



# INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER AND AWARENESS AGAINST HUMAN TRAFFICKING

**Light up the world against human trafficking**

Rome - January, 23th

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

This is a letter to follow-up on the introduction made earlier this month. We are proceeding with the plans for celebrating an International Day of Prayer and Awareness Against Human Trafficking, and would like to provide your network with resources developed by the Talitha Kum Team here in Rome. You are free to use or modify these resources to suit your local needs. The resources will be available on a special website after 2 February, 2015.

[www.a-light-against-human-trafficking.info](http://www.a-light-against-human-trafficking.info)

The resources include a short prayer available in English, Swahili, Thai, Arabic, Portuguese, Italian, Spanish, French, and soon Chinese and Bahasa Indonesia. There is also a longer Prayer Service available in English, Italian, French, and Spanish. If you are able to translate materials into other languages, we thank you and ask that you share these translations on the website. Attached to this e-mail is the official Program which will be followed in Rome, in English. Please note that a Press Conference will be held in Rome on 3 February; you may want to do something similar locally.

We ask that you share these resources, and any others that you develop, with national or regional Conferences of Religious, monastic and cloistered communities, your national Bishops' Conference, local and national politicians, and other groups, institutions, or persons that may come to mind. You know best how to do this.

A further word about the new website. It will be interactive, which means that 1) you have to light a candle to enter and see the site with a world map, and with your participation you can turn on the 'light' in your country, 2) please send us your photos and any news about your prayer and efforts, 3) St. Bakhita is represented as a sign of hope and freedom from slavery. Please send your stories of hope and freedom. Materials may be submitted in English, Italian, Spanish, Portuguese or France.

Please send all the Materials for the website to the following e-mail address:  
[alightagainsthumantrafficking@gmail.com](mailto:alightagainsthumantrafficking@gmail.com)

Keep us in touch!

"Slaves no more, but sisters and brothers."

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## PROGRAMM

- February, 2<sup>nd</sup> The web site [www.a-light-against-human-trafficking.info](http://www.a-light-against-human-trafficking.info) will be available
- February, 3<sup>th</sup> Press Conference in Vaticano
- February, 6<sup>th</sup> Vigil of Prayer
- February, 8<sup>th</sup> Holy Mass with the Cardinal Joao Braz de Aviz and participation at the Angelus Prayer