

# prayer for peace in the Holy Land

God of our longing,  
Remember those who wait and hope for peace.  
Hear our prayer and our lament  
for our brothers and sisters in Israel and Palestine.  
With them, we share a common story,  
set in a common homeland.

Make common also a will to forgive,  
to reconcile,  
to make a just peace for the sake of the ancestors,  
for the sake of the children.  
Open ears, eyes and hearts  
And make a way toward justice  
In our war-torn world.

God all merciful, you dwell in all human hearts  
And the Holy Land is wherever you make your home.  
Heal these broken places where prophets preached  
Where Moses and Jesus and Muhammad kept faith with you.  
Be a sure support for those who work toward reconciliation  
And make us all, however far away,  
Steadfast in their cause.

Amen