

**Loving Lord,  
we thank you for your love  
so freely given to us all.**

**We pray for families around the world.**

**Bless the work of the Mothers' Union  
as we seek to share your love through  
the encouragement, strengthening and  
support of marriage and family life.**

**Empowered by your Spirit,  
may we be united in prayer and worship,  
and in love and service reach out  
as your hands across the world.**

**In Jesus' name. Amen.**