

Making disciples is not just leading someone to say the sinner's prayer. Evangelism is more than leading someone to confess Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour. It is to disciple the believer to walk by faith and be led by the Holy Spirit. The work of the Church is to do evangelism and be missionary. The baptism of the Holy Spirit is for the Church to do the work of Evangelism and Missions. The Bible says, "But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon vou: and vou shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth" (Acts 1:8). And Jesus said, "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age" (Matthew 28:19-20). We who go, must go as God's anointed witnesses and make disciples. This is the kind of discipleship the Church needs, to be anointed witnesses making disciples. Wherever God placed you, be an anointed witness.

You are to share the Gospel, and:

- · Not what you think.
- Not what you believe to be true.
- Not your experiences.
- · Not your visions, dreams.
- · Not what you have heard or read.
- But preach the Gospel.

The making of a disciple is the mandate of the Great Commission. Your dependence is on the Holy Spirit, not your eloquence, charisma and communication skills, helpful as these skills and talents may be. Paul in speaking to the Corinthian church said, "And I, brethren, when I came to you, did not come with excellence of speech or of wisdom declaring to you the testimony of God. For I determined not to know anything among you except Jesus Christ Him crucified" and (1 Corinthians 2:1-2). And Paul said, "For I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek" (Romans 1:16). The Gospel is the power of God to salvation for the world.

It is like the slave girl who led Namaan to find the man of God (Elijah) to receive healing of his leprosy. The little girl simply said, "If only my master were with the prophet who is in Samaria! For he would heal him of his leprosy" (2 Kings 5:3). This is sharing the good news.

It is like Elijah who told the widow at Zarapeth, "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.' So she went away and did according to the word of Elijah; and she and he and

her household ate for many days" (1 Kings 17:14-15).

It is like the four lepers who went to tell the King's household the goodness. In those days, lepers were put out of the city. The Bible says, "Now there were four leprous men at the entrance of the gate; and they said to one another, 'Why are we sitting here until we die? If we say, "We will enter the city," the famine is in the city, and we shall die there. And if we sit here, we die also, Now therefore, come, let us surrender to the army of the Syrians. If they keep us alive, we shall live; and if they kill us, we shall only die.' And they rose at twilight to go to the camp of the Syrians; and when they had come to the outskirts of the Syrian camp, to their surprise no one was there. For the Lord had caused the army of the Syrians to hear the noise of chariots and the noise of horses-the noise of a great army; so they said to one another, 'Look, the king of Israel has hired against us the kings of the Hittites and the kings of the Egyptians to attack us!' Therefore they arose and fled at twilight, and left the camp intact- their tents, their horses, and their donkeys- and they fled for their lives. And when these lepers came to the outskirts of the camp, they went into one tent and ate and drank, and carried from it silver and gold and clothing, and went and hid them; then they came back and entered another tent, and



carried some from there also, and went and hid it. Then they said to one another, 'We are not doing right. This day is a day of good news, and we remain silent. If we wait until morning light, some punishment will come upon us. Now therefore. come. let us go and tell the king's household" (2 Kings 7:3-9). This is akin to us in Church. How can we, attend Church services Sunday after Sunday, and be blessed, keep the good news to ourselves? Similarly, like the lepers faced challenges when sharing the good news with the king, sharing the gospel may come with challenges. You may be ridiculed or shunned. That is why God has anointed us to be witnesses.

SIGNS FOLLOW BELIEVERS

The Bible says, "And these signs will follow those who believe: In My name they will cast out demons; they will speak with new tongues" (Mark16:17). We believe in miracles and we pray for miracles to happen.

We do not run after signs, but signs follow us for unbelievers to believe in Jesus.

SIGNS ARE FOR UNBELIEVERS TO BELIEVE

The Bible says, "Therefore tongues are for a sign, not to those who believe but to unbelievers; but prophesying is not for unbelievers but for those who believe" (1 Corinthians 14:22). Signs are for unbelievers to believe the gospel while prophesising serves to edify, exhort and comfort believers.

"And truly Jesus did many other signs in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name" (John 20:30-31). Not all the many signs done by Jesus were recorded, but those that were written

are for this purpose, that unbelievers will see and believe Jesus is the Christ and the Son of God!

THE IMMATURE LOOK FOR SIGNS

The Bible says, "Brethren, do not be children in understanding: however, in malice be babes, but understanding be mature" Corinthians 14:20). Immature people look for signs. Jesus did not perform miracles at the demand of the Jewish leaders. The Bible says, "Then some of the scribes and Pharisees answered, saving, 'Teacher, we want to see a sign from You.' But He answered and said to them, 'An evil and adulterous generation seeks after a sign, and no sign will be given to it except the sign of the prophet Jonah' (Matthew 12:38-39). Jesus knew the evil intent of the Jewish leaders. They were not asking for a sign so they can believe. Jesus reminded them of the prophet Jonah who preached the Gospel, effectively

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telling them that they do not need a sign but to believe what God has to say. The Bible says, "For Jews request a sign, and Greeks seek after wisdom; but we preach Christ crucified, to the Jews a stumbling block and to the Greeks foolishness, but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men" (1 Corinthians 1:22-25).

FAILURE IS NOT FINAL WITH JESUS

After His resurrection, Jesus appeared first to Mary Magdalene and she went and told His disciples, but they did not believe He was alive. After that, He appeared in another form to two of His disciples, and they went and told it to the rest, but they did not believe them either (Mark 16:9-13). The Bible says, "Later He appeared to the eleven as they sat at the table; and He rebuked their unbelief and hardness of heart. because they did not believe those who had seen Him after He had risen" (Mark 16:14). You could consider the disciples as failures and that was the end of them. But it was not "checkmate"! When a player in a chess game calls for a "checkmate", it means the game is over! When you are a believer, failure is not final.

