

## Prayers of intercession

God of all life and all goodness,  
we entrust to you those places where all is not well –  
places where there is deep seated hatred and mistrust.

We pray for all places where lives have been lost to,  
and are threatened by, the brutality of prejudice.

We pray for all countries being bombed and destroyed  
because of the ideology of other powers and leaders;  
for all prisoners and casualties of war.  
Where all is not well,  
Lord Jesus, please bring hope...**please bring healing.**

We pray for all those who are victimised  
for their ethnicity, their religion, their sexuality;  
for those imprisoned for speaking out  
and protesting against corruption –  
We pray for all who speak out for peace and justice:  
for all who work behind the scenes  
to bring reconciliation, stability and restraint..  
Where all is not well,  
Lord Jesus, please bring hope...**please bring healing.**

We pray for all hospitals, workplaces, schools and homes;  
for those under huge pressures;  
for those who have no job security;  
for those who are bullied;  
for those who suffer behind closed doors.  
Where all is not well,  
Lord Jesus, please bring hope...**please bring healing.**

We pray for those in the news, whose lives  
are playing out before the eyes of the world;  
we pray for journalists to be protected;  
for truth to be upheld;  
for integrity to be the mark of all in public office  
and positions of influence.  
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Lord Jesus, please bring hope...**please bring healing.**

And we pray for our church  
and the communities we serve;  
we pray for one another;  
for our families;  
for our neighbours, our friends;  
for all who today feel sad, frightened or alone.  
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Lord Jesus, please bring hope...**please bring healing.**