

Resources on Sudan From CRS

Southern Sudan is set to become the world's newest nation after a referendum that was, against all odds, peaceful and orderly. It is a testimony to the power of prayer and the will of people who insisted that a peaceful future is possible for this war-torn region. You were among them. Your prayer, your advocacy and your support for peace building efforts in Sudan were an essential part of the global effort that worked.

But the path to peace in Sudan is new and fragile. Use the resources on this page to continue to pray for peace in Sudan.

Prayer for South Sudan

God of Mercies,

We thank you for your great love for us.

We ask you to guide our leaders in the process of building a nation.

Grant them your wisdom, compassion and fortitude.

Loving God, give us courage to reject ethnic resentment as well as ethnic conflicts.

Through the intercession of St. Josephine Bakhita, help us to overcome hurt, hostility and bitterness in our hearts so that we may become reconciled citizens in our new nation.

Renew in us the will for honest and hard work, and bring us closer to you in the spirit of service, unity and lasting peace.

Loving God, we pray for our heroes, our martyrs and all innocent people who died during the long years of war.

We pray in thanksgiving for all those who stood with us in solidarity to bring about peace.

Unite us from every tribe, tongue and people.

Send your Holy Spirit upon us, and may your will be done in us.

God, bless our new nation; bless the Republic of South Sudan; bless also the Republic of Sudan.

In Jesus' name, we pray.

Amen.

Prayers

Prayer for Peace in Sudan – This prayer can be used in liturgy or said every day.

General Intercessions for Sudan Peace

General Intercessions 1 – We join Pope Benedict XVI in praying that the Churches in Africa may be signs and instruments of reconciliation and justice in every part of that continent.

General Intercessions 2 – For the Church, that our leaders together with the bishops of Sudan continue to be the bearers of the Good News and serve as examples of peacemakers we are called to be, we pray to the Lord.

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General Intercessions 3 – We pray for the people of Sudan during this post-referendum period, that the desire for peace will overcome the temptation toward conflict.

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