Gone Before

Loving Father, in whom we have implicit trust, we think of those who have gone before into the World of Light. We pray for them, knowing little of how they are living and what they are doing in the Great Scheme of Life.

We know that our lives on the Earth are for a purpose; that each one of us is on a mission, a mission to do the work that we set ourselves before we came. For some it may be to relax and enjoy the physical while others are here to achieve Great Things in a limited amount of time. Never let us think that a short life is something to be sad about; it may be that that person achieved a great deal and has returned home to continue the work they left for a short while. They came into the physical to gain more knowledge and understanding. We, on the Earth, can only see a small part of the Great Reality; the Great Panorama of Life is hidden from us as our attention must not be diverted from the tasks we are here to do.

We inherited an earthly body from our parents and we carry threads with us from our ancestors. While we may know our parents and grandparents, our ancestors go back into the distant past. Yet each person lived a life on earth in order to gather material that would enable them to progress in the Spirit Realms. We, like them, are here to do our duty: to live a life of joy and happiness, a life of giving and receiving, a life of work and pleasure, a life of forgiving mistakes made by others and learning from the mistakes we make ourselves.

Let us not deal in judgments but in giving love to all life, knowing that this physical world is a place of learning; a place of sadness and happiness.

When we have played our part, done our work, we will join those who have gone before, and as we enter once more into the World of Light, somebody may take our hand and say: 'Well done, thou good and faithful Servant.'

Amen.