

In the name of the one God in Whom we all believe

Namibian Abrahamic Interfaith Declaration

As a contribution towards strengthening mutual acceptance and harmony in Namibia, representatives from Jewish, Christian, Islamic, Baha’i, and Buddhist communities came together to start a dialogue on cooperation in advancing society, under the theme “What Keeps Society Together”.

We recognized that our common values are the ideal starting point to finding common solutions. These include belief in one God, respect, service, compassion, love, tolerance, and the sanctity of family. In addition we all recognize positive social transformation as a key responsibility of people of faith.

We also recognize that in the current Namibian society we live together in the “Namibian House” and in the same households. Thus we face common social challenges, and so need to assist each other in implementing responses, strengthening the voice that such groups have traditionally given to the disadvantaged people in society.

As a next step we recommend the formation of an Interfaith Council, which will serve as a dialogue partner to government and civil society. This council would further act as a forum for cooperation and communications between the different faith groups.

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