



# A HEALING PRAYER

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## COMPOSER'S NOTES

*The following music was commissioned for use at the 2002 interdenominational September 11th Remembrance Ceremony for the city of Coral Springs, Florida, U.S.A.*

*The lyrics of Fred Kaan (from the hymn tune CWM RHONDDA) were used as inspiration for this new musical setting:*

*For the healing of the nations, God, we pray with one accord;  
for a just and equal sharing of the things that earth affords;  
to a life of love in action help us rise and pledge our word.*

*Lead us forward into freedom; from despair your world release,  
that, redeemed from war and hatred, all may come and go in peace.  
Show us how through care and goodness fear will die and hope increase.*

*All that kills abundant living, let it from the earth be banned;  
pride of status, race, or schooling, dogmas that obscure your plan.  
In our common quest for justice may we hallow life's brief span.*

*The music is presented as a lead sheet, showing three part harmonies & solo sections. It may be presented in various formats – from small vocal ensembles with a band or as a choral work – with freedom allowed in the instrumentation of the accompaniment.*

Peace,

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Intro - Freely



5  $\text{♩} = 76$  **A1**  $\text{Db}13$   $\text{EbMaj7}$  *(instr. echo/ad lib)*

For the heal - ing of the na - tions,

9  $\text{Cm7}$  *(instr. echo/ad lib)*

God, we pray; For the

11  $\text{EbMaj7}$  *(instr. echo/ad lib)*

heal - ing of the na - tions,

13  $\text{Cm7}$   $\text{Gsus7}$   $\text{G7}$  **1** *soloist 1*

God, we pray with one ac - cord; for a

**B1**  $\text{AbMaj7}$   $\text{Eb/G}$

just and e - qual shar - - - ing

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16 (instr. echo/ad lib) 2 soloist 2 Fm7 Eb/G AbMaj7 (instr. echo/ad lib)

of the things that earth af - fords;

18 3 soloist 3 Fm7 Eb/G a3

to a life of love in ac - tion help us

20 Db Ab/C Bbsus7 Bb (instr. echo/ad lib)

rise and pledge our word. Lead us

A2 EbMaj7 (instr. echo/ad lib)

for - ward in - to free - dom;

25 Cm7 (instr. echo/ad lib)

from des - pair Lead us

27 EbMaj7 (instr. echo/ad lib)

for - ward in - to free - - - dom;

29 Cm7 Gsus7 G7 2

from des - pair your world re - lease, that, re -

B2

AbMaj7

Eb/G

(instr. echo/ad lib)

3



deemed from war and hat - red, all may

33

Fm 7

Eb/G

AbMaj7

(instr. echo/ad lib)

1



come and go in peace. Show us

35

Fm 7

Eb/G

a3



how through care and good - - - ness fear will

36

Db

Ab/C

Bbsus7

(instr. echo/ad lib)

Bb



die and hope in - crease.

C

CbMaj7

Db6



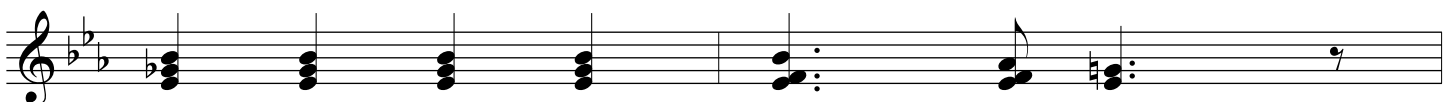
All that kills a - bun - dant liv - ing,

41

CbMaj7

Ebsus7

Eb7

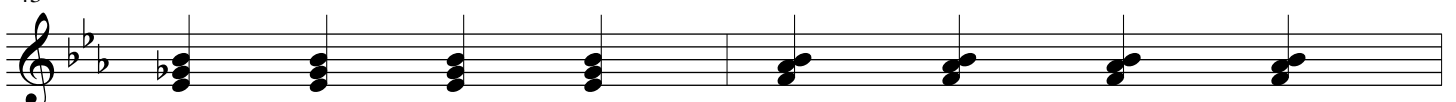


let it from the earth be banned;

43

CbMaj7

Db6



pride of sta - tus, race, or school - ing,

45 **C♭Maj7** **D♭** **E♭7**

dog - mas that ob - scure your plan.

