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“Declare His glory among the nations,
His wonders among all peoples” (Psalm 96:3)

PSALM 96 IS A PSALM CALLING GOD'S PEOPLE BACK TO PRAISE AND WORSHIP. There could be many reasons for the Israelites' slackening or neglecting worshipping God. When going through difficulties and in afflictions, the human tendency is to neglect praise and worship to God. Hence the Psalmist's exhortation, “**Oh sing to the Lord... sing to the Lord a new song**”. Therefore, as believers in Christ, we must praise and worship God regardless of our circumstances or situations.

THE REASON FOR WORSHIP IS, THE LORD

Worship is not dependent on the happenings and circumstances but on the Lord. We sing and rejoice because of who Christ is to us. He is a faithful, good and loving God. No matter what happens, or how difficult our situations may be. We may not even understand but we need to remember, God's ways are higher than ours (Isaiah 55:9). That's why the Psalmist says, “Sing to the Lord”. You become stronger and better.

Our rejoicing, singing and praising is in the Lord. He is very great and powerful in every way! The Psalmist declares, “**For the Lord is great and greatly to be praised. He is to be feared above all gods. For all gods of the people are idols, but the Lord made the heavens. Honor and majesty are before Him; Strength and beauty are in His sanctuary**” (Psalm 96:4–6).

HOW DO WE DECLARE HIS GLORY?

The Scriptures command us to declare and proclaim God's glory. This means we must speak and testify of the goodness, faithfulness and grace of the Lord. The Psalmist says in Psalm 96, “declare”, “proclaim” and “honour” can be summed up in one word, “worship.” God wants us to worship Him. When we worship Him, we praise, sing and speak of God's power and glory.

WHAT DO WE DECLARE AND PROCLAIM?

1 The Good News of His salvation.
Our song is, the song of our salvation and His faithfulness that our sins are forgiven. The Psalmist says, “**Sing to the Lord, bless His name; proclaim the good news of His salvation from day to day**” (Psalm 96:2).

2 His wonders among the people.
The Psalmist says, “**Sing, sing to the Lord... Declare His glory among the nations, His wonders among all peoples**” (Psalm 96:3). This is why we rejoice. God is greater and mightier, and none can be compared to Him!

3 He reigns supreme.
The Psalmist says, even when we cannot understand the circumstances, He has power and authority over all our difficult situations. “**Say among the nations, 'The**



Lord reigns; The world also is firmly established, It shall not be moved; He shall judge the peoples righteously” (Psalm 96:10). The Psalmist also declares, “**Let the sea roar... Then all the trees of the wood rejoice before the Lord**” (Psalm 96:11–12). In other words, the Psalmist says that even all of nature rejoices.

The Scripture tells us when it was time for Jesus to be crucified, He entered into Jerusalem, riding on a donkey. He had set out steadfastly to be the Lamb that was to be slain, and they threw palm branches on the road for Him. The Pharisees began to cry out, “Why are they doing this? How can they sing praises to Him?” Jesus' answer was that if they did not praise Him, even the stones will cry out (Luke 19:28–40). They praise and they glorify Him because He is worthy of our worship.

4 He will judge the world with righteousness and with truth.
This is a prophetic statement, “**For He is coming, for He is coming to judge the earth. He shall judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with His truth**” (Psalm 96:13). Jesus is coming again to judge the world. Rejoice because this is our hope. It may be sooner than you think! Regardless of the circumstances, give Him praise and worship. Injustice is in the world today, but when He comes again, righteousness will prevail.



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Note the Scripture says, “that there may be food” was in reference to the storehouse. Worship opens the windows of heaven. It is there that He pours out **“such blessing, that there will not be room enough to receive it!”** There are more important things money cannot buy such as health, peace and God’s grace. Do not worship with just words but with all your heart, soul and mind. Give all that you have and that includes yourself. The Bible says, **“Give, and it will be given to you: good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over will be put into your bosom. For with the same measure that you use, it will be measured back to you”** (Luke 6:38).

WORSHIP BELONGS TO GOD

God wants us to worship Him because worship belongs to God. Satan understood the power of worship and tempted Jesus to worship him. The Bible tells us that Satan came to tempt Jesus when He was in the wilderness fasting and praying. One of Satan’s temptations, Satan said, **“All this authority I will give You, and their glory; for this has been delivered to me, and I give it to whomever I wish. Therefore, if You will worship before me, all will be Yours”** (Luke 4:5–7). Satan also tempts believers today with short-cuts or faster ways to fulfill the will of God or for success. Satan tried to deceive Jesus, “You do not have to go to the cross, God’s way of salvation. Worship me and I will give you the Kingdom.” Thank God for the wisdom of Jesus! He rebuked Satan and said, **“Get thee behind me, Satan... you shall worship the Lord your God” (Luke 4:8). Jesus added, “... and Him only you shall serve.”**

WORSHIP HAS TO DO WITH SERVING

Worship has to do with serving and not only saying religious words. Worship is coming into the presence of God with a servant mind-set, saying, “God, I’m here to do your will only, to walk in obedience.” What Jesus effectively said to Satan was, “Satan, you are a deceiver. You do not tell

the whole truth of what worship means. If I worship you I would have to serve you. I will not worship you because I will not be your servant.” Instead, Jesus declared, “You shall worship the Lord and Him only you shall serve.” Will you worship the Lord with a servant attitude, willing to obey the Lord our God.

