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What does 1972 bring us?

GOD WILL PROVIDE

"Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you." Matt. 6:33)

We are to take no thought for our own life, for food or raiment; because that is God's part, not ours. There is one thing, however, for which we are to take thought, not anxious, but very earnest thought. We are to take thought about our duty, about doing God's will and filling our place in God's world.

We ought to get this very clearly in our mind. Too many people worry far more about their food and raiment, lest they shall be left to want, than they do about doing well their whole duty. That is, they are more anxious about God's part in their lives than they are about their own. They fear God may not take care of them, but they do not have any fear that they may fail in fidelity to Him. We ought to learn well that providing for our wants is God's business, not ours. We have nothing at all to do with it. But we have everything to do with our own duty, our allotted work, the doing of God's will. God will never do these things for us. If we do not do them, they must remain undone; if we do them with fidelity, God will care for us.

The noblest life possible in this world is simple consecration to Christ and to duty, with no anxiety about anything else. We may not always be fed luxuriously, nor be clothed in scarlet and fine linen; yet food convenient for us will always be provided, and raiment sufficient to keep us warm. But suppose we are near starving! Well, we must just go on doing our part and not worrying; in due time, somehow, God will provide. Here we have our Lord's own promise of this. The truth is, too many of us take a great deal more thought about our support than about our duty. Then of course we forfeit the promise and may suffer. How much better the other way—ours the doing, God's the providing.

JUDGING OF OTHERS.

"Judge not, that ye be not judged." (Matt. 7:1)

Few faults are more common than this judging of others. It would not be so bad if we were disposed to look at people charitably; but we are not. Our eyes are far keener for flaws and blemishes than for marks of beauty. Not many of us are for ever finding new features of loveliness in others; not a few of us can find an indefinite number of faults. If we were ourselves up to the standard whereby we judge others, we should be very saintly people. If we were free from all the faults we so readily see when they appear in our neighbour, we should be well-nigh faultless.

This word of our Lord not only instructs us not to be critical of others and censorious, but it presents the strongest kind of motive against such judging. It makes the appeal to our own interest. Others will mete to us just what we mete to them. None of us like other people to be critical and censorious toward us. We wince under unjust judgments. We resent unkind fault-finding. We demand that people shall judge us fairly. We claim forbearance and charity in our derelictions in duty and for blemishes in our character. Can we expect other people to be any more lenient toward us than we are toward them?

If we would receive kindly judgment from others, we must give the same to them. If we criticise another today in a harsh manner, we need not be surprised if we hear someone's harsh criticism of us tomorrow. But if, on the other hand, we speak kindly, appreciative, and charitable words of some one today, very likely we shall hear tomorrow some pleasant word that another has said of us. So we make very largely the music or the discord for our own hearts. We get back what we give. We gather the harvest of our own sowing. Then, even in the last judgment, we shall receive from the Judge what we have shown to others. - J.R. Miller.

ANOTHER YEAR IS DAWNING

1. Another year is dawning!
Dear Father, let it be,
In working or in waiting,
Another year with Thee;
Another year of leaning
Upon Thy loving breast,
Another year of trusting,
Of quiet, happy rest.

2. Another year of mercies,
Of faithfulness and grace;
Another year of gladness
In the shining of Thy face;
Another year of progress,
Another year of praise,
Another year of proving
Thy presence all the days.

3. Another year of service, Of witness for Thy love;
Another year of training For holier work above.
Another year is dawning! Dear Father, let it be
On earth, or else in heaven, Another year for Thee.

Songs for the New Year
FATHER, LONG BEFORE CREATION

Father, long before creation
Thou hadst chosen us in love:
And that love, so deep, so moving,
Draws us close to Christ above,
Still it keeps us, Still it keeps us,
Firmly fixed in Christ alone.
Firmly fixed in Christ alone.

Though the world may change its fashion
Yet our God is e'er the same
His compassion and His covenant
Through all ages will remain,
God's own children God's own children
Must forever praise His name.
Must forever praise His name.

God's compassion is my story,
Is my boasting all the day;
Mercy free and never failing
Moves my will, directs my way.
God so loved us, God so loved us,
That His only Son He gave.
That His only Son He gave.

Loving Father, now before Thee
We will ever praise Thy love;
And our song shall sound unceasing
Till we reach our home above,
Giving glory, Giving glory,
To our God and to the Lamb.
To our God and to the Lamb.

MOSES' PSALM OF LIFE

1. Lord, Thou hast been our dwelling place,
From age to age our rampart.
Before the hills were ever born,
Everlasting God Thou art!
A thousand years before thy sight
Fly as a watch in the night.
2. When Thou dost turn man into dust,
He fades away like the grass.
The days of our years are seventy,
Eighty years could hardly pass.
All our strength is sweat and sorrow
All our health fleeting shadow.
3. Our secret sins before Thee lay.
With Thy mercy satisfy.
So teach us to number our days,
To wisdom our hearts apply.
Through days of toil and affliction
May Thy grace 'pon us be shone.
4. Lord, Thou hast been our dwelling place,
From age to age our rampart.
Before the hills were ever born,
Everlasting God Thou art!
Be Thou our strength from year to year,
Till 'fore Thy face we appear.

Tune: Russian Air

Music in Far Eastern Beacon, July, 1971.

CHRISTMAS PRAISE SERVICE: There was full attendance, about 600 at the combined Praise Service of the B-P Church at the Zion & Faith Church Auditorium on Christmas night. Ling Kwang Mission greatly appreciates the gift of \$800/= collected at the Service.

B-P MUSIC COM. will meet at 64, Andrew Rd.
Mon. Jan. 10, 8 p.m.

LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

Tues. 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting. Rev. Paauwe.
8 p.m. Session Meeting FEBC Library
Fri. 8 p.m. Calvary Committee at 64 Andrew Rd.

Lord's Day 10 a.m. Mr. Peter Yuan
4 p.m. Guest speaker

(The pastor at Sembawang 10 a.m. and at Reopening of Jurong B-P Church, 4 p.m.)

Christmas Offerings (including Sunday's total \$1,400. Of this sum \$100 has been earmarked for Kalimantan Relief through ICR.

FEBE BULLETIN. College reopens Monday, Jan. 3, 1972 8.30 a.m. with Day of Prayer at 11B Queen Astrid Park. Students are reminded of the Registration fee, etc., and first payment to the Dining Club. Miss Linda Pramanawati of Indonesia is admitted a special student.

RAWANG BUILDING FUND: FEBCer \$25; Toa Payoh \$79.20; Lifer \$200. (Building now at high speed!)

JURONG Bible Presbyterian Church at the Chandra Home, 144m. Jurong Rd. began as a Sat. Bible Class in 1960 and became a Church in Oct 1961, and went on till 1972, 4 p.m., Rev. Tow preaching. We thank God for a portable electric organ offered by an elder. A cordial welcome to Calvary brethren especially!

ICR, Singapore

Contributions received or promised:-

Life B-P Church	100.00
" Mandarin Service	20.00
Zion B-P Church	100.00
Faith B-P Church	503.85
" Ladies Fellowship	150.00
" Church S.S.	91.00
" Church Y F	20.00
Toa Payoh Chinese Service	35.40
" " Eng + Ch.	79.20
Mount Carmel	104.30
Palm Tekong Gospel Centre	33.20
Sembawang B-P Church	50.00
Ling Kwang Mission	112.25
S'pore Christian Evangelistic League	320.00
Jemaluang & Endau Mission	400.00
Two readers of Far Eastern Beacon	80.00
11 other well-wishers	311.00
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It is proposed that this total be used as follows: 1) One "Singapore Well" (about US \$200/=) in India (for the thirsty with opportunities for personal evangelism to those who come to draw water); 2) Maintenance of one orphan & one leper in Korea for one year (about US 360/=) (3) West Kalimantan relief, (\$392.25 duties and freight charges plus \$100 for the mentally ill daughter of a pastor), 4) the rest for refugees of the Indo-Pakistan war. Any more offerings coming in will be added to item 4.

The target of \$2,000 has been well exceeded. The Lord be greatly praised for the spirit of giving this Christmas.

The Re-Opening of Jurong Bible-Presbyterian Church

This Lord's Day, Jan. 9, 1972, 4 p.m. will see the re-opening of Jurong Bible-Presbyterian Church. Jurong Church has gone into hibernation since 1963. Now she will arise and take her place as the 14th in our Bible-Presbyterian Church Movement.

Jurong Bible-Presbyterian Church must not be confused with Calvary. The latter is situated in the centre of Taman Jurong, where the open-air drive-in cinema is. Jurong B-P Church is four miles from the Calvary site, off 14½ miles Jurong Road, at the Chandra house in the Telecoms grounds. She is a stone's throw from the gate to Nanyang University.

This work began in Oct. 1960 as a Saturday Children's Bible Class. One year later it was inaugurated as a Church. A regular Sunday service was maintained by Rev. Tow until 1963 when this ministry was suspended. This was due to a goodly number withdrawing to Hume Heights, and to others moving to town and elsewhere. However, the Sunday School has persevered, without a break to this day. The strength of Jurong Sunday School is about 50.

Since the arrival of the Paaues in April 1970, Jurong Sunday School has come under the regular care of Rev. Edward Paaue. As the children grow up, some of them would require more nurture in worship. The needs of a new generation must be met! After prayerful consideration for some months, it was felt that the time for the re-starting of the Sunday service was due. A committee of five is now formed to take care of this ministry. They are: Rev. Edward Paaue, chairman; Miss Trinh Huong Linh of Vietnam, secretary; Miss Deborah Lukito, Treasurer; Mr. Eddy Ho of Penang and Rev. Tow. Mr. Eddy Ho, a second year FEBC student, will be the main supply to the Sunday pulpit.

There is something quite unique about Jurong Church, small as she is. This congregation and Sunday School are comprised mainly of South Indians. Jurong is unique also for the fact that she is our only church service with regular Malay translation. By God's grace, this is made possible through the help of Miss Deborah Lukito, FEBC student from Indonesia, with Miss Linda Pramanawati, also from Indonesia, as stand-by. The Malay-translation has benefited tremendously Mrs. Chandra and other Malay-speaking friends.

When Jurong Church flourished in the early years of the sixties, the Jurongites held high hopes of seeing God's lighthouse built for this dark corner of Singapore. A building fund was spontaneously launched. This grew to \$800, which sum had since been banked with Life, the mother Church. Now that Jurong is beaming brightly again, who has the faith to send us \$200 to increase the B.F. to \$1,000? If we receive this sum after this week, we shall take it to be the Lord's confirmation that we should strive for the building of another church in the sprawling, growing Jurong complex. Remember, Jurong City will grow to 400,000 by 1980. It is not too early to "float" our building fund!

Great confidence has already been shown by Lifers on the reopening of Jurong Church. This consists of a portable electric organ and \$300 apportioned from the Christmas offerings.

The Committee, congregation and Sunday School of Jurong Bible-Presbyterian Church extend you a cordial welcome this Lord's Day at 4 p.m.

The regular hours of Sunday School and worship henceforth will be 2.30 and 3.30 p.m., every Lord's Day. (Jurong needs another \$70 support per month from BPM.)

THE GOLDEN RULE

"Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy" (Matt. 5:7)

People get back in this world just about what they give. If we think the world is hard with us, the probability is that the hardness is in ourselves, and that it is the echo of our own speeches that we hear, the rebound of our own smittings that we feel, the reflection of our own ugliness of disposition and temper that we see, the harvest of our own sowing that we gather into our bosoms. If we are untrue to any one, it is quite likely that some day somebody will be untrue to us. If we are unjust to another, there is little doubt that some time someone will deal unjustly with us. On the other hand, if the world seem to us full of love, it is quite likely that we give the world little but love. People generally treat us as we treat them. The generous man finds people generous. The sympathetic man finds sympathy. The merciful man obtains mercy. The selfish man always thinks this world very selfish.

Hence the Golden Rule rests on a deep principle in life. "Whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them." What we do to others they will do to us. That is the principle. If we want mercy, we must be merciful; if we expect sympathy and help, we must give both sympathy and help. We have only to change places with people and then ask ourselves how we would want them to do to us. As a rule people do not give warmth for coldness, courtesy for rudeness, kindness for unkindness. The principle applies even to the Divine treatment of us. In God's judgment we receive according to our deeds. He who obtains forgiveness is he who forgives others. He who finds mercy is he who shows mercy to others. He whom Christ will confess before His Father is he who here before men confesses Christ. So for eternity we shall reap what we have sowed, and gathered what we have scattered. - J.R. Miller, D. D.

THE WAY TO A HAPPY NEW YEAR

To leave the old with a burst of song;
To recall the right and forgive the wrong;
To forget the things that bind you fast
To the vain regrets of the year that's past;
To have the strength to let go your hold
Of the not worth while of the days grown old;
To dare go forth with a purpose true,
To the unknown task of the year that's new;
To help your brother along the road,
To do his work and lift his load;
To add your gift to the world's good cheer,
Is to have and to give a Happy New Year.

ICR Singapore: Another sum of \$59 in Australian currency is coming from Victoria for Pakistan relief. Foreign exchange permission has been applied for in respect of relief in India, Korea, Pakistan. West Kalimantan relief is also being dealt with this coming week.

FAITH CHURCH: Session has approved an increased budget of \$16,200/- for presentation this Lord's Day to the congregation, to be adopted at AGM during the 12th Anniversary Thanks giving Service of the Church on Jan. 30. Of this total, church expenditure takes \$4,791/-; (about 30%) direct missionary needs of the Church \$6329.00 (about 39%) contributions to charity and other connected work of the Lord \$5,080. (about 31%) Increases over 1971 are provided for Toa Payoh B-P Church (from \$50 to \$125 p.m.), FEBC (from \$75 to \$100/- p.m.), Bible-Presbyterian Missions (BPM, from \$75 to \$100 p.m.). \$25 p.m. is provided both for Calvary B-P Church and Rawang Church.

1971 annual statement of accounts being presented to the congregation this Lord's Day, shows a credit balance of \$2,381.46. LING KWANG MISSION, run by Zion & Faith, starts adult work this Lord's Day, 2.00 to 3.00 p.m. It is hoped that parents of the pupils and patients of the Mission Clinic will respond. One more missionary, a graduate of Chin Lien, has been appointed to teach the additional children centre class. (67 children enrolled.) Mission Clinic has 7 doctors & 4 reserves, and 12 nurses, including one matron & two nursing sisters on the 1972 duty roster.

Attendance at S.S. averages 50. Tuition classes will resume after the Chinese New Year. Recommendations for relief are invited by the Mission's charity section - the Home Visitors' Society. The annual budget of the Mission for 1972 stands at \$8,000/-.

TIME IS THE BUD

In vain we seek to measure Time
With clock, with calendar and years,
Or weigh it in our puny scales
Of mirth and tears.

But who can tell when Time began?
Who knows how swift the end may be?
Time is the bud whose blossom is
Eternity.

- John Richard Moreland.

LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

Tues. 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting

Fri. 8 p.m. Family Worship at the home of
Bro. and Mrs. William Fu, 71
Jalan Permata, 20.

7 to 10 p.m. ISCF Campfire on Church
Car Park.

Lord's Day: 10 a.m. Rev. Tow

11.30 a.m. Catechism Class for
Easter Baptism.

4 p.m. Rev. Tow (Mand.-Teochew
Service).

Nursery Roster: 16th Jan. Jean & June Low.

A CHILDREN'S WORSHIP SERVICE 10 to 11 a.m.,
is launched this Lord's Day for all under
ten at the FEBC Hall under the charge of
Miss Adeline Char. Sunday School teachers
and parents please urge your pupils to attend!

The YF-cum S.S. Camp was held 29th Nov.-
4th Dec. 1971. Expenses incurred showed a
deficit of about \$60. Donations welcome.
Please see Dr. Paul Tsao, Dn. Koh Kim Hiang,
Miss Lee Soon Ngee, or David Lim.

CALVARY BLDG FUND

Donations recd	\$215,620
Bldg Expenses 1st payment	29,189
General Expenses	10,420
Balance on 7/1/72	<u>\$176,011</u>

FEBC offers two evening courses to Readers
every Mon. & Thurs., 7 to 9 p.m. Cults by
Dr. Tow deals with such heresies as Mormonism,
SDAism, Spiritism, Theosophy, Christian Sc.,
Rosicrucianism, Jehovah Witness, and Missions
is given by Rev. Paauwe. Register today!

"Channels for Christ" is an evangelistic
band formed by FEBC students under the charge
of Johnny Lim and Low Tiang Hock. The College
sponsors this youth team especially for gos-
pel outreach with young people. Please con-
tact Major Patrick Tan, Dean of Students.

RAWANG BUILDING FUND. Faith Church \$300
according to 1972 budget; Life: \$100.

CONGRATULATIONS TO MR. TEO KIAN SENG, son,
Elder Teo See Yak of Faith Church, for win-
ning a scholarship to the Royal Academy of
Music and London University.

MOUNT CARMEL The Administrative Committee
1972, elected at the Annual Congregational
Meeting in December last year, comprises:
Pres.: Dr. Philip Lee, Sec.: Teo Choo See
Richard Ang, Lim Meng Kin, Chairman, Finance
& Maintenance: Miss Leong Keat Moey; Chair-
man, Worship Service: Miss Lee Lay Hwa; Gen.
Superint. Christ. Ed.: Dr. Ang Beng Chong;
Chairman, Missions & Evangelism: Miss Jenny
Tsang; Chairman, Social Outreach: Miss Alice
Pooi; Pres. Y.F.: Philip Cheng; Chairman,
Literature: Tay Keng Leng; Ex-officios: David
Wong (Student-Pastor), Miss Mary Lew (Christ.
Ed.) Advisors: Rev. Philip Heng, Elder Edmund
Tay, Miss Peggy Yeo.

MISSION RETREAT. 80 members of the Mission
met at Galilee Church on the 1st Jan. 72 for
a whole-day Retreat. Outline of the programs
and projects of the 7 Departments were dis-
cussed and committed to prayer. Pray for us.
"Neither is there salvation in any other:
for there is none other name under heaven
given among men, whereby we must be saved."
(Acts 4:12)

BEGIN AT HOME

"First cast out the beam out of thine own eye; and then shalt thou see clearly to cast out the mote out of thy brother's eye." - Matt. 7:5

Begin at home — that is the teaching; not at home in the general sense, with other members of thy family, but very close at home, with thyself. It is a good deal easier, of course, to pull motes out of other people's eyes than beams out of one's own. Yet we are not put in this world to look after other people's faults, to pick the dust out of their eyes, to remove their specks of blemish. Our first business is to get rid of our own faults. At least we are scarcely competent to take the grain of dust out of another's eye while a beam protrudes from our own. We are not ready to do much toward curing our friend of his faults until we have sincerely tried to rid ourselves of our own.

We all know people whose very presence is a silent rebuke of sin. Their lives are pure and holy, and their unconscious influence is a restraint upon all evil. We are oftentimes told that one of the truest tests of a good friendship is that our friend can tell us of our faults and we shall receive it kindly. That depends first on ourselves, and then upon our friend. If we are proud and vain, it will be very hard for any friend, the wisest and gentlest, to speak to us of our faults, save at the peril of the friendship. Then if the friend treats our faults in a conceited and censorious way, it will be equally dangerous. He who would truly help to take the motes out of our eyes must come to us in tender love, proving his generous and unselfish interest in us. He must come to us humbly, not as our judge but as our brother, with faults like our own which he is trying to cure. If he approaches us in this way; conscious of his own infirmity, desiring to be helpful to us, as Christ has been helpful to him, nothing but unpardonable vanity and self-conceit will prevent our accepting his kind offer. - J.R. Miller.

"OPERATION SNIP SNIP"

We support our Government in with long-haired men and boys through "Operation Snip Snip". More commendable are the measures taken in the Secondary Schools and Colleges, for it is here that our young nation begins to become affected by this unnatural fashion. It is here that young people who become affected apparently begin to be exposed to hippism and drugs. (Birds of the same feather flock together.) We're sure all truth-loving young people will agree ~~with~~ on this comment. If there are those who disagree let them hear the apostle Paul whom the Straits Times also quotes: "Does not even nature itself teach you, that, if a man have long hair, it is a shame unto him? (I Cor. 11:14). God has made us male and female, and He requires that in our personal attire a clear distinction be made between the two sexes.

Hence, the Word of God regulates not only our hair styles but also the clothes we wear. Males should wear like males and females like females. Thus it is given in Deuteronomy 22:5, "The woman shall not wear that which pertaineth unto a man, neither shall man put on a woman's garment, for all that do so are abomination unto the Lord thy God." Upon this Biblical law are based all the civil laws, even the law of Singapore, against promiscuity in wearing apparel. I remember a case where a street walker in sarong kebaya was arrested by the Police, but upon examination she turned out to be a he! Operation Snip Snip should be manned by the barbers but tailors as well. Unisex clothes feminine designs for men's wear and male designs for women's wear should also be banned! Any fashion that tends to excite the lust of the opposite sex, such as mini skirts, hot pants, tight trousers, should not be aped by Christians. Rather, let Christians dress with propriety to set the correct fashion to the world. - T.T.

JURONG BIBLE-PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

About 45 old and young gathered at 80 Rural West, 14½ m. Jurong Road, home of the Chandras, to reopen the Sunday Worship Service last week. Praise the Lord, the \$200 hoped for came to boost 's Building Fund to \$1000 which we took as a sign of God's confirmation totalled \$43.50 was also voted for the building fund, (Also, \$10 received from Galilee).

When we drove away from Jurong, we saw the high steel piles at the 14th mile junction for flats 16 and 20 storeys high, rising in perhaps a year's time. There's a bright future for Jurong B-P Church, seeing she is a stone's throw from a teeming hive of humanity in the offing. upon this work. The offering taken which

GALILEE NEWS

Wednesday : Bible Study in two sessions - 7.00 p.m.

Prayer Meeting i/c Bro. Ng Gem Hock - 8.00 p.m.

Ordination: The dedication of Teachers (1972/3) and ordination of Miss Gan Sai Lin as Deaconess will be held on 23.1.72. Holy Communion will be served thereafter.

A.G.M. The Annual General Meeting of the church will be held on 30.1.72.

Land Situation: The church is still occupying 175, Pasir Panjang Road. Please pray for us!!

BRING PEACEFUL DAYS

Bring peaceful days, O Infant Year,
Bring noble thoughts within our life;
Instead of ancient war and strife
Bring Golden Rule, not rule of fear.

Bring love of home and hearthside bright;
Bring lasting faith and changeless love;
With visions of that Home above:
Bring less of wrong and more of right.

Bring healing to the heart and mind;
The joy of sunshine's golden ray:
Bring hope, inspired, on each new day;
Bring peaceful days and thoughts more kind.

- Tennyson's "Maud."

OLE STEFFENSEN of LOGOS writes:

I have often thought of the time I had with you when the LOGOS was in Singapore, and thank God for all you and your family did for us. I am now back in Denmark. As I got some troubles with my ears, it was not possible for me to hear as well. My doctor has already looked at me, and everything was in order before Christmas. It was not so bad.

We had a very good time in the Arabian Gulf, where people came and bought a lot of books. We were told it would be impossible for us to sell Christian books or we would all lose our heads. We got to see who is Lord, and as we sold out of educational books, we filled out with Christian, and they went as hot cakes. Praise the Lord.

I am planning to be back on LOGOS sometime in June as it will be in Singapore. I am at present working in my father's shop, to earn some money for the trip, travel round Denmark to tell people about my two years in India.

Please give my greetings to your family and friends.

