



8TH GLOBAL CONFERENCE ON BUDDHISM

In the World of Rapid Change

CONFERENCE PROGRAM FOR DAY ONE

(subject to revisions and adjustments)

Date: Saturday, 6 July 2013

Location: Kong Meng San Phor Kark See Monastery, Hall of No Form at Level 4

DAY 1	
8:00 am	Registration & Door Open
8:20 am	Guests & Participants to be Seated
8.30 am	Arrival of Guest of Honour, Mr S.R. Nathan, 6th President of the Republic of Singapore
8:40 am	Welcome Ceremony Performance by Buddhist Fellowship's Bodhi Tree DKidz
8:50 am	Keynote Speech by Spiritual Patron, Venerable Sik Kwang Sheng President of Singapore Buddhist Federation
9:00 am	Speech by Guest of Honour, Mr S. R. Nathan The Sixth President of the Republic of Singapore
9:20 am	Guided Meditation <i>Led by Ajahn Brahm, Abbot of Bodhinyana Monastery, Australia</i>
9:30 am	Session I - Buddhism in the World of Rapid Change • Challenges to Buddhism: Taking the Buddha Seriously <i>Professor Richard Gombrich, Oxford University, UK</i>
10:00 am	• Early Buddhism and its Consequences <i>Ajahn Brahmali, Bodhinyana Monastery, Australia</i>
10:30 am	• Evolution of Buddhism in Buddhist Countries <i>Venerable K. Rathanasara Thero, Patron of Buddhist Fellowship, Singapore</i>
10:50 am	• Response to the Global Challenge to Buddhism <i>Dr Datuk Victor Wee, President of Buddhist Gem Fellowship, Malaysia</i>
11:10 am	Q&A
11:30 am	LUNCH



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12:30 pm	<p>Session II – Mindful Living</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Search Inside Yourself <p><i>Mr Tan Chade-Meng, Jolly Good Fellow of Google Inc, USA</i></p>
1:00 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mindfulness is NOT enough <p><i>Ajahn Brahm, Abbot of Bodhinyana Monastery. Australia</i></p>
1:30pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Success & Failures in Marriages – <p><i>Ms Foo Siew Fong PBM, Harry Elias & Partners, Singapore</i></p>
2:00 pm	Q&A
2:45 pm	Tea Break
3:15 pm	<p>Session III - Compassion & Charity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Building Sustainable Compassion <p><i>Mr Keek Seng Bee, Management Consultant, Malaysia & Former President of Buddhist Graduate Fellowship, Singapore</i></p>
3:35 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Case Study: The Nalanda Story - A Journey of Transformation <p><i>Dr Tan Ho Soon, Nalanda Institute, Malaysia</i></p>
3:55 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Case Study: Brahm Centre - A Charity to Promote Happy & Healthy Living <p><i>Ms Angie Chew Monksfield, Founder of Brahm Centre, Singapore</i></p>
4:15 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Together, We Light Up The World! <p><i>Dr Ng Yee Kong, Firefly Mission, Singapore</i></p>
4:35pm	Q&A
5:20 pm	<p>Coming Together...Moving Forward</p> <p>Performance By Buddhist Fellowship's Soracco</p>
5:30 pm	END OF DAY 1



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Date: Sunday, 7 July 2013

Location: Kong Meng San Phor Kark See Monastery, Hall of No Form at Level 4

DAY 2	
8:15 am	Registration & Door Open
8:40 am	Guided Meditation with Transfer of Merits (Dedication Chanting Ceremony) <i>Led by Ajahn Brahm, Abbot of Bodhinyana Monastery, Australia</i>
	Session IV - Death and Beyond
8:50 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dying and Bereavement <i>Venerable Thubten Chodron, Abbess of Sravasti Abbey, USA</i>
9:10 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Why Are We Dying to Stay Alive <i>Ajahn Brahm, Abbot of Bodhinyana Monastery, Australia</i>
9:30 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Life after Death as Domain for Regression Therapy <i>Dr. Peter Mack, Surgeon, Singapore General Hospital</i>
9:50 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Practical Approach to Saying Goodbye <i>Ms Angie Chew Monksfield, President of Buddhist Fellowship, Singapore</i>
10:10 am	Q&A
11.00 am	Lunch
	Session V - Meaningful Ageing
12:00 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Living a Happy Life at Old Age <i>Dr Ang Beng Choo, Patron of Buddhist Fellowship, Singapore</i>
12:20 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ageing and Quality of Life <i>Dr Wong Yin Onn, Medical Doctor, Malaysia</i>
12:40 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Caring for Elders as a Dhamma Practice <i>Dr Ng Wai Chong, Medical Director of Hua Mei Centre, Singapore</i>
1:00 pm	Q&A
2.00 pm	Tea Break



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2:30 pm	Session VI - Health & Medicine <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Buddhist Bioethics in Medicine & Research <i>Dr Ho Eu Chin, Tan Tock Seng Hospital, Singapore</i>
2:50 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mindfulness Approaches in Mental Health Care <i>Dr Tan Bhing Leet, Institute of Mental Health, Singapore</i>
3.10 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Medical Education & Buddhism - How we can use Buddhist Principles to Teach our Future Generation <i>Dr Phua Dong Haur, Tan Tock Seng Hospital, Singapore</i>
3:30 pm	Q&A
4:30 pm	Closing Words of Inspiration <i>Ajahn Brahm. Abbot of Bodhinyana Monastery</i>
5:00 pm	Word of Thanks
5:30 pm	END OF DAY 2