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#### HKAC President Dan Cheung's Spring 2023 Message to Alumni & Friends

Our daughter Chanda came to visit us from the US during Chinese New Year. Rather than staying in Hong Kong for two weeks, we decided to make a trip to Vietnam. We have never visited Vietnam before and the warm weather there really seemed attractive to us during the winter months.

I knew we had to get a tourist visa for American citizens to enter Vietnam. I checked on Internet that we could get an e-visa online and it usually would take three days to be issued. They also suggested we could go visit the Vietnamese counsellor office to get a tourist visa there.

Two weeks before our departure date, we got online trying to apply for the tourist visa. While we were online, we found many websites which would offer to help us to get Vietnamese visas. They all charged differently and asked various information. Some would require us to book a trip with them. Some would charge over \$100 US dollars just to help get the visa and we still needed to pay the visa fee. We were very confused.

Therefore, we decided to go to the Vietnamese counsellor office to get the visas in person. When we reached the Vietnamese counsellor office, we found that they were very unfriendly. They did not want to help us. They didn't even want to give us the form to apply for the visa. They just pointed to the wall and said, "Apply online."

Then we realized there was a paper posted on the wall with a website address. They were asking us to get to that website to apply for the Vietnamese visas. We tried a few times to get more information

regarding the application processes. They just pointed to the wall and said, "Apply online." We decided to go home and try to apply online using their website again. After all, we still have ten more days 'til the departure date.

When I got home, I applied the tourist visas from the website which was suggested by the Vietnamese counsellor office. The website said it would take three working days for the office to issue the visas. I thought it would be fine because we still have ten days before we were leaving for Vietnam.

After waiting for four days but still not seeing our visas, we returned to the website and looked for information why our visas had not been issued. We found out that the Vietnamese immigration office was closed for seven days, during the Chinese New Year. That meant the earliest date that our visas could be issued would be the date of departure.

We were supposed to leave on Jan 27th, Friday, at 3:55 pm. I kept checking throughout the morning but did not see our visas being issued. We decided to go to the airport and wait there just in case the visas were issued before the plane departed.

We reached the airport at around 1:30 pm and our visas were not issued yet. Therefore, we went to the ticket counter and were told that we needed to have the visas, in order for them to give us the boarding passes. They also reminded us that the ticket counter would be closed one hour, at 2:55 pm. This was right





**HKAC** President, Dr. Dan Cheung

before the departure time. We walked around the airport aimlessly just hoping our visas would be issued before the ticket counter closed. At 2:45 pm, I received an email and was informed that my visa had been issued. We ran to the ticket counter and showed the ticket agent my visa, while Corjena looked for the other two visas online.

(Please head to page 2 for the rest of President Dan Cheung's article)

In Christ,



Dan Cheung, PhD **President Hong Kong Adventist College** 

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#### AAA Team Meeting with HKAC Faculty

#### (March 7th 2023)

# Photos by Ms. Jenifer Shiu Captions by Ms. Jenifer Shiu



#### Photo Foreground (left to right below):

Dr, Leni Casimero (Chair, Education Dept., AIIAS) Dr. Jacob Ko (Health Ministries Dept. Dir., S. Korea) Mr. Simon Chua (HKAC Dir. G.E. Humanities/DPUS) Ms. Priscilla Wong (HKAC Dept. Dir., Psychology& Div. Chair of AU Affiliated Programs)

Mr. Richard Cheng (**HKAC** Asst. Prof., English) Dr. Arlene Siagian (HKAC Div. Chair, Department of General Education & Professor, Music)





#### **Photo (left to right above):**

Dr. Richard Sabuin (Chair, AAA Team) Dr. Barbara Choi (**HKAC** Dir. Dept, of Health ) Dr. Mak Chun Yin (Dir., Education, CHUM) Dr. Hoi Ling Calvin Luk (HKAC Director, Dept. of G.E. Mathematics & Science) Ms. Twinky Lau (HKAC Director, Dept. of

#### AAA Team Leaders (left to right above):

Dr. Hope Zhang (President, CAA)

Dr. Leni Casimero (Chair, Ed. Dept. AIIAS)

Dr. Ronald Stone, (President, FAUC, Fiji)

Dr. Richard Sabuin (Chair, AAA Team)

Dr. Jacob Ko (Health Ministries Dept. Director)

Dr. Mak Chun Yin (Dir., Education, CHUM)

# HKAC President Dan Cheung's Spring 2023 Message to Alumni & Friends (Page 2 of 2 / Continued from the first page)

They confirmed that it was the visa we At this point, I complained to the needed for them to give us the boarding pass. However, they told us asked us to have our visas printed. we needed to give them the visas on paper and not on a screen. We asked them, "Where can we have them she took our passports and visas and printed?" They told us the concierge service on isle H could help us to print for us. the visas.

So, we ran to the concierge service and found the line was too long. Many passengers were there waiting to be served. We went back to the ticket counter to see if they would give us a break. They told us we could try another concierge service on aisle D. Corjena then ran to aisle D to check to see if the concierge service there had fewer customers. There was only one customer in front of her. She asked and he was nice enough to let Corjena be served before him.

Once the visas were printed, Chanda took them and started running back to the ticket counter, which was the far corner from the concierge service desk. When Chanda took the visas back to the ticket counter, they told us the ticket counter had just been closed!

supervisor that it was their ticket agent They could not close the counter when we have our visas printed. Reluctantly, started working on the boarding passes

Then, she realized we had only two people there with three passports and three visas. Therefore, she told us that she had to verify the third passport holder to give us the boarding passes. Suddenly, Corjena showed up at the ticket counter. The airline supervisor told us to go directly to the gate, because passengers were boarding at that very moment. She gave us our boarding passes, our passports, and the visas.

We went directly to the boarding gate, without stopping anywhere. We reached the gate just in time to board the plane and flew to Vietnam for our four days' vacation! Whew! I learned a few, valuable lessons from this experience. Don't wait until the last moment to take care of what you need to do. We should have applied for Article by HKAC President Dan Cheung

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the Vietnamese visas a few days or even a few weeks earlier. Our trip would have been more pleasant, if we had received the visas a few days earlier, or at least before we went to the airport.

Just like doing homework or preparing examinations, our learning experience would have been so much more pleasant if we would finish them a few days or a week earlier rather than frantically try to finish doing it or studying it the night before. Besides, our homework would have been so much better, if we had the time to do it or to prepare them slowly and carefully.

The second lesson I learned was when things are not happening as we planned, don't panic! Work together and get it done. You never know how much you can accomplish in a short period of time, like 15 minutes. Just like our travel experience, we worked together and accomplished boarding the airplane in just 15 minutes.

Remember that the American Pulitzer prize winning poet, Maya Angelou, once said "Hope for the best and be prepared for the worst!" Wise words!

