## **Peace is the Only Way**

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## What can you do to promote peace?

Promoting peace is not an easy task to do. Let me give you an example, like Mindanao, it has become familiar throughout the land. Some would say, it is in the Philippines. Others would say yeah it is really in the Philippines. Not because the wonders that it gives but because of the doings of other people. What do I mean? When I am going to ask people what Mindanao is? Where Mindanao is? They would probably answer me. Mindanao? Yeah I know that place is. There are conflicts there; there are kidnappings there, and bombings. Let us admit that there are that kind of acts and conflicts. That there are lawless elements and terrorism acts. But have they realized that it is only happening in some parts of Mindanao? Have they enumerated what part only in Mindanao? The island of Mindanao is so blessed with so many wonderful gifts from God. And Mindanao is blessed to be one of the recipients of donations, help and assistance from the NGO's and from the international organizations. When conflict started in some parts if Mindanao, there are billions of dollars worth of cash and other assistance from the international organizations. Just to be able to sustain the needs of the affected areas and victims of the conflicts in Mindanao. But until now, the same thing, and different lawless element groups. And the same doings, killing, and hurting ordinary and innocent people most especially the children. Sad to imagine these pictures in my mind. But what is good is there is still a way. There are still possible ways to bring peace in the island of Mindanao. There should be a negotiation between the government and the lawless element group. And there should be transparency in negotiating. And as a youth, I am going to join an organization that would go and campaign. To let other see how wonderful to see and live in a peaceful island.

## Why should you promote peace?

As a youth, I should promote peace, we should promote peace. I should do it for the next generation to come. Is it wonderful to experience living in peace? How wonderful to see living in harmony and in understanding? I have thought about that already but how? It is very important to promote peace because a good relationship to each other would result to a good, better, and a brighter future for country's economy that would sustain the needs of the next generation.

## How will you succeed?

If there are any youth organizations or an organization that would help to campaign for what really peace is all about and how important it is I think I'm going to support for that campaign. And I'm going to write a letter to our newly elected president to watch over to those local officials and also the funds that it has to go directly to the families who are victims of the

conflicts in Mindanao . To sustain the needs to those victims. And there for I can say that by this suggestions I can say, that peace is the only way!!!