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Dear sisters and brothers in Christ:

We send warm greetings from the Youth Ministry Committee of the Presbyterian Church in Taiwan. May the peace and grace of Holy Trinity Lord be with you.

In this New Year, we step forward in the path of blessings and continue walk toward new vision. This year, "I Love Taiwan Mission Camp" (ILT) would like to invite the youth to "Embrace Taiwan with LOVE".

We cannot embrace ourselves; "Embrace" has only to be done with others. But when we open arms toward to one another, it's the moment that we open ourselves without defending and stand in front of another, waiting for responses—it could be blessing, or even hurting. And then, when we close arms, we hug the other in our arms. It symbolizes that we permit the other into our lives; we are willing to be influenced by the other, and to be changed. In embracing with one another, we encounter with the unknown other. Embrace becomes the adventure of Life.

We sincerely invite you to participate "2014 I Love Taiwan Mission Camp—Embrace Taiwan with LOVE", June 25-July 12, 2014. Through the participation of local church ministries, in the love of Lord, embrace with people and land of Taiwan, to build the bonding of life, and experience the unknown adventure. To believe that under the guidance of the Lord, we will have a brand new life after this journey.

May God's grace be with you. Strengthen your life.

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> > For further references please visit: <u>http://youth.pct.org.tw</u>

親愛的青年姊妹弟兄,

來自台灣基督長老教會青年事工委員會的問候。謹在主裡向你們問安。願三 一上主賜平安喜樂常與你們同在。

在這新的一年開始,我們踏著過去恩典的足跡,持續朝著新的異象向前邁進。今年,「2014 我愛台灣宣教營(ILT)將邀請大家一起「用愛擁抱台灣」(Embrace Taiwan with LOVE)。

人無法擁抱自己,「擁抱」是必須與他人一起才能完成的動作。但當我們張 開雙臂迎向另一個人時,正是將自己完全敞開、毫無防備地展示在他人面前,並 等待著對方的回應——可能是祝福,也可能是傷害;接著,當我們合上雙臂,將 另一個人擁入懷中,也象徵著容讓他者進入我們的生命,我們願被他者影響,也 願為他者改變。於是,就在彼此相擁當中,我們與未知的他者相遇。擁抱成了生 命的冒險。

因此,我們誠摯地邀請你來參與今年的「2014 我愛台灣宣教營——用愛擁抱台灣」,活動日期為6月25日至7月12日。透過在地宣教的體驗,在上主的愛中,與台灣的人們及土地相擁,建立生命的連結,也經歷未知的冒險。相信更在上主帶領下,在這趟旅程之後,我們也將擁有嶄新的生命。

願 主恩同行 生命得力

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