

Prayer against violence

Perfect love casts out fear and so today we pray for your spirit of Love on our world.

Cast out the strapping of bombs to bodies.

Cast out the explosion of bombs in crowded places.

Cast out the tricking of children to carry bombs.

Cast out the desperation that leads people to terrorist acts.

Cast out the making of walls that divide and imprison us.

Cast out the firing of missiles and the bulldozing of homes.

Cast out the prejudice against people of a certain race or culture.

Cast out the political structures that perpetuate violence.

Cast out the hatred that produces fear.

Send down the courage to reach out in peace.

Send down the resolution to not return evil for evil.

Send down the creativity to find peaceful political solutions

Send down the wisdom that politicians and diplomats need.

Send down the commitment to work together to end terrorism.

Send down the power of nonviolence to create change.

Send down the comfort and justice that victims need.

Send down the love that will end our fear.

We ask these things in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace,

Amen.