



**Annual General Conference of the Council of Thai Bhikkus in the United States of America
25th Anniversary & Demarcation Ceremony
Wat Saddhadhamma, 8000 FM 1518, Schertz, Texas**

Monday, May 27 – Sunday, June 2, 2019

Schedule of Events

Monday, May 27 – Wednesday, May 29, 2019

Open to public to make merit and apply the Gold Leaf to the Demarcation Stones or “Luuk Nimit” in Thai, which will be embedded around the new Temple Hall.

Thursday, May 30, 2019 (1st day of Annual General Conference)

06:00 Morning Chanting

07:00 Breakfast offer to 350 monks

08:00 Registration for the conference

08:45 All monks and Conference Attendees in the new Temple Hall

- MC by **Phravidesaratanaporn**, Secretary-General of the Council Thai Bhikkus in the U.S.A.

09:00 Candle and incense sticks lighting to worship Triple Gem

- Welcome speeches by

- **Phrasutadhammavides, Abbot of Wat Saddhadhamma**
- **Mayor Michael Carpenter, Mayor of Schertz, Texas**
- **Chairperson of the Ceremony (Layman)**
- **Other representatives**

-Opening remarks by **Phra Depbuddhivises, President of the Council of Thai Bhikkus in the U.S.A.**

- Introduction of Monks and Honorable Guests by **Phravidesaratanaporn**

10:30 Group picture in front of the Temple Hall

11:00 Lunch offer to 350 monks

13:00 Afternoon Conference session as in daily agendas

16:00 Tea and Coffee Break

17:00 Evening Chanting

19:00 Evening conference session

21:00 Adjournment for the Day

Friday, May 31, 2019 (2nd day of Annual General Conference)

06:00 Morning Chanting

07:00 Breakfast offer to 350 monks

09:00 Morning conference session by **Phra Depbuddhivides**, President of the Council of Thai Bhikkus in the U.S.A.

10:45 Break

11:00 Lunch offer to 350 monks

13:00 Afternoon conference session by **Phra Depbuddhivides**, President of the Council of Thai Bhikkus in the U.S.A.

16:00 offering Money tree (donation) ceremony
End of the conference

Saturday, June 1, 2019 (25th Anniversary and Demarcation ceremony)

06:00 Morning Chanting

07:00 Breakfast offer to 350 monks

09:00 All monks and Congregants gathering in the new Temple Hall
Arrival of **Phra Phromwajirayarn**, Chairman of the Buddhist missionary monks and Abbot of Wat Yannawa, Bangkok

- Candle and incense sticks lighting to worship Triple Gem
- Welcome speech by the **Mayor of Schertz, Texas**, and **Chairman of the monks**
- The 109 sponsors of Demarcation Stones (Luuk Nimit) placing the gold leaf on the stones

10:30 The 25th Anniversary religious ceremony

11:00 Lunch Offer to 350 monks

13:00 The ceremony of Taksinanupratan (Pray for the deceased and ancestors)

13:30 Background and Establishment of new Temple Hall of Wat Saddhadhamma presentation

14:30 Pattasima ceremony (Prepare for Demarcation ceremony)

15:00 Religious ceremony to withdraw the previous markers of the boundaries (Tijiwarawippavassima, and Samansangwassima)

16:00 Pre-Ordination ceremony

Non-religious session (Open to Public)

19:30 Seminar on the “Teaching Thai language and Culture in foreign country” by the Faculty of Education, Chulalongkorn University and Thai temples with summer schools in the United States.

Sunday, June 2, 2019 (Offering Alms, donations, Demarcation ceremony and celebration of new Temple Hall)

06:00 Morning Chanting

07:00 Breakfast offer to 350 monks

09:39 Offer the alms to 109 monks around the temple

11:00 Lunch offer to 350 monks

13:30 Afternoon ceremony

14:00 Arrival of **Phra Phromwajirayarn**, Chairman of the Buddhist missionary monks and Abbot of Wat Yannawa, Bangkok

Candle and incense sticks lighting to worship Triple Gem

- Speech by **Phrakrusutadhammavises**,
- Speech by **The Chairman of the ceremony (monk)**
- Speech by **The Chairman of the ceremony (Royal Thai Embassy)**
- Presentation of souvenirs

14:30 Sermon in Thai by **The most senior monk in the ceremony**

15:30 offering money tree (Pha Pa) ceremony

The 109 sponsors/hosts of Demarcation Stones (Luuk Nimit) receive the knives to cut the rattan string from the chairman of ceremony

16:00 Pattasima ceremony by **the most senior monk in the ceremony**

Cutting of the rattan string from Demarcation Stones (Luuk Nimit) ceremony

(All the monks chant during ceremony)

All sponsors/hosts offer the gift offering to 350 monks

18:00 Ordination ceremony

Celebrate the new Temple Hall

End of Ceremony

Note: This Agenda is subject to change