

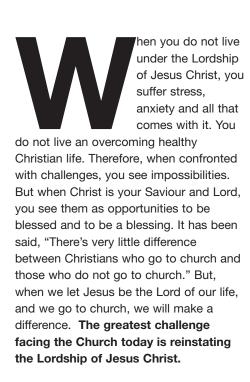




Stewardship is

Part Two





A survey revealed the following statistics about Church members in USA. 10% cannot be found in Church, 20% never attend Church. 25% never pray. 30% never read their Bible. 50% never attend SCG class or Bible study or Sunday school. 60% never give to world Missions. 65% never assume any ministry in the Church. 85% never attend a mid-week service. 95% never had won one person

to Christ. 100% think they will all go to heaven! As believers, we need to evaluate how we live as a born-again believer, who confess Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord.

LORDSHIP IS DOING THE WILL OF GOD

to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the

Jesus teaches, "Not everyone who says

kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven" (Matthew 7:21). Jesus says you can call Him Lord and not do His will! We all have our own wills. Very often, our struggles and difficulties arise because we want to have our own way. We are easily deceived by believing that by confessing Jesus as Lord and Saviour, attend Church, and having a form of godliness suffices. But Jesus teaches otherwise. Not everyone who calls Him Lord will enter the Kingdom of Heaven. Jesus says, "Many will say to Me in that day, 'Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?" (Matthew 7:22). We can be so blinded by our religiosity and not realise Jesus is not Lord of our life. For instance, we think that those who manifest the gifts of the Spirit are living a life pleasing to God. But that is not a Bible assessment. The Bible says, "For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable" (Romans 11:29). Jesus will

say to them, "And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!"" (Matthew 7:23). The Lordship of Christ is measured by fruits in one's life and not by gifts given by the Holy Spirit.

FRUITS VERSUS GIFTS

Fruits are grown and developed. Gifts are not grown but given. Fruits are grown and speak of one's maturity in life. Jesus says when you judge people, you don't look at their gifts and talents but their conduct, behaviour and life style. Jesus shows us how to know a true believer. Jesus savs. judge them by their fruits and not gifts. The Bible says, "Therefore by their fruits you will know them " (Matthew 7:20).

AMBASSADORS FOR CHRIST

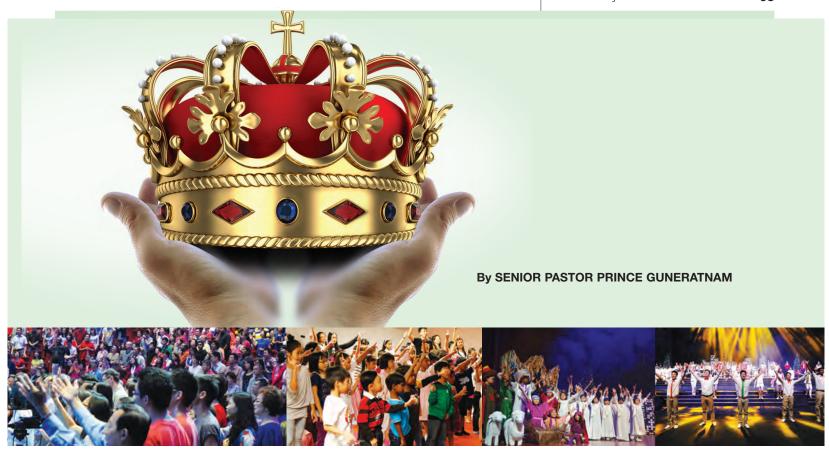
A good illustration of our relationship with God is we are His ambassadors. Ambassadors act in the name and authority of their sending countries and their embassies represent their governments. They have immunity of the local law of the country they reside. If they did any offence, the local government will inform their sending government and the ambassador is dealt with by the laws of his own country. The ambassadors have immunity in the countries they serve. Similarly, we are ambassadors for Christ (2 Corinthians 5:20). When we invoke the











name of Jesus, demons recognise that name. There is an occasion in the book of Acts, when the sons of Scheva tried to cast out demons and the demons said, "Jesus I know, ... but who are you?" (Acts 19:15). Many in Church today are living in deception. Does the enemy of your soul recognise Jesus in you, just because you attend Church, give offerings and sing in worship. Our life must bear fruits by doing the will of God and that makes you a true ambassador for God.

CHRIST OUR LORD AND **ROCK**

Jesus says, "Therefore whoever hears these sayings of Mine, and does them, I will liken him to a wise man who built his house on the rock: and the rain descended, the floods came and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it did not fall, for it was founded on the rock" (Matthew 7:24-25). What this means is, those who do the will of God and live under the Lordship of Jesus Christ are saved, secured and successful born-gain believers.

Jesus goes on to say, "But everyone who hears these sayings of Mine, and does not do them, will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand: and the rain descended, the floods

came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it fell. And great was its fall.' And so it was, when Jesus had ended these sayings, that the people were astonished at His teaching"

(Matthew 7:26-28). The winds, rains and floods speak of the fact that life is not a bed of roses. If your life is not built on the rock, who is Jesus Christ, you will not be able to stand the attack of the enemy. You need Jesus Christ to be Lord of your life to be saved, secure and successful. Doing good works will not save you. Jesus says, "Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven" (Matthew 7:21).

There are three classes of people. First, those who don't call and don't do. These are unbelievers.

Second, those who call and don't do. These believe but don't do what they believe.

Third, those who call and do. These are born-again and are ambassadors of God.

The principle to learn is don't be a hearer! If you hear, then do. Some are just hearers. They will walk out of the Church doors and not do what they have heard. Listen to what you hear and in listening

you hear, so you can do. The Bible says, "But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves" (James 1:22).

