

## **Grace at the Table for Six Billion**

Let's imagine the "table for six billion" where everyone in the world is gathered at one big table to enjoy life's banquet. As we sit down to eat we might join hands around the table and offer this grace:

Mother Earth, heavenly father, Universal Spirit who dwells in each of us,

Forgive us for the harm we have done to our planet and the plants and animals who live here with us,

Forgive us for the harm we have caused each other.

Thank you for giving us the courage to put aside our fears of not having enough for ourselves so that we could make room for everyone of us around this table of great abundance and nourishment,

Thank you for the compassion and creativity it has taken to find ways to produce this food while respecting the needs of other living beings and future generations,

Thank you for helping us find ways for each of us to participate in the making of this great feast so that we can each join in the satisfaction of meaningful work well done,

As we gather in Beloved Community,  
Bless this food we now eat with the greatest joy,

Grateful for your presence in the love we see all around us in each and every smiling face.

Amen