

A Call to Prayer for the Korean People

Siblings of Christ,

I write with a heavy heart and invite us to a time of prayer. On Saturday 151 people were killed and 82 injured in a crowd surge during Halloween festivities in the South Korean capital of Seoul. The South Korean President, Yoon Suk Yeol, has declared a period of national day of mourning. These are days for prayers, cards, calls, and expression of concern.

'Comfort, O Comfort my people, says your God' (Isaiah 40:1).

Let us pray:

God of all Creation, Lord of life, death, and resurrection,

You are the Alpha and Omega, the author of all healing.

Peter said, 'Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.'

Grant all who grieve your comfort and the hope of Emmaus,
especially the people of South Korea and our entire Korean siblings in Korea,
as well as the diaspora of our shared interdependence.

Stand with parents who are learning about the death of children;

fill the rooms of loss and spaces of mourning.

Mend those who are injured and make us to know peace enough

that we may carry on until that day we sit at your table with all the saints

in the power and love we know is Christ. Amen.

Know that I am praying.

Peace,

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