



**PRAYER FOR THE FORTY-DAY FAST
FOR THE TRUTH OF GOSPEL NONVIOLENCE
JULY 1-AUGUST 9**

—FOR THE UNITING OF ALL CHURCHES IN PROCLAIMING THE TRUTH OF THE NONVIOLENT JESUS
OF THE GOSPELS AND HIS WAY OF NONVIOLENT LOVE OF FRIENDS AND ENEMIES—

Abba, in the name of Jesus we ask you to send the Holy Spirit to gather the Churches together, so that with one heart, one mind and one voice they may proclaim as God's Way Jesus' Way of Nonviolent Love of all people—friends and enemies—and thereby teach that

violence is not the Christian Way,
violence is not the Holy Way,
violence is not the Gospels' Way,
violence is not the Apostolic Way,
violence is not the Way of Jesus,
violence is not the Way of God,

thus setting Christians free forever from bondage to the unholy, un-catholic, un-apostolic, un-Christlike ways of the false gods and theologies of justified violence and enmity.

We plead this grace so that the Nonviolent Lamb may be our Lord in word and deed, as well as, in sacrament.

We request this gift so that the Christian Community may be—for afflicted humanity—a faithful witness to Jesus' Way of overcoming evil.

We implore this healing so that the Church may be an authentic extension in time and space of the Way of the Lamb of God, of the Way of the Nonviolent Jesus, which is the Way to renew the face of the earth and eternally save all people from evil and death. Amen.

Our Lamb has conquered—let us follow.