CHASTENED SUBMISSION

What wait I for Thee?

My hope is in Thy Name;
From all my sins deliver me,
Nor put my soul to shame.

I suffered silently,
Because Thy will is best;
Remove Thy heavy stroke from me,
For I am sore distressed.

When sin Thou dost repay
And chasten and restrain,
Man's beauty quickly fades away;
Yea, human life is vain.

O Lord, regard my fears,
And answer my request;
Turn not in silence from my tears,
But give the mourner rest.

I am a stranger here,
Dependent on Thy grace,
A pilgrim, as my fathers were,
With no abiding place.

O spare me and restore
My failing strength, I pray;
Ere I go hence and be no more,
The hand of judgment stay. ♪ Psalter 106

ALL PRESBYTERS PLEASE NOTE:

As decided at the Presbytery AGM on 21st August 1971, the Presbytery is due to meet on the Lord's Day, 30th Jan. 1972, 8 p.m. at the Life Church/FEBC Library. Ratification of the Constitution of our Church will be considered at the meeting.

EASTER PRAISE SERVICE! The coming Easter Praise Service will be held at Life Church on 19th March 1972.

There will be a variety of praise items from our various B-P churches. Highlights of the evening, apart from Choir numbers from individual churches, will include the presentation of Handel's "Hallelujah Chorus" by a 50 member combined B-P Choir and possibly a slide-show (with music and poetry reading) of the Easter story.

Refreshment for the evening will be served by the host churches (Life English and Chinese services).

Membership to the 50 member combined Choir to sing the "Hallelujah Chorus" will be by invitation.

The first combined practice will be held on 23.1.72 at Life Church.

LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

Mon. 7-9 p.m. FEBC Evening Classes, Dr. Tow & Rev. Paauwe.

8.15 p.m. Sarimbun Committee Meeting

Tues. 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting. Dn. Tan Wai Choir.

Thurs. 7-9 p.m. FEBC Evening Classes, Dr. Tow & Rev. Paauwe.

Lord's Day 10 a.m. Rev. Tow

4 p.m. Rev. Quek

Nursery Roster:- 23rd Jan. Judy Lim, Mrs. Joshua Lim; 30th Jan. Elizabeth Tan, Mrs. George Tan.

Life Church Bookings for Weddings: March 4, 18 Apr. 8.

BETHROTHALS. Congratulations: to Bro. Tow Siang Kwang and Sister Lee Soon Meng on their engagement on Christmas Day, 1971; to Dr. Lieu Kok Kwong and Sister Diana Wee on Jan. 12, 1972.

SEMBAWANG. Bro. and Mrs. William Fu's new address: 61 Seraya Crescent, 20.

SAWANG Building Fund. FEBCers \$20; \$5; \$10.

SARIMBUN Committee Members, please meet at Major Patrick Tan's apartment, Mon. Jan. 17, 5.15 p.m.

PRAY FOR Sister Janice Ang of Zion Church at Ward 15; Rev. Paul Hang, pastor emeritus of Hingwa Methodist Church, at Ward 11. Praise God for Elder Lee Tsu Hwai's continued recovery at Ward 6.

REV. DALLAS CLARNETTE, president of the Bible Union of Australia, is passing through Singapore en route to USA, arriving Tues. Jan. 18, 1520 hrs., ML 309. Hearty welcome to FEBC Hostel.

MR. GEORGE MILEY and Miss Hanna of Logos were married in India, Christmas, 1971. Many congratulations! Their mailing address: P.O. Box 1301, Bombay, India.

JEHOVAH WITNESS The Monday Evening (Jan. 17, 7.00 p.m.) Lecture on Cults by Dr. Tow will be on this subject.

RAWANG CHURCH ACROSS THE MUAR RIVER

Rawang Church, 4½ miles across the Muar River on the Segamat highway, is the 12th in our Bible-Presbyterian Church movement. It is a Teochew-speaking church but with opportunities to develop an English-speaking congregation. It is Muar's No. 3 church. With schools and factories being built across the Muar River, Rawang Church will serve a new generation as the church of the new town. What a bright outlook in the extension of the Gospel to a hitherto neglected hinterland!

To cater to these needs as well as to provide a camp-site for Singaporeans, Rawang has launched into a rebuilding project that provides a medium-size auditorium for worship, a parsonage and a two-room Kindergarten with semi-open social hall. All these buildings cost only \$63,000 (excluding \$8,000 spent on earth-filling the two-acre site).

Building operations which began on Nov. 29, 1971 are now in full swing. The bakau-piling was completed by Christmas. Now concrete foundations have been laid and pillars are rising like mushrooms from the ground.

The Building Fund has been increased by \$3,000 during the last fortnight. We need \$35,000 more. Readers who are desirous of seeing the Gospel extended to the strategic new town across the Muar River where more and more people are coming in will want to give us a helping hand! We thank one heartily one who has already given to do your bit for the Lord. Please see me personally or address your correspondence to 9A Gilstead Road, Singapore 11. -T.T.

Footnote: Rawang sits in the blue shadows of Mount Ophir, 4187 feet, only 15 miles or so to the north. According to Bro. Khoo Wah Ann who has climbed Mt. Ophir, such a trip could well be planned in conjunction with an ICY Camp based at Rawang. Rawang Church will be completed by June and offers her services to our Singaporean young brethren and sisters. -T.T.

"NEO-PHARISAISM"

This word was coined by the writer in his message to Life Church last week.

"Pharisaism" comes from the word Pharisee. The Oxford Dictionary defines it as: "One of ancient Jewish sect distinguished by strict observance of traditional and written law and pretensions to sanctity; self-righteous person, formalist, hypocrite." This word is well understood even by the Sunday School pupil.

The Pharisees began well as a group within Jewry "separated" from the evils and sins of the world, for the verb "Pharès", from which is derived the noun Pharisee, means "separate". Our Church and other groups in the separatist movement have begun well also as a body separated from the evils of unbelief such as liberalism, Ecumenism and worldliness. But, just as the Pharisees developed into an extremist party and tarnished what was at first a good name, we separationists from the apostacy, by over-zeal or literalistic legalism, might lapse into what I would call "Neo-Pharisaism". "Neo" means "new" — a new kind of Pharisaism. We begin to judge our brethren by certain standards we set up or copy, not in the spirit of Christ, but in the spirit of the Pharisees. We begin to look out for faults with a view to accuse, like the scribes (Jewish theologians and jurists of type prevalent in time of Christ—Oxford) in bringing the woman taken in adultery to Christ. We cannot breathe a more gracious spirit like the Christ who rather pardoned the same woman and said, "Go and sin no more." Neo-Pharisaism, like old-time Pharisaism, is ever keen to behold the mote in the brother's eye but not one's own protruding beam. Beware of the leaven of Neo-Pharisaism!

THE DIFFERENCE IN A NUTSHELL

PROTESTANT CHURCH

Foundation: Christ the Rock.
 Head: Jesus Christ.
 Mediator: Jesus only.
 Means of Grace: Spiritual, Free.
 Mode of Worship: Scriptural.
 Its Guide: The Bible.
 Its Aim: Salvation of Souls.
 Object of Worship: God.

 Governing Factor: Love.
 History: Light, Liberty.
 Secrecy: None.
 Ministers: Merely Teachers.
 Doctrine: Simple Gospel of Christ
 Result: Peace, Prosperity.
 The End: To be with Christ.

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Foundation: Peter (Cephas) — a stone.
 Head: The Pope.
 Mediators: Priest, Saints, Mary.
 Means of Grace: Material, Cash.
 Mode of Worship: Sensual, Material.
 Its Guide: The "Church".
 Its Aim: Wealth, Power, Political.
 Objects of Worship: Images, Saints, Virgin Mary, Wafer God.
 Governing Factor: Fear, Superstition.
 History: Darkness, Slavery.
 Secrecy: Confessional, Covents, Jesuits.
 Ministers: Indispensable Priests.
 Doctrine: Mysterious, Pagan, Intricate.
 Results: Strife, Poverty.
 The End: Purgatory — until released.

MY HEART THERE RINGS A MELODY

I have a song that Jesus gave me,
It was sent from heaven above;
There never was a sweeter melody,
'Tis a melody of love.

CHORUS In my heart there rings a melody,
There rings a melody with heaven's harmony;
In my heart there rings a melody;
There rings a melody of love.

I love the Christ who died on Calvary,
For He washed my sins away;
He put within my heart a melody,
And I know it's there to stay.

'Twill be my endless theme in glory,
With the angels I will sing;
'Twill be a song with glorious harmony,
When the courts of heaven ring.

(The Service Hymnal 356)

MARRIAGE AND THE HOME

Blest the man that fears Jehovah,
Walking ever in his ways;
By thy toil thou shalt be prospered
And be happy all thy days.

In thy wife thou shalt have gladness,
She shall fill thy home with good,
Happy in her loving service
And the joys of motherhood.

Joyful children, sons and daughters,
Shall about thy table meet,
Olive plants, in strength and beauty,
Full of hope and promise sweet.

Lo, on him that fears Jehovah
Shall this blessedness attend,
For Jehovah out of Zion
Shall to thee his blessing send.

Thou shalt see God's kingdom prosper
All thy days, till life shall cease,
Thou shalt see thy children's children;
On thy people, Lord, be peace.

(Tune: Galilee 8.7.8.7.) Trinity Hymnal 626

PRESBYTERY MEETING. All presbyters are reminded of the Presbytery meeting scheduled for the Lord's Day, January 30th 1972, 8pm. at the Life B-P Church. The Agenda includes ratification of the Church Constitution; committee reports (Music Cttee, Church Liturgy Committee, B.P.M. etc.); acceptance of Rawang Christian Church, and other matters, including correspondence between Elder Joshua Lim of Life Church, the Life Church Session and the Presbytery on a marriage solemnised at Life Church. All Deacons and Deaconesses may attend Presbytery meetings as observers.

FAITH CHURCH holds 12th Anniversary Thanksgiving Service next Lord's Day, Jan. 30.

In Memoriam. Mr. Lee Kam Tong of Faith Church, age 77, (father of Mr. Lee Sam Hong) went home to be with the Lord last Wednesday after prolonged illness. Funeral took place on Friday. Shortly before his death, Mr. Lee asked for paper and pen and wrote in Chinese "Glory be to God! God abide (with me), Amen"

LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

~~Sun.~~ 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting. Dr. Lieu Kok Kwong.

Fri. 8 p.m. Family Worship at home of Bro. and Mrs. Henry Heng, 38H Yuan Ching Rd. off Corporation Drive, Taman Jurong, 22.

Sat. 4p.m. Life Church YF Consecration, Rev. Tow speaking.

Lord's Day 10 a.m. Rev. Young of SGM, England.
4 p.m. Rev. Tow.

Nursery Roster:- 30th Jan. Elizabeth Tan, Mrs. George Tan; Feb. 6th Mrs. Phang Guek Im, Mrs. Margaret Heng.

THE B-P COMBINED CHOIR, in preparation for Easter Praise Service meets at Life Church this Lord's Day, 23rd Jan. at 8 p.m.

RAWANG BUILDING FUND. Lifers: \$50; \$50; \$50; \$50; \$5; \$5; \$50; \$300. Mandarin Lifer: \$150. Sembawang: \$100; Calvary: \$500; Logos friend in Australia \$95.43, Total: \$1,405.43. **SARIMBUN.** It is proposed to hold a monthly Chinese worship service at the Mission house to cater to Christians living in this remote sector of the Island.

ICY-SM Committee Meeting on Sun. 30th Jan. at 6.30 p.m. at the home of Dr. P. Tan (Far Eastern Bible College, 9A Gilstead Rd. Will all chapters send 2 committee members to attend. Dinner will precede the meeting. Topics for discussion are: AGM, farewell to the Paauwes, ICY Camp at Rawang and ICY team to USA in 1973.

JURONG B-P Church newly reopened worship service had an attendance of 21 last Lord's Day.

CALVARY COMMITTEE, please note that a special meeting will be held after the family worship at Bro. Henry Heng's Friday, Jan. 28.

MISS WRIGGLESWORTH, AUSTRALIA: Your remittance to B-P Weekly is deeply appreciated.

FAR EASTERN BEACON January issue is out. Reproduced in full and commanded to the readers is a speech by Mr. S. Rajaratnam, Singapore's Minister for Foreign Affairs, on the Danger of Hippicism. In a personal reply to Elder Tow Siang Hwa of Life Church on this subject, the minister appreciates the support of our Churches for such Govt. measures for the good of the nation.

GALILEE NEWS

Wed. Day of Prayer at Galilee Church.
Time: 10.00 am.

Wed. Bible Study in Two sessions. Book of Mark & Romans. - 7.00pm.
Prayer Meeting - 3.00pm. Bro. Paul Yap

Fri. Family Worship at the home of the Gan family. 55, Jalan Mas Kuning, Pasir Panjang Gardens.

Sat. Sa-brani Gospel Mission Open-air
Sunday School at Pulau Brani - 2.00 pm.
Galilee Youth Fellowship - 4.00 pm.

Sun. (30.1.72) Annual General Meeting after Service. Sambau Gospel Mission Sunday School at 4, Sambau Street. - 3.30 pm.

MOUNT CARMEL: expresses thankyou for the offering of the Pre-Easter Concert for her Building Fund.

Rawang Building Fund (just received) Lifer \$50
\$10. Sembawang Sunbeam: \$50. Life Church S.S.
\$200. Jurong B-P Church \$10.

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A CORDIAL INVITATION TO RAWANG AGAIN!

Rawang Church held Ground Breaking Service on July 25, 1971. It was a glorious occasion to see 150 gathered, including four cars of visitors from Singapore and several Galilean scooterists. Though work on the site did not actually commence till Nov. 29, 1971, much progress has been made since then!

During this week it is reported that the whole prefabricated steel structure of the Church Auditorium, including the roof frame, is up. With two eight-foot crosses topping the apex, front and back, the steel structure rises to a height of 40 feet! Hallelujah for the Cross! Praise the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ! Shouts of jubilation rang from the Church grounds, from the mouths of on-looking members.

The new House of God, towering above the neighbouring attap houses and bungalows, has become "talk of the town." It is the topic for discussion in the buses plying up and down the Muar-Segamat highway. The heathen Chinese living at Rawang and beyond, such as Serom and Tangkak, are liberally shocked by this manifestation of God's power. Truly, they concede, the Christian God is greater than our gods.

That God has watched over His people these five decades is manifested by more than this structural phenomenon. Several years ago, when the old church house was leaning precariously, the Rawangites were ridiculed by their heathen neighbours. "When is your church falling to bits?" was a jibe from an enemy living on the other side of the road facing the Church. No sooner had he uttered this malediction than a grand-daughter of his saw in a vision six angels in white flying out of the Church windows. This vision, when related to the grandpa, almost scared his wits off. Henceforth he kept a discreet silence. Now, his grand-daughter has started to come to church!

That God has manifested not only his power but loving kindness on the Rawang Christians is reflected in the \$3,000 that has come in from our churches, Sunday Schools and individuals these three weeks. This gracious response to an appeal from Rawang Church is being sustained, and should be sustained, to see them complete a good work. (Rawang still needs \$35,000.)

Now, on behalf of Rawang Church, may I take this first opportunity to invite our Readers to the Stone-Laying Service, to be held on Sunday, Feb. 27, 1972, 3.00 p.m. and to a buffet dinner (under expert Singaporean culinary supervision) 4.15 to 5 p.m. Visitors from Singapore, leaving Rawang at 5 p.m. sharp, can return to Singapore by 8.30 p.m.

Madam Low Thiam Hee, sister of Mrs. (Rev.) Chiam Seng Por, one of the two members left of the first generation and a founder of Rawang Church 50 years ago, will lay the stone which reads:

This stone is laid
for a
Second House of Prayer
on the
Faith of Our Fathers
"A Beacon beaming brighter far
From Muar's dark streams across the waves"
1922 A.D. 1972

Pray for Rawang our farthest Gospel outreach. Make it a point to attend the Stone-Laying Service, Sun. Feb. 27, 3.00 p.m.!

RAWANG BUILDING FUND LATEST RECEIPTS: Lifers: \$100; \$30; \$30; \$20; \$10. FEBC friend: \$50; Sembawang Sunbeam \$100; Penangite \$200. We still need \$34,000!

PERHAPS, YOU CAN HELP US WITH A LOAN?

In the course of building churches we've been helped financially not only by the free-will and cheerful offerings by the Lord's people. Loans have also played a good part. In this connection, little Jurong B-P Church, which has a small building fund of \$1000 is offering it as a loan to Rawang. This is deeply appreciated by Rawangites. Perhaps, some Reader would like to help in this manner. You would be bearing dividends for eternity, and not just a little fraction as is earned on earth. There's a blessing in helping build God's House anywhere, anytime. Please ring 50617!

"ONLY ONE LIFE 'T'WILL SOON BE PAST,
ONLY WHAT'S DONE FOR CHRIST WILL LAST!"

OUR DUTY TO OTHERS

"All things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them." - Matt. 7:12

This is a wonderfully comprehensive rule of action. It bids us consider the interests of others as well as our own. It bids us set our neighbour alongside of ourself, and think of him as having the same rights as we have, and requiring from us the same treatment that we give to ourself. It gives us a standard by which to test all our motives and all our conduct bearing on others. We are at once in thought to change places with the person toward whom duty is to be determined, and ask, "If he were where I am, and I were where he is, how should I want him to treat me in this case?" The application of this rule would instantly put a stop to all rash, hasty actions; for it commands us to consider our neighbour and question our own heart before anything. It would slay all selfishness; for it compels us to regard our neighbour's interests as precisely equal to our own. It would lead us to honour others; for it puts us and them on the same platform.

The application of this rule would put a stop to all injustice and wrong; for none of us would do injustice or wrong to ourselves, and we are to treat our neighbour as if he were ourself. It would lead us to seek the highest good of all other men, even the lowliest; for we surely want all men to seek our good. The thorough applying of this Golden Rule would end all conflict between capital and labour; for it would give the employer a deep, loving interest in the men he employs, and lead him to think of their good in all ways. It would also give to every employee a desire for the prosperity of his employer and an interest in his business. It would end all strife in families, in communities, among nations. The perfect working of this rule everywhere would make heaven; for the will of God would then be done on earth, as it is in heaven." - J.R. Miller D.D.

A PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI.

Where there is hatred,
Let us sow love;
Where there is injury,
Pardon;
Where there is discord,
Union;
Where there is doubt,
Faith
Where there is despair,
Hope;
Where there is darkness,
Light;
Where there is sadness,
Joy;
For Thy Mercy and Thy Truth's sake.
Amen.

SAVE WATER!!! SAVE WATER!!! SAVE WATER!!!

LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

Tues. 8pm. Prayer Meeting. Mrs. Lehia
Pauwe

Session Meeting

Fri. 8pm. Calvary Committee at 64
Andrew Rd.

Sat. 4pm. LCYF. Mr. G. Bromley will speak
on "The Pot & the Potter".

Lord's Day. 10am. Rev. Tow (Lord's Supper)
4pm. Rev. Tow (")

The Church is notified of a Congregational
Meeting to be held on Feb. 20, 1972 at
11 am. (immediately after service).

Nursery Roster: 6th Feb. Mrs. Phang Guek
Im, Mrs. Margaret Heng; 13th Feb. Christine
Tow, Melinda Lim.

HEAR REV. ANDREAS DJUNAIDI (Hsuing Nan Fu)
of West Kalimantan at Life Church Mandarin-
Teochew Service this Lord's Day. Rev. Dju-
naidi has a missionary work with the Dyaks.
It is proposed to help him in the Gospel
outreach with a re-conditioned, hand-operat-
ed Gestetner duplicator costing only \$350.

Who would have a part in this good work?

THE TOA PAYOH YOUTH FELLOWSHIP cordially
invites you to the inaugural meeting on
5th Feb. '72, 4pm. Dr. Patrick Tan will
speak on the "Role of the Youth Fellowship".
The Toa Payoh Y.F. Office-bearers: Pres.
Mr. Victor Kam, Vice Pres. Mr. Chua Hung
Choo, Sec. Miss Cheong Fang Chun, Treasurer
Mr. Johnny Chua, Cttee. Members Mr. Ng Poh
Yok, Miss Yip Sook Pun, Ex. officio: Mr.
Peter Chua, Dr. Patrick Tan.

Toa Payoh had an attendance of 73 last
Lord's Day. The offering was over \$100,
praise the Lord!

GALILEE NEWS

Wed. 7pm. Bible Study in 2 sessions (Romans
and Mark)

8pm. Prayer Meeting

Sat. 4pm. Youth Fellowship

Lord's Day 9.30am. Worship Service.

FAITH CHURCH celebrates 12th Anniversary
Thanksgiving this Lord's Day.

LINGKWANG MISSION receives \$700 from the
family of the late Mr. Lee Kam Tong of
which \$500 is for the proposed Old People's
Home.

PRESBYTERY meets this Lord's Day evening
8 pm. at FEBC Library. Deacons and
Deaconesses may attend as observers.

OBITUARY. Mr. George Woodhull, 51, father
of Sivam of Sembawang and Seletar Hills
Sunday Schools passed away Thurs. Jan. 27.
Funeral on Fri. Jan. 28 was attended by
Rev. Tow, Elder Heng Yow Tong and a team
of Sembawang Sunbeams on behalf of our
churches.

THE PAAUWES who are sent by the Independent
Board for Presbyterian Foreign Missions
to teach at FEBC and help in our churches
will have completed two years teaching by
the middle of March. After this they will
return to the U.S. for a year's deputation
work. Rev. and Mrs. Burton Toms are now
making preparations to come and take their
place.

RELIEF for West Kalimantan. We will receive
your surplus clothing and any articles of
value for sending through Rev. Djunaidi.
He is sailing in a fortnight.

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"KONG HEE FAIT CHOY"

By this Chinese New Year greeting, meaning, "Wishing you prosperity" let me remind you that Chinese New Year's Eve will be upon us in eight days. And, inasmuch as those of us who are of Chinese stock hear and see these words of material benediction everywhere, we also lavish on our sons and daughters, nephews and nieces, servants and wards, etc., angpows. Chinese towkays and Chinese firms give one to three months' bonus angpows to their employees, depending on the profits they've made during the past year. There is fast flowing of angpow currency around at Chinese New Year, amongst us properous Chinese!

For the older generation to give angpows to the younger, and for the younger to receive them from the older and then lavish upon ourselves with luxuries from the "collections" is quite meaningless! Here's a suggestion how you may make use of your angpows in a most profitable way.

ANGPOWS FOR CHRIST!

It is to present them to the Lord Jesus Christ. How may we present them to the Lord? As far as the Lord's needs in our B-P Movement are concerned and by way of priority, they are the building of two Houses of worship - Calvary at Taman Jurong and Rawang across the Muar River. Life Church Session has taken the initiative to request members and scholars of the Sunday School to offer their angpows for the building of the two Churches. A thousand angpow envelopes are printed: "My Angpow offering to build Calvary and Rawang Churches" for distribution.

Let not this Christhonouring and prosperous gesture be limited to Lifers. If any Reader is blessed of God specially this Chinese New Year and feels a deep gratitude within, here's an altar whereon your angpow offering may be placed. May the Lord look upon your gift and bless you out of Calvary and Rawang. Those who have already given to Calvary and Rawang are blessed indeed. Many who have not are exhorted through the distribution of angpow envelopes; Readers who are moved to round up some angpows may obtain them by simply ringing 50617. If we collect \$4,000 in this way, will we not have made a substantial contribution with very little effort? Will this not be a worthwhile service to the Lord that remains for eternity? O! the good that our ephemeral Angpows can do for all eternity when offered to Christ!

