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ケネス田中新学会長よりのメッセージ

親愛なる IASBS 会員の皆様へ

年頭にあたり皆様方お一人おひとりに心からご挨拶申し上げます。

学会長に就任して以来、新しい事務局のメンバーそして各地区の支部代表とともに、これまで学会が築きあげてきたものの上に、さらに新たなものを積み重ねるべく努力をしております。また、前学会長である稲垣久雄先生には、引き続き新しい執行部の一メンバーとして貴重な助言をいただいています。

武蔵野大学で開催された先の学会大会で申しあげましたように、私は IASBS が以下の点について早急に検討すべきであると考えております。

- 1) 電子ファイルにより配信される IASBS ニュースレターなどのように、コミュニケーションにおいて E メールやウェブサイトをさらに活用する。
- 2) さまざまな経歴と関心を持った人々を含む新会員の数を増やす。
- 3) 次世代の研究者を養成する。
- 4) 他の学会や宗教界における IASBS の存在感を増していく。

IASBS は、浄土真宗と浄土教仏教の研究を中心においた、唯一の世界的な学会組織です。私たちは、教団とその活動に対して学術的な視点から情報を提供するとともに、浄土教仏教の国際的な知名度を上げるという大切な役割を担っています。その目標を達成するためには、みなさま方の積極的なご協力が是非とも必要となってきます。是非とも、皆様の側でも、今後どのような貢献が出来るかお考えいただきたいと思います。

また、学会に対するご意見やご要望があれば、どうぞご遠慮なく、わたくしや支部の代表あるいは評議会メンバーにお寄せください。

最後になりましたが、2007年8月3日から5日にわたり、カナダのカルガリー大学で第13回国際真宗学会大会が開かれます。来年のことではありますが是非出席できるようスケジュールを空けていただくとともに、発表やパネルについてもそろそろお考えいただければと思っております。早くからご準備をいただき、水準の高い学会となることを期待しております

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A Message from the President

Dear IASBS Members:

I would like to send my heartfelt greetings to you all as we start the New Year. May 2006 bring even greater academic and spiritual understanding in your lives.

Since taking office, I have been working with the new officers and district representatives to build on the legacy left by the past administration. Prof. Hisao Inagaki, the past president, continues to offer invaluable advice as a member of the new cabinet.

As I mentioned at the last conference held at Musashino University, I would like to see the IASBS consider the following objectives for the near future:

- 1) a greater use of email and the internet as a medium for our communication, such as an electronically-distributed issue of the IASBS Newsletter;
- 2) an increase in our membership that includes people of wider background; and interests;
- 3) helping to nurture the next generation of scholars;
- 4) enhancing the visibility of IASBS among other academic and religious communities.

The IASBS has a unique role to play as the only worldwide organization focused on Jodo Shinshu and Pure Land Buddhist studies. We, therefore, have the rare opportunity to raise the visibility of Pure Land Buddhism internationally, while simultaneously offering academic perspectives to various Shin and Pure Land religious institutions and their activities.

Accordingly, your active participation is sorely needed to accomplish these goals. Please look around you to see how you can contribute.

Please do not hesitate to send comments and criticisms about our association to me and/or to your District Representative, Treasurer or Steering Committee members.

Furthermore, it is not too early to begin thinking about papers and panels for the 13th Biennial Conference at the University of Calgary, scheduled for 3-5 August 2007. Early preparation will ensure higher quality presentations.

Best wishes,
Kenneth K. Tanaka

学会事務局からの連絡

2005年9月に武蔵野大学での学会大会で認められましたように、学会事務局をこれまでの京都女子大学から龍谷大学に移しました。連絡先は以下の通りです。事務局長として不慣れなこともあり、今後何かとご不便・ご迷惑をかけることもあるかと思いますが、よろしくご指導・ご鞭撻の程をお願い申し上げます。

それから早速のお願いで恐縮ですが、コミュニケーションの迅速化と経費の節減のため、できるだけ連絡やニュースレターの送付については、Eメールを活用したいと考えております。お手数ですが、メールアドレスをお持ちの方はメールで結構ですので事務局にお知らせください。また、学会のホームページもまもなく開設する予定です。開設後は、さまざまなかたちで活用していきたいと考えております。 (嵩 満也)

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IASBS Membership

As we begin the new year, our overall membership stands at approximately 300. More detailed information will be made available in the near future.

