

# Building the Kingdom

## Let's Build Together

“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.”

Romans 15:13

## Prayer Points



### Hope Builders

In a world where hope is hard to find, give thanks for the many ways Habitat volunteers from across Ireland are hope and light in our communities and our world.

Pray God's blessing on volunteers who help in Habitat ReStores, support the House to Home programme, fundraise, speak out in churches or workplaces, help with school's programmes or in the office.

Pray for Habitat teams travelling in support of global programmes in the next few months; remembering especially those from NI Scout Network and the Archdiocese of Armagh. Pray for safe travels and experiences which deepen their understanding of Habitat's mission.

Pray that every volunteer would know that it is 'more blessed to give than to receive' and inspire them to continue to be hope builders and advocates for safe shelter when they return home.

### Peace Makers

Give thanks for the fierce commitment of Habitat's founders to the equality of all people, as image bearers of God. Pray that same commitment would continue to inspire Habitat's mission to put God's love into action, by bringing people together to build homes, communities and hope.

In a world torn apart by conflict, give us the courage to speak out for peace, to work for peace and to never stop believing that peace is possible.

Break down the walls between weak and strong, Between young and old. Between rich and poor. Break down the walls in our own lives, which hold us back from reaching out to others, which prevent us from seeing the best in people and remind us that each one of us has the power for change..





## Home

Pray that we do not take for granted the many blessings of our lives, and especially our homes.

Pray for families everywhere who struggle; and especially pray for the one in four people in our world who do not have a decent place to call home. Remember those who have been forced to flee their homes due to disaster or conflict. Pray especially for the Middle East, Ukraine, Gaza and Sudan. Pray for places which don't make the headlines but where life doesn't feel blessed. May Your love comfort and sustain families as they overcome the challenges we can hardly imagine.

In a world of need give leaders vision, courage and urgency to implement housing policies that protect the most vulnerable and ensure that every family, everywhere has a safe place to live.



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In the Lord's Prayer Jesus reminds us that we should build God's kingdom right where we are. Pray for opportunities to be God's peace and love in the communities where we live. Give thanks for all who reach out to help their neighbours.

Fill our hearts with hope that You are making all things new. When we are tired, give us new energy. Where we are indifferent, give us fresh vision and enthusiasm. When we feel alone, be close and bring people alongside us for encouragement. When we need rest, quiet our souls.

Pray for eyes to see glimpses of the kingdom of heaven in our communities and our world.



## Global Partners

Give thanks for the support from Ireland which helps fund Habitat programmes globally. Pray especially for Habitat's work in Lebanon who continue to respond to conflict in the Middle East. Give thanks that their approach is always flexible and community-led, focused on emergency shelters as families searched for safe places to stay and now on helping families repair war-damaged homes.

Give thanks for the opportunity to partner with Habitat Romania as they provide safe shelter and other support for children from Gaza, who needed urgent medical care, in partnership with the Romanian government.

Give thanks that Habitat is local wherever it works, on the ground, understanding the need and working to respond. Pray that more people would be moved to partner with Habitat, in solidarity with the world's poorest communities.

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