



Adventist International Institute
of Advanced Studies
Graduate School and Seminary

109th
GRADUATION
CEREMONY

May 22–25, 2025

Siew Huy Auditorium
AIIAS, Lalaan I, Silang,
Cavite, Philippines

www.aiias.edu

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Adventist International Institute of Advanced Studies (AIIAS) is to develop leaders through distinctively Seventh-day Adventist graduate education, excelling in spirituality, scholarship, and service.

VISION STATEMENT

The vision of AIIAS is to be a Christ-centered community of leaders with a heart for mission.

HISTORICAL SKETCH

AIIAS was established by the Seventh-day Adventist Church because of its commitment to meet the growing needs of the Church for college teachers, church leaders, educators, health professionals, and treasurers with international-level graduate education. In the late 1960s, the Church began graduate education for pastors in the Asia-Pacific region. The Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary, Far East, was founded and held its first graduation ceremony in April of 1972. The Seminary was funded by the Far Eastern Division of Seventh-day Adventists from the beginning, and it was renamed as AIIAS in 1986 when the Presidential Decree created a way to also offer international graduate degrees outside of theology. The School of Graduate Studies began in 1988 and produced its first graduates in March 1991. When the Asia-Pacific Division divided in 1996, AIIAS came under the administration of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists. AIIAS became the first General Conference educational institution outside of North America.

Full recognition has been extended to AIIAS by the Commission on Higher Education of the Philippine government and AIIAS is a member of the International Association of Universities (IAU). AIIAS programs are accredited by the Adventist Accrediting Association (AAA). The Seminary degree programs are also accredited by the Association for Theological Education in South East Asia (ATESEA). In addition, most Graduate School programs are accredited by the Philippine Accrediting Association of Schools, Colleges and Universities (PAASCU).

Through its central campus, online learning programs, and extension sites throughout the world, AIIAS serves increasing numbers of Adventist pastors, educators, health professionals, administrators, and church leaders in Asia and in many countries worldwide.

WELCOME

Welcome to the AIIAS Graduation events for the Class of 2025! We are so glad you are here.

The graduating class's theme, "Refined with Purpose, Committed to Serve," reflects both the experience of our students and the hope that we cherish at AIIAS. Earning a graduate degree is no easy road. Whether in the challenges of doing academics in a second language, navigating financial challenges, trying to understand concepts of research, or lying awake with concern about health or the loss of loved ones, these years in graduate education have been refining ones for the graduates of 2025. Those last minute, miraculous answers to prayer, or His comforting hands holding them up through hard times, are being met with gratitude and praise. Through it all, they have prayed and hung onto the hand of God, trusting that He will carry them through.

It is this goodness of God which draws us to serve. How can we do anything else? While the mission of AIIAS is to develop leaders who excel, the goal is that these leaders will be humble leaders, leaders with hearts of service not only toward God, but for others. The privilege this class has had in receiving a high-quality education should not be taken lightly. We know that it is only through His grace and power, not ours, that we have run the race and finished the course. That is a humbling realization. In spite of the education and achievements we celebrate this weekend, we recognize that the way of the Lord is not a high road with a glorious throne upon which to receive honor. It is a low road full of flawed people—including ourselves—who need the Lord, and who need our humble efforts as disciples of Jesus. How quickly the gospel will spread, if AIIAS produces humble leaders with hearts of service, to His name's honor and glory!

We are refined with a purpose—His purpose—and committed to serve God and fellow man. May this be seen in the lives of every graduate of the Class of 2025.

Congratulations, Graduates, on reaching this milestone! May Jesus be seen in you as you go out to serve.