IASBS Website:

We are in the process of creating an IASBS website. We expect it to be ready shortly.

第十四回 国際真宗学会欧州地区大会と欧州真宗者会議のお知らせ

この夏ドイツ・ジュッセルドルフ市で、下記のように十四回目の回国際真宗学会欧州地区大会と欧州真宗者会議が開催されます。みなさまの積極的なご参加をお願いいたします。なお詳細については、スイスのジェローム・デュコール氏か日本の佐々木恵精氏にお問い合わせください。お二人のメールアドレスは、このニュースレターの役員リストの中にあります。

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欧州真宗者会議
2006年8月24日～25日
場所： ドイツ恵光ハウス（ドイツ・ジュッセルドルフ市）

IASBS European District Conference

This conference will be held at EKO-Haus in Dusseldorf on 22 - 23 August 2006. It will then be followed by the 14th European Shin Buddhist Conference at the same location until 25 August. Anyone interested in attending is strongly encouraged to do so. For details, please contact Prof. Jerome Ducor or Prof. Esho Sasaki, whose email addresses are listed in this newsletter among the listed Steering Committee members.

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**REPORT ON THE TWELFTH BIENNIAL CONFERENCE
OF THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SHIN STUDIES
AT MUSASHINO UNIVERSITY IN TOKYO**

Robert Reno

In keeping with past IASBS conferences, all of which were held on the hottest day of the year, the conference opened on 9 September on a warm Tokyo morning amidst the familiar sound of the cicada's songs welcoming the delegates arriving from around the world and from as far away as Brazil, Germany, Australia, Canada, United States, and as close as Hawaii and throughout Japan. As the delegates journeyed from far and near they were able to meet old friends and fellow companions in faith, as well as meeting new friends along the way. A total of 134 persons attended.

Dr. Hisao Inagaki, president of the IASBS, welcomed the delegates from around the world and expressed the gratitude felt by all for the generosity of our hosts at Musashino University who made this conference a reality. He also called to mind the fact that, in the world today, there are many misfortunes caused by humankind's egoistic human desires, and there remain deep concerns about how best Jōdo Shinshū can contribute to resolving the problems we collectively face in the world today. He noted that the "objective of our Association lies in discovering the living meaning of the Other Power nembutsu, while pondering what Shinran Shonin would have taught to people in the modern world."

Next, the president of Musashino University and Conference Chairperson, Taijun Saito, welcomed the many friends and colleagues from around the world, and expressed how pleased the founder of Musashino University, Dr. Junjiro Takakusu, would be with this opportunity of hosting the conference, as his life was "dedicated to Buddhist studies and education, particularly in the international context." He also expressed the hope that the efforts and research shared at the conference would contribute to the furtherance of Buddhist studies and to the "greater welfare of our communities and the world."

Keynote Address

The keynote address was delivered by James Dobbins (Oberlin College, Ohio) and was titled "The Origins and Complicated Development of Shin Buddhism as an Area in Religious Studies." Professor Dobbins' paper was a masterful review of the historical emergence of Religious Studies as an independent academic field and Shin Buddhism's not so "smooth and uncomplicated" integration into the academic study of religion. Professor Dobbins' paper is an important contribution to an area of studies exemplified in the seminal work of Comparative Religion: A History by Eric J. Sharpe.

Session One – September 9th
The Role and Implications of Meditation in Contemporary Jōdo Shinshū

The first session moderated by Shinya Yasutomi, featured three panelists and one discussant (Kenneth Tanaka). The panelists and their paper titles: were Kyoya Imai (Hongwanji International Center) “Meditation Based on Brazilian Shin Buddhist Experience”; Toshikazu Arai (Soai University) “The Meaning of Meditation in Shin Buddhism” and; Michio Tokunaga (Kyoto Women’s University) “Meditation in Jōdo Shinshū.”

Session Two – September 9th
Broad Issues in Shin Buddhism

The second session moderated by John Yokota, featured three panelists. The panelists and their paper titles were: Nobuo Nomura (Kyoto Women’s University) “Religious Order and Indigenous Belief in Shin Buddhism”; Wayne Yokoyama (Hanazono University) “Power and Paradox: The Problem of History and Eternity in the Kudensho and Tannishō” and; Ryumyo Yamazaki (Musashino University) “Blind Passion in Shinran’s Pure Land Teachings: Salvation.”