WORSHIP IS GIVING

Worship has to do with giving. You cannot worship without giving. You give of yourself and all you have which is from God. In the Old Testament, every time the Israelites came to the altar, they brought a sacrifice. The Psalmist says, **“... bring an offering, and come into his courts”** (Psalm 96:8). Worship is not only to “sing”, “proclaim” and “declare”, but also to “bring an offering.” Give yourself first.

GOD POURS OUT HIS BLESSINGS

It is the giving that opens the windows of heaven for God to honour, enable and bless or enrich you. The Bible says, **“Bring all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be food in My house, and try Me now in this,” says the Lord of hosts, ‘If I will not open for you the windows of heaven and pour out for you such blessing that there will not be room enough to receive it’”** (Malachi 3:10). The storehouse was where the food rations were stored. The storehouse is God’s house. When you come to church to worship and to give, God will bless you.

GOD REBUKES THE DEVOURER

How many are experiencing the devourer in your life, through sickness and failures? Are you earning good money, but somehow, unable to enjoy the full financial blessing? The devourer has cut a hole in your pocket! He is stealing from you. When you learn to give to the Lord, you will experience the powerful blessings of God. God’s promise is, **“And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, so that he will not destroy the fruit of your ground, nor shall the vine fail to bear fruit for you in the field,’ says the Lord of hosts”** (Malachi 3:11). God will rebuke the devourer in your life when you tithe and bring offerings to the Lord.

The Bible says, **“And all nations will call you blessed, for you will be a delightful land,” says the Lord of hosts”** (Malachi 3:12). The culmination of all that the Lord has done for His people is that “all nations will call you blessed”. Then you will proclaim all the reasons for God’s blessing. You will be a worshipper of the Lord Jesus Christ. Will you proclaim His wonders? ✚

All Bible quotations are from the New King James Version.



CALVARY CONVENTION CENTRE UPDATE

BY NGEOW ZOO GIN, CHAIRPERSON OF THE CCC BUILDING COMMITTEE

STEP BY STEP, GOD HAS BROUGHT US THROUGH MANY CHALLENGES IN THE BUILDING OF THE CALVARY CONVENTION CENTRE (CCC).

We recognise that through the building of the CCC, God is also building our faith in Him. Every time we take stock of where we are, we cannot help but give glory to our great and mighty God. As we are strengthened in faith in Him, we are believing Him for greater things to come!

The CCC building is now physically substantially completed. Our consultants will be submitting the application for the Certificate of Fitness (CF).

Let us continue to pray that God will favour us so that we will be able to obtain the CF by January 2013. We still have some remaining Interior Design (ID) and preparation works that need to be done after obtaining the CF before we use it for Easter which falls on 31 March 2013. ✚



Clockwise from Top Left: Guardhouse at entrance to CCC | Secondary road in front of CCC has just been completed | Palm trees skirt the CCC building within the fencing

**Clockwise from Left:**

View of covered plaza, with the rainbow skylight, link bridge and floor tiling works in progress | Lighting at auditorium ceiling | Auditorium seats are being installed in the auditorium | View of quiet garden facing Educational Block



MOVE TO THE CCC

BY EXECUTIVE PASTOR PETER ONG

THE MOVE TO THE CALVARY CONVENTION CENTRE WILL BE A TRANSITION FOR THE WHOLE CHURCH.

Our services and ministries will go through changes. The church is currently soliciting feedback on the move from the church family. This is to make the move and transition as smooth as possible.

MINISTRY PREPARATION NEEDED

As part of the preparations, there will be a familiarisation of the facilities and a pre-service run through. The dates for these will be announced after we have received the Certificate of Fitness (CF).

SERVICES & MINISTRIES AT CCC

All our Sunday services at DH, DP & Cheras will be combined at CCC.

The Church will finalise the time of the worship service at the CCC after taking into consideration feedback from the church family.

In general, the plan is to have the worship service first, followed by School of Christian Growth (SCG) and Royal Rangers (RR) /Missionettes meetings. This allows the entire family to come together for worship and then move on to other activities which will further enhance our personal spiritual development. The adults can go to Bible study classes, and the children and youth to the uniformed ministry activities.

This also allows for those involved as SCG teachers, RR Commanders and Missionette Sponsors to be in the worship service before they serve in their respective ministries.

SERVICES & MINISTRIES AT DAMANSARA HEIGHTS

The following services /activities will be held at Damansara Heights until further notice:

- Tuesday Dimensions Worship Service [for ladies]
- Wednesday Morning Watch
- Friday Prayer Meeting
- Friday Children's Prayer & Intercession [Ages 5–11 years] & Nursery Care [Ages 4 months–4 years]
- Saturday Christ's Ambassadors Life Groups.
- Water Baptisms
- Weddings
- Practices and rehearsals

MENGISYTIHARKAN KEMULIAANNYA

OLEH PENDITA KANAN PRINCE GUNERATNAM



“Ceritakanlah kemuliaan-Nya di antara bangsa-bangsa dan perbuatan-perbuatan yang ajaib di antara segala suku bangsa” (Mazmur 96:3).

MAZMUR 96 ADALAH PANGGILAN PEMAZMUR KEPADA UMAT TUHAN UNTUK KEMBALI MEMUJI DAN MENYEMBAH.

Mungkin ada banyak sebab kemerosotan orang-orang Israel atau mengabaikan daripada menyembah Tuhan. Apabila melalui kesukaran dan penderitaan yang menimpa, kecenderungan manusia adalah mengabaikan pujian dan penyembahan kepada Tuhan. Oleh itu dorongan Pemazmur, “**Nyanyikanlah nyanyian baru bagi TUHAN, menyanyilah bagi TUHAN**”. Oleh itu, sebagai orang yang beriman dalam Kristus, kita harus memuji dan menyembah Tuhan tanpa mengira keadaan atau situasi kita.

