

**PRAY  
AND  
ACT  
FOR  
PEACE  
IN IRAQ**



**A prayer for peace during a time of war**

God whose voice spoke, “Let there be light” (Gen. 1:3) –

Let your overcoming light scatter the violence that darkens Gaza and Israel;

Let your guiding light give wisdom to leaders who seek for peace;

Let your healing light envelop the wounds of war and restore wholeness to body and mind and spirit.

God whose voice is powerful and full of majesty (Ps. 29:4) –

Open our ears to hear your Word;

Open our eyes to see your glory;

Open our hearts to humbly walk in your way of justice and peace.

God whose voice spoke, “You are my Son, the Beloved, with you I am well pleased” (Mark 1:11) –

Make us secure in knowing that we are your dearly-loved children;

Make us confident in our calling as your ambassadors of reconciliation;

Make us steadfast in loving others as you have loved us.

God whose Spirit empowers us to speak words of truth (Acts 19:6) –

Give courage to our timid spirits;

Fill us with fresh passion for peace;

Make us bold to stand up for what is just and right and true.

God who separated the light from the darkness, God who called the light good (Gen. 1:4), make us to walk in your light. Be well pleased with all your children. Amen

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