

NO FAITH IN TRIDENT

This is a selection of prayers that you might like to use individually or in groups at Burghfield on 27th June. They have been taken from "My People, I Am Your Security", "Peacemaking Day by Day" and "Prayers for Peacemakers".



We believe in Jesus Christ, crucified, risen and ascended, who has battled with evil and won. He has won with the power of his love, love, which is stronger than all the evil and violence in the world. We believe in the power of his love, power to overcome fear and suspicion, and we put our trust in his love alone. And we turn away from all nuclear weapons that kill our innocent brothers and sisters, for we cannot rely on the weapons of this world when all our security, hope and life is in Jesus. We believe in the power of the risen Christ, for only he can give us inward security. And we turn away from the evil of mass destruction, of arming ourselves while others starve, of trusting the weapons of evil to safeguard the true and the good. We believe in Jesus Christ: and we trust his power of love and nothing else.

BCC Manifest. Prayers for Peacemakers

Lead us from death to life, from falsehood to truth.
Lead us from despair to hope, from fear to trust,
Lead us from hate to love, from war to peace.
Let peace fill our hearts, our lives our universe.
Peace. Peace. Peace.
Satish Kumar

Join Christian peacemakers at 12.00 noon on 13th July
in the Dick Sheppard Chapel, St. Martin-in-the-Fields,
Trafalgar Square, for a short liturgy before the "Stop
Trident" Lobby of Parliament.

Blessed are you, O God the Father, who created heaven and earth in a single peace.
Blessed are you, O Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, who bequeathed to us your peace.
Blessed are you, O Holy Spirit of God, who breathes peace into our hearts.
Peace Service, Friends Meeting House, Eccles

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We are here because we have been called. We have been called in love to bear witness to the light of the world. This light shines in darkness and in places of death. We give thanks for the opportunities we have to bear witness to the Light of Christ. As we worship in this place that is both holy and profane, we praise the God of Peace and Life who works in and through his people.

Jenny Hunt, Prayers for Peacemakers

This earth is Holy, it is the Lord's. In love we come together to proclaim the Good News that speaks of a quality of life that is freedom in justice, freedom to breathe, freedom to plant, freedom to walk without fences, freedom to be at home on our own land. We pray for this place . We pray that we may be instruments of God's peace and justice.

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O God, we have heard the stories of the victims of nuclear weapons, those in Hiroshima and Nagasaki and those without bread in our own country. But we have been numbed by the horror of their pain. We know the weapons by name but we have too often kept silent. O God, we have betrayed you. Forgive us. We claim to put our trust in you, but our churches still look to the military for strength and protection. We have prayed for peace, but our tax money has paid for war. O God, we have betrayed you. Have mercy. We have been called to be peacemakers, but we have been afraid to speak your truth. We have been promised hope and joy, but we have been captivated by fear and despair. O God. We have betrayed you. Forgive us. *Campaign to Stop the Arms Bazaar. Washington DC.*

For supporting the manufacture of arms through payment of taxes, forgive us, Lord. For the unrelieved suffering and hardship which money spent on arms could heal, forgive us, Lord. For threatening to commit genocide by holding nuclear weapons as a deterrent, forgive us, Lord. For half-heartedness in hearing, living and sharing Christ's way of peace, forgive us, Lord. For dividing the world into good and bad, and treating human beings as enemies and objects of hatred or scorn, forgive us, Lord.

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Lord, we are indeed bold to intercede on behalf of a world set on a course toward destruction. We are humbled at the awesome responsibility. We ask that your Spirit be with us and give us the confidence to know that you do hear us and act on our behalf. We will pray, first, for repentance of the sins of the nations, and then for the victims of the nuclear age. Lord, we ask that you deflate the national pride that fuels international conflicts. We pray that this country will learn to recognise its wrongdoings and be able to admit its criminal acts. Lord, we ask that you teach the nations to respond justly to those within their borders who protest through acts of conscience. We pray for your guidance for those who earn their livelihood in a military-related industry or profession. Show them ways, Lord, that they can break from an occupation of death, Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Sojourners Fellowship.

Almighty God, that your church may become a prophetic witness for peace We have a dream.

That we no longer neglect the poor and needy,

We have a dream.

That we may halt the present moves towards war,

We have a dream.

That we may stop our threats to use nuclear weapons.

We have a dream.

That we may rely only on the armour of truth, faithfulness, love and the word of God,

We have a dream.

That we build a world for love and the human family,

We have a dream.

That we may hope in the face of despair and brokenness,

We have a dream.

That we may grow in faith and awareness of the resurrection at work within us,

We have a dream.

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