

A photograph of a pond with several pink lotus flowers in various stages of bloom and numerous green lily pads floating on the water. The background is a soft, out-of-focus green.

ASSOCIATED SISTERS IN ASIA  
2014 WOMEN'S CONFERENCE  
MARCH 13 TO 15  HONG KONG

THOU ART  
COME TO  
THE KINGDOM  
FOR SUCH A  
TIME AS THIS.

ESTHER 4:14



# SERVICE PROJECT

## SCHOOL KITS

This year our service project will be the assembly, packaging and donation of School Kits. Each kit includes basic supplies for school children in impoverished areas and where schools are trying to rebuild following natural disasters, such as the devastating Typhoon Haiyan in the Philippines this past fall.

We are most pleased to be working again this year with the Hong Kong based Crossroads Foundation; who will be responsible for distributing the kits donated by the Associated Sisters in Asia to those in need across the Asia area.

We wish to acknowledge and express our gratitude for the financial support of the Asia Area Humanitarian Fund of the church which makes this project possible.



This program belongs to:

TEMPLE SESSIONS AVAILABLE  
HONG KONG CHINA TEMPLE



Friday, March 14 at 7:00 and 7:30 pm

2 Cornwall Street  
Kowloon Tong  
Kowloon, Hong Kong  
Telephone: (852) 2339-8100  
中國香港九龍塘歌和老街2號

## GENERAL SESSION KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



### RANDY D. FUNK

#### 2ND COUNSELOR, ASIA AREA PRESIDENCY

Elder Funk was sustained a member of the Second Quorum of the Seventy of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints on April 6, 2013. He is currently serving in Hong Kong, China, as the second counselor in the Asia Area Presidency. Elder Funk grew up in Manti Utah, Madison, Wisconsin and Smithfield Utah. He graduated from Utah State University and then received a Juris Doctor degree from the University of Utah. Prior to his call to full-time church service, he was a partner in a large law firm in Denver, Colorado. He has served in the church as a full-time missionary in Indonesia, bishop, stake president and Area Seventy. Prior to his current calling he was serving as the president of the India Bangalore Mission. Elder Funk was counseled by his father to marry someone who would be supportive and helpful in his church service. He was blessed to find such a woman in Andrea Clyde. They were married in May of 1976 in the Logan Utah Temple and are the parents of six children.



### ANDREA CLYDE FUNK

Sister Andrea Clyde Funk was married to Randy D. Funk in May of 1976 in the Logan Utah Temple. She is described by her husband as being a helpful, supportive and wonderful companion throughout their married life and an excellent teacher of the gospel. Sister Funk is the mother of six children (3 boys, 3 girls) and has always placed them as a priority in her life. When Elder Funk suggested they plant trees in the backyard of their new home, she reminded him that they wanted open space for the children to play and enjoy sports. "We are raising children, not trees," she said. Elder and Sister Funk have eleven grandchildren and look forward to welcoming their twelfth in July of this year. Sister Funk graduated from Utah State University with a degree in Social Work. While raising her children she served on school district committees. She developed and taught workshops for parents so they could help their children succeed in school. When Elder Funk was called to serve as mission president in 2010, they sold their home, he left his employment, and they prepared to serve. Sister Funk was blessed with a special love for the people of India and Sri Lanka.

# THURSDAY, MARCH 13

5:00 PM REGISTRATION OPENS & SERVICE PROJECT  
Following check-in, sisters are invited to start working on the conference service project in the 4<sup>th</sup> floor Cultural Hall.

