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To: CCA Member Churches and Council in Malaysia Anglican Church of Malaysia Evangelical Lutheran Church in Malaysia and Singapore Methodist Church in Malaysia Council of Churches of Malaysia

Dear Respected Leaders of the Churches in Malaysia, Brothers and sisters in Christ,

Greetings of peace.

We have noticed with great concern the recent escalation of violence in Malaysia targeting Christians, for their use of word "Allah." The churches in Malaysia are very much in our thoughts and prayers. Please let us know if there is anything we can do to help at this particular time. Please also be assured that the members of CCA continue to uphold you, the churches in Malaysia and the council of churches in Malaysia in their prayers.

May God grant wisdom to the leaders of the country to appreciate religious rights of all the people in Malaysia, regardless of their ethnicity, culture, or religion. We pray that plurality which is the rich nature of Malaysian society can be preserved and people will be united. May God guide the people of Malaysia to a society where people respect differences but at the same time understand possible similar expressions of faith, and live together in harmony.

We pray that God may guide you with wisdom to address this concern and to witness the love of God to all in Malaysia, especially in this difficult time.

Sincerely yours,

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