There are three types of obedience.

- 1. Partial obedience is obeying when it is convenient or it fits into your lifestyle.
- 2. Selective obedience is obeying or doing, if it benefits you.
- 3. Situational obedience depends on your conveniences

When you get married in Church you make a commitment and one of them is, "For better or worse, for richer or poorer, and till death do you part". These commitments are readily made by the married couple. When you come to Jesus you take the same vow. You take Him to be your Lord and Saviour till He calls you home, to be with Him forever.

When you make Him the Lord of your life you shall not lack. Jesus is the solid rock which you can stand on when the rain comes, the winds blow and the flood rise, you are saved, secured and successful. Will you crown Him Lord?

All Bible quotations are in New King James Version unless otherwise indicated.





THANKSGIVING FOR GOD'S BLESSINGS **THROUGHOUT 2013!**

he first Thanksgiving Service was held on 31 December at the Calvary Convention Centre (CCC). More than 1,500 came out for this special meaningful service to give thanks to the Lord for all His goodness and faithfulness towards us throughout 2013!

The entire service was to acknowledge and give thanks to the Lord for what He has done for us corporately as a Church and individually.

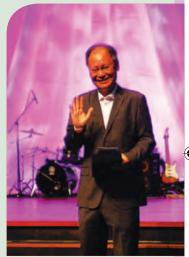
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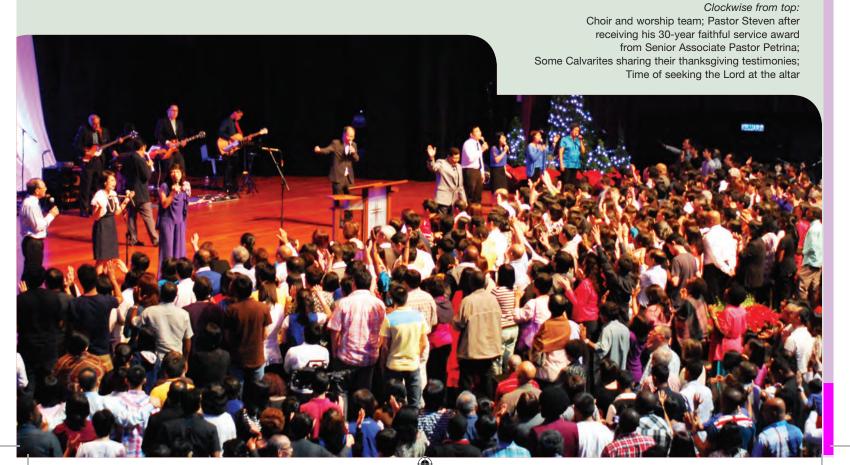
· Victory reports of what the Lord had done by Ministry Heads and Coordinators in their respective ministries (Life Groups, Missions, School of Christian Growth, Missionettes, Royal Rangers, Hospitality, Youths and Young Adults, Children and Music and Creative Arts).

- Faitfhul service awards were given out by Senior Associate Pastor Petrina Guneratnam accompanied by Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam. Those who received awards include lay leaders, Church pastors, ministerial and administrative staff.
- Sharing testimonies of wonderful experiences of God's enablement, healing, protection, provision and many others.
- Seeking the Lord at the altar- Senior Pastor led us all in seeking the Lord for sanctification and to consecrate ourselves to the Lord for 2014!
- Wishing one another new year blessings.

What a blessed way to come together as a Church family and say thank you to the Lord for all His blessings in 2013 and to usher in 2014!



















CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING WHOSE FAITHFULNESS IN SERVICE WAS RECOGNISED AT THE 2013 YEAR END THANKSGIVING SERVICE

CHURCH STAFF



30 Years Pastor Steven Kum Associate Pastor & Missions Ministry Head



25 Years Pastor Chris Lee Associate Pastor & Music & Creative Arts Ministry Head



25 Years Jim Guneratnam Executive Administrator Director - Calvary Communication Ministry Royal Rangers Outpost Chairman



20 Years Phang Wai

Missions Ministry Staff



15 Years Pastor Carol Lim Pastor & Publications Coordinator



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25 Years Alice Lee Personal Assistant



25 Years Josephine Tay Accounts Administrator



25 Years LAY LEADERS

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Chin Ki Fen School of Christian Growth



20 Years Yip Wai Leng
Missions Accounts Executive







Joyful Fellowshipping At Year End!

he Year End Thanksgiving Fellowship was a good opportune time for Calvarites to come together to interact before service. Many came as early as 7.30 pm.



Calvarites were encouraged to contribute desserts as a way to express their thanksgiving unto the Lord for His goodness and blessings. Praise God for the good response from 70 Calvarites who contributed a wide variety of delightful desserts ranging from cakes, pastries, cookies, jellies, fruits and various local tong sui and kuihmuih. The Church provided freshly steamed char siewpau.

We appreciate Deacon Stephen Liu and the organizing team in coordinating this fellowship. There were about 50 who joyfully helped in serving the refreshments for the evening.











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Top to bottom: Senior Pastor greeting Calvarites; Good interaction amongs Calvarites; Senior Pastor & Sister Petrina greeting Calvarites

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Clockwise from top left: Senior Pastor fellowshipping with Calvarites; Sister Petrina appreciating the wide selection of deserts; Calvarites enjoying the interaction & desserts; Sister Petrina catches up with a Calvarite; View of Plaza during fellowship from Education Block



















Main pic: Pastor Steven ministers to the youths; Symbolic sealing of youths' commitment to reach out using finger painting

YOUTH BY YEUNG YEU-GYNN MISSIONS EMPHASIS

Calvary Youths challenged to live as the salt and light of the earth.

session with our Missions Director, Associate Pastor Steven Kum at Damansara Heights (DH) on 24 January.

