

FOCUS

For the Week of 22nd November 2009



At the 45th Anniversary celebrations, many sent in congratulatory messages to the church. Most of these mentioned the long service that Nat and I have put into the work, some even saying that it was a sacrifice on our part.

Looking back over four decades, we never once regarded our ministry as a sacrifice of any kind. For Nat and I, it was a privilege to serve and we thank God, over and over again that He has placed us at this point of history here with this congregation to devote ourselves to kingdom work.

Sure, full-time ministry is not easy and not everyone is suited for church work. If we were to take everything into consideration, we would never have ventured into it. But we were moved by a passionate calling. In our minds, it is not only an important and needed work, but also the best job in the world.

Then we think of the many people serving with us at PP who likewise counted their service as much of a privilege as we do. Here are some of these unsung heroes and heroines.

Back to the recent Anniversary grand dinner, Peter Soh observed that there were many serving, mingling around and creating a great atmosphere, and probably did not have time to eat very much. Some of these came as early as 5pm so that when we arrived, all things would be in place. Yet everyone of them paid the full price of the dinner, like you and I.

The church camp is another great example. A team of over 50 volunteers work hard and long to ensure that everything flows smoothly. Some of these organizers have to make a few trips to the camp site to get things ready, and then an extra day earlier before the camp. Still, everyone of them pays the same camp fees as any camper.

I can go on and on. Missions trips, bringing food for fellowship, hosting committee meetings and Care teams, providing hospitality to overseas guests... Members at PP rise to the occasion, not because they see it as a duty or a sacrifice. They do it with great joy because they are glad to be counted worthy to sacrifice and suffer for the Lord, like the early apostles in Acts 5:41.

PP FAMILY NEWS



Right: PP is happy to present sister Phyllis Ng to the congregation this morning as she is placing her membership at PP. Phyllis is a long-time Christian who lives in JB but has made it her habit to travel to Singapore for worship. Visiting members who wish to place membership at PP may see our staff for a membership form. Our minister will personally take you through a one-on-one session before presenting you to the congregation.

Brother Kelvin Koo will exhort the congregation at our morning assemblies today. Come back at 6pm to hear **brother Daniel Ong** speaks at the evening assembly on the subject of 'Reflections'.

Please update and initialise on your directory particulars at the lobby before you leave. We appreciate so much the professional effort brother Douglas and his efficient assistant, Grace who has helped us update our photographs for the past two weeks. DEacon Paul will take over the last 2 photograph update sessions - today and next week.

Join us this Wednesday at 10am for SIBI's Open Bible Study on the book of Ephesians by brother Charles Cook.

SPC's final series - Transforming into Jesus' Living Church will be held at the SIBI hall from this week onwards. **Bring your whole family this Wednesday at 7:30pm for lesson 4 - 'Loving in the Living Church'**.

"Finishing Well" – Workshop for Teachers & Facilitators, 12 -5pm (Lunch provided). **Junior Bible Class Dinner & Briefing**, 6-9pm (Dinner provided) Both on Friday, 27 November at Block 4 Pandan Valley Lounge, Pandan Valley Condominium.



One of the most important reasons that young people choose a church or remain faithful in the Lord is because they have friends that they enjoy being with. Parents, we promise you that your children (Primary 6 and above) will get to know more of their peers in a close and personal way, after the camp with Bible and team building sessions. Over 50 have already signed up. Date: 28th-31st December. Camp fees: S\$70. Sign up with Olivia, Li Jun or Angelin.

Worship Service	Today (22 November)	Next Week
8am Scripture Text:	Psalm 119:41-48	Psalm 119:57-64
11am Call to Worship: SR/OP: S. Leader: Communion: Preacher: Shepherd's Prayer:	Elder Beng Chuan Ryan Lim Johnsten Wee Deacon Swee Aun Kelvin Koo Elder Winston Chong	Henry Kong Lee Yoke Choi Deacon Paul Lim Irvin Wan Lim Cher Yam Elder Simon Goh
Ushers Balcony	Richard Leow HI Team	Nehemiah Tan HI Team
6pm Call to Worship Scripture Text: SR/Prayer: S. Leader: Communion: Preacher: Closing Prayer:	Elder Beng Chuan Psalm 119:49-56 Youth Emphasis Youth Emphasis Youth Emphasis Daniel Ong Elder Winston Chong	Henry Kong Psalm 119:65-72 Charles Cook Kenneth Leow Ban Haw Leong Elder William Wong Elder Simon Goh

CALENDAR of events

Sunday, 22nd November 2009

- 7:30am Shuttle Bus Service
- 8:00am First Morning Worship
Speaker: Kelvin Koo
- 9:30am Bible Classes for all ages
- 11am Second Morning Worship
- 1:15pm Shuttle Bus Service ends
- 6pm Evening Worship
Speaker: Daniel Ong

Wednesday, 25th November 2009

- 10am SIBI Open Bible Study
the book of Ephesians
by brother Charles Cook
- 7:30pm Final SPC series on "Transforming into Jesus' Living Church". Lesson 4 on Loving in the Living Church. Please meet at the SIBI lecture hall

SIBI Internship Jan 2010

Join Ben Walker & Natalie
At the Kota Rainforest
Resort
Sign up with
elder Tan Beng Chuan



FAMILY CONCERNS

Please pray for:

Michael Mariaraja's father and health - Molly Ponnusamy
 PP church members. My skin rashes. My family. Kumar's and Immanuel's family - David Dass
 My family in India. PP church missions work. Kumar's safe return to India - Immanuel
 God's comforting hand to be with Adelma for the recent loss of her son. Audrey's friend, Cherlynn attending her Care team. The Youth Camp in December. God bless this programme - Julie Wee
 Michael's father who is hospitalised in Malaysia. The Mariaraja family in Malaysia visiting his father - Rani
 My mother that she is well and healthy - Maribel
 God's strength and comfort for Adelma as she mourns the loss of her son, Marlon - deacon Li Chhoan, Henry and Nat

Thank God for:

Brother Lee Hock's sermon - Audrey Pang, Linda Kho, Josephine Seow
 Brother Mac's sermon - Henry Kong, Patrick Ong
 Protection throughout our Europe trip - Linda Kho
 His protection and provision - Lilian Kok
 A successful eye surgery and thanks to all for praying - deacon Li Chhoan
 Helping my employer to get well - Milagros Aquino

We welcome back sisters Belinda and Caroline who have spent 15 days working with students at Wangsa Maju, Malaysia. Members who would like to help out with Friendspeak at Wangsa Maju, Malaysia should get in touch with elder Beng Chuan.

FACTS & FIGURES		<i>Gifts of Love</i>		Receipt No.	Donor	Amount
8am Worship	135			3RsF 1320	Anonymous	\$300
11am Worship	197			3RsF 1321	Anonymous	\$50
6pm Worship	34			3RsF 1322	Chew Chong Lins	\$1000
Total:	366			3RsF 1323	Chinese Cong.	\$700
Morning Giving	\$8,752			MF 1052	Anonymous	\$1000
Evening Giving	\$1,034			MF 1053	Anonymous	\$1000
Total Contribution	\$9,786			MF 1054	Anonymous	\$50

“Finishing Well” – Workshop for Teachers & Facilitators



Date: Friday, 27 Nov '09
Time: 12 -5pm (Lunch provided)
Venue: Block 4 Pandan Valley Lounge,
Pandan Valley Apt

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Junior Bible Class Dinner & Briefing

Date: Friday, 27 Nov '09
Time: 6-9pm (Dinner provided)
Place: Block 4, Pandan Valley Lounge,
Pandan Valley Apt