

God of Mercies,
we thank you for your great love for us all.

We ask you to guide the leaders of Sudan
in the process of nation building, and
we pray that you might grant them and all your people
your wisdom, compassion and fortitude.

We give thanks for all who have worked hard for peace
and we pray for all who have died
during the long years of conflict.

Unite us all in solidarity, people of every race
and language, every tribe and community.

God, bless the new nation of South Sudan
and bless the Republic of Sudan,
as they face the future, a future full of hope.

We ask all this in Jesus' name.

Amen.

(adapted from the novena approved by the Bishops of Sudan, Juba, May 2011)

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