Tabitha Ong opened in prayer, followed by an ice-breaking session that put everyone at ease. This was followed by an energetic time of prayer and worship together with the worship team. Next came two testimonies by Sherry Kek and Daniel Lee. Sherry shared how God has given her the courage to share the Good News with her schoolmates. Daniel shared how God used him and the Church's Evangelism Team.

alvary Youths were treated to a Missions

Associate Pastor Steven Kum shared on "Living Lives of Impact", based on 1Timothy 4: 12 "Let no-one despise your youth, but be an example to the believers in word, in conduct, in love, in faith, in purity". To impact our generation and be the salt and light to the earth, we must first ask "Dear Lord, what can I do to make a difference?" As children of God, we are called to be the difference, to have a heart for the mission of bringing others to know the love of Jesus. As the salt and light, we must live as a testimony of the Gospel, taking God into consideration twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week. Evangelising starts

with asking yourself "Do I have a story about Jesus to tell?" In the act of storytelling for God, we are not alone, for Jesus has promised us a Helper as in John 14:16, "And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever".

In closing, Pastor Steven prayed for the youths to live lives by God's word, which will glorify our Heavenly Father and have spiritual boldness and confidence to bring more to know Jesus Christ, because He who is in you is greater than he who is in the world. A total of nine youths responded at the altar for God's call to full-time ministry, and were prayed for.

Our youths were encouraged to fill out commitment cards with three names of those whom they would evangelize, bless and pray fervently for. The commitment cards also encouraged the youths to join Calvary Youth's Evangelism Team on a monthly basis from February to June.

Praise God for instilling into our youths a passion for the mission to impact our generation! May we arise from our comfort zone to bring God's saving grace and amazing love to the lost.







MISSIONS COFFEE TALK By ESTHER WONG





The Worship Nursery was transformed into a cozy café-like atmosphere as the attendees settled into their seats with a warm drink in hand. After a short time of worship, prayer and introductions, Dr. Castleberry shared on "The Priority of Going". He used Genesis 1:28, "Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth" to good use, drawing parallels between the triple mandate in this text (namely reproduction, migration and dominion) with the Great Commission, to go and make disciples and Jesus will give us the authority. It was God's intention to bless mankind.

Dr. Castleberry emphasized that "going is for everyone". In Matthew 28:19, Jesus commanded his disciples to go and make disciples of all nations. Whether it is in your workplace, classroom or in the fields of Africa, he believes that every single

believer is as called to ministry as much as a pastor or a preacher. "We do missions best when we do it with our own lives," he added.

During the questions-and-answers session, Dr Castleberry offered practical insights as well as his missionary experiences in reply to questions as did Pastor Steven Kum. Some attendees also shared their perspectives, including a working adult's response to the challenge of balancing work and serving God, a parent's perspective towards children desiring to go full time, a youth facing hindrances in wanting to be a witness and so on.

Many were blessed and inspired by Dr Castleberry's testimonies and practical insights about serving God. Gabriel Chong, a university student and youth leader shared, "Dr Castleberry's message and the Q&A session was very reassuring because it confirms what I have been thinking about, especially about the Great Commission and the reason we were put on this earth."

Thank God for a fruitful time that helped us youths move forward in our journey with God, being assured that God's will is for each of us to be a worker in God's harvest field.



CONGRATULATIONS

SENIOR PASTOR

on receiving this award which reads:

"The President and Board of **Directors of Northwest University** Express their deep gratitude to Rev. Tan Sri Dr. Prince Guneratnam for outstanding service, spiritual leadership, and faithful generosity to our community as a member of the Board of Directors for twelve years (2000-2012) and for inspiring us to a greater vision of the Glory of God.

Given this 26th day of January, 2014 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

Les Welk, Chairman Joseph Castleberry, President"

We are proud of this award which was given to our Senior Pastor.









CROWN HIM

This year's Missions
Emphasis Weekend on
January 24-26, 2014
saw Dr Joseph
Castleberry, President
of Northwest
University, Washington
sharing on the theme
"Missions Is Done
With... The Knees, The
Feet and The Hands".

By LEANNE TAN

t the Friday Missions Prayer Emphasis at Damansara Heights (DH), Dr Castleberry shared from Matthew 9:35-38. We were marvellously enlightened that Jesus did not immediately ask his disciples to go to the harvest fields, but they were to pray to the Lord of the harvest! The reason being, Jesus knew His disciples did not see the crowds the way He did. "When He saw the crowds, He had compassion on them because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd" (Matthew 9: 36). Jesus knew that when we pray, God will enable us to see with God's kind of understanding and thus have a heart for the lost and use our hands to do like Jesus did.

It is vital to have compassion to reach out. It is also vital that we overcome our fears and prejudices that may hinder us from reaching out to other ethnic groups. This was humorously brought home to us through two skits entitled, "What is your preference?" presented at the start of the service.

During the corporate prayer time, Dr Castleberry prayed for God to touch and bless the various nations facing challenges of all sorts. Associate Pastors Steven Kum and Richard Yun also led in prayers for our nation, Calvary Church's outreaches and the upcoming renewing of our Faith Promises pledges for the first half of 2014.







Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam exhorted us to take the missions challenge seriously, to see the lost as Jesus saw them and to do our part in fulfilling the Great Commission.