SEBAB UNTUK MENYEMBAH ADALAH, TUHAN

Menyembah tidak bergantung pada kejadian dan keadaan tetapi kepada Tuhan. Sukacita kita adalah dalam Tuhan dan bukan dalam hal-hal baik yang berlaku. Kita menyanyi dan bersukacita disebabkan siapakah Yesus Kristus kepada kita. Dia adalah Tuhan yang setia, baik dan penuh

kasih. Tidak kira apa jua yang berlaku, atau bagaimana sukar situasi kita. Kita mungkin tidak mengerti tetapi kita perlu ingat, cara Tuhan adalah lebih tinggi daripada kita (Yesaya 55:9). Itulah sebabnya Pemazmur mengatakan, “**Nyanyilah bagi Tuhan**”. Kamu akan menjadi lebih kuat dan lebih baik.

Sukacita, nyanyian dan pujian kita adalah kepada Tuhan. Dia maha besar dan berkuasa dalam segala hal! Pemazmur mengisytiharkan, “**Sebab TUHAN maha besar dan terpuji sangat, la lebih dahsyat dari pada segala tuhan.**

Sebab segala tuhan bangsa-bangsa adalah hampa, tetapi Tuhanlah yang menjadikan langit. Keagungan dan semarak ada di hadapan-Nya, kekuatan dan kehormatan ada di tempat kudus-Nya” (Mazmur 96:4–6).

BAGAIMANA KITA MENGISYTIHARKAN KEMULIAANNYA?

Firman Tuhan memberi perintah agar kita memberitakan dan mengisytiharkan kemuliaan Tuhan. Ini bererti kita harus

berbicara dan bersaksi tentang kebaikan, kesetiaan dan rahmat Tuhan. Pemazmur mengatakan dalam Mazmur 96, “mengisytiharkan”, “memberitakan” dan “menghormati” dapat disimpulkan dalam satu perkataan, “menyembah.” Tuhan mahu kita menyembah kepada-Nya. Apabila kita menyembah kepada-Nya, kita memuji, menyanyi dan berbicara tentang kuasa dan kemuliaan Tuhan.

APA YANG KITA BERITAKAN DAN ISYTIHARKAN?

1 Berita Baik Keselamatan-Nya.

Lagu kita adalah lagu keselamatan kita dan kesetiaan-Nya bahawa dosa-dosa kita telah diampunkan. Pemazmur berkata, “**Menyanyilah bagi TUHAN, pujilah nama-Nya, kabarkanlah keselamatan yang dari pada-Nya dari hari ke hari**” (Mazmur 96:2).

2 Keajaiban-Nya di tengah manusia.

Pemazmur berkata, “**Ceritakanlah kemuliaan-Nya di antara bangsa-bangsa dan perbuatan-perbuatan yang ajaib di antara segala suku bangsa**” (Mazmur 96:3). Inilah sebab apa yang kita bersukacita. Tuhan adalah lebih besar dan kuat, dan tiada yang sebanding dengan-Nya!

3 Dia memerintah secara mutlak

Pemazmur berkata, walaupun kita tidak dapat mengerti keadaan-keadaan yang berlaku, Dia mempunyai kuasa dan wibawa atas segala situasi sukar kita. “**Katakanlah di antara bangsa-bangsa: “TUHAN itu Raja! Sungguh tegak dunia, tidak goyang. Ia akan mengadili bangsa-bangsa dalam kebenaran**” (Mazmur 96:10). Pemazmur juga mengisytiharkan, “**Biarlah langit bersukacita dan bumi bersorak-sorak, biarlah gemuruh laut serta isinya, biarlah beria-ria padang dan segala yang di atasnya, maka segala pohon di hutan bersorak-sorai**” (Mazmur 96:11–12). Dalam erti kata lain, Pemazmur mengatakan bahawa semua alam semulajadi bersukacita.

Firman Tuhan mengatakan bahawa sebelum Yesus disalib, Dia memasuki Yerusalem, menunggang seekor keldai. Dia telah menetapkan dengan teguh akan menjadi Anak Domba untuk dikorbankan, dan mereka melemparkan daun-daun palem di atas jalan bagi-Nya. Orang Farisi mula berteriak, “Mengapa mereka berbuat demikian? Bagaimana mereka boleh

menyanyi pujian kepada-Nya? Jawapan Yesus ialah jika mereka tidak berbuat demikian, batu-batu pun akan berteriak. Jadi Pemazmur mengatakan bahawa semua alam semulajadi bersukacita dalam-Nya. Mereka memuji dan memuliakan-Nya. Tuhan layak disembah oleh kita.

4 Dia akan menghakimi dunia dengan keadilan dan dengan kebenaran.

Ini adalah kenyataan nubuatan, **“Di hadapan TUHAN, sebab Ia datang, sebab Ia datang untuk menghakimi bumi. Ia akan menghakimi dunia dengan keadilan, dan bangsa-bangsa dengan kesetiaan-Nya”** (Mazmur 96:13). Yesus akan datang lagi untuk menghakimi dunia. Bersukacitalah kerana ini adalah harapan kita. Ia mungkin lebih awal daripada yang kamu fikirkan! Tanpa mengira keadaan, berikanlah Dia pujian dan sembah. Ketidakadilan ada di dunia hari ini, tetapi apabila Dia datang lagi, kebenaran akan terserlah.

