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## HONOURING THE LORD

*Willingly & Joyously*

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# LIVING BY GOD'S PROMISE

**“And my God shall supply all your needs according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus our Lord.” (Phil 4:19)**

**O**ne of the names of God is Jehovah Jireh which means **“God will provide”** (Gen 22:14). God’s resources are His riches in glory. We can be glad that the Bible did not say God will supply our needs according to human and natural resources. God’s riches are beyond what we can ask or think. The challenge is to trust God for our needs regardless how big it may be. There is an encouraging Biblical example of God meeting the need of a widow in Zarephath. The Bible says, **“Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, ‘Arise, go to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and dwell there. See, I have commanded a widow there to provide for you’”** (1 Kings 17:8-9).

Here are some principles we can learn from this widow of Zarephath.

## **1. God saw her need and sent His servant Elijah to her (1 Kings 17:8-9).**

Elijah did not seem like the answer at the first instance, when he met the widow. He said to her, **“‘Please bring me a little water in a cup, that I may drink.’ And as she was going to get it, he called to her and said, ‘Please bring me a morsel of bread in your hand’”** (1 Kings 17:10-11). But God is all knowing, when He sent Elijah to her. So she said, **“As the Lord your God lives, I do not have bread, only a handful of flour in a bin, and a little oil in a jar; and see, I am gathering a couple of sticks that I may go in and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die”** (1 Kings 17:12).

## **2. God sent Elijah to give her His Promise (1 Kings 17:13-14).**

The Bible says, **“Elijah said to her, ‘Do not fear; go and do as you have said, but make me a small cake from it first, and bring it to me; and afterward make some for yourself and your son. For thus says the Lord God of Israel: ‘The bin of flour shall not be used up, nor shall the jar of oil run dry, until the day the Lord sends rain on the earth’”** (1 Kings 17:13-14). God wants you to know He can be your provider. He gives you His Word at the point of your need, if you will hear and obey. That is why it is important that each time you come to Church, do not think it is just another service. God’s Word, the message gives you the answer. You need to hear and obey, to meet your need.

## **3. You need to believe the promise of His Word (Jn 11:40).**

The Bible says, **“So she went away and did according to the word of Elijah; and she and he and her household ate for many days. The bin of flour was not used up, nor did the jar of oil run dry, according to the word of the Lord which He spoke by Elijah”** (1 Kings 17:15-16). She believed God’s Word and did what she was told to do and experienced the miracle of the multiplication of the oil and flour.

## **4. You are admonished not to live only by sight (2 Cor 5:7).**

At first, she was fearful to do as told by Elijah. She was living by her five senses - seeing, touching, smelling,

hearing and tasting. Fear keeps you living in the natural. In her fear, she confessed her predicament to Elijah, and if he knew her condition, he would not ask from her! (1 Kings 17:12). But God wanted her to experience His provision in such times. Every time the Word is given to you, it is at the point of your need. God’s Word is a seed and if you sow in obedience, it will produce its abundance in your life. What is impossible to you is made possible by God (Mt 19:26).

## **5. You are to live by faith (2 Cor 5:7).**

You are to put your faith in God, you do not live by the five senses alone. Jesus said, **“Man shall not live by bread alone but every Word that proceeds from the mouth of God”** (Matt 4:4). When you only eat bread, you live by your natural senses. You need to live by faith. To live by faith, you need to know and obey God’s Word. The Bible says, **“For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith; as it is written, ‘The just shall live by faith’”** (Romans 1:17). When there is faith, there is no room for fear. Faith says, “I do not understand but I know, God is almighty and I trust Him”. The widow believed and made the cake and brought it and the water to Elijah. The Bible tells us **“The bin of flour was not used up, nor did the jar of oil run dry, according to the word of the Lord which He spoke by Elijah”** (1 Kings 17:15-16). There were provisions for herself, her son and Elijah for many days. God became her provider in the time of the famine. It was estimated that she enjoyed the

# NG IN PROVIDENCE

ing to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus” (Phil 4:19).

By Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam

providence of God for about 8-12 months.

## 6. Faith gives birth to vision while fear gives birth to death.

Elijah saw the cake, the finished product while the widow saw flour and oil and their limitations. People with faith see the finished product and those without faith only see the raw materials, the difficulties, the hardships and the impossibilities. Faith sees the possibilities and the glory of what can be done. Thank God for giving Calvary Church the vision of CCC and the faith to see the vision fulfilled. God did the miracle for the Church to be a fountainhead Church to reach our nation and beyond with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

The widow, upon hearing God's Word, was challenged to believe and obey the Word. The Bible tells us she did everything Elijah said to her and she enjoyed the miraculous provision of God (1 Kings 17:15-16).

## FOUR KEYS TO LIVING IN GOD'S PROVIDENCE

### 1. Look to Jesus.

The Psalmist says, "I will lift my eyes to the hills, My help comes from the Lord" (Psalm 121). When facing adversity, lift your eyes to Jesus instead of looking at your circumstances. The Bible also tells us, "Looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy

that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God" (Hebrews 12:2). Jesus, who inspired you is the solid foundation of your faith. Paul says, "God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord" (1 Cor 1:9).

### 2. Don't sell your birthright.

Your birth right is "being born again" (Jn 3:5). Do not be tempted to give up on God. Remember Esau? The Bible says, "Lest there be any fornicator or profane person like Esau, who for one morsel of food sold his birthright" (Hebrews 12:16). Esau was rejected by God. There is no returning to God when you sell your birth right.

### 3. Be willing and obedient.

The Bible tells us, "If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land" (Isaiah 1:19). Willingness and obedience go together. Satan has many tempting options for you to do otherwise. Even making sacrifices are no match for obedience. The Bible tells us to obey is better than sacrifice (1 Samuel 15:22).

### 4. Put God first.

The Bible says, "But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you" (Mt 6:33) and "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, it will be measured back to you" (Luke 6:38). The biblical principle to receive is to give. Your receiving is measured by your giving. The widow received more flour and oil because she was willing to give all she had. She received more than that she gave.