#### AAA Team Findings Meeting with HKAC Faculty & Staff (March 9th 2023)

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#### Left to Right (above):

Dr. Jacob Ko, Health Ministries Dept. Director, NSD, South Korea
Dr. John Wesley Taylor V, Incoming President, Andrews University
Dr. Richard Sabuin, Asso. Director of Education, General Conference, USA
Dr. Leni Casimero, Chairwoman, Education Dept., AIIAS, The Philippines



#### Left to Right (above):

- Dr. Hope Zhang, President, Chinese Adventist Seminary (CAS), Hong Kong
- Dr. Ronald Stone, President, Fulton Adventist University College, Fiji
- Dr. Jacob Ko, Health Ministries Dept. Director, South Korea
- Dr. John Wesley Taylor V, Incoming President, Andrews University, USA
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- Dr. Richard Tooley, Business Manager / CFO, Taiwan Adventist College Dr. Mak Chun Yin, Director of Education, Chinese Union Mission, Hong Kong



Dr. Richard Tooley, Business Manager / CFO, Taiwan Adventist College, chats with **HK**AC President Dr. Dan Cheung, as Dr. Mak Chun Yin, Dir. Of Education of CHUM, looks on



Dr. John Wesley Taylor V, Dr. Richard Sabuin, Dr. Leni Casimero



Dr. Ronald Stone, President of Fulton Adventist University College in Fiji, chats with **HK**AC President Dan Cheung as Dr. Jacob Ko, Health Ministries Dept. Dir., NSD, S. Korea, smiles

Andrews University incoming President John Wesley Taylor V (March 15th 2023) Talk by Dr. John Wesley Taylor V HKAC Faculty Development Day Special Presentation Speaker Photos by Ms. Jenifer Shiu



Incoming Andrews University President, Dr. John Wesley Taylor V presents at **HKAC** 

#### Colossians 2:8

"Beware lest anyone spoil you through philosophy or vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world,

and not after Christ."



#### Ellen G. White

Teachers need to become acquainted with true philosophy, and where can this be found more perfect and complete than in the Word of God. This Word opens a sure path, in which our feet can travel with safety.

(Manuscript 69, June 17, 1897)





Incoming Andrews University President,
Dr. John Wesley Taylor V presents at **HKAC** 



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➤ He has **rescued** us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, in whom we have redemption. Colossians 1:13

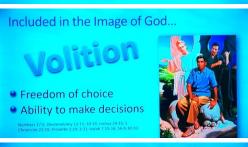
> He restores my soul. Psalm 23:3

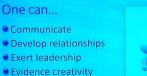


Incoming Andrews University President, Dr. John Wesley Taylor V presents at **HKAC** 



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But unless these are guided by moral values derived from God's character, the result will not be God-like



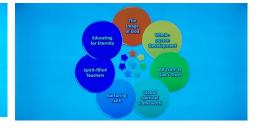




# **Purpose**

The true object of education is to restore the image of God in the soul.

(Christian Education, p. 63)



# HKAC Chapel: Dept. of Music / Featuring the Choir (April 19th 2023)

Photos by Mr. Chi Ming Kwok
Captions by Ms. Jenifer Shiu



**HK**AC Choir Members & Dr. Arlene Siagian (Prof. of Music & Choir Director, at the piano) perform on the stage of King Huy Hall / Bayview Church, during the 19th April 2023 Chapel Assembly



**HKAC** IT Technician, Mr. Jet Wong and a student enjoy the musical performances of the choir members.



Chapel Assembly participants include: 2022-2023 Student Ambassadors Edvan J. B. Mendez and Mauricio J. T. Maita plus student Mr. Wai Dick Leung are in the frow pew. Behind the student ambassadors, there are DPUS student Mr. Wing Hei Lau, DPUS student Mr. Li Ching Long, and College student Ms. Sanna Sajeid, among others



**HKAC** President Dr. Dan Cheung and Dept. Director, Dept. of Religion, Ms. Twinky Lau, are seated on church pews while enjoying the musical performances of the choir



**HKAC** 2+2 student Mr. Wai Liam Isaac Lun plays the cello on stage, during the 19th April 2023 Chapel Assembly featuring choir members



Stage Performers (left to right above): Dr. Arlene Siagian (Prof. of Music, Choir Director & Chairwoman, Div. of G.E., at the piano); College student Ms. Dynne Charlotte Francis; College student Ms. Shima Gurung; another student; 2022-2023 Student Ambassador Mauricio J. T. Maita; 2+2 student Mr. Wai Liam Isaac Lun; and 2022-2023 Student Ambassador Edvan J. B. Mendez

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#### HKAC Chapel: Students' Annual Talent Show (March 29th 2023 / Page 1 of 2)



A sweet theatrical sketch on stage starring the following (not all named): College student Ms. Audra Haijon Gunggut; DPUS student Mr. Wing Hei Lau; 2022-2023 Student Ambassadors Edvan J. B. Mendez and Mauricio J. T. Maita; and 2+2 student Chi Ho Kwok



HKAC Chairwoman, Div. of Nursing & Allied Health, Dr. Corjena Cheung (a talent show judge) enjoys the student performances. HKAC Dorm Dean, MC, & Student Activities Coordinator, Mr. Jeriel Chuah, also smiles as he walks stage left



Panoramic view inside King Huy Hall / Bayview Church during the 29th March 2023 **HKAC** Talent Show held during a weekly Chapel Assembly



**HKAC** Academic Dean Dr. Paul McGraw enjoys College student Ms. Wai Shan Jenny Suen's attempt to mimic his appearance and apparel. Dr. McGraw is her fave professor!



Dr. Arlene Siagain (Prof., Music & Chairwoman, Div. of General Education) enjoys a fun moment on stage with her student Mr. Wai Liam Isaac Lun who imitated her appearance and apparel!



The students who made a great effort to imitate the look and apparel of their favorite teachers: Mr. Wai Liam Isaac Lun; Ms. Wai Shan Jenny Suen; Mr. Edvan J.B. Mendez Page 6



2022-2023 Student Ambassador Mauricio J. T. Maita enjoys the similarities between Edvan (S.A.) and his favorite teacher, Mr. Richard Cheng! Student Ambassador Edvan shares first prize with Ms. Wai Shan Jenny Suen

## HKAC Chapel: Students' Annual Talent Show (March 29th 2023 / Page 2 of 2)

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HKAC President Dr. Dan Cheung presents the first prize to College senior student Ms. Wai Shan Jenny Suen for her imitation of her favorite teacher, HKAC Academic Dean, Dr. Paul McGraw



Dept. of Psychology student Ms. Evangelina Pereverzina recites poetry by William Wordsworth, while walking barefoot on stage in a nice dress



Dept. of General Studies student Mr. Omer Farooq Mir won third prize for his talent show performance! Dr. Calvin Luk, Asso. Prof. & Director, Dept. of General Education, presents



Left to Right (above):

Mr. Omer Farooq Mir; Ms. Wai Shan Jenny Suen; 2+2 student Mr. Chi Ho Kwok, 2022-2023 Student Ambassador Mauricio J.T. Maita; Dr. Corjena Cheung (a judge); Mr. Jeriel Chuah; and Ms. Priscilla Wong (a judge)



Dept. of General Studies student Mr. Chi Hong Marcus Kyle Ng recites love poetry to the audience at the March 29, 2023 Talent Show, much to the delight of fellow students, faculty and staff!



