Written prayers on hunger for you to use in your church.

Lord you are our Father
a loving parent who cares for us, your children.
Here today we are just a few of your many million precious, loved and valued children.
Help us to recognise the needs of our brothers and sisters - all made in your image.

Hallowed be your name, not my name or any other.
May your justice and truth reign on this planet which is stricken with poverty.
When we ask for your kingdom to come.
We do so laying all our resources at your feet.

Help us, as part of your church, to be obedient to your call to look after people in need in your name.
Give us your daily bread, and help us to share abundantly the plenty that we have been blessed with.
Amen.

*From Peter Shaw, Editor Tear Times and Prayer Diary.*

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Reflecting grace

The Earth is the Lord’s (leader)
*And everything in it (all)*

Faithful God you have blessed us in so many ways (leader)
*We will not forget your goodness to us God (all)*

Your love and grace are our daily companions (leader)
*We rejoice in our journey with you (all)*

Lord Jesus, You were moved with compassion in the face of suffering (leader)
*Soften our hearts, make us a compassionate people (all)*

Lord Jesus, on a crowded mountainside, you fed the hungry (leader)
*From what you have given us, help us ensure that everyone has enough food (all)*

Lord Jesus, you stooped to bring hope to the leper (leader)
*Make us never too busy to bring hope to the hopeless (all)*

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*ENOUGH FOOD FOR EVERYONE IF*
Lord Jesus, you displayed your love for us in your life and your death (leader)
Save us from cynicism and help us live sacrificially (all)

Lord Jesus by your actions you brought transformation to the world. (leader)
By your power help us to be
agents of change in the places of need (all)

In your name (leader)
Amen (all)

From Fred Drummond, EA director for Scotland who also heads up the Prayer ministries of the Alliance

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Vision

Heavenly Father,
Open my eyes to see as you see and weep as you weep
Open my heart to love the broken and care for those without hope
Open my hands to hold what I have lightly and to share cheerfully
Open my mouth to speak for the voiceless and to shout for mercy
Open my ears to the gentle whispers of your Spirit and to obey what you say
Open up my life to the call of your voice and the needy cries of the dying
Amen

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Move us to action (a prophetic act and prayer)

Instructions: split the congregation into two groups and give two pieces of bread to each person in one group. The other group is given nothing.
Group 1 pray: Almighty God, we thank you for the abundance of your blessing. You have given us all we need and more. We are thankful.

Group 2 pray: Gracious God, provider of all, give us this day our daily bread

Group 1 are then asked to give a piece of bread to someone from the group with nothing.

When all have bread they eat together then pray:

Lord God, you have shared your life with the world, help us to share your goodness with others.
Amen.

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Lord God, we pray for everyone who is hungry today – whether they live thousands of miles away or in our local communities.

We pray urgently for food prices around the world to stabilise and fall, so that more countries do not fall into extreme hunger.

God we ask for wisdom for leaders and experts working to tackle hunger, and that they would be willing and able to make progress in identifying ways to combat food security and help communities adapt to changing weather patterns.

In Jesus’ name,
Amen.

Lord, you made us to know what hunger is, but also to know the goodness of your provision. We pray for those who share this earth with us, but for whom hunger is a crippling, life-threatening danger. We pray for those who have nothing and those who have too little to eat: would you help them and allow us to be part of the solution?
Amen
Lord, the scale of global poverty is beyond our understanding. Give bread to those who are hungry and a hunger for justice for those of who have bread. Grant us the faith and persistence to sow seeds of righteousness that might take years or even generations to bear fruit. Amen.