

Plea to allow Xmas celebration in UMS compound

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KOTA KINABALU: United Pasokmomogun Kadazandusun Murut Organisation (UPKO) acting president Datuk Madius Tangau hopes that Christian students of Universiti Malaysia Sabah can celebrate the coming Christmas within the university compound.

"On behalf of the hun-

dreds of Christian students at our very own UMS and some parents who came to me for help, I sincerely appeal to the UMS authorities to allow these students to celebrate Christmas within the university compound," he pleaded.

"Upko disagrees with such a policy. And, I have also

taken it upon myself to bring up the matter with our top Barisan Nasional leadership," he added.

Tangau said others were allowed to hold their religious celebration in the campus and that the traditional Tadau Kaamatan is also an annual event of UMS.

"The Christian students

have been holding their Christmas do at the nearby shopping complex for the last two years because they could not get approval to hold it at their second home - the UMS," he said.

Tangau meanwhile, UPKO would have its own Christmas open house at a date to be announced later.