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# A Study on the Construction of Family Ethic Culture *Epic of Buluotuo* in Zhuang Nationality

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Abstract—In the Epic of Buluotuo in Zhuang Nationality, The family ethic culture was formed by the religious belief in the sacred faith, hoping to cultivate the mortals in family, making the young adults carry out the social needs of the main role trough the positive influence of ancestral gods; giving women the role to protect marriage and happiness of the family; ensuring that the young care for the elderly and children; and hoping to build a family of ethical culture to ensure social harmony.

Keywords—the Epic of Buluotuo in Zhuang Nationality; family ethic culture; ensure social harmony

#### I. INTRODUCTION

The far-sighted tribes are generally good at culturing the sacred religion's meaning to regular people's behaviors. In the epic in Zhuang Nationality, people were put into the family to be constrained, with the wisdom of ancestors [1] Buluotuo faith, hoping to create hard working and solid people who care of young people and are willing to undertake responsibilities. These are practical problems to understand ideal social life needs and learn to resettle various people from the dimension of the Zhuang nationality's reality: the focus are to put young adults into the family to be brave to undertake responsibility, make women guarantees for sweet families and ensure that the elderly and children and other relatively vulnerable people happiness and well-being with the help of ethical culture to maintain the long-term endless development of the Zhuang nationality.

## II. THE FAMILY SHAPES YOUNG ADULTS INTO THE MAIN CHARACTERS THAT ARE WILLING TO UNDERTAKE

Young adults are the backbone of our society. It is just because of the importance of the young adults, so we must take efforts to make taking the responsibility a duty-bound mission to them and take Buluotuo ancestors to specify the specific direction of life, we also think that family ethics can cultivate the young adults to meet the needs of society.

First, hard-working is the root to keep a foothold.

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Compared to the supernatural powers of the gods, mortal show a great gap: such as limited life, physical weakness and endless diet and so on. So we need to recognize the limitations of people and make the greatest efforts to meet the conditions of survival in the world. As long as working hard, people can not only based on the real world, but also gain more satisfying life. It is exactly because that people are made of flesh and blood, so tiredness, fatigue and inexertion are showed in the inertia. The epic, on behalf of Buluotuo and Muliujia, educated the future generations that when they are young, only hardworking can give them daily necessities like meat and clothing, while if they are lady and don't work hard, they will be punished. As the two ancestral gods, Buoluotuo and Muliujia become the two roles in a family, which embodies how important and harmony family is. Young men and women make up families by marriage, so they have obligations for family life. Whether it is happy or not cannot be separated from working hard and thrifty, harmony and mutual assistance. From the young to the Middle-aged, people gradually cultivate abilities and qualities as the main role of society through family life.

Second, the wisdom and kindness are the basic for harmony. Living in the world, People need a variety of excellent qualities. Only kind people can feel the warmth of the community, which cannot be separated from the wisdom. Kindness without wisdom is likely to be mutiny stupid, and wisdom without kindness will become treacherous. Therefore, we should put kindness and wisdom together to cultivate truly friendly and popular people. As a long-term circulated scripture, the epic is absolutely not only concerned about the individuals, but also focuses on over-all. The reason why the family life is important is that the family must meet needs of all members. Just the daily life needs is enough for men to be busy with, if there are some natural disasters, it is common for people to suffer from hunger, so kindness is the guarantee for a better family life, and people with much wisdom can contribute to the community, giving the whole community a good human temperature, making everyone feel warm because humans' hearts are connected. The evils who break the friendly environment, are lack of kindness and wisdom, and they will be criticized and suppressed by the society.

Third, willing to share is the fundament for cooperation. The beauty of the family also lies in sharing the harvest fruits with each other. We have a kinship, so we are easy to care for



the weak. Family ethics will shape people with excellent qualities beyond the kinship, so we are willing to care for people without relationships to us, which is reflected in kindness and wisdom. That is, we are willing to help everyone even dedicate ourselves selflessly. Family life makes each member realize the importance of love and help, so they will reflect their own care to the outside. Everyone does their best, and the whole society will cooperate together, and it is possible to build a harmony society. The epic takes ancestral family life as an example to build a family ethic culture, aiming at telling people the divine cannot be questioned, and each member, each family should be good at cooperation, even different ethnic groups must be friendly and united, because we were originally a family.

# III. ANCESTRAL GODS SHAPE WOMEN INTO THE MAIN ROLE OF LOVE AND MARRIAGE IN FAMILY

In order to educate the descendants, the epic shapes two ancestral gods: the god Buluotuo and the goddess Muliujia, so the people will turn to Buluotuo and Muliujia when in trouble. Why the status of Muliujia is so high? As far as the author concerned, it is the embodiment of the wisdom in Zhuang nationality because it finds the indispensable value of women in real life.

#### A. The Importance of Mother in a Family

It is said that Muliujia has a very creative ability in the myth, even though, she still has her own children and become the mother of the family. According to the wishes of future generations, she is also the ancestor mother of the whole group. This role is very legendary, and the story has a variety of versions, but seeing from the logical relationship, Muliujia and Buluotuo combine the initial family, giving the birth of the future generations mythological color. More importantly, it shows the importance of family indirectly because Muliujia is worshiped by people, which virtually has a chain reaction on the world's mothers and the mother in the family is indeed important. She plays a key role especially in the reproduction of life and continuing the blood relationship, so future generations regard Muliujia as a fertile god, thinking that she has a direct effect on childbearing, while the mother is also important for support and teaching of children. It can be said that the importance of mother is immeasurable seeing from the height of life.

