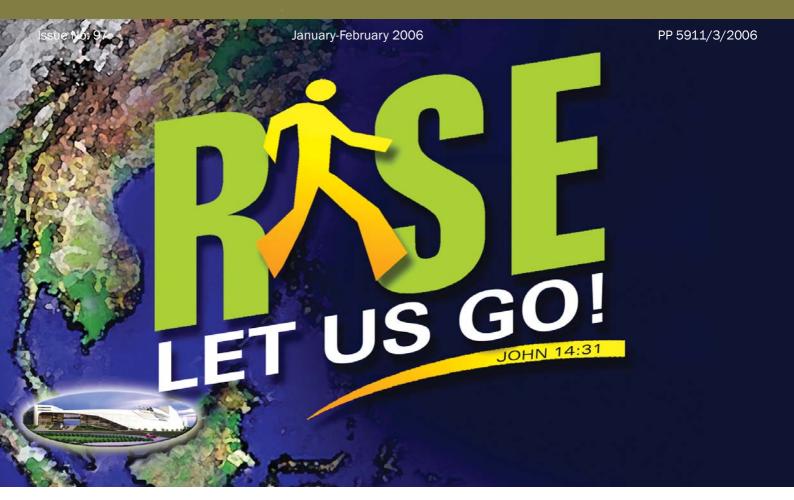
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Love one another

By Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam

"Again, a new commandment I write to you, which thing is true in Him and in you, because the darkness is passing away, and the true light is already shining. He who says he is in the light, and hates his brother, is in darkness until now. He who loves his brother abides in the light, and there is no cause for stumbling in him. But he who hates his brother is in darkness and walks in darkness, and does not know where he is going, because the darkness has blinded his eyes" (1 John 2:8-11).

John's challenge to the Church is "Live or walk in the light" as God is in the light. "But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin" (1 John 1:7).

John also tells how we can know that we are walking in the light. The first evidence is that we keep God's commandments. "Now by this we know that we know Him, if we keep His commandments" (1 John 2:3). God's commandments do not rob us of the joy and fun of living nor do they make us do things that we do not want to. The laws of God are not constraints, they position us for

blessings. Obedience of God's laws will prosper us and cause us to enjoy life to its fullest.

When we keep God's commandments, we enjoy a good relationship with Him. A good parallel is the parent-child relationship. When children obey their parents, they have wonderful relationships with their parents. This is also true with husbandwife relationships. When spouses do

what is right, understand, please and edify each other, their relationships are strong and healthy.

The second evidence that we are walking in the light, is that we love one another. "For this is the message that you heard from the beginning, that we should love one another" (1 John 3:11). John suggests that there can be hate among the family of God. This is

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Prince Guneratnam Senior/Executive Pastor

Petrina Guneratnam

Introducing the 2006 Heads and Staff of Departments/Ministries

Senior Pastors' Office





Yong Pui Ling Confidential Secretary/Personal Assistant to Senior Pastor Alice Lee Personal Assistant to Senior Associate Pastor

Departments

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Associate Pastor Timothy Ong

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Christopher Ling Creative Arts Coordinator Hazel Yeo Ministerial Staff Angela Aw Administrative Secretary

Education (School of Christian Growth)





From left to right

Associate Pastor Steven Kum

Ho Swee Mei Administrative Secretary

Church Administration



















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Senior/ Executive Pastor Prince Guneratnam

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From left to right

Josephine Tay Finance Administrator

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Rita Ho Accounts Assistant

Church/Extended Ministries

Asian Institute of Ministries







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Associate Pastor Steven Kum President

Ho Swee Mei Registrar/Coordinator

Dolly Chye Missions Outreach Director/Librarian

Calvary Life Ministries







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Chin Yoke Yee Finance & Administrative Manager Jeannie Low Senior Office Assistant

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Calvary Prayer Tower



Assistant Pastor Karen Seah Coordinator

Calvary Book Corner



Elaine Cheong

Calvary Education Resource Centre









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Katherine Lee *President* Adeline Cheong *Facilitator*

Chon Yen Li Facilitator

Language Ministries











From left to right

Assistant Pastor David Seah Bahasa Malaysia

Chua Ken Tee Chinese Language Coordinator

Belinda Ho Chinese (Cheras)

