“Remembering what is cherished forever.”

In Loving Memory

of

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May the road rise to meet you,
    May the wind be always at your back,
    May the sun shine warm upon your face,
    May the rains fall softly upon your fields,
    Until we meet again,
    May God hold you in the hollow of his hand.

Gaelic Prayer

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I am a thousand winds that blow.  
I am the diamond glints on snow.  
I am the sunlight on ripened grain.  
I am the gentle autumn rain.  
When you awaken in the morning’s hush  
I am the swift uplifting rush  
Of quiet birds in circled flight.  
I am the soft stars that shine at night.  
Do not stand at my grave and cry;  
I am not there. I did not die.  

- Anonymous
Bismillaahir Rahmaanir Rahiim

In the Name of Allaah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful
Praise be to Allaah, Lord of the worlds. The Beneficent, the Merciful. Master of the day of judgement. Thee (alone) we worship, Thee (alone) we ask for help. Show us the straight path. The path of those whom Thou has favoured. Not (the path) of those who earn Thine anger nor of those who go astray.
O Allaah, exalt Muhammad and the followers of Muhammad. As Thou did exalt Ibraaheem and his followers, Thou art the Praised, the Glorious.

O Allaah bless Muhammad and his followers as Thou has blest Ibraaheem and his followers. Thou art the Praised, the Glorious.
Bismillaahir Rahmaanir Rahiiim


In the name of Allaah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful.

Allaah there is no one worthy of worship, but He. He is everlasting. Neither drowsiness nor sleep can touch Him. He is the only possessor of everything in heaven and earth. Who can dare recommend anybody before Him, but with His permission. He knows what is before them (or after) or behind them. They cannot know anything of His knowledge, but whatever He wishes them to know. His throne is vast to cover heaven and earth, and He is never tired to control and manage both of them. He is Sublime and Great.
SUU-RA-TUL FIIL
CHAPTER 105 - FIIL OR THE ELEPHANT

Bismillaahir Rahmaanir Rahiim
A-lam-yajj‘al-kay-da-hum fii-tad-liil. Wa-ar-sa-la‘al-
lay-him tay-ran-a-baa-biil. Tar-mii-himm-bi-hi-jaa-ra-
timm minn-sij-jiil. Fa-ja‘a-la-hum ka‘as-fimm-ma’-
kuul.

In the Name of Allaah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful.
Seest thou not how thy Lord dealt with the Companions
of the Elephant? Did He not make their treacherous plan
go astray? And He sent against them flights of Birds,
striking them with stones of baked clay. Then did He
make them like an empty field of stalks and straw, (Of
which the corn) has been eaten up.
SUU-RA-TUL QURAYSH
CHAPTER 106 - THE QURAYSH
(CUSTODIANS OF THE KA’BA)

إِنِّي لَهُمْ رَحْمَةٌ رَّحْمَةٌ نَزِيلةً
لَيْلَيْفُ قُرْءَانٍ كَأَنَّهُمْ رِحْلَةٌ الْشَّتَاَءِ وَالصَّبْرِ
قَلِيفُ يُبْدِوُّ ءَا رَبُّ هَذَا الْبَيْتِ الَّذِي أَطْعَمْهُمْ بِقَمْصٍ
جَوْعِهِ وَأَمْنَتْهُمْ مِنْ حُوِّفٍ

Bismillaahir Rahmaanir Rahiim

In the Name of Allaah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful.
For the covenants (Of security and safeguard Enjoyed) by the Quraish. Their covenants (covering) journeys by winter and summer. Let them adore the Lord of this House. Who provides them with food against hunger, and with security against fear (of danger).
Bismillaahir Rahmaanir Rahiim

la-dhii-ya-du‘-ul-ya-tiim. Wa-laa-ya-hud-du‘-a-laa-ta‘aa-mil-
mis-kiin. Fa-way-lul-lil-mu-sal-liin. ‘Al-la-dhii-na-hum‘ann-
Wa-yam-na‘uu-nal-maa‘-uun.

In the name of Allaah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful.
Seest thou one who denies the Judgement (To come)? Then
such is the (man) who repulses the orphan (With harshness).
And encourages not the feeding of the indigent. So woe to the
worshippers, who are neglectful of their Prayers, those who
(want but) to be seen (of men), but refuse (to supply) (even)
neighbourly needs.
SUU-RA-TUL KAWTHAR
CHAPTER 108 - KAWTHAR OR ABUNDANCE

Bismillaahir Rahmaanir Rahiim


In the name of Allaah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful.