Ginger Ketting-Weller, PhD
AIIAS President

CLASS OFFICERS

President
Vice President
Secretary
Class Pastor
Music Coordinators

Decoration Coordinator
Photography Coordinator
Sponsors

Raimond Luntungan
Istiarti Berci Sarempaa
Zin Mar Kyaw
Abram Christopher An
Mita Bella Lovely Virta Muaja
Jimmy Garae
Katherine Gusago
Fabian Zickoff
Leonardo and Beverly Nunes

Class Theme: Refined with Purpose, Committed to Serve

Class Colors: Gold, Black, and Emerald Green



CLASS SONG

Dear God Emmanuel

Composed by Mita Bella L.V. Muaja

Today, I stand before You, Jesus
With refined heart and mind made strong.
My journey shaped by trials and triumphs,
Your faithfulness did never end
I thank You, Lord, for molding me all along to be

CHORUS

Refined with purpose, committed to serve
So, bless me, Jesus, for Your greater purpose,
Lead me, Jesus, everywhere I serve
Even through the valley's shadow, I will walk and never fear
for You are with me—God Emmanuel.

In every challenge, in each season
You've been my guide and my constant friend.
Through sleepless nights and endless questions
Your faithfulness did never end.
I thank You, Lord, for molding me all along to be

Refine me with purpose
Lead me everywhere I serve

PHILIPPINE NATIONAL ANTHEM

Lupang Hinirang

Balmaceda & Santos/Felipe

Bayang magiliw, Perlas ng Silanganan
Alab ng puso, sa dibdib mo'y buhay
Lupang hinirang, Duyan ka ng magiting,
Sa manlulupig di ka pasisiil.

Sa dagat at bundok,
Sa simoy at sa langit mong bughaw,
May dilag ang tula
At awit sa paglayang minamahal.

Ang kislap ng watawat mo'y
Tagumpay na nagniningning;
Ang bituin at araw niya
Kailan pa ma'y di magdididlim.
Lupa ng araw, ng l'walhati't pagsinta,
Buhay ay langit sa piling mo,
Aming ligaya, na pag may mang-aapi,
Ang mamatay ng dahil sa 'yo.

Land of the Morning

Camilo Osias & Julian Felipe

Land of the morning, child of the sun returning,
With fervor burning, thee do our souls adore,
Land dear and holy, cradle of noble heroes,
Ne'er shall invaders
Trample thy sacred shore.

Ever within thy skies and through thy clouds
And o'er the hills and sea,
Do we behold the radiance, feel the throb
Of glorious liberty.
Thy banner dear to all our hearts,
Its sun and stars alight,
O, never shall its shining field
Be dimmed by tyrants' might!
Beautiful land of love, O land of light,
In thine embrace 'tis rapture to lie,
But it is glory ever, when thou art wronged,
For us, thy sons, to suffer and die.

AIIAS SONG

AIIAS Press On

Lyrics by Stephen Guptill

Music by Cedric Lanchenal

Arrangement by Amber Murillo

AIIAS press on,
you're always in our hearts.
Striving for truth, to raise the standard high.
Telling the world of Jesus Christ's return,
touching lives with hope and love.
How we love your peaceful campus,
tree-lined lanes.
Evening walks with friends and family,
Sharing hope and dreams.

AIIAS press on,
you have taught us to be leaders for the Lord.
Inspiring us for service to the world. AIIAS press on,
we pledge to you our love. God bless you,
our dear AIIAS!

