# The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Eucharist Service Year A RCL

October 18, 2020 10:30 AM

# St. Augustine of Hippo

A Parish of the Episcopal Diocese of New York



# The St. Augustine's eCho

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# WEEKLY SERVICES AND PROGRAMS SUNDAYS

10:30 AM

**Eucharist** 

2:00 - 4:00 PM Pastoral Visitations

#### WEDNESDAYS

12 Noon Healing Service with Holy Eucharist 9:00 PM Phone Line Prayer

#### **Mission Statement**

St. Augustine's Church is a Christ-centered ministry where every one is invited and welcome.

We are a loving Christian body that seeks to enhance spirituality and community.







Hymnal 1982





# PRELUDE: YORUBA LAMENT FELA SOWANDE

# A Public Service of Healing

In case of illness, the Minister of the Congregation is to be notified.

This service may always be led by a deacon or lay person

When the Laying on of Hands or Anointing takes place at a public celebration of the Eucharist, it is desirable that it precede the distribution of Holy Communion, and it is recommended that it take place immediately before the exchange of the Peace.

The Celebrant begins the service with the following or some other greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

All And also with you Let us pray

The following collect or the collect of the day follows

O God of peace, you have taught us that in returning and rest we shall be saved, in quietness and confidence shall be our strength: By the might of your Spirit lift us, we pray, to your presence, where we may be still and know that you are God; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

Proper 24 BCP 235

Loving and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

# **Ministry of the Word**

One or more of the lectionary provided readings for the day or other selected passages of Scriptures are read. A Gospel reading must be read.

## THE FIRST READING

#### Isaiah 25:1-9

God uses and blesses anyone who is willing, even a foreign ruler, for the sake of God's own purposes, bending the whole of the created world toward flourishing.

# A reading (lesson) from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah:

Thus says the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have grasped to subdue nations before him and strip kings of their robes, to open doors before him—and the gates shall not be closed: I will go before you and level the mountains, I will break in pieces the doors of bronze and cut through the bars of iron, I will give you the treasures of darkness and riches hidden in secret places, so that you may know that it is I, the LORD, the God of Israel, who call you by your name. For the sake of my servant Jacob, and Israel my chosen, I call you by your name, I surname you, though you do not know me. I am the LORD, and there is no other; besides me there is no god. I arm you, though you do not know me, so that they may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that there is no one besides me; I am the LORD, and there is no other. I form light and create darkness, I make weal and create woe; I the LORD do all these things.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people

People Thanks be to God

#### THE RESPONSE

Psalm 96:1-13 Cantate Domino BCP Pg. 612

- Sing to the Lord a new song; \* sing to the Lord, all the whole earth.
- <sup>2</sup> Sing to the Lord and bless his Name; \* proclaim the good news of his salvation from day to day.
- <sup>3</sup> Declare his glory among the nations \* and his wonders among all peoples.
- <sup>4</sup> For great is the Lord and greatly to be praised; \* he is more to be feared than all gods.
- <sup>5</sup> As for all the gods of the nations, they are but idols; \* but it is the Lord who made the heavens.
- <sup>6</sup> Oh, the majesty and magnificence of his presence! \* Oh, the power and the splendor of his sanctuary!
- <sup>7</sup> Ascribe to the Lord, you families of the peoples; \* ascribe to the Lord honor and power.
- 8 Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his Name; \* bring offerings and come into his courts.
- <sup>9</sup> Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; \* let the whole earth tremble before him.
- Tell it out among the nations: "The Lord is King! \* he has made the world so firm that it cannot be moved; he will judge the peoples with equity."
- 11 Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; let the sea thunder and all that is in it; \* let the field be joyful and all that is therein.
- 12 Then shall all the trees of the wood shout for joy before the Lord when he comes, \* when he comes to judge the earth.
- <sup>13</sup> He will judge the world with righteousness \* and the peoples with his truth.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

## THE EPISTLE

#### 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

The Thessalonians are encouraged that their faith is genuine, as it has been proven not only through knowledge, but through the great works of the Holy Spirit in their midst..

## A reading (lesson) from the First Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians:

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace. We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

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SEQUENCE MUSIC: Precious Lord, Take My Hand

## THE GOSPEL

#### Matthew 22:15-22

Jesus refuses to be trapped by wily Pharisees and declares that taxes ought to be paid to Caesar, as is required by Roman law.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to **Matthew**.