The Bible tells us "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). Tithes belong to God and the Bible says it is a sacred portion (Leviticus 27:30). Tithing shows you are a steward and God is owner of all you possess. Offerings express our love for all God is to us. It is a tremendous privilege to give to God, who owns everything and has no need of anything, yet He receives our "puny" gifts in comparison to His blessings. Giving is an attitude of willingness and joy from your heart. The Church is God's channel through which you give (Malachi 3:10).

*All Bible quotations are in the New King James Version.*

# BLOOD DONATION DRIVE BOOSTS THE NATIONAL BLOOD BANK

## GOOD RESPONSE TO DONATE BLOOD TO SAVE LIVES.



1. Waiting area for donors
2. The bleeding room
3. Husband & wife (Venatius Chin & Wannaporn)
4. Veteran donor, Patrick
5. A mother & son (Usha & Erwin)
6. First-time donor Jessica
7. Our Blood Donation Drive Team

By Jana Ponnudurai

**T**here were 165 participants at the blood donation organised by the Social Concern Ministry after the Sunday worship service on 12 July 2015 at Calvary Convention Centre (CCC). Thank God for the effective publicity. There were 26 walk-ins from the general public who saw the banner on the CCC front wall and newspaper announcements supporting the drive.

“This drive is to heed the call of the National Blood Bank, (Pusat Darah Negara) to fill the shortage of blood supply during the ramadan,” said Associate Pastor Raymond Yong, head of the Calvary Church Social Concern Ministry. “It is also a part of the social concern ministry to create greater awareness of the importance of ‘giving’ amongst our people and to meet the needs of the community.”

National Blood Bank medical officer, Dr. Alvina Law expressed her appre-

ciation to Calvary Church on behalf of Pusat Darah Negara for our yearly support, as it provides a convenient platform for Church members and the community to donate blood. She added that the facilities were very good and it is ideal for such an event.”

A word of appreciation to those who have supported this drive as they have given someone a new lease of life. Thank and praise God for the Calvary Blood Donation Drive team who organised the event well.

The event ended with the last donor at about 3:00pm.

### Some testimonies from the donors

“I’ve always wanted to donate my blood and the church provided an easy way for me to do so.”  
- Jessica James Supayah

“I’ve been donating regularly the last 10 years. I do this as a gesture of goodwill to help someone in need.”  
- Patrick Ngo

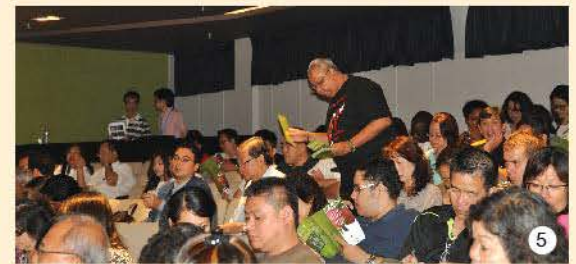
“I believe that blood is life and if we can preach about the gospel, we need to walk the talk. This is a noble way to bless another person by our actions.”  
- Usha Nair

“This is my first time donating, but I was not nervous. I know that there is a shortage of blood supply and I would like to help.” - Erwin Paul

“There are people out there who need blood and as long as we can donate, I believe that we should. Just as how God gave us life, we should also learn to ‘give’.” - Husband and wife, Venatius Chin and Wannaporn

# YOU ARE IRREPLACEABLE

Powerful movie "Irreplaceable" offers a message of hope



By CT LIM

**C**alvarites were blessed by the documentary film, 'Irreplaceable' shown on 20 June at CCC in conjunction with Father's Day celebrations.

The thought provoking movie is packed with enlightening experts' opinions and powerful testimonies. We travelled around the world with the movie host, Tim Sisarich to explore what impacts families most today. Stable families are the bedrock of civilisation and modern attitudes, beliefs and behaviour serve to either stabilise or weaken family. This timely documentary tackled relevant topics such as:

- Is marriage still relevant?
- How important are dads to a family?
- Is "anything goes" sexuality good for society?
- How not to devalue parenting and not treat children like commodities.

The best thing about this movie is its message of hope. There is no perfect family and each family member has a special role to play. None is beyond hope and none beyond repair and a redeemed family is actually better than

a "perfect" family. It is never too late to work at becoming a better father, mother, sister, brother, son or daughter.

For instance, Sisarich shared about his relationship with his dad, how they overcame the failures and disappointments from a far-from-perfect dad-son relationship. Yet Sisarich can love his dad and blessed with a beautiful family of his own! We can embrace our earthly fathers, no matter how imperfect they may be and we are thankful for our Heavenly Father who is perfect and equipping us as an "irreplaceable" member of the family to make an impact for Him.

Associate Pastor Richard Yun prayed for the attentive audience after the movie. Then came the invitation to sign up for the course "The Family Project" offered by School of Christian Growth (SCG), commencing 19 July to 27 September.

Praise and thank God for 80 respondents for this course that offers the tools everyone needs to build the family God desires us to have.

Affirmative comments from viewers:

**C. Tee:** I am inspired to be always there for my spouse and children, both physically and emotionally.

**Lyndon:** I was reminded of how God feels for families. The family together with the church are His primary means of loving us through each other.

**Gaik Hoon:** I learnt how family values can be influenced and I want to give my teenage son a good biblical foundation on family values.

**Agnes:** The movie does not focus on marriage per se, but on related issues such as parenthood, children, relationship and forgiveness. It is an eye opener for both my husband and I, even though we have been married for over 30 years. I would encourage all couples as well as singles to enrol for the SCG course "The Family Project" to get a handle on real life issues.

**Daniel:** It is a touching and powerful movie that reminded me why God is so central to our lives and our families. If we place Him first, all will fall in order. God is indeed irreplaceable.

1. Pastor Richard introducing the movie
- 2A & 2B. Calvarites reaching out to the Lord in prayer
3. Three Calvarite families fellowshiping after the movie

4. A lighthearted moment at the registration counter
5. Checking out the SCG course "The Family Project"

# THRIVE AND NOT JUST SURVIVE IN THE MARKET PLACE



1. Deacon David Peter sharing earnestly  
2. Jason exhorting the YAs  
3. A YA asking for advice during Q&A

By Esther Wong Kar Mei

**A**t the Connect session on 27 June 2015, young adults (YAs) were inspired by David Peter's nuggets of godly wisdom. They learnt they can thrive in the market place and not just survive, despite the dog-eat-dog environment.

