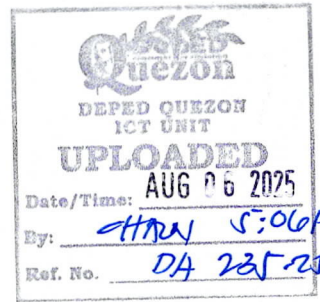




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DIVISION ADVISORY NO. 235, S. 2025
July 29, 2025

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3rd NATIONAL PEACE CONVENTION

In partnership with National Commission for Culture and Arts, the Heavenly Culture, World Peace, Restoration of Light (HWPL) Philippines invites educators to participate in its 3rd National Peace Convention on August 9, 2025, at the Quezon City MICE (Meetings, Incentives, Conventions, and Exhibitions) facility.

Participation of learners and teachers from public and private schools will be purely voluntary and will not hamper instructional time in compliance with the provision of DepEd Order No. 12, s. 2025 titled “Multi-Year Implementing Guidelines on the School Calendar and Activities for the School Year 2025-2026,” and DepEd Order No. 9, s. 2005 titled “Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-on-Task and Ensuring Compliance Therewith” and the policy on off-campus activities stated in DepEd Order No. 66, s. 2017.

This is also subject to the no-collection policy as stated in Section 3 of Republic Act No. 5546 also known as An Act Prohibiting the Sale of Tickets and/or the Collection of Contribution for Whatever Project or Purpose from Students and Teachers of Public and Private Schools, Colleges, and Universities (Ganzon Law).

For more details on the conduct of the said activity, please see the attached letter.

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3rd National Peace Convention - HWPL Invitation

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July 27, 2025

Dear Dr. Bautista,

Warm greetings of peace!

We are honored to invite you to participate in the 3rd National Peace Convention with the theme Peace and Culture in Action: Building Unity Through Understanding and Expression, hosted by HWPL Philippines in partnership with the National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA). This meaningful event will take place on August 9, 2025, at the Quezon City MICE (Meetings, Incentives, Conventions, and Exhibitions) facility.

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To reserve your seat, kindly confirm your attendance until August 4, 2025. Please register by scanning the QR code below or through this link: <https://forms.gle/mcCj4BAeRKwDmUk46>

Should you have any questions or require further assistance, feel free to contact us at philippines.hwpl@gmail.com or to Ms. Alecka Carcallas at 09453904537.

We sincerely hope to welcome you at this meaningful gathering and work together toward building lasting peace.

With sincere regards,

John Rommel T. Garces
Chief Branch Manager
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INVITATION

July 23, 2025

ROMMEL C. BAUTISTA
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CONCEPT NOTE

3rd National Peace Convention

Theme: "Peace and Culture in Action: Building Unity Through Understanding and Expression"

This flagship annual gathering will convene educators, youth, women, civil society, media, and cultural leaders to explore the intersection of peacebuilding and cultural expression. Hosted by HWPL Philippines in partnership with the National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA).

Date & Time: **August 9, 2025 (Saturday) | 1:00 – 5:00 PM**
Venue: **QC M.I.C.E. Center**
(Meetings, Incentives, Conventions, and Exhibitions)

Admission to the convention is FREE.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

1:00–2:00 PM	Inscribing Peace: A Peace Education Forum A focused session on the proposal for the inscription of the Philippine Peace Agreements into the UNESCO Memory of the World (MOW) <i>(Limited slots: 50–70 participants)</i>
2:00–4:00 PM	Program Proper: Interfaith Prayer Opening Message Keynote Message Inspirational Message Presentation of Achievements and Plans
4:00–5:00 PM	"Mindasilang" Musical Theater by Kaliwat Performing Artist Collective



CONCEPT NOTE

Event Background

In January 2023, the *Volunteer Individuals for Peace (VIP)*, a local partner of *Heavenly Culture, World Peace, Restoration of Light (HWPL)*, successfully convened the **1st National Peace Convention** in the Philippines. This historic event brought together a multi-sectoral assembly of lawmakers and policy-makers, educators, religious and cultural leaders, media professionals, youth, and women's groups. Together, they drafted and adopted a series of "**Peace Manifestos**" aimed at strengthening the nation's commitment to peace and unity.

Key Highlights of the 1st Convention included:

A call for the President to declare January 24 as **Peace Day**;
Support for the **Declaration of Peace and Cessation of War (DPCW)**;
Proposals to institutionalize peace efforts across education, interfaith dialogue, and national policy frameworks.

Since then, peace stakeholders under HWPL's guidance have made tangible strides:

1. **Legislative Support for the DPCW:** Resolutions supporting the DPCW have been adopted in multiple local government units—four municipal, four city, one provincial, and a **regional resolution in BARMM**, which also institutionalized **January 24 as "Peace Day"** for 4.4 million Bangsamoro people. These efforts are gradually laying the groundwork for **national recognition of the DPCW**.
2. **Peace Education:** HWPL developed **12 peace education lesson exemplars** that are being contextualized and piloted, notably in partnership with BARMM's Ministry of Basic, Higher, and Technical Education. HWPL has also initiated **Peace Clubs** and **Peace Monuments** across the country to amplify grassroots peace engagement among the youth.
3. **Religious and Cultural Harmony:** The **Religious Peace Academy** promotes dialogue, tolerance, and harmony through inter-scriptural study and understanding in an accessible, online platform.

Continuing the Momentum

To celebrate these milestones and renew commitments, HWPL hosted the **2nd National Peace Convention on April 20, 2024**, at the **Philippine International Convention Center (PICC)**. The event served as a mid-point reflection on national peacebuilding efforts and catalyzed new collaborations across sectors.



CONCEPT NOTE

Building on the momentum of the past two conventions, the upcoming 3rd National Peace Convention seeks to institutionalize peace efforts across multiple sectors, inspire new forms of multi-stakeholder cooperation, and highlight youth and education-centered peace strategies as critical pillars for long-term transformation. The 3rd National Peace Convention will gather over 800 peace advocates and leaders from across the Philippines and abroad, including:

- National and local government officials
- Educators, school heads and administrators
- Religious leaders and Interfaith community
- Media professionals
- Youth and women's organizations
- Civil society groups and NGOs

Objectives

- Promote peace through cultural expression by showcasing artistic and narrative forms that embody the spirit of unity, healing, and shared identity
- Advance historical memory for peacebuilding by supporting the inscription of Philippine peace agreements into the UNESCO Memory of the World (MoW), recognizing these documents as vital to national reconciliation and global heritage
- Empower sectoral collaboration through plenary presentations and peace action plans from HWPL's core committees—International Law, Religion, Peace Education, Youth, Women, and Public Relations—showcasing how each sector contributes to national peace and cultural solidarity.
- Deepen peace education efforts by creating platforms for dialogue, innovation, and institutionalization of peace curricula, with a focus on fostering understanding across regions, histories, and belief systems.
- Build lasting unity through inclusive dialogue, mutual respect, and people-centered partnerships that bridge cultural, regional, and generational divides

Conclusion

The 3rd National Peace Convention represents not only a continuation but a deepening of our national commitment to sustainable peace. Through collective reflection, renewed partnerships, and actionable strategies, we aim to strengthen the Philippines' role in the global peace movement and secure a future where peace is not just a vision, but a lived reality in every community.