PENYEMBAHAN ADALAH MILIK TUHAN

Tuhan mahu kita menyembah-Nya kerana penyembahan kepunyaan Tuhan. Iblis mengerti kuasa penyembahan dan mencobai Yesus untuk menyembahnya. Alkitab memberitahu kita bahawa iblis datang untuk menggoda Yesus apabila Dia berada di dalam hutan belantara berpuasa dan berdoa. Salah satu daripada godaan iblis, iblis berkata, **“Segala kuasa itu serta kemuliaannya akan kuberikan kepada-Mu, sebab semuanya itu telah diserahkan kepadaku dan aku memberikannya kepada siapa saja yang kukehendaki. Jadi jikalau Engkau menyembah aku, seluruhnya itu akan menjadi milik-Mu”** (Lukas 4:5-7). Iblis juga menggoda orang-orang yang beriman hari ini dengan jalan pintas atau cara yang lebih cepat untuk memenuhi kehendak Tuhan atau untuk kejayaan. Iblis cuba menipu Yesus, **“Engkau tidak perlu pergi ke salib, cara penyelamatan Tuhan. Sembahlah aku dan akan ku berikan Engkau Kerajaan itu.”** Bersyukur kepada Tuhan kerana kebijaksanaan Yesus! Dia menegur iblis dan berkata, **“Ada tertulis: Engkau harus menyembah Tuhanmu,”** (Lukas 4:8). Yesus menambah, **“ dan hanya kepada Dia sajalah engkau berbakti”**.

PENYEMBAHAN MEMPUNYAI KAITAN DENGAN PELAYANAN

Penyembahan mempunyai kaitan dengan pelayanan dan bukan hanya mengatakan perkataan keagamaan. Penyembahan ialah datang ke hadirat Tuhan dengan pemikiran seorang hamba, berkata, **“Tuhan, saya berada di sini untuk melakukan kehendak Mu sahaja, untuk berjalan di dalam ketaatan.”** Apa yang Yesus kata dengan berkesan kepada iblis ialah, **“Syaitan, engkau adalah penipu. Engkau tidak memberitahu kebenaran keseluruhannya makna penyembahan. Jika aku menyembah engkau,aku terpaksa melayani engkau. Aku tidak akan menyembah engkau kerana aku tidak akan menjadi hamba mu. Sebaliknya, Yesus mengisytiharkan,”** Engkau harus menyembah Tuhan dan hanya kepada Dia sajalah engkau berbakti.” Adakah kamu menyembah Tuhan dengan sikap seorang hamba, bersedia untuk mentaati Tuhan kita.

PENYEMBAHAN ADALAH PEMBERIAN

Penyembahan ini mempunyai kaitan dengan pemberian. Kamu tidak boleh menyembah tanpa memberi. Kamu memberikan diri mu dan semua kepunyaan mu iaitu daripada Tuhan. Dalam Perjanjian Lama, setiap kali orang-orang Israel datang untuk ke mezbah, mereka membawa korban. Pemazmur itu berkata, **“... bawalah persembahan dan masuklah ke pelataran-Nya!”**(Mazmur 96:8). Penyembahan bukan sahaja “menyanyi”, “memberitakan” dan “mengisytiharkan”, tetapi juga untuk “membawa persembahan.” Berilah diri kamu terlebih dahulu.

TUHAN MENCURAHKAN LIMPAPAN BERKATNYA

Pemberianlah yang membuka tingkap surga untuk Tuhan menghormati, membolehkan dan memberkati atau memperkayakan kamu. Alkitab mengatakan, **“Bawalah seluruh persembahan persepuluhan itu ke dalam rumah perbendaharaan, supaya ada persediaan makanan di rumah-Ku dan ujilah Aku, firman TUHAN semesta alam, apakah Aku tidak membukakan bagimu tingkap-tingkap langit dan mencurahkan berkat kepadamu sampai berkelimpahan”** (Maleakhi 3:10). Gudang adalah tempat dimana catuan makanan disimpan. Gudang adalah rumah Tuhan. Apabila kamu

datang ke gereja untuk menyembah dan memberi, Tuhan akan memberkati kamu. Perhatikan Firman Tuhan berkata, **“bahawa kemungkinan ada makanan”** adalah rujukan kepada perbendaharaan. Penyembahan membuka tingkap surga. Di sanalah yang Dia **“mencurahkan berkat kepadamu sampai berkelimpahan!”** Terdapat perkara yang lebih penting yang tidak dapat dibeli dengan wang seperti kesihatan, keamanan dan rahmat Tuhan. Jangan menyembah hanya dengan kata-kata tetapi dengan segenap jiwa, hati dan pikiran kamu. Beri segala milikmu dan termasuk dirimu . Alkitab mengatakan, **“Berilah dan kamu akan diberi: suatu takaran yang baik, yang dipadatkan, yang digoncang dan yang tumpah ke luar akan dicurahkan ke dalam ribaanmu. Sebab ukuran yang kamu pakai untuk mengukur, akan diukurkan kepadamu”** (Lukas 6:38).

TUHAN MENGHARDIK PELAHAP

Berapa ramai yang mengalami pelahap dalam hidup kamu , melalui penyakit dan kegagalan? Adakah kamu mendapat pendapatan yang lumayan, tetapi entah bagaimana, tidak dapat menikmati rahmat kewangan dengan penuh? Pelahap telah membocorkan satu lubang di dalam poket kamu! Dia mencuri daripada kamu. Apabila kamu belajar untuk memberi kepada Tuhan, kamu akan mengalami berkat Tuhan yang berkuasa. Janji Tuhan, **“Aku akan menghardik bagimu belalang pelahap, supaya jangan dihabisinya hasil tanahmu dan supaya jangan pohon anggur di padang tidak berbuah bagimu, firman TUHAN semesta alam”** (Maleakhi 3:11). Tuhan akan menghardik pelahap dalam hidup kamu apabila kamu memberi persepuluhan dan membawa persembahan kepada Tuhan.

