"An Immigrant's Prayer"

O holy God, Heart of heaven and earth, praised be your holy name. Your daughters and sons, from all peoples of the world, regardless of borders, praise you.

We praise you and give you thanks because you have placed in our midst immigrant pilgrims who make the earth flourish and produce, to bring food to the table of the rich and poor alike.

We praise you and give you thanks because you always walk with those who cross borders in search of well-being, of doing their part in building the world you entrusted to us. On our way, we are mindful of your Presence of the promise to Abraham and Sarah of the liberation of your people, Israel.

We praise you and give you thanks for your blessings on all immigrants, on those who cross all the borders in the United States.

Today we pray for a clear and direct pathway to citizenship for all our people! We pray that You guide the hearts of policy makers, to make the right decisions, and be on the right side of history. This is our prayer. Amen.

"Oración de un Inmigrante"

O bendito Dios, Corazón del cielo y de la tierra, alabado sea tu santo nombre. Te alaban tus hijas e hijos de todos los pueblos del mundo sin importar fronteras.

Te alabamos y te damos gracias porque has puesto entre nosotros, a los peregrinos inmigrantes, que hacen florecer y producir a la tierra para llevar alimentos a la mesa de los pobres y los ricos por igual.

Te alabamos y te damos gracias porque siempre caminas con quienes cruzan las fronteras en busca de una vida mejor

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