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Global Chalice Lighting for April 2010

The International Council of Unitarians and Universalists announces the 80th in its monthly series of global chalice lighting readings. Congregations worldwide are invited to participate.

All ICUU-affiliated groups have been asked to submit brief chalice lightings for the project. Every month, a reading will be distributed to Unitarian and Universalist congregations around the world. **We ask each congregation to use the reading for at least one worship service in the designated month, identifying it as the "Global Chalice Lighting" for that month and naming the group which submitted it.** Readings will be circulated in English and, where different, in their original language.

It is hoped that the ICUU Global Chalice Lighting Project will enhance the worship experience in our congregations and raise awareness of the international dimensions of our religious movement.

This Global Chalice Lighting, in French and English, is to be used during April 2010.

Au nom de la Miséricorde et de la Compassion :

Suivant les traces d'Ibn Arabi, maître soufi, nous laissons se dilater nos coeurs,
afin de les rendre capables d'êtreindre toute forme spirituelle ou existentielle.
Notre cœur, pour celles et ceux qui cherchent, est devenu une église, un temple, une
synagogue, une mosquée, un sanctuaire,
une citadelle pour les humbles, les souffrants et les minorités d'où qu'elles viennent.
Nous croyons en la religion de l'Amour, qui n'a pas de genre, vers laquelle se dirigent
les histoires personnelles.
Car l'Amour est notre religion et notre foi.

In the name of compassion and loving-kindness :

Following the paths of Ibn Arabi, a Sufi master,
we let our hearts dilate to enable them to fit all spiritual or existential kinds.
For those who seek, our hearts have become church, temple, synagogue, mosque, sanctuary;
stronghold for the poor, for those who are suffering, for minorities wherever they come from.
We believe in the religion of Love, which has no gender, and to which all personal stories are
leading.
Because Love is our religion and our faith.

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