Lim Chune Sin Chinese (Ampang)

Kay Lim Filipino

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Calvary Convention Secretariat





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Calvary Evangelistic Fellowship (Lunch-Hour)





Associate Pastor Richard Yun Evelyn Chan Administrative Secretary

Calvary Social Ministries

Calvaryland









Pastor Yow Kit Yen Yeo Wee Nee Ministerial Staff Rainbow Centre

Calvary Sunshine Home











Chew Siew Keng Home Supervisor Grace Tee Lian Nurse Wendy Foo Care Staff Catherine Chew Care Staff Iruthayamary a/p Adaikalasamy Care Staff



Calvary Social Ministry

Calvarites donate life-giving blood By Pastor Yow Kit Yen

Did you know that one hour of your time and one pint of your blood can save three lives?

Donating blood is not only a privilege but it is also good for health as it helps to reduce the risk of strokes and heart attacks. On Saturday, 29 October 2005, from 12.30 to 4.30 pm, a steady stream of Calvarites exercised their



privilege to be a blessing to the community. Of the 86 who turned up, only 62 were able to

donate their

Registering Testing the blood type



Relaxing while giving the blood

blood. People with either high or low blood pressure, who are on medication, suffering from migraine and even those who lack sleep cannot donate blood. Those who recently underwent operations and the underaged also fall in this category.



The blood that was donated that day went to the National Blood Bank where hospitals in Malaysia can go to request blood when there is a need. **Royal Rangers**

Rangers camp out

Discovery Rangers By Jason Tan

From 18 to 19 November 2005, 40 Discovery Rangers, aged 9 to 11, together with

12 leaders went on an overnight campout at Sungai

Chongkak, Ulu Langat, Selangor.

The Rangers were taught various camping skills before spending the night in tents. The next morning, after devotion and parade, the Rangers went on a challenging river hike up Sungai Chongkak. Everyone had a great time experiencing God's creation and learning about the outdoors. 🛝



Adventure Rangers



By Eddy Law

From 23 to 25 November 2005, the **Adventure Rangers** went on a three days, two nights campout in Ulu Yam, Selangor, to complete their advancements and merit badges. Camping beside the river, the theme of the camp, "River of God", was emphasised at every devotion and the Council of Fire. The Rangers had the opportunity to put into practice the various skills they had learnt throughout the year including cooking over a campfire and using camp tools. The many experiences at the camp will not only become fond memories but have built them in their character and walk with the Lord. /





Sumptuous food at the Thanksgving Fellowship

The intercessors praying for Senior Associate Pastor Petrina and Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam (seated)

Exhorted to pray! By Assistant Pastor Karen Seah

"What we are called to do is bigger than us... and if God is in it, then we need to PRAY." For the 74 who attended the Intercessors' Thanksgiving Fellowship on 26 November 2005, Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam's exhortation was a timely reminder of the pivotal role of prayer in bringing to fulfilment God's plans and purposes for Calvary Church.

Senior Pastor expressed his appreciation of the intercessors and encouraged them to continue to give themselves fully to the ministry of prayer. Citing the account of Peter's miraculous escape from prison in Acts 12:1-19, he reinforced the truth that 'prayer has power to open doors that are closed'. Senior Associate Pastor Petrina

Guneratnam shared how God opened unexpected doors of ministry for her in Panama this year through the prayers of the Church.

A video clip of the different prophecies given to Calvary Church by internationally respected ministers was also shown. This was followed by a challenge to make a commitment to

pray for Calvary Convention Centre (CCC) by Jeannie Friis, the CCC Prayer Committee Chairperson. The response by the intercessors was greatly encouraging. A beautiful, eye-catching bookmark was given to all as a reminder to pray without ceasing for the fulfilment of CCC.

Prayer Emphasis Week

Pray and believe...

Over three nights, from 30 November to 2 December 2005, more than 1,500 adults and children attended the prayer meetings organised along the theme, "Pray and Believe".

