

## Prayer for Peace and Reconciliation in the Philippines

## God of love, grace, justice, peace and reconciliation

We pray for Your divine grace for peace and reconciliation among the Filipino people. Help them to turn hatred to love, distrust to faith, despair to hope, and oppression to freedom.

Accompany them in their journey for enduring peace with justice and fullness of life.

We earnestly pray for the resumption of peace talks between the Government of the Republic of the Philippines and the National Democratic Front of the Philippines.

We beseech Your guidance for both parties to pursue the peace negotiations with sincerity and urgency and address the root causes of the social injustices prevailing in the country, which ultimately lead to armed conflict.

Grant the Filipino people Your wisdom, endurance, and courage to walk together in harmony, and work towards reconciliation and lasting peace.

We pray for those who suffer, victims and families of human rights violations, as well as those who are persecuted and become political prisoners.

We pray for those who are unjustly defamed, stigmatised, and red-tagged for their conviction and commitment to attain peace with justice.

We ask for Your protection and strength for defending human dignity and securing fullness of life.

We pray for all who strive to build a just and humane society where peace and security will prevail.

May the Filipino people's collective efforts for peace and reconciliation be illuminated and guided by divine wisdom.

Amen.