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## The Call to Us All

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## In Focus

Our hearts are weary and overwhelmed as we daily hear of more crises and traumas facing children. At times, we can feel the needs are too many, and our abilities are too few. However, in these times of despair, we must come to our Father in prayer and remind ourselves of who He is, His promises, and our Hope because of what He has done. The enemy wants us to surrender and give up, but we are to be reminded that God has called us to this time in history for a purpose and wants us to serve Him through that calling.

May you be Enriched, Encouraged, and Equipped through this issue as you renew your dedication to serve Him and His children in some way.

Standing Beside You and Serving Him Together,

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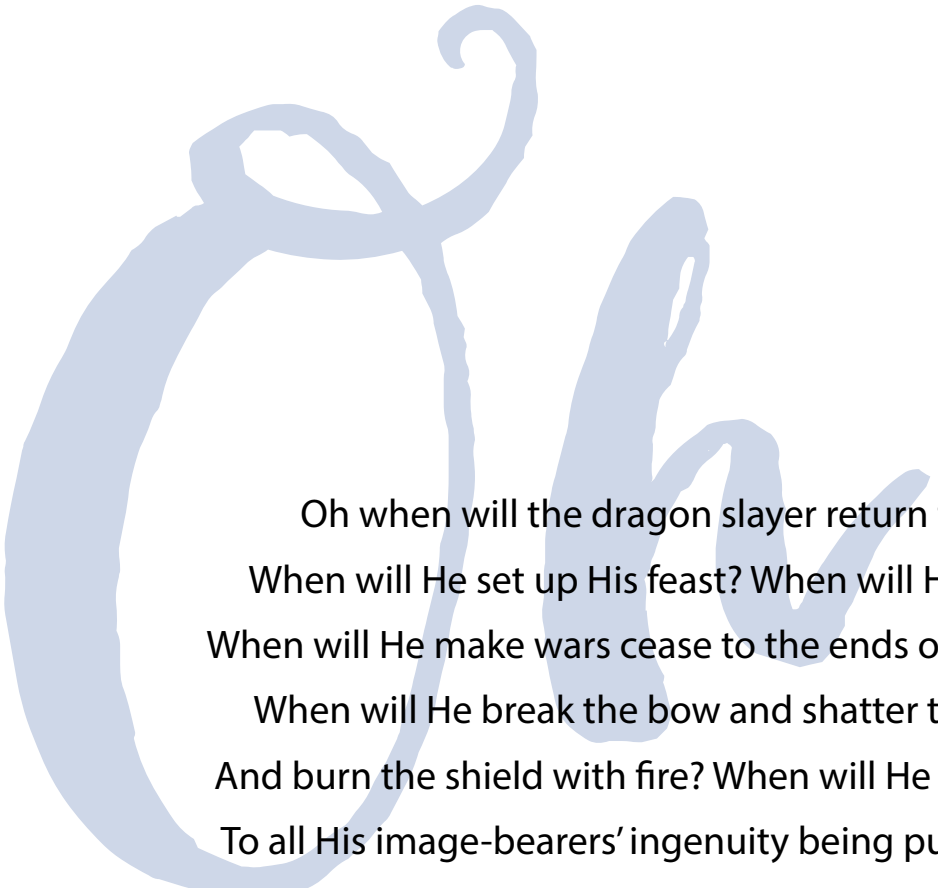
# Farming for Children



*Submitted by Elizabeth Ellynshaw*



The most bitter wars, like Cain and Abel,  
Like Isaac and Ishmael, like Jacob and Esau,  
Like Joseph and his jealous brothers,  
Each one feeling rejection from his father,  
And taking it out in his brother's blood.  
Were not the Russians and Ukrainians "brothers"?  
Were not the sons of Isaac and Ishmael?  
And yet today someone is dying  
On both sides, in both places.



Oh when will the dragon slayer return to us?  
When will He set up His feast? When will He come?  
When will He make wars cease to the ends of the earth?  
When will He break the bow and shatter the spear  
And burn the shield with fire? When will He put an end  
To all His image-bearers' ingenuity being put to killing  
One another like this? When will He beat the swords into plowshares  
And the spears into pruning hooks, because we will see each other  
Not as an enemy to be destroyed, but as a harvest to be gathered in?  
I will see it so, even now. I will see all earth's battlefields as harvest fields.  
I will see the refugees as a field white to be harvested into eternal life,  
The evacuees as pilgrims to the Father's house. I will see every war  
As a preparation for a harvest, and I will get ready, with my prayers  
And my giving and my speaking, to share with them the message  
That gathers the harvest in! I have no enemies of flesh and blood  
For which I need a sword. I have only a harvest assignment  
For which I need my farming tools

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# The Call to Us All



by Amy Wilson



We are hard-pressed to look at the many tragedies around the world and not see how children are being directly affected. Tragedies such as the wars, natural disasters, famines, rise in poverty, and much more are leaving more than 165 million children as orphans worldwide. The foster care system is overloaded in many areas as children are awaiting a return to their own homes when able or placement with a new family. Adoption of a forever family is often a constant hope of these children.

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Because we have been adopted as God's children, we have a calling and role to play by God to those who are vulnerable. (See James 1:27, James 2:15-16, Hosea, 14:3, Isaiah 1:17, Psalm 82:3, Deuteronomy 10:18, John 14:18). His children are called to be His hands and feet to those in need. We are to look for opportuni-



ties to help those who are struggling, to be intentional to serve those who are hurting, and to show that they are worthy. God showed us how this was modeled by King David (the man after God's own heart) to Mephibosheth in 2 Samuel 9:1-13.

Not all are called to adopt, but all are called to help.

Many may say, "I am not called or in a position to adopt!" which may be true. Not all are called to adopt, but all are called to help.



You can be involved in many ways: prayer (start with the above verses if you like), volunteering at a children's home or Christian children's service, donating clothing for foster families, making care bags for new moms, providing meals or respite for foster families, and the list goes on. The point is to pray and ask God how He wants you to be involved and do it!

Please use the resources listed below as a place to start if you are unsure of where to begin. May God bless you for your efforts for His children!



World Without Orphans	<a href="http://www.worldwithoutorphans.org">www.worldwithoutorphans.org</a>
Christian Alliance for Orphans	<a href="http://www.cafo.org">www.cafo.org</a>
Lifeline Children's Services	<a href="https://cp.lifelinechild.org">https://cp.lifelinechild.org</a>
Every Child Foster and Adoption Ministry	<a href="http://www.every-child.org">www.every-child.org</a>
Care Net	<a href="https://www.care-net.org">https://www.care-net.org</a>



# Resources Page



## Upcoming Training Event

Module 1: Trauma and Crisis Care

Course via Facebook Instructor

January 22 - March 15

Please email [denise@ccti-wec.org](mailto:denise@ccti-wec.org) if interested.

## New Translations Added!

[Check out our product page](#)

(<https://crisiscaretraining.org/product/childrens-trauma-recovery-workbook/>)

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- Russian
- Spanish
- Ukrainian
- Urdu



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