All **Glory to you, Lord Christ.** 

The Pharisees went and plotted to entrap Jesus in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

The Gospel of the Lord
All **Praise to you, Lord Christ** 

A sermon, or meditation, or conversation or a period of silence may follow the readings.

#### THE SERMON: WHO HAS YOUR ALLEGIANCE?

by The Rev. Nathanael Saint-Pierre (Matthew 22:15 – 22)

**Opening:** Have you been missing your church gathering during this time of confinement and physical distancing? What have you missed the most? Your friends or to worship in-person? What about your connection with God?

**Situation**: As if Matthew wanted us to forget he was a Tax collector; it is the Pharisees and the Herodians that he exposed in the text for today. Determined to eliminate Jesus - he was a thorn in their feet, meddling in their business - they sent their disciples and a few Herodians to trap Jesus with a question. "Teacher," they said to Jesus, "we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?"

**Complication:** The answer to such a question was not simple. Sometimes, we are so softened by the flattery presented up front, we don't realize the trap that follows. We spontaneously answer questions, neglecting to evaluate the consequences of our talking. What is it that Jesus in his answer wants us to learn? Who are we faithful to?

**Resolution:** The text we wrestle with today is having Jesus make a choice between the state and the temple, between the emperor and God. It started with a flattery designed to get Jesus to lower his defense and make him vulnerable. Then got serious when the disciples of the Pharisees and the Herodians asked Jesus "Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" They thought their trap infallible, but Jesus made it a matter of allegiance. "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." What does then belong to God?

It is a fact that churches, all denominations included, go through change of leadership many times during their lifetime. Even churches that are founded by a person, go through change in leadership, for no founder can live forever. These changes are never without their challenges because people get attached to their leaders and we are animals of habits. But

churches are not private properties bearing allegiance to a pastor, a priest, or even a bishop. When we are baptized, we offer ourselves to God and God becomes the object of our worship and faithfulness. Humans come and go but the church remains.

During my 28 years of ministry, I have seen churches decrease in attendance when a new priest arrives, I have seen donations plummet, and have heard so much misinformation. People, to justify these decisions, blame the new leader. S/he does not preach well enough may be among the most popular reasons. S/he is not as friendly as the previous priest/pastor. When Father So-and-So was there the church used to ... Father So-and-So was kind, handsome... This minister is woman... Church of ... is not the same since Fr So-and-So's departure. When we are part of those who stop attending church or donating, the right question to ask ourselves is who do we come to church for? Another one might be, why do we donate to church?

Taking Jesus' response into account, we can affirm that church does not belong to an individual may s/he be a bishop a priest or pastor. Despite its tax-exempt status, the church must not forgo its mission to promote an oppressive government. The church is the body of Christ. It belongs to God. We attend church seeking to be God's presence in the community. We give to the church to allow the church to meet its burdens and mission. We attend church to praise God together, to be the hands and feet of God in the world, to pray together and be in communion. A good preacher is just a bonus we are blessed with; s/he is able sometimes to enhance the worship. But every excellent preacher may have a bad day. We don't attend church for sermons because God inspires the preacher and not all ministers received the talents of preaching. God's message is not designed only to please. God's message comforts the afflicted and afflicts the comfortable. The most important is to offer ourselves, our TIME, TALENTS and TREASURE, because they all have been given by God.

**Celebration**: Attending church is an act of gratitude. Attending Church is an act of faith. We don't support the church for self-recognition or to dictate our will to the leadership. We don't support the church to punish or reward the minister. We give to and support the church "For all things come from you, O Lord, and of your own have we given you." 1 Chronicles 29:14

Being Christian is to be committed to God and to God only. Being Christian is to have allegiance to God. We might live in the world, but we are not of the world. In all that we do, we must glorify our heavenly citizenship. We must embrace God even in those things that displease us. **Amen**.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: (Unknown Source)

Deacon or other leader

Let us pray for peace in the Church and in the world.

