8TH BUDDHIST-CHRISTIAN COLLOQUIUM

GROUP 2 SUMMARY OF REFLECTIONS

Q1:APPLYING RECONCILIATION & RESILIENCE TO PROMOTE PEACE

How can these concepts turn into daily practices?

I. RECONCILIATION

- Inspired by 'Unity of Sangha brings happiness' Six Harmonious Dharmas of Respect.
- Even in war, there is peace inner calm amidst outer conflict.
- Respect all religions choosing a religion is personal like coffee taste.
- Be open-minded towards religious differences.

2. RESILIENCE

- Resilience is perseverance do not give up easily.
- Seek forgiveness repeatedly from God or whoever we have offended.
- Start with self-reflection and repentance.
- Old Testament: "Everything is good". (Even bad events can lead to good with right mindset.)

Q2: COLLABORATING FOR COMMUNITY RESILIENCE

How can Buddhists and Christians foster resilience together?

EXAMPLES OF EFFECTIVE COLLABORATION (I)

- Dialogue sessions like this colloquium help build mutual understanding.
- Example from Kuching, Malaysia interfaith walks led to government adoption.
- Work together on environmental goals educate youth.

EXAMPLES OF EFFECTIVE COLLABORATION (2)

- Natural disasters unite to rebuild both homes and hearts. Recently in Thailand: Five religions prayed together on TV after earthquakes.
- Mission schools offer education without imposing beliefs.
- Mother Teresa: 'I alone cannot change the world, but I can cast a stone to create ripples.'

CONCLUSION

- Each of us can bring something home and create ripples of change.
- Inspired by Master Shengyen's vision:
 Uplift humanity, build a pure land on Earth.



THANKYOU!