David comes with invaluable experience both in the marketplace and serving in Church. He is an accomplished partner with Jerald, Gomez and Associates, he also serves as Church Deacon, Missions Committee Secretary and Royal Rangers Outpost Councilman.

Spirituality and work are David's partners. His premise is that work is God-given (God gave the first task to Adam to name all the animals in the garden of Eden) and we derive our self-worth and dignity from work. David stressed that it is important that we fear God as this is the source of wisdom (Job 28:28). He lives by three truths from the Bible:

- "Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life?" (Matthew 6:27)
- "Whom have you so dreaded and feared that you have not been true to me, and have neither remembered

Me nor taken this to heart? Is it not because I have long been silent that you do not fear Me?" (Isaiah 57:11).

- "The Lord is with me; I will not be afraid. What can mere mortals do to me?" (Psalm 118:6).

Here is a synopsis of some of David's godly tips during the Q&A session:

### How to manage a political environment with non-Christians and backbiting?

Remember Prophet Daniel who thrived although he served in a wicked court under three non-Christian kings. His secret was having a good relationship with God and doing what pleased Him. Be like Daniel, fear God and keep doing what is right.

### How to cope with fear that grips us from bad reports and bad influences on the rise?

Joyce Meyer's book "Battlefield of the Mind" tells us it is important to keep our mind on the Word of God to combat fear. Satan controls the world after the fall of man and fear is of the world. But Jesus has already given us the victory. We have the power to change the world by being the salt and the light. Do not let your fear hold you back. Dwell on the Word of God to

counter negative messages. Live by the Word of God.

### How to deal with tough bosses?

Handle the situation like a Christian. Pray for those who persecute you. It is easy to back off, but the Bible tells us to take the initiative to bless such people. We serve a prayer-answering God. He sees you and is shaping you for the better.

### Christians are to be meek. Should we pursue what we want?

It seems like a paradox. But meekness does not equal weakness. When you pray, you are giving God the sovereign right to intervene. For example, David was hunted like a dog by King Saul and had three opportunities to react, but chose not to because He feared God and waited on God. This is a good principle to hang on to.

YA Coordinator, Jason Sia's concluding exhortation is to fear and love God, do His will and all things will work for His good (Romans 8:28). Executive Pastor Peter Ong presented a gift in appreciation of David and closed in prayer. Thank God for a fruitful session full of wise sharing and opportunity for YAs to fellowship over refreshments.

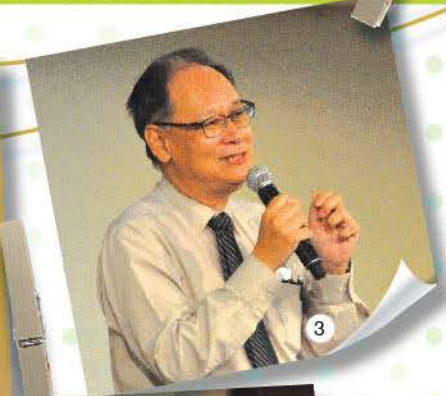
# CHRIST'S MISSION is MY MISSION, CHRIST'S MESSAGE is MY MESSAGE



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By Wong Si-maan

**T**he Missions Prayer Service on 10 July at Damansara Heights kicked off on a high note with inspiring testimonies.

Pastor Yong Chee Weng shared how a team of Carpenters Workshop (CW) teachers and children reached out and led 35 Myanmar refugee kids to the Lord on 29 June. Next, Timothy Yee, a final year Bible School student shared how God helped him overcome his sense of inadequacy and thanked all Calvarites for making it possible for him to be trained full-time at the Bible College Malaysia through their faith promise giving. Then came the encouraging testimonies of some water baptism candidates from our outreach churches.

The missions focus was reinforced by two animated videos. We learnt that despite the fact that there is a Church in every country, the Great Commission has yet to be fulfilled. We need to reach out to every ethnic group! Every ethnic group has their distinct and unique culture and there are still many to be reached.

Indeed, to fulfill the Great Commission, Dr. Rajan Thiagarajah said, "the whole Church must share the whole

Gospel to the whole world". Christ's mission is to ensure that every person in the world will taste and see the Lord is good (Psalm 34:8). Christ's mission is our mission, His message is our message.

Using the acronym M.I.S.S.I.O.N., Dr. Rajan elaborated on Jesus' mission, His message and how we are to do His mission. Jesus tells us, "For I have given you an example, that you should do as I have done to you" (John 13:15). He is our **M**odel, our **I**nspiration and He is **S**upernatural, being the Word who hold all things together (Heb 1:3). He **S**ustains us, His very name is the essence of this promise, "And my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory" (Phil 4:19). No one can **I**mpact us as much as Jesus. He tells us who we are, "For you did not receive the spirit of bondage again to fear, but you received the spirit of adoption by whom we cry out, "Abba, Father" (Rom 8:15-16). He has given us an **O**bjective. We are His coworker and are here on earth to represent Him. He tells us, "If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and My Father will love him, and we will come to him and make Our home with him" (John 14:23). And what is significant is that

we have the **N**ature of Christ in us, which is the hope of glory (Col 1:27). We are to share this hope with the world.

At the close, we gathered at the altar for prayer. Dr. Rajan led us in a declaration to ask the Lord to send us out with His message. Missions Pastor Steven Kum encouraged us to expect and trust God for the miracles we need individually and as we honour God corporately, CCC needs will be met earlier than expected. Associate Pastor Richard Yun closed in prayer asking the Lord to send us out to preach the Gospel in all nations in the mighty miracle working power of Jesus.

Thank God for giving us His message and impacting and inspiring us to go and tell.

1. Praying at the altar
2. Dr. Rajan sharing on Christ's mission
3. Pastor Steven Kum encouraging Calvarites on giving
4. Pastor Richard closing in prayer
5. Pastor Chee Weng sharing missions testimonies
6. Timothy Yee, BCM student testifying

# TAKING OWNERSHIP WILL

## Calvarites challenged to ple



By Grace Xavier

**O**n 12 July, in presenting the CCC financial update, Deacon Chow Sang Hoe recounted miracles after miracles of the Lord's provision in making CCC a reality from the purchase of the land, the granting of the Development Order by the authorities 15 years ago to the moving into CCC on April 2013! The miracles continued even after we moved into CCC.