To thee have We Granted the Fount (of Abundance). Therefore to thy Lord turn in Prayer and Sacrifice. For he who hateth thee, He will be cut off (From Future Hope).
CHAPTER 109
KAA-FI-RUUN OR THOSE WHO REJECT FAITH

سلسلة الله الرحمن الرحيم
قل يا بني إسرائيل لا أعبد ما تعبدون ولا أنا عائد لما تعبدون واياكم تعبدون ما أعبدوا لكفر دينكم ولي دين

Bismillaahir Rahmaanir Rahiim

In the name of Allaah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful.
Say: O ye that reject faith. I worship not that which ye worship. Nor will ye worship that which I worship. And I will not worship that which ye have been wont to worship. Nor will ye worship that which I worship. To you be your way and to me mine.
Bismillaahir Rahmaanir Rahiim
Fa-sab-bih-bi-ham-di-ra-bi-ka-was-tagh-firh 'inn-na-huu-kaa-na-taw-waa-baa.

In the name of Allaah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful. When comes the Help of God, and Victory, And thou dost see the People enter God's Religion in crowds, Celebrate the Praises Of thy Lord, and pray for His Forgiveness: for He is Oft-Returning (In Grace and Mercy).
In the name of Allaah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful
Perish the hands of the Father of Flame! Perish he! No profit to him from all his wealth, and all his gains! Burnt soon will he be in a Fire of blazing Flame! His wife shall carry the (crackling) wood as fuel. A twisted rope of palm-leaf fibre round her (own) neck!
SUU-RA-TUL IKH-LAAS
CHAPTER 112
IKH-LAAS OR PURITY (OF FAITH)

Bismillaahir Rahmaanir Rahiim

In the name of Allaah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful
Say: He is God, the One and Only God, the Eternal, Absolute. He begetteth not, nor is He begotten; And there is none like unto Him.
Bismillaahir Rahmaanir Rahiim

In the name of Allaah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful
Say: I seek refuge with the Lord of the Dawn. From the mischief of created things. From the mischief of darkness as it overspreads; From the mischief of those who practise Secret Arts: And from the mischief of the envious one As he practises envy.
SUU-RA-TUN NAAS
CHAPTER 114 - NAAS OR MANKIND

Bismillaahir Rahmaanir Rahiim

In the name of Allaah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful
Say: I seek refuge with the Lord and Cherisher of Mankind. The King (or Ruler) of Mankind. The God (or Judge) of Mankind. From the mischief of the Whisperer (of evil). Who withdraws (after his whisper), - (The same) who whispers into the hearts of Mankind, - Among Jinns and among men.
DU’AA FOR ACCEPTANCE OF SERVICE

Rab-ba naa ta qab-bal min-naa. In-naka an tas-samii ‘ul ‘aliim.
‘Our Lord! Accept (this service) from us. Verily! You are the All-Hearer, the All-Knower.’

(2:127)

DU’AA FOR LENIENCY

Rab-ba naa laa tu aa-khidh naa in-na siinaa aw akh-ta naa.
‘Our Lord! Punish us not if we forget or fall into error.’

(2:286)
Rab-ba naa waj 'al naa mus limaini laka wa min dhur-riy-ya tinaa um-ma tam-mus lima tal-lak. Wa a-ri naa manaa sika naa wa tub 'a-lai naa. In-na ka an tat-taw-waa bur-rahiim.

‘Our Lord! And make us submissive unto You and of our offspring a nation submissive unto You, and show us our due rites and accept our repentance. Truly, You are the One Who accepts repentance, the Most Merciful.’

(2:128)
Rab-ba naa af-righ 'a-lai naa sab raw-wa thab-bit aq-daama naa wan šur naa 'a-lal qawmil kaafiriin.

‘Our Lord! Pour forth on us patience and make us victorious over the disbelieving people.’ (2:250)
Rab-ba naa aa-tinaa fid-dun yaa hasana taw-wa fil aa-khi rati hasana taw-wa qinnaa 'a-dhaa ban-naar.

‘Our Lord! Give us in this world that which is good and in the Hereafter that which is good, and save us from the torment of the Fire.’

(2:201)
DU’AA FOR BELIEVERS

ربنا آمنًا فأنتَ كتبنا مع الشهداء بنين

Rab-ba naa aa-man-naa faktub naa ma’ash-shaa hi diin.

‘Our Lord! We believe; so write us down among the witnesses.’