With all our heart and all our mind, we pray to you, O Lord:

# Make us instruments of your peace.

For the peace of the world; that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord:

## Where there is hatred, let us sow love.

For our enemies and those who wish us harm, and for all whom we have injured or offended, we pray to you, O Lord:

# Where there is injury, let us sow pardon.

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord:

# Where there is discord, let us sow union.

For those who do not yet believe, for those who have lost their faith, and those in despair and darkness that they may receive the light of the faith, we pray to you, O Lord:

# Where there is doubt, let us sow faith.

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, especially those who have asked of our prayers, for all who suffer and those who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord:

# Where there is despair, let us sow hope.

For the mission and ministry of the Episcopal Church especially in the diocese of New York, for all churches, and all who are gathered to pray, that in faithful witness we may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord:

# Where there is darkness, let us sow light.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, for all the departed and those who are grieving, may they find comfort and be at peace, we pray to you, O Lord:

# Where there is sadness, let us sow joy.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others (people may offer their prayers, either silently or aloud).

#### Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood, as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

# The Confession:

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives.

We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created.

We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf.

Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen**.

# The Peace

The peace of God be always with you.

And also with you.

HYMN: AIR G. P. TELEMANN

# Offertory.

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. (Ephesians 5:2)

# **Doxology**

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A

The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says

Celebrant God be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

Of God the Father

For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

#### **SANCTUS ET BENEDICTUS**

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Celebrant and People

Holy, holy Lord, God of mercy and grace, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

[En la noche en que fue entregado al sufrimiento y a la muerte, nuestro Señor Jesucristo tomó pan; y dándote gracias, lo partió y lo dio a sus discípulos, y dijo: "Tomen y coman. Este es mi Cuerpo, entregado por TODOS. Hagan esto como memorial mío"]

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for ALL. Do this for the remembrance of me."

["Después de la cena tomó el cáliz; y dándote gracias, se lo entregó, y dijo: "Beban todos de él. Esta es mi Sangre del nuevo Pacto, sangre derramada por TODOS para el perdón de los pecados. Siempre que lo beban, háganlo como memorial mío".]

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for ALL for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

["Santificalos con tu Espíritu Santo, y así serán para tu pueblo el cuerpo y la sangre de tu Hijo, la santa comida y la santa bebida de la vida nueva en él que no tiene fin. Santificanos también, para que recibamos fielmente este santo sacramento y seamos perseverantes en tu servicio en paz y unidad. Y en el día postrero, llévanos con todos tus santos al gozo de tu reino eterno."]

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

["Todo esto te pedimos por tu Hijo Jesucristo: Por él, y con él y en él, en la unidad del Espíritu Santo, tuyos son el honor y la gloria, Padre omnipotente, ahora y por siempre. Amén."]

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. AMEN.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

People and Celebrant

Our Father, which art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy Name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. Then may be said

#### **FRACTION ANTHEM**

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God; Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people. The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [Amen.] The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [Amen.]

When necessary, the Celebrant consecrates additional bread and wine, using the form on page 408. During the ministration of Communion, hymns, psalms, or anthems may be sung.

# COMMUNION HYMN: JESU, JESU, FILL US WITH YOUR LOVE

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with the spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

# **Final Blessing**

A deacon using the following blessing substitutes "us" for "you" and "our" for "your."

May God the Father bless you, God the Son heal you, God the Holy Spirit give you strength. May God the holy and undivided Trinity guard your body, save your soul, and bring you safely to his heavenly country; where he lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

# **Announcements**

# **Dismissal**

The Deacon, or the Celebrant, dismisses them with these words

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

HYMN: GOD OF OUR FATHERS

POSTLUDE: TUNE IN D G. P. TELEMANN

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A Public Service of Healing: Eucharist Prayer A
The Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost
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Shut-Ins/Homebound: Velda Alleyne, Annie Garcia, Norberta Mieles

**Prayers:** Lester Allen, Carline Aupont, Sandra Brown, Juan Cosme, Minnie Curry and family, Stanford Daly, Diane Ellis, Robert & Vernestine Exum, Sanford Exum and Family, Iris Faulkner, Evelyn Fleming, Faith and Grace Garfield, Mildred Hancock, Bernice Henry, Joyce Johnson, Kenny Johnson, LaVerne Johnson, The Krauser Family, James Leung, Hattie Mitchell and Family, Daryl Moore, Marissa Nicolo, James Rainge, Lawrence Rainge, James Robinson-Parran, Beverly Rosario, Oland Saltes, Sandra Slater, Yvonne Ward, Gladys Saint-Pierre, Noelia Gonzalez, The Rev. Rosalind Brathwaite, Laura Harvin & Family, Jayvon Cotton, Sarah Banks, Alix Cangé, Ethel Moore, Carl Johnson, Rev. Errol Harvey, The Rev. Dr. Lynn A. Collins, Ruth Caraballo, Angie Abreu.