Clockwise from top left: Praying for FP partners at CCC & DH respectively; Calvarites making faith pledges; Missions speaker, Dr Joseph Castleberry

Left: Corporate prayer at Missions Prayer Emphasis; Two skits on overcoming fears & prainting











ORD OF THE HARVEST

Faith Promise Saturday and Sunday at DH and Calvary Convention Centre (CCC) respectively, began with a lively praise and worship session followed by a video Missions report (Calvary Missions News Network - CMNN) which highlighted how we have invested in missions locally and abroad in 2013. Our Missions Director Pastor Steven shared briefly the missions budget.

Dr Castleberryshared on "The Shrewd Manager" based on Luke 16: 1-13, a puzzling text as he pointed out, considering that the manager's dealings were not honest and yet he was commended as shrewd by his master. Dr Castleberry defined the term shrewdness as "using what you have to get what you want". Thus the manager in the parable was shrewd. He used what he had to get what he wanted. Jesus did not commend the manager for his dishonesty. But Jesus commended him for his shrewdness. Dr Castleberry shared a powerful testimony of how his great grandmother's shrewdness saved her husband's life, if not there would be no Dr Castleberrry today!

Jesus said, "For the people of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own kind than are the people of the light. I tell

you, use worldly wealth to gain friends for yourselves, so that when it is gone, you will be welcomed into eternal dwellings." Jesus noted that the people of God are not as shrewd in dealing with their own kind. He encourages believers to use kingdom shrewdness to gain our kind of people who are valued by God. Our kind of people include the poor, hungry, those who weep, the blind, lame, the tax collector who humbled himself before God and so on (Matthew 11:4-6; Luke 18:9-14). In essence, our kind of people are those who hear the Good News of the Gospel and repent. Similarly we are shrewd if we give towards the gaining of souls for God.

We were reminded that God has blessed us so much in Calvary Church, with this tremendous CCC, beautiful families, careers, homes and wealth. The vital question is can God trust us with what He has blessed us with to invest for eternal results. This is what faith promise is all about - investing into God's kingdom. Will we give more, so that God can give us more?

Calvarites responded to the Missions challenge by renewing their Faith Promise pledges for the next six months. The children's missions programme was held concurrently with the adults' services on Saturday and Sunday and the kids made their faith promise pledges too.

Praise and thank God for granting us the faith in renewing our missions pledge and new passion to reach out in missions. Senior Pastor prayed for all Faith Promise partners that God will bless us all and bring us to a higher level of faith, maturity and experience His miraculous provisions.











special events included Treasure Hunts, Challenge Games, Movies, Christmas Celebration and climaxed with an Award Celebration & Promotion where kids were promoted to the next class in the new year. They had fun While learning and they also brought their friends.

Praise God for 22 new visitors in the month of December and 16 who accepted Jesus into their lives. We also rejoice that 78 new visitors returned to CW for 2013.

Be blessed by the testimonies of some of our CW Kids and teachers.



I thank God for...

- The exciting games.
- Helping me win at a few games.
- Showing He is Lord of my life. Making new friends.
- Friends whom I invited to CCC.
- An awesome treasure hunt. Awards received.
- Helping me to be a team leader. Working with other kids.



I thank God for...

- Laughter and fun with the kids. Getting to know other teachers.
- The brilliant idea behind the treasure hunt. The good team spirit amongst kids during games.
- The unity amongst teachers and helpers.
- Enabling the more reserved kids to join in the fun
- The Kids Challenge activities which empowered the kids to be positive amongst themselves as they participated.









MISSIONS TRIP TO CALVARYLAND

By REBECCA PHAN







hank God for the first missions outing to Calvaryland on 28
December 2013 for the 11 year old Carpenter Workshop (CW) kids. This outing was significant as it was held on the eve before the CW kids were promoted to the Alpha (Life Group (LG) for kids ages 12-14).

The objective of the mission trip was to provide opportunity for the kids to serve God and to grow in their vibrant relationship with God. It was also to build good friendship among the kids and between kids and teachers as well, before they move from CW to Alpha LGs.

The kids had an opportunity to reach out and were our blessing to the residents at Calvaryland, our social concern ministry in Sepang. They were involved in praise and worship during chapel time at Calvaryland, where Pastor Susan Tan

shared the Word. They also presented a skit entitled "I say, but God Says" that highlights the power of God's Word to help us overcome our weaknesses. The children prayed for the residents by laying hands on them during the altar time as Pastor Susan was praying. They also had an enjoyable time of interacting with the resident kids as well.

Praise God for a fruitful and meaningful trip for the 15 kids and four teachers who came for the trip. We enjoyed the trip and were much blessed.

I was blessed to see how God used the kids with their different giftings and personalities for His glory! My greatest joy is the bonding I had with the kids and they, also with one one another.

Be blessed by the testimonies of some of the kids:

Miko Lim

I thank God for blessing me during the trip. I learned to pray for people and also overcame my fear, especially when we had to do the skit. Overall it was a really fun trip!

Jeffrey Ngan

I enjoyed the farm visit much. We tried catching the chickens and geese. During cooking time, I was able to teach my friends how to cut onions as I helped my mum a lot in the kitchen!

Chloe

It was a great trip. I am glad to play with the kids there and had fun cooking too with friends. I also thank God for letting me pray for the aunties and uncles at Calvaryland.





BY YEUNG YEU-GYNN



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n 16 – 19 December 2013, the young people had the most amazing camp ever held at the Grand Kampar Hotel, Perak. Praise God for the 226 youths (ages 12 to 20s) who came. This was made possible through the youths reaching out to their friends and Calvarite parents encouraging their children to attend Camp.

