

Dear Members, Subscribers, Church Partners, and Friends,

Warm greetings in this season of joy remembering Jesus' birth and as we celebrate the birthdays of both *iGi* and AWRC! There are several great news items I want to update you about.

Facebook Fan Page Setup: AWRC 亞洲婦女資源中心 @iGiAWRC

Welcome to visit our AWRC Facebook "fan page," click the like button, and share it with your friends. Unlike our website, on Facebook you can see more of our recent activities not only in English, but also in local language, like Mandarin Chinese. It is a more interactive platform, where visitors can read reflections from *iGi* Reading Club participants. Please come and say hello to us so we have the chance to get re-connected with you and hear from you – feel free to share either in your native language or English.

***iGi* Mandarin Chinese Translation E-Book / 5 USD**

Yes, you are not mistaken! We are publishing *iGi* Chinese Translation in electronic form – Live out God's image of happiness. E-book is convenient and user friendly for a wider audience. Moreover, we are very pleased to engage in this small way to create a better future of a green and sustainable world.

Planning Meeting on Religion, Gender, and Sexuality

This meeting was held in the Philippines by FTESEA (Sept 28-30). AWRC was invited to share what we've done in response to these topics over the past 10 years. While controversial issues are usually difficult to speak openly about, one alternative way was to initiate dialogue in a safe space through *iGi*. Let the unheard voices be heard. Recent years, we not only publish *iGi*, but also lead and encourage the reading of *iGi*, starting from one group then extend to different corners of Taiwan. Beginning in 2023, those who participated in our first Reading Club will lead new Reading Clubs in their respective communities. A single spark can start a huge blaze. Each attendee serves as tinder to kindle another Reading Club. Through reading *iGi*, we can know and find ourselves; we are not alone but are in solidarity to connect with and empower more marginalized people.



Women in Leadership Roundtable on: A Journey of Honoring, Lamenting, and Rejoicing

This roundtable organized jointly by WCRC and CWM was held Oct 4-6 in Seoul, Korea. Women leaders from around the world gathered to honor our foremothers, to lament our past stories and to rejoice as we march forward. We shared sisterhood by listening to stories of hurt, rejection, broken trust and broken hearts, but these women leaders persevered through it all now after many years have become resilient and strong and are ministering in local churches with open arms to those who need spiritual shelter. Stories are binding us - we are moving forward.



A pleasant surprise! A few members of KAWT (Korean Association of Women Theologians) were also invited to this Roundtable. In between the sessions, Eun-jung Kim, CTM Korea, arranged a short meeting with Eun-young Choi, general secretary of KAWT. We exchanged programs information and learnt more about gender issues, and feminist theologies in Korean churches and society. We are optimistic about collaborations in the near future.

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