

Written prayer

Interceding for those suffering from anxiety and depression

This liturgical prayer is based on the song, 'Safe hiding place (God of refuge)'. The song was written following a worship and prayer time at the Sanctuary's centre focused on interceding for those suffering with depression and anxiety. (You can find the song's mp3, chord sheet and the story and purpose behind the song at www.thesanctuarycentre.org/whereworldandworshipmeet-songs.html)

Leader: God of refuge, God of sanctuary
Protecting wings and arms stretched wide at Calvary

All: Come – and redeem.

Leader: God of shelter, high strong tower,
Ever-present help in trouble, endless love, restorer

All: Come – and redeem.

Leader: Lord Jesus, we ask you to come.
Come and redeem the hiding places of all who are anxious and afraid
And enter right into the darkened spaces where depression has shut the door.
Come with your peace and your light
May each person hear the songs you sing over them -
Songs of joy and your endless delight in who they are.
And please beckon each one to open the door
So that you might reveal yourself to be the very safe hiding place you are.

Leader: God of comfort, God of endless welcome,
Lighthouse, beacon, safe retreat and champion

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Amen.**