



Litany of Environmental Lament and Repentance From Melanesia

God of the whole human race.
You have given us responsibility to care
for each other. But we have exploited and
hated each other by our wickedness.
We turn to you in sorrow and repentance.
Please help us to look to you and care for
each other.

Lord in your mercy
Hear our prayer

○ God of creation.
You have created land for us to make our
gardens and for trees, animals and all
living creatures on the earth. Forgive us for
our destruction of the land by logging and
poisonous chemicals. We turn to you in
sorrow and repentance.

Help us ○ Lord to care for the land that you
have given us.

Lord in your mercy
Hear our prayer

God of the universe, the ocean and of love.
You have given us the ocean for fish, shells,

reefs, whales, waves, corals, and for ships
and boats.

We have destroyed the ocean and
everything in it, and not cared for it.
We turn to you in sorrow and repentance.
Please help us to care for the ocean, and to
recognise that it is your blessing for us.

Lord in your mercy
Hear our prayer

God of the forest, in which all living things
survive and engage their life and move
peacefully.
You have given us wisdom, knowledge and
understanding to use our resources well in
a manageable manner.

We have been careless, short-sighted, and
selfish and failed to share with other people
throughout the world.

We turn to you in sorrow and repentance.
Please help us to think positively of your
goodness and loving kindness. Please help
us to see the needs of others as you have

seen us living in your beautiful forest.

Lord in your mercy
Hear our prayer

God of the universe, the God who created the atmosphere. By your power of creation you made the sky so beautiful, the sun to give us light during the day and the moon and the stars to give light during the night. You have given us clouds to bring rain and give life to your creatures.

Lord, we turn to you with a penitent heart for all the destructions we have caused to the atmosphere.

Lord in your mercy
Hear our prayer

Merciful God, God of love and everything in this world. You have created the rain, winds, storms, cyclones, earthquakes, volcanoes and floods to renew your creation. Help us to understand their

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The Anglican Church of Melanesia includes 9 dioceses in the Solomon Islands, Vanuatu and New Caledonia. It is one of the areas of the world most vulnerable to climate change due to sea level rise

To find out more about the impacts of climate change

<https://abcnews.go.com/International/solomon-islands-disappear-pacific-ocean-result-climate-change/story?id=38985469>

existence in your world.

We turn to you in sorrow and repentance. Please, Father, forgive us for the human activities which have overpowered the weather and caused destruction of our environment.

Lord in your mercy
Hear our prayer

God you are our creator, the source of all wisdom and power. You have created humans and animals and you have appointed us humans to be responsible for them.

Forgive us who destroy your creatures. We turn to you in sorrow and repentance. Help us Lord to love and to care for them as you care for us.

Lord in your mercy
Hear our prayer

