

Prayer for Peace

God of mercy and justice,
filled with concern, we bring our troubled hearts to you.
This country and our world are in need of your mercy;
our hearts are in need of healing.

Relieve the suffering of your people,
here in the U.S. and throughout the world.
May people everywhere-
especially those who are poor, the women, and the children,
find refuge from war, violence, fear and hunger.

Send your Spirit of Wisdom upon the leaders of nations,
that the resolution of our conflicts be marked
by justice and mercy.

Send your Spirit of unity upon all people
that we might recognize our sisters and brothers
all around us.

Today, may we be instruments of your healing and peace.

May we find ways to put into practice
your all-inclusive, welcoming love
and so, bring unity to a divided world community.

Amen.

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