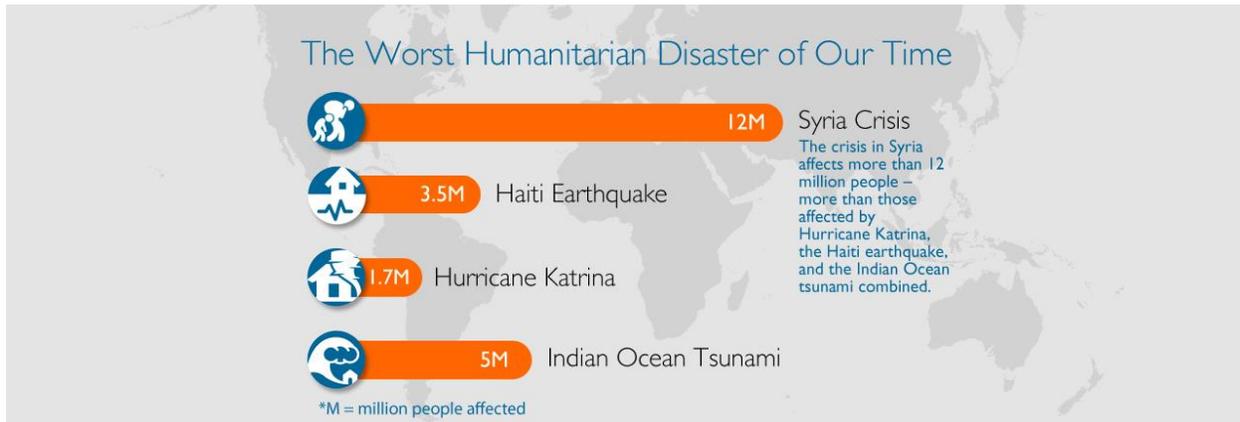


## Refugee Sunday - Prayer Points for the Syrian Conflict

Since the beginning of the Syria refugee crisis in 2011, World Vision has helped more than 2 million children and adults in Syria, Lebanon, Jordan, Turkey, and Iraq, providing food, clean water, healthcare, and more.



Conflict within Syria has displaced more than 6.6 million people within the country and another 4 million in neighboring countries. Thousands are continuing to migrate in desperate bids to reach Europe or North America by land, sea or air.

### Suggested Prayer Points for People Affected by Conflict in Syria

The Syrian people are suffering from widespread conflict. More than 400,000 lives have been lost since the conflict began more than five years ago, and more than 1 million have been injured. Homes and businesses are being destroyed in the violence.

- Pray for peace, as Psalm 46:9 declares that You “make wars cease to the ends of the earth.” For those in conflict with one another to come to a peaceful solution, so that civilians may resume their daily lives.
- Pray for Syrian families who have been uprooted from their homes by the fighting, displaced in their own country, or are fleeing to neighboring countries for safety. Pray for guidance to places where they can find help and rest and provision in host communities with the resources to assist families arriving on their doorstep.
- Pray for European, American, and Canadian government leaders to come to compassionate solutions for refugees in these dire circumstances. Pray for God to open our ears to what the Spirit is saying about our personal involvement in helping meet the overwhelming needs of refugee children and families.
- Pray for Syrian Christian communities (approx. 10% of the population). The Syrian Church goes back to New Testament times. Saul was helped by Christians in Damascus after his encounter with the ascended Christ (Acts 9). These communities today have requested prayer that they may stay strong in faith in the midst of persecution and conflict.
- Pray for any Syrian families that you are connected to, that they would call Canada home in the same way that we do. Listen to school stories from your children or grandchildren of their Syrian classmates, and let current events also inform and continue to prompt.