

The Oath of Isis

Composed on the occasion of the Goddess Isis, her forces, and her followers forming a nation state in Northern Iraq on June 29, 2014.

I, [your name], being in the glorious presence of you, the Goddess Isis, voluntarily declare that I will work to preserve and expand your nation and your gift of love and love of life. With your guidance, I will be healer of the sick, liberator of slaves, and enricher of the poor. My plea to all will be: build what you must build. I will gather the dead, scattered parts of our torn love and lift a new body, living and whole. I will learn the sun's secret name. In your throne seated, I will serve as a throne for all. I vow that we will prevail not by numbers, nor equipment, nor weapons, nor wealth, but rather by your bounty, through your creed alone. I will speak that secret name and with the sun's power I will shine.

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- 1) Record yourself taking the oath
- 2) Share the video online using #fauxpoem and #fauxpoemisis + send the link to: fauxccasionalpoems@gmail.com
- 3) For an example watch: bit.ly/fauxpoemisis

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