Indeed, as Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam emphasised, the miracle is that we have paid up 90% of the total cost of CCC! To date, we have only 10% of the cost of CCC to pay up! We can see CCC debt free if every Calvarite takes ownership and respon-

sibility of the CCC debt and give willingly and joyously.

God spoke clearly and powerfully through Dr. Rajan Thiagarajah's message, "God Has A Financial Plan For You And He Is The Best Financial Planner". He gave a simple analogy. Having financial success is like baking a good cake. You must have the right ingredients and follow the right recipe. The five ingredients you need for your financial miracle are the Word, Faith, Your Will, Be led by God's Spirit and Money. The five principles to follow are:

- We can only reap if we sow. There is no harvest without planting the seed.

- Recognise that it is God who gives us power to produce wealth to establish His covenant.
- We are to give so that God can give us.
- Honour the Lord with our first fruits.
- We are to give cheerfully.

God is our best financial planner. When we make God's plan a success, He will make our plan a success. God has a biblical role model for us, none other than Abraham. Check out how rich he was in Genesis 24:35. God blessed Abraham because He was willing and obedient. As long as you obey God and follow His commandments, He will bless you.



# LINGLY AND JOYFULLY

## edge for CCC to be debt free



1. Praying for the CCC debt free pledge and FP partners
2. Congregation praying in unity for all CCC and FP partners
3. Senior Pastor encouraging the congregation as we made our pledges
4. Dr. Rajan sharing God's Financial Plan
5. Deacon Sang Hoe presenting the CCC financial update
6. Missions Pastor sharing how missions funds had been disbursed
7. Ushers and Pastor Chee Weng collecting back the CCC pledge cards
- 8 & 9. Calvarites making their CCC pledge

God has blessed us with every spiritual blessings in the heavenly realms (Eph 1:3). The challenge and key to getting the spiritual blessings God has given us in heaven down to earth is found in Malachi 3:10: "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.'" When we give tithes we are getting God into position to give us more seed and open the windows of heaven to bless us.

Giving the seed we have today to God helps Him to release to us even more

blessings. The seed may leave our hands, but it will never leave our lives. God is waiting for us to release what He has blessed us with. When we give to CCC, we are giving to the abundance of those who will be saved and healed in our Church in future years. What a powerful exhortation for us Calvarites to give towards CCC.

Then came the time to exercise our faith. We were challenged to indicate an amount that we would take ownership to raise from July to December 2015. As we were making our CCC pledge, Senior Pastor encouraged us that God loves us and truly wants to meet our need. We can sow despite the dismal current economic outlook, because God is able to

work the miracles we need. For instance, He provided for the widow in Zarephath in time of famine. Calvarites were also asked to extend their FP commitment to the end of 2015.

When we make Jesus' dream happen, He will make it happen for us. Thank God for every CCC pledge participant. When we obey the Lord, He will honour our faith. Our Senior Pastors, Elder, Church Deacons, Missions Committee and Associate Pastors laid hands over our pledge cards to pray for God to open His windows in heaven and pour His blessings upon us.

# KINGDOM PRIORITIES

## Men's ministry capitalises on Missions Weekend to focus on missions priorities

By Daniel Teng

**C**alvarite men gathered on Saturday morning, 11 July 2015 at Calvary Convention Centre (CCC) to focus on Kingdom priorities. They enjoyed fellowshiping over light refreshments before the seminar.

The men were encouraged by the testimonies of three Calvarites who shared on how they were blessed personally through prioritising God's Kingdom and involvement in missions.

• Loke Heng Fatt: His first missions involvement at the Batu Arang migrant camp opened his eyes and inspired him to do even more for God's Kingdom. He testified that he had spent the greater part of his working life being engrossed in the outside world. Now it is a joy to seek His Kingdom first.

• Tam Kok Meng: His passion for the street ministry and involvement in this area enriched his walk with Christ, reminding him to be merciful and not to be judgmental. He is currently working on setting an NGO agency to help street people get jobs.

• Chris Raj: His involvement with the Church's response to the East Coast Flood Relief to remote villages in Temerloh and Gua Musang made him realise how blessed we are. Calvarites donated a few tons of food for distribution to the needy who appreciated the loving effort of the Church in caring for them.

Then came the highlight of the morning. Missions speaker Dr. Rajan Thiagarajah shared a powerful message on how we can experience the awesome power of God when

we keep His Law (Prov 29:18) in our lives. As God is a covenant keeping God (Gen 15:7,18), He will prosper us when we seek Him with all our heart (Jer 29:11-13) and guard our covenant with Him (Gen 15:11).

He encapsulated VISION as:

- \* Valuable
- \* Inspiration
- \* Supernatural
- \* Impact
- \* Objective
- \* Nature

God's Word is **V**aluable as we are **I**nspired to appropriate the **S**upernatural power of Jesus to **I**mpact lives with His message. Scripture also reminds us of our **O**bjective to be transformed into the likeness and **N**ature of Jesus.

Associate Pastor Richard Yun called on the Men of Calvary to rise up in serving Him because we have God's awesome power through His covenant. He also highlighted the next men's event "Network Like Jesus" with Dr. Joseph Castleberry on 17 October.

Missions Pastor Steven Kum in closing exhorted the men to prioritise that which brings eternal blessings over that which are temporal. He noted that one such opportunity to demonstrate this priority would be through the making of a pledge on Sunday, 12 July to see CCC being debt free.

1. Dr. Rajan sharing on Vision
2. Pastor Richard encouraging the men
3. Pastor Steven addressing the men
4. Men in prayer
- 5,6 & 7. Loke, Chris & Tam sharing their testimonies

# STEPPING INTO THE SHOES OF MISSIONARIES

Youths learnt what it takes to be a missionary and how to make choices in challenging times

By Esther Wong Kar Mei



On 11 June 2015, Calvary Youths gathered in the Sanctuary at Damansara Heights for an afternoon of worship, a missions orientated game facilitated by Pastor Yong Chee Weng and a lively sharing by Quek Lee Siu.