(5:83)

DU’AA FOR EASING OF BURDENS

ربنا وَلَا تَحْمِلْ عَلَيْنَا إِضَراً كَمَا حَمَلْتَهُ عَلَى الَّذِينَ مِن قِبْلَتِنَا

Rab-ba naa wa laa tah mil’a-lai naa isran kamaa hamal tahuu ‘a-lal-la dhiina min qab linaa.

‘Our Lord! Lay not on us a burden like that which you did lay on those before us (Jews and Christians).’

(2:286)
Rab-ba naa laa tuham-mil naa maa laa taa qata lanaa bih. W’a fu ‘an-naa wagh fir lanaa war ham naa. Anta maw laa naa fan sur naa ‘a-lal qawmil kaafiriin.

‘Our Lord! Put not on us a burden greater than we have strength to bear. Pardon us and grant us Forgiveness. Have mercy on us. You are our Protector and give us victory over the disbelieving people.’

(2:286)
DU’AA FOR ACCEPTANCE OF PRAYER

Rab-ba naa wa ta qab-bal du’aa.
‘Our Lord! And accept our prayer.’ (14:40)

DU’AA FOR FIRMNESS OF PURPOSE

Rab-ba naa laa tu zigh quuluu banaa b’a da idh hadai ta naa wa hab lanaamil-la dunka rahmah. In-na ka antal wah-haab.
‘Our Lord! Let not our hearts deviate (from the truth of the Religion of Islam) after You have guided us, and grant us mercy from You. Truly, You are the Bestower.’ (3:8)

‘Our Lord! Verily, it is You Who will gather mankind together on the Day about which there is no doubt. Verily, Allaah never breaks His Promise.’

(3:9)
**DU’AA FOR FORGIVENESS**

رَبِّنَا إِسْتَعِنَا بِعَفْوِكَ وَقَدْ كَانَتِ النَّارُ
ذُنْبِي وَقَدْ كَانَ عَذَابُ النَّارِ

Rab-ba naa in-naa naa aa-man-naa fagh fir lanaa dhunuul banaa wa qinaa ‘a-dhaa ban-naar.

‘Our Lord! We have indeed believed, so forgive us our sins and save us from the punishment of the Fire.’

(3:16)

**DU’AA ASKING TO BE KEPT AWAY FROM WRONG-DOERS**

رَبِّنَا لَا تَجْعَلْنَا مِنَ الْقَوْمِ الْظَّلِيمِينَ

Rab-ba naa laa taj ‘alnaa ma ‘al qaw midh-dhaa limiin.

‘Our Lord! Place us not with the people who are wrong-doers.’

(7:47)
Rabba, amma ya-an-zal-ta wa-an-ba-altana
al-rasool qasusibna-mum as-sahdi-been

"Our Lord! We believe in what You have sent down, and we follow the Messenger; so write us down among those who bear witness (to the truth)."

(3:53)
Rab-ba nagh fir lanaa dhunuu banaa wa israa fanaa fii amri naa wa thab-bit aq-daa manaa wan sur naa 'a-lal qaw mil kaafiriin.

‘Our Lord! Forgive us our sins and our transgressions; establish our feet firmly, and give us victory over the disbelieving folk.’

(3:147)
Rab-ba naa maa khalaqta haadhaa baatilan sub haa naka fa qi naa 'a-dhaa ban-naar.

‘Our Lord! You have not created (all) this without purpose, glory to You and give us salvation from the torment of the fire.’

(3:191)
ALLAAH IS OFT-FORGIVING

Rab-banaa la ghafuurun shakuur.

‘Our Lord! is indeed Oft-Forgiving, Most Ready to appreciate (good deeds).’

(35:34)

ABOUT THE WRONGDOERS

Rab-ba naa in-naka man tud khi lin-naara fa qad akh zaita. Wa maa lidh-dhaali miina min ansaar.

‘Our Lord! Verily, whom You admit to the Fire, indeed, You have disgraced him, and never will the wrongdoers find any helpers.’

(3:192)
OUR RESPONSE TO THE CALL

Rab-ba naa in-na naa sam'i naa munaadi yay-yu naadii lil liimaani an aa-minuu bi rab-bi kum fa aa-man-naa.

‘Our Lord! Verily, we have heard the call of one (Muhammad, s.a.w.) calling to faith: ‘Believe in your Lord,’ and we have believed.’

(3:193)
Rab-ba naa fagh fir lanaa dhuunuu banaa wa kaf-fir 'an-naa say-yi aa-tinaa wa ta waf-fanaa ma'al abraar.