FACULTY

Eunice Aclan, PhD	Education
Godwin Aja, DrPH	Public Health
Victoria Aja, DMin	Applied Theology
Robert Benjamin, DDiv cand.	Vice President for Student Services
Kenneth Bergland, PhD	Biblical Studies
Chirlynor Calbayan, DrPH/RND	Public Health
Leni Casimiro, PhD	Chair, Education
Donny Chrissutianto, PhD	Theological-Historical Studies
Teófilo Correa, PhD	Chair, Biblical Studies
Hesell Delfin, MEM	Library
Ermela Dizon, DMiss	Applied Theology
Richard Doss, PhD	Applied Theology
Megumi Sol Flores, MLIS/MAEd	Director, Library
Watland Francois, PhD	Applied Theology
Prema Gaikwad, PhD	Education
Samuel Gaikwad, PhD	Education
Francisco Gayoba, DTh	Theological-Historical Studies
Ricardo González, PhD	Dean, Seminary/Theological-Historical Studies
Youssry Guirguis, PhD	Applied Theology
Lyra Jazel Ilagan, MLIS	Library
Ginger Ketting-Weller, PhD	AIAS President/Education
Jimmy Kijai, PhD	Education
Chuanshan Liang, PhD	Chair, Applied Theology
David Lumowa, PhD	Business
Raimond Luntungan, PhD cand.	Business/Education
Hector Martin, PhD	Biblical Studies
Jorge Montero, PhD	Vice President for Finance
Natasha Nangoy, PhD	Business
Edward Nathan, MBBS/DrPH	Chair, Public Health
Richard Nelson, MD/MS	Vice President for Academic Administration/Public Health
Leonardo Nunes, ThD	Biblical Studies
Suryanica Aristas Pasuhuk, PhD	Theological-Historical Studies
Gideon Petersen, PhD	Applied Theology
Innocent Sigauke, PhD	Director, APRC/Business
LeRoy Ruhupatty, PhD	Chair, Business
Johnnie Simyunn, Jr., MLIS	Library
Shanti Solomon, PhD	Director, Institutional Quality Assurance/Public Health
Kyung Ho Song, PhD	Chair, Theological-Historical Studies
Kenneth Swansi, PhD	Dean, Graduate School/Business
Jasmin Tuapin, PhD	Business
James Weller, PhD	Education
Hyunjun Woo, DMin	Applied Theology
Kim Si Young, DMin	Applied Theology

SPEAKERS' PROFILE

Roger O. Caderma, MPH, is the current president of the Southern Asia-Pacific Division (SSD) with 37 years of ministry experience. He has served as a district pastor, church pastor, department director, South Philippine Union Conference president, and SSD vice president for Nurturing Discipleship Retention and Integrated Evangelism Lifestyle (NDR-IEL). Pastor Caderma earned his degrees from Mountain View College and AIIAS. He is passionate about evangelism, infrastructure projects, agriculture, and sports.

Julian Melgosa, PhD, serves as Associate Director of Education at the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, providing liaison for higher education to several divisions worldwide. Originally from Spain, Dr. Melgosa earned his PhD in Educational Psychology from Andrews University. His extensive career in Adventist education spans five divisions, with notable leadership roles at AIIAS, where he served as President from 2002 to 2006, and as Dean of the School of Graduate Studies. Outside of his professional life, Dr. Melgosa enjoys road biking, backpacking, and experimenting with international cooking. His wife, Annette, is the General Conference Associate Director for Data Governance and a former Library and IT Director at AIIAS.

Leonardo Godinho Nunes, ThD, is an assistant professor of New Testament at the AIIAS Theological Seminary. A pastor for 30 years, he served 10 years in church ministry and 20 years in theological seminaries in Brazil, the USA, and the Philippines. He has a strong heart for studying, teaching, and preaching the Bible and dreams of seeing Jesus come in his generation.

Beverly Nunes, PhD(c), is a Brazilian educator currently serving as Director of the English Center and Writing Center at AIIAS. She holds a master's degree in Special Education from Andrews University and is completing her PhD in Education in Lisbon, Portugal. With over 20 years of experience teaching at all educational levels and serving the church, she is deeply committed to promoting diversity, inspiring others to reach their full potential, and believing in the redemptive power of education.

PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION

7:00–8:00 p.m., May 22, 2025

AIIAS Academy Commons

**Graduates with their spouse/parent are cordially
invited to a formal reception with the AIIAS president,
officers, and faculty members.**

Light refreshments will be served.

Formal attire is expected.

