

Earth Origins of Community

From its molten and living core
in streams flowing
outward to the highest mountains,
the earth
gives us stories and land
on which we walk
and the Myths
that grow to sustain us.

Walking, we Trust the ground
and hear its tale of wandering
in darkness, under deserts
under oceans feeding life within.

We are the earth, too,
living over our common ground
feeding on the plants
growing out from within it.
To carry ourselves toward
one another and our common future.

Goodwill comes from the ground
in sweet corn and bright red tomatoes.
It is the kindness of the continents
that brings us together.

On Earth the sunny climes
of South Sea islands live together
with frozen Siberia,
and they, in turn,
show mutual respect
for the great
Sands of Arabia.

~Mike Edwards