

OVERHEARD from the brethren...

1. Pastor, Can We Improve Our Transport Ministry?

Currently, the church van picks up members from Compasspoint Mall at 9.30am and 10.00am. Overheard that the van is "sardine-packed" on certain Sundays and certain times. The Management proposes the following arrangements so as to maximise the van at no expense of the safety of our members travelling in the van:

Transport From Compasspoint

First trip (9.30am): Co-workers on duty & elderly brethren

Second trip (10.00am): All members

To those using the Transport after the Sunday Service, there is no change in the departure time. If you need further assistance, please contact bro peter tan at 81614066

2. Pastor, Can We Enjoy the Full Sermon Before Serving Lunch?

Beloved, let's enjoy our spiritual feeding before we adjourn for our physical feeding. On behalf of the Management, we say a BIG Thank You to our beloved brethren for serving in the Lunch Ministry. Many of us are blessed by your labor of love in preparing and serving the lunch. May our good Lord reward you bountifully.

Lunch will be served after the Sunday Service. Beloved, we seek your understanding to allow the Food Servers 10 minutes to set up the food.

Cosk As A Disciple-Making Church

Discipleship - The Key To Growth

When Jesus asked His disciples to follow Him, He did not mean it in just a physical way. He required of them to throw away their pride (Mt 16:24), take up the heavy cross (Mt 10:38), prepare to forsake money and career (Mt 19:21) and to become people who would win others into the Kingdom of God (Mark 1:17).

The truth to the matter is that being a Christian is never easy. As much as we want God's kingdom to grow, concurrently, Satan wants the Kingdom of God to shrink. How then can we solve this matter? I liken this to us exercising, the process is hot, sweaty and painful but the result of it is health, more endorphins produced and strength. Most of the time we tend to avoid difficulty (discipleship), no wonder we are experiencing the lack of growth in our lives.

Church of Sengkang, by the grace of God, will take us into a successful phase of discipleship. It is in the leaders' hearts for us as a church to embark this path of getting disciplined. We have walked thus far and now is the time to soar on eagle's wings. However, in order for such values to materialise, there will be much hard work to be done and it will definitely not be an overnight matter.

We are one family. We build relationships together and we comfort one another in times of hardship. I believe, by faith, we will grow to become true disciples of Jesus Christ in the very near future.

With love,
Bro. Roy Tan

Watz Up!

1.



Christmas Day Service on 25th December, 2009.
Time: 10.30am to 12.30noon.
Detailed program will be announced in the coming weeks.



2.

Mission Trip To Church of Pinghe, Xiamen.

Dates of Trip: 10-12-09 to 17-12-09
Meeting for Mission Trippers: 21-11-09 (Saturday)
Time: 5-00 to 6.00pm
Venue: Meeting Room
Attendance is compulsory.

3.

Co-Workers Feedback & Evaluation Meeting 2009

Date: 27-12-09 (Sunday)
Time: 2.00pm to 6.00pm
Venue: COSK Chapel
Attendance is Compulsory for All-Workers

4.

Co-Workers Thanksgiving Dinner & Service

Date: 31-12-09 (Thursday)
Time: 6.00pm to 7.00pm (Dinner)
: 7.30pm to 10.00pm (Thanksgiving Service)

5.

WatchNight Service

Date: 31-12-09 (Thursday)
Time: 10.30pm to 12.01am

6.

1st Bible Camp at Pulau Ubin on March 14 -17, 2010.

Please register early with bro Justyn Lim or Sis Sandy Tan.
Early bird registration's offer ends on November 30, 2009

Camp fee Payable on or before Nov 30, 2009

Adult: S\$150 Deposit S\$50 (non-refundable)

Child: S\$100 Deposit S\$30 (non-refundable)

OUR COLLECTIONS

Leviticus 23:9-10; "The Lord said to Moses, "Speak to the Israelites and say to them: 'When you enter the land I am going to give you and you reap its harvest, bring to the priest a sheaf of the first grain you harvest.'"

October 2009 Collection	: S\$14,503.80
Nov 2009 Collection up to 8 Nov 2009	: S\$10,599.00
Church Building Fund	: S\$30,080.00

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Church of Sengkang

Is called by God to be *welcoming* and *prayerful* community filled with and led by the *HOLY SPIRIT*

THE SUNDAY TIME

SUNDAY SERVICES TIMES:

15th November 2009

10.30am to 12.30pm



**GOD SPOKE to Church of Sengkang
SERVE HIM WILLINGLY
through
His Unlikely Servant
Pastor Peter Lim**

Many, if not all, who heard last sermon would agree that it was a timely reminder to many of us serving our CALL to Serve HIM. Pastor Peter Lim, his second time speaking in our church, is no ordinary preacher of the WORD. He is totally physically blind graduated from Biblical Graduate School of Theology. He is married to Sis Lydia Lee, who is partially blind and they have a young and beautiful daughter, Sophia.

Quite a few of you requested for a copy of his "Nine-Pages" sermon. Personally, I was moved with tears by the following words taken from Page Seven under Main Point 1d: "Jesus the Master Teacher" taken from John 13:14-17. Permit me to reprint Pastor Peter Lim's exact words:

"Knowing what To DO and NOT Doing it is an INSULT to Our LORD. For He says to us in v16....." In NOT doing what our Lord Himself has DONE, we are implying that we are greater than HIM. Friends, this is a very SERIOUS INSULT. No servant is greater than His Master" simply means that IF we Truly Accept Jesus as our Lord and Our MASTER, we MUST Do what He Has Done. We must follow in His footsteps. For Jesus reminds in v17..... It is better to be BLESSED by the Lord than to be Praised by men.

