



Mr. Daniel Yeung, Prof. Liu Xiaofeng and Prof. Ambrose Chin Man Chung, gave detailed introduction to ISCS publication work, our cooperation with mainland Chinese

universities to give lectures, our training of master and doctoral students and the religious situation in mainland China. The students visitors showed their great interests in ISCS and claimed that they will strengthen their relationship and academic exchange with ISCS.

October Mr. Daniel Yeung, our Chief Executive, met Hong Kong representative of Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. They discussed about the continuity of Dr. H. Rowold to be our guest professor.

Mr. Daniel Yeung met Prof. Lazzarotto. They discussed publication issues with "Sotto Il Cielo Una Sola Famiglia"

Mr. Daniel Yeung, Prof. Ambrose Chin Man Chung and Dr. Philip P. Chia, the superintendent of Tao Fong Shan Christian Centre, had a pleasant meeting with Tor John S. Grevto.

Mr. Daniel Yeung had a conversation with The Association of Ministers of the Church of Norway. ISCS work was introduced and both parties expressed their intentions to strengthen their cooperation.

November Mr. Daniel Yeung and Prof. Ambrose Chin Man Chung had a meeting with Prof. Feng Dawen, the Department of Philosophy from Zhongshan University. Both parties were satisfied with the review of our cooperation and agreed to further strengthen the cooperation. Chief Executive presented the whole set of ISCS publications to Zhongshan University.

Mr. Daniel Yeung and Prof. Chin Man Chung met Father Fan Shouyuan from Guangdong Union Theological Seminary. They preliminarily discussed the future cooperation with the seminary. Both parties expressed their willingness to achieve mutual cooperation and cultural exchange.

The evaluation team, which was constituted by Prof. Edmond Tang (Centre for Missology and World Christianity, University of Birmingham), Prof. Li Zhen (ex-headmaster of Taiwan Fujen

University) and Prof. Yue Daiyun (Director of Institute of Comparative Literature and Comparative Culture, Peking University) reviewed ISCS work comprehensively by examining ISCS past five year's documents,



holding internal conferences in different foci, and having conversations with ISCS staff. The team had an all-round, precise and systematic understanding on ISCS work. With limited time and resources, it was said ISCS completed a remarkable amount of high-quality publications, works related to academic exchange and lectures. Our success and ideal achievement were widely recognized. The team was surprised and appreciated the selfless spirit and the professional standard of ISCS staff. The evaluation team successfully completed the evaluation report.

IMPORTANT NEWS

In order to enhance Christian cultural research in Chinese academia, so as to promote the development of Sino-Christian theology, ISCS set up two academic prizes: 1) "Dr. Karl L. Reichelt Award", the award for Christian classics translation; 2) "Xu Guangqi Award", the award for Christian research. Our Academic Committee, which was composed philosophy and culture of our appointed scholars, judged the eligible winners based on international academic regulations, to ensure the authoritativeness and the cultural meaning of our academic judgment. The trophies and awards were provided by Tao Fong Fund. Our committee make their judgment every two years. There will be one winner for each award. The first year awards were focused on the related titles published after 1985. The first year winners were voted at the end of 1999.

Prof He Guanghu (the researcher of the Institute of World Religions of the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences) was the winner of "Dr. Karl L. Reichelt Award" with his translation of "Modern Christian Thought."

Prof. Wang Xiaochao (Department of Philosophy of Zhejiang University) won "Xu Guangqi Award" with his book named "Christianity and Imperial Culture".

ISCS intends to establish "Tao Fong Special Research Fund", which will be focused on the sponsorship of regular researches related to Christian cultural thought (those researches should be integrated theories or empirical researches related to economy, politics, sociology, humanity, philosophy, history, language or literature.) Application forms could be obtained from ISCS via mail. Applicants should submit the following information: 1) resume (including academic qualifications, working experience and at least three of his representative work); 2) research proposal, argument, layout and reference books; and 3) reference letters from two professors in related professional fields, which should be sent by referees directly to ISCS. The research period should not be longer than two years. The application deadline is September 30, 2000. The result of sponsorship will be announced on November 30, 2000.