Mr. Wing Hei Lau; a winning student; 2022-2023 SA Mr. Edvan J. B. Mendez; Ms. Audra Haijon Gunggut; and Ms. Priscilla Wong (a judge)



The **HKAC** Talent Show judges deliberate the merits of performers



Dept. of Nursing student Selin Yavuz sings acapella style on stage

#### HKAC Chapel: Dept. of Psychology Mental Health Awareness Talk (March 8, 2023)

Article by Dr. Anna Chim Photos by Dr. Anna Chim



Dr. Anna Chim presents at Chapel Assembly. Dept. of Psychology students and 2022-2023 Student Ambassador Mauricio J. T. Maita look on during the talk.

"Mental health problems don't define who you are. They are something you experience. You walk in the rain and you feel the rain, but you are not the rain." — Matt Haig

On the 8<sup>th</sup> of March 2023, the Hong Kong Adventist College's Psychology Department brought awareness about mental health in the chapel program whilst in celebration of Women's Day.

Recently, the HKAC students were invited to participate in a survey using the Depression, Anxiety and Stress Scale (DASS-21), a set of three self-report scales designed to measure the emotional states of depression, anxiety and stress of individuals and it is found that 13% of the students are suffering from severe and extreme depression, 15% of the students suffering from severe anxiety, and 11% of the students are suffering from severe stress.

The college takes great consideration of the mental health of students and has opened a way for students to seek help for their mental health by providing the students with counselling and students who are certified mental first-aiders.

With this program, the Psychology Department hopes that students will be more aware of their mental well-being and be brave to reach out for help concerning their mental health.

#### Your mental health matters!



Mental health problems video



Case simulation 2 - Shima (Left), Sanna (Right)





#### **Behind the Scenes:**

The psychology students had a great time preparing for the Mental Health Awareness program and hoped everyone enjoyed the program. We hope to serve the college in more psychology events and look forward to any opportunities to present!

#### Please reach out if you need advice or someone to listen to you:

If you would like to talk with someone, we are here to listen and support you! Please contact Dr. Anna Chim at anna@hkac.edu to make an appointment!

HKAC Chapel: Communications 104 Students' Give Talks (March 1st 2023) Some Talk Topics: Photos by Ms. Jenifer Shiu

A.I., Kumari (Nepal), One-Line Quotes, Journaling for Health, Michael Oher, Time & Investing

Captions by Ms. Jenifer Shiu



Mr. Simon Chua, Dir. G.E. Humanities & DPUS, introduced a series of student talks at Chapel



Ms. Vinki Law



Mr. Wai Dick Leung



Mr. Omar Farooq Mir



Ms. Lim Zhi Qiao



Mr. Qiu Enze



Mr. Jems Thopra



Ms. Sofya Amarzooq



Mr. Chi Ho Kwok



Mr. Bader Almarzooq



Ms. Ka Wai Jaira Chan



Mr. Chi Hong Marcus K. Ng



Mr. Nicolas Hon



Ms. Rajarajeswari Muchakarla



Ms. Dhuaa Khan



Mr. Ka Wai Leung



Ms. Dalani Rajakumar

#### **HKAC** Chapel: Department of Health

#### (February 15th 2023)

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Dr. Barbara Choi, Director, **HK**AC Dept. of Health, addresses Chapel attendees



Kahoot! online quiz game winners by rank



Students Ms. Dhuaa Khan and Mr. W.C. Chris Leung demonstrate warm up and cool down exercises



College seniors Mr. Chin Hei Charles But and Mr. Sin Hang Chow present the fun Kahoot! Online quiz game at Chapel



2022-2023 Student Ambassadors Edvan and Mauricio show us how to do the health exercises to keep fit!

HKAC Chapel: Dept. of Music Special Guest Performer (February 1, 2023) Dr. Arlene Siagian introduces Alumna Ms. Alison Lau, Guzheng Musician Photos by Mr. Chi Ming Kwok Captions by Ms. Jenifer Shiu



Dr. Arlene Siagian introduces one of her first students, Ms. Alison Lau



Ms. Alison Lau plays the guzheng



Alison shows her taped fingers for plucking the guzheng Page 10



Dr. Barbara Choi, Director, HKAC Dept. of Health, with her former student Ms. Alison Lau

Ms. Alison Lau, an alumna of 'HKAC's Dept. of Health and a former choir member, was a special guest performer during early in the Spring 2023 semester. She is a freelance musician for the Hong Kong Chinese Orchestra and is a youth tutor. Alison holds a masters degree in Chinese music performance from the Hong Kong Academy of Performing Arts. She also studied at the Shanghai Conservatory of Music with an HSBC scholarship. Ms. Lau has been touring China, Singapore, Taiwan, and Canada for performances and artistic exchange programs. We enjoyed her lyrical music!

# HKAC Chapel: Division of Nursing & Allied Health (February 8th 2023)

Topics: New Faculty/Staff, EN Program, Breathing Exercises, Trans-Cultural Nursing, Aerobics



Dr. Corjena Cheung introduces the Chapel program



Dr. Corjena Cheung, Chairwoman, Div. of Nursing & Allied Health introduces new faculty and staff, 51 new EN (General) program students, students in the higher diploma in Health & Rehabilitation program, plus 2+2 pre-nursing students



Students and faculty/staff participate in the stress control breathing exercise



EN (General) students talk about stress management



Student presents a trans-cultural nursing topic



A student from HD H&R program introduces movements to encourage 30 min. daily exercises



2022-2023 Student Ambassadors, Mauricio and Edvan with two students, hold hands together in a small chain, to promote squats fitness exercises!



