

Raymond Lee Biography

At an age of 15, Raymond decided to leave his birth place in Hong Kong to continue his education in Australia. He completed his secondary and undergraduate (Civil Engineering) education; and worked for about a year in the Public Works Department of NSW. He proceeded to further his education by completing a Master Degree. Due to family commitment, he was asked to return to Hong Kong around 1972.

His time in Hong Kong was spent in working in various engineering and building related jobs, obtaining valuable experiences in his professional career. However, it was always his intention to return to Australia as he believed the country has the environment, life-style and customs that he loved ever since he arrived in Sydney in 1962.

In 1986, Raymond made the decision to return to Sydney Australia with his then young family. He was quickly employed in an Engineering Consulting firm specialising in project programming and arbitration. He continued his employment with this firm until the date that he retired.

Up until 1992, Raymond had little knowledge about Buddhism. He was educated in either a Baptist or Catholic schools during his primary and secondary education. It was due to a special circumstance that he made contact with Fo Guang Shan Vihara in Parramatta. His wife Flornce was the first in the family to embrace Buddhism in 1992 to be followed by his two sons. He was the last in the family to join the big family of Buddha Light International Association.

Throughout the years, Raymond became a member of BLIA, the Treasurer for nine years and then the Association President for six years. After that, Raymond continued to involve with BLIA and FGS activities until now. He was appointed as an Elder Advisor, Lay Dharma Teacher and BLIA International Director. Currently he is actively involved in English Dharma Study Group as a facilitator.

By actively engaged in various activities and capacities with the BLIA, Raymond has found his life happy and meaningful.