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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR

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TO

PROVINCIAL GOVERNORS, CITY MAYORS, MUNICIPAL MAYORS,

AND DILG REGIONAL DIRECTORS

SUBJECT

2017 COMMEMORATION OF NATIONAL BIBLE WEEK (JANUARY

23-29, 2017)

Presidential Proclamation No. 1067 declares the last week of January of every year as National Bible Week. Spearheaded by the Philippine Bible Society (PBS), the **2017 National Bible Week Commemoration** on January 23-29, 2017 carries the theme, *The Bible: Hope for the Community Progress*, calling a scriptural message of unity.

In support to the Commemoration of the National Bible Week, all Local Chief Executives are hereby encouraged to participate in said week-long celebration by undertaking the following:

- 1. Lobby for a local issuance (i.e., a resolution or ordinance) to institutionalize the bible week celebration;
- 2. Display of National Bible Week posters, streamers, and tarpaulins;
- 3. Serve as bible ambassadors by joining the PBS members society or donate for the bible cause, and be partners of PBS in the ministry;
- 4. Conduct of a Bible Week parade, motorcade, or rally;
- 5. Organize bible quizzes, poster-making and essay writing contests;
- 6. Stage creative ways to showcase bible knowledge;
- 7. Conduct sports events;
- 8. Launch bible distribution program;
- 9. Conduct of I-Proclaim!, a public Scripture reading program;
- 10. Hold a Special National Sunday Celebration, among others.

National Bible Week promotional materials such as, posters, tarpaulins, daily bible reading guides, selections and brochures are available for downloads at <a href="https://www.bible.org.ph/wp/scripture-engagement-programs/nationalbibleweek/">www.bible.org.ph/wp/scripture-engagement-programs/nationalbibleweek/</a>. For related inquiries, interested parties may communicate with Mr. Raymond Francisco (NBW Coordinator), PBS at Telephone No. (02) 524-5337 or 0917-665-1172, or through email address: <a href="mailto:contactusbible@org.ph">contactusbible@org.ph</a>.

All DILG Regional Directors are directed to cause the widest dissemination of this Memorandum Circular to LGUs, within their respective areas of jurisdiction.

Secretary

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