The Calvarites who attended the meetings gave thanks to God in praise and worship before bringing their petitions before

...for breakthroughs

The Creative Arts team presenting monologues identifying the bondages and impossibilities faced in our daily lives



Praying for the blessings of God upon each other

...for fruitfulness

From left: Testimonies of fruitfulness in the family by Vivian and in time of illness by Ong Lai See



Praying for the Ministries of the Church



Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam leading the congregation in prayer for the athletes and coaches

Calvarites pray for SEA Games athletes

By Assistant Pastor David Seah

On Friday, 18 November 2005, 18 believers from the Malaysian 23rd SEA Games contingent joined us for worship and prayer at our Prayer meeting.

They were accompanied by Frederick Tan who regularly worships at our Ampang Satellite Church. He is one of the National Sports Council (NSC) sports psychologists.

The sports categories represented by this group of athletes included archery, bowling, shooting, swimming, rhythmic gymnastics, karate and snooker. The team was warmly welcomed by our congregation. Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam led the congregation in prayer for the health, safety and success of the athletes and that they would be a powerful Christian testimony during the Games.

The team was encouraged spiritually and it was an experience

which they would carry with them into the sports arena.

For the Calvarites, it was a joy and privilege to be able to pray for our national athletes and in this small but significant way, be a part of Malaysia's campaign at the 23rd SEA Games in Manila, the Philippines.

"Therefore I tell you, whatsoever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours" Mark 11:24

the Lord. While we can pray alone, there is a great difference when the people of God gather together in unity to pray. The Church holds regular prayer meetings every Friday at 8.15pm at Damansara Heights after the School of Christian Growth classes which begin at 7pm. You can also attend the Morning Watch every Wednesday at 7am at the same venue.

...for God's best

From left: The Adult and Children's Choir singing, "Pray For me"; Senior Associate Pastor Petrina and Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam praying for families



Ho; at the office by Tracy Chan; in evangelism by Gan Chew



Praying for healing





Praying for our Church to fulfil God's calling to be a fountain-head church

Life Groups grow and multiply!



New Assistant LG Leaders

Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam addressing the

Two new LGs listening intently to Senior Pastor

On 30 October 2005 at the 10.30 am Service in Damansara Heights, eleven individuals were installed as Assistant Leaders.

Senior Pastor remarked that he was pleased to see these making a commitment to the Lord to serve Him in the Life Group (LG) Ministry. He further reminded the congregation of the important role of the LG in the spiritual development of a Calvarite.

Two new LGs were also installed. Before Senior Pastor prayed, he challenged the congregation to take hold of the opportunity to be LG Hosts. As the Church continues to grow, more hosts and leaders are needed in order that more LGs can be established. To date, there are 147 LGs in the Klang Valley that can be a blessing to you and your family. 🔥

If you desire to belong to a LG, please call the Pastoral Care Department at 7728 6000 ext 307.

Filipino Life Group Ministry

Filipino LGs give thanks By Kay Lim

Sunday, 27 November 2005, was a day of celebration and thanksgiving to God for His faithfulness and goodness for 90 Filipino LG members and their friends at our Ampang Satellite Church.

The message shared by Associate Pastor Richard Yun that morning, "Putting God First", made us search our hearts. How true it is that we can only live victoriously when we put God first in our lives. We were blessed by the 29-





The recipients of awards with the Pastors and Kay Lim

member Filipino Choir that rendered two songs composed by one of our LG members, Roseiyn Acosta, entitled "Siya'y si Hesus" (He is Jesus) and "Salamat Hesus Salamat" (Thank you Jesus Thank you).

Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam presented the recognition awards to 11 Filipinas who completed the ICI Courses and six for the

"My Faith" Course. He praised those who diligently studied the Word of God and encouraged the members to take up such courses that are available for them which will enhance their spiritual walk so that they can be 'salt and light' wherever they are. He reminded us that we were saved for a purpose-to share Jesus and be a blessing to others.



The Filipino Choir

The meeting progressed with testimonies from four LG members: Rose Baguiro, Sonia Tham, Analou Abachen and Roselyn Acosta. They testified how God has been their strength during their trials and struggles, reminding us to never give up but trust Him. A group of five ladies gave their testimony through a song called, "Isang Patotoo" (A Testimony).