#### B. The Importance of Wife in Marriage

Marriage is the same as family. A woman marries a man to make a real marriage then the woman becomes the wife in family, in addition to having children, she also bears the trivia of daily life, meet the daily necessities of life and other affairs of every member. These seem simple and trivial, in fact, everything is very important. Because the wife is hard-working wise and kind, the family will be happy and warm, making the original blood relatives more and more harmonious, and turn the love into their actions. This is the positive influence of wife on her husband. She can stimulate the husband as soon as possible to be popular and respected. This kind of beauty of men and women will let the world understand the importance

of wife. If we want a happy and harmonious family, wife is very important for marriage.

### C. The Importance of Girl in Love

Since the family is important, it is necessary to try to arrange marriage for men and women, so we need to guide people to recognize the importance of young women. There are singing parties in Zhuang nationality. "One of the most striking features of the Buluotuo culture is the folk songs." [2] People hold celebrations singing activities on holidays, men and women singing in antiphonal style has become an iconic form of entertainment. Singing is not only a test for a person's singing and respond ability, but to take this scene to find lovers. The girls are generally dressed, beautifully and dignifiedly, showing the beauty of the young girls, and then the integrated beauty and knowledge and skills of daily life are showed by the song. The beauty of song and person makes women easy to be loved by men and the love will generally inspire their inner good feelings, so the girl's character is very important and affects husband and family. The girl should be aware of her importance, and explore their good qualities to lay a solid foundation for the marriage.

# IV. CARING FOR THE ELDERLY AND CHILDREN TO ENSURE SOCIAL HARMONY

Family is the main channel for cultivating human beauty. The kinship lays the basis of care and help between family members, especially parents who are willing to sacrifice to children. However, everyone must die at the end, the epic requires family members are sure to take care of the elderly and children through the family ethics culture to ensure that the whole family enjoy a real happiness.

First, it focuses on the beauty of the family and society. As mentioned above, "epic" pays very much attention to families. It says that what kind of person the family shape, what kind of society there will be. so the beauty of the family and the beauty of society are two sides one of one integrity, that is, if family is harmony, each member of the family will be shaped hardworking and diligent, kind and wise. And the members will show their good qualities out of the family, and vice versa. Because of the blood relationship, family is very easy to stimulate the most beautiful side of human nature, while society is not their own home after all, especially for those vulnerable groups who lost the care of their families. People without blood relationship should take care of those who suffer from special accidents, especially the elderly who ran out of the whole life to struggle and children who need a lot of food and long years to grow up. Therefore, the family ethical culture hopes that people honor the elderly and care for children. If there is someone died in family such as young parents, because of the human kind nature, the whole community is still able to take care of their families like the elderly and children.

Second, the elderly enjoy the family happiness in his later years is the criterion to test the society. The elderly not only grow old in heart but also change in psychology. They cannot keep up with the ever-changing time. They cannot contribute to society so many young people think that the elderly are not



taken seriously is normal. There are a lot of disciplinary stories about the tragedy of the elderly abuse. Seeing from a practical point of view, people's life is limited and everyone will die. It is because people still have a good life in his later years, they will not be afraid, but wait the coming of the day optimistically. Family is happy and harmony, then people will not worry about anything but enjoy enough food and other items. Because of human good nature, they are welcomed and their children grow up will be happy in marriage naturally and enjoy the family happiness. It can be said that the family ethics culture takes every member in to consideration and makes the social responsibility clearly.

Third, the healthy growth of children ensures endless development of the society. Children are ties to maintain the family and marriage. More importantly, children are the reserve force for the developing society. The "epic" depicts the legend of ancestral god gave birth to her descendents and raised them, aiming to inform the descendants the importance of life reproduction. The relationships of social family members will transfer the parents' selfless dedication, but the ideal persons not only grow up with abundant food because in addition to physical maturity, there is psychological maturity. They should also have the knowledge and skills as well as good characters to serve for the community. Therefore, besides trying to provide the children with variety of food and wears, we also should focus on the healthy growth of children to be useful people for the community, seize the growth opportunities to cultivate their ability to adapt to life and dedication to society. So people should have serving capacity, communication skills, and dedication spirits. By parents' support and social care, every child becomes a useful person to continue the sustainable development of society.

### V. CONCLUSION

"Mo scriptures" of Zhuang actively builds the family theory culture to guide the young men and women to take on the heavy responsibilities of family through the blood affection based on the positive influence of the God buluotuo. They should take care of the elders as well as young children, and pursue a better life relying on the joint efforts of the whole family. In order to obtain more living resources, it is necessary to open up the space for the family's survival, which will extend the love to family outside the family. The purpose is to maintain the trust between people thus creating warmth of the whole society, to make the real world of life full of love and to ensure that everyone enjoys a harmonious and orderly society based on maintaining the happiness of family.

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