
RESOURCES

Sudan: The Continuing Costs of War

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Slavery, War and Peace in Sudan

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For children:

Lodu's Escape and Other Stories from Africa

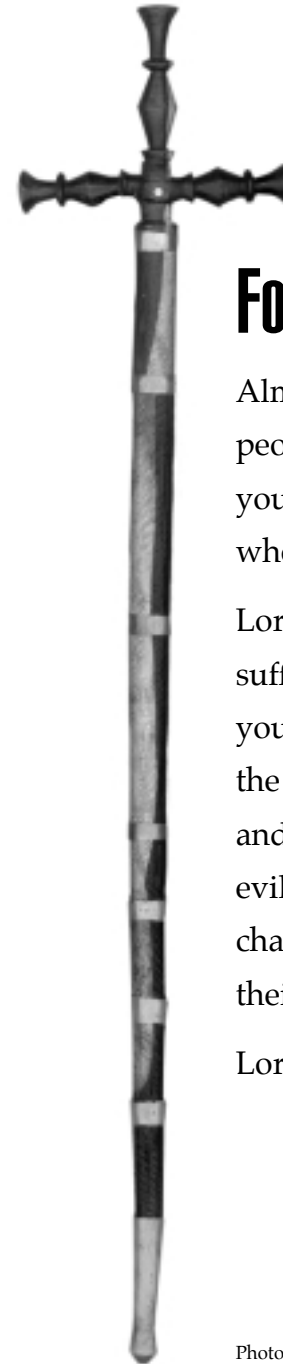
Edited by Phoebe Mugo. Title story about a 12-year-old boy and his mother who become refugees in southern Sudan. © 1994 Friendship Press, Inc. Illustrated with black and white photos, 60 pages.

Teacher's Guide to Lodu's Escape

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WORLD MISSION SUNDAY



INTERCESSIONS

For the People of Sudan

Almighty God, we pray for the suffering people of Sudan — for orphans, starving young children, the widowed and those whose homes are broken or torn by strife.

Lord, we know you are in pain with the suffering people of the world. We beseech you to bring transformation and change in the hearts of the perpetrators of violence and oppression: that they cease to do evil and learn to do right, pursue justice and champion the oppressed, give the orphans their right, plead the widow's cause.

Lord, have mercy on your children in Sudan.

Written by the Rev. Patrick P. Augustine,
Diocese of Southwestern Virginia

FOR PEACE IN THE SUDAN

Leader: O God, into the pain of the tortured,
All: Breathe stillness.
Leader: Into the misery of displacement,
All: Breathe comfort.
Leader: Into the hunger of the very poor,
All: Breathe fullness.
Leader: Into the death of the innocent,
All: Breathe life.
Leader: Into the pain of the widowed and orphans,
All: Breathe hope.
Leader: God our Father,
You are the source of all truth and peace:
Look with mercy on your children in the Sudan.
Purify our hearts from all hatred, falsehood and
prejudice,
And so guide us by your loving wisdom
that peace and righteousness may be established
among all people.
Come, Holy Spirit; comfort us; grant us the peace
of mind and soul
so that we may receive the great blessing of love,
peace and reconciliation
in the Sudan, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Written by women of the Episcopal Church of Sudan for an
ecumenical day of prayers for peace in December 1997, sponsored by the
Sudan Council of Churches National Women's Program.

PERSECUTION AND MARTYRDOM

“Some 10 million Anglicans are suffering persecution in many countries as severe as Christians of any other Communion. The current rate of new Anglican martyrs – defined as believers in Christ who lose their lives, prematurely, in a situation of witness, due to human hostility – numbers some 8,000 per year (on average 22 each day). Since the 1988 Lambeth Conference at least 50,000 Anglicans – clergy, laity, children – have been martyred in this way.”

This devastating information comes from an article by David B. Barrett and E.A. (Tad) de Bordenave III entitled “The Anglican World in Figures,” published by Anglican Frontier Missions in 1998.

Many Episcopalians and Anglicans throughout the world are trying to draw attention to this crisis and help ameliorate the situation in any way they can. The Episcopal Church's Standing Commission on World Mission has asked that the World Mission Sunday observance in this Jubilee year of 2000 focus particularly on the suffering of our sisters and brothers in Sudan.

For more information on World Mission Sunday, please visit the website www.ecusa.anglican.org/agr
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