Chapel attendees, such as Mr. Wang Leung Vincent Hung, exercise



Page 11 Dr. Corjena Cheung, Dr. Arlene Siagian & Mr. Jems Thopra also exercise

# HKAC Spring 2023 Gospel Week (March 15th & 16th, Days 1 & 2 / Page 1 of 3) Featuring Special Guest: Dr. Richard Sabuin, Asso. Dir. Of Education, SDA-GC



Dr. Arlene Siagian (Prof., Music & Choir Dir) leads a prayer with choir members (Dynne, Evangelina, and Audra) on stage



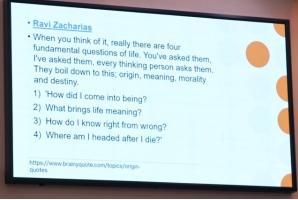
**HKAC** President Dr. Dan Cheung speaks to Chapel participants



HKAA Mr. Bart Brondo (on the piano), choir members Dynne, Evangelina, and Audrey, plus Dr. Arlene Siagian



2022-2023 Student Ambassadors Edvan and Mauricio talk about the Spring 2023 Gospel Week theme



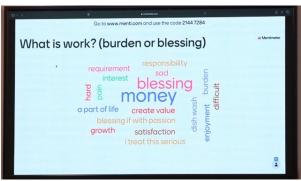
Questions (above) to ponder during one's life journey



Mr. Jeriel Chuah on drums and Mr. Wai Liam Isaac Lun played the cello during Spring 2023 Gospel Week



Dr. Richard Sabuin, Spring 2023 Gospel Week featured guest speaker



Descriptions about the concept of work and whether it is a blessing or a burden to human beings





Dr. Richard Sabuin invites students to pray with him, in order to accept the Christian faith and the blessings of God in their lives



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Dr. Richard Sabuin, Spring 2023 Gospel Week featured guest speaker

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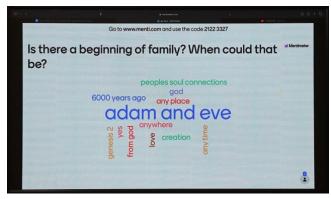
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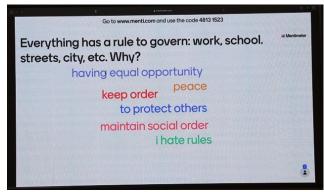
Dr. Arlene Siagian (Prof., Music & Chairwoman, Div. of General Education) plays the piano and 2022-2023 SA Mauricio plays the guitar for the song "Mighty to Save". Here are some of the bridge lyrics: "Shine your light and let the whole world see…We're singing for the glory of the risen King, Jesus"



Dr. Richard Sabuin, Spring 2023 Gospel Week featured guest speaker



Where and when did the concept of a family originate?



Why does rules-based order occur in society (schools, workplaces, cities, etc.) and in nations? Page 13



Choir member Dr. Calvin Luk (Dir. Dept. of General Ed., Science & Mathematics) sings with student choir members



What positive adjectives come to your mind when you think about a family (perhaps your own) that you admire?



2022-2023 SA's Mauricio and Edvan with Dept. of Business student Sofya Almarzooq and DPUS student Mr. M. Othman AbdulGhani



Who invented rules in society and nations?

HKAC Spring 2023 Gospel Week (March 22nd, Day 5 / Page 3 of 3) Featuring Special Guest: Dr. Richard Sabuin, Asso. Dir. Of Education, SDA-GC Photos by Mr. Chi Ming Kwok Captions by Ms. Jenifer Shiu



Spring 2023 Gospel Week Day 5 (last day) panoramic view inside the church



Choir members get ready to sing on stage at King Huy Hall / Bayview Church



Left to right (above): Dr. Paul McGraw; Pr. Daniel Chuah; Dr. Gad Onywere; Mr. Richard Cheng; and Ms. Twinky Lau

Dr. Arlene Siagian, Prof., Music, Choir



members Ms. Audra Haijon Gunggut, Ms. Shima Gurung, and Ms. Dynne Charlotte Francis sang

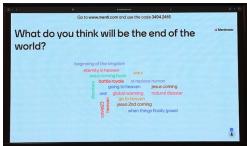




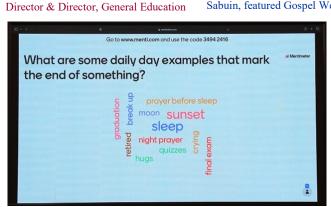
Dr. Paul McGraw, Academic Dean, and Dr. Paul Song, Dean of Students, present a thank you gift to Dr. Richard Sabuin, featured Gospel Week guest speaker



Left to right (above): Pastor Thomas Wong; IT Technician Mr. Jet Wong; Dorm Dean & Student Activities Coordinator Mr. Jerial Chuah; plus Mr. Simon Chua, Director of GE Humanitie & DPUS



Here is a question concerning a human existential crisis point: "What do you think will be the end of the world?" "Will it mean the coming of Christ?"



Here are some descriptions of daily, real life examples things that denote something ending. What are the ones you enjoy the most?



Spring 2023 Gospel Week (March 15, 16, 20, 21, 22) participants pose on the steps of King Huy Hall / Bayview Church with the event's banner

## HKAC Recreation Day (Spring Semester: March 23rd 2023 / Page 1 of 5)

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**HKAC** President Dr. Dan Cheung and Director, Dept. of Health, Dr. Barbara Choi



Mr. Jeriel Chuah and Dr. Paul Song



Green team student with black shirt team's students, Mr. Jem Thopra and Mr. Chin Hei Charles But



Nursing student Mr. Chi Ming Kwok photographs the green team and the black team before games start

Thursday, March 23, 2023 was a joyful Recreation Day for HKAC students and participating faculty, since due to the Covid-19 pandemic, it had been a few years since there was a "no classes day" that was devoted mainly to team sports, outdoors on the playing field, which is a popular soccer pitch for HKAC and HKAA students alike.

Four separate teams wearing green (the winning team!), black, blue, and red tee shirts competed in the following sports activities: basketball, jump rope hops, soccer / football kicks, a tricky "tiny ball balanced on a spoon" in fast walking students' mouths relay race, and a team tug-of-war rope pulling challenge! What fun!



"Women's Power" pose near the football playing field: Red shirt team's Ms. Evangelina Pereverzina, two mysterious black team members, and blue shirt team members Ms. Shima Gurung, Ms. Nadege Ranjira, and Ms. Sabrina H. Aranaga Garcia.



Ms. Twinky Lau (Director, Dept. of Religion) and Dr. Anna Chim (Counseling Psychologist, Faculty-Dept. of Psychology)
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2022-2023 Student Ambassadors Edvan J. B. Mendez and Mauricio J. T. Maita



Dr. Paul Song, Academic Dean, wins a strong kick point for the blue shirt team!



Dr. Anna Chim chats with black team members Mr. Richard Cheng (Faculty-English), Mr. Wing Hei Lau, and Mr. Wang Leung Vincent Hung



Dr. Paul Song, a black shirt team student, and Gopi Dhillon

## HKAC Recreation Day (Spring Semester: March 23rd 2023 / Page 2 of 5)

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Red shirt team's Dr. Gad Onywere with his team mates, including 2022-2023 SA Mauricio J. T. Maita (with basketball) and Evangelina P.



Ms. Deon Gurung of the blue shirt team does a nice jump in the jump rope contest, while 2022-2023 SA Edvan yells encouragement!



