

JMA Commissioning Service

Suggested Prayers

Opening prayer

Loving God who leads us on your loving way,
thank you for this extra-special day;
help us use it well to learn and pray
– and as we gather to celebrate JMA –
re-inspire us all to serve you every day.
Loving God who leads us on your loving way,
help us praise you with everything we do here today!

A prayer for mission everywhere

(complements the Body Parts Activity Worksheet
and Body Parts Scripture Card)

Lord Jesus,
we pray for our minds
to keep learning about the world.
We pray for our ears
to keep listening to you and your Church.
We pray for our eyes
to be open to how we can play our part.
We pray for our feet
to take us wherever you ask us to go.
We pray for our hands
to serve however you ask us to serve.
We pray for our hearts
to give everything you ask us to give.
And we pray this same prayer of dedication
for our brothers and sisters in every place and every nation.
Send us all out learning, praying, serving –
use us all in your great mission of loving.



A prayer for the story-telling garden, Phakamisa and JMA groups everywhere

(complements the screening of the Phakamisa and story-telling garden videos as well as the Mission for Everywhere PowerPoint)

We thank you Jesus for the story-telling garden and the fact you know everyone involved there, and what you want to grow in the soil and in the hearts of the children that go there, Lord Jesus, keep them all in your great loving care.

We thank you Jesus for Phakamisa and especially lift up to you those walking and teaching there to lift others up too.

Give the workers all they need, and help every child there to get to learn and play, and to know your great loving care.

We thank you Jesus for JMA groups all around our nation especially on this extra-special day of their dedication ... encourage them with the truth that the collecting they do is so the world knows your love, and is very important to you.

Offering prayer

Just like the body parts we've learned about today, we thank you Jesus that every gift given in your name can all play a special part in your mission of love.

So bless these gifts Lord – from chunky pounds to tiny pennies to bring love and life and help to very, very many, and bless our hearts to keep giving to your mission everywhere.

Sending-out prayer

Lord Jesus, you call your Church
not to sit still,
but to move and go and serve and love in
your whole wide world with you.
So help us, a part of your Church, here today,
not to sit still either,
but to move and go and serve and love in
your whole wide world with you.

