

Sikkhamana Dhammapani (Panipat Boerman) joined our sangha in 2024 after participating in the April temporary ordination for samaneras. She was born in 1974 in Krabi, a province in southern Thailand. She married a Dutch man and for 30 years they ran a European style bakery in Krabi. They had one daughter who is now an adult. After her husband was diagnosed with cancer, Ven. Dhammapani cared for him for two years until his passing. This experience strengthened her inclination for the spiritual path. Before coming to Songdhammakalyani for the temporary ordination, she spent one year in a Mahayana Buddhist organisation that taught healing through natural means. This is how she learned the age-old technique of drawing healing energy from trees. She adds new energy to the bhikkhuni sangha at the temple.