

## Prayer

Receive these words of inspiration, blessing, and challenge. Let us pray.

### **PRAYER OF THE FARM WORKERS' STRUGGLE**

*written by César Chavez*

Show me the suffering of the most miserable;  
So I will know my people's plight.

Free me to pray for others;  
you are present in every person.

Help me take responsibility for my own life;  
So that I can be free at last.

Grant me courage to serve others;  
For in service there is true life.

Give me honesty and patience;  
So that I can work with other workers.

Bring forth song and celebration;  
So that the Spirit may be alive among us.

Let the Spirit flourish and grow;  
So that we will never tire of the struggle.

Let us remember those who have died for justice;  
For they have given us life.

Help us love even those who hate us;  
So we can change the world.

Amen.