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- 1 The following words are from the "United Nations' Declaration of the Rights of the Child". We can think of our own background, and also that of young people in our country and across the world.
- 2 Children and young people have the right:
  - *"- to affection, love and understanding; - to adequate nutrition and medical care;*
- 3 to free education;
  to full opportunity for play and recreation;
- 4 to a name and nationality;
  to special care, if handicapped;
- 5 to be among the first to receive relief in times of disaster;
  - to learn to be a useful member of society and to develop individual abilities;
- 6 to be brought up in a spirit of peace and universal brotherhood.

To enjoy these rights, regardless of race, colour, sex, religion, national or social origin."

7 Let us pray:

In my own part of the world, Lord, I pray today and commit myself to be loving and understanding in all that I do, and to be generous in giving of myself without expecting anything in return. I pray and commit myself to have an attitude of respect for each and every person, treating everyone as the equals that they are. All that I am determined to be, Lord, I ask for the power of your Spirit to enable me to be. Amen.

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