

Mi Sheberach for Survivors of Human Trafficking

Some 22 million people are held in modern slavery, also known as human trafficking, around the world today, including tens of thousands in the United States. T'ruah invites communities to include this prayer in Shabbat and High Holiday services, as a way of standing in solidarity, bringing this invisible crime into the light of day, and motivating action.

May the One who blessed our ancestors—

Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob,

Sarah, Rebecca, Rachel, and Leah—

Bless all our brothers and sisters whose lives are marred by modern-day slavery,

And bring them from darkness into light.

May it be Your will, Judge of all the world,

That you send redemption to the millions of Your creations who are enslaved today,

And complete healing of soul and body to those who have survived trafficking.

May the ETERNAL send them strength and bless them with peace, that they may rebuild their lives.

Therefore, we will work with You to establish a world under divine sovereignty,

So no person will exploit or oppress another.

As the prophet wrote, "Not by might and not by power, but by My spirit, declares the Lord of hosts." (Zech. 4:6)

And let us say, "Amen."

מִי שַבַּרַדְ אַבוֹתֵינוּ וְאִמּוֹתֵינוּ אַבְרָהָם, יִצְחָק, וְיַעַקב, שַׁרָה, רִבְקָה, רַחֵל, וַלְאָה, הוא יבַרֶד אֶת אַחֶינוּ כַּל יושבי תֶבֶל, אָשֶׁר חַיֵּיהֶם נָגָעוּ מִשְּׁעְבּוּד בִּיָמֵינוּ, וִיוֹצִיאֵם מֵאֲפֵלָה לָאוֹרַה. יָהִי רַצוֹן מִלְפַנֵידָ, שׁוֹפֵט כַּל הַאַרֵץ, שַׁתִּשָׁלַח גָאוּלָה לְרְבֵּי רְבָבוֹת בְּרִיּוֹתֵיךְ הַמִּשִׁעֲבַּדִים הַיּוֹם ורפואה שלמה, רפואת הנפש ורפואת הגוף, לָכֶל אֵלּוּ שֵׁשָּׁרְדוּ סַתַר בִּבְנֵי אָדָם. הי עז לַהֶם יִתֶּן, הי יִבַרֶדְ אוֹתֵם בַּשַּׁלוֹם, שיוכלו לבנות את חַיֶּיהֶם מְחַדָשׁ. עַל כֵּן נַעֲבֹד אִתְּדְּ לִתַקָן עוֹלֶם בִּמַלְכוֹת שַׁדַי, שלא ינצל ולא יענה איש את אחיו, כַּכַתוֹב עַל יַד נָבִיאָד: "לא בַחַיַל וַלא בַכֹחַ כִּי אָם בָּרוֹחִי אַמֵר ה׳ צָבָאוֹת,״ (זכריה ד:ו) ַוְנֹאמֵר אַמֶן.