

## AN ADAPTATION OF THANKSGIVING PRAYER IN BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER

Almighty God

Father of all mercies

We, your unworthy servants

Give you most humble and hearty thanks

For all your goodness and loving kindness

To us and to all people.

We bless you for our creation, preservation,

And all the blessings of this life;

But above all for your immeasurable love

In the redemption of the world

By our lord Jesus Christ

For the means of grace

And for the hope of glory.

Give us we pray such a sense of all your mercies

That, with truly thankful hearts

We may show forth your praise

Not only with our lips but in our lives

By giving up ourselves to your service,

And by walking before you in holiness  
And righteousness all our days.

And as we walk with you  
Enfold the whole of your creation in your arms  
Large areas are in need of help  
And we bring them before you this morning.

In a few moments of silence we name to you those  
especially in our hearts today:

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20

Wherever we are in need  
Reassure us  
Remind us that one faith, one lord, one baptism may be  
professed in all places  
For you stand at the very centre of all human life.

Loving God  
We bring before you our leaders  
Members of government  
People who wear the mantle of responsibility

Be that in the affairs of a country  
Or in the direction of a business  
People who directly affect others  
Whether by offering security, food or dignity.  
Whisper in their ears the correct way to go  
Fashion their lives in such away that all will benefit.

God of all comfort  
We lift up to you  
All those who fear for loved ones  
For whatever reason  
Through natural disaster  
Or social injustice  
Lighten their load  
And strengthen their support

Loving Lord  
We lift up to you too  
Those who are suffering  
Those who feel only the long hours of the night  
Or sit waiting for the door to open once more  
Those who bereft of familiar faces  
Sit in quiet where once happiness bubbled and spilled  
Lighting the corners of the world.  
Strengthen them that they may go on in loving service

Of all those who still depend on them  
And offer them your peace  
Your special peace unlike any on offer in the world.

And as always loving Lord  
We thank you for our memories of those who  
Trod this world before us  
Especially those know to us  
Who taught us about your love  
Help us to tread the same path  
So that when the time is right  
We too may enter your radiant presence  
And hear the angels sing  
Through your Son Jesus Christ  
Who taught us when we pray to say....

Our Father.....

In heaven

Our Father in heaven

Hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come,

Your will be done,

On earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

As we forgive those

Who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial,

And deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,

And the glory are yours

Now and forever.

Amen.