

A Letter to a GreatMentor

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Dear Professor Gu,

I believe you are on the way to our ultimate home where you will be with God and have peace forever. Even so, I have cried many times after I heard that you have left us, because we cannot see you anymore.

From reading the letters posted here, I realized that I am just one of the many students and co-workers that you cared so much. I feel fortunate to be one of them and am very thankful for the advice you gave me. As a MS student in the Biophysics program from 1990 to 1993, I had frequently interacted with you, Professor Lu 卢光莹, and Professor Luo 罗静初. I didn't know you were the Chair of the department at that time. You were always humble, kind, and wise. You wrote recommendations letters for me when I applied to graduate schools in US. Ten years later, in 2003, I went back to the homeland for the first time and visited you and Professor Luo. In 2007, I visited you and Professor Luo again. Although I still cannot make up my mind to return to China, in consideration of my young children, I believe I would eventually go back and make contributions there.

Thanks so much for your advice and inspirations over the years. Thanks so much for the great and little things you did for so many people that came cross your life. May your Spirit be always with us and inspire us to become a person with love, wisdom, and strength.

Blessings,

Your student, Holly (敬华)