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"When we protect a child, we protect the future,"- Minister of National Mobilisation

Minister of National Mobilisation Hon. Keisal Peters has called on the Church to continue to create a culture of compassion and a safe space for children.

Speaking on Wednesday at a Church Service to observe Child Abuse and Awareness and Prevention Month, Minister Peters said it takes a collective approach in the protection of the nation's children.

"We need every voice raised, every prayer whispered, and every message echoed from every pulpit, every platform to remind our communities that a child's tears are heaven's heartbreak, that protecting a child is not only our social responsibility but it is our spiritual obligation," Minister Peters stressed.

Minister Peters noted that while Government continues to build on policy and initiatives to support and protect the nation's children from neglect and abuse, a collaborative approach would do even more.

"Let the church be the place where every child feels safe, where abuse is confronted and not concealed, where healing begins and where hope is reborn...when we protect a child, we protect the future," the Minister said.

Activities to observe Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention month culminate with Whistle Stops today April 25, beginning at Heritage Square through to various communities and schools.