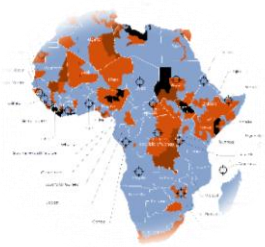


## Prayer Guide for the week 18 to 23 February

**“Don't worry about having the right words; worry more about having the right heart. It's not eloquence He seeks, just honesty.” Max Lucado**



Eleven African nations are highlighted in a major annual report on human rights as places where violations of citizens' rights were accompanied by insurgencies, domestic conflict or inter-communal violence. The nations, range from Libya in the north, Nigeria in the west, through Central Africa and the Great Lakes region to Somalia in the east, and Mozambique and Zimbabwe in the south.

Besides world violence, not a day goes by without a report of abuse of human rights taking place in some part of Africa. We hear about abuses in Zimbabwe, where the regime of Mnangagwa appears to be worse than that of Mugabe, activities of ISIS in Mozambique, child kidnappings by Boko Haram in Nigeria and gender-based violence in our own country.

In your prayers, remember those living in countries of conflict, particularly in Africa.

- † Pray for those caught up in the conflicts,
- † For those displaced from their homes and villages through the conflicts,
- † For the children forced to be child soldiers,
- † For those who fearlessly stand up to immoral and corrupt regimes at great personal risk,
- † For missionaries working amongst the suffering, for their work and for their protection.
- † For the resolution of the conflict in Gaza and the continued release of hostages.
- † For the situation in Ukraine, with a possibility of a peace agreement,

