



We do not know the actual numbers of the monks in the period of Buddha while he were establishing and spreading his Enlightenment through his Dhamma. However, we do know that the Visakha Bucha Day is valued as the most important day of the Buddhists because of the three important incidents of Buddhism coming together. There are the Buddha's birthday, his Enlightenment and his passing away in the same date of the full moon day. In addition, the 1250 monks come together to preform worship this significance that day. Visakha Bucha Day also proves the prosperity, the beliefs, and the spread of Buddhism.

The World Visakha Bucha Day gathers the world monks and proves the significance of the Dhamma again. Thailand is honored as the host to hold the World Visakha Bucha Day as the country that Buddhism grow more prosperously. To be the host also proves the economic, political, and social stability and security of Thailand. It also gathers the world monks to stay together as the eternity of the Buddha's followers that will stay over the world teaching the Buddha's Enlightenment.

Most importantly, the World Visakha Bucha Day causes the world to realize the living with "middle path" which means not too much and not too little. That will be result in the true happiness of all Buddhists living peacefully together with people of other different regions.

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