

SUGGESTED INTERCESSIONS FROM JUSTICE & PEACE SCOTLAND - MARKING TWO YEARS OF WAR IN GAZA

1. For the people of Gaza and an end to the war

We pray for an end to war in Gaza and the end of injustice throughout the Holy Land: that weapons may fall silent, humanitarian aid may reach those in need, hostages be freed, and the dignity of every life be upheld. **Lord, in your mercy...**

2. For the Christian Church there

We pray for the Christian communities of the Holy Land, who bear witness to Christ's light in the midst of darkness: may they be strengthened in their faith, protected from harm, and consoled in their anguish and grief. **Lord, in your mercy...**

3. For a just peace for all who call the Holy Land home

We pray for a just and lasting peace in the land of Christ's birth, for Palestinians and Israelis alike: that reconciliation may overcome hatred, justice may replace oppression, and that all peoples may live in safety and security. **Lord, in your mercy...**

OPTIONAL PRAYER FOR NEWSLETTERS, BULLETINS, SOCIAL MEDIA ETC.

God of peace and justice,
we pray for the people of the Holy Land:
Israeli and Palestinian,
Jew, Christian and Muslim.
We pray for an end to acts of violence and terror.
We lift to you all who are fearful and hurting.
We ask for wisdom and compassion for those in leadership.
Above all, we ask that Jesus the Prince of Peace,
would bring lasting reconciliation and justice for all.

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