7:00 PM GENERAL OPENING SESSION 1<sup>ST</sup> FLOOR CHAPEL

Conducting Carrie Chiles Taipei Taiwan  
Chorister Monica Bates Singapore  
Organist Megan Lewis Hong Kong China

Opening Hymn 130 Be Thou Humble  
Opening Prayer Cindy Greenland Jiaxing China

MUSICAL NUMBER I STAND ALL AMAZED  
Megan Lewis Hong Kong China  
*Music by Michael Hicks*  
*Accompanied by Marj Sanders, Hong Kong China*

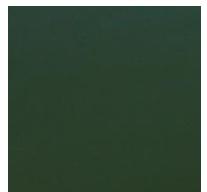
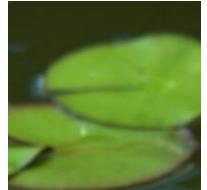
## SPEAKERS

ELDER RANDY D. FUNK  
2<sup>nd</sup> Counselor, Asia Area Presidency  
SISTER ANDREA C. FUNK  
“HASTENING THE GATHERING:  
YOU ARE COME FOR SUCH A TIME AS THIS”

MUSICAL NUMBER MORE HOLINESS GIVE ME  
*Music by Phillip Paul Bliss arr. Laurence Lyon*  
*Accompanied by Geri Dozier, Maryland USA*

Closing Prayer Sun Min Tan Singapore

8:30 PM CONFERENCE CHOIR REHEARSAL 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR RS ROOM  
All sisters who are participating in the choir are asked to attend this one hour practice session with Choir Director, Erika Garner.



# FRIDAY, MARCH 14

9:00 am MORNING DEVOTIONAL 1<sup>ST</sup> FLOOR CHAPEL

Conducting Katie Hoskin Beijing China  
Chorister Monica Bates Singapore  
Organist Megan Lewis Hong Kong China

Opening Hymn 6 Redeemer of Israel  
Opening Prayer Tia Farley Manila Philippines

MUSICAL NUMBER TAKE TIME TO BE HOLY  
A.S.I.A. Conference Choir  
*Music by John Longhurst*  
*Directed by Erika Garner, Singapore*  
*Accompanied by Geri Dozier, Maryland USA*

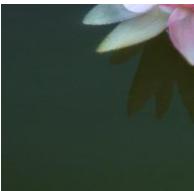
## TAKE TIME TO BE HOLY

*Text by W.D. Longstaff*

Take time to be holy, speak oft with thy Lord;  
Abide in Him always, and feed on His word;  
Make friends of God's children, Help those who are weak,  
Forgetting in nothing His blessing to seek.

Take time to be holy, the world rushes on;  
Spend much time in secret with Jesus alone;  
By looking to Jesus, like Him thou shalt be:  
Thy friends in they conduct His likeness shall see.

Take time to be holy, let Him be thy guide,  
And run not before Him, whatever betide;  
In joy or in sorrow, still follow they Lord,  
And looking to Jesus, still trust in His word.



9:30 am BREAKOUT SESSION 1

10:30 am BREAKOUT SESSION 2

11:30 am LUNCH 1<sup>ST</sup> FLOOR CULTURAL HALL

This is a great time to mix and mingle. We invite you to sit at a table with sisters you don't know.

12:40 PM BREAKOUT SESSION 3

1:40 PM BREAKOUT SESSION 4

2:30 PM GROUP PHOTO 4<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR CULTURAL HALL

Following the group photo, we would like to take small group photos by country. Please listen closely for directions.

3:00 PM SERVICE PROJECT 4<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR CULTURAL HALL

Please come and help finish the work on the school kits. This is another good opportunity to meet new sisters as you work together.

4:00 PM CONFERENCE CHOIR REHEARSAL 1<sup>ST</sup> FLOOR CHAPEL

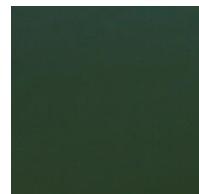
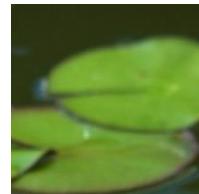
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DINNER ON YOUR OWN

7:00 PM TEMPLE SESSIONS AVAILABLE

& HONG KONG CHINA TEMPLE

7:30 PM



2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
RS Room

### "LET GO, LET GOD"

SUZANNE CALTON Shanghai China

Gaining strength in the process of "becoming" while releasing the pressure of perfection, through relying on the atonement of Jesus Christ.

