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1 Mother Teresa, who died a week ago today in 1997, worked with the poorest of the poor in Calcutta, in north-eastern India. She talked of what inspired her:

2 *“What is the Good News, the Gospel?
It is that God loves you,
that God carries you
tattooed on the palms of his hands,
that even if a mother
should forget her own child,
God will not forget you.”*

Is 49¹⁵⁻¹⁶

3 On this day in 1997, a 9-year old Romanian boy received a letter from Mother Teresa, posted just before her death. In that letter, Mother Teresa wrote:

4 *“I pray for you, Patreascu,
that you may become
more and more like Jesus,
and be the sunshine of his love
to everyone.”*

5 *Let us pray:*

**God our Father,
for each individual
it is as though
his or her name
is written on the palm of your hand.
Lead us to grow in the faith
that your love for each person
is without limit or condition.
Inspire us to live in such a way
that the light of Christ
may shine through us,
bringing love and warmth
and happiness
to those who share our lives.
Amen.**

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'Praying Each Day of the Year',
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For details:

<http://www.matthew-james.co.uk/>

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to research this topic further.

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