The RPG (Role Playing Game) live board game called Journey, had the Youths taken on a journey where they had to step into the shoes of missionaries. The teams were named after famous missionaries like William Carey, Adoniram Judson, Hudson Taylor, Jim Elliot and David Livingstone (their team names). Throughout their journey, they had to make “life choices” at each juncture, determined by the casting of a giant dice. Their choices were graded and they were awarded items such as Milo packets, tissue paper and candles for the choices they made. The total tokens were added up at the end of the game and the winning team was Team David Livingstone. This game was designed to give the youths a peak into a budding missionary’s life and have a sense of the decisions they would face.

After the games, Lee Siu who together with her husband Pastor Chee Weng completed a term as Missionaries in Africa shared on “Missions: My Choice”. While many see missions as a call or mandate, Lee Siu believes that it is a choice. From age 12, she chose to grow in faith and glorify the Lord by adhering to these 3 P’s:

- Pray and Read the Bible everyday. This is very important as we can communicate with God directly.
- (Be) Proud to be a Christian.
- Practical Christian Living.

Being a natural storyteller, the Youths enjoyed Lee Siu's stories, from chasing after buses to get to her ministry assignments to turning travel mishaps into adventures. Her encounters with the Lord sparked her faith in God from very young. She stood up for her faith to her family first, then to her friends in university and decided to serve as a missionary.

Missions Pastor Steven Kum ministered during the altar time and prayed for the youths. Thank God for another enlightening Youth session filled with laughter and praise!

1. Lee Siu sharing 3Ps
2. Pastor Steven prays for the youth
3. Pastor Chee Weng facilitating the game
4. Youths being prayed for
5. The "Missionaries" on the Journey
- 6 & 7. Youths enjoying the sharing of the Word

# HIDUP PEMBEKAL

“Tuhanku akan memenuhi segala keperluanmu menurut k

“**T**uhanku akan memenuhi segala keperluanmu menurut kekayaan dan kemuliaan-Nya dalam Kristus Yesus” (Filipi 4:19).

Salah satu nama Tuhan ialah Jehovah Jireh yang bermaksud **“Tuhan akan menyediakan”** (Kejadian 22:14). Sumber Tuhan ialah kekayaan keagunganNya. Kita boleh bersyukur bahawa Alkitab tidak berkata Tuhan akan memberikan keperluan kepada kita mengikut sumber manusia dan alam semulajadi. Kekayaan Tuhan adalah melebihi apa yang kita boleh berfikir. Cabarannya ialah untuk mempercayai Tuhan untuk keperluan kita walau betapa besar cabaran itu. Ada satu contoh galakan dalam Alkitab menunjukkan bagaimana Tuhan memenuhi keperluan seorang balu di Sarfat. Alkitab berkata, **“Maka datanglah firman TUHAN kepada Elia: “Bersiaplah, pergi ke Sarfat yang termasuk wilayah Sidon, dan diamlah di sana. Ketahuilah, Aku telah memerintahkan seorang janda untuk memberi engkau makan”** (1 Raja-Raja 17:8-9).

Disini ialah beberapa prinsip yang kita boleh belajar daripada janda di Sarfat ini.

## 1. Tuhan melihat keperluannya dan menghantar hamba-Nya, Elia kepadanya (1 Raja-Raja 17:8-9).

Elia, pada awalnya, tidak nampak sebagai satu jawapan kepada balu, apabila Elia bertemuinya. Dia berkata kepada balu itu, **“Cobalah ambil bagiku sedikit air dalam kendi, supaya aku minum.” Dan dia sedang pergi untuk mendapatkannya, Elia memanggil dia dan berkata, “Cobalah ambil juga bagiku sepotong roti.”** (1 Raja-Raja 17:10-11). Tetapi Tuhan ialah serba tahu, apabila Dia menghantar Elia kepada dia. Maka, perempuan itu menjawab: **“Demi TUHAN, Tuhanmu, yang hidup, sesungguhnya tidak ada roti padaku sedikitpun, kecuali segenggam tepung dalam tempayan dan sedikit minyak dalam buli-buli . Dan sekarang aku sedang mengumpulkan dua tiga potong kayu**

**api, kemudian aku mau pulang dan mengolahnya bagiku dan bagi anakku, dan setelah kami memakannya, maka kami akan mati.”** (1 Raja-Raja 17:12).

## 2. Tuhan menghantar Elia untuk memberi Janji-Nya kepada balu itu (1 Raja-Raja 17:13-14).

Alkitab berkata, **“Tetapi Elia berkata kepadanya: “Janganlah takut, pulanglah, buatlah seperti yang kaukatakan, tetapi buatlah lebih dahulu bagiku sepotong roti bundar kecil dari padanya, dan bawalah kepadaku, kemudian barulah kaubuat bagimu dan bagi anakmu”** (1 Raja-raja 17: 13-14). Tuhan mahu anda tahu Dia boleh menjadi pembekal anda. Dia memberikan anda Firman-Nya pada waktu dimana anda memerlukannya, jika anda akan mendengar dan taat. Itulah sebabnya ia adalah penting bahawa setiap kali anda datang ke Gereja, jangan fikir ianya hanya satu kebaktian ibadah sahaja. Firman Tuhan adalah mesej yang memberikan anda jawapannya. Anda perlu mendengar dan taat, untuk memenuhi keperluan anda.

## 3. Anda perlu percaya janji dalam FirmanNya (Yohanes 11:40).

Alkitab berkata, **“Lalu pergilah perempuan itu dan berbuat seperti yang dikatakan Elia; maka perempuan itu dan dia serta anak perempuan itu mendapat makan beberapa waktu lamanya. Tepung dalam tempayan itu tidak habis dan minyak dalam buli-buli itu tidak berkurang seperti firman TUHAN yang diucapkan-Nya dengan perantaraan Elia.”** (1 Raja-Raja 17:15-16). Dia percaya Firman Tuhan dan melakukan apa yang telah diberitahunya untuk melakukan dan mengalami mukjizat ke atas penggandaan minyak dan tepung.

