

## **A Litany for Peace**

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That faith be born and grow in every man and woman of this land:

***God of justice and peace, reconcile our lives.***

That the prejudice and suspicion that separate individuals and human communities be removed:

***God of justice and peace, reconcile our lives.***

That our psychological and cultural differences serve to build positively our personhood and our country:

***God of justice and peace, reconcile our lives.***

That our hearts be sensitive to the pain and suffering of those who are defenceless and marginalised in our societies:

***God of justice and peace, reconcile our lives.***

That every man and woman around us experience the joy of living freely and independently:

***God of justice and peace, reconcile our lives.***

That the chasm between the rich and the poor, the oppressor and the oppressed, our political leaders, winners and losers, with time disappears:

***God of justice and peace, reconcile our lives.***

That our ethnic and social divisions be replaced with empathetic listening and acceptance of others:

***God of justice and peace, reconcile our lives.***

That all our relations be characterised by truth, humility, honesty and openness:

***God of justice and peace, reconcile our lives.***

That our good relations with neighbouring countries be strengthened through helping one another and become a seal of our mutual trust and security:

***God of justice and peace, reconcile our lives.***

That the joining of justice, truth, forgiveness and reconciliation become real in our lives:

***God of justice and peace, reconcile our lives.***

That our families, our hills and our villages be spaces of joy and sharing between indigenous and settlers and all who share the land:

***God of hope, give us your peace.***