

**PRAYER FOR A SUCCESSFUL U.S.-NORTH KOREA SUMMIT
AND PEACE ON THE KOREAN PENINSULA**

LORD OF LIFE, please join us in this time as we bow our heads praying for the peace of the Korean Peninsula. Please hear our prayers so that we may become one in the love and peace of Jesus Christ.

We have sensibly overcome the constantly quavering tinderbox crisis. The April 27th Inter-Korean Summit was fruitful, and it is now leading to a U.S-North Korea summit. We give thanks to the living God who oversees history and gave rise to this spring of peace.

However, we will not forget that peace does not spring easily. Thus we desperately hope to overcome the barriers of ideology and distrust, and that this opportunity we have received once again may open the path of trust and peaceful coexistence flowing toward the stream of life, justice, and peace.

We desire to continue our prayer march for reconciliation and peace on the Korean peninsula. Lord, as small candles gathered to bring forth a great wave of peace, may our candle of prayer meet with all those who wish for peace and be with us to grow into a great wave of reconciliation and peaceful coexistence. Do not let the candle blow out despite any troubling winds that may come, and lead us to peace.

Until the day we realize reconciliation and unification on the Korean Peninsula, let us fulfill our mission with the humble heart of God. We pray in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ who comes to our land as the Prince of Peace. Amen.

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