AIIAS ADMINISTRATORS

Ginger Ketting-Weller
Richard Nelson
Jorge Montero
Robert Benjamin
Ricardo González
Kenneth Swansi

President
Vice President for Academic Administration
Vice President for Finance
Vice President for Student Services
Dean, Seminary
Dean, Graduate School

CONSECRATION

7:00–8:30 p.m., May 23, 2025

Siew Huy Auditorium

Processional

AIIAS Church Orchestra

Fairest Lord Jesus

Songs of Praise

Praise Team

Welcome

Felipe Esteban González

Opening Hymn

SDA Hymn #595

Let Every Lamp Be Burning

Opening Prayer

Mita Bella Lovely Virta Muaja

Testimonies of Praise

Istiarti Berci Sarempaa

Ranjith and Carol Kingston

Special Music

African Community

Lead Me, Oh, Father

Introduction of the Speakers

Michael Steven Magdadaro

Message

Leonardo and Beverly Nunes

Graduating Class Sponsors

Response in Word

Abram Christopher An

Consecration Ceremony

Musical Offering

Euphony Singers

There is Coming a Day

Oath of Service

Jimmy Garae

Candle Lighting

Graduates

Consecration Song

Graduates

Dear God Emmanuel

Commitment Prayer

Francisco Gayoba

Recessional

AIIAS Church Orchestra

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Lun Tuah Cing, Griszelda Elizabeth Kalalo, and Goeffery Karae

Praise Team

Laura Sumendap

Pianist

SABBATH SCHOOL

8:30–9:45 a.m., May 24, 2025

Siew Huy Auditorium

Songs of Praise

Welcome

Opening Hymn

Praise Team

Syenny Worang

SDA Hymn #573

I'll Go Where You Want Me to Go

Opening Prayer

Vergilio Basia, Jr.

Sabbath School Lesson Summary

Chisomo Ngala and Innocent Tuyishime

In the Psalms: Part I

Musical Offering

MAED Cohort

God Can and He Will

Special Feature

Selected Graduates

What is AIAS to You?

Musical Offering

Fortress

Least I Can Do

Testimonies

Selected Graduates

Panel Discussion: Refined & Committed

Samuel Amankwah, Jason Gulea, Katherine Gusago,

Lubna Iqbal, Viliame Ratumaiyale, and Sa Myo Htwe Thoung

Closing Song

Praise Team

In His Time

Closing Prayer

Alpha Babiano Tabay

Susie One, James Roriri, and Carolin Wairata

Praise Team

Eloina Mae Deapera

Pianist

BACCALAUREATE

10:00–11:30 a.m., May 24, 2025

Siew Huy Auditorium

WORSHIP THROUGH PRAISING

Prelude in Songs Fishers of Men, ABC Chorale, Himig
Welcome and Announcements Ricardo González
Prelude Saxophone Ensemble

Redeemed

Call to Worship Larry Windewani
Processional AIIAS Church Orchestra

Fairest Lord Jesus

*Introit SDA Hymn #661

Holy, Holy, Holy

Invocation Speaker

*Hymn of Adoration SDA Hymn #341

To God Be the Glory

Hymn of Preparation SDA Hymn #671

Now, Dear Lord, As We Pray

**Pastoral Prayer Kebo Aukeke Norak

Hymn of Supplication SDA Hymn #684

Hear Our Prayer, O Lord

Children's Homily Sheron Ndhlovu

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Thoughts on Stewardship Henrietta Gyamfuaa Kumah

Offertory Music AIIAS Youth Strings

Would You Be Free From Your Burden of Sin

*Hymn of Gratitude SDA Hymn #694

Praise God, From Whom All Blessings

Offertory Blessings Wilbert Lamanilao

WORSHIP MESSAGE

Scripture Reading Nann San

Special Song AIIAS International Ladies Choir

When I Look Into Your Holiness With He Is

Introduction of the Speaker Ginger Ketting-Weller

Spoken Word **Roger O. Caderma**

President, Southern Asia-Pacific Division

WORSHIP CONSECRATION

*Hymn of Consecration SDA Hymn #330

Take My Life and Let It Be

Benediction Speaker

*Anthem of Hope Congregation

We Shall Behold Him

*Recessional AIIAS Church Orchestra and Mass Choir

Onward, Ye Peoples!

