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O merciful God, in whom all men live and move and have their being, who rulest over all, and without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy ; we pray Thee to be with Thy servants who are laboring among the Indians in this diocese.

Do Thou by Thine indwelling spirit so purify our hearts from selfishness, covetousness, and all uncleanness, that each of us may be vessels meet for the Master's use. Grant that whatever in us, in our walk and conversation, hinders Thy Spirit working in us and by us, may by that same Spirit be purged away. May all who worship with us by their living recommend the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Inspire us with love, zeal, faith, patience and fortitude, that we may be neither wearied nor discouraged in the work. Graciously be pleased to over-rule and direct all our efforts that they may abound to thy glory, and the salvation of souls. Defeat the designs of Satan. Loosen the bonds of error and superstition. Disperse the thick darkness of ignorance. Enable each of Thy servants to preach to and teach the Indians in their own language, and cause Thy word to find entrance into their hearts. May thy Holy Spirit "convince" them "of sin," "of righteousness" and "of judgment." May He work in them true repentance. May they become new creatures in Christ Jesus, and be themselves witnesses for Christ among their fellow Indians. Thus do Thou, of Thine infinite mercy build up a Church to Thy glory in this land, that may be Thy crown and rejoicing in the day of Thy coming.

All we ask is in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour. Amen.