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A prayer for peace in October

God of peace and healing,
We hold out to you the agony of your world
and ask that your Holy Spirit may work wonders,
reaching past our bruises
to renew our inmost being.

We are deeply afflicted.
For a year, your children have been at war.
The suffering in the Middle East has been indescribable.

During this past year, we have been pained by wars
throughout the world,
in Sudan, Ukraine, Democratic Republic of the Congo,
Myanmar, West Africa and other places.

Why does this happen? Why do we never learn?
We have nowhere to turn but to you,
who loved us to the death of your son
and who loves us still.

Hear our lament as we stand with Mary at the foot of the
cross of Jesus.
May your kingdom come, a kingdom of peace, justice and
love.

We pray this with burning hearts,
Amen.

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