Academic Dean Dr. Paul McGraw watches on from the side lines with his winning green shirt team members



Academic Dean Dr. Paul McGraw shoots a basketball jump shot as fellow green shirt team leader Pastor Thomas Wong watched



Confident black shirt team members (left to right) include: Dept. of Business senior student Mr. Jem Thopra, Assistant. Prof. Mr. Richard Cheng, and Associate Prof. / Dir., Dept. of G.E., M&S, Dr. Calvin Luk



2+2 student Mr. Siu Yuen Brian Lai is about to kick the soccer ball for the red shirt team, as Dr. Arlene Siagian (black shirt team), Dr. Paul McGraw (green team), Dr. Corjena Cheung (green shirt team), and blue shirt team's 2022-2023 SA Edvan J. B. Mendez



Dr. Corjena Cheung, Chairwoman, Div. of Nursing & Allied Health, shoots a basketball for her green shirt, dream team, as fellow team member Pastor Thomas Wong waits to catch the ball



Blue shirt team members at the basketball court (left to right): Ms. Priscilla Wong; Mr. Bader Almarzooq; a masked team member; Mr. Sin Hang Chow; Dr. Paul Song; and 2022-2023 Student Ambassador, Mr. Edvan J. B. Mendez



Green shirt team members Mr. Gopi Dhillon, Marketing Assistant, and Mr. Jet Wong, I.T. Technician, rest up, in between queuing up for basketball shoots

# HKAC Recreation Day (Spring Semester: March 23rd 2023 / Page 3 of 5)

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**HKAC** President Dr. Dan Cheung with the winning, happy, green shirt team!



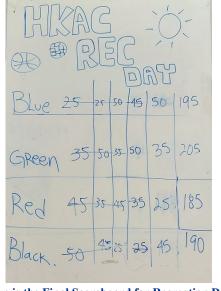
Dept. of Health student Mr. Joel Waas is about to kick the soccer ball for his black shirt team, as curious green team members watch



Green team members on the tug-of-war rope queue are coached by team leader Mr. Henry Ya'ang, **HKAC** Registrar & Chairman, Dept. of Business. They look very confident!



Red shirt team student Mr. Wai Liam Isaac Lun in soccer kick aftermath, as blue shirt team members watched



Above is the Final Scoreboard for Recreation Day:
Green Shirt Team is the Winning Team for Recreation. Day 2023!



Female friends pose on the football / soccer pitch



Dept. of Health student Mr. Sin Hang Chow, had a nice approach, as he prepared to give a strong kick to the soccer ball, while his blue shirt team mates watched

# HKAC Recreation Day (Spring Semester: March 23rd 2023 / Page 4 of 5)



HKAC Recreation Day group photos outdoors on the steps of the football / soccer pitch (What a nice, sporty day!)



Above is the "tug-of-war" ropes pulling competition, which took place between the blue shirt team and the black shirt team!

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**HKAC** President Dr. Dan Cheung with the winning, dream team: Above are the green shirt team members as co-led by Dr. McGraw, Dr. Corjena Cheung, and Mr. Jeriel Chuah!



HKAC President Dr. Dan Cheung and his own black shirt team members who were also fantastic on the playing field!

HKAC Global Youth Day (March 18th 2023 / Page 1 of 3) 2023 Theme: Love is a Verb: The Global Youth Day Celebration Article by Pr. Soontorn Thantereraphan, PhD
Photos provided by Pr. Thanteeraphan, PhD

The Seventh-day Adventist Church across the globe joined hands and celebrated Global Youth Day (GYD) on March 18, 2023. The GYD is a yearly event where youth in the Seventh-day Adventist church would celebrate their love for Christ through community service. The theme for this year's service event celebration was 'Love is a verb.' Bayview Adventist Youth leader, Ms. Perla Gallegos, organized a program together with Hong Kong Adventist Academy, Hong Kong Adventist College (HKAC), and Chinese Union Mission (CHUM).

The program began with a grand celebration of Ms. Shima Gurung, a HKAC junior Nepali student, who decided to devoted her life to Christ. Dr. Richard Sabuin, HKAC Spring 2023 Gospel Week speaker, officiated her baptism at Clearwater Bay Beach 2.

Then, the youth spent the next three hours visiting elderly families at Gospel Villas and Po Lam Resident. Pastor Thomas Wong, King Huy Hall / Bayview Church Pastor, Dr. Barbara Choi, and Dr. Arlene Siagian led the students with these visitations.

Around 6 pm, the GYD continued praising God through worship. Pastor James Tham, CHUM Youth director, reminded us that love is an action word, and people would know that love by receiving care.

After a fun afternoon, the young people enjoyed their fellowship over a delicious dinner. We are thankful to Mr. Henry Ya'ang, HKAC Registrar & Chairman of the Department of Business, who helped us organize the *special meal for the event.* The evening fun ended with the social game program. HKAA teacher, Ms. Zuriel Ilagan and two HKAC Student Ambassadors, Mauricio Jaldin Tito Maita and Edvan Jazziel Benitez Mendez, ended the evening with great games. It was such a joyful occasion, and there were over forty youth who participated in this project. We are grateful for God's faithfulness in providing such an opportunity to

share his love and fellowship.



Pastor Soontorn with his wife and children at Victoria Harbour, HK



Global Youth Day March 2023 group photo



A group at Clear Water Bay Beach 2 for Ms. Shima Gurung's baptism in the bay

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Pastor Soontorn, Pastor Thomas, Dr. Arlene Siagian, and Dr. Barbara Choi are among Global Youth Day 2023 team leaders in a tent where they conducted some visitations. Some visitors are also shown in the photo above.



Dr. Barbara Choi and eight (including pne not seen in the foreground) Global Youth Day 2023 students pray for a senior citizen in her small home



Dr. Barbara Choi, a senior citizen, and Global Youth Day 2023 participants, including: 2022-2023 Student Ambassadors Edvan J. B. Mendez and Mauricio J. T. Maita, student Ms. Shima Gurung, student Ms. Audra Haijon Gunggut, Mr. Might De La Bel (2019-2020 SA), and other students



Everyone held hands in a circle during the Global Youth Day 2023 evening social event. It was wonderful to see June 2022 HKAC/AU alumni Jade Justin (a Tai Po Sam Yuk Secondary School teacher in the brown cap) and Zuriel Ilagan (an HKAA Page 21teacher next to Jade) during this festive evening.

HKAC Global Youth Day (March 18th 2023 / Page 3 of 3)
College Junior Student Ms. Shima Gurung is Baptized by Dr. Richard Sabuin

Photos: Mr Chi Ming Kwok

Captions: Ms. Jenifer Shiu



Blessings to college junior Ms. Shima Gurun on her baptism day at Clear Water Bay Beach 2 (left to right): Dr. Paul Song, SA Mr. Edvan J. B. Mendez, Pr. Thomas Wong, Ms. Shima Gurung and her family, Dr. Richard Sabuin, and SA Mr. Mauricio J. T. Maita



Dr. Richard
Sabuin, Asso.
Director of
Education,
General
Conference
(USA), performs
Ms. Shima
Gurung's
baptism in the
flowing water of
Clear Water Bay
Beach 2 in HK





Outside King Huy Hall / Bayview Church, in Celebration of Ms. Shima Gurung's Baptism (Left to Right above):

