

The Pikes Peak InterFaith Coalition (PPIFC)

Press Release

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Mourning & Solidarity with Sri Lanka

The Pikes Peak InterFaith Coalition (PPIFC), and its members of different faiths, mourn the loss of life at a series of bombings in Sri Lanka targeting worshipers in Christian churches and others of all faiths in nearby hotels on Easter Sunday, April 21, 2019. We pray for the victims and their families and offer our prayers of healing for the entire community wounded by this violence. We strive to work tirelessly to create a world in which attacks such as this never occur. We give thanks for those who responded and cared for all in harm's way that day and since. We pray for the attackers, that they will see the empty promises of revenge; that violence can never bear the fruit of healing.

Our heart goes for the victim's families as we condemn these attacks and we stand in solidarity with the people and the government of Sri Lanka, and especially with the Christian community that has been targeted. As a community of many faiths, we continue to pray and will continue to work for the day when all people can worship and go about their lives in peace and safety. We strongly condemn the extremism and terrorism which has shrouded our planet and offer dialogue to resolve our differences and spread the message of love & peace.

PPFIC declares April 26-28 as "Mourning & Solidarity Weekend with Sri Lanka" whereas member organizations will hold special prayers at their places of worship, declare solidarity with Christian community of Sri Lanka and raise funds for the needy through their own organizations.

The mission of Pikes Peak InterFaith Coalition is to nourish a spirit of understanding and cooperation among the diverse religious organizations and people of the Pikes Peak area and to be a visible expression of respect, understanding and appreciation among all people of faith. Its membership consists of temples, mosques, churches of various faiths.

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