruba	o	N	u	i	j	b	g	Y	o	o
Igbo	A	a	I	t	g	I	u	d	o	r
butterfly	f	i	y	a	t	e	y	j	d	u
football	r	r	Y	o	g	e	r	c	a	b
flag	i	a	l	a	y	w	r	i	i	a
Abuja	c	f	l	n	a	l	f	f	a	g
yam	a	f	q	m	m	s	b	u	l	h
Africa	p	f	o	o	t	b	a	l	l	y



Dear Father God,

Please be very close to children in Eritrea who are in prison with their families. Keep them safe and make them brave.

Give them food and fresh water. Holy Spirit, please help them remember words from the Bible so they know You are with them and will look after them - You are their shield. Please make them strong and set them and their families free.

Please also be with children who have no family to look after them because their Mums and Dads have been sent to prison. Please help people who love You to look after them and give them food and somewhere safe to live. Protect them, help them to trust You and let them live with their families again in peace.