Session Three – September 9th
Social Engagement

The third session, moderated by Patti Nakai featured three panelists. The panelists and their paper titles were: Tsunenobu Yoritaka (Otani University) “Shinshū and Globalization of the Activities of the Disabled Persons”; Ryosyu Tomioka (Seiwa University) “Examination of the Logic of Children and ‘Place’” and; Asuka Kanjo (International Association of Buddhistic Culture) “Jōdo Shinshū in Hansen’s Disease Problems.”

Session Four – September 9th
Future of Shin Buddhist Research: A Response to Keynote Address

The final session of the day consisted of a panel discussion, led by Professor Kenneth Tanaka, and discussants John Paraskevopoulos (Australia Hongwanji), Angela Andrade (Brazil Hongwanji), and Mitsuya Dake (Ryukoku University). Following a lively discussion, the general meeting of the International Association of Shin Buddhist Studies was held. After the general meeting, all the participants went out together for a dinner reception and to share in more lively discussion and the chance to get to know

each other better.

A highlight of the evening was the visit of His Eminence Ohtani Koshin, Chief Abbot (Monshu) of the Nishi Hongwanji, and a long-time member of IASBS, who spoke briefly to the participants and then joined in the fellowship and conversation.

Session Five – September 10th Shin Buddhist Response to Modernity

The fifth and sixth sessions were divided between Hall A and Hall B on the second day of the conference, with participants choosing which one to attend depending on their specific interests.

The fifth session, moderated by Takami Inoue, featured two panelists. The panelists and their paper titles were: Dessi' Ugo (Marburg University Germany) "Why be Engaged? Doctrinal Facets of Jōdo Shinshū Social Activism" and; Porcu Elisabetta (Marburg University Germany) "Shin Buddhism and Japanese Culture."

Session Six – September 10th Socially Engaged Pure Land Buddhism

The sixth session, moderated by Jonathan Watts, featured five panelists. The panelists and their paper titles were: Ryojun Sato (Taisho University) "The Cycle of Life: The Role of Kyosei in Changing Society"; Saicho Iwata (Myorin-ji, Shizuoka) "The Butterfly Effect from the Pure Land: Symbiosis as a Guiding Principle of Engaged Buddhism"; Toshihide Adachi "Buddhism as a Leader of Public Opinion"; Yoshiharu Tomatsu, "Funeral Buddhism as Engaged Buddhism: Problems and Challenges in Redefining the Role of the Buddhist Priest in Contemporary Japan." and Clyde Whitworth, "Project Dana – Engaged Pure Land Buddhism in Hawaii."

Session Seven – September 10th Art and Music in Contemporary Shin Buddhism

The seventh session, moderated by Hoyu Ishida, featured three panelists. The panelists and their paper titles were: Mitchell Scott (Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley) "Sunday Morning Sounds: English Language Gathas in American Shinshū Temples"; Gregg Heathcote (Hongwanji Mission of Australia) "Hearing Music Play of the Light: The Deeply Ludic Aesthetic & Synaesthetic Sense of Shinran's Resonance" and; Doreen Hamilton (Toronto Buddhist Church) "Reviving Buddhist Art as Skillful Means."

Session Eight – September 10th Conceptions of the Pure Land

The eighth session, moderated by Ichigyo Oyama featured three panelists. The panelists and their paper titles were: Yasushi Kigoshi (Otani University) “Japanese Modernization and the Problems in the Understanding of ‘Pure Land’”; John Paraskevopoulos (Hongwanji Australia) “Sukhavati and Samsara: Non-duality in Pure Land Buddhism” and; Yoshihide Matsubayashi (Salinas Buddhist Church, California) “Contemporary Examination of Pure Land: Demythologization.”

Session Nine – September 10th Counseling and Care-giving

The ninth session, moderated by Gerhard Schepers, featured two panelists. The panelists and their paper titles were: Takashi Imai (Musashino University) “Japanese Spiritual Counseling in Terminal Care: The Approach Based on Pure Land Practice” and; Patti Nakai (Buddhist Temple of Chicago) “Spiritual Awareness for the Caregiver: Manshi Kiyozawa’s ‘Human Commitment and Buddha’s Work.’”

Session Ten – September 10th Comparative Approach to Shin Understanding

The tenth session moderated by Toshikazu Arai, featured three panelists. The panelists and their paper titles were: Shohei Ichimura (North American Inst. Zen) “Non-theistic Amitabha’s Original Vow and Theistic Religious and Cultural Conflicts”; John S. Yokota (Kyoto Women’s University) “Amida Buddha and Whiteheadian Process Thought: Can Amida Buddha Have a Creative Aspect?” and; Shoun Hino (Gifu Pharmacy College) “Nembutsu and Bhakti.”