2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Primary  
Room

### ALL MY LIFE I WANTED TO GROW UP AND BECOME A MOTHER; BUT INSTEAD, I BECAME A MOTHER AND GREW UP

BRENDA SMART Hong Kong China

I thought I was ready to write a parenting book after a year raising my first child; and then came sons number two and three. I conceded that I knew very little about parenting. In fact, at times I felt that I was flying by the seat of my pants to get through the day with three little boys. Then came son number four. I put a whistle around my neck and became a referee. I read as many parenting books as time would allow, and prayed for guidance from my Heavenly Father. This presentation will take you through my journey of parenting children from babies to adults with the application of the scriptures and life lessons....the good, the bad, and the ugly.

5<sup>th</sup> Floor  
RS Room

### SETTING UP FOR SUCCESS

TERRY DAVIS Beijing China

How does the Lord set us up for success? Do we follow his example and set others up for success or do we set them up for failure? By finding examples in the scriptures, we can learn and apply this principle in our life to benefit our family and others and thus become more like Christ.

5<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Primary  
Room

### MANNA FROM HEAVEN

HEIDI GAILEY Bangkok Thailand

As sisters in Asia many of us find ourselves in a kind of "wilderness". Just as the Lord provided for the Children of Israel and sent "Manna" from Heaven, He likewise provides for us in our personal wilderness, whenever and wherever that is. Come and learn ways to gather "Manna from Heaven", the precious Bread of Life.

2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
RS Room

## LOVING YOURSELF SO YOU CAN SERVE THE LORD

HEIDI BINGHAM Shanghai China

Most often we are our own worst critic, forgetting that what makes us unique and wonderful is the sum of all our attributes, not just our strengths or perceived talents. The Lord has blessed us not just with talent and success, but also with weakness and trial. As we come to understand that all of these characteristics and experiences are gifts from God, we come to love ourselves and be better able to uplift those around us.

2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Primary  
Room

## HIS HANDS BECAME THEIR HANDS AND I LIVED TO TELL THE TALE

MICHELLE RICKS Tokyo Japan

Everything seemed wonderful on the outside, but inside, a war was being waged. How could my life turn from near perfect happiness, to complete despair overnight, and what happened that brought this sad story to a hope-filled ending? Find the answers and learn to better understand how urgently the Savior needs women who are willing to go on His errands as you listen to my story and my songs.

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RS Room

## AND WHEN THOU ART CONVERTED, STRENGTHEN THY BRETHERN

CHRISTA JOHNSON Chongqing China

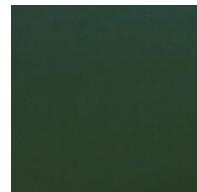
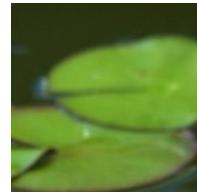
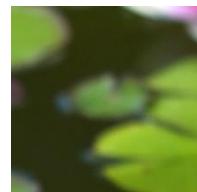
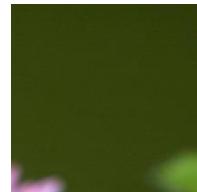
We are all at different points of progression on the path to our heavenly home from mortality. How can we help our sisters navigate the treacherous journey? We need to be strong to help strengthen each other.

5<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Primary  
Room

## YOUR NAME IS ENGRAVEN ON THE PALMS OF THE HOLIEST OF HIS HANDS

EILEEN BRADFORD Hong Kong China

Remembering your divine worth and avoiding eternal identity thief by protecting yourself with power from on high in the Lord's Universities The Temple.



2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
RS Room

**STAR IN YOUR OWN LOVE STORY! AND OTHER CRAZY MUSINGS**

MONIQUE LARKIN Shanghai China

Realistic ideas to improve marriage relationships, or any relationship for that matter. Learn that unrealistic expectations for others can lead to communication problems and breakdowns in our most important relationships.

