

## **Love and respect all human beings**

Actually, what happened after the elections made some of me hate some particular communities. I have lived peacefully with a certain community for over twenty years but I was surprised that these same people whom I have grown up with and have known each other for a long time could think of destroying our lives.

After the post elections violence, I came to hate this particular community and did not want to hear anything about them. But after attending my Ethics classes I have come to realize that we should actually create unity in diversity. There is no point in creating differences that will not help us anyway. We share the same basic nature and hence should respect one another and create unity.

I therefore decided that I am going to love and respect this community even after what they did. I have very many friends from this community and am glad I have already started learning their language and I can speak the basics.

My friends are also striving very hard to know my language in which they are proceeding very well. Another thing that we are doing to foster unity is that we have also started writing songs in different languages, from different communities. The songs and poems we are writing mostly teach us that we are one, sharing the same basic nature. We have already written three Luo and two Kikuyu songs.

Singing brings us together and enables us to socialize more. Learning other languages also has enabled us to learn more about different communities and appreciate these communities. Coming together has also enabled us to learn to value our diversity and conserve it by harmonizing our differences. It's our duty to love and respect all human beings since we are all one before God.

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