I was told of a story of an international chess champion who went to a museum in Europe and came across an artpiece of a picture of a man playing a chess game with an opponent who looked evil and had a gleeful smile that expressed he was winning. The title of the picture was "Checkmate". As the chess champion studied the picture of the chess game, he was disturbed and spoke to the artist responsible for the artpiece. He said, "This picture must be removed or the name of the picture must be changed!" "Why?" said the artist. He replied that it was not checkmate as the chess King had one more move.

No matter how badly you may fail, King Jesus has one more move! For example, in the Garden of Eden, Adam and Eve hid because they sinned. They seemed doomed, but our God, the King had one more move. If He did not, you and I would not be here. Another example, the childless Abraham and Sarah at 90 years old. Satan looked with glee at their bodies, but our God, the King had one more move. Similarly, all seemed to be the end when the Israelites were facing the Red Sea, and Pharoah's armies in hot pursuit! Again, Peter was imprisoned, awaiting his beheading, but the people prayed. Our God, the King had one more move! Paul tells us, "And I am convinced that nothing can ever separate us from God's love. Neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither our fears for today nor our worries about tomorrow- not even the powers of hell can separate us from God's love. No power in the sky above or in the earth below- indeed, nothing in all creation will ever be able to separate us from the love of God that is revealed in Christ Jesus our Lord" (Romans 8:38-39 NLT).

As believers, failure is not final. God has entrusted you with the Gospel. He has raised this Church for the purpose of making disciples. Evangelism is not just knowing how to get people to say the sinner's prayer. Anointed witnesses testify and impact lives through their lifestyle, bring the Kingdom of God culture wherever they go. This is the kind of discipleship the Church needs.

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



DTHER'S DAY GIFT

Children and vouths from our church ministries and extended ministries were involved in personalizing the Mother's Day Gift. We would like to thank the children and youths from the following ministries:

















In the New Testament, people brought their infants and up to know the Lord, to live according to His will and to and pray for them.

them to Him, we're doing the same. The dedication is the days of their lives.

Parents who bring their children for dedication by the very acts signify their faith in the Christian way of life. They also indicate their desire that their children should grow the Lord for baby dedication.

newborns to Jesus that He might put His hands on them live eternally in the blessedness which God has decreed.

On 1 May 2016, three babies were dedicated to the Lord When we bring our children before the Lord, dedicate by Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam and Senior Associate Pastor Petrina Guneratnam at the Sunday unto the Lord that He may keep them and bless them all Worship Service at Calvary Convention Centre. They also prayed for the parents that they will bring up their children in the nurture and the ways of the Lord.

We are very grateful for parents who bring their children to



Mothers are a blessing to all of us. Senior Associate Pastor Petrina Guneratnam enlightened us with an inspiring message entitled "Anointed Witnesses by Walking in Submission" at the Mother's Day Service on Sunday, 8 May 2016 at Calvary Convention Centre.

Walking in submission to God's ways and purpose requires us to imitate God, accept that we are God's beloved children, live a life of love as Christ loved us and submit ourselves to the Lord as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to Him.

Husbands and wives are mutually to submit to each other as exhorted in Ephesians 5:21 "Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ".

Many may equate "submission" to weakness or dominance of gender but it is so much more than that. Veritably, it is a sacred act of love. Submission denotes one to be of great influence to others by imitating Christ.

Senior Associate Pastor Petrina Guneratnam gave a heartfelt altar call "Beauty for Ashes" from Isaiah 62:3 to surrender our negative emotions, worries and burdens to God in exchange for joy, peace and beauty. Many responded via the response slips that were collected.

Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam acknowledged and prayed for all mothers present.

A group of 300 Carpenter Workshop's children then presented a special number to appreciate mothers for being so patient and so kind, and that each mother would be a "gazillionaire" if only they got paid.



















BEAUTYFOR ASHES

On 11 May 2016, after Morning Watch at Calvary Church Damansara Heights and Calvary Convention Centre, the response slips collected during the altar call at the Mother's Day Service were surrendered to God and burnt to ashes.







门徒造就不只是带领人作认罪悔改的祷告。 传福音不只是带领人承认耶稣基督为主和救 主。而是要造就信徒靠信心生活,并被圣灵 引导。教会的工作是传福音和宣教。圣灵的 洗是让教会做传福音和宣教的工作。圣经上 说道: 「但圣灵降临在你们身上, 你们就必 得着能力,并要在耶路撒冷、犹太全地和撒 玛利亚, 直到地极, 作我的见证」(徒1: 8) 耶稣说: 「所以,你们要去,使万民作我 的门徒,奉父、子、圣灵的名给他们施洗, 凡我所吩咐你们的, 都教导他们遵守。看哪 我天天与你们同在,直到世代的终结」(太28: 19-20)。我们去的人,必须去作神的 受膏见证人和造就门徒。教会需要这种的门 徒造就,成为受膏的见证人,造就门徒。无 论神把你安置在那里,作一个受膏的见证人。

你要分享福音, 而:

- 不是你的想法
- 不是你认为是真实的
- 不是你的经验。
- 不是你的异象,异梦
- 不是你所听到或读到的。
- 是传福音

门徒造就是大使命的命令。你所依靠的是圣灵,不是你的口才,个人魅力和沟通技巧,虽然这些技能和才干也许会有帮助。保罗你引事林多教会说道:「弟兄们,从前我到你们宣讲有用高言大智对你们宣讲神的奥秘。2因为我曾定了主意,在你们中间和知道别的,只知道耶稣基督并他钉十字架当知道别的,只知道耶稣基督并他钉十字架音的大能,这福音本是神的大能,要救一切相信的。是犹太人,后是希腊人」(罗1: 16)。福音是神的大能,为要拯救世人。

