



**A prayer for all involved in
Listening 2004: My Family My Church**

**Loving father,
since today as never before, your work is in our hands,
we, your family,
in all our frailty and mystery,
with all our races and peoples,
join hands around your table,
in doubt, in love, in risk, in hope,
and offer you thanks in a new way.
Not by being taken out of what is human
but by daring to be what we truly are:
the work of your loving hands.**

**Since we, your people,
are those who have not seen,
yet are called upon to believe the mystery of faith,
send over us your Holy Spirit:
the Spirit who brings us life,
the Spirit who brings us love,
the Spirit who makes all we do
not easy but full of meaning.**

**We make this prayer in the name
of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen**

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