

# Glory Of God "The Garment of the Believer"

By Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam



"Therefore as the elect of God, holy and beloved, put on tender mercies, kindness, humility, meekness, long suffering, bearing with one another, forgiving one another, if anyone has a complaint against one another, even as Christ forgave you, so you also must do. But above all these things put on love, which is the bond of perfection" (Colossians 3:12-14).

The Bibles teaches that "... He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love" (Ephesians 1:4). You didn't choose God, He chose you according to His sovereign will. The purpose of being chosen is to be a testimony of God's love and transforming grace, to live a life approved of God. God chose you so that you will be "holy". To be "holy" is to be set apart. Jesus prayed to God His Father, for His disciples. "I do not pray that You should take them out of the world, but that You should keep them from the evil one. They are not of

the world, just as I am not of the world" (John 17:16-17). Though we are in the world, we are not of the world. Believers do not live a sinful lifestyle as worldly people do. Believers are chosen of God to live a life that is consecrated or set apart that marks them different by lifestyle. It is important for believers to recognise themselves as chosen of God, called to be a testimony for the glory of God.

Paul the apostle said, "as the elect of God, holy and beloved, put on ... " (Col 3:12). When Paul says to "put on", he means, to be clothed with godly virtues that characterise one who is a believer in Jesus Christ.

#### You Cannot Put On Without First **Putting Off**

It is important to note, you don't put on until you have put off. Nobody puts new clothes on top of old clothes. The Bible says, "Nor do they put new wine into old wineskins, or else the wineskins break, the wine is spilled, and the wineskins are ruined. But they put new wine into new wineskins, and both are preserved" (Matthew 9:17). The new wine speaks of the Holy Spirit.

No one can be filled with the Holy Spirit when he is still living a carnal and selfcentred lifestyle. The secret is to make sure you have taken off, by the grace of God, whatever does not please God before putting on godly virtues and be Christ-like.

Paul shares seven pieces of garment that believers are to be clothed that marks them chosen of God:

Mercy

Mercy is compassion and having a heart that is tender and sensitive to the Holy Spirit and those who are poor, hungry and others in distress. Isaiah 58, is on prayer and fasting, but it also describes what mercy is. "Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and that you bring to your house the poor who are cast out; when you see the naked, that you cover him, and not hide yourself from your own flesh?" (Isaiah 58:7). Believers are to be compassionate and reach out to those who weep and suffer. This is why the church ought to be engaged in social concerns, and missions, local and world missions.

We must also be led by the Holy Spirit. The Bible teaches, "For as many as are

led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God" (Romans 8:14).

Kindness or gentleness Kindness is being useful, helpful and considerate. The Bible teaches, "But love your enemies, do good, and lend, hoping for nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High. For He is kind to the unthankful and evil" (Luke 6:35). Anybody can do good to somebody who does you good. The believer who clothes himself with kindness and gentleness is a testimony of God's grace in his life. Paul also teaches believers to "Be kindly affectionate to one another with brotherly love, in honour, giving preference to one another" (Romans 12:10). Believers are to do good to all men, especially to the household of faith.

Humility
Humility is not being high minded, arrogant, proud and assertive.
Even those who are having high positions, authority, wealth, fame and more can have a spirit of humility and submission. The believer must practise humility with all people, irrespective of their background, status and wealth.

loves strife, and he who exalts his gate seeks destruction" (Proverbs 17:19). He, who exalts his gate means he who wants to glorify himself, take heed, for he who love transgressions and exalts his gates seeks destruction.

#### Meekness

Meekness is the ability to be in control and be disciplined.

- It has a humble state of mind, knowing how to submit to the will of God in all situations. The meek is willing to associate with the poor and those who have no status in society, a friend to all.
- It is not lacking strength nor ability. He does not compromise nor ignores the evil and wrong doings. He knows how to suffer wrong done to him. If he is wrong, he is able to stop and do what is right. If sin is committed, he knows how to repent and be an overcomer.
- It has self control. The believer is able to control his carnal desires and emotions.

Paul exhorts the believers in Ephesus, "I, therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you to walk worthy of the calling with which you were called, promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but all should come to repentance," (2 Peter 3:9).

Love knits together—mercy, kindness, humility, meekness, longsuffering, and forgiveness that makes the believer's garment.

Forgiveness is to be pardoned The believer must forgive those who do wrong to him. The Bible teaches, "And whenever you stand praying, if you have anything against anyone, forgive him, that your Father in heaven may also forgive you your trespasses" (Mark 11:25). When you forgive others, then the Father in heaven also forgives you of your sins. The Bible says, "Therefore be merciful, just as vour Father also is merciful" ( Luke 6:36). The word merciful means learning to forgive and forget. As God the Father is merciful and has forgiven you, similarly, you must forgive too. When God forgives you, He does not remember your sin anymore. Similarly when you forgive, you are to forget the wrong the person has done to you.

To be clothed in Christ likeness is to be living the Christ life that is in you!

Love
Love knits together—mercy,
kindness, humility, meekness,
longsuffering, and forgiveness that makes
the believer's garment. We need to be filled
with the love of God daily. Allow the Holy
Spirit to baptise you with His love. The Bible
says, "And do not be drunk with wine, in
which is dissipation; but be filled with the
Spirit" (Ephesians 5:18). "And now abide
faith, hope, love, these three; but the
greatest of these is love," (1 Corinthinans
13:13).

God wants to clothe you with Christ's garment. He wants you to put on the godly virtues. When you put on the garment of Christ, whatsoever you do, in word or in deed, you do all for the glory of God.

All Bible quotations are from the New King James Version.