Alkitab berkata, **“Maka segala bangsa akan menyebut kamu berbahagia, sebab kamu ini akan menjadi negeri kesukaan, firman TUHAN semesta alam”**(Maleakhi 3:12). Semua kemuncak yang Tuhan telah lakukan untuk orang-orang-Nya adalah **“maka segala bangsa akan menyebut kamu berbahagia”**. Kemudian kamu akan mengisytiharkan semua sebab bagi rahmat Tuhan. Kamu akan menjadi penyembah Tuhan Yesus Kristus. Adakah kamu akan mengisytiharkan keajaiban-Nya? ✚

Semua petikan Alkitab adalah dari versi Terjemahan Baru.

BUBBLE WITH JOY

BY PASTOR SUSAN TAN



CHILDREN'S DAY IS A SPECIAL DAY SET ASIDE TO HONOUR CHILDREN IN THE CALVARY NURSERY CARE (CNC) AND CARPENTER'S WORKSHOP (CW) ANNUALLY. The theme for 2012 Children's Day held on 23 September 2012, Sunday, was "Bubbling with Joy" which was based on Philippians 4: 4, "Always be full of joy in the Lord. I say it again—rejoice!"

It was a delight to see 288 CW kids and 10 new visitors coming with smiles and joy on their faces. The kids were beautifully and smartly dressed in the theme colours for the day, yellow and orange. It was a meaningful day for the kids as they were honoured with special treats by the teachers and parents.

Highlights of the day included the presentation of handcraft gifts prepared by parents beforehand to the kids. Parents taught inspiring lessons through power point slides, skits and songs based on the theme. There were also special dance presentations by the CW girls to express their worship and appreciation to God. The kids enjoyed themselves heartily during the orange and eating of banana games! And they enjoyed the party with food contributed by the parents.

The kids left the Church with hearts filled with laughter and bubbling with joy. Each child received a gift from the church which consisted of a goodie bag of toys, stationery and food. They have certainly experienced the presence of God and blessed by His love. ✚



Clockwise from Top Left: Pastor Susan Tan giving out a prize | A kid marvels at his handcraft gift | A toddler with her prize | CW kids responding well catching bubbles of joy | A winning team with their prize

TESTIMONIES FROM THE CHILDREN



Celine Nyo, age 10

"I thank the Lord for a fun and exciting Children's Day. The decorations were very pretty and I enjoyed the delicious and many varieties of food. The skit about having peace and joy in your heart when you are disturbed or annoyed was funny and touched my heart. Thank you for caring teachers who organised this lovely treat for us kids."

Jeeva Prakash, age 11

"I was very excited about Children's Day. It is a day our God has made for His children. I am so glad that I am God's child. My CW teachers prepared a Children's Day feast for us.

I thank God because He helped me

decorate my t-shirt at the last minute and I won the prize for being best dressed. It is no wonder that I BUBBLE WITH JOY in my heart".

Emily Chew, age 11

"The enthusiastic response of the children to the different activities on Children's Day are very encouraging. They dressed themselves according to the theme colours and some went all out and used face paint, in their attempt to win the "Best Dressed Award" and the prizes that come with it. The goodness of God is evident throughout all the celebrations and helped me realise how blessed we are and we should not take our good life for granted. We should share our joy with other people around us".



Top: Kids enjoying the lesson and their gifts at Damansara Heights & Damansara Perdana respectively |

Clockwise from Bottom Right: Party time with food at DP | A mother prays for the kids at Cheras |

A father and mother being guest teachers for the day, respectively | Parents receiving appreciation gifts for teaching the kids at Cheras



AN UPLIFTING BM CONCERT "KAULAH SEGALAN"

BY KAREN KARN



From Left: Pastor Arif Multi preaches down to earth messages | Associate Pastor David Seah welcoming newcomers | Pastor Arif Multi illustrating how to cast our cares on Jesus | **Clockwise from Bottom:** Some newcomers | The BM ensemble aptly and beautifully clad in national costume | Vibrant worship team



“YA BAGIKU”



[PUJI TUHAN! CALVARY CHURCH REACHED MANY BAHASA SPEAKING WITH THE GOSPEL THROUGH THE PRAISE CONCERT 'KAULAH SEGALANYA BAGIKU' WITH PASTOR ARIF MULTI, OVER THE WEEKEND ON 29-30 SEPTEMBER 2012.](#)

It was wonderful to see 60 Calvarites involved in tracting, testifying, ushering & serving as altar workers, musicians, praise singers and ensemble teams. Although lacking confidence in speaking Bahasa, many of these served with joy of the Holy Spirit. Indeed the lack of language is no barrier to reaching souls.

Pastor Arif Multi led in captivating worship and passionately spoke of God's unconditional love towards us. We are the apple of God's eyes. The next day, he did an illustrated sermon using a bench press and weights, emphasizing the need to cast our cares on Jesus and to take from Jesus, His yoke which is easy and His burden, which is light.

Praise God, over the 2 Concerts, about 360 came and were blessed. 14 individuals gave their hearts to Jesus and accepted Him as Savior & Lord!



Clockwise from Top: Reaching out to the Lord at the altar | Altar worker helping a lady who responded to the altar call | Pastor Multi praying for a lady to receive Christ

There were many testimonies.