The programme ended with four children and eight adults giving a dance presentation to the song "Let the Children Dance", that gave glory to God because without Him we can do nothing.





The dance presentation (above)

Senior Associate Pastor Petrina Guneratnam, who brought the Filipino Ministry to fruition in 1990, encouraged the LG Leaders, Kay Lim, Maria Lourdes and Chin Sok Mei to carry on the good work in the Filipino LGs. The Filipino Ministry is very thankful to Senior Pastor. Pastor Petrina, our spiritual parents, and all the Pastors for their love and prayer support towards the Ministry.

Associate Pastor Peter Ong prayed for us at the end of the meeting and we adjourned to a sumptuous buffet lunch at a coffee house in a nearby hotel. /

Calvary Life Ministries (CLM)

Gay yet unhappy

A true story of an ex-gay man-Edmund Smith

By Susan Chow

The speaker Edmund Smith, a performing artiste and founder of Real Love Ministry ("RLM") gave a seminar "When Passions Are Confused (Understanding Homosexuality)" on 12 and 19 November 2005, at Pusat Aktiviti Calvary, Damansara Perdana. A total of 47 people came for this two-day seminar.

He shared that homosexuals may seem to be "enjoying" life but there is no real joy in their lives. Gay yet unhappy. Having spent 11 years of his life living a homosexual lifestyle he can rejection of his/her own gender and feeling inadequate in the presence of other "straight" man/woman. Edmund spoke of his own experience as a fourth son (his parents already had three sons



Edmund Smith speaking to the seminar particpants

testify to the difficulty, hostility and trauma one goes through being homosexual, and is now reaching out to the gay community telling them that change is possible and that no one should feel they do not have a choice about their sexual preferences.

He shared that there could be many influences that can lead someone to a homosexual lifestyle but only three specific trigger issues which predisposes a person to have a homosexual orientation. Having resolved these three issues in his own life, he firmly believes that gays can change and no one is born gay or lesbian.

The first trigger is the issue of "SELF". A SELF issue is rejecting/hating/feeling inferior about one's gender or looks. Not all homosexuals struggle with a SELF issue towards their gender or looks. A person with a SELF issue towards his/her gender would often have gender confusion, a

and were longing for a girl) and the bitter disappointment the parents felt when he was born a boy. His father rejected him and his mother dressed him and treated him as a girl for the first six years of his life. He grew up rejecting his male identity and feeling more like a girl.

"Parents have a responsibility to affirm their children in the gender and not make their children feel inadequate as a boy or a girl, like telling their daughters they are not pretty or calling their sons sissy," said Edmund Smith. It is common for those with a severe SELF issue towards their gender to feel as though they are trapped in the wrong gender body. Many of such cases end up becoming transgender (transsexual/transvestite) if they do not receive help.

The second trigger is the "VACUUM" issue. This is the result of the lack of the love of the same gender parent, for instance a boy who is rejected by his father or a girl who is

rejected by her mother resulting in an overwhelming need to be loved and to love people of the same gender. Everyone needs the "V" love (A mother's love flows down one side and a father's love flows down the other. A child needs both parents' love). A person with a VACUUM issue is constantly preoccupied with getting his/her VACUUM filled. He/she will invest most of his/her time to make that happen thus leaving very little or no time to invest on the opposite gender.

The third trigger is the "BARRIER" issue. It is an emotional and mental hindrance in a person that disallows him/her to build deep relationships with people of the opposite gender particularly in the area of romance and sex. One can develop this issue at any age. BARRIER issues can be a result of being abused, raped or having recurrent negative experiences with members of the opposite gender and thus they no longer seem safe to you. Some people may even go so far as seeing members of the opposite gender as "monsters" and thus it becomes impossible to become close or romantic with them.