# When you put on the garment of Christ, whatsoever you do, in word or in deed, you do all for the glory of God.

• Strive is not humility
Many have difficulties in relationships
because they are not willing to submit to
laws, regulations and policies. When you
don't, you strive. The believer must "Let
nothing be done through selfish ambition
or conceit, but in lowliness of mind, let
each esteem others better than himself"
(Phillippians 2:3).

• Seeking self-glory is not humility
Some people want to be the centre
of attention. They seek position and
recognition of men. The believer must
serve, regardless of recognition or reward.
The Bible says, "And whoever exalts
himself will be humbled, and he who
humbles himself will be exalted" (Matthew
23:12). And "He who loves transgression

with all lowliness and gentleness, with longsuffering, bearing with one another in love, endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace," (Ephesians 4:1-3).

#### Longsuffering

• Longsuffering is having patience. He has the power to patiently bear the evil words and actions of others, and is not easily provoked to anger and revenge.

• It is a godly virtue.

God is long suffering. He believes in you inspite of your imperfections. He is longsuffering in His love, mercy, tenderness and meekness to save you from your destructive ways. The Bible says, "The Lord is not slack concerning His

Senior Pastor & Sister Petrina after being conferred with the Distinguished Global Leadership Award by Dr. Peter Kuzmic

# CONGRATULATIONS TO SENIOR PASTOR PRINCE GUNERATNAM & SENIOR ASSOCIATE PASTOR PETRINA GUNERATNAM!

We are proud of the recognition and the conferment of the Distinguished Global Leadership Award on Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam and Senior Associate Pastor Petrina Guneratnam by the Evangelical Theological Seminary of Croatia.

Dr Peter Kuzmic conferred the award on Faith Promise Sunday, 15 July 2012.

In brief, according to Dr Kuzmic's citation, the award was given in recognition of the great fruitfulness of their local, national and global ministry, visionary leadership and faith.

The citation also recognized the global impact of Calvary Church.

# COMMITTED TO THE GREAT BY JOHN LIM COMMISSION



Dr. Peter Kuzmic preaching God's Word powerfully





**Top:** Congregation praying for all FP partners to depend on the Lord and expect God's provision and blessing

in praise and worship at Friday Missions Emphasis Praying for God to open our eyes to opportunities to witness "Committed to the Cross of Jesus
Christ!" was the anthem with which our
wonderful choir greeted Calvarites over the
Missions Weekend, 13-15 July 2012. And
"Committed to Pray, Give and Go" was
our Missions theme.

At the Friday Missions Prayer Emphasis,



Top: Usher collecting the FP cards





From Far Left, clockwise: Praying for Faith Promise partners symbolised by the FP pledge cards at all service locations — DH, DP, Cheras



Bottom:
Reaching
out to God

during altar

Calvarites

making their

Dr. Peter Kuzmic shared that missions meant seeing and loving others as Jesus did. "But when He saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion for them, because they were weary and scattered, like sheep having no shepherd," (Matthew 9:36). We were reminded on the importance of having a vision for the harvest and to pray earnestly for labourers. Jesus said to His disciples, "The harvest truly is plentiful, but the labourers are few. Therefore pray the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into His harvest," (Matthew 9:37-38). During the altar call, Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam asked us to lay our hands on our eyes and pray that our eyes be opened to God-given opportunities to witness to friends and family.

Faith Promise Sunday was faith stirring. There were heart warming testimonies on the openness of hearts and opportunities to sow seeds amongst friends and neighbours by our missionaries to a restricted access nation.

Similarly the encouraging reports via the Calvary Missions News Network video of souls saved and baptized, churches planted locally and abroad and youth leaders being

equipped inspired us to boldly witness to those around us and to continue to invest into God's Kingdom through our giving and prayers.

And we were treated to a powerful sermon on the Great Commission by Dr. Kuzmic. He shared that the command to go and make disciples of all nations must be grounded on the Great Foundation of Jesus (who Jesus is, His death on the cross and resurrection) and the Great Promise ("I am with you always, even to the end of the age"—Matthew 28:20). We are to reach out empowered by the Lord and motivated by love (1 John 4:8).

Calvarites responded in obedience to God by renewing our Faith Promise pledges for the next six months. Praise God that all can have the privilege to support the work of missions and contribute towards the fast completion of the Calvary Convention Centre (CCC) where many will come to hear the Gospel and experience God.

All glory to God for a wonderful Missions weekend and renewal in our passion and commitment to what Dr Kuzmic calls 'the most holy task' of evangelism and missions. +





# HOW MARKET PLACE CALVARITES AND YOUTHS WERE BLESSED

Testimonies compiled by David Lim and John Lim



Pastor Steven Kum and Dr. Kuzmic praying for the youths after the missions challenge

On Saturday morning, 14 July 2012, market place Calvarites had a session with Dr.

Peter Kuzmic while the youths had theirs in the afternoon. He emphasized the role of Christian professionals to bring a "transformations lift" to society and urged the young people to let God use their lives to impact the world.

Two market place Calvarites shared their testimonies:

# Amani Mayage, a diplomat with the Tanzanian High Commission

God has used him to witness to many fellow Tanzanians, including government officials, students and tourists. Today, many of these are regularly attending Calvary Church and the International Life Group.

# Peggy Low, operates an insurance agency

God used her to be a blessing to the community. She ran an Alpha group with her prayer partner which led to salvations in five households. She and her Life Group reached out to an orphanage during Christmas and she led 13 to the Lord.

Here are testimonies of Calvarites who were blessed during both the sessions:

#### Ding Lai Hong, a businessman

I am inspired. Dr. Kuzmic helped me see how Christians in the market place can transform communities by conducting their business or work ethically, use their talents, resources and giftings wisely.

