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- The apostles found that they had to delegate some of their work to enable them to get on with what they really needed to be doing and so they instituted a fore-runner of what many today would call this ministry of serving under the deacons. Read *Acts 6:1-7*.

Based on these examples, Church of Sengkang can effectively pastor the congregation well, then there won't be a situation where only the pastor takes care of everyone. The only way we can avoid having uncared members is to spread its pastoral care responsibility over as broad as possible. The church has officially established the Ex-Co Ministry, under the chairmanship of Bro. Larry Eio, Richard Fan together with Bro. Stanley Koh under study, to enable the full range of gifting necessary for the effective functioning of Church of Sengkang. This ministry will also serve as a vehicle to train, develop, mentor the young leadership. This Ex-Co ministry has the effect of avoiding ineffectiveness in Pastoral Ministry and the working of the full-time ministry. All the key leadership will be given the responsibility of pastoring their respective ministry members with personal touch.

A detailed organisation chart of the Ex-Committee with the key personnels leading the various ministries is depicted on the pages of today's Sunday Times.

Let me conclude with the words of Judson Cornwall "Far too many churches function like a football team - eleven exhausted players playing on the field, and the grandstand filled with cheering (sometimes criticising), but under exercised church members."

It's my Pleasure
Pastor David Kerk

OUR COLLECTIONS

Malachi 3:10: "Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the LORD Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it."

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Upcoming Events:

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

Date: April 10, 2009

Time: 10.30am to 12.30am

Message: **Come & Find Out Who Crucified Jesus?**

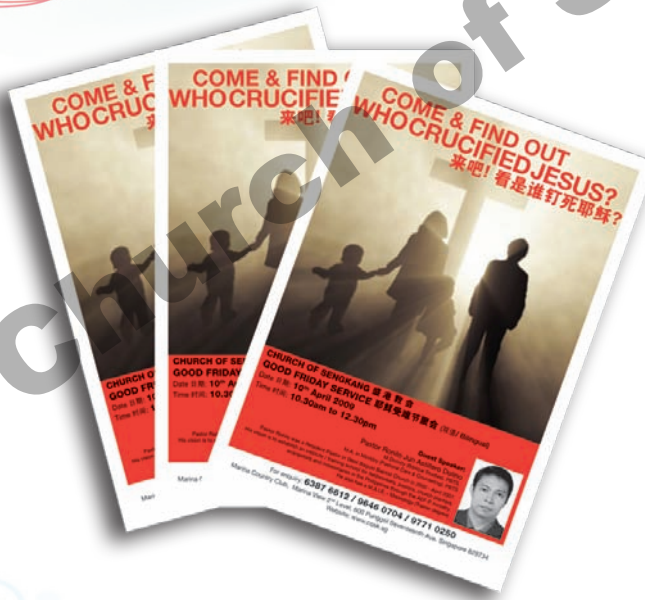
Guest Speaker: **Pastor Ronilo Jun Astillero Dolino**

Pastor Ronilo was a Resident Pastor in West Baguio Baptist Church in 2000 - April 2007.

His vision is to establish an institute / training school for fieldworkers, pastors, church planters, evangelists and missionaries in the Philippines through the AEF-P ministry.

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THE SUNDAY TIMES

22nd March 2009

SUNDAY SERVICES TIME: 10.30am to 12.30pm

Ministry With Pastoral Care Through Executive Committee

"I would rather set 10 men to work than do the work of 10 men." D.L. Moody

One of the most frequent issue raised by our congregation since the inception of Church of Sengkang relates to the personal pastoral care by me, being the pastor of the church.

This raises 2 questions for me to consider:

- Why should this issue be brought up so often?
- Is the full-time pastoral ministry neglecting their responsibilities?

