

A Litany for the Stolen, Enslaved, and Raped Daughters of Nigeria Samuel DeWitt Proctor Conference

Weep for the Daughters of Zion, oh people! We weep for them and for the stolen daughters and sisters of Nigeria! Cry for all the daughters and sisters stolen, enslaved, and raped across the ages! We cry for you, daughters of Africa and daughters of God! We pray to the God of heaven for justice!

We speak your names!

We mourn and cry loud because of the vicious attacks that claim lives and human dignity. Mourn, people! You are OUR daughters! You are ALL our daughters! We say, SHAME on any who have harmed you and harm you still. We pray for justice! We demand it! Of the militant slavers who kidnapped you and who harm your spirits! We demand it of governments who can help!

We speak your names! We call you sacred! We say you're blessed. We will NOT stop looking for you! We will continue to pray for you! We will be a part of your healing as you return, daughters! For you are OUR daughters and sisters! You are ALL our daughters and sisters!

We speak your names! We call you sacred! We call you blessed and holy!
We pray to the God of love to wrap you in tender mercies and to protect your soul in your captivity, daughters! We pray for your safe return! We will NOT stop praying!

We will NOT stop looking for you! For you are our daughters and sisters! You are ALL our daughters and sisters!

Weep, oh people! And work for justice! Cry loud and do not cease to worry heaven and earth until our daughters are saved! Work, oh people! And do not stop until our daughter's lives are redeemed from the slavers, from the kidnapers!

We pray for the kidnapers that their hearts will not harden and that they will be convicted to do what is just and moral. We pray for justice! We pray they will be merciful! We pray they will repent! We pray they will be stopped! Daughters, we will not stop praying and working!

We speak your names! You are sacred, our daughters and sisters! Daughters of Nigeria and the entire world! We will pray for justice! We will live for justice! We will work for it! For you are OUR daughters! You are ALL our daughters!

We speak your names! We call you sacred! We call you precious! You are OUR daughters! You are ALL our daughters! Amen! Ase! And it is so!