Dr. Arlene Siagian, two friends, Ms. Evangelina Pereverzina, Ms. Audra Haijon Gunggut, Ms. Rajarajeswari Muchakarla,
Ms. Shima Gurung, Ms. Zuriel Ilagan (June 2022 alumna & HKAA teacher), Ms. Jade Justin (June 2022 alumna & Tai Po SYSS teacher), Ms. Katerina Ma (Sr. Assistant Librarian & Dor Page 22 Dean), another friend, and Ms. Dynne Charlotte Francis

#### HKAC Students' Professional Club Meetings

(April 12th 2023)



Mr. Henry Ya'ang (**HKAC** Registrar & Chairman, Dept. of Business) explains Grade Point Average (GPA)



Dr. Barbara Choi (**HK**AC Director, Dept. of Health) is seen with Health studies students, including: Mr. Wing Ching Leung, Mr. Chin Hei Charles But, Mr. Sing Hang Chow, Ms. Terisa Ghale, Ms. Dhuaa Khan, a student, and Mr. Joel Waas



Dr. Arlene Siagian (HKAC Chairwoman, Div. of General Education & Professor of Music) explains a chart to students who are seated (unseen in the photo) in the lecture hall funded by Sam Yuk School (SYS) & South China Training Institute (SCTI) leader Pastor Hing Sun Leung's family. Both schools existed on campus prior to HKAC.



Mr. Simon Chua (**HKAC** Director of GE Humanities & DPUS programs) discusses "Thinking and Reasoning" with his students



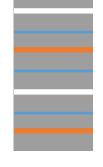
Dr. Corjena Cheung (**HKAC** Chairwoman, Div. of Nursing & Allied Health programs) gives a talk to students during April 2023's professional clubs day



Ms. Priscilla Wong (**HKAC** Chairwoman, Div. of Andrews University Affiliated Programs & Dir., Dept. of Psychology) with Counselling Psychologist & Faculty member, Dept. of Psychology, lead an art therapy drawing class with their students



Ms. Twinky Lau (HKAC Director, Dept. of Religion) chats with Dept. of Religion student Yuen Wa Fong, in the left photo, as Dept. of Nursing student photographer, Mr. Chi Ming Kwok looked on.



#### Welcome again to Pastor Thomas Chee (HKAC Food & Beverage Director + Business Development Director)

Biography by Pr. Thomas Chee Photo by Mr. Gopi Dhillon



Pr. Thomas Chee at the memorial plaque for Elder You Tat (You Yee) Chu who created the historic, grade 2 brick buildings on the Clear Water Bay campus, back in 1939

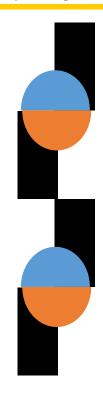
HKAC welcomes the return of Pastor Thomas Chee who grew up in Penang, Malaysia. He is married with a son who is working in Malaysia. Pastor Chee is also a HKAC alumnus who graduated in 1982, with a BA degree in Theology, from the Clear Water Bay campus!

Prior to his new roles on campus, Pastor Chee was a church pastor for the Hong Kong-Macau Conference.

His hobbies include swimming, jogging, and reading.

Pastor Chee's has new, dual roles as the Food Services Director and the Business Development Director.

He sincerely hopes that he can help HKAC improve its finances and promote its brand in society.



Biography by Ms. Sandy Leung Photo by Mr. Gopi Dhillon

#### Welcome back to Ms. Sandy Leung, HKAC Full-time Event Coordinator

We welcome the return of Ms. Sandy Leung, who rejoined HKAC in late January 2023, as a full time event coordinator supporting Pastor Thomas Chee in her dual roles as Food Services Director and Business Development Director. From September 2007 through August 2008, Ms. Leung, Sandy was the assistant chaplain of HKAC's Diploma of Pre-University Studies (DPUS) department.

In 1994, Sandy receive her two-year, Associate in Liberal Arts Diploma in Bible Work at Hong Kong Adventist College. Next, on 20 June 2004, Ms. Leung then earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in Religion from Taiwan Adventist College. In addition, Ms. Leung also obtained a Master of Theological Studies degree from New York Theological Education Center's Chinese Online School of Theology. This last degree is accredited by Asia Theological Association.



Ms. Sandy Leung, Event Coordinator at HKAC

At the start of her career, Sandy worked as a clerk at Kowloon Sam Yuk Middle School. While there, she worked part of the time as a librarian assistant to help students find academic books and also process the borrowing and return of various books. The other part of her job involved assisting the discipline master. Beyond these duties, Sandy was also the assistant to the Director of Academic Affairs.

In her new role, Sandy would like to welcome more people to know the Clear Water Bay campus and assist with business development events, in order to help the campus earn funds to maintain the lovely buildings and garden landscape.

Ms. Leung is a member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church and believes that keeping Sabbath is the first action to show one's faith in God.







#### Welcome to Mr. Gopi Dhillon



Mr. Gopi Dhillon, Marketing Assistant

Growing up in Hong Kong was a unique experience. The city's fast-paced lifestyle, diverse culture, and bustling streets provided a vibrant backdrop to my childhood. Despite the challenges of living in a densely populated city, he cherishes the memories of exploring the city's hidden gems and enjoying its delicious cuisine with my family. It's been really tough being in Hong Kong for the last couple of years, due to the

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Covid 19 pandemic, but it's home, and Gopi will love it forever.

Gopi's family is "his rock" of stability, and he is grateful for their unwavering support throughout his journey. His parents instilled the value of education in him from a young age, and their guidance and encouragement have been instrumental in shaping his career path. His family owns various businesses around Hong Kong, and they have been here for such a long time that some might even call his family natives.

Gopi received his Bachelor's degree in Marketing from Andrews University in Michigan. His academic background has equipped him with a strong foundation in marketing principles and a strategic mindset that he applies to his work. His philosophy is to execute quality work through knowledge transfer, creative problem-solving skills, and innovative thinking acquired from well-rounded experiences and education.

Previously, Gopi worked at Smiling Rocks (a Lab-grown Diamond Company) in various marketing roles, where he gained hands-on experience in developing and executing marketing campaigns, analysing consumer insights, and managing social media platforms. The goal of Smiling Rocks is simple—to provide a more sustainable method in

#### Biography by Mr. Gopi Dhillon

#### Photo by Ms. Francesca Chan

producing diamonds that will not harm the environment and exploit child workers at diamond mines. Gopi also worked in a family-owned company called Daehan Trading Limited (DTL), where he helped them create marketing plans for their client base in Korea and India. DTL's goal was to give consulting services to smaller companies that did not allocate much money towards marketing. Prior to that, Gopi used to help his family with their businesses and offered help wherever he was needed.

Gopi lives in Tsim Sha Tsui, which is the heart of Hong Kong. It is so culturally diverse in regards to races, religions and cuisines. Hence, in his free time, he enjoy strying out new food around the city. Apart from indulging in food delights, Gopi also enjoys basketball and computer games.

