Timeless God...

It's been a year since we went into lockdown.

A year since some have seen their loved ones.

A year when many have been left grieving.

A year when babies were born, but not held by grandparents.

A year when jobs were lost and doctors and nurses

worked themselves into the ground.

Timeless God...

The seasons come and go, from blossom to fall.

From the heat of summer to the storms of winter.

The sun still rises and sets, the stars shine in the sky.

Your laws of creation don't fail despite the changes that

have come to us.

Your rainbow, the sign of your covenant, which has been

used so frequently

during this pandemic, retains its great promise.

Timeless God...

Help me to do what seems impossible,

To live in the now.

To be grateful for this moment and serve you in it.

As I take my next breath, (I do not know if it will be my last),

Let me trust I am held in your eternal arms.

Timeless God...

Life is precious

Be with us in our discomfort,

In our disappointment, depression or sadness.

May we recognise and serve you in the circumstances we have been given.

Amen

Take a moment...

To remember all that this past year has brought us.

Take a moment...

To remember all the kindness and support we have received.

Take a moment...

To ask for strength for what is to come.

Amen.

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