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**“THIS IS THE MOMENT, THIS IS THE DAY”**

MICHELE WATTERSON Utah USA

As Sisters in the Gospel, we must realize that this is the time to make a positive difference in our lives and in the lives of others.

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**BETTER NOT BITTER; EMBRACING THE DIFFICULTIES OF THIS LIFE**

JENNIFER WELDON Singapore

As Latter Day Saint women we sometimes think of grace as the, “year supply of virtues.” We know it’s there if we REALLY need it, but it’s not something we go to every day. I want to encourage a frank discussion on Grace and how the miraculous virtue can keep us from becoming bitter about the difficulties of life!

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**RECHARGE, REMEMBER AND RELAX: YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE A SUPER HERO TO SHOULDER THE LORD'S BURDEN**

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KYIM FROELICH Beijing China

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## YOU ARE THE REAL THING

TIFFANY ALLRED Shanghai China

In today's world of Photoshop and plastic perfection, it is not always easy to see ourselves as God sees us. How can we love ourselves and by extension gain the peace and optimism that we need to face life's challenges?

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## SPEAKING OF THE UNSPOKEN: OPENING A DIALOGUE ON DEPRESSION

KATIE HILLAM Hong Kong China

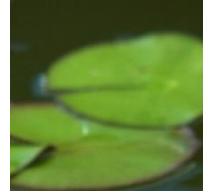
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Primary  
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## LOVING THE PERSON YOU'D LIKE TO DROP KICK: HOW UNCONDITIONAL LOVE BRINGS JOY

ROBIN SMITH Singapore

The great commandment says, "Love one another; as I have loved you". But what if the person you are commanded to love is really a pain? What if they do something that makes you feel angry/hurt/irritated? What if their life choices don't mesh with what you had planned for them? What if simply being around them drives you crazy? We can love the person who seems unlovable. Using faith, prayer, and humor there is hope, and even joy, for even the most frustrated commandment follower.

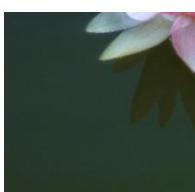
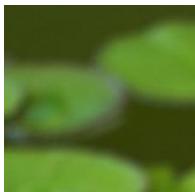
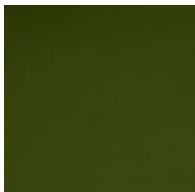
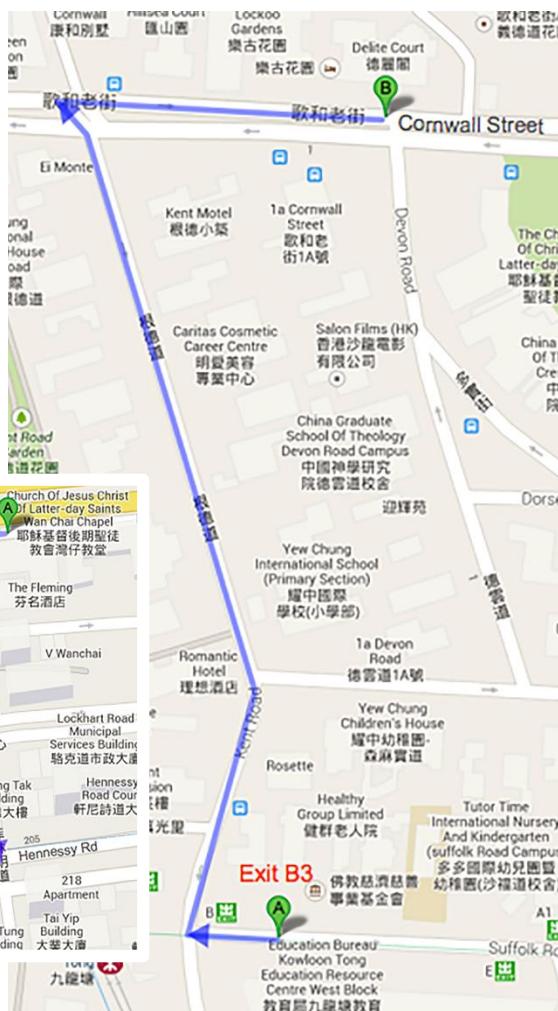


