

THE TWELVE FLYING VISITORS

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Twelve hornbills were sighted at the Life BPC and FEBC grounds on Tuesday July 7th at 8.40am. They lingered in our midst for a good 10 minutes. They perched themselves majestically on our coconut trees, roof tops, and lamp post. The FEBC students and FEK children had a field day taking photos and admiring the beauty of these rare birds.



According to NParks, “The Oriental Pied Hornbill is a species native to Singapore, that bred here during the 19th century, and that declined to the point of local extinction.” It is said by wildsingapore.com that the bird “is listed as 'Critically Endangered' in the Red List of threatened animals of Singapore.” What a rare treat for us! There were not one or two but 12 of them—a biblical number. It reminds us of the 12 tribes of Israel, the 12 apostles of Jesus Christ, and the 12 gates of the New Jerusalem, reminding us of our past (history), our present (missions), our future (glory). Thank God for these beautiful visitors. May God bless both Church and College.

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