

# Bae Lisa's story

## PHILIPPINES

Shalom, Pax, Pais are words for peace in different languages.

All people wish to live in peace. When things are unfair it's hard to be peaceful. Bae Lisa works hard to build peace. Bae Lisa and her tribe are peacemakers.

In the Philippines where Bae Lisa lives with her family, things are not always fair. People from outside her community want to cut down the precious trees and take valuable stones from the ground. Bae Lisa does not want to see her land destroyed. It's hard to build peace when people have different ideas.

Bae Lisa and her friends were frightened to talk to the outsiders. So Caritas talked with the friends and together they formed a group to work for peace. Now they have learned how to listen to and talk with the troublemakers to work out better ways so that everyone is happy.

Bae Lisa is called a "mother of peace". She listens to her people as well as to the leaders in the Philippines and tries to find the best answers to the problems.

Bae Lisa and her community are trying to protect their precious land without fighting. She says that the land is everything to her people – their school, their hunting ground, their market and their sports ground. She says it has been given to her community to look after and protect.

When you fill your Project Compassion boxes, you, Caritas and Bae Lisa are working together to build a peaceful world.



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## Activities



(RE, HSIE/SOSE, PDHPE, English)

What happens when you and your friends fight?

Who gets upset?

What do you do to make up?

Who helps?

What can YOU do if your friends are fighting?

Are there any better ways of sorting things out before you have a fight?

Find as many words for peace in other languages as you can. There might be people in your classroom who can tell you some. Write them on big posters to place around your classroom.

I am a peacemaker when I

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I am a peacemaker when I

sh\_\_\_\_\_



I am a peacemaker when I

p\_\_\_\_\_ fairly.



If you want peace, work for justice

More resources at: [caritas.org.au/projectcompassion](http://caritas.org.au/projectcompassion)



**PRAYER**  
 God of peace, sometimes it's hard to be a peacemaker. Help us learn to listen and to be fair. Help us to be peacemakers in our homes and at school. Amen.