The theme was "Impacting Our Generation", based on Matthew 5:14-16 which tells us that we are the light of the world. Associate Pastors David Seah and Lee Peng provided Pastoral oversight throughout the camp.

Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam paid a surprise visit to the youth camp on the second morning and the campers were encouraged. We are blessed to have a Senior Pastor who cares.

Pastor Joshua Ko, age 24, from First Assembly of God, Hawaii was cool, funny, loud and very relatable. He hit it off with a bang with the youths and delivered God's Word with great relevance and impact.

At one session, Pastor Joshua challenged the young people to give their lives fully to God. He encouraged them to break the fear barrier by standing up and shouting aloud that they will follow and serve God with all of their lives. It was silent at first, but as God ministered, the response was amazing. One after another, and some simultaneously, stood and declared and pledged to give their lives to Him.

Praise the Lord for the immeasurable power of the Holy Spirit's ministry at all the camp sessions, times of worship, prayer and fellowship. There were 9 salvations, 21 received the baptism of the Holy Spirit and 11 responded to full-time calling.





The annual youth camp would be incomplete without time to relax and playing games. We enjoyed the adventurous games. In one game, the youths had the opportunity to showcase their artistic talents. Players were occasionally drenched with water balloons, pelted by inconspicuous station-masters. The players also had to rack their brains to figure out the clues that would expose the "mysterious deceiver", which determined a team's victory or defeat!

Praise and thank God for empowering us all at camp. We left camp thirsting for more of God. We will be passionate and radical in our faith, bringing light to our homes, schools, campuses, communities and to our nation.

Thank God too for our pastors-at-camp, youth coordinators, youth leaders and camp committee who were instrumental in making this camp a huge success!

Clockwise from Top main:
CYYA Camp group photo with Senior
Pastor Prince
Guneratnam (centre, 6th Row from front); Fervent praise & worship;
Collecting room keys upon arrival; Enjoying games; Pastor Joshua Ko; Pastors David & Lee Peng praying for the youths at altar







Pengurusan Yang Mengakui

(Bahagian 2)



pabila kamu tidak hidup di bawah ketuanan Yesus Kristus, kamu mengalami tekanan, kebimbangan dan kesemua yang datang bersama. Kamu tidak hidup sebagai Kristian yang sihat dan berkemenangan. Oleh itu, apabila berhadapan dengan cabaran, kamu melihat kemustahilan sahaja. Tetapi apabila Kristus adalah Juruselamat dan Tuhan, kamu melihat kesempatan untuk diberkati dan menjadi berkat. Pernah dikatakan, "Terdapat sedikit perbezaan sahaja antara orang Kristian yang pergi ke gereja dan mereka yang tidak pergi ke gereja. "Tetapi, apabila kita membiarkan Yesus menjadi Tuhan dalam kehidupan kita, dan kita pergi ke gereja, kita akan membuat perbezaan. Cabaran terbesar yang dihadapi oleh Gereja pada hari ini ialah untuk kembalikan semula kepada ketuanan Yesus Kristus.

Satu kajian mendedahkan statistik berikut mengenai ahli-ahli gereja di Amerika Syarikat. 10% tidak dijumpai dalam gereja. 20% tidak pernah menghadiri gereja. 25 % tidak pernah berdoa. 30% tidak pernah membaca Alkitab mereka. 50% tidak pernah menghadiri kelas SCG atau belajar Alkitab atau sekolah minggu. 60% tidak pernah memberi kepada misi dunia. 65% tidak pernah melayani dalam gereja. 85% tidak pernah menghadiri gereja pada pertengahan minggu. 95% tidak pernah memenangkan jiwa seorang pun kepada Kristus. 100% memikir mereka semua akan pergi ke syurga! Sebagai orang yang percaya, kita perlu menilai bagaimana kita hidup sebagai

Kristian yang dilahirkan semula, yang mengakui Yesus Kristus sebagai Juruselamat dan Tuhan.

KETUANAN IALAH MELAKUKAN KEHENDAK TUHAN

Yesus mengajar, "Bukan setiap orang yang berseru kepada-Ku: Tuhan, Tuhan! akan masuk ke dalam Kerajaan Syurga, melainkan yang melakukan kehendak Bapa-Ku yang di syurga" (Matius 7:21). Yesus berkata kamu boleh panggil la Tuhan dan tidak melakukan kehendak-Nya! Kita semua mempunyai kehendak kita sendiri. Selalunya, pergumulan dan kesukaran kita timbul kerana kita mahu mengikut cara kita sendiri. Kita senang di tipu dengan kepercayaan bahawa dengan mengakui Yesus sebagai Tuhan dan Juruselamat, menghadiri gereja, dan mempunyai satu bentuk kesalehan sudah mencukupi. Tetapi Yesus mengajar sebaliknya. Bukan semua orang yang panggil la Tuhan akan masuk ke dalam Kerajaan Syurga. Yesus berkata, "Pada hari terakhir banyak orang akan berseru kepada-Ku: Tuhan, Tuhan, bukankah kami bernubuat demi nama-Mu, dan mengusir setan demi nama-Mu, dan mengadakan banyak mujizat demi nama-Mu juga?"(Matius 7:22). Kita boleh menjadi buta dengan keagamaan dan tidak sedar bahawa Yesus bukan Tuhan dalam hidup kita. Sebagai contoh, kita berfikir bahawa orang-orang yang menunjukkan karunia Roh Kudus sedang hidup kehidupan yang menyenangkan hati Tuhan. Tetapi itu bukan penilaian dalam Alkitab. Alkitab mengatakan, "Sebab Tuhan tidak menyesali kasih karunia

dan panggilan-Nya" (Roma 11:29). Yesus berkata kepada mereka, "Pada waktu itulah Aku akan berterus terang kepada mereka dan berkata: Aku tidak pernah mengenal kamu! Enyahlah dari pada-Ku, kamu sekalian pembuat kejahatan!" (Matius 7:23). Ketuanan Kristus dinilai dengan buah-buah dalam kehidupan seseorang dan bukan dengan karunia yang diberikan Roh Kudus.