就如同引导乃缦去找神人(以利亚)的女奴, 使他的麻风病得治愈。这小女孩只是说: 「 我希望主人去见撒玛利亚的先知,他必能治 好主人的麻风」(王下5:3)。这就是分享好消息。

这如同以利亚告诉在撒勒法的寡妇: 「因为耶和华-以色列的神如此说: 『坛内的面必不用尽,瓶里的油必不短缺,直到耶和华使雨降在地上的日子』。妇人就照以利亚的话去做。她和以利亚,以及她家中的人,吃了许多日子」(王上17: 14-15)。

神迹随着信徒

圣经上说道:「信的人将有神迹随着他们:就是奉我的名赶鬼;说新方言」(可16:17)。我们相信神迹。我们祈求神迹发生。我们不追赶神迹,而是神迹会随着我们使不信者相信耶稣。

神迹是给不信的人相信

圣经上说道:「这样看来,说方言不是为信的人作标记,而是为不信的人;作先知讲道不是为不信的人。作先知讲道不是为不信的人作标记,而是为信的人」(林前14:22)。神迹是给不信的人相信徒。,预言却是为了造就,劝诫和安慰信徒。「耶稣在他门徒面前另外行了许多神迹,没有记录在这书上。但记载这些事是要使你们信他,好因着他的名得生命」(约20:30-31)。并非所有耶稣行的神迹象都被记录下来,但那些被记载的都是为了这个目的,即不信的人会看到并相信耶稣是基督和神的儿子!未成熟的信徒寻找神迹

圣经上说道: 「弟兄们, 在心志上不要作小 孩子。但是,在恶事上要作婴孩,而在心志 上总要作大人」(林前14: 20)。未成熟的 人寻找神迹。耶稣没有在犹太人领袖的要求 之下行神迹奇事。圣经上说道: 「当时,有 几个文士和法利赛人对耶稣说: "老师,我 们想请你显个神迹给我们看看。"耶稣回答 "邪恶淫乱的世代求看神迹,除了先 知约拿的神迹以外,再没有神迹给他们看了 」(太12: 38-39)。耶稣知道犹太领袖的 邪恶意图。他们不是要求一个神迹使他们能 够相信。耶稣提醒他们传福音的先知约拿, 实际上告诉他们,他们并不需要一个神迹, 而是要相信神说的话。圣经上说道: 「犹太 人要的是神迹,希腊人求的是智慧,我们却 是传被钉十字架的基督, 这对犹太人是绊脚 石,对外邦人是愚拙;但对那蒙召的,无论 是犹太人、希腊人、基督总是神的大能、神 的智慧。因为, 神的愚拙总比人智慧; 神的 软弱总比人强壮」(林前1: 22-25)。

与耶稣在一起失败 并非是终局

在他复活后,耶稣首先显现给抹大拉的玛利亚,和她去告诉他的门徒,但他们你们他的活了。在那之后,他以另一种形像向门徒显现,他们就去告诉其余的门徒,圣时说道:「后来十一使徒坐席的时候,更是说道:「后来十一使徒坐席的时候,更多上说道:「后来十一使徒坐席的时候,不是哪个们显现,责备他们不信,心里刚硬硬,人可他们不信那些在他复活以后看见他的人人可16: 14)。你可以认为门徒是失败的的当人们可16: 14)。你可以认为门徒是失败的。当我是他们的结局。但那不时,这意味着终局完结了!当你是一个信徒,失败并非是终局

有人告诉我一个故事说有一位国际象棋冠军,他去参观欧洲的一间博物馆和偶然发现一幅艺术作品描绘一个人与一名对手在玩会象点的笑容。这幅画取名为「将死」。当象报冠军研究画中的棋局时,他感到困扰并与该被术作品的画家交谈。他说:「这幅画必须被取下,要不然就要改这幅画的名字!」「是不多,这一个人。」,艺术家说。他回答说,这不是将死」因为王的棋子还有一步可以移动。

不管你有多么的失败, 君王耶稣还有一步可 以移动!例如, 在伊甸园, 亚当和夏娃躲藏 起来因为他们犯了罪。他们似乎注定失败, 但我们的神大君王还有一步可以移动。如果 他没有, 你和我就不会在这里。另一个例子 无子女的亚伯拉罕和撒拉在90岁时,撒旦 看着他们年迈的身体而在高兴, 但我们的神 大君王还有一步可以移动。同样地, 当以色 列人面对红海和法老的军队在紧追不舍的时 候,一切似乎就此终结!再次,彼得被监禁 等待他的斩首, 但众人都在祷告。我们的 神大君王还有一步可以移动!保罗告诉我们 : 「因为我深信, 无论是死, 是活, 是天使 是掌权的,是有权能的 , 是现在的事, 是 将来的事,是高处的,是深处的,是别的受 造之物,都不能使我们与神的爱隔绝,这爱 是在我们的主基督耶稣里的」(罗8: 38-39

作为信徒,失败并非是终局。神已经托付给你这福音。他兴起这间教会是为了造就门徒。它不是只知道如何去传福音和让人认罪祷告。受膏的见证人会通过他们的生活方式去影响,并转化人们的生命,无论他们在哪里,他们都实践神国的文化。教会需要这种的门徒造就。

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BENEFITING FROM SPIRITUAL FATHERHOOD

"Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." – Matthew 28:19-20

Spiritual fathers are God-given to guide us in our spiritual walk. People need guidance. Discipleship is where we find guidance, where we are helped to know how to listen to God, through prayer and looking into His Word. Discipleship is the means by which a "spiritual father" helps a "spiritual son" grows in his spiritual life.

