

PrayerperIraq:

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Prayer for a peaceful and productive resolution to the strife and war in Iraq

Dear God, we find solace in the fact that you refuse to abandon humanity in crisis. As we consider the marathon sessions among congressmen on Capitol Hill, debating the extent of U.S. military involvement in Iraq, we ask your guidance as members of the Franciscan Federation, in our efforts to encourage a commitment from our nation's political leaders. Bless our efforts to continue to strive for a peaceful and productive solution to the strife and war in Iraq. Help us our leaders to address a three-fold goal: to assist Iraq in establishing a stable democratic government and a viable economy, and putting an end to U.S. occupation there.

During this season of consternation over the situation in Iraq, particularly the deployment of United State's troops and the innocent victims of violence and terrorism in this war-ravaged nation, we the members of the Franciscan Federation call on Congress and citizens alike to pray for God's love and guidance in initiating the steps toward a peaceful and productive resolution. Amen.

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