Here are 3 of them:

Ella had planned to give up her faith in Jesus, due to many problems and failures. After hearing that God loved her and has a plan for her life, she confessed her sins and surrendered her life to God. Instantly, she felt an immense sense of God's love touching her heart, and a lingering peace

guarding her mind.

CT Lim, who came to serve, was thoroughly blessed by God's Word which is relevant, sharp and encouraging.

Sus, who came with headaches, chose to worship the Lord and receive God's Word, was healed at the end of the Concert!

Segala kemuliaan bagi Tuhan! ✚

UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL

CALVARY NEWS (CN) IS SO PLEASED TO WELCOME BACK OUR HONORARY PASTOR, REV. DR. DELMER GUYNES, WHO IS WITH US IN OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER. Pastor Guynes will be preaching and teaching the Word of God to us. He shares with Calvary News his perspectives pertaining to issues close to his heart, including briefs of the beginnings of Calvary Church and the exciting things God has in store for Calvary Church through the Calvary Convention Centre (CCC).

Be encouraged and inspired by this interview.

CN: What are your main ministry involvements currently?

Currently, I'm involved at Southwestern Assemblies of God University in Texas, USA as President Emeritus. As such I participate in various committees and teach occasional classes.

More significantly, I have an office on campus with secretarial assistance identified as the Jerusalem Prayer Watch. From this office, I am endeavouring to generate serious prayer commitment for Jerusalem and the nation of Israel. The two main prayer emphases are, firstly to pray for Messianic congregations that are coming into existence all over the world. Secondly, to pray for many rabbinical schools around the world where the young men are studying the Bible.

CN: You were among the first missionaries sent by the AOG USA to Malaysia in the early 1950s.

Briefly, what was your first impression of Malaysia then and its growth since?

When Eleanor and I came to Malaya in 1954 the jungle war with the Communists was just coming to an end and Malaya-Singapore was moving quickly toward independence. The country was slow moving and unresponsive to the Gospel in general. Very few believers had received the



Honorary Pastor Rev. Dr. Delmer Guynes

Baptism in the Holy Spirit. There was only one established Assemblies of God (AOG) church at Jalan Sayor, Pudu.

And two pioneering churches in Penang and Ipoh.

Now Malaysia is a vibrant international country, making a mark in the world. Because of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, Pentecostal and Charismatic congregations are everywhere and the Church in Malaysia has gained worldwide recognition.

CN: You have been with Calvary Church since its humble beginnings.

How would you describe her growth in the early days?

Calvary Church began as an English language Sunday School Class at Jalan Sayor, Pudu. Because Mrs Guynes and I lacked Chinese language ability and used English with an interpreter, the English language section of the Chinese Church began to grow. When the Holy Spirit

was poured out in late 1950s, the English language section responded quickly and Calvary Church came into being.

Because of lack of facilities, growth was limited, but the Church was strong and powerfully spiritual. However the explosive growth came after the Guneratnams became pastors.

CN: You have described Calvary Church as a model missions Church which has impacted missions globally.

Would you comment on that?

Your pastors have understood and committed Calvary Church to a missions vision. They have set the example. Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam has a unique evangelistic ministry and has felt compelled to exercise that ministry whenever possible. Calvary Church has supported this vision and has become one of the world's outstanding missions Churches.

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述说他的荣耀

文：古纳南主任牧师

“在列国中述说他的荣耀！
在万民中述说他的奇事！”（诗96:3）



诗篇96篇是一首呼召神的子民来赞美和敬拜的诗歌。以色列人松懈或忽视敬拜神的原因可能有很多。当经历困难和苦难时，人的倾向是，忽略赞美和敬拜神。因此，诗人的劝勉，“你们要向耶和华唱新歌！…要向耶和华歌唱！”因此，作为在基督里的信徒，我们必须赞美和敬拜神，无论我们的环境或情况如何。

敬拜的原因是：主

敬拜是不依赖发生的事情和情况，而是在主里。我们歌唱和欢乐，是因为基督的属性。他是一位信实，美善和慈爱的神。不管发生什么事，或在可能是多么困难的情况下。我们甚至可能不明白，但我们需要记住，神的道路是高过我们的道路（赛55:9）。这就是为什么诗人说，“要向耶和华歌唱”。你会变得更坚强和更好。

我们的欢喜，歌唱，和赞美是在主里。他是非常伟大，在各方面都大有能力！诗人宣称，“因耶和华本为大，当受极大的赞美；他在万神之上，当受敬畏。因万民的神明都属虚无；惟独耶和华创造诸天。有尊荣和威严在他面前，有能力与华美在他圣所”（诗96:4-6）。

我们怎样述说他的荣耀呢？

圣经命令我们要述说，并传扬神的荣耀。这意味着我们必须讲和见证主的美善，信实和恩典。诗人在诗篇96说，“述说”，“传扬”和“尊荣”，可以总结出一个字，“敬拜”。神要我们敬拜他。当我们敬拜祂时，我们赞美，歌唱和述说神的能力和荣耀。

