Prayer of Commitment

Leader: Are we the People who live for others? Whose human relations are charged with forgiveness?

Assembly: WITH GOD’S HELP. WE WILL BE THAT PEOPLE.

Leader: Are we the People who walk the second mile when one mile would do?

Assembly: WITH GOD’S HELP, WE WILL BE THAT PEOPLE.

Leader: Are we the ones who turn the other cheek? Who give the shirt off our backs when our coat is gone?

Assembly: WITH GOD’S HELP, WE WILL BE THAT PEOPLE.

Leader: Are we a community recognized and known by our love?

Assembly: WE PRAY THAT WE ARE THAT PEOPLE.

Leader: When the poor of the world ask us for bread, do we give them a stone? When they ask us for fish, do we reach them a serpent?

Assembly: NEVER. GOD HELP US; NEVER.

Leader: Do we care only for those who care about us? Do we serve only those who will tell us how grateful they are?

Assembly: NO, GOD HELP US; NEVER.

Leader: Are we the People who thirst for a Justice that promises cannot slake?
Assembly: YES, WE ARE THAT PEOPLE.

Leader: Are we the People who are restless enough to make peace? Who are strong enough to be gentle, and gentle enough, to resist violence?

Assembly: WITH GOD’S HELP, WE WILL BE THAT PEOPLE.

Leader: Are we the ones who take seriously our titles "-"Salt of the earth" — "Light of the world" —"Leaven of our society?"

Assembly: YES, WE ARE THE ONES.