

**Chinese Group Training Held  
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The number 13 may be deemed unlucky by many Westerners, but July 13 turned out to be a memorable day for more than 400 Chinese members who gathered at Mount San Antonio College for a summer training meeting sponsored by the Mei-Hwa Friendship Group.

The Mei-Hwa (literally, American-Chinese) Friendship Group was established in 1993 to organize activities for Chinese-speaking members. Since its inception, Chinese translations of SGI President Ikeda's guidance have been mailed to members throughout the United States each month.

The group has also held four summer training meetings and three Chinese New Year's festivals. Study meetings have also been held monthly at 10 locations in Los Angeles and Orange counties.

At today's meeting, 12 leaders from SGI-Taiwan attended, sharing experiences and offering encouragement. Separate classrooms for study sessions in Mandarin and Cantonese were set up, as well as an English-speaking one for younger people who do not speak Chinese well.

After lunch, performances and an exhibition of arts and crafts provided the day's cultural events. In the week that followed, the Taiwan leaders visited members at home, conducted Goshu lectures and attended discussion meetings.

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