

Prayer of the Aboriginal People

Father of all, you gave us the Dreaming

You have spoken to us through our beliefs

You then made your love clear to us in the person of Jesus

We thank you for your care

You own us

You are our hope

Make us strong as we face the problems of change

We ask you to help the people of Australia to listen to us and respect our culture

Make the knowledge of you grow strong in all people

So that you can be at home in us and we can make a home for everyone in our land.

Amen.

Prayer composed for the meeting between Pope John Paul II and the Aboriginal people.