Prayer for the Children of Burma written by Rev. Joan C. Friesen

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God who created us

God who knew us before we were even born

God in Jesus who said “Let the little ones come to me”

In the midst of war, in chaos, in uncertainty

We lift up the children of Burma to you.

We join their parents in wishing them a healthy and whole life

Yet knowing too many are spending each day in fear and trauma

And some are literally running for their lives.

So please, God, we ask for their protection and more.

Break open the hearts of those whose military orders inflict harm, destruction, and death. We pray that the military generals would experience you like Paul on the road to Damascus, where there is no doubt that you, O God, have caused them to repent and turn around.

For these children have no control over their circumstances, God,

And they depend on their elders to keep them safe, warm, and fed.

Merciful God, please add your arms of protection around each child.

Provide for their needs; help them know how much they are loved and valued.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayers today and especially our prayers for the children of Burma. In Christ’s name we pray, Amen.