‘Our Lord! Forgive us our sins and remit from us our evil deeds, and make us die in the state of righteousness along with those who are obedient.’

(3:193)
Rab-ba naa wa aa-tinaa maa wa 'at-tanaa 'a-laa rusulika wa laa tukh zinaa yawmal qiyaamati in-naka laa tukh liful mii 'aad.

‘Our Lord! Grant us what you promised unto us through your messengers and disgrace us not on the Day of Resurrection, for You never break (Your) promise.’

(3:194)
Rab-ba naa dhalam naa anfusanaa. Wa il-lam tagh fir lanaa wa tar hamnaa lana kuu nan-na minal khaasiriin.

‘Our Lord! We have wronged ourselves. If You forgive us not, and bestow not upon us Your Mercy, we shall certainly be of the loosers.’

(7:23)
Rab-ba naf tah bai nanaa wa baina qaw minaa bil haq-qi, wa anta khai rul faa tihiiin.

‘Our Lord! Judge between us and our people in truth, for You are the Best of those who give judgement.’

(7:89)
Rab-ba naa laa taj ‘al naa fitna tal-lil qaw midh-dhaa limiin. Wa naj-ji naa bi rah ma tika minal qawmil kaafiriin.

‘Our Lord! Make us not a trial for the folk who are wrong-doers. And save us by Your mercy from the disbelieving folk.’

(10:85-86)
Rab-ba naa in-naka t’al-amu maa nukh fii wa maa n’u-lin. Wa maa yakh faa ‘a-lal-aaahi min shai in fil ardi wa laa fis-sa maa.

‘Our Lord! Certainly, You know what we conceal, and what we reveal. Nothing on the earth or in the Heaven is hidden from Allaah.’

(14:38)
Rab-ba nagh fir lii wa li waali day-ya wa lil mu mi niina yawma yaquumul hisaab.

‘Our Lord! Forgive me and my parents, and (all) the believers on the Day when the reckoning will be established.’

(14:41)
DU’AA FOR ALLAAH’S MERCY

Реба нан а-таа-ма нданк рабха ва-рахима
Лкайа акми къа-ра-рна ар-рахима

Rab-ba naa aa-tinaa mil-la dunka rahma taw-wa hay-yi lanaa min amri naa ra-sha daa.

‘Our Lord! Bestow on us mercy from Yourself, and facilitate for us our affair in the right way!’ (18:10)

DU’AA FOR MERCY

Реба нан аа ман-наа фагх фир ланаа вар ханнаа
Вандт хайр алль-аражмин

Rab-ba naa aa man-naa fagh fir lanaa war hamnaa wa anta khai rur-raahimiin.

‘Our Lord! We believe, so forgive us, and have mercy on us, for You are the Best of all who show mercy.’ (23:109)
Our Lord! Avert from us the torment of Hell. Verily! Its torment is ever an inseparable, permanent punishment.

(25:65)
DU’AA FOR OUR WIVES AND OFFSPRING TO BE THE COMFORT OF OUR EYES

ربيّنا هَب لَنا من أَزْوَاجِنَا وَذُرُّبِينَا
فَرَّت أُمِّيْنَ وَأَجِدْنَا لِلْمُتَقِينِ إِمَامًا

Rab-ba naa hab lanaa min azwaajinaa wa dhur-riy-yaatinaa qur-rata a’a-yun. Waj ‘al naa lil mut- taaqiina imaamaa.

‘Our Lord! Bestow on us from our wives and our offspring who will be the comfort of our eyes, and make us leaders for the Mut-taqiin (God-fearing people).’

(25:74)
DU’AA FOR SAFETY FROM THE TORMENT OF THE BLAZING FIRE

"Rab-ba naa wa si’-ta kul-la shai ir-rahma taw-wa ‘il-man, faagh fir lil-la dhiina taa buu wat-ta ba ‘uu sabiiilaka waqi him ‘a-dhaa bal jahiim. ‘Our Lord! You comprehend all things in mercy and knowledge, so forgive those who repent and follow Your way, and save them from the torment of the blazing fire!’

(40:7)

‘Our Lord! Forgive us and our brethren who have preceded us in Faith, and put not in our hearts any hatred against those who have believed. Our Lord! You are indeed full of kindness, Most Merciful.’

(59:10)
Rabba naa 'a-lai'ka tawak-kal naa wa i-lai'ka a-nab naa wa i-lai'kal masiir.

'Our Lord! In You (Alone) we put our trust, and to You (Alone) we turn in repentance (for our sins), and to You (Alone) is (our) final return.'