# DIRECTIONS TO THE HONG KONG TEMPLE

#2 Cornwall Street, Kowloon Tong

中國香港九龍塘歌和老街2號

1. From the church walk under the overpass and then turn left onto Fleming Road.
2. Walk two blocks to Hennessy Rd and turn right. The MTR is straight ahead.
3. Take the MTR red line to Mongkok.
4. Get off the train, cross the platform, and onto the green line to Kowloon Tong.
5. Alight at Kowloon Tong (3 station after Mongkok).
6. Go to exit B3
7. Follow Kent Road up to Cornwall Street, passing Somerset Road along your way.
8. Cross Cornwall Street at the light.
9. Turn right and the temple will be on your left.
10. Plan for 45 minutes of total travel time.



# SATURDAY, MARCH 15

8:00 am MORNING DEVOTIONAL 1<sup>ST</sup> FLOOR CHAPEL

Conducting Heidi Gailey Bangkok Thailand  
Chorister Monica Bates Singapore  
Organist Megan Lewis Hong Kong China

Opening Hymn 86 How Great Thou Art  
Opening Prayer Jill Anderson Hong Kong China

MUSICAL NUMBER HE KNOWS ME  
Tiffany Allred Shanghai China  
Monique Larkin Shanghai China  
*Music by Karen Beal Salisbury*  
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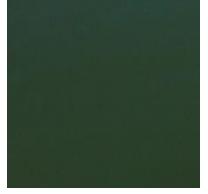
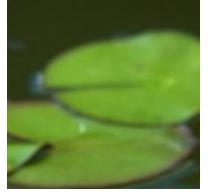
8:20 am BREAKFAST "ON THE GO" (JUICE AND MUFFIN)

8:30 am BREAKOUT SESSION 5

9:30 am BREAKOUT SESSION 6

10:30 am CLOSING GENERAL SESSION

12:00 PM CONFERENCE OFFICIALLY ADJOURNED



2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
RS Room

### THE HOLY GHOST: CAN YOU HEAR ME NOW? ARE YOU LISTENING YET? LIFE'S LESSONS INTERPRETING THE LANGUAGE OF THE SPIRIT

DANIELLE LESSER Singapore

I have been touched several times this year by the mysterious and glorious works of the spirit in my life. From the lessons learned, I know how important it is to keep the communication with the spirit rich and pure so that the messages will testify of truth and bless the lives of family, friends and strangers among us. When you are hitting the sweet spot, the motion is effortless and the result can leave you astounded at the miracles that happen all around you!

2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Primary  
Room

### THE POWER OF EVERYDAY MISSIONARIES

CONNIE ZHANG Hong Kong China

How to become an effective member missionary.

5<sup>th</sup> Floor  
RS Room

### THRIVING IN "THE NETHERMOST PARTS OF THE VINEYARD"

BRENDA CHRISTENSEN Taipei Taiwan

Often, we find ourselves in circumstances we didn't choose or wish were different. Finding answers to these perplexing times can come from the Allegory of the Tame and Wild Olive Tree as found in the Book of Jacob.

5<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Primary  
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### FEED YOUR FAITH, AND NOT YOUR FEARS, AND THEN YOU WILL BE FRUITFUL

JEANNIE GRIFFITHS Shanghai China

When we moved to Shanghai, I was nervous about my husband's new demanding position and all that would be required of me. I could not share my concerns with others, but God knew. In the quiet early hours of the morning of our first day in China, I received a very clear directive from Heavenly Father. He said, "Feed your faith, and not your fears, and then you will be fruitful." It made me realize how needlessly anxious and fearful I have spent much of my life. Come explore ways to feed your faith, and not your fears, and then as God has promised, we can rejoice in being spiritually fruitful.