We asked these three spiritual fathers and sons to share their experiences:

- Associate Pastor David Seah and Michael Loon All
 pastors are naturally spiritual fathers to the church. But this
 specific example further strengthens personal discipleship of a
 pastor to a full time calling individual.
- Philip Tan and Christopher Ng A Life Group leader who disciple one to mature becoming a Life Group leader himself.
- Chow Sang Hoe and Christopher Lim An example of not only how a father and son relationship is built but extends to their families as well.

Some common traits of a spiritual father are:

- · He is yielded to God and Spirit-filled.
- He lives a consistent Christian life and has a good Christian testimony.
- He practices the Word of God and does it through the life of Christ in him.
- · He is good standing within the church and society at large.
- · He is a role model to his son.
- He is humble, genuine, real and not afraid of exposing his weaknesses.
- He is committed, good listener, patient, wise, non-judgemental but also firm.
- · He shows loving kindness without fear of correcting him.
- He nurtures the son in his spiritual growth and development on a personal and a consistent basis.
- He encourages, prays and guides his son towards maturity with the son's best interests in mind.
- He coaches, leads, inspires and discipline the son.
- · He sacrifices his personal time.
- As he traverses the spiritual peaks and troughs, therefore he understands the trials and challenges the son undergoes and able to share his experiences and helps his son avoid pitfalls.

God desires to use all of us to be a blessing, specifically in the aspect of nurturing and caring for others.

We trust these testimonies will further inspire and challenge the men to rise up to be spiritual fathers and disciple-makers.



HOW DID THE SPIRITUAL BONDS DEVELOP?

Pastor David: It began when Michael asked whether I could mentor him. I did not hesitate, as I saw great potential in him. The bond was developed through mutual acceptance, humility and honesty. And making time to meet, talk and pray. The setting could be in the church, over coffee, during recreation or sometimes, via calls or Whatsapp. We shared the joys, aspirations and challenges of relationship, work and ministry and what God is doing in our lives. And yes, we talked about sports and movies too.

Michael: I have always been encouraged and inspired by Pastor David's messages and thoughts. His thought patterns and structure in preparation amazes me. The bonds developed when we served together at the Calvary Church Damansara Perdana satellite. In view of my full time calling to ministry, I decided that I needed someone currently in the full time ministry to be my spiritual father, mentor and accountability partner to constantly keep me grounded and remind me of my calling. Naturally, already bonded with Pastor David, I approached him and the rest is history.

HOW HAVE YOU BENEFITED FROM SPIRITUAL FATHERHOOD?

Pastor David: I find fulfilment in sharing my experiences, providing counsel and opening up aspects of my life that I don't usually share with most people. In turn, I hear God speak through our sharing. For example, Michael could be sharing a testimony about the same aspect that God is currently speaking to me about. Thus spiritual fatherhood is God's invitation for me to be blessed and yes, transformed more into His likeness!

Michael: Knowing that there is someone to count on through my personal struggles as well as challenges in ministry is very encouraging. I often bring struggles to Pastor David, he has helped me see my situations through different spectacles. I feel encouraged and inspired. Spiritual fatherhood has also helped confirm the Lord's voice and direction in my life. Many times I would tell Pastor David of the impression upon my heart from the Holy Spirit and he would confirm it or cause me to rethink things.

WHY DO YOU THINK SPIRITUAL FATHER IS IMPORTANT?

Pastor David: It is important because it is biblical. Spiritual fatherhood is discipleship. No serious minded believer should be without such relationship. For spiritual fatherhood provides the necessary guidance, the much-needed accountability & and a safe place for confession, leading to healing and growth.

Michael: A spiritual father helps point one's eyes to God. As young adult, I cannot deny the need for an older and more experienced person (spiritual father) who has seen a lot more of life than I have to guide me through, especially in preparation for ministry. I feel it is important to stay grounded and being accountable to someone respectable and more senior than me is key. I am able to be honest and he in turn is able to provide me with the honest input I need for betterment of myself.



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Philip: Chris was referred to my Life Group more than 15 years ago and he came together with his wife Linda. Though they were busy embarking on the careers, they were committed in wanting to grow more in the Lord. Our spiritual bond was the outcome of us being spiritual parents in a Life Group setting. Being married just over a decade then and with some practical experience, I was able to help Chris through his early years in marriage and career and also to pray along with him.

Christopher: The journey started some 15 years ago when my wife and I were looking to attend a Life Group. Philip and Faith were the Life Group leader and host. Being newly married and also sharing the same vocation as Philip, I feasted on his counsel and encouragement for the challenges at work as well as life as a newly married couple. Philip was always careful to provide guidance with genuine care and concern.

HOW HAVE YOU BENEFITED FROM SPIRITUAL FATHERHOOD?

Philip: Extremely so, I experienced great joy in seeing my spiritual son and his family mature over the years. God has blessed Chris with a wonderful wife and two lovely children and a successful career and now serves as a Life Group Leader and involves in other ministries. I have also learned to walk along with him over his life journey and am very much enriched by the experience, knowing that God is faithful as we lean on Him.

Christopher: Philip set an example for me to emulate in the leading of a Life Group. The structured and organized way he led the Life Group, provided the template for me to follow. He showed me that it is possible for believers to practice Christian values and still be successful in careers. Despite our busy schedules, if we are willing and faithful, God can use us. He constantly reminded me that God will never short-change us and that our labour in Him is never in vain. These lessons learnt have been invaluable.

WHY DO YOU THINK SPIRITUAL FATHER IS IMPORTANT?

