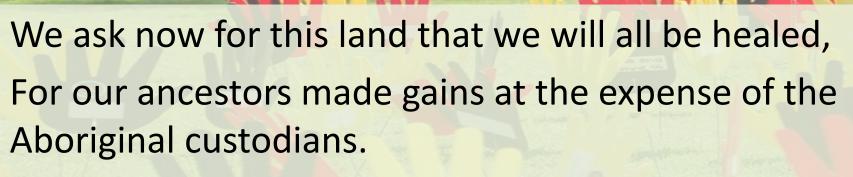


## Prayers for the Stolen Generation

**NATIONAL SORRY DAY 26 MAY** 

God of all creation,
We thank you for this beautiful land,
for the First Peoples you entrusted to care for it,
for its wealth and many Second Peoples who have made it their home.

Australia has been good to us.



Lands were taken and families destroyed by removal of children.

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We pray for those who were taken,

And those parents and grandparents whose arms lost little ones.

We struggle to imagine how this would feel, and how it could have happened.

For the pain and loss of identity and culture, we ask healing.

For a callous disregard of human rights we ask forgiveness and healing.



For wilful blindness and ignorance we ask for your light to shine.

For the descendants still affected by trans-generational trauma

we ask for ongoing support systems, in the name of justice.

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May we all be one.

May we be a nation who cares for 'the least of these'.

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In the name of Christ, Amen



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