

Summary of Master Thesis of Frederick Wong Lap Kay

My curiosity starts with my visit to the Kwai Shing East Care and Attention Home (KSE Home) under the Chinese Rhenish Church Hong Kong Synod Welfare Department in 2011 in which I found the in-charge of the House is not a Christian but the evangelism work to the residents is carried by another independent ministry under the Hong Kong Synod but not the Welfare Department. The separation of Diaconia and Evangelization in this elderly setting draws my further actions in finding the essential relationship between Diaconia, Evangelization and Aging.

After have an introduction about the formulation of the Thesis Problem and the purposes of the research, the methods of doing this research and the structure of the thesis are given in **Chapter 1**. It is followed by, in the following **Chapter 2**, the detailed presentation of the History and Development of the Diaconia in Hong Kong as well as the Diaconic work provided by the CRC HK Synod, by means of an adequate amount of literature research. In order to enrich the understanding and narrow down the focus onto Elderly Diaconia, **Chapter 3** aims at introducing the Elderly Image and Elderly Work in both theological and contextual perspective. The relationship between Diaconia and Evangelization is addressed also here.

The literature research ends at **Chapter 4** which focus is the normative management of the KSE Home and the latter part of this chapter uses the methodology of interview analysis to see the management in different angle. **Chapter 5** draws an even closer focus on the effectiveness of the holistic diaconic work of KSE Home in the horizon of the service users, by means of field researching the residents by questionnaires and the integration of their satisfaction levels are presented and analyzed.

The thesis does not end with the investigated challenges but goes on to have tangible and relevant recommendations in **Chapter 6**, in both the perspective of the Bible and the contextual social science to fill the gap between the theoretical ideals and the realistic limitations. **Chapter 7** draws a brief summary and give a complete Conclusion to this research.