

# Creator *God*,

It seems more urgent than ever to pray for peace across this world you brought into being so long ago. Many of our partner Bible Societies are experiencing heightened stress caused by COVID-19, political unrest and violence, and extreme weather events; exacerbating issues of poverty, unemployment, family violence and poor health in the countries they serve.

Heavenly Father, we lift these nations up to you. May your loving hand be upon countries traumatised by conflict. You are the God of peace. We ask that you intervene and bring an end to this conflict.

We pray especially for people and countries close to the heart of Bible Society Australia. For the Podoko and Mafa peoples of Cameroon; Sgaw Karen and Asho Chin ethnic minorities in Myanmar; Arab-Israeli Christians; the Shilluks in South Sudan and the people of Syria, victims of seemingly endless violence and uncertainties.

Lord God, many people in the 10/40 Window of the world have no access to your word. We pray for Bible Societies' work in these regions, that each unique project will transform individual lives, giving people the eternal hope that is found in Christ Jesus.

**Amen**