At HKAC, Gopi aims to support the organization's marketing initiatives. He would like to highlight the area of brand promotions, in order to gain more market recognition. Gopi hopes to contribute to developing engaging and impactful marketing strategies that connect with our target audience and drive business objectives. Last but not least, Gopi hopes to explore ways in which we can integrate sustainability values into HKAC's marketing efforts.

# Welcome again to Ms. Angela Chin, HKAC Full-time Event Coordinator

**HKAC** welcomes the return of Ms. Angela Chin to the Clear Water Bay campus community! Angela was born and grew up in Hong Kong. She has a father and an elder sister. Angela attended Form 6 and Form 7 on campus. When she initially saw the campus, she was attracted by the beautiful scenery and grew to love the place a lot. During those two student years at HKAC, she got to know the gospel through School Chaplain Pastor Wong Man Kit, and ever since those days, she has been a member of King Huy Hall / Bayview Church on campus. Angela gratefully was baptized in 2013 and now worships in Pak Tin Chapel in Kowloon.

After Angela graduated from Form 6 and Form 7 education on the Clear Water Bay campus, she earned an Associate of Arts degree in English Studies. Three years later, Angela also earned a BSSc (Hons) in Psychology from the School of Professional Education and Executive Development at Hong Kong Polytechnic University.

Regarding her work experience, Ms. Chin has worked six years as a program worker in the Siu Sai Wan Neighborhood Elderly Centre of Seventh-day Adventists under the Hong Kong-Macao Conference Social Services Department. She organized and led various classes and activities for senior citizens and greatly values this experience.

In her spare time, Angela enjoys hiking and camping in nature very much. Through these outdoor activities, she can admire the lovely scenery created by God. Other times, Angela also enjoys making desserts for her family and friends. It fills her with joy to know that they enjoy the food she made for them.

In her role as an event coordinator on campus, Ms. Chin aspires to serve various visitors and events guests with the best experience possible, when they use campus facilities, whether it's dining services at the cafeteria or church wedding and outdoor

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# Biography by Ms. Angela Chin Photo by Mr. Gopi Dhillon



Ms. Angela Chin, Event Coordinator

celebration dining services. She hopes to leave visitors and guests with a favorable impression of the Clear Water Bay campus and King Huy Hall / Bayview Church.

#### Welcome to Ms. Ally Hung (HKAC Div. of Nursing & Allied Health)

Biography by Ms. Ally Hung Photo by Mr. Gopi Dhillon

We welcome Ms. Ally Hung, Clinical Associate, to the Department of Nursing under **HKAC's** Division of Nursing and Allied Health. She was born and bred in Hong Kong. Ally brings over twenty years of nursing experience to her new role.

After Ally completed its nursing program, she later also earned a Master of Health Science from Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK) in 2009. In order to broaden her nursing knowledge, she continued to study various related subjects. As such, Ally earned a post-graduate diploma in Primary Health Care at CUHK, the professional certificate in Infection Control of Health Professionals at Hong Kong's Polytechnic University, and the post-graduate certificate in Emergency Nursing from Hong Kong's Institute of Advanced Nursing Studies.

When Ms. Hung obtained her Registered Nurse (General) qualification, she worked in an Accident & Emergency (A&E) department under the auspices of Hong Kong's Hospital Authority. With a wide range of clinical nursing experience, Ms. Hung completed the specialty training, and then she passed the qualifying exam. Upon passing the

Alumni Contact Info

qualifying exam, in 2015, Ms. Hung became a Specialty Emergency Medicine Nurse, under the auspices of Hong Kong's Hospital Authority.

While being a nursing professional, Ms. Hung was simultaneously responsible for an education role. She was appointed as a clinical mentor since 2006. Apart from frontline work, Ms. Hung worked in different positions, including as a part-time tutor/ clinical associate of several nursing program in Hong Kong.

Just like other nurse educators promoted to a teaching role, after accumulating vast clinical experience, Ms. Hung wishes to make use of my experience to cultivate the next generation of nursing professionals. In her new role on the Clear Water Bay campus, she aims to support the operation of the higher diploma in Enrolled nursing (General) program.







Ms. Ally Hung, Clinical Associate, at HKAC

Ms. Hung aims to prepare HKAC nursing graduates not only with achieving competent nursing schools and knowledge but also help them learn to care for patients with empathy, to act with critical thinking skills, to cope with high stress, quick thinking working environments, and in the long term, to make contributions to both the nursing profession and to society.

#### HKAC & SAM YUK Alumni Contact Details, Please Update It Online: https://www.hkac.edu/update-alumni-information

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Thank you for updating **HKAC** and helping us keep in touch with you! :-)

#### HKAC Former Interim President Dr. David Bissell Sends an Update from SAU!

Article by Dr. David Bissell

Photos are from Dr. David Bissell

After our time at HKAC in 2001 we were asked to pastor the Hospital church in Hong Kong, but Jeanette was not feeling well. So, we decided to return to the United States, where I became the senior pastor of the Cedar Rapids Adventist Church in Iowa. I retired after being the pastor for ten years. We stayed another two years. Jeanette was a church musician for a Presbyterian Church, while we were there. I suppose you could say that was a kind of mission service!

While I was at Cedar Rapids I obtained my Doctor of Ministry degree.

Two of our sons, Bryan and Dan served as student missionaries and taught English in Universities in South Korea for many years. Bryan was there for twenty-three years and Dan was there for seventeen years. Darin, our youngest, has worked at Southern Adventist University (SAU) since 2001. Bryan has a daughter studying to be a neurosurgeon, Dan has three children, and Darin has four children now. Our family is blessed.

When my wife and I retired, we moved to Southern Adventist University (SAU), where we have



David and Jeanette Bissell at SAU



In 2015, I became the interim pastor of the Ooltewah Adventist Church where I served for eight months. Since then, I have been an elder, a realtor, a husband and a grandfather! Currently, I am a family taxi driver who does the happy school drop off for grandchildren living nearby. Delightfully, I am also the caretaker of poodle puppies!

In addition, I'm thankful to have survived cancer.

As such, on February 11, 2023, I enjoyed my 80th birthday! I am still healthy and keep active by jogging, playing racquetball and also playing pickle-ball.

What a privilege and blessing from God!

Meanwhile, Jeanette is still involved in church music and plays for a Methodist and a Presbyterian church in the area on Sunday mornings.

We would love to come back to revisit Hong Kong sometime!



David and Jeanette Bissell's family (circa 2019-2020)

# Dr. Calvin Luk's Research Paper in May 2023 Peer-Reviewed Journal ("molecules") (HKAC Dept. of General Education / Faculty-Science and Mathematics)

Paper by Dr. Hoi Ling Calvin Luk
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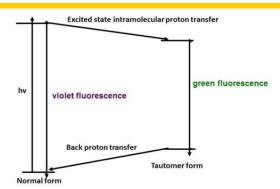


Dr. Hoi Ling Calvin Luk, *HKAC* Dir. Dept. of General Ed.