Breaking up with his third and last lover when he was 24, Edmund finally decided that he was tired of the pain and betrayal so common in the homosexual lifestyle. He sought help to deal with all three issues in his life and broke free from homosexuality. Today, Edmund's dream of an enjoyable life has come true. God's grace in seeing him through the recovery process and then blessing him with his wife and now two children, is a gift he is eternally grateful to God for. He is a living testimony that homosexuality is not a fixed condition. You can get help and recovery and healing is a reality not just for him but for many others who have also walked the same path. 1

Celebrate JESUS' Birth

exuberant and

Creative Arts

lively children of

Team, gave us a

angels before the

glimpse of the excitement

among the

KidsCAT, our Kids

Christmas fell on a Sunday in 2005 and over 5,000 people comprising the Calvary family, their relatives and friends, gathered together at Putra Stadium, Bukit Jalil, at 10am, to worship the Lord Jesus Christ and to celebrate His birth.



announcement to the shepherds, of the

great event that would change the destiny

of the world-the birth of Jesus Christ, the

Saviour of mankind. The 104 children

must commend the parents and the

teachers for the important part they

played to make this presentation

possible. In fact, the different

aged six to 14 years diligently practised

for this presentation since October. In a

production involving so many children, we

Departments and Ministries of the Church

all worked together with the Music and

Creative Arts Department to ensure that





beautiful Service that morning! Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam, Christmas message, said

that the heart of the celebration is found in Acts 4:12, "Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved." Jesus Himself said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me" (John 14:6).

Indeed, we have reason to celebrate because God has given Jesus to us, to save us. His salvation restores our relationship with God which was broken by our disobedience and also restores our position with





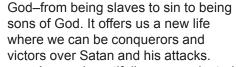












As was beautifully communicated by the KidsCAT kids and reinforced by Senior Pastor's message, let us be on the alert, ever ready to share this Good News to everyone as God leads us!

















The Angel Academy Rehearsal Hall is a hive of activity as the angels are preparing for the birth of Jesus Christ. Archangel Gabriel gives instructions and Archangel Michael keeps every angel on the alert for the moment that they must announce the birth of the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ!

Photographs by Onny Maathai and Audrey Kum





Above: The Orchestra; Below: The Youth Ensembles singing "When Love Came Down"







Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam praying for those who responded to the altar call

Celebrate JESUS' Birth Continued from page eleven Breakfast is served!



Breakfast was served from 8 to 9.15am by volunteers from the Life Groups, to all who came for the **Christmas Worship Service at Putra** Stadium.

It was a great time to fellowship with Calvarites from the various worship locations and with family and friends. /



Photographs by Onny Maathai, Audrey Kum and Michael Chang

Christmas Party



Children watching the KidsCAT presentation of "Celebrate JESUS' Birth together with the adults

Over 700 children aged three to 12 years, joined their parents to worship the Lord Jesus Christ on His birthday, at the Putra Stadium at Bukit Jalil, on 25 December 2005.

After enjoying the special KidsCAT presentation, they adjourned to their own programmes. The younger kids watched a puppet show and the older ones heard the Word that was preached by Associate Pastor Richard Yun. All the children were given glow sticks and wrist bands and new visitors received special gift packs. 🧥







The younger children enjoyed singing songs and watching a puppet show







The older children also sang before they listened to the Word shared by Associate Pastor Richard Yun. Praise God, 25 children responded for slavation and rededication!

The Hospitality Team meet up

By Lee Beng Soon

On 29 October 2005, about 100 men and ladies comprising ushers, usherettes and Visitor's Lounge greeters. gathered at the Calvary **Refreshment Centre for** the Hospitality Fellowship. It was an opportunity for them to get together to fellowship with one

another and with the Pastors.

The programme started with an introduction by Assistant Pastor Raymond Yong who welcomed everyone. He spoke briefly about the guidance and influence of Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam in the Hospitality Ministry. Senior Pastor was then welcomed to share an exhortation. He spoke about the importance of the ushers and Visitor's Lounge greeters in welcoming worshippers to Church. They are also a great help to the Pastors, working as a team to ensure that the Services run smoothly. In conclusion, Senior Pastor appreciated them serving in the Hospitality Ministry. In turn, the Hospitality Ministry appreciated Senior Pastor and Senior Associate Pastor Petrina Guneratnam by presenting them a fruit basket.

A sumptuous tea refreshment was served. Everyone took this opportunity



Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam receiving the fruit basket from Head Usher, Elsie Kang



to catch up with those they had not met for some time and to introduce themselves to new ones.