Armed forces: David Mason, Jr.

We ask God's blessings for those celebrating their birthdays in October: Especially; 1st Frank Dawson, Taniqua Lang, James Ware, Anthony Wells; 2nd Michelle Bradley, Monica Bradley, Stanford Daly, Afiya Dawson, Valerie Sloan, Latoya Williams; 4th Kenny Abraham, Sandra Perez; 5th Carolyn Bensen, Ivory Johnson Sr., Niara Sena; 6th Terese Young; 7th John Brown, Jaione Ford; Anthony Mahones, Joseph Murray, DiJuan Philyan, Shanta Walker; 9th Shaylah Brewer; 10th Tonique Johnson; 12th Rose Fenton, Sherill Freeman, Kevin Morales; 14th Ashley McDaniel, Shakia Freeman; 15th Anorah Allie, Mary Owens; 16th Lamont Harris, Kathleen Pastures, Starrasia Taylor, Leah Torres; 17th John Buster, David Floyd; 18th Jennie Wade; 19th Miya Colo, Naomi Green, Katherine Riley, Maria Rivera; 20th Madalyn Bethel, Katherine Tirado; 21st Pamela Winfield Nelson, Vatisha Smith; 22nd Andrew Brown, Cornell Cox, Quijante Hicks, Shanalah McBride, Asia Phillips; 23rd Jocelyn Allen, Joshua Castro, Linda Garlick, Jorell Negron, Nicholas Thompson; 24th Andrew Davis, Kelsey Nelson, Dianna Patterson, Ricky Watkins; 25th Christina Combs; 26th Avery Winfield; 27th Harry Fiyalko Jr., Christina Harris, Barbara King; 28th Harriet Davis, Valerie Preston, Marselis Ratliff; 29th Norma Rogers, Anthony Rogerson, Janice Walford; 30th Warner Combs, Jazmin Cruz, Sheila Meakens; 31st Salvador Leon, Kareem Richards;

If you would like to add your name to the monthly birthday list, please email us at info@staugnyc.org

We pray for those who have died: Doadie Brown, Ronald Brown, Isa Coker, Robert and Mittie Frances Combs, Percy Daglow Sr., Wanda Daley, Frances Diaz, Harry & Dorothy Fiyalko, Luis Garcia, Etta Green, Dorothy Henderson, Inez Kikuchi, Cheryl Krauser, Vernell Langley, Diane McDowell, Geraldine Newkirk, Evelyn Newlin, Jacynth Orridge, Hector Peña, Alice Saltes Richards, Dorothy Rodriguez, Nancy Scott, Alma Suarez, Eleanor Suriel, Sylvia Fergusson-Sylvah and Romulus Sylvah, Harriett Marshall-Taylor, Isaac & Gwendolyn Pinder-Taylor, Donald Williams, Esther Juanita Dawson, Lucille Williams, Minnie Williams, Rev. Deacon Nydia Flores, Florence Taylor, John Joseph, Marlene Ward-Torain, Edward Phillips (Father Tally), Edward "Tyler" Tyler, Sandra Garcia-Combs, Maybelle Daley, Tyrone Wong, Romenia Jirmson, Marion C. Blackett-Legall, Raquel Rodriguez-Algarin, Leola West, Lula Moore, Rev. Deacon Edgar Hopper, Rodger Taylor, Ivan Krauser, Ruth Naomi Strother, Ellen Daley, Sylvan Stoner, Hellen Bradley. Charlene Cox.

We pray for Justice and Peace in all lands: Especially: Venezuela, Afghanistan, Africa, The Caribbean, China, Darfur, France, Haiti, the Holy Land, India, Iraq, Japan, Kenya, Lebanon, Niger, Sierra Leone, The Sudan, This Nation and the United Nations.