

JOIN WITH CHRISTIANS ACROSS THE COUNTRY AS WE PRAY *and* TAKE ACTION

“But let justice roll on like a river,  
righteousness like a never-failing stream.”

—Amos 5:24



**DAYS** *of*  
**PRAYER AND ACTION**  
*for* **COLOMBIA**  
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War has raged in Colombia for 50 years. It claims some 3,000 civilian lives each year and has forced four million people to flee their homes. We can help bring the violence to an end if we speak up. Here's how you can raise your voice for peace.

## PRAY

- For the healing of the victims and the perpetrators.
- For the poor to free themselves from economic oppression.
- For lawmakers to exercise wisdom in decision-making.
- That citizens of the U.S. exercise their right to demand policies that promote justice and peace for the people of Colombia.

## prayer

**God of hope** - who consoles our pain.

We have seen and heard the testimony of millions of displaced and refugees.  
Women, children, men, indigenous and afro-descendants  
whose bodies carry the marks of death and terror.

**God of justice** - who walks with us.

Our faith and our commitment to Jesus has led us to solidarity and exile.  
Our bodies carry the scars of fear, violence, poverty and rejection – they are our cross.

**God of life** - who works with us for peace.

Destroy the weapons of war and the trade agreements that displace and destroy your creation.  
We are your people who yearn to return to our land and, like Jesus, be resurrected.

—Milton Mejía, Exiled Colombian Presbyterian Pastor

## ACT

Contact your Member of Congress and ask them to:

- Increase humanitarian aid to victims of violence.
- End military aid to Colombia.
- End aerial fumigations.
- Promote a negotiated settlement to the conflict.

To find the contact information for your Member of Congress, visit [www.house.gov](http://www.house.gov) or [www.senate.gov](http://www.senate.gov) or call the capitol switchboard at **202.2243121**. E-mail your representative and both of your senators to let them know you want peace in Colombia!

For more information on Colombia and the Days of Prayer and Action, visit [lwr.org/colombia](http://lwr.org/colombia) or email [advocacy@lwr.org](mailto:advocacy@lwr.org).