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## ICIEA 2010 City Tour Chen Nan Palace



It is said that in Autumn of 50<sup>th</sup> year of Chien Lung, Ching Dynasty, When Chia Ching (嘉慶) was a prince, he visited Taiwan in disguise. At night when he and his retinue took the ship passing the sea on the west side of Da Jia, suddenly came a rainstorm. Huge waves emerged into the sky. It was too dark to see you five fingers in front of you. They lost directions. Prince Chia Ching was extremely freighted in the cabin. Immediately he prayed the Heaven for help. Before long they found a light far away. The ship followed the light to sail. Soon they escaped from danger. The ship entered the seaport safely. After his return, he reported the detail to Emperor Chian Lung (乾隆皇帝). The emperor was very grateful for Mazu who saved the prince, and bestowed a horizontal wooden tablet with “Powerful Protector (佑濟昭靈)” written by the emperor himself. This tablet is still hung in the main hall of Chen Nan Palace.

In March every year more than 100 thousand believers from all over Taiwan organize a very big pilgrimage team. Our palace is the starting point. In 8 days and 7 nights the group members go on foot to Feng Tien Palace in Hsin Kang, and return to our palace. This patrol team parades through 4 coastal cities in central Taiwan (Taichung, Chang Hua, Yun Lin and Chia Yi), 19 villages and Chen’s as well as 60 more temples. They travel more than 200 kilometers. The thrilling sight is unrivaled. In the whole 8 day and 7 night patrol activity, we follow the traditional rites which contain 8 major ceremonies – (1)Pray for peace, (2)Sit on the sedan chair, (3)Lift the sedan chair, (4)Stay, (5)Pray for blessing, (6)Express birthday good wishes, (7) Sedan Chair Return, (8)Seating. Each ceremony must conform to a certain procedure at a certain place and time. No slight carelessness is allowed.

For more information, please go to <http://www.dajiamazu.org.tw/>.

## Schedule of City Tour

<b>6/15</b>	
<b>18 : 00-18 : 30</b>	<b>Preparation for Departure for Chen Nan Temple</b>
<b>19 : 30</b>	<b>Arrive at Chen Nan Temple (1-hour drive)</b>
<b>19 : 30-21 : 20</b>	<b>Sightseeing in Chen Nan Temple</b>
<b>21 : 20-21 : 30</b>	<b>Preparation for Departure for Evergreen Hotel</b>
<b>22 : 10</b>	<b>Arrive at Evergreen Hotel (40-min drive)</b>