## **POETRY FOR HUMANITY**

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So Many Women...

I think on so many women who have never known love Their happiness is ice-covered because of home - violence and war

I've learned to listen to a special sound while moon gazes to the roaming lake I've learned to discover their plight around and also invite them to a new world

You need to help me in this endeavor Giving your hand to who is at your side Discovering their agony and fright Alleviating the pain in their miserable life

## Ode to Prudence

Never thoroughly praised is the prudence Distilling in our veins, her joy She knows how to keep behind the fence Tongue, feet and fantasy, they all

She is nurtured by peace from patience And the deep light that's our faithful guide Amen from the portion of intelligence That God gave us the day we're born

I beg you, Lord not to be irresponsible So nobody could say that I am negligent Unconcerned, implacable or drowsy

Make me prudent to keep an eye on my feet To make my feelings obey my will To stop my impulses while I live To live like I would be a day time being!

## Ode to Hope

It is not sapphire, topaz or lapis lazuli It is not a ruby-throated hummingbird doesn't hide in the Sahara neither an oasis It is not the soft fur of a cute cub Hope is mauve and pink colors at sunset It is often an unambiguous pathway sometimes eases a back pain sometimes emerald grass under rain

Sometimes the green pines mutter its name While soul feels the winds of joy to end Hope is the future of life of all men

Certainly it is trust in tomorrow morning a paradise of joyfulness come true The most caressed dream blue finally it is the sigh of a soul in love with the moon

## **Peace Doves**

Like white ships we see the doves Snowy birds imploring humans To save their life missiles disarm To open paths to human love

They know that peace is their gift Perfumed essence they bring with joy Mysterious strength they grant to us Like humming birds that colors own

In the dark, doves are the light Their wings immersed in fresh light dew Sweet two eyes to see the pain at night

They're messengers of a pure mystery Unique device to dissemble war They will give end to cold and injury



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