Philip: As Christian adults, we must not be shy to pass on the strong Christian legacy that we have received from being part of the local church assembly. Spiritual fathers have an important role to play in the body of Christ and to the edification of the church body, just as apostle Paul was to young Timothy. Spiritual fathers take ownership in leadership ensuring that the rich Christian heritage is passed on from generation to generation!

Christopher: Jesus had a special bond with His Heavenly Father. In fact, Jesus said He could not do anything if He did not see His Father do. This is the essence of the importance of a spiritual father. Young believers need someone who they can look up to, share their burdens and can be accountable to. As Jesus depended on His Heavenly Father, we need a spiritual father that we can depend on and learn from.



HOW DID THE SPIRITUAL BONDS DEVELOP?

Chow: Through facing trials together in both our families. Jessyca, my wife, was having treatment for cancer and we needed to trust on God's Word for healing. As the same time, Chris' daughter, Annabelle, was also in need for a miraculous healing. We journeyed together, and also occasions of other challenges in our families. Also Chris is a very open and keen learner of God's Word and always very helpful to others and cares for them.

Christopher: The spiritual bond developed strongly when we witnessed God's love through brother Chow and sister Jessyca, standing with us in prayers and are like our 24 hours helpline where we can call upon them anytime. This spiritual bond developed through a very consistent prayers, follow up, love and care shown by them. The love they showed through the activities they participate by going out of their way and having us in mind does play a very essential aspect for the spiritual bond to develop.

HOW HAVE YOU BENEFITED FROM SPIRITUAL FATHERHOOD?

Chow: I have learnt, in close range from other spiritual fathers, about how to behave at home, in church and at work; prioritise my life around God first and foremost; disciple others; and role model as a God-centred and Spirit-filled Christian father, husband, brother and child. Also, I appreciate their prayers, advice, guidance and Bible teaching very much. As I've been blessed by them, naturally I want to be a blessing to others.

Christopher: Looking up to brother Chow as a spiritual father does help me in absorbing the teachings and testimonies that was shared. Besides from trusting and knowing that our Heavenly Father is for us, knowing there is an earthly spiritual father provides a lot of comfort and assurance at the same time. His support is always timely and I know that God is involved in all those moments of discipleship by him.

WHY DO YOU THINK SPIRITUAL FATHER IS IMPORTANT?

Chow: Spiritual fathers help us to grow in our walk with the Lord our God. They are important role models to us, on how to behave and lead a proper life as an indwelling disciple of the Lord.

Christopher: It certainly assures and comforts us that God loves us through spiritual fathers. They provide guidance and practical advice to us where any open questions can be asked without fear and embarrassment. It is very important for me as there are so many concerns being a Christian and understanding the doctrine for a young believer can be challenging too. By having a guide, a mentor and a spiritual father, it seems like a natural way to understand God's kingdom better.

Beautiful

DIMENSIONS EXTENDED'S MOTHER'S DAY FAMILY LUNCHEON

by Pastor Tabitha Ong

Early Saturday morning on 7 May 2016, the Multipurpose and Banquet Hall at CCC was filled chatter and laughter and music as the ladies with their friends and families filled the place.

After giving thanks to God in song and worship, Kathy Lam and Gan Chew shared moving testimonies of how they found God in the midst of their careers in the fashion industry and how it made all the difference for them. Helen Read shared a powerful devotion with her own personal testimony. Indeed God is an amazing God!

The highlight was a fun and upbeat fashion show where Calvarites strutted down the catwalk to showcase attires for a variety of daily settings all from our very own "Hidden Treasure" boutique.

Lunch was a fun affair where we fellowshipped with each other followed by appreciating mothers with gifts. Many were blessed and expressed their delight and joy.



































Pemuridan bukan sahaja memimpin melafazkan seseorang itu bertaubat. Penginjilan adalah lebih daripada memimpin seseorang itu mengakui Yesus Kristus sebagai Tuhan dan Penyelamat. Ia adalah memuridkan orang yang beriman itu supaya berjalan dalam iman dan dipimpini oleh Roh Kudus. Kerja gereja adalah menjalankan penginjilan dan misi. Pembaptisan Roh Kudus adalah untuk gereja melakukan kerja-kerja penginjilan dan misi. Alkitab berkata, "Tetapi kamu akan menerima kuasa, kalau Roh Kudus turun ke atas kamu, dan kamu akan menjadi saksi-Ku di Yerusalem dan di seluruh Yudea dan Samaria dan sampai ke ujung bumi (Kisah Para Rasul 1:8). Tuhan Yesus berkata, "Karena itu pergilah, jadikanlah semua bangsa murid-Ku dan baptislah mereka dalam nama Bapa dan Anak dan Roh ajarlah Kudus. dan mereka melakukan segala sesuatu yang telah Kuperintahkan kepadamu. Dan ketahuilah, Aku menyertai kamu senantiasa sampai kepada akhir zaman" (Matius 28:19-20). Kita yang pergi mesti pergi sebagai seorang saksi diurapi dan memuridkan pengikut-pengikut. Ini merupakan jenis pemuridan yang diperlukan oleh gereja iaitu menjadi saksi yang diurapi untuk pemuridan. Di mana jua Tuhan telah menempatkan kamu, jadilah saksi yang diurapi.

Kamu perlu berkongsi Injil dan:

- Bukan apa yang kamu fikir.
- Bukan apa yang kamu percaya adalah benar.
- Bukannya pengalaman kamu.
- Bukan visi atau mimpi kamu.
- Bukan apa yang kamu telah dengar atau baca.
- Tetapi khutbahkanlah Injil.