我们述说和传扬什么？

1 他的救恩的好消息。
我们的歌是我们救恩的歌和因他的信实，我们的罪被赦免。诗人说，“要向耶和华歌唱，称颂他的名！天天传扬他的救恩”（诗篇96:2）。

2 在万民中述说他的奇事。

诗人说，“要向耶和华歌唱，…在列国中述说他的荣耀！在万民中述说他的奇事”（诗篇96:3）。这是我们为何欢喜。神是伟大和大有能力，没有人可以与他相比！

3 他至高掌权。

诗人说，即使当我们无法理解周遭的情况，他有权力和权柄掌管我们所有的困难的情况。“要在列国中说：“耶和华作王了！世界坚定，不得动摇；他要按公正审判万民（诗96:10）。诗人还宣称，“愿海和其中所充满的澎湃！…那时，林中的树木都要在耶和华面前欢呼。”（诗96:11-12）。换句话说，诗人说，甚至一切受造之物都欢呼。圣经告诉我们，当耶稣要被钉十字架的时候，他骑着驴进了耶路撒冷。他坚定不移地为要作被杀的羔羊，他们把棕榈树枝铺在路上。法利赛人开始呼喊起来，“他们为什么这样做？他们怎么能唱歌赞美他？”耶稣的回答是，如果他们赞美他，这些石头必要呼叫起来（路19：28-40）。他们赞美和荣耀他因为他是配得我们的敬拜。

4 他将以公义和真理审判世界。

这是一个先知性的预言，“因为他来了，他来要审判全地。他要按公义审判世界，按信实审判万民。”（诗96:13）。耶稣将会再来，审判世界。要欢喜，因为这是我们的盼望。它可能会比你想像的要快！无论在何种情况下，给他赞美和敬拜。当今的世界不公正，但是当祂再来时，公义必盛行。

敬拜是属于神

神要我们敬拜他，因为敬拜是属于神的。撒旦明白敬拜的能力，祂试探耶稣来敬拜祂。圣经告诉我们，撒旦来试探耶稣时，他是在旷野禁食祷告。撒旦的试探之一，撒旦说，“这一切权柄和荣华我都要给你，因为这原是交给我的，我愿意给谁就给谁。你若在我面前下拜，这一切都归你”（路4:5-7）。撒旦今天也用捷径或更快的方式来完成神的旨意或达到成功来试探信徒。撒旦试图欺骗耶稣说，“你不需要上十字架，上帝的救赎之路。敬拜我，我会把国度给你。”为耶稣的智慧感谢上帝！他斥责撒旦说：“你要拜主—你的神”（路4:8）。耶稣又说，“…和惟独事奉他。”

敬拜是与事奉有关

敬拜是与事奉有关，而不是只说宗教的词语。敬拜是以仆人的心态来到神的面前，说：“神啊，我在这里唯要遵行你的旨意，要过顺服的生活。”耶稣实际上对撒旦说：“撒旦，你是一个骗子。对敬拜的意义你没有完全说实话。如果我敬拜你，我将不得不事奉你。我不会敬拜你，因为我不会成为你的仆人，”相反地，耶稣宣告说，“你要敬拜主和惟独事奉他。”你会以仆人的态度敬拜神，愿意听从耶和华我们的神吗？

敬拜是奉献

敬拜是与奉献有关。你不能有敬拜而没有奉献。你奉献你自己和你所有的一切，它们都是从神而来。在旧约里，每一次当以色列人来到祭坛，他们都带来供物。诗人说，“…拿供物来进入他的院宇”（诗96:8）。敬拜不但是“歌唱”，“传扬”和“述说”，而且是“把供物带来”。先献上你自己。

神倾倒他的祝福

奉献打开天上的窗户，让神来尊荣，赐能力和祝福或丰富你。圣经说，“你们要将当纳的十分之一全然送入仓库，使我家有粮，以此试试我，是否为你们敞开天上的窗户，倾福与你们，甚至无处可容。这是万军之耶和华说的”（玛3:10）。仓库是储存粮食的地方。仓库是神的家。当你来到教会敬拜，和奉献，神会赐福予你。注意经上说，“使…有粮”是指仓库。敬拜打开天上的窗户。正是在那里，他要倾倒“祝福与你们，甚至无处可容！”有更重要的东西，是金钱买不到的，如健康，平安和神的恩典。不要只在言语上敬拜，但要尽心尽性尽意的敬拜。献上你所有的，包括你自己。圣经说，“你们要给人，就必有给你们，并且用十足的升斗，连摇带按，上尖下流地倒在你们怀里；因为你们用什么量器量给人，也必用什么量器量给你们。”（路6:38）。

神斥责吞噬者

你们有多少人在生活中经历到吞噬者，遇到疾病和失败？你是否有很好的收入，但不知何故，无法享受一切财务的祝福？吞噬者使你的钱在口袋留不住！他在偷你的钱。当你学习奉献给主，你将体验到神大大的祝福。神的应许是，“我必为你们斥责蝗虫，不容它毁坏你们的土产。你们田间的葡萄树，果实未熟以先也不会掉落。这是万军之耶和华说的”（玛3:11）。当你纳十分之一和奉献给主时，主必斥责在你的生活中的吞噬者。

圣经说，“万国必称你们为有福的，因你们必成为喜乐之地。”这是万军之耶和华说的。”（玛3:12）神已经为他的子民所做的一切的极致是“万国必称你们为有福的”那么，你将传扬神的祝福的所有理由。你将是主耶稣基督的敬拜者。你会传扬他的奇事吗？

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NOV 20
NOV 12

SUNDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE

Damansara Heights SUNDAY 8.00 AM/ 10.30 AM	Damansara Heights SUNDAY 5.00 PM	Cheras SUNDAY 9.00 AM	Damansara Perdana SUNDAY 10.30 AM
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Holy Communion



Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam

Associate Pastor Richard Yun

Associate Pastor Timothy Ong

Associate Pastor Timothy Ong

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Associate Pastor Timothy Ong

Associate Pastor Richard Yun

Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam

Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam

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Drs. Robert & Marion Lim

Associate Pastor Chan Lee Peng

Associate Pastor Raymond Yong

Associate Pastor Raymond Yong

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Associate Pastor Steven Kum

Associate Pastor Raymond Yong

Associate Pastor Peter Ong

Associate Pastor Peter Ong

Bahasa Malaysia Thanksgiving Fellowship

25 NOV, SUNDAY, 12.30PM

Theme:

Gratitude, The Key To Success!
(Kesyukuran, Kunci Kepada Sukses!)