Zin Mar Kyaw & Fabian Zickoff

Praise Team

Marjorie Jiji Taclob

Pianist

*Congregation, please stand.

**Congregation, please kneel.

TRIBUTE AND THANKSGIVING

4:30–5:30 p.m., May 24, 2025

Siew Huy Auditorium

Prelude		Servidad Siblings
	<i>We Are One</i>	
Welcome Remarks		Alline Rachel Tandidio
Opening Prayer		Chernoville Momo
Musical Offering		AIIAS Filipino Chorale
	<i>A Gospel Alleluia</i>	
Tribute to Friends, Communities, and Sponsors		AJ Bernal Rexford Oge
Tribute to Administrators, Faculty, and Staff		Edivaldo de Jesus Simão Abel
Giving of Gifts		Graduates
Musical Offering		Roro Karela Vocals
	<i>Lord, I'll Say Yes</i>	
Tribute to Spouses		Kristiyono Sarjono Rosalie Borja Hamulczyk
Tribute to Parents		John Calvert Famorcan
Giving of Gifts		Graduates
Musical Offering		Graduation Officers
	<i>Help Me to Live for Others</i>	
Closing Prayer		Batzul Ganbold

COMMENCEMENT

7:00–9:30 a.m., May 25, 2025

Siew Huy Auditorium

Prelude	Benjamin Guirguis
<i>Come All, Christians, Be Committed</i>	
Opening	Grand Marshal/The Herald
Processional	AIAS Mass Choir
<i>Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee</i>	
Posting of Colors	Flag Marshals
*National Anthem	Aloisa Fiedacan, leading
<i>Lupang Hinirang</i>	
AIAS Song	Aloisa Fiedacan
<i>AIAS Press On</i>	
*Litany of Wisdom	Robert Benjamin, <i>Vice President for Student Services</i>
Leader:	O God of mercy, who's strong and wise, You see our hearts, You hear our cries.
Graduates:	You mold us through fire and flame, to glorify Your holy name.
Leader:	Though trials press, and storms may rise, please help us fix our gaze beyond the skies.
Graduates:	Refined by grace, not crushed by strife, You use all things to shape our lives.
Leader:	Lord Jesus, Servant, Lamb, and King, You came to heal, to serve, to bring—
Graduates:	A Kingdom built on love and grace, a call for us to run the servant's race.
Leader:	Let hands be ready, feet be swift, to bring the poor and broken the gift.
Graduates:	Let hearts be bold and voices be true, to serve like Christ in all we do.
Leader:	So make us vessels, pure and tried, with holy fire, sanctified.
Graduates:	Refined with purpose, hearts that yearn, committed to serve 'til Christ's return.
ALL:	To You alone our lives we give, in You we move, and serve, and live. Refined and sent, by grace we go, to serve the world and make You known. Amen.
*Opening Prayer	Robert Benjamin
Musical Selection	South Pacific Division Community <i>Committed Now for Service</i>
Welcome/Introduction of the Speaker	Ginger Ketting-Weller, <i>President</i>

*Congregation, please stand.