They then adjourned to the Education Block where Daniel Loke led in a time of singing and worship. A video entitled, "Who Moved My Cheese?" which was shown next, served to remind the viewers to be alert to changes in their lives and ministry.

At the conclusion of the video, Associate Pastor Peter Ong shared a devotional thought on how we need to

be bold in our ministry and that boldness comes from the Holy Spirit.

Time was given for prayer for greater commitment to serve the Lord. Pastor Raymond, in closing, shared the vision of Calvary Convention Centre and the excitement and challenge of ministering to a congregation of 5,000 people in the Ushering and Visitor's Lounge Ministry.

All in all, it was a rewarding and encouraging time spent together. Λ

Water Baptism

Fourteen baptised in water!



Left to Right

Ong Chang Wai, Sylvia Ong Kah Yan, Jeff Tan Yi Jieh, Chin Jeck Leng, Ruth T. Fontamillas, Jeffrey Yap Thiam Leong, Asher Park Zhee Huan

Dennis Ong Thin Keong, Janice Chua Yoke Sing, Brenda Neoh Lay Lek, Joyce Chan Hwee Choo, Annie Ang Kwei Hong, Jasdeep Singh Katari

Not in picture: Lilani Ronguillo

Women's Ministries

Women join hearts and hands

Women's year-end activity



Lovely flowers on sale







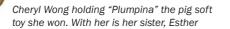


Not only were children attracted to the soft toys. Deacon Lawrence Mak tried to get the dog for his





Assistant Pastor Shereen Wong (centre) with Au Yeap Heng (right) who correctly guessed the weight of the first cake (right)!





By Assistant Pastor Shereen Wong

Instead of ending the year 2005 with the usual fellowship meeting, the women organised an activity to provide opportunity for involvement for service-a mini bazaar with the theme "Joining Hearts and Hands". This was held on two Sundays, 27 November and 4 December 2005, at Damansara Heights.

The aim of the bazaar was to enlarge the circle of involvement in the building of the Calvary Convention Centre and to promote bonding of hearts and hands to serve.

An excellent variety of deliciously cooked food and desserts were sold. There was also a sale of "seconds" (recycled gifts and clothes), a mini auction and naming of big cuddly soft toys and the guessing of the weight of two cakes.

The event was tremendously successful and the support by the congregation was overwhelming. 🔥





Calvary Convention Centre (CCC)

By Audrey Kum



The members standing to say, "We will proceed in the building and are believing and trusting God to help us through"

At the Extraordinary General Meeting held on Friday, 28 October 2005, the Church members came together to hear the plans that have been worked on thus far regarding the Calvary Convention Centre, what it would cost us and to decide whether we wanted to stand and believe God to help us achieve what was set before us.

After the time of worship, Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam shared the background events that led to where we were at that point. After the presentation by our architects and their associates and the time for questions and answers, Senior Pastor gave us the opportunity to indicate our support to go ahead with the building of the Convention Centre by standing. All over the sanctuary, an overwhelming majority of the members stood up showing their desire to trust and believe God to help us through with the building project. The meeting concluded with prayer. 🧥

Sunday Services

Damansara Heights (DH)

8am •10.30am

Communion

Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam

8

Rev. Dr Robert Lim

15

Rev. Dwain Jones

22

Rev. Bob Houlihan

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Associate Pastor Steven Kum

Ampang/(DH)

10.30am 5pm

Communion

Senior Pastor
Prince Guneratnam

Rev. Dr Robert Lim

Rev. Dwain Jones

Associate Pastor Richard Yun/ Rev. Bob Houlihan

Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam/ Associate Pastor Richard Yun

Cheras

9am

Communion

Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam

Rev. Dr Robert Lim

Rev. Dwain Jones

Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam

Associate Pastor Peter Ong

Damansara Perdana

10.30am

Communion

Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam

Rev. Dr Robert Lim

Rev. Dwain Jones

Senior Pastor
Prince Guneratnam

Associate Pastor Peter Ong

JANUARY

Communion

Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam

Associate Pastor Richard Yun

Associate Pastor Timothy Ong

Associate Pastor Peter Ong

Communion

Associate Pastor Timothy Ong/ Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam Associate Pastor

Steven Kum Water Baptism

Associate Pastor Peter Ong

Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam/ Associate Pastor Timothy Ong

Communion

Associate Pastor Richard Yun

Associate Pastor Timothy Ong

Senior Pastor
Prince Guneratnam

Associate Pastor Steven Kum

Communion

Associate Pastor Richard Yun

Associate Pastor Timothy Ong

Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam

Associate Pastor Steven Kum

FEBRUARY

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encounter

Wednesday-Friday 11-13 JANUARY 2006 Damansara Heights 7.30pm

adults

Rise to a greater experience of God for an empowered lifestyle.