Pemuridan adalah mandat Perintah Agung. Pergantungan kamu adalah atas Kudus, bukannya kefasihan, Roh karisma dan kemahiran percakapan kamu walaupun kemahiran dan bakat boleh menolong Paulus berkata, "Sebab aku mempunyai keyakinan yang kokoh dalam Injil, karena Injil kekuatan adalah Tuhan yang menyelamatkan setiap orang yang percaya, pertama-tama orang Yahudi, tetapi juga orang Yunani" (Roma 1:16).

Seperti seorang hamba budak perempuan yang memimpin Naaman mencari Elisa untuk menerima penyembuhan penyakit kulitnya. Budak perempuan itu hanya berkata: "Sekiranya tuanku menghadap nabi yang di Samaria itu, maka tentulah nabi itu akan menyembuhkan dia dari penyakitnya" (2 Raj-raja 5:3). Ini adalah berkongsi berita baik.

Bagaikan Elia yang memberitahu balu yang berada di Sarfat, "Sebab beginilah firman Tuhan, Tuhan Israel: Tepung dalam tempayan itu tidak akan habis dan minyak dalam buli-buli itupun tidak akan berkurang sampai pada waktu Tuhan memberi hujan ke atas muka bumi. Lalu pergilah perempuan itu dan berbuat seperti yang dikatakan oleh Elia; maka perempuan itu dan dia serta ahli keluarganya mendapat makan beberapa waktu lamanya" (1 Raja-raja 17:14-15).

Bagaikan empat orang yang menghidapi penyakit kusta yang pergi memberitahu keluarga raja tentang kebaikan. "Empat orang yang sakit kusta ada di depan pintu gerbang. Berkatalah yang kepada seorang yang Mengapakah kita duduk-duduk di sini sampai mati? Jika kita berkata: Baiklah kita masuk ke kota, padahal dalam kota ada kelaparan, kita akan mati di sana. Dan jika kita tinggal di sini, kita akan mati juga. Jadi sekarang, marilah kita menyeberang ke perkemahan tentara Aram. Jika mereka membiarkan kita hidup, kita akan hidup, dan jika mereka mematikan kita, kita akan mati, Lalu pada waktu senja bangkitlah mereka masuk ke tempat perkemahan orang Aram. Tetapi ketika mereka sampai ke pinggir tempat perkemahan orang Aram itu, tampaklah tidak ada orang di sana. Sebab Tuhan telah membuat tentara Aram itu mendengar bunyi kereta, bunyi kuda, bunyi tentara yang besar, sehingga berkatalah yang kepada seorang yang "Sesungguhnya raja Israel telah mengupah raja-raja orang Het dan raja-raja orang Misraim melawan kita, supaya mereka menyerang kita. itu bangkitlah mereka melarikan diri pada waktu senja dengan meninggalkan kemah dan kuda dan keledai mereka serta tempat perkemahan itu dengan begitu saja; mereka melarikan diri menyelamatkan nyawanya. Ketika orang-orang yang sakit kusta itu tempat sampai ke pinggir perkemahan, masuklah mereka ke dalam sebuah kemah, lalu makan dan minum. Sesudah itu mereka mengangkut dari sana emas dan dan pakaian, kemudian perak

pergilah mereka menyembunyikannya. Lalu datanglah mereka kembali, masuk ke dalam kemah yang lain dan mengangkut juga barang-barang dari sana, kemudian pergilah mereka menyembunyikannya. Lalu berkatalah yang seorang kepada yang lain: Tidak patut yang kita lakukan ini. Hari ini ialah hari kabar baik, tetapi kita ini tinggal diam saja. Apabila kita menanti sampai terang pagi, maka hukuman akan menimpa kita. Jadi sekarang, marilah kita menghadap untuk memberitahukan hal itu ke istana raja" (2 Raja-Raja 7:3-9). Ini adalah sama dengan kita di gereja. Bagaimana boleh kita yang pergi ke gereja setiap hari minggu dan telah dirahmati tetapi menyimpan berita baik kepada diri kita sendiri? Sama seperti pesakit kusta menghadapi cabaran apabila berkongsi berita baik dengan raja, berkongsi injil mungkin membawa cabaran-cabaran. Anda mungkin akan diejek dan dipulaukan. Itulah sebabnya Tuhan telah mengurapi kita untuk menjadi saksi.

TANDA-TANDA MENGIKUTI ORANG- ORANG YANG PERCAYA

Iniil berkata. "Tanda-tanda ini akan menyertai orang-orang yang percaya: mereka akan mengusir setan-setan demi nama-Ku, mereka berbicara dalam bahasa-bahasa yang baru bagi mereka" (Markus 16:17). Kita percaya tentang mukjizat dan kita berdoa supaya mukjizat berlaku. Kita tidak perlu melihat tanda-tanda dan mukjizat-mukzijat untuk mempercayai tetapi kita mempunyai iman dalam Firman Tuhan untuk itu berlaku. Kita tidak mengejar tanda-tanda tetapi tanda-tanda mengikuti kita untuk orang yang tidak beriman supaya mereka mempercayai Tuhan Yesus.

TANDA-TANDA ADALAH UNTUK ORANG-ORANG YANG TIDAK PERCAYA

Alkitab berkata, "Berpeganglah pada keyakinan yang engkau miliki itu, bagi dirimu sendiri di hadapan Tuhan. Berbahagialah dia, yang tidak menghukum dirinya sendiri dalam apa yang dianggapnya baik untuk dilakukan" (1 Korintus 14:22). Tandatanpa adalah untuk orang-orang yang tidak mempercayai agar mereka mempercayai Injil manakala penubuatan berfungsi untuk membina, menasihat



menghiburkan orang-orang percaya. "Memang masih banyak tanda lain yang dibuat Yesus di depan mata murid-murid-Nya, yang tidak tercatat dalam kitab ini tetapi semua yang tercantum di sini telah dicatat, supaya kamu percaya, bahwa Yesuslah Mesias, Anak Tuhan, dan supaya kamu oleh imanmu memperoleh hidup dalam nama-Nya" (Yohanes 20:30-31). Bukan semua tanda-tanda yang dilakukan oleh Tuhan Yesus telah dicatat, tetapi yang telah dicatat adalah bertujuan agar umat yang tidak percaya akan melihat dan mempercayai Yesus adalah Kristus dan Anak Tuhan!