AUGURY OF A REDOUBLED OUTREACH

Though God has given us the opportunities of building new churches, such as Life, FEBC, Zion and Faith, never in all our years before had we seen two churches going up together. Two are a confirmation from the Lord - augury of a redoubled outreach! Indeed, let those of our churches which are well established relax not in complacency. Let them rather the more redouble their efforts to help the less or unestablished members. In this way the Gospel will be speeded up. Do you want to see God's Kingdom advance? Bring an Angpow to the Lord for Calvary and Rawang

CALVARY NEEDS \$100,000 AND RAWANG ONE THIRD OF THAT

The Calvary Building Project which consists of a two-storey Church and three-storey Education block, housing parsonage and workers quarters (totally 20,500 sq. ft.), with furniture and fittings, will cost around \$330,000. The Rawang Re-building Project which consists of a high-roofed Church auditorium, parsonage, kindergarten (totalling 5,000 sq. ft.), with furniture and fittings, will cost around \$75,000. If what Calvary needs is \$100,000 and Rawang one third of that, you can see what great effort has already been made by those concerned. The Calvarites and Rawangites have stretched themselves to the utmost. Truly, they deserve our help.

FOUNDATION-STONE LAYING SERVICES: RAWANG FEB. 27, CALVARY JUNE 3.

The foundation stone-laying services of the two churches should be a time of great praise to God. As far as Rawang is concerned, five cars have started to queue up! Register early to avoid disappointment!

Faith of our fathers, living still,
Though long decayed their House of Prayer,
And one by one they've gone above
As oft is shed their children's tear.
Faith of our fathers, holy faith,
Live in our hearts from age to age!

Faith of our fathers, living still,
A second House of Prayer we raise!
A Beacon beaming brighter far
From Muar's dark streams across the waves.
Faith of our fathers, holy faith,
Shine through thy sons till break of day.

- T.T.

THE B-P COMBINED CHOIR meets at Life Church this Lord's Day, 6th Feb. at 7.30 p.m.

LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

Tues. 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting.

Fri. 8 pm. Family Worship at 9 Goldhill Rise, home of Mr. & Mrs. Harold Quek Kow Moh.

Lord's Day 10 a.m. Rev. Tow

4 p.m. Rev. Hong Han Keng.

Nursery Roster: 13th Feb. Christine Tow, Melinda Lim; 20th Mrs. Tow Cheng Imm, Dianne.

Obituary. Bro. Koh Cheng Seong's father went home to be with the Lord last Sunday morning. Funeral on Monday was officiated by Rev. Heng Teck Im of Prinsep St. Life Church and Rev. Tow. Deepest condolence.

LIFE MANDARIN-TEOCHEW SERVICE. Hear Rev. Andreas Djunaidei (Hsiung Nan Fu) of West Kalimantan this Lord's Day afternoon. Rev. Tow interpreting.

The Committee of the Mandarin Service is requested to meet immediately after service this Lord's Day afternoon.

Life Church Session has voted \$50 from the "Sabah Fund" towards the purchase of a Gestetner duplicator for W. Kalimantan.

New Address: Elder and Mrs. Seow Chong Pin, 7 Lily Ave., (off 6th Ave., near Bukit Timah Road) 10. Phone: 669708.

New Phone: Elder Chia Hong Chek, 538326

Dr. Tow Siang Yeow, Lifer at Johore Bahru, is going on transfer to Kuala Lumpur by end of this month.

SARIMBUN. A new forward thrust will be taken by the Sarimbunites after Chinese New Year. Renovations and extensions will be made to the Mission House by Mrs. K.C. Ho the proprietress to cater to the growing Sunday School and camping needs by our youth groups. It is also proposed to start a monthly worship service for several Christian families in the farming community who rarely go to Church. Pray that the Lord will send us workers.

GALILEE NEWS

Tues. Session Meeting.

Wed. Bible Study in Two Sessions - 7 p.m. Prayer Meeting i/c Lai Sing Hock at 8 p.m.

Fri. Song Service - 8 p.m.

Sat. Youth fellowship - 4 p.m.

RAWANG CHURCH BUILDING FUND: Lifers: \$300; \$50; \$25.35; \$20; Mandarin Lifers: \$10; \$10; Zionist \$30; Galileans \$10; \$50; FEBCer \$10 Total this week: \$515.35.

WEST KALIMANTAN RELIEF

A golden opportunity to send relief goods to W.K. without freight charges or delay through Rev. Djunaidei who is sailing direct to Permangkat next week. Please leave your surplus clothing and other useful articles at Life Church Parsonage.

KELAPA SAWIT Rev. Tow preaches at Kelapa Sawit next Lord's Day, Feb. 13. It is reported that the grant of ½-acre of land on a hillock by the Government will be gazetted in the near future.

JURONG CHURCH Building Fund which has risen to \$1,300 is loaned to Rawang.

ICY-SM. AGM & Farewell to Paaues Sat. March 11 4pm. Hosts LCYF: Camp at Rawang June 12-15.

THE ISSUES OF LIFE

Dust to dust, the mortal dies,
Both the foolish and the wise;
None forever can remain,
Each must leave his hoarded gain.
Yet within their heart they say
That their houses are for aye,
That their dwelling places grand
Shall for generations stand.

To their lands they give their name
In the hope of lasting fame,
But man's honor quickly flies,
Like the lowly beast he dies.
Tho' such folly mark their way,
Men approve of what they say;
Death their shepherd, they the sheep
He within his fold will keep.

O'er them soon shall rule the just,
All their beauty turn to dust;
God my waiting soul shall save,
He will raise me from the grave.
Let no fear disturb your peace
Tho' one's house and wealth increase;
Death shall end his fleeting day,
He shall carry naught a way.

Though in life he wealth attained,
Tho' the praise of men he gained,
He shall join those gone before,
Where the light shall shine no more.
Crowned with honor tho' he be,
Highly gifted, strong and free,
If he be not truly wise,
Man is like the beast that dies.

The Psalter 136, Watchman, Ps. 49

Zion Church will hold Gospel Campaign, June 9-11, with Mr. Tom Hamlin as Evangelist. Prior to the campaign there will be two nights of Revival Meetings. Life Church Session has decided to support this campaign. LIFE CHURCH will hold Congregational Meeting Feb. 20 and Elections in April. With certain elders and deacons going over to Calvary, Taman Jurong, we will see more new blood added to the leadership of the Church.

A cordial welcome is once again extended to Galileans to use the Church premises at Gilstead Road, particularly on the Lord's Day afternoon for S.S. and worship. Toa Payoh Y.F. will be treated to a "magic-carpet" trip to the Holy Land on Sat. Feb. 12, 7.30 p.m. through 160 colour slides to be shown by Rev. Tow.

REV. HSU CHIANG TAI Your greetings to the Church and gift are gratefully acknowledged. PHOTOGRAPHER William Teo. If you need his expert service, just ring 538217.

YOU MAY HAVE ETERNAL LIFE NOW!

Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life. Jn. 5:24.

WORKERS needed for Reformatory Centre, Keppel Road, every Sat. afternoon. Please contact Bro. Low Tiang Hock.

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"Returning Thanks to God for His Grace"

This statement sounds like a phrase taken from St. Paul's epistle to the Corinthians. No, rather it is what the devout amongst the heathen Chinese remind themselves to do when celebrating Chinese New Year. This is often seen in four big gold letters superimposed on a giant crimson banner, "Ta Hsieh Shen En". This is hung over a conspicuous spot at the market-place, for example, where a wayang (theatrical troupe) is performing. Yes, the heathen Chinese who receive bonuses and angpows at Chinese New Year do not forget their gods. They give gladly, paying thousands of dollars in sacrificial rites and in keeping the wayang going day and night during the festive days. This fact should challenge Christians to render due thanks to God during Chinese New Year, since we also receive bonuses and angpows.

Angpows for Christ: Good Response!

Our appeal for angpows for Christ, cheerful, meaningful and timely gifts from the abundance we receive at Chinese New Year, found a good response last week. Our appeal first to Lifers and scholars of the Life Church Sunday School has been spontaneously answered by a dozen worshippers at Church. Exactly \$400, made up of angpows, ranging from \$10 to \$50, were put into the offering bags, and the more handed personally to the pastor. This is one tenth of the target of \$4,000. So, there is \$3,600 more to come in! If every Reader, old or young, will make this good resolution - to give all our angpows to the Lord, we will easily exceed the target. Dear Reader, do you not want to see the angpows come in for a higher purpose than our own? Do you not want to see \$2000 each channelled into the building of God's House at Jurong Town and Rawang? \$2000 is a small sum in the light of their gigantic needs! However, the spirit of such giving can engender more giving. No gift for God's House is too small or too big. Let everyone who loves the Lord and His cause render to God according to his ability.

Do we lose out by giving to God? Never! Both in the Old and New Testament are contained countless verses promising us blessings. The story of King David desiring to build God's House is a case in point. God was so pleased with this holy desire that He conferred an everlasting blessing on this house, to establish his throne forever. Those who are concerned for the raising up of God's House, even during this short period of building Calvary and Rawang, are surprised by the tokens of grace God has showered on them. "There is that scattereth, and yet increaseth; and there is that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth to poverty" (Prov. 11:24)

A warning to the selfish and irreverent: "Ye have sown much, and bring in little; ye eat, but ye have not enough; ye drink, but ye are not filled with drink; ye clothe you, but there is none warm; and he that earneth wages, earneth wages to put it into a bag with holes" (Hag. 1:6)

Logos News from George Miley, P.O. Box 1301, Bombay 1

Right now the Logos is in Colombo, and on February 18 she is due in Visakaputnam for three or four weeks at which time also all the O.M. teams from India will gather for a three week long prayer and training conference. We would then like to spend a month in Calcutta, and after that a month in Chittagong in Bangla Desh if the political situation will allow it. This would be perhaps the first time in many years that this part of the world will be open for mass evangelism.

We should be in Singapore roughly in June although I will be in touch with you later about that, and when George Verwer goes back to Europe again around the end of April it does look like Hanna and I will be on board the Logos for the trip East.

This time we probably will not stay in Singapore very long but what a joy it will be to see all of you brethren there and to renew fellowship once again.

Please give my greeting to your wife and family and extend our warmest greetings in the Lord of the brethren there in F.E.B.C.

A Warm Welcome to Galileans

Lifers, Mandarin Lifers, FEBCers and Far Eastern Kindergarten extend a warm welcome to you, members and Sunday School scholars, to worship and fellowship on our premises. The Lord's House at Gilstead Road is open to all, every time and all the time. We welcome your pastor to share the Life Church office, with telephone and every other office equipment. The kindergarten classrooms should also be available to your Sunday School.

The Mandarin-Teechew Service will be held henceforth in the FEBC Hall, as well as the Sunday School. We welcome your Chinese-speaking parents and relatives to worship with us while your English service goes on in the main church.

Note: Galilee Church will effect house-moving Mon. Feb. 14, Chinese New Year's Eve.

Galilee Church was founded on June 5, 1960 with a membership of a dozen. Today, under Rev. Philip Heng, the church roll has increased to over 100. The Galileans have also branched out to Sambau Street and Pulau Brani. They have a Building Fund of \$11,000.

BY DECISION OF THE PRESBYTERY

A special meeting of the Presbytery is scheduled to be held on or about March 10 to consider the specific question of solemnisation of marriages between Christian and non-Christian parties in our B-P Churches. Views in writing on this question are invited from our B-P groups or individual members for the consideration of the Commission. Such memoranda are to be sent to "Dr. Quek Swee Hwa, Secretary, Commission on the Sacraments, Ordinances and Services of the Bible-Presbyterian Church, 5 Tavistock Avenue, S'pore 19" within two weeks. - Rev. K.C. Quek, Moderator.

LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

Mon. 7.00 p.m. No FEBC evening class.

Tues. 8.00 p.m. Prayer Meeting Mrs. Ivy Tow.

Sat. 4.00 p.m. Y.F. Mr. Chan Lay Seng speaking on "Feed my sheep."

Lord's Day 10 a.m. Rev. Tow.

11 to 11.25am. Congregational Meeting (Church and finance reports should reach office before Thurs)

4.00 p.m. Rev. Tow. *

Hear Rev. Hong Han Keng at Life Church Mandarin-Teeohew Service this Lord's Day 4 p.m. (Rev. Tow visits Kelapa Sawit, and Rawang on a special trip to arrange for the Stone-laying on Feb. 27)

Angpows received last Lord's Day and during the week total \$400. (Read story on front page.)

Life Church Y.F. requests prayer for first Gospel Meeting with Rev. Ed. Paauwe speaking on "The Inevitable End".

WEST KALIMANTAN RELIEF. Another 5,000 pieces of good used clothing, the bulk from Monk's Hill School through Bro. Seng Fong, are being shipped to Permangkat, as accompanying luggage to Rev. Andreas Djunaidi. Rev. Djunaidi is expected to sail Monday night. He is preaching this Lord's Day morning at Faith Church.

Rawang Building Fund. Lifers: \$5; \$200; \$50; \$40; \$20. Zionist \$50; Australian \$250. Total this week: \$615. We are grateful also to Singapore Marble Co. of 181 Upp. Serangoon Rd. for donating and engraving an 18 x 24 foundation stone for Rawang Church.

* Nursery Roster: 20th Feb. Mrs. Tow Siang Hwa, Dianne Wee; 27th Feb. Shirley Ho, Lucy Chua.

WORKERS for Reformatory Centre: Praise the Lord, six FEBCers have responded to Bro. Low Tiang Hock's request.

CALVARY NEWS is out today!

SONGS & VERSES from the HOLY LAND by Rev. Timothy Tow at \$1 a copy. A suitable gift to a Christian friend.

Prayer Support needed for Channels for Christ members working among delinquents.

COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS.

When upon life's billows, you are tempest tossed,
When you are discouraged, thinking all is lost,
Count your many blessings, name them one by one,
And it will surprise you what the Lord hath done.

Chorus: Count your blessings,
name them one by one;
Count your blessings,
see what God hath done!
Count your blessings,
name them one by one;
And it will surprise you
what the Lord hath done.

Are you ever burdened with a load care?
Does the cross seem heavy you are called to bear?
Count your many blessings,
every doubt will fly,
And you will keep singing
as the days go by.

When you look at others with their lands and gold,
Think that Christ has promised you His wealth untold;
Count your many blessings,
wealth can never buy
Your reward in heaven,
nor your home on high.

So, amid the conflict, whether great or small,
Do not be disheartened,
God is over all;
Count your many blessings,
angels will attend,
Help and comfort give you
to your journey's end. - Songs & Solos 745

Galilee News

Galilee Church will hold its Sunday School and Worship Service at Life Church (9A Gilstead Road) beginning 20.2.72. Speaker for Worship Service: Mr. Peter Yuen.

ANOTHER \$30,000 ONLY FOR RAWANG!

With the good response coming in to the Rawang Appeal, with a loan of \$1,300 even from little Jurong, Rawang's needs are now reduced to just \$30,000. But, we need this sum in the next three months! The need therefore is urgent.

How can you help? We have no other means than the cheerful, free-will offerings from God's children. We wait on the Lord and on you!

We appeal also to our brother churches. Your angpows too can be of help apart from the Lifers'.

You can also help us with a loan, like Jurong! Loans have helped to build Life Church and to the purchase the Sembawang property.

You can speak on our behalf to Christians who love the Lord, who will count it a joy to give and not a burden.

PATTERN FOR FOUNDATION STONE-LAYING SERVICE

This is described in Ezra 3:10-13:-

"And when the builders laid the foundation of the temple of the Lord, they set the priests in their apparel with trumpets, and the Levites the sons of Asaph with cymbals, to praise the Lord, after the ordinance of David king of Israel. And they sang by course in praising and giving thanks unto the Lord; because he is good, for his mercy endureth forever toward Israel. And all the people shouted with a great shout, when they praised the Lord, because the foundation of the house of the Lord was laid. But many of the priests and Levites and chief of the fathers who were ancient men, that had seen the first house, when the foundation of this house was laid before their eyes, wept with a loud voice: and many shouted for joy....and the noise was heard afar off."

Like Israel of old who loved God's House, let us prepare to celebrate the Stone-laying services of Rawang (Feb. 27, 3 p.m.) and Calvary (June 3) in the spirit of the Jewish Returnees. The keynote of such a service is praise, with singing and rejoicing, and giving of thanks, yea, the exaltation of the Name of our God. "May Jesus Christ be praised!"

Insofar as Rawang is concerned (next Lord's Day is the Day), a special choir is being assembled under the baton of one going in from Singapore. The Rawangites will make a joyful noise to the Lord, that all the heathens around might know there is a living and true God. (I Thess. 1:9) The Rawangites will rejoice together with our Singaporean visitors in a buffet dinner immediately after the service. Rev. Edward Paaue, who is soon returning to U.S., is the Lord's messenger at the Stone-laying.

Suggested Schedule for Feb. 27. Itinerary (Outward Journey)

Leave Gilstead Road, 11.15 a.m. Arrive Ayer Itam 1.15 p.m.

Luncheonette at Ayer Itam: 20 minutes

Leave Ayer Itam, via Yong Peng, 1.35 p.m. Arrive Rawang 3.00 p.m.

Note: (1) The distance from Gilstead Road to Rawang is 130 miles.

(2) Fill pink cards for Immigration at Causeway in advance.

(3) Two miles after crossing Muar Bridge, turn right to Segamat Highway. 2½ miles after junction is the new church on your left. For further information, ring 50617!

Angpows for Christ Exceed \$1,000!

Angpows for Christ at Life Church gathered \$400 on the first week. \$30 was received during the week following. On the second Lord's Day the angpows brought in \$382.05. During the week another \$50 + \$145 was received, making a total of \$1,007.05. This figure does not include angpows offered at the Sunday School. Do we have the love to offer up to \$4,000?

The spirit of offering must be one of cheerful worship. Whatever is purposed in your heart, give, without any grudge or "discount". "When thou vowest a vow unto God, defer not to pay it; for he hath no pleasure in fools: pay that which thou hast vowed. Better is it that thou shouldst not vow, that thou shouldst vow and not pay." (Eccles. 5:4,5)

Rev. Calvin Lee of the Chinese Christian Monthly, "Life," writes on
"Do Not Delay to Give"

"Our failure in life is often due to our delay to respond to the various opportunities before us, especially in the spiritual realm to obtain God's great and rich blessings. Therefore, in one of the 26 negative demands of the 613 commandments as recorded in the Pentateuch, God says, "You shall not delay to offer from the fulness of your harvest and from the overflow of your (wine) presses." (Exodus 22:29)

First we must not delay to offer God and His church our substance which He has given to many of us so abundantly. Also we must not delay to offer our fellow men aids and services whenever and wherever necessary.

Recently the route numbers and destination signs are covered up on the rear of all buses in Hong Kong, in order to avoid danger which might happen to passengers who seeing their buses run after them. Just as when catching a bus we should do so before it goes past, so if we delay offering to Christ our time, tithe and talent, the chance may go forever.

Time flies and waits for nobody. Should any one run the risk of awaiting until his death bed before trying to make up what he has owed his Lord and Saviour? Certainly not! Do not delay to give or it will be too late!"

GALILEANS AND ZIONISTS OFFERING THEIR HELP!

We are thrilled to hear Galileans are taking angpow offerings for Calvary and Rawang. May the Lord give you a house too, according to His schedule.

Zionists, according to Dr. Quek Swee Hwa, will give their Easter offerings to Rawang and Calvary. This is a great encouragement! - T.T.

The Session of
RAWANG CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Rawang, Muar
cordially invite

Our Readers

to a

Foundation Stone-laying Service

in the building of their

new Church and Kindergarten

Lord's Day, 27 Feb., 1972, 3.00 p.m.

Buffet Dinner will be served.

R.S.V.P.

ring: 50617.

INDONESIAN REMIT

Rev. Andreas Djaja returned to West Kalimantan by the Pelni Line Boat "Enggano" on Chinese New Year's Eve. direct to Pemangkat with the following gift from Singapore: 4 drums and 10 sacks of used clothes for distribution to the poor and needy; 1 typewriter and 1 Gestetner duplicating machine for the printing of Gospel Tracts in the Dyak and Chinese languages and for publication of a periodical for "the propagation and defence of the gospel". Praise the Lord for overcoming numerous obstacles.

The cost involved came to \$419; \$350 for the duplicating machine which includes \$50 worth of duplicating material; \$40 for lighterage (transportation by lorry provided free by Sin Kwang Kee) and \$29 for freight, launch fare and insurance. BPM gift of \$200 voted earlier for Rev. Titus Bartolomews of Ling Lian Church. Sinkawang would go towards this need. With Life Church giving \$50 toward the purchase of the duplicating machine and Faith Church paying for lighterage and freight, only another \$100/- is needed to meet the full financial need of this further relief and missionary effort to West Kalimantan. Free-will offering welcome. -QKC.

DR. ISRAEL GUEIROS, President of the Latin American Alliance of Christian Churches and Bishop Ajuoga of Africa are at present in New Zealand in the company of Rev. Channing to raise a witness against the World Council of Churches Ex. Com. now in session. Dr. Gueiros is expected to pass through Singapore en route to Africa early March.

DR. ANDREW GIH of Evangelise China Fellowship will speak at the Evangelistic League Meeting Sat. Feb. 26, 2 p.m. at Telok Ayer Methodist Church.

GALILEE commences to hold Sunday Services at Gilstead Road this Lord's Day, 4.30p.m. Sunday School is at 3 p.m.

RAWANG B.F. Galilean \$20; Mandarin Lifer \$50.

SARIBUN COMMITTEE MEETING is set for Wed. Mar. 1, 8 p.m. at the Gilstead Road Personage.

LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

Tues. 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting

Fri. 8 p.m. Family Worship at home of Deacon and Mrs. Khoo Peng Kiat, 26, Jalan Tan Tock Seng.

Lord's Day 10 a.m. Rev. Tow

4 p.m. Dr. Andrew Gih (D.V.)

Nursery Roster: 27th Feb. Shirely Ho Lucy Chua.

ASSISTANT NURSES (female) for Clinic. Age 22 yrs. or under. Must speak fluent English, Mandarin and other dialects. Apply in person, 9.00 a.m. - 4.00 p.m., 31 Ngee Ann Building, Orchard Rd., Tel: 374433 for appointment.

DR. QUEK SWEE HWA leaves for Londaon and Toronto on Feb. 26th and will return with Mrs. Quek and the baby on March 22nd.

REV. EDWARD PAAUWE and FEBC team will speak at the English Service, Trinity Church, Muar, Feb. 27, 8 p.m. They will lodge the same night at the home of Elder Lim Siew Guat.

MORE GALILEE NEWS

Sunday School: 3.00 p.m. Transporet will leave Galilee at 2.30 p.m. sharp.

Wed. Bible Study in two sessions (Romans & Mark) - 7.00 p.m.

Prayer Meeting - 8.00 p.m.

These will be held at the Pastor's residence. 13-B, Pepys Road.

Sat. Galilee Church Youth Fellowship's meeting will be at Sambau Gospel Mission, 4 Sambau Street. Time: 4.00 p.m.

WE PLOUGH THE FIELDS

We plough the fields, and scatter
The good seed on the land;
But it is fed and watered
By God's almighty hand:
He sends the snow in winter,
The warmth to swell the grain;
The breezes, and the sunshine,
And soft refreshing rain.

CHORUS: All good gifts around us

Are sent from heaven above:
Then thank the Lord, EE
oh, thank the Lord,
For all..... His love!

