

O God, Hear Thou the Nation's Prayer

Irving Maurer, 1912.

Samuel Weekes, 1875.

O God, hear Thou the nation's prayer,

We lift our cause to Thee;

We wage the holy war of Christ;

We fight to make men free.

Give us to build our cities pure,

Salvation throned above,

To shelter lowly homes from ill,

And teach our hearts to love.

[originally, And tune our mills with love]

Give us to guide the alien feet,

To teach the brother's way,

To save our motherhood from need;

To guard our children's play.

May visions call and faith enflame,

And banish lust and greed;

O God, make Thou our home to be

[originally, Make Thou America to be]

A land of soulful deed.