

Editorial

Dear Readers,

Today we would like to present to you the second issue for the year 2017 of *Religions & Christianity in Today's China* (中国宗教评论).

This number includes the regular series of News Updates on recent events and general trends with regard to religions and especially Christianity in today's China.

On July 1, 1997, the sovereignty over Hong Kong was handed over from Great Britain to China. As Anthony Lam shows in his article “A Unique Situation: The Catholic Diocese of Hong Kong Twenty Years after the City's Handover” the Church in Hong Kong today faces many challenges, but also unexpected growth.

We continue further with the publication of the “Statistics on Religions and Churches in the Peoples' Republic of China – Update for the Year 2016” by Katharina Wenzel-Teuber, with many details and trends on the various numerically measurable developments in the religions of China.

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