BUAH-BUAH BERBANDING KARUNIA

Buah-buah adalah bertumbuh dan membesar. Karunia tidak tumbuh tetapi diberikan. Buah-buah membesar dan berbicara tentang kematangan seseorang dalam hidup nya. Yesus berkata apabila kamu mengadili orang, kamu bukan melihat karunia dan bakat mereka tetapi kelakuan, tingkah laku dan gaya hidup mereka. Yesus menunjukkan kita cara untuk mengetahui orang percaya yang benar. Yesus berkata, mengadili mereka melalui buah-buah dan bukan karunia mereka. Alkitab mengatakan, "Jadi dari buahnyalah kamu akan mengenal mereka" (Matius 7:20).

DUTA UNTUK KRISTUS

Satu gambaran jelas mengenai perhubungan kita dengan Tuhan ialah kita adalah duta-Nya. Duta bertindak dalam nama dan kuasa negara yang menghantar mereka dan kedutaan yang mereka wakili dalam kerajaan mereka. Mereka mempunyai imuniti dengan undangundang tempatan di negara yang mereka tinggal. Jika mereka lakukan apa-apa kesalahan, kerajaan tempatan akan memaklumkan kerajaan yang menghantar









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mereka dan duta tersebut akan di adili mengikut undang-undang negara nya. Duta mempunyai imuniti di negara-negara mereka berkhidmat. Begitu juga, kita adalah duta untuk Kristus (2 Korintus 5:20). Apabila kita menimbulkan nama Yesus, syaitan mengenali nama itu. Terdapat satu peristiwa dalam buku Kisah Para Rasul, ketika anak-anak Skewa cuba mengusir syaitan dan "roh jahat itu menjawab: "Yesus aku kenal, ... tetapi kamu, siapakah kamu?" (Kisah Para Rasul 19:15). Ramai di Gereja hari ini hidup dalam penipuan. Adakah musuh jiwa kamu mengenali Yesus dalam kamu, kerana kamu menghadiri gereja, memberi dan menyembah? Kehidupan kita mesti menghasilkan buah-buah dengan melakukan kehendak Tuhan, itulah menjadi kamu seorang duta yang benar untuk Tuhan.

KRISTUS TUHAN DAN BATU KITA
Yesus berkata, "Setiap orang yang
mendengar perkataan-Ku ini dan
melakukannya, ia sama dengan orang
yang bijaksana, yang mendirikan
rumahnya di atas batu. Kemudian
turunlah hujan dan datanglah banjir,
lalu angin melanda rumah itu, tetapi
rumah itu tidak rubuh sebab didirikan
di atas batu" (Matius 7:24-25). Ini
bermakna, orang-orang yang melakukan
kehendak Tuhan dan hidup di bawah
ketuanan Yesus Kristus diselamatkan,
dilindungi dan menjadi orang percaya
dilahirkan semula yang berhasil.

Yesus terus berkata, "'Tetapi setiap orang yang mendengar perkataan-Ku ini dan tidak melakukannya, ia sama dengan orang yang bodoh, yang

mendirikan rumahnya di atas pasir. Kemudian turunlah hujan dan datanglah banjir, lalu angin melanda rumah itu, sehingga rubuhlah rumah itu dan hebatlah kerusakannya'. Dan setelah Yesus mengakhiri perkataan ini, takjublah orang banyak itu mendengar pengajaran-Nya" (Matius 7:26-28). Angin, hujan dan banjir merujuk kepada hakikat bahawa kehidupan tidak sempurna. Jika kehidupan kamu tidak dibina di atas batu, iaitu Yesus Kristus, kamu tidak boleh menahan serangan musuh. Kamu memerlukan Yesus Kristus dan melakukan kehendak-Nya, maka kamu diselamatkan, terjamin dan berhasil. Melakukan perbuatan yang baik tidak akan menyelamatkan kamu. Yesus berkata, "Bukan setiap orang yang berseru kepada-Ku: Tuhan, Tuhan akan masuk ke dalam Kerajaan Syurga, melainkan yang melakukan kehendak Bapa-Ku yang di syurga" (Matius 7:21).

Terdapat tiga kelas orang. Pertama, orang-orang yang tidak berseru dan tidak melakukannya. Mereka adalah orangorang yang tidak percaya. Kedua, mereka yang berseru dan tidak melakukannya. Mereka percaya tetapi tidak melakukan apa yang mereka percaya. Ketiga, mereka berseru dan melakukannya. Mereka dilahirkan semula dan merupakan duta Tuhan. Prinsip untuk dipelajari ialah jangan menjadi seorang yang mendengar sahaja! Jika kamu mendengar, maka lakukan. Ada yang hanya mendengar sahaja. Mereka akan berjalan keluar dari pintu Gereja dan tidak melakukan apa yang mereka telah dengar. Dengarlah dan bila mendengar kamu boleh melakukan. Alkitab mengatakan, "Tetapi hendaklah

kamu menjadi pelaku firman dan bukan hanya pendengar saja; sebab jika tidak demikian kamu menipu diri sendiri" (Yakobus 1:22).