He only is the Maker
Of all things near and far:
He paints the wayside flower;
He lights the evening star;
The winds and waves obey Him;
By Him the birds are fed;
Much more to us, His children,
He gives our daily bread.

We thank Thee, then, O Father,
For all things bright and good:
The seed-time and the harvest,
Our life, our health, our food.
Accept the gifts we offer
For all Thy love imparts;
And—what Thou most desirest —
Our humble, thankful hearts.

-Songs & Solos 1053

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PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW

Angpows for Christ now over \$3,000!

The first two weeks before Chinese New Year brought \$1007.05 as reported last week. Then came the avalanche of crimson packets from Life Church Sun. Sch. last Lord's Day pouring out \$784.16 from the children and young people's pockets! The Church gave \$410 plus \$20 from a sister after service. \$10 was received in the afternoon from Sambau. As this glad news is about to print, there comes a phone call from a founder Lifer: \$1,000 to be equally divided between Calvary and Rawang! Our total to date has soared to \$3231.21. This sum is not closed. We are yet to receive from the Galileans and Mandarin Lifers. Let those who love the Lord bring in their angpows to swell to the \$4,000 target mark. (And why not? There are yet three days to New Year's Full Moon).

"We give Thee but Thine own
Whate'er the gift may be
All that we have is Thine alone
A trust, O Lord, from Thee." Amen.

MR. LIEW HON SENG B.TH. (1970) ANSWERS
CALL FOR WORKERS BY OUR B-P CHURCHES

During his student days, Mr. Liew had supplied the Life Church Mandarin Service Pulpit regularly once a month. Now that he has heard the call to co-labour with us in Singapore, the Mandarin Service will receive him as preacher and assistant to Rev. Tow. Mr. Liew is eager to hit out for the Lord. So he and Mrs. Liew will gladly take on the development programme of Sarimbun as well. The Sarimbun Committee, meeting Wed. March 1, 8 p.m. at the Gilstead Road parsonage will consider promotion of Sarimbun to the 15th church in our movement. There will be a lengthening of cords at Sarimbun both spiritually and physically.

LOGOS CAPTAIN IN SINGAPORE EN ROUTE TO INDONESIA

Captain Bjorn Kristiansen and his wife are in in Singapore (lodging at FEBC) till Monday, when they leave for Indonesia to make arrangements for the ship's next visit. The ship has had an open reception in Colombo. She will next visit Calcutta, Chittagong (Bangla Desh) and Rangcon, expecting to arrive in her home port, Singapore, May 20. We pray that lands closed to the Gospel might open up further to the visit of the "miracle ship."

Go into the world, into all the wide world,
And tell the joyful news to ev'ry perishing soul,
And tell the joyful news to ev'ry perishing sou',

For you I have sent into all the wide world,
And you shall be my witnesses from Jerusalem,
And you shall be my witnesses from Jerusalem.

But first receive power, the Spirit of God,
And you'll go through Judea, Samaria, all the earth,
And you'll go through Judea, Samaria, all the earth.

Go ye into all, into all nations,
And make them My disciples, and baptise them for Me,
And teach them all My Word, for I'm with you to the end. T.T.

A COMMISSION GREATER THAN PRESIDENT NIXON'S

At present, President Nixon is in Peking to seek rapprochement with Red China. He believes he has a great commission to carry out in the interests of world peace. Rightly, or wrongly? He thinks in terms of peace in our generation and that of our children.

We have a Commission greater than his from the Lord. Jesus Christ our Saviour, before ascending to heaven, gave the marching orders to the church..."Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature" (Mk. 16:15). The Gospel is spelt with the word "Go" which is the first command in the Great Commission.

But how far have we gone? Though by God's grace we have established a number of churches in Singapore we fall far short of the divine standard in the light of the Great Commission. Our hearts are lifted with high expectations, therefore, as we see Rawang revived and established as a base for further Gospel outreach.

Through the foundation stone the Rawangites and we are reminded of our missionary responsibility by the words:

"A Beacon beaming brighter far
From Muar's dark streams across the waves"

As we think of fifty years of grace the Lord has bestowed on Rawang, our hearts are burdened for the benighted heathens eking out a living in the parish of the church. What better way of Inauguration and Golden Jubilee than planning a revival campaign for the Christians and thereafter a Gospel outreach? O Lord, make Rawang a springboard for thy Church in Singapore to advance deep into W. Malays

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER SERVICE

All Christians of like ~~precious~~ faith are invited to a World Day of Prayer Service to be held at Zion and Faith Bible-Presbyterian Churches, Tavistock Avenue, Serangoon Gardens this coming Friday Mar. 3 at 8.00 p.m. (Buses like 100 and 101 from Selegie Road get to Serangoon Gardens direct). Please see the programme of the Service printed in the February issue of FAR EASTERN BEACON in English and MALAYSIA CHRISTIAN in Chinese. Let all who love the Lord and our historic Christian faith come together sincerely to pray on this universal World Day of Prayer 1) for the preservation of the Faith in this age of growing apostasy; 2) for our government and nation, for other nations, for a world in distress; and 3) for missionary advancement throughout the world.

DUPLICATING MACHINE for K.B.

The deficit of \$100/- for this need has been more than met: \$50/- from Faith Church Ladies Fellowship, \$20/- from Toa Payoh Chinese Christian Church \$20/-, \$40 from a Life Church member. The credit balance of \$10/- will be added to the World Day of Prayer offerings designated by the Planning Committee for ICR relief in Kalimantan Barat.

ELDER LEE TSU-HWAI of Faith B-P Church left ORGH this noon after two months' stay for recuperation at home. Praise the Lord. (Psalm 103:4)

COMBINED CHOIR PRACTICE will be held at Life Church, this Sunday night, 7.30 p.m.

A PSALM OF THE SEA

(to the tune of "Eternal Father,
Strong to Save," Melita)

Ye mariners on high seas steep
That toil amid the foaming deep,
Behold the mighty works of God,
And His great wonders as you plod.
O that all men would bow to Thee,
Thou God of heaven and earth and sea.

By Thy command the breeze so mild
Becomes a storm and tempest wild,
While oceans writhe with billows high,
And wave 'pon wave mounts up the sky!
O that all men would pray to Thee,
Thou God of heaven and earth and sea.

Like drunken men they stagger on,
And at their wit's end they are thrown.
They reel and roll, and to and fro —
The fearful lot of men below.
O that all men would cry to Thee,
Thou God of heaven and earth and sea.

"Peace by thou still," spoke Christ the Lord!

And wind and wave obeyed His Word.
Today the God of Galilee
Still saves His own from sea to sea.
O that all men would praise Thy Name!
Thy mercies mild endure the same.

(Scripture: Ps. 107:23; Mark 4:37-41;
Matt. 8:24-27; Lk. 8:22-25.)

LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

Tues. 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting

Lord's Day 10 a.m. Rev. Tow (Holy Comm.)
4 p.m. Rev. Tow (")

Nursery Roster: 5th Mar. Mrs. Leah Paaue, Mrs. Woo Sock Eng; Lorena Tan, Lee Bee Lay.

Life Church Congregational Meeting last Lord's Day was attended by 147 communicant members. A budget of \$36,000 was approved for 1972 with increased allocation for missions and theological education.

Hear Captain Bjorn Kristiansen of the Gospel Ship "Logos" testify how he found Jesus Christ as Saviour and his dedication to sail for Christ at Life Church this Sun. 10 a.m.

Hear Mr. Fam Tjok Sin, Christian businessman, at the Mandarin-Teochew Service this Sunday, 4 p.m.

Calvary Committee Meeting meets Friday 3 March 8 p.m. at 64 Andrew Road.

JURONG B-P CHURCH gratefully acknowledges \$100 from Lifer for the Building Fund.

PAWANG BUILDING FUND. Prinsep St. Lifer \$50; Jurong B-P Church \$23; Toa Payoh B-P Church (Chinese) \$60; Batu Pahatian \$100 Galilee Church \$150. Total \$433.00

GALILEE NEWS

Wed. 7 p.m. Bible Study in Two Sessions at the Parsonage (13B, Pepys Rd.)

8 p.m. Prayer Mtg. at a/m. venue.

Sat. 12.30 p.m. Children Fellowship

Sun. 3 p.m. Sunday School (Transport leaves Boon Leat Terrace at 2.30 p.m.)

The Holy Matrimony between Dr. Philip Lee Hin Peng of Mt. Carmel and Miss Caroline Ong Chon Feng of Galilee will be solemnised at Life Church, Sat. Mar. 4, 1972, 3pm. Rev. Heng officiating.

DR AND MRS. TOW SIANG YEOW, Lifers at J.B. will not go to K.L. on transfer till Apr. 1. Their newly furnished house at 22 Jln. Waspada, overlooking the Johore Straits, is to let. A rare offer!

MAJOR DR. PATRICK TAN leaves today for 3 weeks training in Aviation Medicine in the Philippines.

SEMBAWANG ICY. Hear Rev. Tow on Sat. Mar. 4, 4 p.m. or "Revelation".

FEBC Hall Booking: by ISCFers, Mar. 9, 7.30 p.m.

DO YOU HAVE a light electric iron? Why not present it for the Lord's use (on the Logos)?

THE RAWANG CHURCH FOUNDATION STONE, kindly donated by Singapore Marble Co., is on display at Life Church this Lord's Day. Come and see and rejoice with the Rawangites!

SINGAPOREANS attending the Rawang Church Stone-laying service leave this Lord's Day from Gilstead at 11.15 a.m. in three cars with Rev. Tow, Rev. Paaue and Deacon Vincent Leong at the wheel. Dr. Quek and Major Tan who are called to leave the country on eve of the Stone-Laying Service deeply regret their inability to go.

SAVE WATER!!! SAVE WATER!!! SAVE WATER!!!

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RAWANG STONE-LAYING SERVICE A REVIVAL SERVICE

It was a revival not only in the physical erection of a second house of prayer, but also in rekindling of the fathers' faith. When the good old days were recalled, some of the Rawangites, like the Jewish Returnees to Jerusalem, literally wept. Some declared they would do their bit by cavassing more donations from the Rawangites, now prospering in Singapore and elsewhere. The Rawangites themselves brought about \$3,000 that day, inclusive of a collection of some \$250 on the spot.

Apart from the message brought by Rev. Paauwe who compared the foundation stone to the stones taken out of Jordan and set up at Gilgal for a testimony to the future generations, exhortations were given by Rev. Yeo Choon Liang, and Elder Chua Sin Heng of Living Water Church, Mr. Stephen Hyun of Gideons International, Mr. Kwa Keng Woo of Trinity Church. Madam Low Thiam Hee, a founder member of Rawang Church who migrated there 56 years ago laid the stone. The first generation is gone (how short are our days), the second is little left, (so many don't come to church) — the hope of Rawang is in the third generation, the youth! A special number rendered by a handful of them under the direction of Mr. Henry Chew impressed the audience. The buffet dinner prepared under Singaporean supervision was enjoyed by all. Bible-Presbyterians from Singapore joining in this revival service were Revs. Tow and Paauwe, Deacon and Mrs. Vincent Leong and son, Mrs. Ng Thiam Chua, Miss Maureen Leong, Deacon Tan Wai Choon, Mr. Chua Kim Soo, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Hyun, Mr. and Mrs. Tan Wee Chwee.

Note: Three days after the Stone-laying came the contractor's bill for \$13,000. To date, \$33,000 has been paid!

WHY ICCC MARCHES ON

The good attendance (over 200) at the World Day of Prayer at Zion and Faith Churches, and the spirit of prayer pervading the meeting throughout, coupled with the unexpected appearance of Dr. and Mrs. Israel Gueiros, ICCC leader from Latin America, were manifestations of the Lord's blessing on the movement. Despite enemies to the movement within and without, the ICCC marches on. Why? Like Gideon of old, though of the smallest of the tribes of Manasseh, we are continuing to battle the modern Midianites of ecumenism where other tribes have long ago given up. The sad note in the House of Israel today is that we are not united as we should. The lesson of "United we stand, divided we fall" must needs be learned. Note: The offering taken amounted to \$166 which is earmarked for missionary work among Dyaks and Chinese in West Kalimantan.

SARIMBUN OUR 15th CHURCH

Ignatius of Antioch, a bishop of the early second century, is reputed to say, "Wherever the bishop is found, there let the people." A facet of truth from this statement is "Wherever a shepherd is found, there a congregation of sheep will be gathered". Having found a shepherd for Sarimbun in the person of Mr. Liew Hon Seng, with Mrs. Liew and two children, we are pleased to announce the forming of Sarimbun Bible-Presbyterian Church — to minister to the souls of one remote corner of Lim Chu Kang.

Sarimbun Gospel Mission, though small and isolated, and at one time pronounced to die by prophets of gloom, has survived through the unceasing labours of faithful EBC students. And, with Government's reprieve on its previous order to quit, a more permanent work can now be planned. Accordingly the Sarimbun Committee met on Mar. 1 with the full backing of Mr. and Mrs. K.C. Ho proprietors of the 30,000 sq. ft. property. As far as the Hos are concerned they will take steps to renovate and extend the premises. A new bicycle and a gas lamp were spontaneously offered. A VW van is also placed at our service commencing from Mar. 12 for transportation of our workers on Sunday only. (Mr. Sng Teck Liong has kindly offered to be the Lord's driver)

On our part we should contribute \$100 to the missionaries' support, while the greater part will come from Life Church Mandarin-Teochew Service where Mr. Liew is also serving.

In the process of establishing Sarimbun Church, the present Sunday School will be enlarged. A Bible Kindergarten will be started on Mar. 20 as a second step. The third step will be the running of a regular worship to cater to at least five Christian families living within a half-mile radius of the Mission House. Watch for the inauguration of Sarimbun Church!

The Sarimbun Committee comprises Rev. Tow, chairman; Mr. K.C. Ho secretary, Mr. Khoo Wah Ann Treasurer, Mrs. Ho, Mr. and Mrs. Lim Kim Hee, Dr. Patrick Tan, Misses Tiew Ah Tuan, Anne Cheang, Mr. and Mrs. Liew Hon Seng, Mrs. Ivy Tow. Sarimbun welcomes small youth groups to camp. (The Liews are shifting up on Mon. March 6, thanks to transport offered by the Hos.)

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ALL WELCOME. BRING A FRIEND

AS DECIDED BY THE PRESBYTERY at its last
meeting on 30/1/72, a special meeting of
the Presbytery is to be held in about 40
days to consider the question of marriage
at our churches. All Presbyters please
attend this special meeting to be held
at the FEBC library on Sat. Mar. 11, '72,
8 p.m.

The Presbytery Commission on Sacraments,
Ordinances and Services of the Church
meets tonight at 8 p.m.

A FAREWELL CHINESE DINNER TO THE PAAUWES,
will be held at Life Church, Sunday, Mar.
19, 6.30 p.m. coinciding with the Pre-
Easter Service. Open to all, the charge
is \$5 per head. Please register with
your respective churches on or before
Mar. 12. (The Paauwes are booked to fly
Mar. 23)

A PSALM ON THE DESTINY OF MAN

(Tune: Spanish Hymn, Psalter 64)

Lord, O Lord, we adore Thee,
O Thou God of earth and heaven!
May Thy Name and Majesty
Ever shine on resplendent.
Thou art pleased with infants' praise,
Faltering lips Thou dost not spurn,
Thou wilt destroy and abase
All who laugh Thy Name to scorn.

When I look up into heaven,
Filled with twinkling stars and moon,
Then deep thoughts arise within:
What is man that dies so soon?
Thou art pleased with us Thy sons
By the Man Whom Thou'st ordain.
Low'r than angels, He has won
Crown o'er all Thy vast domain.

Thou hast made us kings to rule
O'er Thy terrestrial domain:
Sheep and oxen, birds and fowl
All the teeming hosts that swim.
Lord, O Lord, we adore Thee,
O Thou God of earth and heaven!
May Thy Name and Majesty
Ever shine on resplendent.

Scripture: Ps. 8; Heb. 2:6-18.

'FOR GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD THAT
HE GAVE HIS ONLY BEGOTTEN SON,
THAT WHOSOEVER BELIEVETH IN HIM
SHOULD NOT PERISH, BUT HAVE
EVERLASTING LIFE.'

JOHN 3:16.

LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

Tues. 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting

Life Church Session Meeting

Thurs. 7.30 p.m. ISCF Seminar.

Fri. 8 p.m. Family Worship at the
Paauwe Flat, FEBC.

Sat. 4-7 p.m. ISCF Seminar

4-8 p.m. ICY Meeting

Lord's Day: 10 a.m. Rev. Paauwe (Rev.
Tow at Sembawang)

4 p.m. Mr. Liew Hon Seng.

Hear Mr. Liew Hon Seng at the Mandarin-
Teo ~~new~~ Service this Lord's Day, 4 p.m.

Rev. Tow interpreting.

Nursery Roster: 12th March Lorena Tan,
Lee Bee Lay; 19th Mar. Koh Kim Lye,
Lucy Koh.

Life Church and FEBC Bookings. By ISCF
Mar. 13-15, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Mr. Freddie
Ho).

JURONG B-P CHURCH Committee met today
and decided 1) to present Sarimbun
Church their old pump organ (quite
serviceable!) 2) The loan to Rawang is
\$1,400 (after receipt of \$100 from a
Lifer last week). 3) To rent some corner
shophouse among the new-rising 16 and
20 storey flats at junction of Jurong
and Boon Lay Roads. Any advice?

ANGPOWS FOR CHRIST: Last Sunday's figure
\$3,231.21. Galilee Church \$150 (already
reported under Rawang is an "Angpow"
offering); Lifer \$5; Mandarin Lifer \$5
Life Church \$51; Life C.S.S. \$85.29;
Mandarin Life Church \$300. Grand Total:
\$3828.50. We need only \$171.50 to reach
the target of \$4,000. Will Galilee give
this sum to Calvary since the Angpow
appeal is for both churches?

RAWANG BUILDING FUND. Lifers \$50; \$50;
\$12; Kelapa Sawit Church \$58; Zion
Kindergarten \$50. Total \$220.

IN CONSTANT REMEMBRANCE

Now, Lord, we worship before Thy face
In holy communion.
We humbly bow to Thy Word of grace
In constant remembrance.

Chorus:

Lord, thrice Thou prayed in Gethsemane,
Bearing our load of sin.
O the sweat-drops bleeding from Thee,
Shall in oblivion sink?

Now, Lord, by Thy broken Self we're fed
In thankful communion.
We trembling drink of the blood You shed
In constant remembrance.

When I re-ponder Thy cruel cross
On Calvary's mountain,
I'll look again to the Lamb of God
In constant remembrance.

(Songs & Verses from the Holy Land Pg. 59)

VENUE for Easter Sunrise Service. In view
of the Reservoirs and Parks being prohibit-
ed to religious meetings, there's a suggest-
ion we go to Bidadari. What's your reaction?
There we will be drawn still closer to the
reality of life and the hope of the
resurrection.

For further information to our Readers, Sarimbun Gospel Mission, which is now being developed into our 15th Church, is situated at 56C Jalan Bahtera, 24. Jalan Bahtera is the enlarged laterite road just after Sarimbun Avenue, on the left as your bus approaches the 19th mile. Bus No. 172 takes you all the way up from Newton Circus to this junction. From the 19th mile to the Gospel Mission the distance of the winding road is one mile. You turn right up a slope after you come to a Chinese temple. This Chinese temple is about 100 yards before the Sarimbun Scouts Camp ahead. If you follow the arrow sign to the Scouts Camp, you will not miss the way.

As you all know, the Sarimbun Station is a gift out of the blue from the Lord. Mrs. K.C. Ho of Jubilee Church, hearing of the outreach of FEBC students, approached us a year and a half ago through Deacon and Mrs. Lim Kim Hee of Galilee. Since then she has conscientiously offered the "American-style bungalow" she built on some 30,000 sq. ft. of land to us for the extension of the Gospel. This we have done in a small way week by week through the cheerful ministry of Misses Tiew Ah Tuan and Anne Cheang. Our hearts were filled with joy when Mr. and Mrs. Liew Hon Seng offered to go and stay at Sarimbun, which was our original plan with Mr. Chan Lay Seng.

Mr. and Mrs. Liew and two children moved up to Sarimbun last Monday. The first two days they spent in "spring-cleaning" and in setting up the house, especially the kitchen. A special trip had to be made to Ama Keng to buy a tank of Mobil-gas and a tin of kerosene, since the Mission house has no electricity. The gas cooks the meals and the kerosene lights the lamps. Water comes from the tap, though there is a well for gardening purposes.

My family and I paid the Liews a visit last Thursday after we received their request through a nearby telephone for blankets and cough mixture for the children. We brought along other useful articles like folding chairs, song books, and Jurong's old organ.

We were glad to find the Liews well integrated. Indeed they took to the soil like ducks to water, though life is by no means easy. Cycling three miles to and fro the market is a daily chore, since there is no refrigerator to keep the food fresh. Then there is also the problem of flies in the daytime and mosquitoes at night. Thanks to the mosquito nets they are safe from their nocturnal sorties.

Experts at wielding the changkol both husband and wife, the Liews have cleared the front portion of the land. In a fortnight, all the lallang should disappear. In two months a garden should sprout over what has long been an untamed wilderness.

Although our Gospel Station is not situated in a skyscraper town like Toa Payoh or Jurong, it nevertheless has a unique ministry with a farming population practically cut off from civilization. With the installation of a pump organ and with the Mission House now providing a meeting place for young people, two teenage girls of our Sunday School came over to play, while we visited. The two big girls, our immediate neighbours, who came to the Lord some months ago are an addition to form the nucleus for a proposed Youth Fellowship. As we discussed the bright prospects of the Gospel Mission, we spontaneously voted for a Daily Vacation Bible School to run during this short school holiday, Tues. Mar. 14 to Fri. 17. Any young Reader interested in helping out at the Sarimbun D.V.B.S. should see me this Lord's Day after Church.

The Liews have visited five houses thus far. One, a Hainanese neighbour, promises to send his three children to Sunday School. On the day we visited, two national servicemen walked in to buy tapioca. This we procured without ado from our immediate neighbour. In fact the tapioca is grown in our Mission grounds. Through this friendly service we were able to give the young soldiers gospel tracts and a Holy Land Song Book. Then we distributed more to another six servicemen camping by the seaside, a stone's throw from the mission house. When the Scouts Camp is in session there will be many more young people wandering around. As we said to the soldiers, "Come in for a cup of tea," so will this cheerful offer be made to the scouts. With English, Hokkien, Cantonese, Mandarin and Hakka at their command, the Liews are opening up dialogues with the Sarimbunites to bring them to the Lord Jesus Christ. This is taking place as Ignatius the second century bishop has said, "Wherever the bishop is found, there let the people be."

As a new page is being written for Sarimbun, a member of the Committee is so touched that she proposes the acquisition of a gospel car for the work. She starts off with promise of \$1,000. If you have a good second hand car you'd half give to the Lord's work, here's the \$1,000 to collect! (We need also a ping pong table to fit into the outhouse. This will help bring the young people in to hear the Gospel. Our monthly support of the Liews for the Sarimbun outreach is only \$100. Mr. Liew who is assistant to Rev. Tow at the Life Church Mandarin-Teeochew Service is supported also by the Church. Why not give a pledge to Mr. Khoo Wah Ann our Treasurer? If you have any surplus goods which Sarimbun can use, give them also to the Lord. -T.T.