YANG TIDAK MATANG MENCARI TANDA-TANDA

"Saudara-saudara, berkata, janganlah sama seperti anak-anak pemikiranmu. dalam Jadilah anak-anak dalam kejahatan, tetapi orang dewasa dalam pemikiranmu" (1 Korintus 14:20). Orang yang tidak matang mencari tanda-tanda. Tuhan Yesus tidak melakukan mukjizat atas pemimpin-pemimpin permintaan Yahudi. Injil berkata, "Pada waktu itu berkatalah beberapa ahli Taurat dan orang Farisi kepada Yesus: "Guru, kami ingin melihat suatu tanda dari pada-Mu.Tetapi jawab-Nya kepada mereka: "Angkatan yang jahat dan tidak setia ini menuntut suatu tanda. Tetapi kepada mereka tidak akan diberikan tanda selain tanda nabi Yunus" (Matius 12:38-39). Tuhan Yesus mengetahui niat jahat pemimpin-pemimpin Yahudi. Mereka bukan meminta tanda supaya mereka boleh mempercayai. Tuhan Yesus memperingatkan mereka tentang nabi Yunus yang mengkhutbahkan Berita Baik, berkesan memberitahu mereka bahawa mereka tidak perlu tanda tetapi untuk percaya apa yang Tuhan telah Iniil mengatakan. berkata. "Orang-orang Yahudi menghendaki dan orang-orang Yunani tanda hikmat, tetapi kan Kristus mencari kami memberitakan vana disalibkan: untuk orang-orang Yahudi suatu batu sandungan dan untuk orang-orang bukan Yahudi suatu kebodohan, tetapi untuk mereka yang dipanggil, baik orang Yahudi, maupun orang bukan Yahudi, Kristus adalah

kekuatan Tuhan dan hikmat Tuhan. Sebab yang bodoh dari Tuhan lebih besar hikmatnya dari pada manusia dan yang lemah dari Tuhan lebih kuat dari pada manusia" (1 Korintus 1:22-25).

KEGAGALAN BUKAN AKHIR DENGAN TUHAN YESUS

Setelah kebangkitanNya, Tuhan Yesus telah muncul dihadapan Maria Magdalena dan Maria memberitahu pengikut-pengikutNya. Tetapi mereka tidak percaya Dia masih Setelah itu, Dia muncul hidup. dihadapan dengan lain rupa kepada dua orang pengikutNya dan mereka pergi memberitahu kepada semua tetapi mereka tidak mempercayai juga (Markus 16:9-13). Injil berkata, "Akhirnya la menampakkan diri kepada kesebelas orang itu ketika mereka sedang dan mencela makan. la ketidakpercayaan dan kedegilan hati mereka, oleh karena mereka tidak percaya kepada orang-orang yang Dia sesudah telah melihat "kebangkitan-Nya" (Markus 16:14). Kamu mungkin sudah menyingkirkan pengikut-pengikut itu kerana gagal mempercayai Tuhan Yesus masih hidup tetapi ini bukan 'checkmate'! Apabila pemain catur memanggil 'checkmate' dalam permainan catur, ia bermakna permainan telah tamat. Apabila kamu adalah seorang yang beriman, kegagalan bukannya muktamad.

Saya diberitahu satu cerita bahawa ada seorang juara pemain berperingkat antarabangsa yang telah pergi ke sebuah muzium di Eropah dan terjumpa dengan sekeping gambar seni seorang pemain catur lelaki sedang bermain catur dengan lawannya, yang mempunyai wajah yang kelihatan jahat dan dengan senyuman diukir dibibirnya yang menggambarkan beliau telah memenangi. Tajuk gambar itu ialah Apabila juara catur 'Checkmate'. mengkaji gambar permainan catur itu, dia berasa terganggu dan berkata kepada pelukis gambar itu. Dia berkata "gambar ini perlu dikeluarkan atau tajuk gambar itu perlu ditukarkan."
"Kenapa?", tanya pelukis itu. Dia
berjawab ia bukan 'checkmate' kerana raja catur masih mempunyai satu lagi

Tidak kira bagaimana teruknya kamu telah gagal, Raja Yesus mempunyai satu langkah lagi. Misalnya di dalam Taman Eden, Adam dan Hawa bersembunyi kerana mereka telah berdosa. Seolah -olah kecelakaan akan berlaku kepada mereka tetapi Tuhan kita, ia itu Raja mempunyai satu langkah lagi. Jika Dia tidak ada maka kita sudah tidak akan berada di sini lagi. Contoh yang lain ialah Abraham dan Sara yang tidak mempunyai anak pada usia sembilan puluh tahun. Syaitan memandang badan mereka dengan riang dan gembira tetapi Tuhan kita ia itu Raja mempunyai satu lagi langkah. Begitu juga, seolah olah telah sampai keakhiran apabila orang-orang Israel berdepan dengan Lautan Merah dan tentera Firaun mengejar mereka dengan hebat sekali. Juga, Petrus telah dipenjarakan dan menunggu untuk pemenggalan kepala tetapi orang-orangnya berdoa. Tuhan kita, iaitu Raja masih mempunyai satu langkah lagi! Paulus memberitahu kita, "Sebab aku yakin, bahwa baik maut, maupun hidup, baik malaikatmaupun pemerintahmalaikat. pemerintah, baik yang ada sekarang, maupun yang akan datang, atau kuasa-kuasa, baik yang di atas, maupun yang di bawah, ataupun sesuatu makhluk lain, tidak akan dapat memisahkan kita dari kasih Tuhan, yang ada dalam Kristus Yesus, Tuhan kita" (Roma 8:38-39).