(60:4)
Rab-ba naa laa taj 'al naa fitna tal-lil-la dhiina kafaruu wagh fir lanaa rab-ba naa in-naka antal 'a-ziizul hakiim.

‘Our Lord! Make us not a trial for the disbelievers, and forgive us, Our Lord! Verily, You, only You are the Almighty, the All-Wise.’

(60:5)
DU’AA FOR THE PERFECTION OF OUR LIGHT AND FORGIVENESS

رَبّنَا أَنْتَ هَيْمٌ لَنْ نَظُفُوا عَلَيْكَ وَأَنْفُخَ لَنَا إِنَّكَ عَلَىٰ حُكْمِكَ تَقُدُّرُ

Rab-ba naa atmim lanaa nuu ranaa, wagh fir lanaa in-naka ‘a-laa kul-li shai in qadiir.

‘Our Lord! Keep perfect our Light for us, and grant us forgiveness. Verily, You are able to do all things.’

(66:8)
DU’AA FOR PROTECTION AGAINST AGGRESSION

رَبَّكَإِنَّنَا نَخَافُ أَنْ يَقْفُرْ
عَلَيْنَا أَوْ أَنْ يَيْطَغْنِي

*Rab-ba naa in-nanaa na-khaafu ay-yaf ruta 'a-lainaa aw ay-yat gha.*

‘Our Lord! Verily! We fear lest he should hasten to punish us or lest he should transgress.’

(20:45)
Rab-bu nal-ladhii a’aa-taa kul-la shayin khalqahuu thum-ma hadaa.

‘Our Lord is He Who gave to each thing its form and nature, then guided it aright.’

(20:50)
Rab-ba naa anzil ‘a-lainaa maa-i da tam-mi nas-sa maa-i takuunu lanaa ‘ii-dal-li aw-wa linaa wa aa khi rinaa wa aa-ya tam-inka, war zuq naa wa anta khai rur-raa ziqiin.

‘Our Lord! Send us from Heaven a table spread (with food) that there may be for us- for the first and the last of us- a festival and a sign from You; and provide us sustainance, for You are the best of Sustainers.’

(5:114)
Rab-ba naa af righ ‘a-lainaa sab raw-wa ta waf-fanaa muslimiin.

‘Our Lord! Pour out on us patience, and cause us to die as muslims.’

(7:126)
DU’AA FOR ENTRY INTO THE GARDEN OF EDEN (JANNAH) FOR WIVES, FATHERS AND OFFSPRING

ربينا وأدخلهُمْ جَنَّتَ عَدْنٍ الْأَلَّٰتِ
وُعَذِّبْهُمْ وَمَنْ صَلَحْ مِنْ إِبَأَيْهِمْ
وَأَزْوَاجْهُمْ وَذُرْبُبْهُمْ إِنَّكَ أَنتَ
الْعَزِيزُ الحكِيمُ وَقَبْلَهُمْ السَّبِيعَاتُ
وَمَنْ تَقُبِّ السَّبِيعَاتِ يَوْمَئِذٍ فَقَدْ
رَجَضَتْهُ، وَذَلِكَ هُوَ الْفَوْزُ العظِيمُ.
Rab-ba naa wa adkhil hum jan-naati ‘adni-nil-latii wa ‘at-ta hum wa man salahah min aa-baa i-him wa az-waa jihim wa dhur-riy-yaa tihim. In-naka antal ‘aziizul hakiim. Wa qahi mus-say-yyi aati wa man taqis-say-yyi aati yaw ma-i-dhin fa qad rahim tah; wa dhaa lika huwal faw zul ‘a-dhiim

‘Our Lord! And make them enter the everlasting Gardens which You have promised them, and to the righteous among their fathers, their wives, and their offspring! Verily, You are the Almighty, the All-Wise. And save them from (the punishment of) the sins, and whomsoever You save from (the punishment of) sins on that Day, him verily, You have taken into mercy. And that is the supreme success.’

(40:8-9)
I will not forget you.  
You have touched my soul,  
opened my eyes,  
changed my very experience  
of the universe.  
I will not forget you.  
I see you in the flowers, the sunset,  
the sweep of the horizon  
and all things that stretch to infinity.  
I will not forget you.  
I have carved you on the palm of my hand.  
I carry you with me forever.

- Ellen Sue Stern, Living with Loss, 1995
Just think of her
as resting from the sorrow and the tears
in a place of warmth and comfort
where there are no days and years.

Think how she must be wishing
that we could know today
how nothing but our sadness
can really pass away.