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COMBINED B-P CHOIR: FINAL PRACTICE AND
DRESS REHEARSAL 7.30 p.m. Sunday 12th
March at Life Church. All members to
attend. Come punctually. Refreshments
will be served.

FAREWELL CHINESE DINNER TO PAAUWES will
be held at Life Church, Sunday, Mar. 19
6.30 p.m. coinciding with the Pre-Easter
Service. Open to all, the charge is \$5
per head. Please register with your res-
pective churches. Non-earners, \$3 only!
FAITH CHURCH Y.F.'s 4th BIBLE CAMP at
Kranji Holiday Camp, Mon. to Fri. morn-
ing, March 13-17. Camp Theme: Mountain
Climbing (on the Beatitudes). Speakers:
Rev. Quek, Rev. Tow, Miss Tay Swee Lan,
Mr. Liew Hon Seng, Elder Peter Yap, Mr.
Lee Sam Hong. Afternoon tours include
visits to Yio Hiap Seng Factory, Sarim-
bun Mission, Lam Huat Pineapple Factory.
Seletar Reservoir and Sunset Service at
Kranji War Memorial. A few places at
Camp are available to Chinese speaking
friends. Those interested please ring
Rev. Quek at 84786 this Lord's Day.
Charges: \$10/-.

On Tues. night at 8 p.m., a series of
Living Bible Films (30 Pieces of Silver,
Betrayal in Gethsemane, Jesus Before the
High Priest, Trial Before Pilate, The
Lord's Ascension) will be shown at Camp.
All welcome. For Zion, Faith and Toa
Payoh, transport leaves at 7.15 a.m.
Elder Lee Tsu Hwai of Faith Church is
back at ORGH. Please pray for him.

SARIMBUN DAILY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Tues. Mar. 14 to Fri. Mar. 17

9 to 11.30 a.m.

Supervisor: Mrs. Ivy Tow of Life Church.

- * Enjoy singing with our "new" organ
- * Bring your brothers and sisters and friends.

GOSPEL CAR. The old Ford Prefect driven
by the Paaupes is 17 years old. Time for
retirement! Who has a good second hand
car to get rid of - since you're buying
a new one. We have \$1,000 promised by a
Sarimbunite.

Save water!!! Save water!!! Save water!!!

LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

Tues. 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting

Sat. 4 p.m. Y.F. 'Combat', presented by
N.S. Boys.

Sat. 6.30pm. Tan-Ang Wedding.

Lord's Day 10 a.m. Mr. Tom Hamblin

4 p.m. Rev. Tow

6.30p.m. Farewell Dinner to
Paaupes

7.45p.m. Combined Pre-Easter
Service.

Nursery Roster: 19th Mar. Koh Kim Lye,
Lucy Koh; 26th Mar. Amy Lim, Mrs. Annie
Tan.

Wedding Bells. The holy matrimony between
Bro. Tan Eng Huat and Sis. Janice Ang
will be solemnised at Gilstead Road,
Sat. March 18, 6.30 p.m. with buffet
dinner thereafter at the FEBC Hall.

New Address. Deaconess Lew Li Fah, Blk.
27, 525-G Outram Park, 3.

ANGPOWS FOR CHRIST. With \$20 received
from a young Life for Calvary, the total
now is \$3848.50. Who'll give \$151.50 to
make up the target of \$4,000?

FEBC holds end of term dinner on Fri.

Mar. 17. The College reopens on Mon.

April 17, 8.30 a.m. Rev. and Mrs. Burton
Toms are planning to fly Mar. 24 to
Singapore to replace the Paaupes.

RAWANG BUILDING PROJECT STATISTICS

Earth filling \$8,000.00

Piling and Construction 63,000.00

with plumbing

Electrical wiring 2,000.00

Furniture 3,000.00

\$76,000.00

*Payments to date: \$41,000.00

*Cash in hand: \$ 3,000.00

CAPTAIN & MRS. BJORN KRISTIANSEN of the
Logos are now staying at the Bible Sch.
at Lawang, having completed their busi-
ness at Surabaya.

Iron for the Logos: This request has
been doubly answered. The Lord bless
each thoughtful giver.

REV. ROBERT D. KUTZ sends greetings and
offering to FEBC from Bandung, Indonesia.

JURONG B-P CHURCH B.F. That God has raised
our B.F. from \$800 to \$1,400 since we re-
opened in Jan. this year seems to indicate
His mind towards another permanent build-
ing in the sprawling Jurong Town (400,000
by 1980). As we go to print, another
\$100 is received for Jurong, praise the
Lord! Rev. Tow is visiting Jurong Church
this Lord's Day.

PROPOSED TEXT OF CALVARY FOUNDATION STONE:

This stone is laid
for the founding

of

CALVARY BIBLE-PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

to minister to the

Souls of Jurong Town

and beyond the seas

in earnest expectation

of

His glorious appearing.

10th June, 1972.

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Saturday, 18th March 1972.

DOES GOD WANT US TO BUILD A SECOND CHURCH IN JURONG?

What a preposterous question! Isn't there one costing \$300,000 building already in Taman Jurong?

The thought of building a second church for Jurong would not have occurred had not the Lord caused the original building fund of \$800 hibernating for the last decade to sprout up to \$1,500 in a couple of months, since Jurong's reopening on January 9 this year! Surely, the Lord's Hand is in this phenomenal growth! And if this is His indication to build another House of Worship, shall we not pause to consider? To consider the Lord's will if He desires a second church for Jurong does not in the least hinder the progress of Calvary, soon laying her foundation stone on June 10!

To answer the question whether it is the Lord's will to build Jurong B-P Church, we must see if there's a need. If you have never visited the sprawling industrial city, of course, you will have no answer to give. If you have, you will not need my explanation. To those who have not seen Jurong, this is what is happening there. The building of 16 and 20-storey flats that is now taking place around the Calvary site has spread three miles across to the old Jurong Road up to the Boon Lay Road junction (which leads to Chua Chu Kang). Multiple-storeyed skyscrapers are rising "like bamboo shoots after the spring rains" less than a mile from the Chandra house where Sunday School and worship are held. By 1980, Jurong would have a population of 400,000! The growth of Jurong is so relentless that it is proposed in the Straits Times to run a railway service between Queens-town and Jurong to beat the traffic jam already now on at the peak hours. The need to build another church for Jurong, four miles from the Calvary site, insofar as Jurong's present address is concerned, is obvious from the above description.

A second reason why Jurong should be nurtured to mature womanhood (with a permanent home) is the linguistic aspect of the work. Jurong B-P Church has all along been an outreach to a predominantly Indian neighbourhood. In view of the fact that Mrs. Chandra our cheerful hostess is Malay, we have felt the need of paying the gospel debt to her especially. Since Jurong's reopening under Rev. Edward Paauwe's initiative, the sermon has been faithfully interpreted into Malay, thanks to sister Deborah Lukito, an Indonesian student of Far Eastern Bible College. It is a wonderful idea and a tremendous privilege for a church in our B-P movement to have the gospel rendered into Malay. If we keep on at it, we should be gathering a different type of congregation linguistically. Hence the need of a second church.

What of the land? Incidentally, on my way to Sarimbun via Jurong last week, I met Mr. Jonah Chan, a stalwart of the faith who has been in Jurong for as long as we've been there. He has a little church at 15 Lorong Krak, one mile from the Jurong junction on the Chua Chu Kang side. He told me that in his case his church has had too much land! and so relinquished a big "front portion" to Government. This church land is the property of a member of his church. It seems to me that there must be land in this hinter part of the Jurong complex, belonging to other Christians. How wonderful it would be if land is offered by someone to build another House to the Lord. But unless we have the faith to ask, to seek and to knock, how shall the Lord prosper us? Therefore we are making known to the whole Christian public of Jurong B-P Church's quest of faith - to build a second House of Worship in Jurong. Are we building castles in the air despite our purest intentions? If God is in this day-dreaming, sooner or later a house in concrete will appear like Calvary at Taman Jurong and Rawang across the Muar River. Whilst the concrete takes time to materialise, the Jurong B-P Church Building Fund is earning dividends for the Lord by being loaned to Rawang. So any contribution to Jurong now is immediately put to good use, yielding not 4 or 7% per annum but ten times more as it goes to relieve a critical situation. Jurong is helping, literally, to save souls across the Muar River! - T.T.

SARIMBUN DAILY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - Lilian Chua

Sarimbun D.V.B.S. lasted for three days, last week. Some of us went to help, and we were Mong Eng, Ai Lian, Miao Hiang, Catherine, Elizabeth Lee and I.

Rev. Tow's car was our "bus" and we set off at 8.35 a.m. The Journey was long and tiring, but we took a rest at Kranji Holiday Camp where Rev. Tow gave a message to the Faith Church Y.F. and then off to our destination. The road in is rather bumpy and muddy and we reached there at about 11 a.m. The house is so different from our town life.

When we arrived all the children who were earlier being instructed, were waiting to hear God's Word from us. Without delay, Mr. Liew began with a few songs in Mandarin. The thing that fascinated me was that all of them could sing in Mandarin, and so loudly and joyously. They also memorized some Bible verses in Mandarin very quickly. They were then dismissed into classes and Mr. Liew, Catherine and I took a class each.

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SUPPORT MT. CARMEL EXTENSION. Remember our Gospel Outpost in Red Hill area as they plan to build an extension for a Meeting Hall and other rooms to accommodate the expanding work. Support Mt. Carmel with your prayers and offerings.

B-P Choir FELLOWSHIP EVENING. All members of Combined B-P Choir are cordially invited to an evening of fun and fellowship at 64 Andrew Road, 7 p.m. Saturday 25 March. Buffet Dinner will be followed by a "Musical Party." Members are invited to contribute vocal or instrumental items.

THE PRESBYTERY, at its special meeting held last Saturday night, Mar. 11, to consider the question of marriages at our churches, expressed general agreement with a statement recommended by the Presbytery's Commission on the Sacraments, Ordinances and Services of the Church.

However, in order to gather further views on the subject (only two memoranda had been received, one from Elder Joshua Lim of Life Church and the other from Elder Chia Kim Chwee of Zion Church, the Presbytery deferred a decision on the statement and invited more memoranda from groups or individuals within the B-P Church. Such memoranda may be addressed to the Secretary of the Secretary of the Commission, 5 Tavistock Avenue, S'pore 19 within two weeks. The Presbytery will meet again on April 30.

FAITH CHURCH 4th BIBLE CAMP held last week at Kranji Holiday Camp, was not only a spiritual treat - centred on the general theme of spiritual mountain-climbing. The afternoon excursions to Lam Huat Pineapple Factory, Yeo Hiap Seng Factory and Asia Brick Works with its subsidiary industries of orchid planting, poultry farming, aluminium wares and crocodile farm and tannery were very enlightening and educational.

A visit to Sarimbun Gospel Mission widened the campers missionary vision and at the Gospel film night on Tuesday, the campers and visitors from Faith Zion and Toa Payoh offered \$104/- for the needs of the Mission.

The Gospel night on Wednesday turned out to be an evangelistic meeting for the Kranji residents.

It was truly wonderful to tell them Bible stories because they listened with attentive ears and receptive hearts. After half an hour of Bible teaching, we gathered together again and had two new songs taught. We closed with a prayer. The children were then served with biscuits and drinks, and we took this opportunity to get to know them better. They were all very friendly. After lunch we were even brought to see their pigs.

Our return journey took 45 minutes. I was very worn out after the trip, but I can truly say it was worth it because we did it for our Lord, and also I learnt a great deal about country life. The Lord said, "Go ye therefore and teach all nations," and Sarimbun is a place where many souls could still be won for the Lord.

About 100 of them attended and received gospel tracts at the end, with light refreshments.

The Campers are grateful to Faith L.F. for contributing \$110/- for Camp expenditure and to three of them for "mothering" the Campers.

LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

Tues. 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting, Rev. Paauwe.

9.15 p.m. Sarimbun Com. Meeting at Parsonage

Sat. 4 p.m. Y.F.

Lord's Day 10 a.m. Mr. Peter Yuen
 (Rev. Tow at Carmel,
 Rawang and Muar)

4 p.m. Mr. Liew Hon Seng

Nursery Roster: 26th Mar. Amy Lim, Mrs. Annie Tan; 2nd April Mrs. Cheng Soon Lang, Eleanor Chua.

Hear Mr. Tom Hamlin at Life Church this Lord's Day. Mar. 19, 10 a.m.

Baptism of Children at Easter. Please register with the pastor by Mar. 26 (Palm Sunday)!

New Address: Bro. and Mrs. Robert C.H. Chir 1500A, Blk. 158, Lor. 1 Toa Payoh, 12.

The Engagement between Bro. Walter Seah Cheng Hee and Sis. Nancy Chua Kah Tiang will be solemnised at the Chua House, Sat. Mar. 25, 3 p.m., Rev. Tow officiating. Rev. and Mrs. Paauwe, Daniel and David charter to fly back to USA via Holland, Thurs. Mar. 23, 5.25 p.m. We pray for journeying mercies.

ANGPOWS FOR CHRIST. With two more received in the Life Church collection last week and \$131.50 designated by an Elder for Rawang, the sum of \$4,000/- has been reached. Praise the Lord.

RAWANG B.F. Sembawang Sunbeam \$100; Tekong-ite \$10; FEBC friend \$5. Total this week \$115.

Galilee News. Tues. S.S. Staff Meeting 7.30 p.m. at Dns. Mrs. Lee Chon Peng's place. Wed. Bible Study. P. Mtg. i/c Kam Seng. Sun. Holy Communion.

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE, by special permission from PUB will be held at McRitchie Reservoir Apr. 2, 6.30a.m. All B-P/SMCCC groups and friends are welcome. Speaker: Mr. Tom Hamlin with Chinese interpretation.

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THANKSGIVING AND "AUF WIEDERSEHN"

Our hearts are overflowing with thanksgiving to God for the two wonderful years we have spent in Singapore, particularly with the F.E.B.C. and the B-P Churches.

We were deeply touched by the Farewell Dinner on March 19th and the generous offering given towards our travelling expenses back to the United States. We would like to thank the anonymous donor and all who have made this possible. The many send-offs and presents which so many of our brothers and sisters in Christ have given us are truly appreciated. We say a big and heartfelt "thank you" to one and all.

It is a privilege for us to have been able to work with all of you here. We are grateful to the Lord for sending us here to serve Him. We praise Him for the souls saved and the Christians who have grown in the faith. As we look back over the two years we can say that we have come to love the friends at FEBC and the B-P Churches. We would like to thank especially Rev. Timothy Tow and Rev. Quek Kiok Chiang for all that they have done to help us during these two years. This is our first term as missionaries under the Independent Board for Presbyterian Foreign Missions and we are thankful for their kind encouragement.

As we look forward to returning to the U.S.A. for a year of furlough, we would request your prayers for our family, that the Lord would bless and guide and use us there for His glory. We say "farewell" to all of you and we also say "auf wiedersehen" which means "see you again." We look forward to returning to Singapore again to serve the Lord, according to His will. -Edward & Leah Paauwe.

CALL TO WORSHIP DURING HOLY WEEK!

If one third of the Synoptic Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke) and one half of John's Gospel are taken up with events of the Holy Week, i.e. the last week of our Lord's life on earth, should we not devote more time than we would for Him? "What, could ye not watch with me one hour?" sighed our Lord as He found the Three Disciples in slumber. As we perhaps secretly think of staying away from the Easter services to indulge in things of the flesh, may we be awakened from our stupid stupor by the Lord's gentle chide.

The Holy Week begins with Palm Sunday (this Lord's Day) when Jesus entered Jerusalem triumphant upon an ass. (Read the F.E. Beacon to follow each day's events through). On Friday, which we call Good Friday, Jesus was crucified for our sins and was buried before sunset in the Garden Tomb. On Easter Sunday early morning, "when it was yet dark" (Jn. 20:1) Christ rose from the dead, conquering sin, death and hell for us, once and for all.

Hallelujah! By His death in our stead He paid the penalty for our sins. By His resurrection from the dead He obtains the forgiveness of our sins and justifies us before God. Hallelujah, He has worked out to the fullest God's salvation plan which no human mortal is least able. He offers to us the gift of everlasting life freely because He lives, but it is only the humble and broken-hearted who becomes accepted of Him. Troubled soul, come to Him this Easter season!

If we receive Him, we must also proclaim Him. As Paul has said, "If thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead, thou shalt be saved" (Rom 10:9). Many will be baptised this Easter in a public confession of His saving power. (Over 30 at Life Church and 9 at Toa Payoh English Service). Why are you not confessing Him in Baptism yet? "... if we deny Him, He also will deny us" (II Tim. 2:12).

Attending Good Friday Service (some are held on Thursday), Easter Sunrise Service at MacRitchie Reservoir and Easter Worship in Church with earnest devotion cannot but receive peace from the crucified and risen Saviour.

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EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE
MacRitchie Reservoir
Easter Day, April 2, at 6.30 a.m.
Let us all meet the risen Saviour
"early in the garden"
Breakfast after Service:
Life/Galilee Churches, Gilstead Road
Zion/Faith Churches, Tavistock Avenue.

For Easter Sunrise Service, transport leaves Zion and Faith at 6.00 a.m. sharp.
Car owners with spare seats please help.

B-P COMBINED PRE-EASTER SERVICE at Life Church was attended by a full house overflowing to the balcony. An offering of \$601.45 was received for the Extension of Mt. Carmel Gospel Mission. Special gift from a Lifer: \$50.

ICY newly-elected committee: Pres. John Lim, V-P David Wong, Sec. Tan Wai Choon, Treas. Tony Ting, Bobby Phee, Philip Cheng, Jennifer Hui.

LIFE CHURCH EASTER SERVICES

Tues. 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting. Dr. Patrick Tan.

Fri. 8 p.m. Good Friday Service (Rev. Tow)
Good Friday Service (Mandarin Teochew, Mr. Liew)

9 p.m. Combined Holy Communion

Lord's Day 6.30 p.m. Easter Sunrise Service at MacRitchie Reservoir (Mr. Tom Hamlin, speaker)

8 a.m. "Breakfast under the Royal Palms."

10 a.m. Easter Baptismal Service

4 p.m. Mand-Teochew Service (Mr. Liew)

Elder Lim Khng Seng, kindly get the "food offerings" for Easter Breakfast.

Nursery Roster: 2nd April Mrs. Cheng Soon Lang, Eleanor Chua; 9th April Goh Lin Seng, Low Sock Khim.

Rev. Tow will preach at the Remembrance Service, Tampoi Church, Johore, Thursday, 30, 7.30 p.m. Any coming?

FEBC Hostel is booked by Mt. Hebron for a youth camp, Mar. 28 to 31 (Dr. Philip Lee). TO LET. 22 Jalan Waspada, 3rd mile Johore Bahru, overlooking Johore Straits, fully furnished, Tel: JB 2777. Dr. and Mrs. Tow Siang Yeow and family leave Mar. 31 for higher appointment in K.L.

Life Church Mandarin-Teochew Service request Miss Lena Seow to play the piano this Lord's Day and next.

FEBC and Life Church acknowledge with thanks gift of a "Lightfoot Refrigeration" water cooler from a British friend.

PRAY FOR MR. CHARLIE TAN who is scheduled to speak at SU camps at Kuching, Sarawak, early April.

Dr. and Mrs. Quek Swee Hwa and baby returned safely from Canada, Mar. 23, half-hour after the Paaues left.

Rev. and Mrs. Burton Toms are scheduled to leave U.S. on Mar. 31, arriving Singapore Apr. 4 or 5.

SARIMBUN. Special gift from a Lifer: \$50. The roof of the Mission house is overlaid with leak proof material which also makes the premises cooler. Do you have surplus swing, ping-pong table, badminton rackets, shuttles, net, cushion covers, pulpit or lectern? Why clutter up your house with unused articles (which become junk)? Our mission outpost humbly accepts them. S.S. attendance: 25.

RAWANG B.F. FEBC friend \$5; Holy Land friend U.S. \$10; Lifer \$600. We are in urgent need of \$25,000!!! Can you help us with a loan?

GOSPEL CAR. We have two sums of \$1,000 promised. What can you do to help?

SAVE WATER!!! SAVE WATER!!! SAVE WATER!!!

JURONG B-P CHURCH Building Fund. Why not "kill two birds" by channelling your gift here? It is loaned to Rawang while we wait for the land!
HOSPITALITY FRIDGE: With PUB electricity coming, we can install a refrigerator for use by the Liews as well as to provide S.S. children and visitors with a cool drink. Who has a surplus one to give to the Lord?

SONGS & VERSES from the HOLY LAND by Rev. Tow. Only \$1 per copy. Makes a good gift to a Christian friend.

FAITH CHURCH with Toa Payoh Chinese Christian Church, holds Holy Communion Service on Good Friday, 8 p.m. at Tavistock Avenue.

TOA PAYOH ENGLISH SERVICE has nine candidates for baptism this Lord's day. Rev. Quek Kiok Chiang officiating. Holy Communion follows.

Services at the Church: S.S. 9.15 a.m. Worship Service 10:30 a.m. Bible Study and Prayer Meeting: Tuesday, 8 p.m. Y.F. Saturday 4 p.m.

Next committee meeting, Wed., April 5.

GALILEE APPOINTMENTS

Wed. 7-9 p.m. Missionary Prayer Meeting at Rev. Heng's residence.

Fri. 4.30 p.m. Good Friday Service and Holy Communion.

Sat. 4.00 p.m. GCYF at Sambau Gospel Mission.

Sun. 6.30 a.m. Easter Sunrise Service at MacRitchie Reservoir.

4.30 p.m. Easter Sunday Service
FAR EASTERN BEACON and MALAYSIA CHRISTIAN
Easter issues available today.

ZION CHURCH EASTER SERVICES.

Fri. 10 a.m. Good Friday Holy Communion Service.

Sun. 8.45 a.m. Easter Baptism and Re-affirmation of Faith Service. The Choir will render excerpts from "Stainer's Crucifixion".

REV. & MRS. PAAUWE'S U.S. ADDRESS:

1704 Maydale Drive
Silver Spring, Maryland
U.S.A. 20904

IN CONSTANT REMEMBRANCE

Now, Lord, we worship before Thy face
In holy communion,
We humbly bow to Thy Word of grace
In constant remembrance.

Chorus:
Lord, thrice Thou prayed in Gethsemane,
Bearing our load of sin.
O the sweat-drops bleeding from Thee
Shall in oblivion sink?

Now, Lord, by Thy broken Self we're fed
In thankful communion.
We trembling drink of the blood You shed
In constant remembrance.

When I re-ponder Thy cruel cross
On Calvary's mountain,
I'll look again to the Lamb of God
In constant remembrance.

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HOW AN INDONESIAN GIRL FOUND CHRIST IN SINGAPORE

By Linda Pramanawati

(Given at Life Church Easter Baptismal Service)

Today is one of the happiest days of mine. Today onwards, I have become an adopted child of God.

When I was a little girl in Indonesia, I knew Him in mind but not in heart. I was not sure of my faith, and I would not dare to be baptized. As a result, I went through a miserable life when I came to Singapore a year ago. I was lonely and pessimistic. Then the "Logos" came here last August. When I was asked, "Have you been born again?" it was hard for me to understand such a question with its deep meaning. Through the "Logos" I came to know the pastor of this church. He led me to come to Christ vividly. Also through my desire in seeking Him in prayer I have come to know Him better.