**D** **A♭m** *unison* **E♭m** *(instr. echo/ad lib)*

In our com - mon quest\_ for jus - tice\_

49 **C♭** *div.* **G♭** *(instr. echo/ad lib)*

may we hal - low life's\_ brief span.\_

51 **A♭m** *unison* **E♭m**

In our com - mon quest\_ for jus - tice\_ may we

53 **C♭** **G♭/B♭** **A♭m** **G♭** **Fsus7(b5)** **B♭sus7** **B♭7** *(instr. echo/ad lib)*

hal - low life's brief span.\_ For the

**A1** **E♭Maj7** *(instr. echo/ad lib)*

heal - ing of\_ the na - tions,\_

58 **Cm7** *(instr. echo/ad lib)*

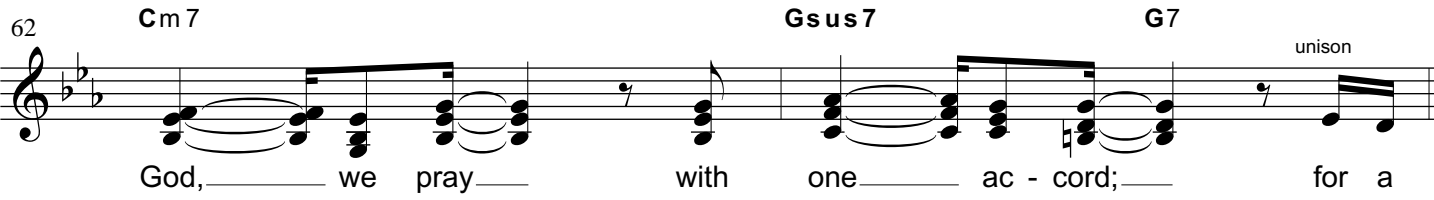
God,\_ we pray;\_ For the

60 **E♭Maj7** *(instr. echo/ad lib)*



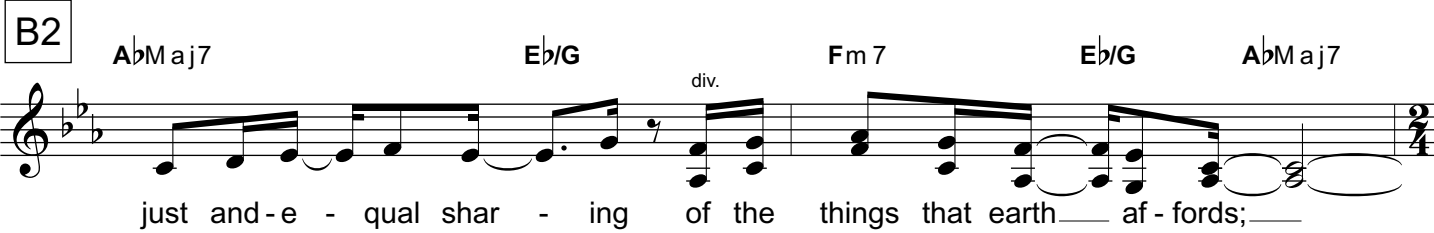
heal - ing of the na - - - tions, \_

62 **Cm7** **Gsus7** **G7** unison



God, we pray with one ac - cord; for a

**B2** **A♭Maj7** **E♭/G** **Fm7** **E♭/G** **A♭Maj7**



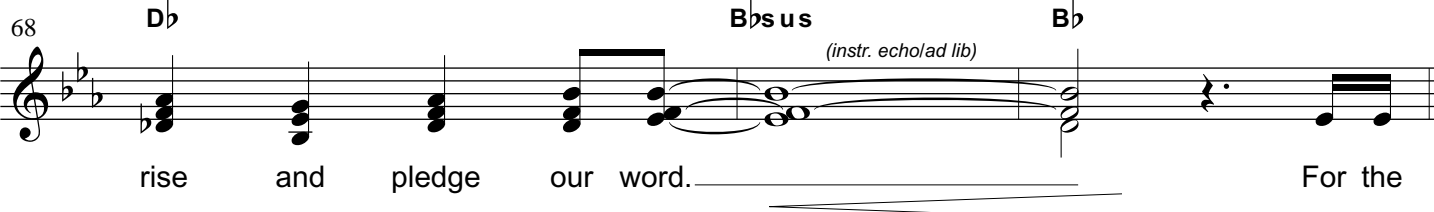
just and-e - qual shar - ing of the things that earth af - fords; \_

66 *(instr. echo/ad lib)* **Fm7** **E♭/G** a3



to a life of love in ac - tion help us

68 **D♭** **B♭sus** **B♭** *(instr. echo/ad lib)*



rise and pledge our word. For the

**Coda** **E♭Maj7** **D♭** **E♭**



heal - ing of the na - tions, God, we pray.