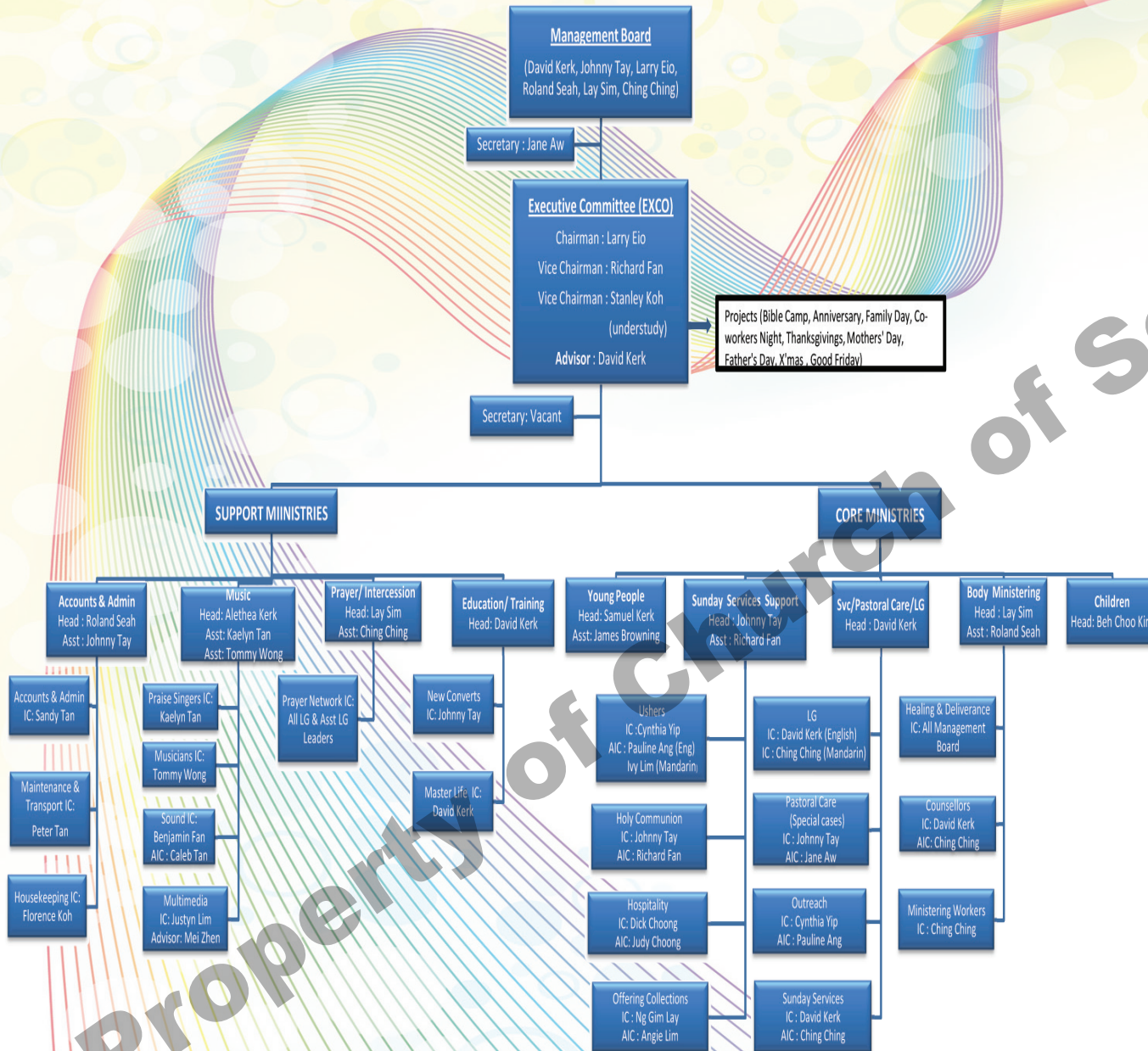
This is time for me to attempt to answer these 2 questions, let me draw a few examples from the bible:

- Jethro, Moses' father-in-law, gave Moses some of the best advice he ever got. In Exodus, when Jethro saw that Moses was wearing himself and the people out by taking on the whole responsibility of leading, judging and counselling the people of Israel, he told Moses to delegate the responsibility of leadership and judging to the right sort of men so that the load was spread among many people instead of being borne by Moses alone. Read *Exodus 18:17-23*. He told Moses that he needed to :-
 - Spend more time with God, rather than talking to people about their problems. Moses did this and a large proportion of the first 5 books of the Bible are the resulting this advice.
 - Teach the people the truth of God as an assembly, rather than trying to do it on a one-to-one basis all the time.
 - Be a leader to the leaders (i.e. be a higher source of authority and a spiritual covering to the other leaders)
- Jesus practised & encouraged delegation, for example, He commissioned His disciples to carry out certain functions, and later He gave all Christians the Great Commission. Jesus took care of His 12 disciples effectively and after His ascension, His disciples were able to create significant impact on the society.

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CHURCH OF SENGKANG

Organisation Chart



Today's Sermon

Speaker: **Rev. Dr. Amos Jayarathnam**

Title of Message: **Keys to Transformation**

Scripture Text: **Daniel 1:8**

But Daniel resolved not to defile himself with the royal food and wine, and he asked the chief official for permission not to defile himself this way.

Main Points:

1. Principle of Final Decision

- 1.1
- 1.2
- 1.3

2. Principle of Taking A Stand

- 2.1
- 2.2
- 2.3

3. Principle of Divine Dependence

- 3.1
- 3.2
- 3.3

Reflection on this message:

The percentage is a generalization of what we retain. Understanding and Remembering are better when we make notes.