HKAC Associate Professor
Dr. Hoi Ling Calvin Luk, who teaches
full-time courses in chemistry and
mathematics in HKAC's Department
of General Education, co-published a
research paper on May 8th 2023, in the
leading academic chemistry journal
"molecules", on MDPI.com, which is a
Swiss academic publishing firm that has
418 peer-reviewed journals and nine
conference journals.

#### **Below is the full abstract summary:**

"The 3-hydroxyflavone (3-HF) is one of the common fluorescence probes. It has two distinct fluorescence bands: normal form and tautomer form. However, 3-hydroxyflavone has poor performance in water because of hydrogen bonding perturbation. The utilization of supramolecular chemistry would improve the fluorescence performance of 3-hydroxyflavone in water. In this paper, it reviews supramolecular chemistry of 3-hydroxyflavone with cyclodextrin and octa acid. Past research has found that the addition of  $\beta$ -cyclodextrin to 3-hydroxyflavone in water would slightly improve the fluorescence intensity of the tautomer form. When adding γ-cyclodextrin to 3-hydroxyflavone in water, the green fluorescence intensity would be enhanced. Finally, the addition of octa acid creates a dry environment for the 3-hydroxyflavone, and it would only have a tautomer form. The ONIOM calculation shows the ways of self-assembly of  $\beta$ - and  $\gamma$ -cyclodextrin. It can explain the difference in ratio between the tautomer form and normal form after understanding the interaction."



**Scheme 1.** The general mechanism for 3-hydroxyflavone excited state intramolecular proton transfer (ESIPT).

#### **Conclusions Quoted from this Paper:**

"The excited-state intramolecular proton transfer of 3-hydroxyflavone is not effective in a polar solvent due to hydrogen bond perturbation; it would limit the application of 3-hydroxyflavone as a fluorescent probe. It can utilize the supramolecular host to encapsulate 3-hydroxyflavone and can increase the intensity of fluorescence performance of the tautomer."

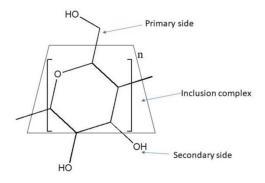
"In the literature, research studies were performed on three supramolecular complexes: (1) the supramolecular chemistry of 3-hydrxyflavone and β-cyclodextrin, (2) the supramolecular chemistry of 3-hydrxyflavone and γ-cyclodextrin, and (3) the supramolecular chemistry of 3-hydrxyflavone and octa acid. These three supramolecular hosts show how to improve the fluorescence performance to different extents. The supramolecular chemistry of 3-hydroxyflavone and β-cyclodextrin complex slightly increases the intensity of fluorescence when compared to 3-hydroxyflavone in a buffer solution. The supramolecular chemistry of 3-hydroxyflavone and γ-cyclodextrin complex had a better increase in the fluorescence intensity relative to supramolecular chemistry of 3-hydroxyflavone and β-cyclodextrin. The supramolecular chemistry of 3-hydroxyflavone and octa acid allowed for a complete proton transfer."

"To explain this trend, we start with the discussion of the ways of self-assembly of the 3-hydroxyflavone with different host."

"There are a total of three possible ways of self-assembly of 3-hydroxyflavone with cyclodextrin: (1) the inclusion complex, in which 3-hydroxyflavone inside the cyclodextrin; (2) the complex is capped on the primary side of cyclodextrin, which means that 3-hydroxyflavone interacts with the smaller opening of the host; and (3) the complex is capped on the secondary side of cyclodextrin, which means that 3-hydroxyflavone interacts with the larger opening of the host. By comparing the theoretical binding energy and experimental binding energy, we prove that 3-hydroxyflavone prefers to be capped on the secondary side of β-cyclodextrin and prefers to be capped on the primary side of γ-cyclodextrin. Moreover, once the ways of binding of 3-hydroxyflavone and cyclodextrin are known, it can also explain the formation of anions in the DMF. As for the octa acid, it can confirm the ways of self -assembly are a 2:1 host/guest complex. Therefore, it only has a single way of binding, in which the two octa acids completely close in structure by ONIOM optimization."

#### **Co-Authors of this Research Paper:**

- Dr. Hoi Ling Calvin Luk Hong Kong Adventist College
- Dr. David Lee Phillips, Chair Professor, Dept. of Chemistry University of Hong Kong
- Ka Wa Fan, Dept. of Chemistry University of Hong Kong



Where n=7 represent beta-cyclodextrin, N=8 represent gamma-cyclodextrin

Figure 1. The structure of cyclodextrin

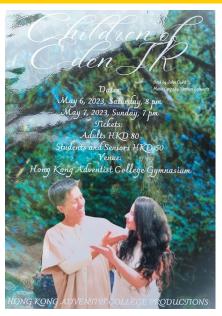
Dr. Luk's co-authored, full research paper can be viewed online here: https://www.mdpi.com/1420-3049/28/9/3966

HKAC "Children of Eden, Jr." Theater Posters (March & April 2023) & Clear Water Bay Campus' Blooming, Chinese Hibiscus Flowers

Posters by HKAC Productions / Musical Team
Photos by Ms. Jenifer Shiu

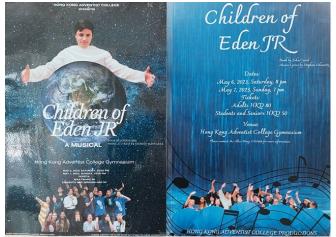






**HKAC's** Spring 2023 musical theatre production of "Children of Eden, Jr." took place in early May 2023 after auditions were held and rehearsals were directed by Dr. Arlene Siagian (**HKAC** Chairwoman, Div. of General Education & Professor of Music)







Photographs from the May 2023 live stage performances will be presented in the Summer 2023 HKAC newsletter







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# **HKAC** Campus Vistas

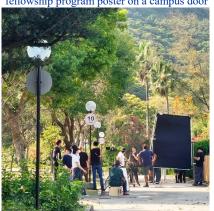
(Spring 2023)

Photos: Ms. Jenifer Shiu; bottom middle image by Ms. Alice Wong

Captions: Ms. Jenifer Shiu



Spring 2023's Connections Saturday students fellowship program poster on a campus door



A film crew sets up a scene on campus



King Huy Hall / Bayview Church



Alumni bulletin board features newsletters



The beautiful, 84 years old, grade 2 historic **HKAC** Administration Building in springtime



Handroanthus chrysanthus (araguaney or yellow ipê) blooms on a tree planted by retired Gardener Mr. Li



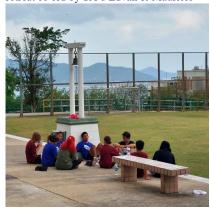
Ladies prepare a Sunday wedding reception



Field mushrooms Page 30 by Ms. Alice Wong



February 2023 "Merge Weekend" spiritual retreat co-led by SA's Edvan & Mauricio



2022-2023 SA Edvan and fellow students rest after a strenuous, sporty Recreation Day 2023!



Twin palm trees frame bougainvillea flowers



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