Speaker:

Associate Pastor David Seah

Venue: Bethel Bungalow

November Water Baptism

Water Baptism and Membership Class

10 November, 2012

Saturday, 1.30pm

Water Baptism Service

11 November, 2012

Sunday, 10.30am

December Water Baptism

Water Baptism and Membership Class

8 December, 2012

Saturday, 1.30pm

Water Baptism Service

9 December, 2012

Sunday, 10.30am



十一月份 中文聚会

主题: 以言语和行为来建造中文团契

讲员: 古师母

日期: 25-11-12 (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: 10-11-12 (六)

& 8-12-12 (六)

时间: 下午一点半

浸礼聚会

日期: 11-11-12 (日)

& 9-12-12 (日)

时间: 上午十点半

地点: 加略山教会(大堂)

报名截止日期: 18-11-12 (日)

Chinese Fellowship

25 NOV, SUNDAY, 5PM

Theme:

Building the Chinese Fellowship in Word and Deed

Speaker:

Senior Associate Pastor Petrina Guneratnam

Venue: Bethel Bungalow

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the dragon on their behalf, and
vows that "even if you hear that
I have died slaying the dragon,
don't fear — my Father has
promised I'll be victorious,
and see you safely home!"

Up Close And Personal
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CN: Calvary Convention Centre is nearing completion. We are gearing up to move to the CCC next year.

How do you see the impact of Calvary Church through the CCC?

CCC will be a definitive and historical point of departure for Calvary Church. Things will be done vastly differently in the new adequate and very large facility. It will hold a prominent place in KL, Malaysia and the entire world.

The Pentecostal Movement will watch to see if Calvary can maintain

her Pentecostal experience and identity. Bringing the World Pentecostal Conference to the CCC at its dedication will be a powerful launching event. Calvary Church should be praying earnestly for a powerful Pentecostal Conference that will lift Calvary Church and all churches in Malaysia to a new and greater spiritual influence throughout Malaysia, East Asia and the entire world.

CN: Prayer has been very close to your heart. How do you see Calvary Church moving in terms of prayer?

Prayer has always been the very heart of a dynamic Christian life and Church.

Intercessory prayer is the absolute master key to a truly successful mission and evangelistic movement. Calvary Church must accept this challenge and produce at every level and in every segment of Church activity a dynamic intercessory movement that is Bible-based and Kingdom focused.

CN: Thank you, Pastor Guynes for sharing with us at Calvary News. We hope you will enjoy the rest of your stay at Calvary Church. We know we enjoy having you here. +

YOU AND YOUR HOUSEHOLD SHALL BE SAVED

BY PATRICK NGO

MY WIFE, CHRISTINA AND I THANK GOD FOR HIS GRACE AND MERCY SHOWN ON MY LOVED ONES.

I have four brothers and two sisters. There are a total of seven Ngo siblings, including me.

I would like to share how my family members came to know Jesus one by one. I came to know the Lord in 1976. At that time, all my family members were not Christians, but I believed the Word of God that said that if you are saved, your household will be saved too. My wife and I constantly prayed for their salvation. Then something happened. One by one, I saw my family members come to Christ.

First, my younger brother, Albert, came to know the Lord in 1991 when Pastor Dennis Belcome preached in Calvary Church.

Then my mother accepted Jesus during Pastor Oh Beng Kee's ministry in Calvary Church.

My mum, then 69 years old, was a very staunch Taoist, a follower of the goddess of mercy, yet Jesus opened her heart to the gospel. After accepting Christ, she faithfully attended church. In 2005, she went home to be with the Lord at the age of 83.

My two sisters, Yan Nee and Seng Nee, came to know Jesus during the demise of our beloved mother. It was a touching moment. God used my mum's "homecoming" to bring her daughters to Himself. Both of them are now fervent Christians, regularly attending Calvary Church.

Then my third brother, Chee Seng accepted the Lord when the Chinese



LEFT TO RIGHT

BACK ROW

The Ngo siblings:
Francis
Albert
Patrick
Seng Nee
Inset (Yan Nee)

FRONT ROW

Annie Tan
Joyce
Annie Yeen
Amos
Christina Chong
Nigel

evangelism team visited him in his home.

Recently, we invited my elder brother Francis, his wife Anne and daughter Joyce to the Courageous movie. They came and were touched by the show, but didn't accept Jesus.

We did not give up. We invited them to join us for the Sunday services. Praise God they attended Church service on 5 August 2012. That Sunday, the Pastor shared that our God loves His people and will grant them peace. My brother and family needed peace in their lives. The Holy Spirit ministered to them. The Word of God is sharper than a two-edged sword!

When the altar call was given, Francis

and his family responded and they said the sinner's prayer. After the service, Pastor Raymond met my brother and family and explained to them further what the Sinner's Prayer was, and helped them understand what it means to invite Jesus into their lives to be their Lord and Saviour.

Praise the Lord! Now all my living siblings have come to know the Lord Jesus Christ. And my son, Nigel gave his heart to Jesus when he was a child.

Brothers and sisters, let's not give up hope praying for the salvation of our loved ones and friends.

Our hope is in Jesus. To God be the GLORY! Amen. ✚



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