## 4. Anda diberi amaran untuk tidak hanya hidup dalam apa yang dapat dilihat (2 Korintus 5:7).

Pada mulanya, dia takut untuk melakukan apa yang diberitahu oleh Elia. Dia hidup dengan lima derianya - penglihatan, sentuhan, bau, pendengaran dan rasa.

Ketakutan membuat anda hidup dalam dunia nyata ini. Dalam ketakutan, dia mengaku kesusahannya kepada Elia, dan jika Elia tahu keadaan balu itu, Elia tidak akan meminta darinya! (1 Raja-Raja 17:12). Tetapi Tuhan mahu dia mengalami pembekalanNya pada keadaan tersebut. Setiap kali Firman diberikan kepada anda, ia diberikan pada saat anda keperluan anda. Firman Tuhan adalah benih dan jika anda menyemai dalam ketaatan, ia akan menghasilkan kelimpahan dalam kehidupan anda. Apa yang mustahil untuk anda, akan dijadikan mungkin oleh Tuhan (Matius 19:26).

## 5. Anda perlu hidup dalam iman (2 Korintus 5:7).

Anda perlu meletakkan iman anda dalam Tuhan, anda jangan hidup dalam lima deria sahaja. Yesus berkata, **“Ada tertulis: Manusia hidup bukan dari roti saja, tetapi dari setiap firman yang keluar dari mulut Tuhan.”** (Matius 4:4). Apabila anda hanya makan roti, anda hidup dengan deria semula jadi anda. Anda perlu hidup dengan iman. Untuk hidup dengan iman, anda perlu tahu dan mentaati Firman Tuhan. Alkitab berkata, **“Sebab di dalamnya nyata kebenaran Tuhan, yang bertolak dari iman dan memimpin kepada iman, seperti ada tertulis: “Orang benar akan hidup oleh iman”** (Roma 1:17). Apabila terdapat iman, tidak ada ruang untuk rasa takut. Iman berkata, **“Saya tidak faham tetapi saya tahu, Tuhan itu Maha Kuasa dan saya percaya kepadaNya”**. Balu itu percaya dan membuat kek dan membawa kek berserta air untuk Elia. Alkitab memberitahu kita **“Lalu pergilah perempuan itu dan berbuat seperti yang dikatakan Elia; maka perempuan itu dan dia serta anak perempuan itu mendapat makan beberapa waktu lamanya. Tepung dalam tempayan itu tidak habis dan minyak dalam buli-buli itu tidak berkurang seperti Firman TUHAN yang diucapkan-Nya dengan perantaraan Elia”** (1 Raja-raja 17:15-16). Terdapat pembekalan untuk dirinya, anaknya dan Elia untuk banyak hari. Tuhan menjadi pembekalnya pada zaman kebuluran. Ia

# DALAM LAN TUHAN

kekayaan dan kemuliaan-Nya dalam Kristus Yesus” (Filipi 4:19).

Oleh Pendita Kanan Prince Guneratnam

dianggarkan bahawa dia menikmati pemberian Tuhan selama 8-12 bulan.

## 6. Iman menghasilkan visi manakala ketakutan membawa kematian.

Elia melihat kek, produk yang sudah siap manakala Balu melihat tepung dan minyak dan batasan mereka. Orang yang beriman melihat produk siap dan mereka yang tidak mempunyai iman hanya melihat bahan-bahan mentah, kesukaran, kesusahan dan kemustahilan. Iman melihat kemungkinan dan kemuliaan apa yang boleh dilakukan. Bersyukur kepada Tuhan kerana memberi visi CCC kepada Gereja Calvary dan iman untuk melihat visi dicapai. Tuhan meakukan mukjizat untuk Gereja untuk menjadi gereja sumber untuk mencapai negara kita dan juga negara-negara luar dengan Injil Yesus Kristus.

Balu, apabila mendengar Firman Tuhan, telah dicabar untuk mempercayai dan mentaati Firman. Alkitab memberitahu kita, dia melakukan segala apa yang dikatakan Elia kepadanya dan dia menikmati mukjizat pembekalan Tuhan (1 Raja-Raja 17:15-16).

## EMPAT KUNCI UNTUK HIDUP DALAM PEMBEKALAN TUHAN

### 1. Pandang kepada Yesus.

Pemazmur berkata, “Aku melayangkan matakku ke gunung-gunung; dari manakah akan datang pertolonganku? Pertolonganku ialah dari TUHAN, yang menjadikan langit dan bumi” (Mazmur 121). Apabila menghadapi kesukaran, pandanglah kepada Yesus dan bukan kepada keadaan anda. Alkitab juga memberitahu kita, “Marilah kita melakukannya dengan mata yang tertuju kepada Yesus, yang memimpin kita dalam iman, dan yang membawa iman kita itu kepada kesempurnaan, yang dengan mengabaikan kehinaan tekun memikul salib ganti sukacita yang disediakan bagi Dia, yang sekarang

diduduk di sebelah kanan takhta Tuhan.” (Ibrani 12:2). Yesus, yang memberi inspirasi kepada anda ialah asas kukuh kepada iman anda. Paulus berkata, “Tuhan, yang memanggil kamu kepada persekutuan dengan Anak-Nya Yesus Kristus, Tuhan kita, adalah setia.” (1 Korintus 1:9).

### 2. Jangan menjual hak kelahiran anda.

Hak kelahiran anda ialah “dilahirkan semula” (Yohanes 3:5). Jangan digoda untuk melepaskannya. Ingat Esau? Alkitab berkata “Janganlah ada orang yang menjadi cabul atau yang mempunyai nafsu yang rendah seperti Esau, yang menjual hak kesulungannya untuk sepiring makanan.” (Ibrani 12:16). Esau telah ditolak oleh Tuhan. Tiada jalan kembali kepada Tuhan apabila anda menjual hak kelahiran anda.

### 3. Sanggup rela dan taat.

Alkitab memberitahu, “Jika kamu menurut dan mau mendengar, maka kamu akan memakan hasil baik dari negeri itu.” (Yesaya 1:19). Kesediaan dan ketaatan adalah selari. Iblis mempunyai banyak pilihan godaan untuk anda sebaliknya. Malah melakukan pengorbanan adalah tidak setanding dengan ketaatan. Alkitab memberitahu kita ketaatan adalah lebih baik daripada pengorbanan (I Samuel 15:22).