Commencement Address

Julian Melgosa

*Associate Director of Education,
General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists*

Class Response	Raimond Luntungan, <i>Class President</i>
Presentation of the Class	Richard Nelson, <i>Vice President for Academic Administration</i>
Conferral of Degrees	Ginger Ketting-Weller
Presentation of Diplomas	Cherille Espina, <i>Director, Admissions & Records</i> Lina Almocera, Iris Ho, and Jennifer Valenia, assisting
Biographical Sketches	
Seminary	Richard Doss
Graduate School	Natasha Nangoy
Deans/Program Directors/Advisors	
Presentation of Class Gift	Istiarti Berci Sarempaa, <i>Class Vice President</i>
Acceptance of Gift	Jorge Montero, <i>VP for Finance</i>
Welcome to Alumni Association	Bruce Sumendap, <i>Director for Public Relations</i>
*Prayer of Sending	Leonardo and Beverly Nunes, <i>Class Sponsors</i>

SPONSORS:

- Leonardo: "Many, Lord my God, are the wonders You have done, the things You planned for us. None can compare with You;
- Beverly: "Were I to speak and tell of Your deeds, they would be too many to declare."
(Psalm 40:5)

GRADUATES:

- All: "We are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God-prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them." (Ephesians 2:10)
- Ladies: We stand today, grateful and ready. Refined by trials, strengthened by faith,
- Gentlemen: We acknowledge that we are crafted for a holy purpose.
- All: We commit ourselves to walking in the works prepared for us.

SPONSORS:

- Beverly: "For You, O God, have tested us; You have refined us as silver is refined."
(Psalm 66:10)
- Leonardo: Today, we rejoice in your journey. You have been tested, stretched, and shaped.
- ALL: As sponsors, mentors, and companions, we now send you forth, confident that you are refined for your purpose.

ADMINISTRATORS, STAFF, AND FACULTY:

"Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men."
(Colossians 3:23) Together, we celebrate this moment. We lift you up in prayer and blessing, calling you to serve with joy, excellence, and humility.

*Congregation, please stand.

GRADUATES:

“I desire to do Your will, my God; Your law is within my heart.” (Psalm 40:8)
 Even when I go through your refining fire, “I do not hide Your righteousness
 in my heart; I speak of Your faithfulness and Your saving help. I cannot
 conceal Your love” (Psalm 40:10), I want to serve You.

SPONSORS:

“The Lord will guide you continually, and satisfy your soul in drought, and
 strengthen your bones.” (Isaiah 58:11) We bless you with the assurance of
 God's guidance. Wherever you are sent, may you carry the light of wisdom,
 justice, and salvation.

GRADUATES:

“Here am I. Send me!” (Isaiah 6:8) We answer Your call to serve. We go forth
 not for personal glory, but for the glory of God and the good of others.

CONGREGATION:

“Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and
 glorify your Father in heaven.” (Matthew 5:16) Go now, refined and ready!
 Commit your hands to service, your heart to love, and your life to God's purpose.

SPONSORS, ADMINISTRATORS, STAFF, AND FACULTY:

“Now may the God of peace equip you with everything good for doing
 His will.” (Hebrews 13:20-21) We send you out, equipped, empowered, and
 enfolded in prayer.

GRADUATES:

“Not to us, Lord, not to us, but to Your name be the glory.” (Psalm 115:1)
 We go, refined with purpose, committed to serve.

ALL: By the grace of God, by the love of Jesus, and by the power of the Holy Spirit,
 Amen!

Class Song

Graduates

Dear God Emmanuel

*Prayer of Dedication

Leonardo Nunes

*Dismissal

Ginger Ketting-Weller

Recessional

AIAS Mass Choir

Onward, Ye Peoples!

Picture Taking

Bruce Sumendap, coordinating

Only official photographers are allowed
 near the platform.

*Congregation, please stand.

GRAND MARSHAL

Samuel Gaikwad

THE HERALD

Jean Claude Rukundo

USHERS & USHERETTES

Ivy Ambat	Ronelda Ejercitado
Ednalen Barangan	Eden Fabregas
Catherine Celis	Ronald Fabregas
Efren Celis	Glenison Galupo
Eric Ejercitado	Marichell Galupo

PROGRAM NARRATOR

Robert John Almocera

PLATFORM PARTY

Beverly Nunes	Class Sponsor
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Richard Nelson	Vice President for Academic Administration
Ricardo González	Dean, Seminary
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Bruce Sumendap	Director, Public Relations

