

MEDITATION PROGRAM ON 30TH NOVEMBER 2017
16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM
WORDS OF COMMITMENT AGAINST GENDER BASED VIOLENCE

LEADER: God of mercy, we thank you for enabling us to unite and reject gender based violence worldwide.

ALL: Oh God of mercy, continue to support us in this endeavor.

LEADER: Some people have been denying the children's rights as parents by not providing them with good education, shelter, and food.

ALL: Oh God of mercy liberate your people.

LEADER: Some people have been perpetrators of gender based violence by brutally beating their wives, husbands and children.

ALL: We all raise our voices before you and say no to gender based violence.

LEADER: Some widows and their children have been denied of their rights to possess land and other properties due to gender discrimination.

ALL: God of mercy empower your people with education so that they can be able to fight for their rights and dignity.

LEADER: We thank you God for activism, advocacy and protection of females who are discriminated on the basis of their gender.

ALL: Merciful God, continue to add more activists and advocates against gender based violence.

LEADER: We know that development of each nation depends on joint efforts of men and women without segregation.

ALL: We commit ourselves to promote equality, justice, and cooperation among different genders for the betterment of all humans.

LEADER: We pray for equal opportunities of education and employment for females and males in the world.

ALL: Merciful and gracious God, help us to realize these goals.

LEADER: As we meet for **sixteen days of activism against gender based violence**, give us courage, enthusiasm, dedication and commitment to stretch our hands to reach those who are voiceless in the context of gender based violence

ALL: Gracious God, give us moral and material support to make our dreams a reality

ALL: AMEN.