



In Loving Memory of Dr. Lewis (Mack) Bostick —Devout Christian Principal of a Buddhist School

緬懷巴斯蒂克博士 一一所佛教學校的 虔誠基督徒校長

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On December 8, 2016, Lewis (Mack) Bostick passed away peacefully in his sleep at the age of eighty-four. He will be missed by many, especially those at the City of Ten Thousand Buddhas, where he chose to live during the last sixteen years of his life.

Dr. Bostick grew up in western Texas and New Mexico. His accomplishments are many. He was a talented pianist and as a young man was offered a full scholarship to Julliard School of Music, which he did not accept. He chose instead to pursue a career in science and mathematics. He earned a doctorate in mathematics, and became a software engineer. In the late 1980's he received awards for his role in the development of some of the first color graphic computers. In addition, he was a devoted father and family man and a devout Christian, active in the leadership of his church.

After his retirement and marriage to his second wife, Nami, he fulfilled her wish to live at the City of Ten Thousand Buddhas. In the year 2000 they came to live here permanently, bringing with them

2016年12月8日,路易斯(麥克)巴斯蒂克在 睡夢中安詳往生,享壽八十四。他身後廣受人們 懷念,特別是萬佛聖城的住眾。巴斯蒂克博士在 他生前最後十六年,選擇定居於萬佛聖城。

巴斯蒂克博士在德州西部與新墨西哥州成長,一生有多方面的成就:天賦很高的鋼琴家,年輕時曾獲茱莉亞音樂學院全額獎學金,只是他沒接受,反而選擇鑽研科學與數學。其後獲得數學博士,並成為軟體工程師。1980年代末期,因開發首批彩色圖形電腦有功,獲得許多獎項。此外,他重視家庭,是個好父親,也是虔誠的基督徒,在領導教會方面頗為活躍。

退休後,圓滿了第二任妻子高美女的心願,於 2000年定居萬佛聖城,當時九十餘歲高齡的母親 也隨他們一起搬進萬佛聖城。巴斯蒂克博士在育 Dr. Bostick's mother, then in her late nineties. He became the mathematics and computer science teacher and later, principal of Instilling Goodness Elementary School and the Developing Virtue Secondary School - Boys Division. During his twelve-year tenure as principal he led the leadership team that enabled Developing Virtue Secondary School to become the first fully accredited Buddhist high school in the United States.

One of the teachers who worked closely with him over the years, Bhikshu Heng Shun, said of him: "He was a person who exemplified the impeccable moral integrity of what Confucius called the 'person of superior virtue.' At all times Dr. Bostick was beneficent and fair in his dealings with people and exhibited what Buddhists call loving-kindness and compassion and Christians express as universal love. Frankly, I search my memory and do not recall a single time when Dr. Bostick lost his temper or got in an argument with myself or other teachers and staff. He always remained amiable and calm. That is how we will all remember him. And the fact that Dr. Bostick, as a devout Christian, became a beloved and respected member of the community at the City of 10,000 Buddhas says a lot about his noble character."

His son said of him, "The students and teachers witnessed a man who cared for their welfare and the people they would become under his direction. He will be missed by those who knew and loved him."

良小學與培德中學男校擔任數學與電腦科學 教師,其後並擔任男校校長。在他十二年的 校長任期內,他引導領袖團隊,幫助培德中 學成為全美第一所具備完整認證資格的佛教 中學。

曾與他共事多年的男校教師比丘恒順法師 談到巴斯蒂克博士時說:「他展現了孔子所 謂的『君子』具備的完美道德人格,他總是 樂於助人,公正處事。他的待人處世以佛教 徒而言,是慈悲;以基督徒而言,是博愛。 說實在,就我記憶所及,從不曾見他發脾 氣,也不曾跟我或其他老師同仁起爭執。他 總是很親切、鎮定,這是我們所記得的他。 而且巴斯蒂克博士以一名虔誠的基督徒,能 在萬佛聖城備受愛戴與尊敬,足以說明他高 尚的人品。」

他的兒子則說:「全校師生見證了一位關懷他們福祉與未來的人,所有認識他、敬愛他的人,都將永遠懷念他。」**&** 