FLAG MARSHALS

Philippines – Joy Paglinawan
Christian – Nole Aclan

Adventist – Crisarjo Ulap
AIIAS – Chelou Completado

Angola – Victor Buza
Australia – Neemia Booia
Belarus – Aleksandr Likholet
Brazil – Maria Luciana Rosa
Cambodia – Benjamin Suna
Chile – Angela Soto
China – Jiacheng Shi
DR Congo – Vayilamya Kasereka Trésor
Fiji – Bill Rabuka, Jr.
Germany – Marianne Bergland
Ghana – Mordecai Nsiah Dwomo
India – Ravi Chiravuri
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Jamaica – Gorbachev Mikhail Stewart
Malawi – Genema Trye

Malaysia – Naw Bway Wah
Mongolia – Dorjgotov Enkhsaikhan
Myanmar – Naw Say Gay Paw
Nigeria – Magnificent Jonathan
Pakistan – Aroon Raza
Papua New Guinea – Peter Edward
Russian Federation – Dmitrii Zubkov
Rwanda – Jonison Mukhim
Solomon Islands – Kalisha Paul
South Korea – Haeul Kim
Trinidad and Tobago – David Ocaranza
Ukraine – Bogdan Koval
United States of America – Adlai Tornalejo
Vanuatu – Olivier Matou
Zimbabwe – Tafara Sigauke

ORDER OF PICTURE TAKING

1. Graduates with the platform party, grand marshal, flag marshals, and faculty
2. Graduates with their spouses and flag marshals
3. Graduates only
4. Graduates by school with faculty – Graduate School, Seminary
5. Graduates of Graduate School by department – Business, Education, Health
6. Graduates of Seminary by program – Master of Ministry, Master of Arts in Church Ministry, Master of Divinity, Master of Arts in Ministry, Master of Arts in Religion, Doctor of Ministry, Doctor of Philosophy in Religion
7. Graduates and friends by nationalities (See Flag Marshals list by sequence)

CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATION **Seminary and Graduate School**

Graduate Certificate in Ministry

***Darrel Samuel Waldron (in absentia) Trinidad and Tobago

Graduate Certificate in Education

***Aurelie Mukabalisa (in absentia) Rwanda

Graduate Certificate in Teaching

***Henrietta Gyamfuaa Kumah Ghana

Graduate Certificate in Faith and Science

***Ruterson Flaga Almocera (in absentia)	Philippines
***Romer Sarong Ando (in absentia)	Philippines
***Sa Myo Aye (in absentia)	Myanmar
***Restituto Cuerdo Bualoy (in absentia)	Philippines
***Aladin Villas Candido (in absentia)	Philippines
***Jandelloyd Lahaylahay Corro (in absentia)	Philippines
***Iris Grazielle Gabo Cortez (in absentia)	Philippines
***Jhosa Edrama Ege (in absentia)	Philippines
***Egee Fontamillas Firmalo (in absentia)	Philippines
***Nijel Peromingan Galve (in absentia)	Philippines
***Rayson Bonilla Gatdula (in absentia)	Philippines
***Jezre-el Tabamo Laguna (in absentia)	Philippines
***Nandar Lwin (in absentia)	Myanmar
***Noel Keene Sibon Nadado (in absentia)	Philippines
***Pansy One (in absentia)	Myanmar
***Leonard Abayon Pehid (in absentia)	Philippines
***Carmine Danae Peras Rosales (in absentia)	Philippines
***Robert Roby Siby (in absentia)	Indonesia
***Julie Fe Valde Valles (in absentia)	Philippines
***Neil John Vicedo Vegafria (in absentia)	Philippines
***Fanuel II Ohayas Villanueva (in absentia)	Philippines
***Ivonnne Sotto Visca (in absentia)	Philippines

