



Candles of Remembrance

Remembering women who fought against slavery....

Sit in a circle around a table upon which are seven unlit candles. Arrange for seven people, each to light a candle, and say one of the following sentences.

Keep a silence after each candle is lit.

First candle

I light this candle so that we may remember all those African women sold to be slaves in the sugar plantations

Second candle

I light this candle so that we may remember all those women-slaves beaten or raped by their masters, or ill treated by their mistresses.

Third Candle

I light this candle so that we may remember Hannah More and Ann Yearsley who campaigned, without tiring, against slavery

Fourth Candle

I light this candle so that we may remember Lucy Townsend, Mary Lloyd, Sarah Wedgwood, Sophia Sturge, Jane Smeal, Elizabeth Pease and Anne Knight who founded and organised women's anti-slavery societies.

Fifth Candle

I light this candle so that we may remember Gemma Adams, Anelli Alderton, Annette Nicholls, Paula Clennell and Tania Nicol, the five young women who were killed in Ipswich in 2006.

Sixth Candle

I light this candle as we pray for all the women, men and children today who are used for sex.

Seventh Candle

I light this candle as we pray for all those who struggle and work today against sex trafficking, especially..... *(Space to add further intercessions)*

All say:

God our Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer,
be present today with all those people who suffer this slavery today
and all those who try to support them.

Stir our hearts that we may not sit lightly to this struggle
but give ourselves to this task.

Amen

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