

### 'Celebrating the Birth of the Buddha'

23 to 24 May 2013 at UNESCO Headquarters in Paris

The Pure Land Learning College Association together with the Mayor, Cr. Paul Antonio, and community leaders from Toowoomba, participated in this auspicious event in Paris. We were also invited to present our work in promoting peace and harmony in Toowoomba. The delegation comprised of leaders from the Toowoomba Regional Council, faith, community, business, media, education and youth sectors. It was an enriching learning journey for the delegations and the audiences, which included the UNESCO Ambassadors.



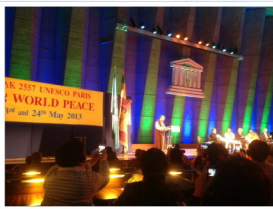
▲ Group photo with Venerable Master after the conference



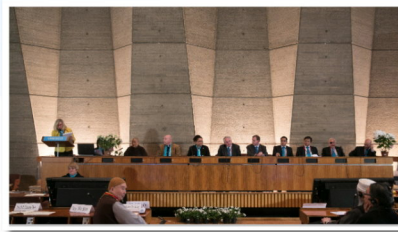
◀ Venerable Master receiving the Honorary Citizen of Toowoomba from Mayor, Cr. Paul Antonio



▲ Buddhist Religious Observances



▲ Keynote Address by Venerable Master Chin Kung at UNESCO



▲ Panel III: Bridging Religions Through Education and Inter-Faith Dialogue in Action: An Experience



▲ Group photo at Paris Airport

### Community Leaders Breakfast Dialogue with the Mayor

On 1 May, the Goodwill Committee and several community leaders met with Mayor Paul Antonio over breakfast. Among the issues discussed were how to strengthen the relationships within the community and contribute to making Toowoomba a better city for all.



### Mother's Day Celebrations



On 11 May, Alex Chen shared a very touching Mother's Day Appreciation speech at the Friendship Dinner. All mothers were presented with a small gift.

### Upcoming Activities in June

Faith Sharing 10.30–11.30am		Friendship Dinners 5–6pm				
15 June	29 June	1 June	8 June	15 June	22 June	29 June
Mr Jagdish Narayan – Introduction to Christadelphians and Their Beliefs	Venerable Wu Hsing – Is My Mind Training Just a Workout?	Rev. Dorothy Woodside – Dialogues and Benefits	'Know Your City' Quiz	Open Dialogue	Alexander Cossu – My Experiences in Australia	Venerable Wu Hsing – Buddhist Sharing and Discussion