Sebagai umat yang percaya, kegagalan bukannya muktamad. Tuhan telah mengamanahkan kamu dengan Injil. Dia telah membangunkan gereja ini untuk tujuan pemuridan. Ia bukan hanya mengetahui bagaimana untuk melakukan penginjilan mendapatkan orang ramai untuk mengatakan doa pertaubatan. yang diurapi mengimpak dan mengubah hidup orang lain melalui gaya hidup mereka dan membawa budaya Kerajaan Tuhan ke mana jua mereka pergi. Ini adalah jenis pemuridan yang diperlukan oleh gereja.

Semua petikan Alkitab adalah dari versi Bahasa Indonesia melainkan dinyatakan.

PEMURIDAN

Oleh Pendita Kanan Prince Guneratnam



"We give thanks to You, O God, we give thanks! For Your wondrous works declare that Your name is near." – Psalm 75:1 NKJV

God has indeed done wondrously and miraculously on 21 – 24 April 2016 at Calvary Convention Centre as 18,000 people attended "God Encounter with Rev Nathan Morris", a revival and healing meetings organized by the Assemblies of God Malaysia.

Every night, Rev Nathan shared the Word of God which was very insightful.

On one particular night, he highlighted, "There's no miracle without the Word. It's the Word that goes forth that heals.

Many of you came with needs for healing and revival, but I tell you, you have come here not to encounter myself or any man, but the Almighty God. You do not even need to come to the altar or for me to touch you for the true Healer can touch you and heal you where you are."

Calvarites hosted and volunteered to serve as ushers, intercessors, altar workers and security personnel.

Praise God that people from all walks of life who attended the meetings testified of God's mercy and power as many were healed and saved during this event.



















By Associate Pastor Richard Yun

There was an air of excitement as 45 Golden Eagles, aged between 55 to 89 years old gathered at the Plaza of CCC on Thursday morning, 19 May 2016. Lively chatter and laughter permeated the place.

The trip began with a time of prayer led by Associate Pastor Richard Yun, followed by rejoicing in the Lord with praise and worship led by Dominic Tay. Associate Pastor Steven Kum shared an exhortation taken from 1 Thessalonians 5:18 – "Give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." The encouragement was to take on a grateful attitude and continually give thanks for our relationship with God through Christ Jesus, having hope, life and abundant blessings. We give thanks for friendships, families and opportunities to love and bless others by introducing Jesus Christ to them.

When we arrived at Sekinchan the padi fields were golden in colour and ripe for harvest. A beautiful sight! It was a fun time visiting the Paddy Gallery and learning the whole mechanized process of cultivation, harvesting, milling, sorting and packaging the rice.

We visited a mango outlet, a fishery products outlet and a fish market. A seafood lunch of fish, crabs, prawns plus chicken and vegetables were served.

The Golden Eagles had a field day tasting and eating all that Sekinchan had to offer, not forgetting to buy some back home for dear ones.

During the trip, new friendships started and old friendships strengthened. Indeed, it was a day of goodwill and good cheer. Bless the Lord, O my soul.









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God is using him powerfully. Back in 1980, God called him to Maui, then a 'graveyard of preachers' as a number of pastors had tried to start churches there but failed. Dr. Marocco took over a 150 member congregation and today, King's Cathedral & Chapels, has grown to 17 churches in Hawaii, with additional churches in nine US mainland states and 13 countries worldwide.

Come, seek God's word for you. Make an impact for Jesus.

Friday, 24 June 7.30pm @ Calvary Church Damansara Heights Saturday, 25 June 5pm @ Calvary Church Damansara Heights Sunday, 26 June 9am @ Calvary Convention Centre



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SERVICE SCHEDULE JUNE 2016

Calvary Damansara Heights Saturday at 5.00pm

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Communion

Associate Pastor Richard Yun

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Water Baptism

Associate Pastor Chan Lee Peng

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Associate Pastor Timothy Ong

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Missions Emphasis

Dr James Marocco (Senior Pastor of King's Cathedral & Chapels, Hawaii USA) Calvary Convention Centre Sunday at 9.00am

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Communion

Associate Pastor Yong Chee Weng

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Associate Pastor Timothy Ong

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Father's Day

Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam

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Missions Emphasis

Dr James Marocco (Senior Pastor of King's Cathedral & Chapels, Hawaii USA)

THIS MONTH'S HIGHLIGHTS



Date : Saturday, 4 June 2016 Time : 7.00am - 11.00am

Venue : Calvary Convention Centre

A community event aimed at promoting a healthy and vibrant lifestyle. It is a two-part event kicking-off with a community run in the morning, followed by a fun-fair family bazaar and property showcase.



Date: Sunday, 19 June 2016

Time: 9.00am

Venue : Calvary Convention Centre

Fathers will be blessed by the message from Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam, receive prayer, a gift and be appreciated through a special number.



Date : Saturday, 11 June 2016

Time : 5.00pm

Venue : Calvary Damansara Heights

Chinese Fellowship

Date: Sunday, 26 June 2016

Time : 11.30am

Venue : Theatrette 1, Level B2, CCC

Bahasa Malaysia Fellowship

Date: Sunday, 26 June 2016

Time : 11.30am

Venue : Room b1.03, Level B1, CCC
Speaker : Associate Pastor David Seah
Topic : The Power of Cultivation



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