



## **A Prayer for September 15, 2020**

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Almighty and gracious God, we praise you for your promise of provision, protection and strength. You have always met our needs and have been quick to respond to the cries of your children. Your guidance has been sure and our faith has found new foundations in these days of uncertainty.

Lord, we humbly come to you and continue to seek your deliverance from this pestilence that has enveloped the globe. We continue to lift up those in authority, those whose decisions impact so many. We ask for wisdom and insight as countless individuals pour their efforts and expertise into research that will provide a vaccine.

We lift up those who are serving on the front lines of healthcare and public service. May your hands of safety be around them as they give of themselves in selfless acts of dedication and care. May your shielding hands provide a hedge around their families as they journey home to their loved ones from their daily responsibilities.

May the families of those who are unable to visit face to face find comfort in knowing that everything possible is being done to safeguard their loved ones at this time. May those who are currently living in restricted facilities find peace and

contentment that they are safe and that their wellbeing is foremost in the minds of the leadership and care providers.

We deliberately and purposefully place ourselves in the gentle hands of your compassion, care and companionship. May our hope find new heights, our faith find new depths and our reach be broadened in fellowship with those around us.

In Thy name we pray, Amen