



Focus on Religious Freedom

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Petitions for the Protection of the Religious Faith and Practices of All Americans

**...as put forth by the 1st Amendment and championed by American founders and
presidents George Washington, Thomas Jefferson and James Madison**

- For all Americans of faith, that the Creator who endowed each man with Freedom of Conscience and Religion will protect them in their faith and in their places of worship. Let us pray..
- For all Americans that they will respect and protect the rights of their fellow men to religious freedom, as described by Pres. Thomas Jefferson when he wrote:
“...religion is a matter that lies solely between a Man and his God. That he owes account to none other for his faith or his worship...” (Jefferson’s Letter to the Danbury Baptists, 1802)
Let us pray.
- For all Americans to know they are protected from persecution by the Constitution and laws of our nation. Washington emphasized this freedom for Jews and all Americans when he quoted Micah 4:4 in his letter to the Hebrew Congregation of Newport: “May the children of the stock of Abraham who dwell in this land continue to merit and enjoy the good will of the other inhabitants – while every one shall sit in safety under his own vine and fig tree and there shall be none to make him afraid.”
Let us pray.
- For all Americans, that the example and witness of their fellow citizens’ faith and hope in God, may lead them to welcome the Father, Son and Holy Spirit into their hearts and minds. Let us pray.
- For all Americans that they may kneel in prayer and stand in solidarity to protect those Americans prosecuted for their works of charity and attacked as they gather for prayer. Let us pray.

**“America! America! God mend thine every flaw.
Confirm thy soul in self-control. Thy liberty in law.” Katherine Lee Bates, 1893**