Graduate Certificate in Public Health

Cing Hau Lun

United States of America

Master of Ministry

***Glenn Destriza Siega (in absentia)

Philippines

Master of Arts in Church Ministry

Jimmy Garae

Vanuatu

**Rosalie Borja Hamulczyk

Australia

***Wilbert Del Rosario Lamanilao

Philippines

Kebo Norak

Papua New Guinea

Rexford Oge

Solomon Islands

Master of Arts in Ministry - Intercultural Studies

Zi Xian Cheng (in absentia) – *Urban Studies*

Malaysia

Octo Ferdinand – *Islam*

Indonesia

***Jeremy – *Islam*

Indonesia

Master of Divinity

Abram Christopher Delloso An

Philippines

***Danny Jonathan David

Indonesia

John Calvert Aldea Famorcan

Philippines

***Batzul Ganbold

Mongolia

Lubna Iqbal

Pakistan

***Ferin Krisminanto

Indonesia

***Hochul Lee (in absentia)

South Korea

***Michael Steven Magdadar

United States of America

***Caleb Joshua Mallum (in absentia)

Nigeria

Henadii Osadchuk (in absentia)

Ukraine

James Roriri

Vanuatu

Leo Domingo Servidad

Philippines

Master of Arts in Religion

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INTERPRETATION OF SYMBOLS

AIIAS Logo

In Adventist education, two symbols have long expressed the mission of the Church. These are the circle representing the globe of the entire world to receive the “gospel of the kingdom,” and the equilateral triangle representing the harmonious development of the threefold nature of humans as physical, mental, and spiritual beings.

Within the AIIAS logo these two symbols, the circle and the triangle, are superimposed and recast as the Alpha and Omega, symbolizing Christ, the Author and Finisher of our faith. In Him the plan of salvation from the Creation to the Second Advent is actualized. As the Living Word, Christ comprises the divine medium of God’s communication with humanity. The rendering of the logo in an Asian calligraphic style accents the institutional context of the Asia-Pacific region.

The embracing branches of the palm tree, so much in evidence on the AIIAS campus, express the joy and victory of the believer’s life in Christ. The waving of the palm frond on festive occasions has long marked the religious celebrations of the Judeo-Christian tradition.

Ceremonial Mace

The AIIAS mace is a physical symbol of the institution. When displayed, it represents the authenticity and authority of the occasion. The history of the mace harks back to leaders who carried a scepter or staff who represented their position and the authority of their domain (see Numbers 17 and Esther 5). The AIIAS mace is made of Tanguile, a beautiful hard wood common in the Philippines. The carved vines winding up the staff are symbolic of the Adventist faith, which is fully interlaced throughout the institution. The vines are reflective of Christ’s analogy in John 5 where He says, “I am the vine, ye are the branches.” The trapezoidal cube near the top represents the four major curriculum areas of the institution—religion, business, public health and education. The top is crowned with a carved wreath holding a double-sided medallion of the AIIAS logo.

Regalia

The symbols associated with academic regalia arise from the Middle Ages in Europe, when scholars and clerics wore the costume of their monastic order. Academic gowns are distinctive for each degree level. Each institution has its own design and color specifications for the gown and hood. Each hood has a velvet edging that indicates the field in which the degree was earned. All hoods have silk lining of the official color of the institution. The mortarboard cap is traditionally black, and the tassel is worn to the left once a degree has been conferred. A PhD hat is often a velvet, floppy style, with a silver or gold cord and tassel.

The AIIAS academic regalia represents the status and achievement of an important academic accomplishment. There is a dignity of position declared by wearing regalia that belongs only to those who have earned it. Regalia should only be worn by AIIAS graduates or those approved for graduation. Wearing academic regalia during non-academic meetings outside of graduation is generally not appropriate.

Following is a partial list of the colors that have been designated to represent the various fields of

Business Administration.....	Drab
Education	Light Blue
Philosophy	Dark Blue
Public Health	Salmon Pink
Theology	Scarlet