

We observe

THURSDAYS IN BLACK

**Towards a world
without rape and violence**

26 November

A Prayer for Those Affected

God our Father you created both man and women equally, you know all the abuses that women are facing globally in their everyday lives.

God, the Creator, may you please help women and children in Australia affected my family violence.

We pray for those who are forced into homelessness because of it.
Comfort them and their children who follow their mothers into refuges and change schools.

Lord, please help women deprived from earning their economic independence for being a female.

Merciful God, may you listen to the cry of young women who are forced into early marriage.

Protect those women globally who are vulnerable to violence, especially in conflict.

We ask this in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ

Amen.

The National Council of Churches in Australia is observing the UN 16 Days of Action against Gender Based Violence. The campaign has been run every year since 1991 from 25 November, the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women, to 10 December, Human Rights Day. Each day of the campaign, you are encouraged to pray. These daily prayers are supplied by the Anglican Diocese of Melbourne. NCCA is a proud supporter of the Thursdays in Black Campaign. To learn more about the campaign visit the NCCA website to learn more: ncca.org.au.



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