

Taize East Asia gathering



More than 200 East Asian Christians joined a five-day Taize program of common prayers for peace in Hong Kong Aug. 10–14. It was the first time Hong Kong hosted the gathering although there was a small unofficial one of 50 participants in 2015. Participants came from mainland China, Japan, Macau, South Korea and Taiwan. The last East Asia gathering was held in 2013 in Daejeon, South Korea. Besides the prayers, singing and silence that typify Taize gatherings, participants also carried out cultural performances that introduced their own countries or districts.