Terdapat tiga jenis ketaatan.

- Ketaatan sebahagian ialah mentaati bila selesa atau ia sesuai dengan gaya hidup mereka.
- Ketaatan terpilih ialah mentaati atau melakukan, jika ia memberi manfaat kepada mereka.
- 3. Ketaatan situasi bergantung kepada keselesaan mereka.

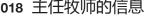
Apabila kamu berkahwin di Gereja kamu membuat komitmen dan salah satu daripadanya ialah, "Dalam keadaan lebih baik atau buruk, lebih kaya atau miskin, sehingga kematian sahaja yang memisahkan kamu". Komitmen tersebut sedia dibuat oleh pasangan suami isteri. Kamu juga mengambil sumpah yang sama dengan Yesus. Kamu mengambil-Nya sebagai Tuhan dan Penyelamat kamu sehingga la panggil kamu pulang, bersama dengan-Nya untuk selama-lamanya.

Apabila kamu menjadikan Dia Tuhan dalam kehidupan kamu tidak akan berkurangan. Yesus adalah batu karang yang kamu boleh berdiri di atasnya apabila hujan datang, angin meniup dan banjir menaik, kamu diselamat, terjamin dan berhasil. Mahukah kamu memahkotakan Dia Tuhan!

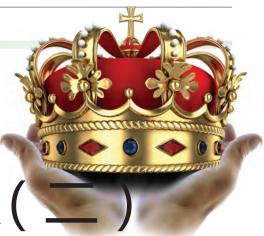
Semua Petikan Alkitab adalah dalam Terjemahan Baru.







家职分即



当你没有生活在耶稣基督的主权 之下,你会遭受精神压力,焦虑 和所有与之而来的烦恼。你不能 有得胜的健康基督徒生活。因 此,当面对挑战时,你看到的是 不可能性。但是,当基督是救主和主的时 候,你把它们看作是得到祝福,并成为祝福 的机会。曾有人说,「有去教会的基督徒和 那些不去教会的基督徒,两者几乎没什么不 同」。但是,当我们让耶稣成为我们生命 的主,我们去教会,我们将有所作为。今天 教会面临的最大挑战是恢复耶稣基督的主

一项关于美国教会的成员调查显示以下统计 数据。 10 %的人不能在教会里找到。 20 %的人从未参加过教会聚会。 25 %的人从 未祈祷。 30 %的人从来没有读过他们的圣 经。 50 %的人从未参加基督徒成长班或查 经课程或主日学。 60 %的人从未奉献给世 界的宣教事工。65%的人从未担任任何在 教会的事工。85%的人从未参加周中的聚 会。 95 %的人从未赢得一个人归向基督。 100%的人认为他们都会上天堂!作为一个 承认耶稣基督为救主和主的信徒,我们需要 评估我们如何度重生的信徒生活。

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基督的主权是遵行神的旨意

耶稣教导道,「凡称呼我『主啊,主啊』的 人不能都进天国;惟独遵行我天父旨意的人 才能进去"」"(太7:21)。耶稣说,你 可以称祂为主,而没有遵行祂的旨意!我们 都有自己的意志。很多时候,我们的挣扎和 困难的发生是因为我们要自行其是。我们很 容易受蒙骗认为由于有承认耶稣是主和救 主,参加教会聚会,并具有敬虔的形式就足 够了。但耶稣有另外的教导。不是每个称祂 为主的人都能进天国。耶稣说道:「当那日 必有许多人对我说: **『主啊,主啊,我们不** 是奉你的名传道,奉你的名赶鬼,奉你的名 **行许多异能吗?』**」(太7:22)。我们可能 被我们的宗教虔诚蒙蔽,没有意识到耶稣不 是我们生命的主。例如,我们认为那些彰显 圣灵的恩赐的人是过着一个讨神喜悦的生 活。但是,这不是圣经的评估。圣经说道: 「因为神的恩赐和选召是没有后悔的」(罗 11:29)。耶稣将对他们说:「我就明明地 告诉他们说: 『我从来不认识你们,你们这些作恶的人,离开我去吧!』」(太7:23)。基督的主权是以一个人的生命里结出的果 子来衡量,而不是以圣灵所赐的恩赐。

果子与恩赐相比

果子是生长和结出来。恩赐不是生长出来,

而是赐给。果子的生长而显示一个人的生命 的成熟度。耶稣说,当你判断人,你不要看 他们的恩赐和才干,而是他们的品行,行为 和生活方式。耶稣告诉我们如何知道一个真 正的信徒。耶稣说,凭着他们的果子,而不 是恩赐判断他们。圣经上说道:「所以,凭 着他们的果子就可以认出他们来」

(太7:20)。

基督的使者

我们与神的关系的一个很好的例证是,我们 是祂的使者。使者是在其原籍国的名义和权 力下执行任务,他们的使馆代表他们本国的 政府。他们有豁免权在所驻国内无需承担当 地法律责任。如果他们犯了任何罪行,当地 政府会通知他们的本国政府,而那大使会由 他自己国家的法律予以处置。大使在他们所 服务的国家享有豁免权。同样地,我们是基 督的使者(林后5:20)。当我们提出耶稣 的名,恶鬼承认祂的名。在使徒行传中有一 次,当士基瓦的七个儿子试图赶鬼和恶鬼回 答他们说:「**耶穌我认识,保罗我也知道。** 你们却是谁呢?」(徒19:15)。今天许 多在教会的人受迷惑。你的灵魂的敌人承认 在你里面的耶稣,只是因为你有参加教会, 给奉献和唱歌敬拜吗?我们的生命必须藉著 遵行神的旨意结果子,这使你成为一个真正 的神的使者。

