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## Prayer for Crossing Barriers

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God,

We confess to being closed to your people as we go about our daily tasks.

We admit to putting your mission in a box, confining it to particular places and times.

We pray now for openness to your Spirit to respond to the people, questions, and needs around us.

We commit ourselves to crossing barriers in our daily lives that we might find more of your people,

listening and responding to them in new and loving ways.

Go with us into the world to love and to serve all we encounter, wherever they may be.

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