Jesus has given me salvation, and a resolute heart to follow Him. I decided to join the Far Eastern Bible College in January this year. Now, Christ lives not only in my mind but also in my heart. Since receiving Christ as my Saviour His blessings have overflowed from me to my family. My father who had objected to my studying at the Bible College now has encouraged me to study here. This change of heart comes after he got a contract job, and that happened soon after I accepted Christ. Before this he was jobless for quite some time. Christ has not only not only redeemed me but blessed me and my father. I have come to experience that our God is able to do wonderful things.

OTHER EASTER TESTIMONIES

(1) Low Koon Hoong.

My date of rebirth is the 4th Dec., '71. That was the last day of the Bible Camp organised by the Y.F. of Gilstead Life Church. It was really the Bible Camp that brought me to the Lord. Before that I had always desired the presence of God though I did attend the Christian Fellowship of my College at the invitation of friends. I attended just to oblige them and that was the worst part of it all. I felt like a hypocrite at the meetings.

Throughout the year of 1971, I was very achievement conscious and I devoted most of my time in preparation for my H.S.C. This brought on depressions from time to time, and I was seldom happy.

After my final exams, I was invited to the Camp at Sentosa and I went, thinking of enjoying myself and relaxing my mind. Little did I realise that I would be brought to the Lord in the Camp. The first thing that I learnt was that I was a sinner. I had realised that for quite a while, but I have always thought that there was nothing wrong with it, for we live in a world of sin. I was never upset over that fact, but in that Camp, I learnt of what God had done for us sinners. How undeservingly, salvation was offered to us when Christ was nailed on the cross, and how Christ suffered for our sins. I then accepted Christ as my Personal Saviour and I prayed for the forgiveness of my sins. How thankful I was at the moment that the good Lord had led me to the Bible Camp, that I got to know Him through singing praises of him and through His words that were brought forth to me in messages by Dr. Patrick Tan, Rev. Paauwe, Elder Joshua Lim, through discussions with Brothers Robert Lim, Tan Wai Choon and through community prayers with the Christian brothers and sisters at the camp.

On the 4th Dec. '71, during testimony time, I could not gather enough courage to go out and give my testimony at first, but then the Holy Spirit moved me and I went out. I was so ashamed of my past and so guilty of my past doings that when I confessed my sins and acknowledged Christ as my Saviour before the camp, I wept. After that I felt peaceful and secure, no more fearful of the future.

But such a situation was not to last. I was drafted into the army and my urge to study was frustrated and so were my social needs. Worst of all army life took away so much of my time that I did not lead a normal Christian life. My Christian life only got as far as my salvation and it stopped there. But the Lord's presence was always felt in the form of answered prayers. I trusted in Him but there were times when this trust was weak. I realise now that this was because I was not strong in my faith and I had grown weaker in my faith because I had not been taking food regularly. On the weekends which I had, there were temptations; the need to see my old friends, the need to do things which would make me forget about the army. These things take away all my time. I have thought all these things over and I have prayed for wisdom in solving my problems, and I will do something about organising my life and my time; But whatever is happening, I still believe and trust in the Lord.

CALVARY COMMITTEE MEETING is postponed to 21st April 1972.

COMBINED B-P CHOIR. At a "get-together" dinner at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Tow Siang Hwa, last Saturday, the following were elected to hold office in the choir.

Hon. Sec.: Koh Kim Hiang

Hon. Treasurer: Lieu Kok Kwong

Sopranos

Leader: Cecilia Lim

Ass. : Mrs. Ang Beng Chong

Altos

Leader: Selene Kok

Ass. : Cerintha Chia

Tenors

Leader: Dr. Quek Swee Hwa

Basses

Leader: Dr. Tow Siang Hwa

Ass. : Koh Kim Hiang

It was also decided that collection of membership fees would be introduced.

The subscription rate is as follows:

(i) Earners (earning more than \$500/month) - \$10/= per year.

(ii) Earners (earning less than \$500/month) - \$5/= per year.

(iii) Non-earners - \$2/=

The time for regular practices is Sunday, 7.45 p.m. and the place is Life Church.

In preparation for the August Public Concert, the Choir will practice fortnightly in the initial stage and weekly when the time of the concert draws near.

B-P Choir members, PLEASE BE REMINDED:

Next practice is on Sunday, 9th April, 7.45 p.m. at Life Church.

EASTER BAPTISMS AT LIFE CHURCH.

1. NG KIAN MIN, Poly. student, 333H Syed Alivi Rd., Blk. 3. 8.
2. LEE CHIN SENG, Poly. student, 16 Blk. 2, Morse Rd., 4.
3. CHANG WENG FATT, Poly student, 55A Jalan Satu, Blk. 75, 14
4. LIM YEW GUAN, Poly. Student, 18, Craig Rd., 2.
5. JAMES CHEONG, student, 1, Dunkirk Ave., 11
6. LOW CHENG CHYE, student, 248B Orchard Rd., 9
7. CHONG SING CHONG, Student, 334, North Bridge Rd., 7.
8. LEONG PENG KAI, Student, 446 North Bridge Rd., 7.
9. LIM SIRIWAN, Housewife, 109 Kampong Java Rd., 9.
10. LINNA YEO, Nurse, Rm. 28 Nurses' Quarters, K.K. Hospital.
11. ROSIE LEONG, Student, 22-2 Selegie House, 7.
12. CATHERINE ONG, Student, 169B MacPherson Rd., 13.
13. MAK PECK WAN, Student, 338B Balestier Rd., 12.
14. CHAN MUI LIAN, Housemaid, 11B Queen Astrid Park
15. CHIN FOONG YIN, Student, 249B Blk. 43, Lor. 5, Toa Payoh. 12.
16. SNG MEOW HIANG, Student, 12B Norfolk Estate. 8
17. CHENG TAI PING, Student, 332A Lor. 1 Toa Payoh. 12.

OTHER EASTER TESTIMONIES

2. Peter Leong Kwek Fee.

I have found that my spiritual life grows very much stronger after having attended the Catechism Class. The lectures in the catechism class help me a lot. Even though the Lord Jesus Christ died on the Cross many thousand years ago for my sins, He still lives! We are saved by his precious blood and by believing on His name.

I was supposed to be baptized two years ago. At that time I attended the catechism class without giving a serious thought. The Lord had shown me that it was wrong to take up baptism without being serious altogether. In the end I had to withdraw from the baptism. For the last two years the Lord has spoken to me. Now I can feel that the Lord has strengthened me and prepared me for this coming baptism.

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18. LINDA PRAMANAWATI, FEBC Student, 9 Gilstead Rd., 11.
 19. YEW WEI LEE, Architectural Assistant, 17C Moh Guan Terrace, 3.
 20. PETER LEONG KWEK FEE, Student, 193 Bukit Timah Rd., 9.
 21. HO GIM TIN, Asst. Lands Officer, 79A Prinsep Street.
 22. LOW KOON HOONG, Nat. Serviceman, 24A Dakota Crescent. 14.
 23. HEAH ENG PHONG, Student, 35A Ganges Ave., 3.
 24. HWANG MEEI YUN, Student, 588E Balestier Road, 12.
 25. LEONG CHEE MING, Student, 40F Jalan Dua, Blk. 97, 14.
 26. LIM CHWEE ENG, Student, 19B Blk. 9, Everton Park. 2.
 27. PHILIP TANG KOON HUAT, Student, 8B Jervois Close, 10.
 28. ONG CHOO HOON, Student, 2 Belivos Road, 8.
 29. WEE HIAN KOK, Engineer, 525 Dunman Road. 15.

RE-AFFIRMATION

1. PETER QUEK, Student, 9 Goldhill Rise, 11.
2. BENNY CHNG SECK KHERNG, Teacher, 7 Norfolk Estate. 8.

INFANTS

1. IVY HWANG MUN HUNG
d/o Bro. & Mrs. Hwang Hock Lim
2. EUGENIA HENG GUEK MEI
d/o Bro. & Mrs. Robert Heng Oh Ngak
3. RACHEL PHANG LI KUEN
d/o Bro. & Mrs. Phang Chin Yen
4. RACHEL CHIA LIAN CHENG
d/o Bro. & Mrs. Robert Chia Chung Hwa
5. PAMELA TAN KENG CHOO
d/o Bro. & Mrs. Tan Eng Chuan
6. EDDIE BIN DAVID AMIR
s/o Bro. & Mrs. David Amir bin Jelani
(to be baptised at Mandarin-Teochew Service).

WEDDING BELLS. The Holy Matrimony bet.

1) Dr. Anthony Thio and Dr. Tan Keng Gii will be solemnised at Life Church, Sat. Apr. 8, 3.30 p.m. 2) Bro. Eddie Ng and Sis. Jessie Cher at 6 p.m.

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RAWANG: VENUE FOR JUNE ICY CAMP.

By Dr. Patrick Tan

The much talked about church in Rawang, 133 miles north of Singapore, is fast taking shape as planned. The church auditorium, and the parsonage and the kindergarten block, with electricity and water, are expected to be ready for the ICY Camp scheduled from June 19 to 24. This physical structure is a testimony of God's faithfulness to His people in Rawang. What of the lively stones upon which this church is built?

When I accompanied Rev. Tow to Rawang two weeks ago I met them; elderly Christians who **first** settled in Rawang and young people, grandchildren of the first Christian settlers, about 50 of them, gathered together for worship. We were told that there are more of them scattered around. Our vision is to look for them and bring them to church. Hence the theme for the ICY Camp is "Reformation and Revival". "The entrance of thy word giveth light" is the wisdom of the Psalmist. For Rawang to experience revival they need the old time religion.

Besides the spiritual treat, God willing, Rev. Burton Toms will be the camp speaker, there will be a whole day picnic and swim at the water-falls, Mt. Ophir, known strangely as the "ayer panas". The number of campers is limited to 60, and places will be given on a "first come first served" basis. Application forms will be distributed shortly to the various chapters.

REVIVAL IS COMING TO RAWANG!

By Rev. T. Tow.

Rawang is taking shape more beautifully each day as the building progresses. "Classic beauty" is the unanimous verdict of one and all who visit the new church. Even the Malays who live near the Church reverently pay their respects at the House of God. The architect paid a visit at Easter accompanied by her mother, Elder Lim Siew Guat. They were satisfied with the work completed up to this stage.

The building of the Rawang Church has been used of God as a means of reviving the Rawangites. This has been evidenced by an increasing volume of gifts brought in of late. Rawangites are responding from near and far from those now settled in Singapore, Muar, and Malacca. \$3,000 was gathered during last week. Rawang Building Fund now stands at \$55,000. Their needs are reduced to just \$20,000! The giving of our Readers has been an inspiration to the Rawangites themselves!

The building of Rawang Church has been used of God to bring non-Christians to Church and Sunday School. The girl living opposite who saw a vision of six angels some years ago is now 14 years old. Her grandfather has an idol in his house and forbade her before to come to Church. Now he gladly gives her permission not only to come to Sunday School but also to Service. The new church has also drawn the labourers on the work site to come under the Gospel sound on the Lord's Day. Half a dozen of them, in spotless attire, joined in the singing of the hymns!

There is an air of expectancy as the building is shaping up for the holding of the ICY Camp, June 19-24. The young people of Rawang especially are making preparations to welcome their Singaporean brethren and sisters. Pray for Rawang's coming Camp and Revival Campaign. Look forward to the Day of Dedication of the new buildings! May many lost souls and backsliding sheep be brought back into the fold!

FROM THE MATERIAL TO THE SPIRITUAL

175 Pasir Panjang Road was the home of the Contentos for nine years until May, 1960 when they left for Saigon to take up a new appointment from the Lord. This seaside house in the beautiful setting of casuarinas and coconut palms was transferred to the tenancy of a quickly constituted Galilee Bible-Presbyterian Church and inaugurated on June 5, 1960. Galilee Church has since used this house to spread the Gospel until Chinese New Year's Eve (Feb. 14, 1972) when the congregation vacated the premises on Government orders.

When Mrs. Contento returned to Singapore on a second visit since 1960 I drove her to Pasir Panjang to see if her old house was still standing. Alas, all was gone, including the casuarinas and palms she loved. But what matters? The material, the visible, is temporal, existing for a little while. That which lasts is the invisible, the eternal, the spiritual. Although the house of the Contentos is gone forever, there is a better house built not by human hands, the hundred-strong congregation of Galilee Church that continues to worship at Gilstead Road. The material given during all these years, the gifts for missionary outreach, for renting churches premises, are given not in vain. Therefore, cease not to serve the Lord with our material. We reap a hundred fold from it in the spiritual, in the souls saved and built up into the Kingdom. - T.T.

CALVARY COMMITTEE MEETING is postponed to 21st April 1972.

B-P CHOIR MEMBERS, PLEASE BE REMINDED:

Next practice is on Sunday, 9th April, 7.45 p.m. at Life Church.

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE OFFERING: \$525.50 plus an envelope of \$50 marked for Calvary and Rawang Btg. Fund. The bulk of the offering goes to Bible-Presbyterian Missions.

MRS. PAUL CONTENTO is back from Saigon for a second visit since she and Rev. Contento left Singapore in May, 1960. She is the Lord's messenger at the Life Church pulpit this Lord's Day. In order to extend her a warm welcome and to afford an opportunity for old friends to meet her, a "tim sam" luncheon is proposed at the Peacock Room, Ming Court Hotel this Lord's Day Apr. 9, 12.30 p.m. sharp, at \$3.50 per person and \$2/- for children under 12. Just be there on time, no registration.

GOOD NEWS to Zionites visiting Sembawangites and vice versa. Do you know that Cheng San Road, leading to Sembawang Hills Drive, is all but metalled? This saves you 60 to 70 per cent driving via Yio Chu Kang Road!

RAWANG B.F. Lifers: \$75; \$120; \$20; Sarimbunite \$20; Zionite \$5; Galilean \$10.25; Life Church Man.-Teochew Service \$124. Total \$374.25.

SARIMBUNNEWS. A young people's gospel meeting was inaugurated last Saturday night at the home of a Christian couple with nine children, Mr. and Mrs. Tang, half-mile from the Mission. About 35 attended. Messages were given by Rev. Tow and Mr. Liew on "the True God." Rec. from a Galilean \$20; from an elder a used refrigerator (in response to our appeal).

FEBC reopens April 17, 8.30 a.m. Rev. and Mrs. Burton Toms are scheduled to arrive Apr. 12, 2235 hours, via London.

CORRIGENDUM. The name of Bro. and Mrs. Amir David's son is Ally and not Eddie, who was baptised last week at Life Church Mandarin-Teochew Service.

POKOK ASSAM is calling again! Would Bro. Goh Seng Fong respond as you are specially mentioned?

OUR RECOMMENDATION: 1) James Lim, 692063, for Piano tuning. 2) Yeong Kwon, 72727, for fridge repairs. 3) Goh, 22390, for electricity and plumbing.

GALILEE APPOINTMENTS

Wed. 7.00 p.m. Bible Study (2 Sessions)
8.00 p.m. Prayer Mtg. i/c Pastor
Fri. 8.00 p.m. Family Worship At Dr. Su's place. 30, Faber Ave.
Sat. 4.00 p.m. GCYF at Sambau Gospel Mission
Sun. 3.00 p.m. Sunday School
4.30 p.m. Worship Service

Galilee's Easter Offerings of \$323.95 is given to Calvary B.F.

ZION CHURCH EASTER OFFERINGS are given to Missions, \$463.80 to Rawang and \$231.90 to Calvary B.F.

LIFE CHURCH EASTER OFFERINGS: \$900 each is apportioned to Calvary and Rawang B.F.

LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS (Apr. 10-16)
Tues. 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting. Dr. Koh

Kim Hiang.

Sat. 4 p.m. Y.F.

Lord's Day 10 a.m. Rev. Tow

4 p.m. Rev. Tow

(This Lord's Day the pastor is at Faith Church and Kelapa Sawit.)

Dr. and Mrs. Anthony Thio are now settled at 12 Chepstowe Close, 19 (Serangoon Gardens).

House Blessing of the Seows Lifers Mandarin-Lifers and Sembawang Sunbeams gathered to overflowing at a House Blessing of the Seows at 7 Lily Ave., off 6th Ave., last Friday night with the pastor bringing the Word from Rom. 12:15a, "Rejoicing with them that do rejoice". Ring 669708 for the Seows.
Life Church General Elections. Although the General Elections are due in April this month, Session has decided to ask for a six-month extension from the Congregation in view of certain session members leaving to serve in Galilee, Calvary, etc. This postponement will save the Church another By-election which otherwise would be required. The Congregation is notified to meet for 5 minutes after service on Apr. 30.

PRESBYTERY NEWS

In the 1971 Annual Return submitted to the Registrar of Societies, membership statistics are given as follows:

	Male	Female	Total
Life	271	248	519
Zion	117	119	236
Faith	57	90	147
Galilee	65	47	112
	<u>510</u>	<u>504</u>	<u>1,014</u>

For the 1972 Annual Return, to be submitted following the Annual Conference in August, statistics of other congregations in the B-P Church are required to be submitted.

2. The Presbytery Commission on Sacraments, Ordinances and Services of the Church will meet on Tuesday April 25, 8 p.m. at Life Church/FEBC Library. Further memoranda on the question of marriages should reach the Secretary before that date.

3. Toa Payoh B-P Church English Service contributes \$120 per year to B.P.M., as from this month, (and \$60 to SMCCC too).

FEBC BOARD OF DIRECTORS meeting on Monday, April 17, 8 p.m. at the Library Room, preceded by Welcome Dinner to Rev. and Mrs. Burton Toms at 6.30 p.m.
SMCCC AGM at Zion and Faith Churches 5 Tavistock Avenue, Serangoon Gardens, on Saturday, April 29, 1972 at 2 p.m.

*Nursery Roster: 16th April Constance Wong, Jenny Wee; 23rd April Low Sock Eng, Elizabeth Lee.

ALL SCRIPTURE IS GIVEN BY INSPIRATION OF GOD, AND IS PROFITABLE FOR DOCTRINE FOR REPROOF, FOR CORRECTION, FOR INSTRUCTION IN RIGHTEOUSNESS: 2 Tim. 3:16.

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THE MINISTRY OF SURPLUS GOODS.

Apart from the duty of bringing the best of our offerings to the Lord, even "all the tithes into the storehouse" (Mal. 3:10), there is clearly taught in Scripture what we would call "a ministry of surplus goods." This is based on St. Paul's injunction to the Corinthians: "But by an equality, that now at this time your abundance may be a supply for their want, that their abundance also may be a supply for your want." By helping the poorer Christians in Jerusalem with their surplus resources, the Corinthians would be fulfilling the law of equality in "Christian economics," for should they, the Corinthians, be in want, the Jerusalem Church would in turn come to their aid. Such an "equality" was practised by the early church as Acts 2:44, 45 tell us, "And all that believed were together, and had all things common; and sold their possessions and goods, and parted them to all men, as every man had need."

Now, it is true that such communal living and sharing is not practised today inasmuch as it was soon found impracticable, even by the early church. Nevertheless the sharing of our wealth with our poorer brethren out of Christian love is a Biblical principle reiterated by St. Paul.

In ministering to our poorer brethren, the most practical and beneficial means is with our dollar bills! This we have done through the years. It is a universal practice. However, there is a source of beneficence little tapped, and that is the giving of our surplus goods. Just look around your house and count the clutter of household articles, used or unused, accumulated through the years.

Let us make an inventory beginning from things stored up from the day of our marriage. After long years, there are still parcels of wedding gifts all wrapped up! Here's a crockery set. There's an electric iron. Here's a bedroom carpet. There's a box of towels, even bedsheet and pillow cases. Once baby arrives, there is maintained a constant shopping list. As it grows, so the little mountain of baby wear, from cradle to blanket, singlets and shoes, shed by fast-growing junior. And so the surplus goods accumulate so that the lumber room is filled to overflowing — baby's bed, tricycle, toys, teddy bears, rocking horse, stacks of picture books, etc., etc.

Now, in the Lord's family, there are the less well-to-do. To them many of these surplus goods could be channelled to better use. Though this is the first time that our views on the better use of surplus goods are aired, we have been causing this principle to be practised ever since the founding of our church. The Lord's servants, especially, should be humble to receive whatever the Lord sends them, new or old. So, for the running of the Lord's house, e.g., the Bible College, we have from the beginning been receiving surplus furniture, refrigerators, beds, linen, kitchen utensils, etc., from the Lord's people. Recently the College was pleased to get a water cooler and Sarimbun a big refrigerator (in good working order). Your surplus goods have supplied the needs of those who serve the Lord, and suddenly appreciated tenfold in value!

Will our Readers henceforth join us in the ministry of surplus goods? Under the heading of Ministry of Surplus Goods in this Weekly we shall make known the needs and channel your surplus accordingly. O the good that our buried talents can do for the Lord and for the advancement of His Kingdom!

Let us begin this week by announcing the appalling needs of some Sarimbun folk. There are the old and decrepit ones, the slow-to-make-good ones. Many of these are resettled from Jurong, and not a few from Tiong Bahru and other suburban areas when their little plots of ground were taken back by Government. These have not made headway in farming, and as a result are eking out a meagre existence. Two families visited by the Liews, with half-a-dozen children each, have practically no clothing for their children. We would be pleased to channel your surplus clothing for these children, aged two to 15, for immediate relief. (By the way, do you have a surplus washing machine for our missionary apartment? And how about a Gospel Car, not 17 years old like the old Ford that limps along every now and then!) T.T.

"EVERY MAN according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work: (As it is written, He hath dispersed abroad; he hath given to the poor: his righteousness remaineth for ever.For the administration of this service not only supplieth the want of the saints, but is abundant also by many thanksgivings unto God;" II Cor. 9:7-9,12.

CALVARY COMMITTEE MEETING is postponed to 21st April 1972.

LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

Tues. 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting. Rev. Tow

Thurs. 7.30 p.m. FEBC Evening Class
Mr. George Gaspar.

Fri. 8 p.m. Calvary Com. Meeting.

Sat. 4 p.m. Y.F. Speaker: Dn. William Seah

Lord's Day 10 a.m. Rev. Tow (thereafter Rawang and Muar)

4 p.m. Mr. Liew (Mand.-Teo. Service)

Nursery Roster: 23rd April Low Sock Eng, Elizabeth Lee; 30th April Gladys Sng, Maggie Tan.

Life Church Gen. Elections. Notice is given of a 5 minute Congregational Meeting to be called April 30 to extend the present term of office-bearers by six months in view of certain session members leaving soon to serve in Galilee, Calvary, etc. The postponement will save the Church another By-Election.

Family Worship at the Tsaos', 20J Kim Yam Road, (Tel. 378930) was attended by a full house from both the English and Chinese congregations. Rev. Burton Toms spoke from Eph. 3:8, "Unto me, who am less than the least of all saints, is this grace given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ." Guests at the FEBC Hostel last week were Captain and Mrs. Bjorn Christiansen who arrived from Indonesia. They flew on Apr. 11 direct to Calcutta to bring the Logos back to Singapore, May 20.

REV. & MRS BURTON TOMS, of the Independent Board for Presbyterian Foreign Missions arrived safely on April 12 to replace the Paauwes. Apart from teaching Systematic Theology Rev. Toms lectures on Ephesians on Monday evenings. All welcome to the evening classes.

F.E.B.C. reopens on Mon. Apr. 17, 8 a.m. The College will spend a day of prayer by the Pasir Panjang seaside. The same evening at 6.30 p.m. the Toms will be given a reception by the Board, Faculty and Students at a dinner at the College Hall. The Board meets at the Library at 8 p.m.

The evening classes on Mondays and Thursdays will be respectively taught by Rev. Toms (Ephesians) and Mr. George Gaspar (A Christian Ed. course on "Methods and Materials for Adults." All welcome.

