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Many: In whose bodies our lives began.

One: And yet even as we rejoice in our own life,

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And remember those who did not die but suffered stigmatizing injuries.**

One: God our Healer,

Many: Bring healing to all women suffering from Fistula—

One: Healing in body

Many: In soul, in heart, and in mind.

One: Use us as instruments of healing as we learn, become advocates, and gather resources.

Many: Let us use our passions and talents to make life better for our sisters.

One: Help us to walk in solidarity with the women of this, your earth.

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