基督我们的主和磐石

耶稣说道:「所以,凡听见我这话就去行 的,好比一个聪明人,把房子盖在磐石上; 雨淋,水冲,风吹,撞着那房子,房子总不 **,因为根基立在磐石上**」(太7:24-25)。这意味着,那些遵行神的旨意和生活在 耶稣基督的主权之下的人是有平安,稳妥和成功的重生信徒。耶稣接着说道:「『凡听 见我这话不去行的,好比一个无知的人,把 房子盖在沙土上;雨淋,水冲,风吹,撞着 那房子,房子就倒塌了,并且倒塌得很大。 』耶稣讲完了这些话,众人都希奇他的教 (太7:26-28)。风吹,雨淋和水冲是 指其实生活并不是一切都是那么称心如意 的。如果你的生活不是建立在磐石上,即耶 稣基督,你会承受不住敌人的攻击。你需要 耶稣基督和遵行祂的旨意,那么你就能够有 平安,稳妥和成功。行善救不了你。耶稣说 道:「凡称呼我『主啊,主啊』的人不能都 进天国;惟独遵行我天父旨意的人才能进 去」(太7:21)

有三种类的人。首先,那些不称呼和不遵行 的人。这些都是不信的人。其次,那些称呼 和不遵行的人。这些是相信却不遵行他们所 信的人。第三,那些称呼和遵行的人。这些 都是重生,并且是神的使者。要学习的原则 是不要成为一个只听的人!如果你听到的话 就要去遵行。有些人只是听者。他们将走出 教会大门,而不遵行他们所听到的。留心听 你所听到的和在倾听时,你就听到,这样你 就可以遵行。圣经上说道:「只是你们要行 道,不要单单听道,自己欺哄自己」(雅 1:22) 。

有三种类型的服从

- 1. 部分的服从是方便或适合他们的生活方式 的时候服从。
- 2. 选择性的服从是如果它是有利于他们的时 候才服从或做
- 3. 处境式的服从是取决于他们的方便。

当你在教堂结婚时你许下承诺,其中之一 是,「无论是好是坏,富裕或贫穷,并至死 不渝」。结婚的新人都乐意彼此许下这些 承诺。当你接受耶稣时,你许下同样的誓 言。你接受祂成为你的主和救主,直到祂召 你回天家,与祂永远在一起。

当你让祂成为你生命的主,你必不至缺乏。 耶稣是你可以坚立的磐石, 当雨淋, 风吹, 水冲的时候,你会有平安,稳妥和成功。你 愿意拥祂为主吗?

以上经文是采用中文圣经和合本。

中文团契

主题:拥祂为主一经历新生命

讲员: 翁有富牧师 日期:30-3-14(日) 时间:早上十一点半 地点: CCC, 影剧院3, B2 (敬备茶点招待)

申请浸礼及会籍

浸礼及会籍课程 日期:8-3-14(六) 时间:下午一点 地点:加略山教会

浸礼聚会

日期:8-3-14(六) 时间:下午五点 地点:加略山教会(大堂)





2014 SERVICE SCHEDULE

DAMANSARA HEIGHTS

Saturday ■ 5.00pm

CALVARY CONVENTION CENTRE

Sunday ■ 9.00am

MARCH

Associate Pastor Timothy Ong

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Associate Pastor Raymond Yong

'MAR 8

Associate Pastor Richard Yun

MAR 15

Associate Pastor

David Seah

MAR 22

Associate PastorPeter Ong

MAR 29

Senior Pastor

Prince Guneratnam

- Leaders Installation

*MAR 2

Associate Pastor

Peter Ong

MAR 9

Associate Pastor

Timothy Ong

MAR 16

Associate Pastor

Richard Yun

MAR 23

Associate Pastor

Steven Kum

MAR 30

CHURCH-WIDE PRAYER RALLY FOR 2014

"CROWN HIM LORD IN OUR PRAYERS"

14 MARCH, FRIDAY 8.00PM - 10.30PM CALVARY CHURCH DAMANSARA HEIGHTS

"Call To Me, And I Will Answer You, And Show You Great And Mighty Things, Which You

Do Not Know" (Jeremiah 33:3)

A Prayer
Meeting For
The Entire
Family.

Your Prayer Life Will Never Be The Same!

CHINESE FELLOWSHIP

MARCH

30 MAR (SUNDAY) 11.30AM SPEAKER:

ASSOCIATE PASTOR TIMOTHY ONG

TOPIC

CROWN HIM LORD

- EXPERIENCING A NEW LIFE

VENUE

CCC THEATRETTE 3, B2 REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED

BAHASA MALAYSIA FELLOWSHIP

MARCH

30 MAR (SUNDAY) 11.30AM

SPEAKER: FELISA FOO

TODIO

TOPIC: "YESUS MEMBERI

KEPASTIAN"

(JESUS ASSURES)

VENUE

ROOM 10, LEVEL 4, CCC

WATER BAPTISM & MEMBERSHIP CLASS

DATE : 8 MARCH 2014

TIME : 1.00PM

VENUE: DH, WORSHIP

NURSERY

WATER BAPTISM SERVICE

DATE : 8 MARCH 2014

TIME : 5.00PM

VENUE: DH, SANCTUARY



CHURCH GROWTH INTERNATIONAL (CGI) CONFERENCE

Each year the CGI Conference is held either in Korea or other countries. This year we are certainly privileged and blessed that the CGI Board has chosen CCC to be the venue. We do not need to travel to any other country as well as go to another venue.





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