SMCCC AGM is to meet at Serangoon Gardens, 5 Tavistock Ave., Sat. Apr. 29, 2 p.m. Delegates from our constituent churches, be prepared!

RAWANG B.F. Friend of Life Church \$20.

CALVARY B.F. From a newly-wed Lifer: \$400.

LING KWANG MISSION has during the past week received another \$150/- in one birthday offering from a Faith Church friend for the proposed old People's Home and Orphanage Fund.

'Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ;'

Eph. 5:20

BIBLE-PRESBYTERIAN MAGAZINE

Groups that have not sent in their contributions as requested earlier in the B-P Weekly to help cover the full cost of printing, kindly do so as early as possible. - Q.K.C.

FAITH CHURCH LADIES FELLOWSHIP, at monthly meeting last Lord's Day, heard report by Endau Community Church missionary and decided to assist in the financial needs for the establishment of a branch work at Kampong Hubong, 4 miles before reaching Endau. A second hand car would be an advantage.

MINISTRY OF SURPLUS GOODS. Please deposit your surplus clothing for Sarimbun Christian Relief at the Life Church parsonage. (Of 30 families visited, three are very poor who would gladly receive your help) ICY CAMP AT RAWANG, June 19-24, promises a rewarding time of spiritual feeding and service. Speaker: Rev. Burton Toms. Number of campers limited to 60. Register early!

REV. BURTON TOMS will be the Lord's messenger at Zion and Toa Payoh Churches next Lord's Day.

KELAPA SAWIT. The monthly English Bible Class held by Galileans at the Kulai Oil Palm Estate draws an attendance of 100. Several from this Bible Class comes to the Church service which requires the visiting pastors to preach in English! FEBC LIBRARY. Give your unread theological and religious books to our Library! Why let worms eat them up?

GALILEE APPOINTMENTS

Wed. 7.00 p.m. Bible Study (2 Sessions)

8.00 p.m. Prayer Meeting i/c John Lim

Sat. 4.00 p.m. GCYF

Sun. 3.00 p.m. Sunday School

4.30 p.m. Worship Service

Sambau Gospel Mission provides tuition on

Mon. and Fri. 7.15 p.m. - Pri. 6

Tues. " Thurs. 7.15 p.m. - Kdgn. to Sec. 4

Sun. 9.30 a.m. Sunday School.

Anticipation of Answered Prayer

1. Though I am poor and sorrowful,
Hear Thou, O God, my cry;
Let Thy salvation come to me
And lift me up on high.
2. Then will I praise my God with song,
To Him my thanks shall rise,
And this shall please Jehovah more
Than offered sacrifice.
3. The meek shall see it and rejoice,
Ye saints, no more be sad;
For lo, Jehovah hears the poor
And makes His prisoners glad.
4. Let heav'n and earth and seas rejoice,
Let all there-in give praise,
For Zion God will surely save,
Her broken walls will raise.
4. In Zion they that love His name
Shall dwell from age to age;
Yea, there shall be their lasting rest,
Their children's heritage.

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MINISTRY OF SURPLUS GOODS - CHRISTIAN CO-PROSPERITY REDISCOVERED!

Our article last week on "The Ministry of Surplus Goods", praise God, is readily received, yea, it has been greeted with a spontaneous, cheerful response from all sides. Some hours after the morning worship, a pile of good quality surplus window curtains was sent to the Bible College. On Tuesday night before Prayer Meeting a sister from another Church who comes for fellowship regularly brought more than what Sarimbun asked - to clothe three poor families. On Thursday night a 1964-65 Renault Saloon in excellent running condition was offered - in answer to our prayer. On top of that a bedroom set was also promised in order that one of the guest rooms at FEBC might be better furnished. "The ministry of surplus goods" is "Christian Co-prosperity Rediscovered"! This rediscovered ministry (so much practised in the early church) has worked with the dramatic effect of a miracle whereby we see the bare windows of God's school properly draped and adorned, the bare backs of sun-burned farmers' children clothed, the transportation problem of our missionary friends and partly of the College solved, an austere-looking guest room comfortably furnished - without anyone spending a dollar on either side! And yet a tenfold good has been done, bringing joy to the hearts of both donor and recipient. St. Paul describes the spiritual blessings resulting from the material thus: "So, two good things happen as a result of your gifts - those in need are helped, and many overflow with thanks to God. Those you help will be glad not only because of your generous gifts to themselves and to others, but they will praise God for this proof that you really do love the Lord. And they will pray for you with deep fervour and feeling because of the wonderful grace of God within you." (II Cor. 9:12-14 Living Letters).

This Christian Co-prosperity and mutual blessing is just the beginning of the transfer of surplus goods from the haves to the havenots. As far as the Far Eastern Bible College is concerned, whose doors are always open to the Lord's servants in travel (apart from ministering to the students), your gift of the car will expedite the Gospel in the first instance, and transport all and sundry who are on the Lord's business. Your gift of the bedroom set will give rest to the weary, and save them expensive hotel bills. And so we can count the blessings and name them one by one not for a time, but for so long as your gift will last! If it is used for just three days in the week, in a year this will multiply to 156 blessings! O the good that we can still do, while we may, while it is peace, for God and the extension of His Kingdom.

So, answer the call while the need is on. Once it is filled, your surplus is no more needed. It remains idling surplus! For example, the Bible College, with only a 17 year old Ford that conks out almost every other week, is ten times appreciative of the gift of a Renault. Now that the need is filled, we have no need of another. God's people should learn contentment, which is great gain. We must not be covetous to receive above what we need. This teaching from Paul to Timothy is not only the heritage of fulltime servants of the Lord. It is also to be received by every Christian. Therefore don't buy what you do not need. An old car, properly maintained, is no different from a new one. The contented Christian can never be the loser.

Now, with all the capacity we have in our various more established churches - Life (FEBC), Zion, Faith, Sembawang, Calvary, Rawang - let us trade with our talents to the utmost. As far as the FEBC is concerned we will endeavour to maintain an instant hospitality with our surplus rooms to all missionaries and Christian workers passing through. By such humble service we try to refresh God's very own that His Cause might be extended to the uttermost part of the earth.

Dear Reader, we're sure your heart is now fired with a zeal to do something for the Lord. Since there are many others like you, we shall not disappoint them. We shall receive whatever surplus goods you have and channel them to the most needy areas, local and abroad. Here's our proposal:

1. Surplus clothing for West Kalimantan, c/o Rev. Andreas Djunaidi. (The last batch of relief clothing, numbering 5,000 pieces, has been distributed to the poorest Chinese refugees and Dyaks, to the rejoicing of all)

2. Sarimbun needs Chinese Bibles, blankets, changkols, chairs, a portable pulpit, ping pong table, swing, see-saw. (Our work consists of Sunday School, Saturday night young people's gospel meeting, and family visitation and Bible-instruction three evenings a week.)

3. Offerings to help cut Rawang in the final stages of building. The electrical wiring and fittings cost \$2,200. The furniture, pews, pulpit and holy communion table cost \$3,500. Our surplus dollars can help too! (The Church must be completed by June, 19, 1972!). -T.T.

SMCCC AGM is to meet at Serangoon Gardens, 5 Tavistock Ave., Sat. Apr. 29, 2 p.m. Delegates from our constituent churches, be prepared!

COMBINED B-P CHOIR will rehearse at Life Church this Lord's Day, Apr. 23, 7.45p.m.
LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

Mon. 7.30 p.m. FEBC Lecture on Ephesians (Rev. Toms)

Tues. 8.00p.m. Prayer Meeting, Elder Tay
Thurs. 7.30p.m. FEBC Lecture on Christian Ed. (Mr. Gaspar)

Fri. 8.00 p.m. Family Worship at the Tow Clinic for Women (Tanglin Shopping Centre)

Sat. 4.00 p.m. Chew - Chen Wedding

Lord's Day 10 a.m. Rev. Tow

11.20 a.m. Congregational Meeting

4.00 p.m. Mr. Liew (Mand-
Teeochew Service).

Wedding Bells. The Holy Matrimony between Bro. Chew Chin Woo and Sister Helen Chen Yik Sing will be solemnised at Church, Sat. Apr. 29, 4.00 p.m., Rev. Tow officiating.

Congregational Meeting. As announced in previous weeks the Congregation of Life Church is called to meet immediately after service on the Lord's Day, Apr. 30, to consider extension of the term of office of the whole Session by six months in view of certain leaving to serve in Galilee, Calvary, etc. This extension of term of office will save the trouble of conducting a By-election which otherwise would be required. This congregational meeting should not last more than 10 minutes.

Nursery Roster: 30th April Gladys Sng, Maggie Tan; Mrs. M. Heng, Mrs. E. Tay
New Addresses: 1) The Tow Clinic for Women, 401 Singapore Medical Centre, 4th Floor, Tanglin Shopping Centre, 19 Tanglin Rd., 9 (next to Ming Court Hotel). 2) Paul and Elizabeth Chow, 39 Anthony Rd., 9. 3) Chng Swee Kheng 2A Starlight Terrace, 8. 4) Tan Kim Boon, 1050A Sembawang Rd., 27.

A New Signboard in black and aluminium, is on display before erection.

CALVARY STONE-LAYING SERVICE is now scheduled for June 17, 1972, incidentally the same day as the Kindergarten-College Block was founded.

RAWANG BUILDING FUND. Lifers \$100; \$50 (cheque); Life Church Y.F. \$18 (with equivalent amount to Calvary) Total \$168.

REV. & MRS. EDWARD PAAUWE are now serving at the headoffice of the Independent Board for Presbyterian Foreign Missions, 246 West Walnut Lane, Phila. Pa. 19144.

Galilee Appointments

Wed. 7 p.m. Bible Study in 2 sessions.
8 p.m. Prayer Meeting i/c Calvin Chan

Sat. 4 p.m. GCYF at Sembang Gospel Mission. Speaker: Low Tiang Hock

Sun. 3 p.m. Sunday School
4.30p.m. Worship Service

A WEEKLY STUDY OF THE LIFE OF CHRIST

Commencing this week we will present a chronological order of study of the Life of Christ. The Division and Bible references are taken from Thompson's Chain Reference Bible. (This material is offered to be taught by our Sunday Schools.)

I. The Pre-existent Christ

1. Eternally the SameHe. 13:8
2. With No BeginningHe. 7:3
3. His Activities Eternal.....Mi. 5:2
4. Was before the Creation of the WorldJn.1:1;17:5
5. Was before AbrahamJn. 8:58

II. The Prophetic Christ

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| 6. Ge. 3:15 | 12. Ps. 45:2 |
| 7. Ge. 22:18 | 13. Ps. 68:18 |
| 8. Ge. 49:10 | 14. Ps. 69:21 |
| 9. De. 18:15 | 15. Ps. 110:1 |
| 10. Ps. 2 | 16. Ps. 118:22 |
| 11. Ps. 16:10 | 17. Ps. 132:11 |

THE GREAT PHYSICIAN

The Great Physician now is near,
The sympathizing Jesus;
He speaks the drooping heart to cheer,
Oh, hear the voice of Jesus!

Chorus: Sweetest note in seraph song,
Sweetest name on mortal tongue,
Sweetest carol ever sung:
Jesus! blessed Jesus!

Your many sins are all forgiven,
Oh, hear the voice of Jesus!
Go on your way in peace to heaven,
And wear a crown with Jesus.

His name dispels my guilt and fear,
No other name but Jesus;
Oh, how my soul delights to hear
The precious name of Jesus.

All glory to the risen Lamb!
I now believe in Jesus;
I love the blessed Saviour's name,
I love the name of Jesus.

- Songs & Solos 89.

FAR EASTERN BIBLE COLLEGE, Board of Directors' Meeting last Saturday adopted a budget for the 1972/73 academic yr. of \$18,460. Pledges total \$15,740/- coming from: 1) the Board members (\$4,000/-) 2) other well-wishers (\$3,940/-) 3) churches (\$6,600/- - Life \$3,000/- for PUB bills, Zion \$2400/-, Faith \$1,200/-), If other offerings during the year could come to \$3,920/-, the College would meet the budgeted payments of \$18,460/- for 1) PUB bills \$3,000/- 2) work scholarships \$960/-, 3) contribution to the IBPFM for the services of two missionary lecturers, 4) Honoraria for the other lecturers at \$5/- per hour. 5) ½ salary for Clerical Assistant \$960/- 6) reference books and journals \$1,200/- 8) Car maintenance \$600/- 9) stationery, publications and miscellaneous \$1,000/- 7) cook \$1,200
PRESBYTERY COMMISSION on Sacraments, etc. meets on Tues. Apr. 25, 8 p.m. at the FEBC Library. (Presbytery meets April 30, 8 p.m.)

JESUS SAVES! JESUS SAVES! JESUS SAVES!

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THERE WERE DEFECTIONS EVEN IN THE PRE-MESSIANIC KINGDOM OF DAVID.

David, a man after God's own heart, was chosen to establish Israel as a Kingdom. The power and glory of his Kingdom reached a climax in Solomon his son. The establishment of David's Kingdom was with the purpose not only of setting up the Messianic Kingdom eventually, but also to pre-figure it.

The Kingdom under David was ruled with justice and equity, and in accordance with the statutes and judgments of God. Students of the Bible all agree in the uniqueness and goodness of King David's rule. Nevertheless, for all the good that we have said about His Kingdom, David was not unaffected by many sorrows and heart aches. There were defections even in the Pre-Messianic Kingdom of David!

The most heart-rending defection of all came from David's beloved son. "O my son Absalom, O Absalom, my son, my son." (II Sam. 19:4). Then there were the closest associates with the King, even the general of the Army, Joab, and Shimei, who had no better word to say than curse the King in his hour of trial. Yet the King answered not, but accepted it from the Lord (II Sam. 16:11,12). But worst of all was Ahitophel, who was to the King as Dr. Kissinger is to President Nixon. This Ahitophel turned on David as Judas our Lord, and indeed he was a prototype of the arch-traitor. Ps. 41:9 which David related from his bitter experiences, "Yea, mine own familiar friend, in whom I trusted, which did eat of my bread, hath lifted up his heel against me," is applicable to Ahitophel and his gang.

Is there any wonder that in our endeavour to advance God's Kingdom today, as time goes on, we are also plagued with disputes and dissensions? But we are resolved not to be drawn by Satan into internecine strifes.

There are those who are swift to quote Scripture to slay their brethren, more acrimonious than Cain in making his brother Abel his sacrifice. Whatever we do is open to the brethren's judgment. But, the final judge is God. As the Apostle Paul has stated, for a principle: "But with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged of you, or of man's judgment: yea, I judge not mine own self. For I know nothing by myself, yet am I not hereby justified: but he that judgeth me is the Lord. Therefore judge nothing before the time, until the Lord come, who both will bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and will make manifest the counsels of the hearts: and then shall every man have praise of God." (I Cor. 4: 3-5).

Our Bible-Presbyterian Church, if you will trace its short history from 1950, is a standard God has raised against the awful flood of the Apostasy. We fought against the ecumenism coming into the Chinese Presbyterian Church. Since we could not get the Church to stand together against the enemy we were obliged, in the teaching of Holy Scripture, to withdraw, yea to separate. As a separated church God has blessed us with vigorous growth and outreach.

Under the leadership of our separatist movement there has been organised a wider fellowship in order that brethren of like-mindedness might come together for mutual encouragement and concerted advancement in the propagation and defence of the Gospel. We declare our Faith and unchangeable stand for this Faith, though there are those who, for reasons known to themselves, would malign us.

We stand four-square with the Singapore-Malaysia Council of Christian Churches of which we were the founding members. We stand four-square with our international bodies, the Far Eastern and International Council of Christian Churches. We re-dedicate ourselves on the eve of the Annual General Meeting of the SMCCC to stand against the evil doctrines of our day. This is not to say that we will be the pure Church, as we are alleged to claim. (No visible church can be perfect.) But it is imperative that the B-P Church of 1972 should not flag from the zeal and first love for our Lord in this respect as it was in the beginning.

Defections there were in David's Kingdom, but God sent others loyal to His Cause to fill their place. So there was Hushai to offset Ahitophel, there was Zadok to offset Abiathar, and there were the thousands at Mahanaim across the Jordan to take care of David. Young Readers, especially, who love the Cause of the Lord, Bible College students, you have been shown the awful challenge of our times, the future of the Cause of the 20th Century Reformation movement is in your hands. Will you be an Ahitophel or a Hushai, a Solomon chosen of God to succeed David or an Absalom to rebel against his very father? Disloyalty to God or man is the sin of sins. Loyalty is the virtue of virtues. - T.T.

Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints. Jude 3.

PRESBYTERY meets this Lord's Day, Apr. 30, 8 p.m. at FEBC Library.

The B-P COMBINED CHOIR will rehearse at Life Church next Lord's Day, 7th May.

LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

Mon. 8 p.m. Calvary Com. Meeting at Taman Jurong.

Tues. 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting. Rev. Toms.

Lord's Day. 10 a.m. Rev. Burton Toms (Lord's Supper)

4 p.m. Mr. Liew (Mand.-Teochew Service, Lord's supper)

Nursery Roster: 7th May, Mrs. Margaret Heng, Mrs. Edmund Tay; 14th May, Mrs. Ivy Tow, Mrs. Jessie Ng

CALVARY COMMITTEE will meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Heng, Taman Jurong, May 1, 8 p.m.

Pray for Bro. Koh Cheng Seong at Ward 22, ORGH.

DR. & MRS. TOW SIANG YEOW are now settled at Jalan Pegawai, Kuala Lumpur.

MR. & MRS. NEAL AND FRIEND of Australia, friends of Miss W. Wrigglesworth visited during the week.

FAR EASTERN KINDERGARTEN - Registration for 1973. Members of B-P Churches may register their children from May 2 - 5 and May 8 - 12 between 9 a.m. - 12 noon at the Kindergarten Office. Registration will be open to the public after May 12 for 2 weeks. Children must be born between 1st Jan. 1968 and 1st Jan. 1969. Transport may be arranged with the transport contractor if required.

SARIMBUNNEWS. Our contractor is applying next Tuesday for PUB electricity which will benefit our immediate neighbour (Bro. Robert Seah please facilitate).

RAWANG Building Fund. Sarimbunite \$10.

LOGOS NEWS. Captain Bjorn Christiansen writes: "We leave for Bangla Desh on the 18th April." The ship is due to arrive Singapore, May 20.

GALILEE APPOINTMENTS

Tues. 7.15 p.m. Staff Meeting at Elder Chia's Residence.

Wed. 7.00 p.m. Bible Study in two Sessions.

8.00 p.m. Prayer Meeting i/c Bro. Anthony Tan.

Fri. 8.00 p.m. Galilee Malay Fellowship at Parsonage.

Sat. 4.00 p.m. GCYF at Sambau Gospel Mission.

Sun. 3.00 p.m. Sunday School.

4.30 p.m. Worship Service.

5.45 p.m. Proposed Meeting for Adult Fellowship.

GALILEE NEWS. Congratulations to Sister Joanna Yam Yoke Wah on her graduation from the Grand Rapids School of the Bible and Music, May 19, 1972.

STENCILS and BALL POINT PENS of high quality and low prices, available from Far East Book Co. (These are in use at Life Church Office).

REV. & MRS. PAAUWE The long-delayed package of letters, photos from Cape Canaveral has arrived, rewrapped and intact, by sea mail. Praise the Lord. Also books from BJU.

REV. BURTON TOMS is speaker at Jurong B-P Church this Lord's Day, Apr. 30, 3.30 p.m.

ICY-SM RAWANG CAMP

Proposed Theme: Reformation & Revival.

Speakers: Morning sessions: Rev. Toms

Evening sessions: Rev. Quek.

Duration: 19th - 24th June.

Will all Camp Committee members please note that there will be a meeting on 30th April at Life Church. Time: 7.30 p.m.

FATHER, LONG BEFORE CREATION

Father, long before creation
Thou hadst chosen us in love:
And that love, so deep, so moving,
Draws us close to Christ above,
Still it keeps us, Still it keeps us,
Firmly fixed in Christ alone.
Firmly fixed in Christ alone.

Though the world may change its fashion
Yet our God is e'er the same
His compassion and His covenant
Through all ages will remain,
God's own children God's own children
Must forever praise His name.
Must forever praise His name.

God's compassion is my story,
Is my boasting all the day;
Mercy free and never failing
Moves my will, directs my way.
God so loved us, God so loved us,
That His only Son He gave.
That His only Son He gave.

Loving Father, now before Thee
We will ever praise Thy love;
And our song shall sound unceasing
Till we reach our home above,
Giving glory, Giving glory,
To our God and to the Lamb.
To our God and to the Lamb.

* Don't spoil the PRESENT *
* By dwelling on the PAST. *
* Don't spoil the PRESENT *
* By living in the FUTURE. *
* Don't spoil the FUTURE *
* By neglecting the PRESENT. *

CHIN LIEN BIBLE SEMINARY celebrates 35th Anniversary and 26th Graduation Sat. May 13, 3 p.m. with a Chinese dinner following, at \$6 per head. Old-timers of the John Sung Revival should make an effort to come. Ring Rev. Quek or Rev. Tow to register.
TAMPOI CHURCH of Evangelical China Fellowship has been granted 99 yrs. lease on its present property at 30cts per sq. ft.

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DECLARATION ON MARRIAGES

adopted on 30th April 1972 by the
Bible-Presbyterian Church of Singapore and Malaysia

The Bible-Presbyterian Church of Singapore and Malaysia holds that Christians should marry Christians, whether the wedding is performed in the Church or outside the Church. The Biblical injunction: "Be ye not unequally yoked with unbelievers" (II Cor. 6:14) applies to marriage.

This position is further elaborated at Chapter 24 of the Westminster Confession of Faith to which the Church subscribes. The relevant paragraphs of this chapter read as follows:-

1. Marriage is to be between one man and one woman: neither is it lawful for any man to have more than one wife, nor for any woman to have more than one husband at the same time.
2. Marriage was ordained for the mutual help of husband and wife; for the increase of mankind with a legitimate issue, and of the Church with an holy seed; and for preventing of uncleanness.
3. It is lawful for all sorts of people to marry who are able with judgment to give their consent; yet it is the duty of Christians to marry only in the Lord. And, therefore, such as profess the true reformed religion should not marry with infidels, Papists, or other idolaters: neither should such as are godly be unequally yoked, by marrying with such as are notoriously wicked in their life or maintaining damnable heresies.
4. Marriage ought not to be within the degrees of consanguinity or affinity forbidden in the Word; nor can such incestuous marriage ever be made lawful by any law of man, or consent of parties, so as those persons may live together as man and wife.

Members of the Church should therefore bear the above in mind when choosing their life-partners and timing their marriages, and all ministers of the Church should do their utmost to counsel their members to that end.

Members of the Church intending to marry should ask to be married in the Church instead of going to the Registry of Marriages, for marriage is instituted of God and Christians should seek God's blessings in marriage.

If one of the parties of an intending marriage to be held in the Church is not a believer, the minister in charge shall, if the man is the party concerned, not allow the marriage until he has publicly confessed Jesus as his Saviour in baptism, as the man is to be the head of the woman (Ephesians 5:23). If it is the woman who is not yet a believer and she is willing to follow the husband, the minister should do his utmost to bring her to a saving knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ before consenting to marry them in the Church. If she has shown a genuine desire to confess Jesus as her Saviour and in fact has so confessed, she should be advised to do so in baptism, if necessary postponing the wedding date until after baptism. If, however, there are extenuating circumstances that the wedding has to be performed before baptism, the minister shall, in consultation with the Standing Committee of the Church Session, examine the case carefully and make a decision prayerfully and judiciously on the merits of the case, but always taking into consideration the Biblical principle and the provisions in the Confession of Faith of the Church.