### 4. Mengutamakan Tuhan.

Alkitab berkata, “Tetapi carilah dahulu Kerajaan Tuhan dan kebenarannya, maka semuanya itu akan ditambahkan kepadamu” (Matius 6:33) and “Dan jikalau kamu meminjamkan sesuatu kepada orang, karena kamu berharap akan menerima sesuatu dari padanya, apakah jasmu? Orang-orang berdosa pun meminjamkan kepada orang-orang berdosa, supaya mereka menerima kembali sama banyak” (Lukas 6:38). Prinsip Alkitab untuk menerima ialah untuk memberi. Penerimaan anda diukur dengan pemberian anda. Balu itu menerima lebih tepung dan minyak kerana

dia bersedia untuk memberi semua daripada apa yang dia miliki. Dia menerima lebih daripada apa yang dia berikan.

Alkitab memberitahu kita “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). Persepuluhan ialah kepunyaan Tuhan dan Alkitab berkata, ia adalah sebahagian yang suci (Imamat 27:30).

Pemberian Persepuluhan menunjukkan anda adalah pengurus dan Tuhan adalah pemilik kepada semua yang anda miliki. Pemberian mengekspresikan rasa kasih kita kepada Tuhan untuk semua yang Dia lakukan. Adalah satu keistimewaan yang besar untuk memberi kepada Tuhan, yang memiliki segala-galanya dan tidak memerlukan apa-apa, namun Dia masih menerima hadiah kecil dari kita berbanding dengan anugerahNya yang berkelimpahan. Pemberian adalah sikap kerelaan dan sukacita dari hati anda. Gereja ialah saluran Tuhan di mana anda memberi (Maleakhi 3:10).

Semua petikan Alkitab adalah dari Alkitab Indonesia.

## KELAS PEMBAPTISAN AIR DAN KEAHLIAN

1.30PM 8 Ogos Sabtu  
Worship Nursery, Damansara Heights

## KEBAKTIAN PEMBAPTISAN AIR

5.00PM 8 Ogos Sabtu  
Sanctuary, Damansara Heights

## KEBAKTIAN BM

11.30AM 30 Ogos Ahad

Pengkhotbah: Felisa Foo  
Topik : Kuasa Hidup Yang Diberkati  
Lokasi : b1.03 Paras B1, CCC

Untuk maklumat selanjutnya,  
hubungi 8999 5532 sambungan 414

# 生活在神的眷顾中

(文: 古纳南主任牧师)

**「我的神必照他荣耀的丰富，在基督耶稣里，使你们一切所需用的都充足」(腓4:19)。**

神的名字之一是耶和華以勒，意思是「神必预备」(创22:14)。神的资源是祂荣耀的丰富。我们庆幸圣经没有说神将照人类和自然资源来供应我们所需用的。神的丰富是超出我们所求所想的。我们的挑战是为着我们的需要信靠神，不管它有多大。有一个令人鼓舞的圣经例子是关于神供应一个在撒勒法的寡妇的需要。圣经上说道：「耶和華的话临到他说：『你起身往西顿的撒勒法去，住在那里；我已吩咐那里的一个寡妇供养你』」(王上17:8-9)。

这里有一些原则是我们可以向这个撒勒法的寡妇学习。

## 1. 神看见她的需要并差派祂的仆人以利亚到她哪里去(王上17:8-9)

起先，当以利亚见到那个寡妇时，他看起来不像是答案。他对她说：「『求你用器皿取点水来给我喝』。她去取水的时候，以利亚又呼叫她说：『也求你拿点饼来给我』」(王上17:10-11)。但神是全知的，当祂差派以利亚到她哪里去。她这样说：「我指着永生耶和華—你的神起誓，我没有饼，坛内只有一把面，瓶里只有一点油；我现在找两根柴，回家要为我和我儿子做饼；我们吃了，死就死吧！」(王上17:12)

## 2. 神差派以利亚去给她祂的应许(王上17:13-14)

圣经上说道：「以利亚对她说：『不要惧怕！可以照你所说的去做吧！只要先为我做一个小饼拿来给我，然后为你和你的儿子做饼。因为耶和華—以色列的神如此说：坛内的面必不减少，瓶里的油必不缺短，直到耶和華使雨降在地上的日子』」(王上17:13-14)。神想让你知道，祂可以是你的供应者。在你需要的时候祂给你祂的话语，如果你听从和顺服。正因为如此，每一次你来到教会，不要以为这只是另一个聚会。神的话语，讲台信息会给你答案。你需要听从并顺服，以满足你的需要。

## 3. 你需要相信祂话语的应许(约11:40)

圣经上说道：「妇人就照以利亚的话去行。他和他家中的人，并以利亚，吃了许多日子。坛内的面果不减少，瓶里的油也不缺短，正如耶和華藉以利亚所说的话」(王上17:15-16)。她相信神的话，并遵行她被告知该做的事，而经历了油和面粉的倍增的奇迹。

## 4. 你被劝诫行事为人不要凭着眼见(林后5:7)

起初，她害怕照以利亚的话去做。她是靠她的五种感官生活—视觉、触觉、嗅觉、听觉和味觉。恐惧让你生活在自然的领域。在她的恐惧中，她向以利亚，承认她的困境，如果他知道她的情况，他是不会向她作出要求！(王上17:12)。但神要她在这

种时候能经历祂的供应。每一次神的话向你发出，它是在你需要的时候。神的话是一粒种子，如果你以顺服的心播种，它会在你的生命中产生它的丰富。对你来说不可能的事，在神都是能的(太19:26)。

## 5. 你行事为人要凭着信心(林后5:7)

你要相信神，你不是单靠着五种感官生活。耶稣说道：「人活着，不是单靠食物，乃是靠神口里所出的一切话」(太4:4)。当你只吃食物时，你是靠你的自然感官生活。你需要靠信心生活。靠信心生活，你需要知道并遵守神的话。圣经上说道：「因为神的义正在这福音上显明出来；这义是本于信，以致于信。如经上所记：『义人必因信得生』」(罗1:17)。当有信心时，就没有恐惧的余地。信心说：「我不明白但我知道，神是全能的，我信靠祂」。寡妇相信和做了一个饼，把它和水拿给以利亚。圣经告诉我们：「坛内的面果不减少，瓶里的油也不缺短，正如耶和華藉以利亚所说的话」(王上17:15-16)。她有粮食给自己，她的儿子和以利亚吃许多天。在饥荒的时候，神成为她的供应者。据估计，她享用神的眷顾约有8-12个月。

