

25 November 2024 is the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women and marks day one of the 16 Days of Activism.

Each year, from 25 November to 10 December, World Human Rights Day, the 16 Days of Activism campaign calls for action against one of the world's most persistent violations of human rights – violence against women.

During the 16 Days of Activism, people around the world unite to raise awareness about gender-based violence, challenge discriminatory attitudes and call for improved laws and services to end violence against women for good.



A SERIES OF 16 BIBLE VERSES AND PRAYERS SUGGESTED FOR USE DURING THE 16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM CAMPAIGN Against genderviolence



DAY 1 Heavenly Father, creator of all that is, we know our relationships are

often marred and not as you would have them to be. Give courage to those women who are in difficult and painful relationships, please provide a safe place for them and people to support them. In Jesus' Name. Amen



DAY 2 Gracious Lord, when love is hard please help us to come to you and

find rest for our troubled and hurt hearts. In Jesus Name. *Amen*

DAY 3 We give you thanks Lord, that through Jesus' death and resurrection we are all



one in Him and that no one can claim to be of a higher status. Give those women who feel oppressed strength for each day knowing that you care for them. *Amen*

DAY 4 There are times when we feel exposed and don't know what love is



like. Help us dear God to look to you and remember how much you loved us. *Amen*



DAY 5 Dear Lord, we pray for those marriages where there is often conflict

and abuse. May there be help and care at hand to support those who are helpless and alone. *Amen*



DAY 6 Gracious Lord, we are sorry that we have often not noticed those

whose relationships are in deep distress. Help us to be more aware and supportive and loving as you would have us be. *Amen*



DAY 7 O God, you know there have been times when we have felt so discouraged,

helpless and sad. Help us to look to you our Saviour and our God. *Amen* DAY 8 Dear God, we thank you that even when those we trust harm us may we have the



assurance of your compassion and mercy on us. *Amen*

DAY 9 Holy God, we thank you that in your justice you care for those who are in difficult



relationships or oppressed. Please take care of them and comfort them. *Amen*

DAY 10 Dear God, our hearts grieve for those who experience bitterness, rage, anger harsh



words, slander and all types of evil behaviour. May they be rescued from these terrible relationships and know the mercy and kindness you alone can bring. *Amen*



DAY 11 Our gracious God, when we despair and are broken help us

to turn to you and find our refuge and help. *Amen*



DAY 12 O God of truth, we trust your Word because you are faithful, help us to

put our hope in you, and may you give us the hope which is yours alone to give. We especially pray for those who because of their abusive relationships feel helpless and hopeless that they will hope in you. *Amen*



DAY 13 O God we remember that you have promised to carry our burdens.

We pray that you would help us to reach out to those who have suffered abuse and share their burdens also. *Amen* DAY 14 Words can bring great blessing but also can be so hurtful, and painful. Help us



almighty God to be protected from the harsh speech of others and also to guard our own tongues. *Amen*

DAY 15 O God, we pray that our families will be places of joy, contentment and the



true worship of you. Protect the children in families where there is much violence and neglect. *Amen*

DAY 16 We thank you Heavenly Father that every single human being is precious



in your sight. Thank you for your promise that absolutely nothing in all creation will be able to separate your children from the love of God revealed in Christ Jesus our Lord. In whose name we pray. *Amen*