#### Serene Yeoh, a business executive

I began to see that the key for missions to be relevant is meeting the basic needs of people all over the world. Lee Soon Young, a Korean entrepreneur

It became very clear that we are doing business for the glory of God and not for selling our souls! We are Ambassadors of God's Kingdom!

#### Chin Li Sha, student aged 20

The passion, zeal and commitment of our missionary couple showed God's power working in and through their lives. Dr Kuzmic reaffirmed the powerful promise of Matthew 6:33 which is so apt to me at this point of time.

#### Mok Zhuang Yu, student aged 17

The session really opened my eyes to the fact that age is not a barrier when it comes to serving God. Dr Kuzmic's own story on how his 17 year old daughter acted on her desire to minister in India inspired me. It makes me wonder at how God can use any one of us for the furtherance of His Kingdom.



#### KIDS MISSIONS BY LILIAN YONG



The Carpenter's Workshop (CW) children were treated to an impactful Missions Weekend from 13–15 July 2012. Their theme was Committed to Finish the Race.

On Friday, the CW children watched an inspiring video featuring a 1992 Olympics runner who was able to finish the 400 meters race despite a torned hamstring. They also were encouraged by a message on being Committed to Prayer & Serving.

Missions Sunday for the CW kids started with the Missions RACE where they had to put together the memory verse puzzles for Acts 20:24 "However, I consider my life worth nothing to me, if only I may finish the race and complete the task the Lord Jesus

has given me--the task of testifying to the gospel of God's grace".

Our missionaries to a restricted nation shared a message based on the prophet Elijah. Called to lead the Israelites, Elijah was able to fulfill his call and lead the hearts of the stubborn Israelites back to worship the only true God because he prayed much and served God wholeheartedly.

The CW kids were next encouraged to continue with the Missions RACE to share Christ to many nations through their Missions faith pledge renewal for the next six months.



Missions posters were distributed to the kids and they can show their regular commitment by marking on the race track visual in the poster whenever they pray for someone to receive Jesus, give faith promise and serve Him in church, school and at home for the next six months.

It is our prayer that the powerful truth shared over the Missions weekend will bear fruit in our CW kids during the next 6 months through the Missions RACE.

Young as they are, our CW kids too are called to be committed to Jesus in prayer, giving and serving.



Top and Left: Kids with their Faith Promise Cards Right: A boy renewing his FP pledge



### HIDUPLAH UNTUK KEMULIAAN TUHAN "JUBAH BAGI ORANG BFRIMAN"

Oleh Pendita Kanan Prince Guneratnam

"Oleh itu sebagai orang-orang pilihan Tuhan yang dikuduskan dan dikasihi-Nya, kenakanlah belas kasihan, kemurahan, kerendahan hati, kelemahlembutan dan kesabaran. Sabarlah kamu seorang terhadap yang lain, dan ampunilah seorang akan yang lain apabila yang seorang menaruh dendam terhadap yang lain, sama seperti Tuhan telah mengampuni kamu, kamu perbuat jugalah demikian. Dan diatas semuanya itu: kenakanlah kasih, sebagai pengikat yang mempersatukan dan menyempurnakan" (Kolose 3:12-14).

Alkitab mengajar bahawa "... Sebab di dalam Dia Tuhan telah memilih kita sebelum dunia dijadikan, supaya kita kudus dan tak bercacat di hadapan-Nya" (Efesus 1:4). Kamu tidak memilih Tuhan, Dia memilih kamu menurut kehendakNya yang berkuasa. Tuiuan kamu dipilih adalah untuk menjadi satu kesaksian kasih Tuhan dan rahmatNya yang mengubah, supaya dapat menjalani kehidupan yang berkenan kepada Tuhan. Tuhan memilih kamu supaya kamu akan menjadi "kudus". Menjadi "kudus" adalah dikhususkan. Yesus berdoa kepada Tuhan Bapa-Nya, untuk murid-murid-Nya. "Aku tidak meminta, supaya Engkau mengambil mereka dari dunia, sama seperti Aku bukan dari dunia, tetapi supaya Engkau melindungi mereka daripada yang jahat. Mereka bukan dari dunia, sama seperti Aku bukan dari dunia" (Yohanes 17:15-16). Walaupun kita berada di dalam dunia, kita tidak seperti dunia. Orang-orang beriman tidak hidup berdosa seperti orang duniawi. Orang-orang beriman telah dipilih Tuhan untuk hidup kudus atau dikhususkan, yang menandakan mereka berbeda melalui cara hidup. Adalah penting bagi orang yang beriman untuk mengenalpasti diri mereka sebagai dipilih Tuhan, yang dipanggil untuk menjadi suatu kesaksian bagi kemuliaan Tuhan.

Paulus dalam suratnya kepada orangorang yang beriman di Kolose berkata, "sebagai orang-orang pilihan Tuhan yang dikuduskan dan dikasihi-Nya, kenakanlah..." (Kol 3:12). Apabila Paulus mengatakan "kenakanlah", ia bermaksud, mengenakan dengan sifat-sifat ketuhanan yang mencirikan seseorang yang beriman



dalam Yesus Kristus.

