

Invitation Letter (for Open-House event at Van Hanh Temple)

Hong Kong, 24 January 2025.

Dear beloved friend(s),

We, the Plum Village Hong Kong Sangha, would like to show our deep gratitude and appreciation to you all for always supporting us through your practice and different means of contribution. This support of yours has helped us to continue the Career of the Lord Buddha, our Patriarch, and our beloved teacher more easily and effectively, spreading the Dharma and sharing the practice with our world today where there are so much suffering and instability.

On this occasion of the New Year, we would like to wish you and your family good health, much peace, and freedom in your hearts and minds.

Thanks to the many wonderful conditions that Plum Village has been given a small temple in Luk Wu village since 2019, and words are not enough for us to express how happy and grateful we are to these conditions for us to have such a place in Hong Kong. This place has been renovated for more than two years and has now come to completion, thanks to so much love and support from monastics, lay practitioners, and generous donors around the world.

Writing this letter today, we would like to invite you to take part in the Open-House event for our newly renovated Van Hanh temple with the schedule as follows:

Date of event: 16 February 2025 Venues: Lotus Pond temple and Van Hanh temple

09:30 Welcome guests to Lotus Pond temple.

10:00 Singing meditation, instructions on walking and walking meditation.

10:45 Be-in (sit together in circles).

12:00 Lunch.

13:30 Gather in front of Lotus Pond temple.

Walk to Ngong Ping bus terminal.

Get on the rented buses.

Heading to Luk Wu village.

14:00 Get off the buses, gather, and do walking meditation to Van Hanh temple.

14:30 A short chanting ceremony.

Touring around the temple and the village.

15:30 heading back to the rented buses and depart to Tung Chung. Farewell.

We would like to thank you so much, and your presence on that day would be our great happiness. We are looking forwards to welcoming you all.

With deep gratitude, The monastics of Plum Village Hong Kong