# BREAKOUT session 6 9:30 – 10:20 am SATURDAY, MARCH 15

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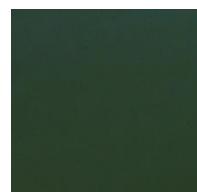
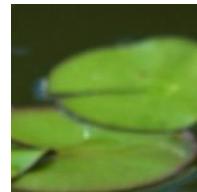
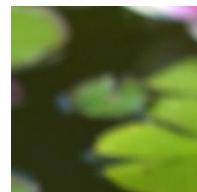
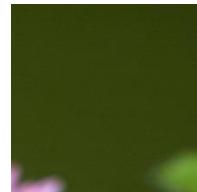
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### GERRIT W. GONG

PRESIDENT, ASIA AREA

Gerrit W. Gong was born in 1953 in Redwood City, California. As a young man, he served a full-time Mandarin speaking mission in Taiwan. Elder Gong received a bachelor of arts degree in Asian and university studies at Brigham Young University in 1977. In 1979 he received a master of philosophy degree and in 1981 a PhD in international relations from Oxford University, where he was a Rhodes Scholar. In 1985 he served as Special Assistant to Under Secretary of State at the U.S. State Department and in 1987 as Special Assistant to the U.S. Ambassador in Beijing China. From 1989 to 2001 he served in several positions at the Center for Strategic and International Studies in Washington, D.C. He was Assistant to the President for Planning and Assessment at Brigham Young University until April 2010. Elder Gong was sustained a member of the First Quorum of the Seventy of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints on April 3, 2010, at the age of 56.



### SUSAN LINDSAY GONG

Sister Susan Lindsay Gong is from Taylorsville, Utah, and holds BA and Master's degrees from Brigham Young University. Sister Gong served a full-time Mandarin mission in Taiwan, and has continued her study of the Chinese language throughout her life. Sister Gong first met Elder Gong when he was a BYU student who gave presentations on Taiwan's culture to missionaries about to depart for Taiwan, of which she was one. This meeting was brief and it was not until after she returned from her mission that they met again and began dating. Sis. Gong married Gerrit W. Gong in the Salt Lake Temple in 1980 and she is the mother of four sons, and grandmother of three. Sis. Gong has taught advanced composition and first year Chinese classes at BYU, taught Chinese classes at Provo High, served as the co-coordinator for Chinese immersion program for Utah elementary schools, and was series editor for Step by Step, a series of basic Chinese illustrated readers for young Mandarin learners. She loves gardening, reading, hiking, and every minute of time with her family.

10:30 – 12:00 PM SATURDAY, MARCH 15

## CLOSING GENERAL SESSION

Conducting Carrie Chiles Taipei Taiwan  
Chorister Monica Bates Singapore  
Organist Megan Lewis Hong Kong China

Opening Hymn 124 Be still my Soul  
Opening Prayer Elisa Britton Xiamen China

MUSICAL NUMBER STEADFAST IN CHRIST  
Catherine Clark Hong Kong China  
Jennifer Jensen Hong Kong China  
*Music by Christine Davis*  
*Accompanied by Megan Lewis, Hong Kong China*

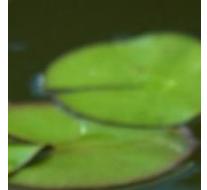
SPEAKER SISTER SUSAN L. GONG  
“LET THERE BE LIGHT”

MUSICAL NUMBER LOOK UPON MY HEART  
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SPEAKER ELDER GERRIT W. GONG  
President, Asia Area Presidency  
“FOR SUCH A TIME AS THIS: LESSONS OF THE ELEPHANT”

Closing Hymn 166 Abide With Me  
Closing Prayer Nadine Christensen Taipei Taiwan

CONFERENCE OFFICIALLY ADJOURNED











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## ASIA AREA PRESIDENCY

For their continued encouragement and support of this annual event.

## 2014 A.S.I.A. CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

For the many hours of organization, prayer and planning given freely by so many dedicated sisters.

