



Lay Dominicans
St. Dominic Denver Chapter
Province of St. Albert the Great
Dominican Family, Order of Preachers

December 10, 2017

General Consulate of Colombia

Attn: Carlos Alberto Calero Salcedo
595 Market Street, Suite 1190
San Francisco, CA 94105

Re: In Solidarity with Colombia's Peace Process

Dear Mr. Calero Salcedo:

In a declaration of support for the peace efforts in Colombia, the Master of the Dominican Order, Fr. Bruno Cadoré, has marked December 2017 as a Global Month of Peace. All Dominicans, friars, nuns, sisters and Lay Dominicans worldwide are encouraged to show their support in various ways. Since 1562, the Dominican Order has served the people of Colombia, and we stand in solidarity with her people.

The members of the Lay Dominicans, Denver Chapter in Colorado, support this initiative and stand in unity with the people of Colombia working for justice and peace. In keeping with Fr. Cadoré's worldwide effort for world peace, the Denver Chapter of Lay Dominicans will hold a special mass to pray for lasting peace in Colombia. In addition, we are including the people of Colombia in our daily prayers this December. We pray the people of Colombia will directly see the fruits of their efforts to build unity and create peaceful co-existence. As Pope Francis stated in his recent visit to Colombia, "Now is the time to heal wounds, to build bridges, to overcome differences".

The special mass for Peace in Colombia will be held on December 23, 2017, at 8:00, a.m., in the St. Dominic Parish Chapel, 2901 Grove Street, Denver, CO. Please know that we have Colombians in our hearts and prayers.

May God bless you and the people of Colombia. On behalf of our Moderator, Dolly Suazo, OP and the members of the Lay Dominican Denver Chapter, we send our best wishes for a blessed and happy Advent and Christmas.

With Greatest Respect and Compassion,

Leo Fua, OP
Promoter, Justice, Peace and Care of Creation
Lay Dominicans, St. Dominic Denver Chapter
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