## Class of 1968's Reunion in 2023

## 我的 2023 年大聚會感言

簡沛楨 (1968)

五年一度燕歸來的海外及本港同學大團聚又到了,多謝召集人班長蘇嘉華及一眾策劃小組麥慧廉、林惠馨、譚倩冰及蔣玉珍的張羅及安排:

♣ 8/11/2023 - 13/11/2023 貴州 6 天暢遊,盡享美景美食











➡ 15/11/2023 午間由關翰章校長及周小鳳副校長 (1982) 帶領·參觀母校新校舍



關翰章校長(最右)、周小鳳副校長(最左)

♣ 15/11/2023 晚上假中環翠亨邨舉行聯歡晚宴,席間還有大抽獎及每人獲贈一份購自學校的紀念品,盡情享受滿有溫情的同學聚會,或吃或喝或玩樂聚首一堂的愉悅,感恩呢!



麥慧廉(左) 及抽獎幸運兒簡沛楨(右)

雖然離開學校已有五十多年,但是「身遠心莫離」,誰能擋得住當年與同學們相識於母校、一同學習、 一同嬉戲的情懷!感謝天父、感謝母校、感謝師長、感恩有您! ♣ ♣ ❖ ❖

期待著下一次的再重聚!◎◎

## 畢業 55 周年·在貴州

孫慧玲 (1968)

貴州「天無三日晴, 地無三里平」, 到底去看什麼?

看亞洲最大黃果樹瀑布,澎湃奔騰,激起水霧飛揚,捲出浪花的霸氣!

看天星橋風刀水劍刻的石景、枯藤老樹交纏的奇幻神祕!

看大小七孔·古樹鬱鬱·霧雨濛濛·泉鳴瀑響· 68 級跌水瀑布潭瀑交錯·拉雅瀑布磅礴噴射·合力上演的「上善若水」·使人心醉神迷!

看重巒深谷中點點燈火,煙霧瀰漫的如詩如畫;長桌宴、流水飲、民族歌舞、博物館的多彩苗寨。 歸來仍是少年的 55 周年美妙同遊。



同學在黃果樹瀑布前留念



青岩古鎮的『昇平人瑞』牌坊前全體合照



長桌宴,流水飲

感動的是,腳力不好的同學,也盡力發揮英華堅忍精神。當然,擔心路不好走,選擇喝咖啡也是一種 享受。

喜出望外的是,婉婷丟失了眼鏡,導遊發功,景區司機大搜尋,最後眼鏡追送到酒店。中國的速度!

深情的叮囑, 青岩古鎮「人瑞牌坊」下的留影: 保重身體, 健康長壽, 再結伴遊!

誠摯的致謝:策劃小組諸位同學!

# 1968 年畢業同學貴州遊後記

林惠馨 (1968)

癸卯年立冬日

六八驪歌高唱後

五十五年重聚首

海外歸來添輔翼

訪黔行旅在深秋。

三日天晴難得有

同登高岑共携手



貴州城南勝蹟牌坊前拍照留念

飛瀑藍塘看不盡

七孔橋邊倩影留。

黔貴佳餚盤中飧

茅台美酒杯內傳

行來諸物般般好

拈入行囊慶凱旋。

雪雨無阻慢步遊

苗寨風光眼底收

高山流水長桌宴

蘆笙歌舞在樓頭。

青岩古蹟盡意搜

昇平人瑞眾所求

六日歡程容易過

同窗情誼永不休。



飛瀑藍塘



大七孔橋邊留倩影

## **Revisiting Ying Wa After 55 Years**

Mak Wai Lim, Rosanna (1968)

This past November, we celebrated over half a century since our graduation. Dozens of alumni traveled from around the world to Hong Kong for a series of reunion activities.

### **Homecoming**

We began with a wonderful tour of Guizhou province, catching up over six days of sightseeing. Then it was time to see our alma mater with fresh eyes. Principal Mr Francis Kwan and Vice Principal Ms Chow Siu Fung (1982) graciously gave us a tour of the state-of-the-art new campus.



The sleek auditorium - a sight to behold

I was stunned by its grand scale and beauty. Gleaming facilities like the Katherine Chau Library and So Chau Yim Ping Memorial Hall dazzled us. There were multiple basketball courts and a climbing wall too. But the panoramic vista of Victoria Harbour from the decks took my breath away - even more spectacular than our view from the old campus.

Special permission allowed us to say a thanksgiving prayer, and to belt out the school song in Silcocks Hall, bringing waves of laughter at our lack of pitch. We also discovered that a cherished relic of our childhood remained - the quaint kindergarten cottage where many of us first met was being restored as a school history room.



Get ready for the class to begin



*In the library with students* 

### **Reunion Dinner**

The reunion dinner was joined by more returning alumni. Over a banquet of specialties like baked stuffed fresh crab shell and herbal conch soup, we bonded through trips down memory lane. Quizzes on vice principals' names and guessing beloved teachers from hints sparked giggles and clapping.

As prizes like souvenirs from Guizhou were drawn, the years melted away. Recalling rowdy games of softball or whispers passed in class transported us back to carefree school days. Returning to where our journey began reinforced the strong connection lingering even after half a century. I could only thank Ying Wa for the friendships and encourage everyone to rediscover the old spirit in our reinvented alma mater.



Fascinating Timeline Wall



The Planning Committee is presented with preserved bouquets and thank-you cards at the Reunion Dinner.

From left: Cheung Yuk Chun Jane, MAK Wai Lim Rosanna, SO Ka Wah Karen, LAM Wai Hing and TAM Sin Ping Veronica.

## My Trip for the Class Reunion of 1968

Mae Chew Tak-may Sung (1968)

I left for college to the States in 1970. Even though I have been back to Hong Kong a few times, I only met with a few of my classmates. It was a long-awaited trip, as I missed the 50th class reunion because of illness, then followed by the pandemic.

With great excitement, my husband and I took the 23 hours long flight from Washington D C to Hong Kong.

### **Reunion Mainland trip**



**Group Photo** 

Two days later, we joined our group of classmates, embarked the high-speed train from Kowloon to Guizhou, the destination of our reunion trip. During the six days trip, we visited many scenic areas, had many delicious meals, rode the tour bus, stayed at top notch hotels, and climbed many steps. I had some trouble walking and I was planning to buy a walking stick as an aid and souvenir. So we stopped at a local store. In the end, 12 of us bought walking sticks and we had fun posing pictures as 'the walking stick club', under the supervision of our film director!

We reconnected with each other, caught up with our life events, reminisced those high school days and laughed together a lot. The six days tour went by fast.



The walking stick club

### **Back to School**



Class of 1968 in session

Two days later, we toured the new Ying Wa campus, with the principal and vice principal as our guides. The modern, beautiful, great design of the school was breathtaking. We had photos with some of the students in the new library. We sat in a classroom with the preserved wooden desks from our era, another walk down the memory lane. Then we visited Silcocks Hall, where we had morning assembly before school started. Even though I didn't like it then, those times set the foundation of my belief. We sang the school song and had prayer together.

#### More ...

Then we went to dinner to celebrate the class reunion, joined by some who didn't go to the Mainland trip. I met a few more classmates whom I haven't seen since graduation. It was a very festive, fun and memorable event, thanks to the planning committee members who worked very hard to make this reunion possible.

Another highlight of my trip was taking the star ferry, the means of transportation for me to cross the harbor to Ying Wa each day (there were no cross harbor tunnels back then!).

The warm memories of this trip will remain with me, and I hope that we will have another trip soon. As the school song lyric says - even though physically we are very far apart, yet may our hearts be always rooted in Ying Wa. Amen.