## 6. 信心生出异象而恐惧生出死来

以利亚看到的是饼，完成品，而寡妇看到的是面粉和油及其局限性。有信心的人看到完成品和没有信心的人只看到原材料，困难，艰难和不可能的事。信心看到可能性和能够成就的事的荣耀。感谢神给了加略山教会关于CCC的异象和有实现异象的信心。神为教会行了奇迹使教会成为一个泉源教会，向我们国家及远方传扬耶稣基督的福音。

寡妇，一听到神的话，受到挑战要相信和顺服这话。圣经告诉我们以利亚对她所说的一切她都做了和她享有神奇迹的供应(王上17:15-16)。

「恐怕有淫乱的，有贪恋世俗如以扫的，他因一点食物把自己长子的名分卖了」(来12:16)。以扫被上帝弃绝了。当你出卖你的名分时，再也不能回转向神。

## 3. 甘心 and 顺服

圣经告诉我们：「你们若甘心听从，必吃地上的美物」(赛1:19)。甘心和顺服是一起的。撒旦有许多诱人的选项，让你去作相反的事。甚至献祭无法与顺服相比。圣经告诉我们，听命是胜于献祭(撒上15:22)。

## 4. 把神放在首位

圣经上说道：「你们要先求他的国和他的义，这些东西都要加给你们了」(太6:33)。「你们要给人，就必有给你们，并且用十足的升斗，连摇带按，上尖下流的倒在你们怀里；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)。要领受的圣经的原则是施给。你的领受是以你的施给来量。寡妇得到更多的面粉和油，因为她愿意施给她所有的。她领受到比她给的更多。

圣经告诉我们：「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」(玛3:10)。十分之一是属于神的和圣经说这是归给耶和華為圣的(利27:30)。纳十分之一表明你是一个管家和神是你所拥有的一切的主人。奉献是表达我们对神的爱。奉献给神是一个极大的特权，祂拥有一切，祂并不需要任何东西，然而与祂所赐的福相比，祂悦纳我们微小的礼物。施给是一种发自内心的甘心和喜乐的态度。教会是神让你通过她施给的管道。

以上经文是采用中文圣经和合本。

## 中文团契

### 八月份聚会

日期: 30-8-15  
时间: 早上十一点半  
讲员: 蔡添治(中文事工负责人)  
主题: 来亲近祂  
地点: CCC影剧院1, B2  
欢迎大家参加。请携带亲友一起出席!

## 申请浸礼及会籍

### 浸礼及会籍课程

日期: 8-8-15(六)  
时间: 下午一点半  
地点: 加略山教会

## 浸礼聚会

日期: 8-8-15(六)  
时间: 下午五点  
地点: 加略山教会(大堂)

## 生活在上帝的眷顾中的四项重点

### 1. 仰望耶稣

诗人说：「我要向山举目，我的帮助从造天地的耶和華而来」(诗121)。在面对逆境时，你要举目仰望耶稣，而不是看你的情况。圣经也告诉我们：「仰望为我们信心创始成终的耶稣。他因那摆在前面的喜乐，就轻看羞辱，忍受了十字架的苦难，便坐在神宝座的右边」(来12:2)。耶稣激发你，祂是你信心的坚固根基。保罗说道：「神是信实的，你们原是被祂所召，好与祂儿子—我们的主耶稣基督一同得分」(林前1:9)。

### 2. 不要出卖你的名分

你的名分是「得重生」(约3:5)。不要受试探而舍弃神。记得以扫吗？圣经上说道：

# August SERVICE SCHEDULE

**Damansara Heights**  
Saturday 5.00pm

**01** Communion  
Associate Pastor  
Chan Lee Peng

**08** Water Baptism  
Associate Pastor  
David Seah

**15** Associate Pastor  
Steven Kum

**22** Combined with  
23 August Service  
at CCC

**29** Associate Pastor  
Timothy Ong

**Calvary Convention Centre**  
Sunday 9.00am

**02** Communion  
Senior Pastor  
Prince Guneratnam

**09** Membership Intake  
Senior Associate Pastor  
Petrina Guneratnam

**16** Pastor Yong Chee Weng

**23** Special Service To  
Commemorate  
Senior Pastor's 70th Birthday  
Rev Dikran Salbashian

**30** Associate Pastor  
Peter Ong

## CHINESE FELLOWSHIP

30/8/15 (SUN)

Time : 11.30AM  
Speaker : Chua Ken Tee (Chinese Ministry Coordinator)  
Topic : Come Near Him  
Venue : Theatrette 1, Level B2, CCC

## BAHASA FELLOWSHIP

30/8/15 (SUN)

Time : 11.30am  
Speaker : Felisa Foo  
Topic : The Power of A Blessed Life  
Venue : Room b1.03, Level B1, CCC

For more information, call 8999 5532 extention 414

## WATER BAPTISM & MEMBERSHIP CLASS

8/8/2015 (SAT)

Time : 1.30PM  
Venue : Worship Nursery,  
Damansara Heights

## WATER BAPTISM SERVICE

8/8/2015 (SAT)

Time : 5.00PM  
Venue : Sanctuary,  
Damansara Heights

## NEXT WATER BAPTISM & MEMBERSHIP CLASS

10/10/2015 (SAT)

Time : 1.30PM  
Venue : Worship Nursery,  
Damansara Heights

**CLOSING DATE** for submissions  
of forms: 6/9/2015 (SUN)

# A LIVING LEGACY

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## SENIOR PASTOR PRINCE GUNERATNAM'S 70th BIRTHDAY

The Calvary Church Family thanks God for our Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam and would be celebrating his 70th Birthday at our 9.00 am Worship Service on 23rd August 2015.

The Worship Service at Calvary Convention Centre will be followed by Fellowship Brunch hosted by the Church.

**Guest Speaker: Rev Dikran Salbashian**



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