Session Eleven – September 10th Nembutsu in Shin Religious Experience

The eleventh session, moderated by Esho Nasu featured three panelists. The panelists and their paper titles were: Harry Bridge (Ryukoku University) “The Nembutsu and the Theory of Performative Utterances”; Angela Andrade (Brazil Hongwanji) “A Study of Hearing in the Contemporary World” and; Jerry Bolick (Buddhist Churches of America) “The Language of Other Power: Reflections on the Voices that Sustain.”

Session Twelve – September 10th Development of Pure Land Thought in China

The twelfth session, moderated by Nobuo Nomura, featured two panelists. The panelists and their paper titles were: Satake Hidenobu (Rissho University) “The Present State of and Future Prospects for the Study of Collected Passages on the Pure Land” and; JiDong Chen (Musashino Hongwanji) “Transmission of Jōdo Doctrine to China: Discovery and significance of Nanjingyu shuojiao.”

Fellowship and Relaxation (Ko’undai)

Following the last session of the day, all the conference participants joined together for a reception at the Musashino University campus. Over good food and drink,, participants enjoyed the opportunity to share in lively conversations about the many experiences over the last two days. Participants were also able to share in the opportunity to experience a beautifully-prepared traditional Japanese Tea Ceremony.

Session Thirteen – September 11th Doctrinal Issues in Shinran’s Thought

The thirteenth session moderated by Wayne Yokohama, featured three panelists. The panelists and their paper titles were: Shizuka Nishihara (Musashino University) “Examination of ‘the Highest Virtuous People’ in the Amida Sutra”; Daniel Friedrich (Institute Of Buddhist Studies) “The Paradoxical Logic of Sentient Beings as Equal and Not Equal to the Tathagatas”; Yoshihiro Ando (Otani University) “Shinran’s Understanding of the Five Contemplative Gates based on Vasubandhu’s One Mind” and; Shinya Takahashi’s (Musashino University) “Shinran’s Understanding of the Pure Land Teachings.”

Session Fourteen – September 11th Doctrinal Issues in Shin Buddhism

The fourteenth session, moderated by Shohei Ichimura, featured four panelists. The panelists and their paper titles were: Koki Yoshimori (Otani University) “An Examination of the Pledge of Realizing the Effect”; Tomoya Miki (Otani University) “The Significance of Shinran’s Rejection of Amida’s Appearance to Welcome the Deceased to the Pure Land”; Eisho Nasu (Institute Buddhist Studies) “The Concept of the Stage of Non-Retrogression (futaiten) in Genshin’s Amidakyo-ryakki” and; Hoyu Ishida (University of Shiga Prefecture) “That Which is Unsurpassed in the Changing Nature of the World—The Nembutsu Alone is True and Real.”

Session Fifteen – September 11th Shin Buddhism in Historical and Global Context

The fifteenth session, moderated by Michio Tokunaga, featured three panelists. The panelists and their paper titles were: Wendy Dossett (University of Wales, United Kingdom) “Challenges to Orthodoxy: British Pure Land Buddhism”; Esho Shimazu (Ryukoku University) “The Significance of Ianjin (Heresy) Debates” and; Gerhard Schepers (International Christian University) “The Potentiality of Pure Land Buddhism: Lessons from History.”

Closing Ceremony

The closing ceremony was held following the final session of the conference. The conference committee members of Musashino University headed by Ryumyo Yamazaki and Kenneth Tanaka (co-chairs), made their closing remarks that included a reminder to the delegates of the next conference scheduled for 3-5 August 2007 in Calgary, Canada. The delegates then said their final goodbyes as each headed off to their respective homes.

The Pure Land:
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The Pure Land is an annual journal published by the International Association of Shin Buddhist Studies (IASBS). Subscriptions to the journal are available through membership to the IASBS.

Articles for consideration in The Pure Land Journal from the members of the IASBS are welcomed and are to be submitted in English and addressed to the Editor, The Pure Land, c/o The Institute of Buddhist Studies, P.O. Box 390460, Mountain View CA 94039-0460, USA. Submissions by non-members and manuscripts written in languages other than English will also be considered depending on the availability of editorial resources.

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