## SPEAKERS, PRESENTERS AND MUSICIANS

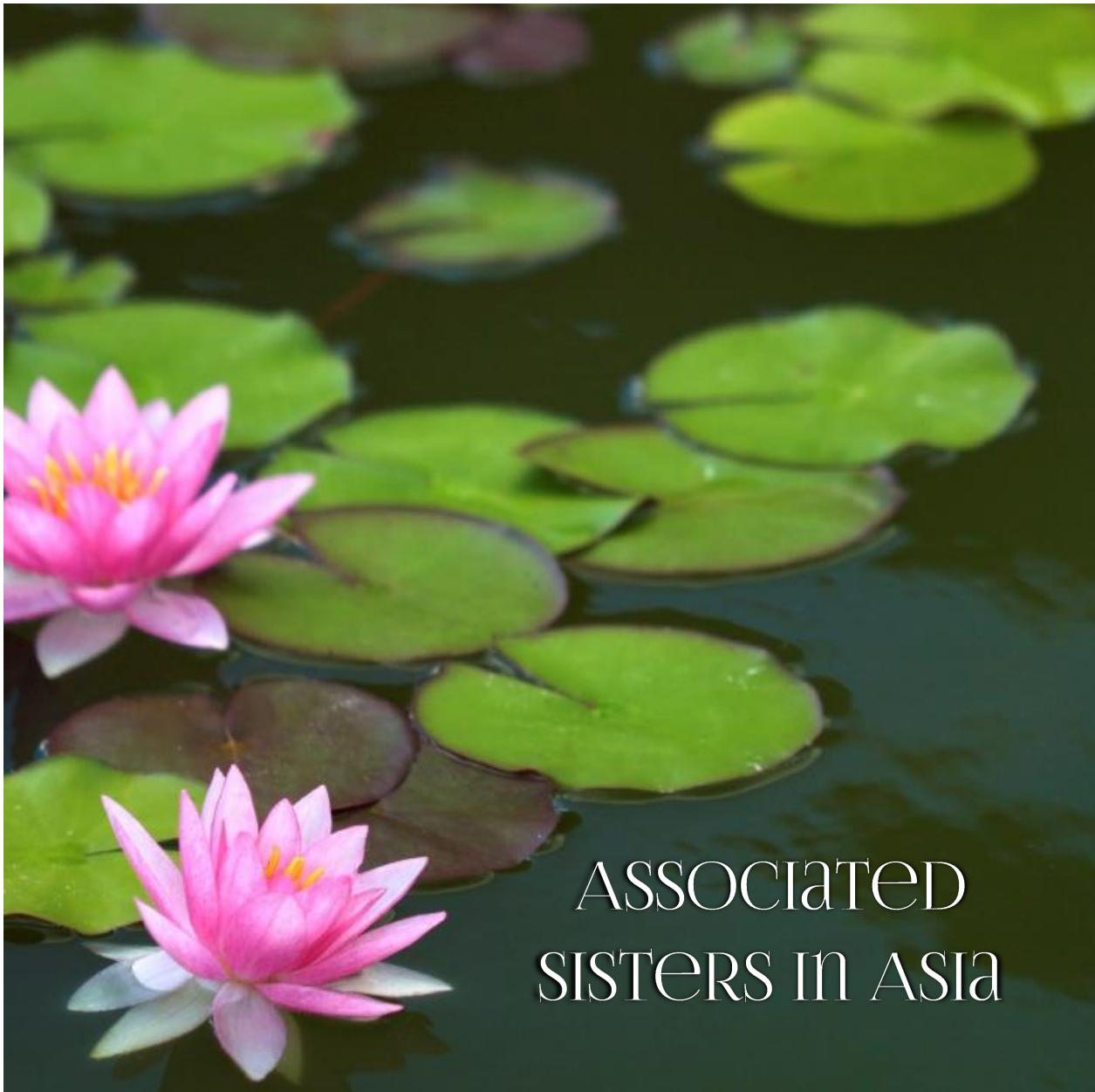
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