

## **A Prayer from the Iona Community**

(Kathy Galloway)

*Our brother Jesus,  
you set our feet upon the way  
and sometimes where you lead  
we do not like or understand.*

*Bless us with courage  
where the way is fraught with dread or danger;  
Bless us with graceful meetings  
where the way is lonely;  
Bless us with good companions  
where the way demands  
a common cause;  
Bless us with night vision  
where we travel in the dark,  
keen hearing where we have not sight,  
to hear the reassuring sounds of fellow travelers,*

*Bless us with humor –  
we cannot travel lightly  
weighed down with gravity;  
Bless us with humility  
to learn from those around us;  
Bless us with decisiveness  
where we must move with speed;  
Bless us with lazy moments,  
to stretch and rest and savor;  
Bless us with love,  
given and received;*

*And bless us with your presence,  
even when we know it in your absence.*

***Lead us into exile,  
until we find that on the road  
is where you are,  
and where you are  
is going home.***

***Bless us, lead us, love us,  
bring us home  
bearing the gospel of life.***

