

Prayer for Unity



We Are One

Place a large globe in the center of the group. In each of the four directions, place various colored cloths and items that are symbols of people who dwell in each of the four directions of the Earth. In the tradition of our Native American sisters and brothers, we address the four directions of the Earth, remembering how the Spirit of God resides there and how all of us are united as one.

East

All face the east (place silken cloths, Buddhist bell or gong)

Bring to mind people who dwell in the East...China, Vietnam, Iran, Tibet, India, Nepal...

I am your sister. I am your brother. We are one.

South

All face south (place woven fabrics of bright colors, rattles)

Bring to mind people who dwell in the South...South America, Haiti, Kalahari desert, Mexico, Central America, Africa, South Pacific Islands, Australia...

I am your sister. I am your brother. We are one.

West

All face west (place cottons and denim, flute)

Bring to mind people who dwell in the West...the Alps, the Rockies, the Mediterranean, Poland, Bosnia...

I am your sister. I am your brother. We are one.

North

All face the north (place furs or other warm material, drums)

Children of the Ojibway tribe, the Inuit, Vancouver, Europe, Huron, Nova Scotia, Canada prairie, Alaska...

I am your sister. I am your brother. We are one.

Creator of All, we join our minds and hearts with the people of our planet Earth. We recognize the deep bond that we have with each created being. We rejoice in your sacred presence among us and within us. Divine Oneness, we celebrate the goodness, the beauty, the talents, and the spirituality of all these brothers and sisters of ours. We stand in solidarity with all those who suffer in any way. Rekindle our love, revitalize our compassion, and renew our awareness of the unity we share with all beings.

Source: Joyce Rupp, *Out of the Ordinary*