

**A Prayer II**  
by **Caroline Blake**

<b>Prayer 6</b>	
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<p><b>Bik'egu'indáõ, na'iaẽdan'dzi.</b> "Creator, we<sup>&gt;2</sup> are happy about you."</p>	<p>[bi.k'e.gu.'in.dáõ na.'i.ã.dan'.dzi]</p> <p><b>Note:</b> [n'] is a low tone glottalized nasal consonant. It sounds "creaky" and ends abruptly.</p> <p><b>Bik'egu'indá-õ</b> "Creator" (noun) -õ "the person, the person who" (an enclitic that can change a verb into a noun) (definite or relative enclitic)</p> <p><b>na'iaẽdan'dzi</b> "we<sup>&gt;2</sup> are grateful about you", "we<sup>&gt;2</sup> are glad for you" (1<sup>st</sup> person plural, imperfective mode, intransitive verb)</p>
<p><b>Hnzhû-gu nait'ékéõde bindádaadén'î.</b> "In a good way, watch over our relatives."</p>	<p>[hn.zhû.gu nai.t'é.kéõ.de bin.dá.daa.dén.'î]</p> <p><b>Note:</b> The initial [hn] is a syllabic nasal consonant. People also pronounce this consonant as [n].</p> <p><b>Note:</b> The syllable [dén] has falling tone.</p> <p><b>hnzhû-gu</b> "in a good way" (adverb phrase) <b>hnzhû</b> "he/she/it is good" (3<sup>rd</sup> person, imperfective mode, neuter, intransitive verb)</p> <p><b>Note:</b> People also pronounce <b>hnzhû-gu</b> as [hn.zhûù] or [hn.zhû'].</p> <p>-gu "while, when, toward, instead" (subordinate enclitic)</p> <p><b>nai.t'é.kéõ.de</b> "our<sup>2</sup> relatives", "your<sup>2</sup> relatives" <b>nait'éké</b> is actually a 3<sup>rd</sup> person transitive verb.</p>

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	<p><b>O-t'é ...ké</b> "to be related, to be relatives" (ni-imperfective mode, neuter, transitive verb)</p> <p><b>nai-</b> "us<sup>2</sup>, you<sup>2</sup>" (1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> person dual pronoun object prefix)</p> <p><b>-õde</b> "the people, the people who" (plural) (an enclitic that can change a verb into a noun) (definite or relative enclitic)</p> <p><b>bindádaadén'î</b> "you watch all around him/her/it" (2<sup>nd</sup> person singular, imperfective mode, intransitive verb)</p> <p><b>Note:</b> In English, people might say, "Watch over him/her/it."</p>
<p><b>Naiãgúõlí.</b> "Be with us<sup>2</sup>."</p>	<p><b>[naiãgúõ.lí]</b></p> <p><b>naiã</b> "with us<sup>2</sup>, with you<sup>2</sup>" (dual) (postposition)</p> <p><b>nai-</b> "us<sup>2</sup>, you<sup>2</sup>" (1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> person dual pronoun object prefix)</p> <p><b>-ã</b> "with, accompanying" (postposition stem)</p> <p><b>gúõlí</b> "you live", "you exist" (2<sup>nd</sup> person singular, imperfective mode, neuter, intransitive verb) (gu-ni...-lí "to live, to exist")</p>
<p><b>'Ixéhe.</b> "Thank you."</p>	<p><b>['i.xé.he]</b></p> <p><b>'ixéhe</b> "thank you" (particle or interjection)</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Some people say <b>'ihéhe</b> ['i.hé.he].</p>