Beloved, if we KNOW how much JESUS Loves Us we will feel Honor to SERVE the King of Kings and LORD of Lords. What can we say to our Lord when we consider HIS DEBT of Love towards us.

“Practical Christian Living”

You Can **CHOOSE** Your Church **BUT** You Can't **CHOOSE** Your **RELATIONSHIP** With Your Lord

Time and again you will hear these three words “Should I Leave?”. Beloved, as someone has said “There is No Perfect Church on this planet earth because there are many Imperfect believers like you and I”. Have you heard of another common fault on His Church - “No fellowship or congregation is perfect. Each has its problems!”

Some, for example, are strangled by traditions. “We’ve always done it that way” and don’t change as it has served us well all these years. Others suffer from inactivity - what the Hokkies say “Choi Lay Pai” means “Do My Sunday Dues”. These Sunday Christians achieve little and frustrate any effort to “get things moving”. Some can be lukewarm in their devotion to Jesus. Some churches have grown so inward-looking that it’s possible to feel “frozen out!” Some are divided or dividing.

These are extreme situations and we can be left with 3 choices:

- (1) Be **LOYAL** to **MY LORD**. Things will get sorted out in the end by **MY MASTER**. **MY LORD** reigns over all happenings and I just got to **TRUST HIM**.
- (2) Some would say that it would be better to split off from this fellowship or congregation. In doing this, you are naively saying we are the problems. No worries, the next congregation will be more lively and trouble-free. Beloved, how very wrong and naive if you opt for this choice.
- (3) We can go elsewhere. Here again we may encounter the same problems as before and become illusioned with the church as a whole. Beloved, escapism is an unhealthy desire. Running away from problems is denying the realities of life. Either way, we are still stuck in the muddle where we are not growing in our Lord.

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Beloved, at the end of the way, the **ANSWER** Lies with our **RELATIONSHIP** With our **Lord Jesus**. When the **HEART** is right with our Lord, we enjoy His Presence with any brethren in Christ. We need to do a soul search lest we fall into the simplicity that the “grass always seem greener in the next field”. **BUT** often we forget the second part of this saying “yes, the grass is greener in the next field until you brought in your “Muddy, Dirty & Smelly” feet and turn the green green grass field into a muddy pond.

Finally, it’s always easier to go than stay when face with problems. Pause & reflect - Am I hearing from my Lord or hearing from my frustrations. When we are clear of God’s Voice; going or staying is **NO** longer an issue. Beloved, what our Lord is looking for is **“LOYALTY to HIM!”**

We Are The **CHURCH**
Related To Lord Jesus

Pastor David Kerk

What Are You Doing With Our Christ?

Christmas Outreach 2009 is underway

Following our fruitful discussion, I would like announce our coming plans to put together a themed Variety Show performance for December 24 and for a series of performances for the Watch Night Service on the 31st of December. To ensure that everyone has a chance to work out this Christmas season, we will be calling upon all Life Groups to submit either a skit or song and for members to perform festive musical numbers, dances or comedy pieces. And in true Christmas spirit, the COSK Children’s Ministry will be conducting their own version of the Nativity.

The performances will be tailored to the Variety Show theme: What are you doing with our Christ.

For solo act performers, please contact a committee member ASAP and we can register your performance slot in the show. All LG leaders please note that you are required to submit an intended performance idea to the managing committee by Sunday 22nd November, to ensure smooth organisation and marketing for the event and sufficient time for rehearsals.

Let’s come together and unite in spreading the light of Christ this Christmas 2009 and in all the days beyond.

The Least I Do
For My LORD Jesus
Bro. James Browning Writes

Today’s Sermon

Speaker: Bro Bruce Lim, Manager Operations & Ministry TNCM

Title of Message: Knowing God Through Experience

Main Scripture Text: 2 Kings 5:1-15

Key verse: Philippians 3:10-11

I want to **KNOW CHRIST** and the power of His resurrection....

Opening Thoughts:

KNOWING GOD by head knowledge will not transform your life. You got to know Him by personal experience. **KNOW CHRIST** (Greek: Gnosko means personal experience).

Main Points:

1. **KNOW That You NEED GOD - 2 Kings 5:2-6**

v3: ...I wish my master (Naaman) would go to see the Prophet (Elisha) in Samaria. **HE** would **Heal** him (Naaman) of his leprosy.

1:1 John 15:5 Apart from **ME** you can do Nothing
- **SIN** : is like leprosy, it will spread & is deadly

1:2 **PRIDE** Hinders Us From Having a Personal Experience With God
- 2 Kings 5:6 Naaman brought 350kg (750 pounds) of silver & 70kg (150pounds) of gold - VIP treatment: Do Not want to queue.

1:3 **ANGRY** Because of No Personal Service
- 2 Kings 5:10-11 Prophet Elisha Didn’t Meet Naaman personally.

2. **Having An Attitude of HUMILITY - 2 Kings 5:13-14**

v13... IF the prophet had told you to do something very difficult, wouldn’t you have done it? So you should certainly **OBEY HIM** when he says simply, “**GO** and Wash and Be **CURED!**”

2:1 **Took Off** his clothing & Expose his **WEAKNESS**

2:2 **CHOOSE** to Take on the attitude of **HUMILITY**

2:3 Matthew 23:11-12 Whoever Exalts himself will be **HUMBLED**

3. **FOLLOWING GOD’s Instructions - 2 Kings 5:14-15**

v14 So Naaman went down to the Jordan River and **DIPPED** himself 7 times.

And his skin became as healthy as the skin of a young child’s and he was healed.

Reflection on this Message:

Through our Lord’s Healing of Naaman, he not only **KNOW** that there is only **ONE GOD** but he also have a **PERSONAL EXPERIENCE** with God who transforms his life **TOTALLY**.



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