

## **DARK LIGHT**

Dark light shadowed the way.  
Dangerous cloud, a toxic time  
History noted but learned nothing.  
Circles of unthinkable pain  
Wrought with dire determination.  
Promise of fire and fury pledged  
Echoes earlier acts of retribution  
Imprinted upon collective  
Consciousness. Safe harbour  
Erased. Ruthless vow to win  
Conveniently forgets the innocent.  
Paper cranes of peace fly in freedom  
From Hiroshima's memorials.  
Fragile yet certain, united strings  
Bound together show resistance.  
*Never again* we must say.

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