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The Seventh Buddhist-Christian Colloquium, themed “Karuṇā and Agape in Dialogue for Healing a Wounded Humanity and the Earth”, is scheduled for 13-16 November 2023, at Mahachulalongkornrajavidyalaya University in Bangkok, Thailand. The event is a fruit of cooperation between the Dicastery for Interreligious Dialogue, the Catholic Bishops’ Conference of Thailand, and the Mahachulalongkornrajavidyalaya Buddhist University. Buddhists and Christians from various countries, including Cambodia, Hong Kong, India, Japan,

Malaysia, Mongolia, Myanmar, Singapore, Sri Lanka, South Korea, Thailand, Taiwan, and the United Kingdom, will participate.

The Colloquium will reaffirm friendship and reciprocal understanding built through dialogue with Buddhist partners throughout the world and, in particular, in Thailand. It will also identify common actions to heal the wounds of humanity and the planet.

The inaugural session will feature greetings of good wishes from local authorities and representatives of other religions in Thailand and a tree planting ceremony, symbolizing the participants’ commitment to care and healing.