#### Anda Tidak Boleh Mengenakan Sebelum Menanggalkan Terlebih Dahulu

Adalah penting untuk diperhatikan, kamu tidak boleh mengenakan sebelum menanggalkan terlebih dahulu. Tiada orang mengenakan pakaian baru di atas pakaian lama. Alkitab berkata, "Begitu pula anggur vang baru tidak diisikan ke dalam kantong kulit yang tua, kerana jika demikian kantong itu akan koyak sehingga anggur itu terbuang dan kantong itu pun hancur. Tetapi anggur yang baru disimpan orang dalam kantong yang baru pula, dan dengan demikian terpeliharalah keduakeduanya" (Matius 9:17). Anggur baru adalah berbicara tentang Roh Kudus. Tiada orang boleh dipenuhi Roh Kudus dan hidup beribadah ketika dia masih menjalani cara hidup kedagingan dan mementingkan diri sendiri. Rahsianya adalah memastikan telah menanggalkan apa-apa sahaja yang tidak menyenangkan Tuhan sebelum "mengenakan" sifat-sifat, melalui anugerah Tuhan untuk menjadi kudus dan seperti Kristus.

#### Paulus berkongsi tentang tujuh helai jubah orang-orang beriman patut kenakan sebagai tanda mereka adalah pilihan Tuhan:

#### Belas Kasihan

Belas kasihan adalah perasaan kasih dan mempunyai hati yang lembut dan peka kepada Roh Kudus dan orang-orang yang miskin, lapar dan lain-lain dalam kesesakan. Yesaya 58, adalah mengenai doa dan puasa, tetapi ia juga menggambarkan apa itu belas kasihan. "Supaya engkau memecah-mecah rotimu bagi orang yang lapar dan membawa kerumahmu orang miskin yang tak punya rumah, dan apabila engkau melihat orang telanjang, supaya engkau memberi dia pakaian dan tidak menyembunyikan diri dari sendiri!" (Yesaya 58:7). Orang-orang yang beriman seharusnya mempunyai kasih dan menjangkau mereka yang menangis dan menderita. Inilah sebabnya gereja patut terlibat dalam hal-hal sosial, dan misi-misi tempatan dan di seluruh dunia.

Kita juga mesti dipimpin oleh Roh Kudus. Alkitab mengajar, "Semua orang yang dipimpin Tuhan, adalah anak-anak Tuhan" (Roma 8:14).

Kemurahan adalah menjadi berguna, membantu dan bertimbang rasa. Alkitab mengajar, "Tetapi kamu, kasihilah musuhmu dan berbuatlah baik kepada mereka dan pinjamkan dengan tidak mengharapkan balasan, maka upahmu akan besar, dan kamu akan menjadi anak-anak Tuhan Yang Maha Tinggi, sebab la baik terhadap orangorang yang tidak tahu berterima kasih dan terhadap orang-orang jahat" (Lukas 6:35). Sesiapa sahaja boleh berbuat baik kepada seseorang yang baik kepadanya. Seorang beriman yang mengenakan dirinya dengan kemurahan dan kelembutan adalah menjadi kesaksian akan rahmat Tuhan dalam hidupnya. Paulus juga mengajar orang-orang beriman "Hendaklah kamu saling mengasihi sebagai saudara dan saling mendahului dalam memberi hormat" (Roma 12:10). Orang-orang yang beriman hendaklah berbuat baik kepada semua manusia, khususnya dalam rumah sesama iman.

#### Kerendahan Hati

Kerendahan hati ialah tidak berfikiran tinggi, sombong, bangga dan tegas. Malah, mereka yang mempunyai kedudukan yang tinggi, berkuasa, masyhur dan banyak lagi boleh juga mempunyai sifat kerendahan hati dan ketaatan. Orang yang beriman itu perlu mengamalkan kerendahan hati dengan semua orang, tanpa mengira latar belakang mereka, kedudukan dan kekayaan.

- Perlawanan bukan kerendahan hati.
  Ramai orang menghadapi kesukaran dalam perhubungan mereka kerana mereka tidak sanggup mematuhi undang-undang, peraturan dan dasar. Apabila anda tidak, anda berlawan. Orang yang beriman mesti "dengan tidak mencari kepentingan sendiri atau puji-pujian yang sia-sia. Sebaliknya hendaklah dengan rendah hati yang seorang menganggap yang lain lebih utama daripada dirinya sendiri" (Filipi 2:3).
- Mencari kemuliaan sendiri bukan kerendahan hati. Sesetengah orang ingin menjadi pusat perhatian. Mereka mencari kedudukan dan pengiktirafan manusia. Orang yang beriman perlu melayani, tanpa mengira pengiktirafan atau ganjaran. Alkitab mengatakan, "Dan barangsiapa meninggikan diri, ia akan direndahkan dan barangsiapa merendahkan diri, ia akan ditinggikan" (Matius 23:12). Dan "Siapa suka bertengkar, suka juga kepada pelanggaran, siapa memewahkan pintunya mencari kehancuran" (Amsal 17:19). Dia (bersambung di muka surat 13)



Calvary International Life Group presents a song



Praising the Lord at the opening of the Carnival



Our two emcees providing comic relief

Peggy Low, Calvary Carnival 2012 Chairperson





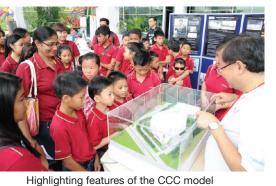


**Top:** Enjoying their meal

Right: Pastor Steven Kum & Pastor Chris Lee brace themselves for the durian challenge

# A REWARDING CARNIVAL FILLED WITH FUN & GLADN

BY DAVID LIM



at the Resource Centre



Yes, it's on the right track!

Calvary Carnival 2012 held on 30 June at the Taylor's University Lakeside Campus was hugely successful in raising funds and creating awareness for the CCC. Thank God for the Carnival Committee who worked tirelessly as early as eight months before! Their efforts paid off handsomely. And Calvarites are to be commended! Some 2500 Calvarites participated in one way or another.

Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam and Senior Associate Pastor Sister Petrina graced the opening and declared the Carnival open with the piercing of a gum ball filled with colourful balloons. It was a good start to the Carnival.

The presence of the Lord was felt throughout the entire carnival. We salute Calvarites who manned the stalls for their enthusiasm, cheerfulness and friendliness, even though some had to manage on less than a couple of hours of sleep the night before. Many were busy cooking or setting up their booths or stalls.

The new venue for the Carnival added to a sense of expectation. In spite of the awesome crowd of 14,600, we did not sense the crowding as the venue afforded us three levels of space to host the Carnival. There were a total of 155 F&B and Bazaar stalls (including Corporate sponsored booths). The visitors easily manoeuvred their way around the indoor bazaar, food corners, game stalls and corporate stalls. Many were treated to a host of sumptuous food that included our own Pastors' corner which served spaghetti and tong sui. Other food included Thai set lunches, excellent crispy popiah and char kuay teow, delicious pastries such as Wagyu beef bun and Quiche Lorraine, shiny-skinned roast duck, yummy nasi lemak, and of course the unforgettable one tonne of high-grade durians!

The campus provided strategic locations for dining, be it in the foyers, out at the sheltered car park, or by the steps of the amphitheatre overlooking the performance





Trio getting a headstart before the crowds come

stage with the serene lake for backdrop. Even around 2pm it was not hot due to the constant breeze and surprisingly cool weather.

Young parents and ladies made a bee line to the bazaar to take advantage of the great bargains on branded toys, funky accessories, baby items and unique collectibles. There was even a face painting stall. The kids and youths had their share of fun at the game stalls with rewarding prizes to be won. From spin-the-wheel to sort-

the-beans, from skilful ball manoeuvring to hilarious hit-the-target-to-get-your-friendsoaked-wet, everybody had a swell time trying to redeem great prizes.

Multiple deejays provided running commentaries on the "what to do" and "where to go." Song dedications added to the joyous atmosphere. The highly anticipated Fear Factor Durian Challenge took place around noon following vibrant stage performances by special needs children, a local beat-box artist, a trio and the Calvary International Life Groups. Praise God for the collection of a handsome sum that summoned the guts of Associate Pastor Steven Kum and Associate Pastor Chris Lee to the durian challenge.

At the end of the Carnival, participating Calvarites were tired, but rejuvenated in soul and spirit, knowing God had blessed them with strength and wisdom as they had faithfully and obediently served and given of themselves. There was such an immense sense of unity among the Calvarites who

served tirelessly to make this event a huge success. What a testimony that our God is indeed the Author and Finisher as we anticipate the miraculous completion of the CCC.

We thank God for the Calvary Carnival 2012 Committee for organising a wonderful Carnival! Peggy Low, Chairperson of Calvary Carnival 2012 committee thanked Senior Pastor and Sister Petrina for their visionary leadership, and encouraging and guiding the Committee. She also thanked Lawrence Mak, CCC Project Committee Liaison for his contribution and Associate Pastor Raymond Yong for his invaluable pastoral guidance.

Last but not least, thank you Calvarites for your presence at the Carnival. For those who did not make it, thank you for your prayer support and contributions too. The Carnival was most rewarding because it has helped us grow closer to one another and to God through our serving and interacting at the Carnival.





soaked for a good





Scoring a point!

Enjoying Gladiator Game























# PRAISE GOD! PRAISE GOD! PRAISE GOD!

Every item, all 600 packets of chee cheong fun and 120 tubs of toasted seaweed, was sold, much to our relief. God is faithful. As we committed every step of this assignment to Him in prayer, everything went smoothly. Even that which was unexpected, God took care of it for us. Our team consisted of all ladies. When the food was not selling quick enough, not one of us dared say anything, but I know, we were silently praying. And you know what? God sent streams of people to our stall and by 4pm, we rested our feet, earlier than expected.

Hallelujah! I thank the Lord for whole team for their commitment. Everyone did their part and more. We served with joy and we had a good time, although as of writing our bodies are still aching from it all...

- Anita Yee, Intercessors' Food Stall



Sister Petrina visiting the Intercessors' Food Stall

Calvaryland bazaar booth with lots of goodies



# WE ARE FAMILY!

Being part of the team from Calvaryland/ CCFILS, I found that preparing for the Carnival was hard work. But it was also very rewarding. Everything was so wellorganised, and the stall holders really banded together to help one another out. There was such a spirit of cooperation and goodwill that I was greatly encouraged: we were family! I also saw many different visitors who came and bought our muffins, baked by the CCFILS children, enzyme drinks, Thai bento, chocolate cake and even floor mats made by talented Calvaryland personnel and residents. Our Carnival was a very 1Malaysia event, and I am proud to have been part of it.

The CCFILS children also gave an item on stage. Trained by Teacher Shahrin, our



CCFILS children, together with Teacher Shahrin's other disabled children's groups (Community Based Rehab) from Selayang, Hulu Langat and Rawang, gave a hearty musical performance. They enjoyed themselves very much, and at the same time, were such a blessing.

The Carnival proved to be a real source of encouragement to me, personally. We did work very hard, but what we all gained from it far exceeds our efforts. It was worth it!

- Kitty Ng, CCFILS/ Calvaryland **Bazaar & Food Stall** 

# SKYTREX **ADVENTURE**

BY MOK ZHUANG LIN

On 29 May 2012, about 50 Missionettes together with their friends, Sponsors and chaperons went to Bukit Cahaya Seri Alam for the Skytrex Adventure. We were game for a fun outing and a time of fellowship with our friends and Sponsors besides enjoying the beauty of nature in the tropical forest.