REV. DWAIN JONES has served as a pastor, missionary, national secretary for Light-for-the-Lost and director of Men's Ministries for the A/G USA. He is a tremendous communicator and speaks with conviction.

children

Exciting fun-filled activities for children to develop their walk with God, excellence in school and responsibility at home.





Saturday 14 JANUARY DH 3pm

youth

What happens after the "UNDIVIDED" youth camp? Put legs to commitments made.



Faith Promise Sunday | 15 January 2006 | Damansara Heights | 8am, 10.30am, 5pm | Cheras | 9am | Ampang | 10.30am | Damansara Perdana | 10.30am

January

Chinese Fellowship

Celebration Dinner

Date: 8 January 2006 Time: 7.30pm

Venue: Restoran Lee Wong Kee

Call Peng Peng at 03-7727 3948 ext. 323 for more information.

Christ's Ambassadors

Saturday

2.30pm

Theme: Impacting Our Generation

7 Winning

28

14 Youth Revival Encounter

Youth Celebration

21 Building & Equipping

Saturday

2.30pm

Theme: "Starting Right!"

College Students' Ministry

Right Focus-Developing a Personal Vision Statement (I)

14 Youth Revival Encounter

Right Focus – Developing a Personal Vision Statement (II)

28 Youth Celebration

Bahasa Malaysia Fellowship

Sunday

12.30pm

22 Speaker: Assistant Pastor David Seah Venue: Bethel Hall

Gone home to be with the Lord



Madam Lee Ah Chee, 82, the mother of Associate Pastor Timothy Ong, went home to be with the Lord on 16 December 2005.

Pastor Timothy and his family wish to express their thanks for the love and prayers for them during this time.

February

Chinese Fellowship

Sunday

5pm

26

Venue: Bethel Hall

Bring your Chinese-speaking family and friends. They will enjoy the warm fellowship and food. Call Peng Peng at 03-7727 3948 ext. 323 for more information.

Christ's Ambassadors

Saturday

2.30pm

Theme: Becoming Culture Changers

Why change the culture?

Penetrating your culture

Changing your cultureYouth Celebration

Saturday

2.30pm

College Students' Ministry

Theme: Aspects of Love

The Nature of Love

11 The Art of Loving

"In Love" or "In Lust"

Youth Celebration

Bahasa Malaysia Fellowship

Sunday

12.30pm

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Speaker: Assistant Pastor David Seah

Venue: Bethel Hall

WATER BAPTISM & MEMBERSHIP

Water Baptism/Membership Class

Saturday | **18 February 2006** | 2.00pm

Water Baptism Service

Sunday | **19 February 2006** | 5pm

Closing Date for submission of forms: Sunday | 22 January 2006

Congratulations BCM graduates!

We congratulate five of our Calvarites who participated in the 44th Graduation Exercise of the Bible College of Malaysia (BCM), on 29 November 2005! Diana Koh Swee Cheng and Elizabeth Yow Wai Yen received the Bachelor of Theology while Yee Yuet Hoh and Deborah Wee Lai Lee received the Diploma of Christian Studies. Elaine Cheong Kim Ping received the Certificate of Biblical Studies. May they aways be ready to serve the Lord!



