BETWEEN THE FLOOD AND RAINBOW
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Between the flood and rainbow
This earth will be our home.
A covenant forever,
God’s promise of shalom.
For God, the great creator
Has blessed us with this place.
We did not work to earn it
We have it by God’s grace.

This earth to us was given
To hold in sacred trust.
Not made to be exploited
But used both wise and just.
All living things connected
Ours not to pick and choose.
For our God-given dominion
Is to preserve, not loose.

We serve as co-creators
In saving all that lives
Extinction of a species
Destroys a gift God gives.
We must not sit in judgment
Discarding what God made.
But praise with awe and wonder
At God’s great works displayed.

The flood, for us a symbol
Of God’s pow’r to destroy.
The rainbow is a promise
To share God’s endless joy.
As we live in the meantime,
Two signs sent from above.
The flood showed us God’s power
The rainbow shows God’s love

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