But at the end of the day, much to our delight, we achieved more than that. Many of us were very pleased with ourselves as we were able to conquer our fear of heights, glide and swing through different challenges in the sky, ranging from "easy" to "very difficult." A couple of the younger ones were overwhelmed in the beginning but with encouragement from the Sponsors, every



yang memewahkan pintu bermakna dia yang ingin mengagungkan diri, berhati-hati, kerana dia yang suka pelanggaran dan memewahkan pintu mencari kehancuran.

Kelemahlembutan

Lemah lembut adalah kebolehan untuk berada dalam kawalan dan berdisiplin.

- la mempunyai keadaan fikiran yang rendah hati, mengetahui bagaimana tunduk kepada kehendak Tuhan dalam semua keadaan. Seseorang yang lemah lembut bersedia untuk bersekutu dengan orang miskin, yang tidak mempunyai kedudukan dalam masyarakat dan adalah seorang rakan kepada semua.
- la tidak kurang kekuatan mahupun keupayaan. la tidak bertolak ansur dan tidak mempedulikan perbuatan-perbuatan jahat dan salah. Dia tahu bagaimana untuk menghadapi kesalahan yang dilakukan kepadanya. Jika dia salah, dia mampu untuk berhenti dan melakukan apa yang betul. Jika dia telah berdosa, dia tahu bagaimana untuk bertobat dan menjadi seorang pemenang.
- la mempunyai kawalan diri. Orang yang beriman mampu mengawal keinginan kedagingan dan emosi jasmani.

Paulus menasihati orang-orang yang beriman di Efesus, "Sebab itu aku menasihatkan kamu, aku, orang yang dipenjarakan kerana Tuhan, supaya hidupmu sebagai orang-orang yang telah dipanggil berpadanan dengan panggilan itu. Hendaklah kamu selalu rendah hati, lemah lembut, dan sabar. Tunjukkanlah

one participating in the 'Little Adventure' and 'Big Thrill' challenge managed to complete the trail. The presence of God was very real to us when we were up there on our own. We needed to trust Him to help us (some prayed really hard) through all the "physical" obstacles.

We were all famished and thirsty by lunch time but each of us felt a sense of achievement and victory that we were able to overcome challenges that earlier seemed to be beyond ourselves. It was indeed a test of our physical strength, perseverance and faith in God. I am so glad that we all made it! +



kasihmu dalam hal saling membantu. Dan berusahalah memelihara kesatuan Roh oleh ikatan damai sejahtera" (Efesus 4:1-3).

**Tahan Menderita** 

• Tahan menderita adalah mempunyai kesabaran. Ia mempunyai kemampuan untuk menanggung dengan sabar perkataan dan tindakan jahat orang lain, dan tidak mudah dihasut untuk marah dan berbalas dendam.

• la adalah sifat saleh. Tuhan tahan menderita. Dia percaya kepada kamu walaupun kamu tidak sempurna. Dia tahan menderita dalam kasihNya, belas kasihan, kelemahlembutanNya untuk menyelamatkan kamu dari cara kamu yang menghancurkan. Alkitab berkata, "Tuhan tidak lalai menepati janji-Nya, sekalipun ada orang yang menganggapnya sebagai kelalaian, tetapi la sabar terhadap kamu, kerana la menghendaki supaya jangan ada yang binasa, melainkan supaya semua orang berbalik dan bertobat" (2 Petrus 3:9).

Pengampunan adalah untuk diampuni Orang yang beriman mesti mengampuni orang-orang yang bersalah terhadapnya. Alkitab mengajar, "Dan jika kamu berdiri untuk berdoa, ampunilah dahulu sekiranya ada barang sesuatu dalam hatimu terhadap seseorang, supaya juga Bapamu yang di syurga mengampuni kesalahankesalahanmu" (Markus 11:25).

Apabila kamu mengampuni orang lain, maka Bapa di surga juga mengampuni kamu. Alkitab berkata, "Hendaklah kamu murah hati, sama seperti Bapamu adalah murah hati" (Lukas 6:36). Perkataan belas kasihan



The team all set for the thrilling adventure



Enjoying a hilarious moment

bermakna belajar untuk mengampuni dan melupakan. Seperti Bapa Tuhan ada belas kasihan dan telah mengampuni kamu, begitu juga, kamu mesti mengampuni juga. Apabila Tuhan mengampuni kamu. Dia tidak ingat akan dosa kamu lagi. Begitu juga apabila kamu mengampuni, kamu perlu melupakan kesalahan yang dilakukan orang bersalah terhadap kamu.

Untuk berjubah menyerupai Kristus adalah untuk hidup dengan kehidupan Kristus yang ada di dalam kamu!

Kasih

Kasih mengaitkan bersama - belas kasihan, kemurahan, kerendahan hati, kelemah lembutan, tahan menderita, dan pengampunan yang menghasilkan jubah orang beriman. Kita perlu dipenuhi dengan kasih Tuhan setiap hari. Izinkanlah Roh Kudus untuk membaptiskan kamu dengan kasihNya. Alkitab mengatakan, "Dan janganlah kamu mabuk oleh anggur, kerana anggur menimbulkan hawa nafsu, tetapi hendaklah kamu penuh dengan Roh" (Efesus 5:18). "Demikianlah tinggal ketiga hal ini, yaitu iman, pengharapan dan kasih, dan yang paling besar di antaranya ialah kasih" (1 Korintus 13:13).

Tuhan ingin mengenakan kamu dengan jubah Kristus. Dia ingin kamu mengenakan nilai saleh. Apabila kamu memakai jubah Kristus, apa jua yang kamu lakukan, dalam perkataan atau perbuatan, kamu lakukan semuanya untuk kemuliaan Tuhan. + Semua petikan Alkitab adalah dari Versi Terjemahan Baru.

# SUNDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE

# **Damansara Heights**

8.00AM/ 10.30AM

# **Damansara** Heights

**SUNDAY** 5.00 PM

## Cheras

**SUNDAY** 9.00 AM

### **Damansara Perdana**

**SUNDAY** 10.30 AM

**Holy Communion** 



Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnan

**Associate Pastor Richard Yun** 

**Senior Pastor** Prince Guneratnan **Senior Pastor** Prince Guneratnan

**Associate Pastor** Peter Ong

**Associate Pastor** Steven Kum

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**Associate Pastor Raymond Yong** 

**Associate Pastor Peter Ona** 

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# Bahasa Malaysia Fellowship SUNDAY, 12.30PM, 26 AUGUST 2012

Speaker: Felisa Foo

"The Truth That Sets Us Free" Message:

Venue: Bethel Bungalow

# Chinese Fellowship

SUNDAY, 5PM, 26 AUGUST 2012

Speaker: Donna Yee

Theme: Obedience Brings Blessings!

Venue: Bethel Bungalow

# **Water Baptism** and Membership Class

8 September 2012 Saturday, 1.30pm

## **Water Baptism Service**

9 September 2012 Sunday, 10.30am

**CLOSING DATE** 29 JULY 2012

# 为神的荣耀而活 "信徒的衣服"

文: 古纳南主任牧师

"所以,你们既是神的选民、圣洁蒙爱的人,就要存怜悯、恩慈、谦虚、温柔、忍耐的心。倘若这人与那人有嫌隙,总要彼此包容,彼此饶恕;主怎样饶恕了你们,你们也要怎样饶恕人。在这一切之外,要存着爱心,爱心就是联络全德的。"(西3: 12-14)

圣经教导说 "...... 他从创立世界以前在基督 里拣选了我们, 使我们在他面前成为圣洁, 无有瑕疵; " (弗1:4)。你没有拣选神, 他 根据他的主权旨意拣选了你。被拣选的目的 是为见证神的爱和转化的恩典, 过一个得神 喜悦的生活。神拣选了你,为要你"圣洁" 。成为"圣洁"是要分别为圣。耶稣为他的 门徒向他父上帝祈祷。"我不求你叫他们离 开世界, 只求你保守他们脱离那恶者。他们 不属世界,正如我不属世界一样。"(约 17:15-17)。虽然我们在世界上,我们却是 不属世界。信徒并不如世人一样, 过一个犯 罪的生活方式。信徒被神拣选过一个神圣的 或分别为圣的生活,这标志着他们有不同的 生活方式。重要的是信徒需要认识他们自己 是神所拣选的,被呼召有一个归荣耀给神的 见证。

保罗对歌罗西的信徒说, "所以, 你们既是神的选民、圣洁蒙爱的人, 就要存..." (西3:12)。当保罗说: "存", 这意味着, 要穿上虔诚的美德, 是一个在耶稣基督里的信徒的特征。

#### 你要先脱去, 然后才能穿上

重要的是要注意,你不能穿上,直到你已经脱去。没有人把新衣服穿在旧衣服上面。圣经说,"也没有人把新酒装在旧皮袋里,若是这样,皮袋就裂开,酒漏出来,连皮袋也坏了。唯独把新酒装在新皮袋里,两样就都保全了"(太9:17)。新酒是指圣灵。没有人当他仍然过着以肉体和自我为中心的生活方式时,可以被圣灵充满而过着敬虔的生活,秘诀就是要确保在还没有靠神的恩典穿上虔诚和像基督的生活时,你已先将任何不讨神喜悦的东西除去。

保罗分享七件信徒要穿着的服装,标志着他 们是神所拣选的信徒:

#### 4 怜悯

怜悯是慈悲,有温柔的心和敏锐于圣灵,和那些贫困,饥饿和其他处于困境的人。以赛亚书58章,是讲关于祈祷和禁食,但它也描述了怜悯是什么。 "不是要把你的饼分给饥饿的人,将漂流的穷人接到你家中,见赤身的给他衣服遮体,顾恤自己的骨

肉而不掩藏吗?"(赛58:7)。信徒们是需要有怜悯人的心和向那些流泪,受苦的人伸出援手。这是为什么教会应该从事社会关怀和宣教事工,包括本地和海外宣教。

我们必须被圣灵引领。圣经教导我们, "因为凡被神的灵引导的,都是神的儿子 (罗8:14)。

#### ○ 恩慈或温柔

恩慈是有用,乐于助人和体贴。 圣经教导说,"你们倒要爱仇敌,也要善待他们,并要借给人不指望偿还。你们的赏赐就必大了,你们也必做至高者的儿子,因为他恩待那忘恩的和作恶的。"(路6:35)。任何人都可以向对你好的人行善。为自己穿上恩慈,温柔的信徒,是在他的生命里见证神的恩典。保罗也教导信徒要"爱弟兄,要彼此亲热;恭敬人,要彼此推让"(罗12:10)。信徒是要向所有的人行善,尤其是对信徒一家的人。

#### ○ 谦虚

○ 谦虚是不傲慢, 自大, 骄傲和过度自信。即使是那些有高职位, 权力, 财富, 和更多名利的人, 可以有谦卑和顺从的精神。信徒必须与所有的人操练谦虚, 不论他们的背景, 地位和财富。