Diana Koh

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possible because of our carnal nature and the work of Satan. The world is full of hate. You read about hate in the newspapers. The Bible says that it is because of hate that there are wars and there is wickedness. To hate is to live in darkness and to love is to live in the light. The Bible says that God is love. In Him, there is no darkness. If you profess to be a child of God, you cannot have hate in your heart. Hate must go because it destroys. Love creates. Hate brings enmity. Love brings peace. Hate robs you. Love

blesses you. Hate brings death. Love brings life. Where there is love, there is life, joy, peace, hope and creativity. Love causes you to walk in the light as He is in the light

Jesus taught His
disciples to love their
enemies. "But I say to you,
love your enemies, bless
those who curse you, do
good to those who hate you,
and pray for those who
spitefully use you and

persecute you, that you may be sons of your Father in heaven; for He makes His sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust. For if you love those who love you, what reward have you? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? And if you greet your brethren only, what do you do more than others? Do not even the tax collectors do so? Therefore you shall be perfect, just as your Father in heaven is perfect" (Matthew 5:44-48). If Jesus teaches us to love our enemies, how much more then should we love those in the family of God—those who sit in the same pew as us! How powerful the Church will be if God's children love one another!

The Father Himself does what He requires of us. He blesses both the just and the unjust with the sun and the rain. Therefore, even the ungodly can prosper and have success to a measure. In verse 46, Jesus tells us how the world loves—just like the tax collectors or sinners. They love those who love them but Jesus teaches us to do more. We are to love our enemies—those who hate and persecute us.

The apostle Paul gives us a wonderful principle to live by: "Owe no one anything except to love one

another, for he who loves another has fulfilled the law. For the commandments, 'You shall not commit adultery,' 'You shall not murder,' 'You shall not steal,' 'You shall not bear false witness,' 'You shall not covet,' and if there is any other commandment, are all summed up in this saying, namely, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' Love does no harm to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfillment of the law" (Romans 13:8-10). Owe no man anything except to



love one another. Love is powerful. It has a way of making you see the best in the other person and to help you forgive their wrongdoings against you. "And above all things have fervent love for one another, for 'love will cover a multitude of sins'" (1 Peter 4:8).

Hate, on the other hand, is a dreadful thing. Hate is a sign of the end-times and it is creeping into the Church. John says, "But he who hates his brother is in darkness and walks in darkness, and does not know where he is going, because the darkness has blinded his eyes" (1 John 2:11). John describes the man who hates as one who is blind, who walks in darkness and does not know where he is going.

Your eyesight may be good but when night comes and the light has gone, darkness invades your home and you cannot see. Darkness blinds people. That is why hate is darkness. Hate is not walking in the light. Hate leads you to a life of sin. It makes you do hideous things. Hate makes you walk in the flesh. Paul says, "Now the works of the flesh are evident, which are: adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lewdness, idolatry, sorcery, hatred, contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish

ambitions, dissensions, heresies, envy, murders, drunkenness, revelries, and the like; of which I tell you beforehand, just as I also told you in time past, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God" (Galatians 5:19-21).

Not everyone who professes to be a Christian walks in the light. If he hates his brother, he is blind and walks in darkness. He is a 'professor' and not a 'possessor' of the life of Christ. However, the professing

Christian who loves God and his brother abides in the light and walks in love. He does not stumble and is not a stumbling block to others. John says, "He who says he is in the light, and hates his brother, is in darkness until now. He who loves his brother abides in the light, and there is no cause for stumbling in him" (1 John 2:9-10). He is a testimony and proves his discipleship by his love. "By this all will

know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another" (John 13:35).

Eugene H. Peterson gives us a modern-day translation of Paul's description of the love displayed by one who walks in the light: "Love never gives up. Love cares more for others than for self. Love doesn't want what it doesn't have. Love doesn't strut, doesn't have a swelled head, doesn't force itself on others, isn't always 'me first,' doesn't fly off the handle, doesn't keep score of the sins of others, doesn't revel when others grovel, takes pleasure in the flowering of truth, puts up with anything, trusts God always, always looks for the best, never looks back, But keeps going to the end. Love never dies" (1 Corinthians 13:4-7, The Message). If you want to walk in the light and hate darkness, meditate on this portion of Scripture and ask God to teach you to love.

Let us arise and love one another and live in the light. Hate darkness. When you do this, the Church will greatly impact our city, our nation and the world for Jesus.

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The Calvary Staff wishes you

A Blessed 2006!

May we rise and serve the Lord together!





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