#### • 争竞不是谦虚

许多人在关系中有困难因为他们不愿意顺从 法律,法规和政策。当你不这样做,你就会 争竞。信徒必须"凡事不可结党,不可贪图 虚浮的荣耀,只要存心谦卑"(腓2:3)。

#### • 寻求自我荣耀不是谦虚

有些人想成为人们关注的中心。他们寻求地位和人的认可。信徒必须服事,不论有没有得到承认或奖励。圣经说,"凡自高的,必降为卑;自卑的,必升为高"(太23:12)。"喜爱争竞的是喜爱过犯,高立家门的乃自取败坏"(箴17:19)。他高立他的家门,意味着他要高举自己,要留意,那喜爱过犯和高举他家大门的,乃寻求破坏。

#### <mark> 温柔</mark> 温柔是有控制能力和有纪律性。

- 它有一个谦虚的心态,在所有情况下知道 如何顺从神的旨意。温柔的人是愿意与贫穷 的人和那些在社会中没有地位的人交往,是 所有人的朋友。
- 它不是没有实力或没有能力。他不妥协, 也不忽视邪恶和错误的行为。他知道如何忍 受人错误的对待。如果他是错的话,他能够 停止和去做正确的事。如果是犯了罪,他知 道如何悔改,和成为得胜者。
- 它能自我节制。信徒是能够控制自己的肉体的欲望和情感。

保罗劝勉以弗所的信徒, "我为主被囚的 劝你们: 既然蒙召, 行事为人就当与蒙召的 恩相称, 凡事谦虚、温柔、忍耐, 用爱心互相宽容, 用和平彼此联络, 竭力保守圣灵所赐合而为一的心" (弗4:1-3)。

**5** <sup>忍耐</sup> • 忍耐是有耐心 他有耐心忍受邪恶的话,以及其他人行动 的能力,是不会轻易被挑起愤怒和报复。

• 它是一个虔诚的美德。

上帝是有忍耐的心。他相信你,即使你的不完全。他的爱里有忍耐,怜悯,温顺和温柔,以拯救你脱离你的破坏性的生活。圣经说,"主所应许的尚未成就,有人以为他是耽延。其实不是耽延,乃是宽容你们,不愿有一人沉沦,乃愿人人都悔改"(彼后3:9)。

#### ` 饶恕是被赦免

信徒必须饶恕那些得罪他的人。圣经教导说,"你们站着祷告的时候,若想起有人得罪你们,就当饶恕他,好叫你们在天上的父也饶恕你们的过犯"(可11:25)。当你饶恕别人,那么在天上的父,也饶恕你的罪。圣经说,"你们要慈悲,像你们的父慈悲一样"(路6:36)。慈悲这字意味着学习饶恕和忘记。因为天父上帝是慈悲的,并已经饶恕了你,同样地,你一定也要饶恕。当上帝饶恕你,他不再记得你的罪了。同样地,当你饶恕,你要忘了那人冒犯你的罪。

要穿上基督的样式就是要活出在你里面的 基督的生命!

#### 7 爱心

爱把怜悯,恩慈,谦虚,温柔,忍耐,和饶恕编织在一起,成为信徒的衣服。我们每天需要被上帝的爱充满。让圣灵以他的爱为你施浸。圣经说,"不要醉酒,酒能使人放荡,乃要被圣灵充满"(弗5:18)。"如今常存的有信有望有爱,这三样,其中最大的是爱"(林前13:13)。

神要以基督的衣服为你穿上。他希望你把神的美德穿上。当你把基督的衣服穿上时, 无论你做什么事,在言语或行动上,你都是为神的荣耀而做。

以上经文是采用中文圣经和合本。

#### 八月份 中文聚会

主题: "要收的庄稼多,做工的人少" 讲员: Rev Simon Chow Chew Keong

日期: 26-8-12(日) 时间: 下午五点 地点: 伯特利楼

申请浸礼及会籍 浸礼及会籍课程

日期: 8-9-12 (六) 时间: 下午一点半

#### 浸礼聚会

日期: 9-9-12(日) 时间: 上午十点半 地点: 加略山教会(大堂) 报名截止日期: 29-7-12(日)

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# **CHINESE EVANGELISTIC EVENT**

**OPPORTUNITY TO BRING** YOUR CHINESE SPEAKING **FRIENDS** 

Theme: God's Abundance through Jesus Christ. Speaker: Pastor Ho Hoi San (Gospel Singer)

22 September 2012, Saturday, 6.00 pm 23 September 2012 Sunday, 12.00 noon

#### Venue:

Pusat Aktiviti Calvary Cheras 58 - 62 Jalan Nadchatiram 1, Taman Taynton 56000 Kuala Lumpur

中文布道会 把握机会带 领讲中文 (粤语) 的亲友来参加!



Gospel Singer's

福音歌手的简介

何海山曾经在娱乐圈打滚多年. 在80年代风靡 一时. 但是,他经过一段辛酸的历程 他遭受事业和人生的失败. 在狱中经历上帝 的拯救和生命得到奇妙的转变

在马来西亚圣经学院毕业后,他于2009年 创立了海山传播事工. 他出版了两个金曲说唱 会的CD和DVD的见证专辑.

目前他是一位福音歌手.

主题: 在基督里的丰盛 讲员:福音歌手何海山牧师

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日期: 22-9-12(六), 下午6点正 23-9-12(日), 中午12点正

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Ho Hoi San had been in the entertainment business for many years. In the 80's he was enjoying a time of popularity and fame. However, he went through a bitter patch in his life's journey. His career went downhill and he lost everything!

God saved him in prison and his life was

miraculously transformed.

After graduating from the Bible College of Malaysia, he founded the "Hoi San Outreach Ministry" in 2009

Presently he is a gospel singer. He has recorded 2 CDs and released a special edition of his life stories in concert in DVD.



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