(End of Declaration)

A word to our Bible-Presbyterian family..

The Declaration on Marriages above, adopted by the Presbytery, the policy making body of our Church, is the result of much prayerful concern and deliberations. It is our prayer that with God's help the Declaration will be adhered to by all concerned both in the letter and in the spirit. While Ministers and Presbyters of the Church, both present and future, will do their best to keep to the Declaration, success in the implementation of the Declaration cannot be achieved without the cooperation of our people in choosing their life-partners in the first instance. The cooperation of the parents in guiding their children with timely counsel accordingly is equally essential to ensure this success.

And so, may this Declaration lead to greater happiness in our homes, both existing and those to be set up through marriage, to the end that our Church and every home represented therein may witness a good Christian witness to the glory of God.

- Rev. Kok Kich Chiang, Moderator

I.C.Y. RAWANG CAMP (JUNE 19 - 24)

Prospective campers please note:-

- 1) Limited accommodation available -- Hurry! entry forms available from Y.F. President or Mr. John Lim (P.E.B.C.)
- 2) N.S. men please apply for your exit permit Now!!!
- 3) Camp fee stands moderately at \$25/- per head. (If you save up 50 cents a day from now, you will have more than enough to spare.)

THE S.M.C.C.C. (Singapore and Malaysia Council of Christian Churches) met last Saturday, 29-4-72, at the Zion Building, with 30 delegates and observers in attendance. The new Executive Committee for '72 - '73 are: Rev. K.C. Quak (Pres.); Rev. Tow (Vice-Pres.); Dr. Choo Ah Chai (Eng. Sec.); Elder Teo See Yah (Chin. Sec.); Elder Chia Kim Chwee (Treas.); Rev. Heng; Rev. S.H. Quak; Miss Char; Rev. Toms; Mr. David Wong; & an ICY Representative (Committee Member). Planning for next year includes a Missionary Conference on home and foreign missionary strategy, Church growth, better coordination in evangelism, etc. A resolution was adopted reiterating and clarifying the stand and objects of the Council amidst the present advancing tide of apostasy. The resolution will be published in this month's issue of the EASTERN BEACON.

EASTERN KINDERGARTEN -- Registration for 1973. Members of B-P Churches may register their children from May 8 - 12 between 9 a.m. - 12 noon at the Kindergarten Office. Registration will be open to the public after May 12 for 2 weeks. Children must be born between 1st Jan. 1968 and 1st Jan. 1969. Transport may be arranged with the transport contractor if required.

LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

Mon. 7.30 p.m. Lecture on Ephesians (Rev. Toms)
Tues. 8.00 p.m. Prayer Meeting. Bro. Joseph Ong.
Thurs. 7.30p.m. Lecture on Christian Ed. (Mr. Gaspar)
Fri. 8.00 p.m. Family Worship at the home of Bro. & Mrs. William Teo, 200-S, Blk. 17, Toa Payoh.
Lord's Day 10a.m. Mr. Peter Yuen (Pastor at Sombawang)
4p.m. Mr. Liew (Mandarin-Teochew Service)

Nursery Roster: 14th May Mrs. Ivy Tow, Mrs. Jessie Ng; 21st May Mrs. Seah Sin Gek, Mrs. Janet Phua.

Wedding Bells. The holy matrimony between Bro. Wee Hian Kok and Sister Flora Lim Poh Geok will be solemnised on Tues. May 16, 1972, 3 p.m., Rev. Tow officiating.

New Address. Dr. and Mrs. Tow Siang Yeow, 2802 Jalan Pegawai, Kuala Lumpur.

Elder Tow Siang Hwa left for Australia during the week to attend a function and is expected back this Lord's Day evening.

VW STATION WAGON, '66 model, on view at Gilstead Road. Hurry!!!

ELDER O.J. TASSICKER (formerly with Life Church) 119 Heaslip St., Wollongong 2500 writes of a missionary tour of New Guinea - "a wild country of impenetrable jungle and mountain peaks with many hundreds of tribes who await the coming of the Gospel in Stone Age Darkness."

RAWANG Building Fund. Lifer \$50; Australian \$100.

GALILEE APPOINTMENTS

Wed. 7.00 p.m. Bible Study in two Sessions.

8.00 p.m. Prayer Meeting

Sat. 4.00 p.m. GCYF at Sombau Gospel Mission.

Sun. 3.00 p.m. Sunday School

4.30 p.m. Worship Service

HAND BILLS for Zion Revival and Gospel Campaign are available at Life, Sombawang, Faith and Zion. Please take as many as can be used.

COMBINED B-P CHOIR will rehearse at Life Church this Lord's Day, May 7th, 7.45p.m.

FEBC Bro. Ang Lee Ming of Galilee Church, who has returned from Australia with a diploma from Melbourne Bible Institute, is furthering his study at the College. He brings greetings from the Solvananthams now settled in Brisbane.

SARIMBUN Renovations and extensions to the Mission house, according to latest understanding with Mrs. Ho will include the building of a loft over the porch. This will give us a grand view of the Straits of Johore.

PRAYER FOR PARDON AND CLEANSING

Vox Dilecti

O God, according to Thy grace
Be merciful to me,
In Thy abounding love blot out
All my iniquity;
O wash me wholly from my guilt
And make me clean within,
For my transgressions I confess,
I ever see my sin.

Against Thee only have I sinned,
Done evil in Thy sight;
Lord, in Thy judgment Thou art just,
And in Thy sentence right.
Behold, in evil I was formed,
And I was born in sin,
But Thou wilt make me wise in heart,
Thou seekest truth within.

From all pollution make me clean,
Yea, whiter than the snow;
O let my broken heart rejoice
And gladness make me know;
Blot out all my iniquities,
And hide my sins from view;
Create in me a spirit right,
O God, my heart renew.

From out Thy presence cast me not,
Thy face no more to see;
Thy Holy Spirit and His grace
Take not away from me.
Restore me Thy salvation's joy,
My willing heart uphold;
Then sinners shall be turned to Thee
When I Thy ways unfold. - Psalm 51, 143.

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VOL. VII, No. 50.

Saturday, 12th May 1972.

A MISSIONS BRIDGEHEAD TO NORTHERN MALAYA.

In perusing the early annals of the English Presbyterian Mission under Rev. John Cook, we find the pioneer missionary assaying "to get a string of outstations between Penang and Singapore." Cook arrived in Singapore in 1881. By 1892 he had advanced to Muar where he organised the Living Water Church. For a while it seemed his dream of "a string of outstations between Penang and Singapore" was going to be realised. Owing to the lack of workers, and to some extent to the forbidding waves of the Muar River, his efforts became bogged down on this side of the estuary. Though the lack of workers was, and still is, the main reason why the sending forth of the Gospel was hampered, it is also true to say that the slowing down of traffic headed northwards by the Muar River has retarded missionary advance. As recently as six years ago when we first took over moderatorship of Rawang Church on the other side of the River, to cross the Muar River by ferry was an unhappy experience of queuing and waiting. To get to Rawang, 133 miles north of Singapore, one would take from four to four-and-a-half hours. With the completion of the Muar Bridge in recent years, driving time between Singapore and Rawang has been cut by one hour. The speeding up of traffic by the new bridge is a boon to our regular Rawang visits.

Now that the new Rawang Church is nearing completion, a new challenge is put before us. No more hindered by the Muar River as Rev. Cook was in the early years is it not a fact that we have in Rawang a bridgehead to Northern Malaya?

Henceforth we will be enabled to visit far off stations like Pokok Assam (Taiping) or Penang without worry about a halting place for the night. With Rawang as our half-way house, we can easily and economically get to any northern destination, up to Penang, the next evening. The new Rawang Church, with ample guest-rooms for the Lord's servants travelling northwards had, indeed, become our bridgehead to Northern Malaya. With this new development, let those who are going to Rawang for the ICY Camp be challenged to advance the Gospel to the dark frontiers between Johore and Malacca. Let a concerted effort be made to preach Christ to the languishing souls of a forgotten hinterland.

But Rawang can serve more effectively as a missions bridgehead to Northern Malaya if she can find a vigorous, missionary-minded pastor to minister here. He will be entrusted the administration of the Gospel work all the way from Muar to Penang, yea, even to the Thai border until another centre be established farther north. He should be the first to establish such a centre inasmuch as God has enabled us to consolidate Rawang from Singapore. In this regard, we need not only a pastor who has vision and drive, but also one who is bi-lingual, and if the Lord tarries for another decade, tri-lingual! By then Malay will have become the spoken language of the younger generation. Alack! Who can be sufficient for all these?

This is where the Far Eastern Bible College is called to duty as never before - for such a time as this! As we see our young people graduate and go out to fill the long-waiting posts - Chan Lay Seng to Taman Jurong, Gan Sai Lin to Galilee and Sam Pau, Peter Chua to Toa Payoh and Liew Hon Seng to Life Church Mandarin-Teochev Service and Sarimbun, we are reminded to pray for increasing batches of earnest graduates year by year, to go farther into the field.

In this connection, we are thrilled not only at the prospect of graduating Charles Tan by end of this year, but also pleased to welcome back Ang Lee Ming from Australia to complete his studies here. Lee Ming has got a diploma from Melbourne Bible Institute. With further grounding in the Word at FEBC he and other young soldiers of the cross should be willing to be despatched to man any bridgehead for the Gospel.

In the meantime, Rawang still craves your prayers and fraternal support. We still have need of \$20,000. The receipt of \$50 from a Lifer, \$100 from an Australian friend, \$40 from three Sarimbunites, and this week \$500 from Faith Church, is great encouragement! May this comparative study of Rawang old and new, how it has been transformed from a beleaguered outpost into a missions bridgehead to Northern Malaya encourage every giver's heart. - T.T.

AN IDEAL CAMPSITE

The new Rawang Church which has a kindergarten of two large classrooms, a parsonage, a big semi-open social hall and modern sanitation with ample wash rooms is planned also for a campsite. With two acres of ground, it also affords plenty of space for recreation.

Rawangites extend a cordial welcome to young Singaporeans going to camp there, June 19 - 24. - T.T.

B-P COMBINED CHOIR REHEARSAL: Sun. May 21,
7.45 p.m. at Life Church! The B-P Music
Committee will meet at 64 Andrew Road, Sat.
May 27, 8 p.m.

SANDES SOLDIERS HOME, Wessex Estate, is
looking for Christian staff to work in the
following positions: 1) Kitchen Hands 2)
Restaurant Helpers 3) General Duties. En-
quiries to Mr. Hall (Tel: 654022).

WEST KALIMANTAN CALLING AGAIN. In response
to their call, we could "kill two birds
with one stone" by bringing another con-
signment of surplus clothes. Donations
may be sent either to Life or Faith par-
sonages.

LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

Mon. 7.30 p.m. FEBC Evening Class (Rev.
Toms).

Tues. 3.00p.m. Wee-Lim Wedding

8.00 p.m. Prayer Meeting. (Dn. Tan
Wai Choon)

Thurs. 7.30p.m. FEBC Evening Class

Sat. 4.00 p.m. Y.F. Topic: His Majesty's
Service. Speaker: Tan Wai
Choon

Lord's Day 10a.m. Rev. Tow

4p.m. Mr. Liew (Mandarin-
Teochew Service)

Nursery Roster: 21st May Mrs. Seah Sin Gek,
Mrs. Janet Phua; 28th May Koh Ah Moy, Nancy
Chua.

New Address. Bro. and Mrs. Francis Sng Jin
Seng, 603-G Blk. 73, Lorong 4, Toa Payoh,
Tel. 534947.

Dr. G.C. Inches, Australia. Your greetings
and gifts to Life and Galilee Churches are
gratefully acknowledged.

FEBC Hostel Booking. By Mt. Carmel, June
19 to 23, 1972.

FAITH CHURCH Y.F. AND ZION S.S. Interme-
diate Dept. will hold retreat separately
at Sandes Soldiers Home, Wessex Estate, on
Saturday May 27, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (use of
pool only between 12.00 noon to 1.30 p.m.)

Be True

Thou must be true thyself
If thou the truth wouldst teach;
Thy soul must overflow if thou
Another's soul wouldst reach!
It needs the overflow of heart
To give the lips full speech.

Think truly, and thy thoughts
Shall the world's famine feed;
Speak truly, and each word of thine
Shall be a fruitful seed;
Live truly, and thy life shall be
A great and noble creed.

- Horatius Bonar.

"Jesus saith unto him, I am the way,
the truth, and the life: no man
cometh unto the Father, but by me."
John 14:6

"These are the things that ye shall
do; Speak ye every man the truth
to his neighbour;..." Zech. 8:16.

CHRIST THE GIVER

OF LIFE

Three special Meetings at
ZION BIBLE-PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

SPEAKER: MR. TOM HAMBLIN.

June 9 to 11, 1972, 8 p.m.

Special Youth Rally

June 10, 4 p.m.

Topic "Dead or Alive."

Deacon Quek Swee Peng of Zion Church
leaves this Tuesday, May 16, for London
Manchester and Edinburgh and expects to
be away for about two months. He has
joined the Tow Clinic for Women since
May 1.

- During the absence on leave of Dr.
Quek Swee Peng, Dr. Ang Yan Hwa will
act as Director of the Ling Kwang Mis-
sion Clinic. The services of two more
Christian doctors are needed to man the
twice-weekly clinical sessions (Tuesday
and Friday) as one doctor in Government
service on the roster has gone into
private practice and another is doing
the same soon.

Ling Kwang Mission Committee meets next
Lord's Day, May 21, 2.00 p.m.

FEBC STATION WAGON. The VW '66 model,
has been bought for \$1,900 and the old
Ford sold for \$100. With \$1000 previously
received for the car fund and \$100 offer-
ed by an FEBCer, we need just \$700 to
clear payment on the VW.

RAWANG BUILDING FUND. Sarimbunite \$20; \$10.
SARIBUN COMMITTEE is called to meet this
Lord's Day evening, May 14, 8 p.m. at
Life Church Parsonage.

JURONG B-P CHURCH COMMITTEE meets this
Lord's Day, May 14, 4.30 p.m. immediately
after service. Rev. Tow will chair the
meeting.

ICY-SM Rawang Camp.- Application forms
for the a/m are available from all YF
Presidents or Bro. Low Tiang Hock (FEBC)
Closing date: 12th June. Prospective
Campers are reminded to see to the follow-
ing details: 1) Passports 2) Exit permit
for those in N.S. Camp duration: 19th to
24th June. Place: Rawang, Muar.

GALILEE APPOINTMENTS

Wed. 7.00 p.m. Bible Study

8.00 p.m. Prayer Meeting

Fri. 8.00 p.m. Family Worship at 9B Pepys
Road. (Dns. Mrs. Lee Chon
Peng).

Sat. 4.00 p.m. GCYF at Sambaui. Speaker:
Low Tiang Hock.

Sun. 3.00 p.m. Sunday School.

4.30 p.m. Worship Service.

AT ORGH. Bro. Koh Cheng Seong of Life
Church at Ward 22; Bro. David Teo of
Galilee at Ward 24. Please remember them
in prayer.

CLEARANCE SALE at Gospel Book Room

1) Helpful Books at 50% discount

2) Bibles at 10% discount

All on display in the showcase at the
F.F.B.C. Lobby. (below parsonage) Those
interested please contact Low Tiang Hock,
Life Church. Tel: 50617

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Saturday, 20th May 1972.

"WELCOME HOME, LOGOS!"

The gospel ship "Logos" which visited Singapore last year is sailing in Sunday morning! Since she is registered with Singapore, it is only appropriate that we say "Welcome home, Logos!" On behalf of the Lord's people may we extend them a very warm welcome.

The "Logos", in the meantime, has sent two of her advance men here. Bro. Mike Wiltshire and Philip Morris have been with us for almost a week. From the FEBC they have been working feverishly to send out circulars and make the necessary contacts. The captain of the ship Mr. Bjorn Christiansen and the spiritual captain Mr. George Miley both send their greetings.

Since wharfage has gone up in Singapore, the ship is obliged to anchor in the roads. Launches will be ready therefore to ferry visitors to the ship as before. From Wednesday to Saturday, May 24-27, the Book Exhibition will be on.

A personal invitation is also sent to Church leaders to dinner on board, Thurs. May 25, 7.30 p.m.

An informal fellowship tea will also be held in the "royal palm gardens" of the FEBC, Sat. May 27, 4 p.m. The international crew under Captain Kristiansen will be delighted to see you.

BANGLA DESH.

Now, I'm sure the "Logos" which is sailing direct from Bangla Desh will have a stirring story to tell of the unspeakable sufferings undergone by the Bengalis. It was so recent that two million perished in a bloody civil war and half a million were swallowed by the cyclone and tidal waves of the Indian Ocean. Can we not do something for such a disaster-stricken country, particularly our Christian brethren?

The Acts of the Apostles record how relief was sent from Antioch to the famine-stricken Christians in Judea by the hands of Barnabas and Paul (Acts 11:27-30). Is it not an act of mercy well-pleasing to the Lord if Singaporeans, particularly Christians, of whatever denomination, rally together to collect surplus clothing and other useful articles and despatch them through the Logos? Let this be done in Christ's Name and in the name of suffering humanity! Let every church appoint its own committee and let the goods be pooled at a most convenient station for transshipment when the Logos calls in another three or four month's time. I'm sure the "Logos" will be more than delighted to transport relief goods in Jesus' Name!

JURONG BIBLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH AND SUNDAY SCHOOL LATEST.

Our latest statistics are: about 50 at the Sunday School and 15 at the worship service. Total weekly offerings from \$5 to \$12. \$22 was collected on a recent Sunday for Calvary Building Fund. To Rawang Building Fund is loaned \$1,500.

Miss Trinh of Vietnam who has been our Sunday School superintendent for over three years is leaving us. She looks forward to graduation from FEBC and returning home in July. Mr. Eddy Ho, student-pastor supported by Life Church, takes over her job. He is assisted by Mrs. Ivy Tow as adviser. The staff consists of Rev. Burton Toms, Christine Chin, Susan Quek, Deborah Lukito, Linda Prananawati, Sng Teck Hock, Rokiah Chandra. The Church Committee comprises the whole Sunday School staff with Rev. Tow as moderator.

Before the year is out, 20-storey flats, less than one mile away from the Chandra house where our services are held, will be ready for occupation. One way of increasing attendance perhaps is to rent one of the shophouses in the HDB flats. A better alternative is to build on land we wish some Christian Jurongite would offer. To this end let us channel our thanksgiving offerings to Jurong Building Fund.

To intensify our Jurong work it is decided to hold the Lord's Supper every month with Rev. Toms preaching and officiating. To cool off some of the heat, we would gladly install any surplus refrigerator you might have on hand. Iced drinks are served every Sunday to the children.

Though Jurong is a poor church ministering to the lower income group, (almost all Indians) we are not unmindful of their cousins, the Bengalis of Bangla Desh. Jurong has decided to collect surplus goods to despatch to Bangla Desh via the Logos (free of freight charges and free of tax).

THREE-DAY CAMPAIGN IN MUAR, May 26-28.

A forerunner to the ICY Camp at Rawang, June 19-24, is a three-day campaign on Personal Evangelism to be launched May 26-28 with the three Muar Churches - Rawang, Living Water and Trinity. Apart from night meetings, worships will be conducted on Saturday, a public holiday. The team consists of all-FEBCers: Dr. Patrick Tan, Low Tiang Hock, John Lim, Joseph Ong and Rev. Tow (as interpreter) who is also on his monthly visit. Pray for us that some lasting fruit might be borne through this preliminary outreach.

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OF LIFE

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Special Youth Rally
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Topic "Dead or Alive."

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LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

Mon. 7.30 p.m. FEBC Lecture (Rev. Toms)
Tues. 8.00p.m. Prayer Meeting, Dn. Patrick
Tan
Thurs. 7.30 p.m. FEBC Lecture (Mr. Gaspar)
Fri. 8.00 p.m. Family Worship at the home
of Dn. and Mrs. Paul Phua
65, Lichi Avenue. (13)
Sat. 4.00 p.m. Y.F.
Lord's Day 10 a.m. Mr. George Miley of the
Logos
4 p.m. Mr. Liew (Rev. Tow in
Muar)

Nursery Roster: 28th May Koh Ah Moy, Nancy
Chua; June 4th Mauriel Choe, Lena Seow.
This Lord's Afternoon hear the Logos
messengers at Life Church Mandarin-Teochew
Lif

Service 4 p.m., (Rev. Tow interpreting) and
at the Galilee Worship service (4.30 p.m.)

Wedding Bells! The holy matrimony between
Dr. Paul Tsao and Sister Koh Kim Lye will
be solemnised on Sat. June 3, 6 p.m., Rev.

Bro. Koh Ching Seong at Ward 22, ORGH needs
our sustained prayers. Your visit will be
an encouragement.

RAWANG BUILDING FUND. Lifers: \$25; \$77.
Our needs are now reduced to \$18,500.

SARIMBUN gratefully receives \$250 from

The Apple Church for S.P.U. Indonesia fund.
been approved.

FEBC gratefully receives \$250 for the Car
Fund. The VW is now undergoing a complete
overhaul.

Exams
The FEBC will join the ICY Camp, /commence
end of June. Graduation exercises will be
held July 9.

In order to orientate our terms in line
with the new Government school system of
semesters, the FEBC will commence her 11th
academic year from Jan. 1973. The term
beginning Sept. 18, 1972 will therefore be
declared an extra term. This benefits stu-
dents who are behind schedule.

Now Students, please see the principal
personally.

A "WEEKLY" STUDY OF THE LIFE OF CHRIST

II. The Prophetic Christ.

18	Is. 2:4	23.	Is. 42:1
19	Is. 7:14	24.	Is. 53
20	Is. 9:6	25.	Is. 59:16
21	Is. 11:1	26.	Is. 61:1
22	Is. 28:16	27.	Is. 63:1

GALILEE APPOINTMENTS

Wed. 7.00 p.m. Bible Study in 2 Sessions

8.00 p.m. Prayer Meeting i/c Paul
Yap

Sat. 4.00 p.m. GCYF at Sambau Gospel Mission

8.00 p.m. Combined Song Service at
387 Alexander Road.

Sun. 3.00 p.m. Sunday School.

4.30 p.m. Worship Service (Holy
Communion)

Galilee Church will be commemorating it's
12th Anniversary on 4th June with a get-
together dinner. Charges are \$6/= earning
members, \$3/= non-earning members.

FAITH CHURCH YF & ZION CHURCH YF & ZION

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May 25th Members get together in three
separate groups from 9 to 5 p.m. Trans-
port leaves Church at 8.15 a.m. promptly.
REV. TOW administers the Lord's Supper
at Toa Payoh (Chinese Service) this Sun-
day 3 p.m. (Rev. Quek at Lingkwang Com.
Meeting)

(50 from Zion, \$100 from
Another \$200 an individual) was
sent East Timor to W. Kalimantan for
Christian Relief.

--- REDEMPTION AND FORGIVENESS ---

From out the the I cry, O Lord, to Thee;
Lord, hear my call;
I love Thee, Lord, for Thou dost heed my plea,
Forgiving all;
If Thou shouldst mark our sins, who then
could stand?
But grace and mercy dwell at Thy right hand
I wait for God, the Lord, and on His word
My hope relies;
My soul still waits and looks unto the Lord
Till light arise;
I look for Him to drive away my night,
Yea, more than watch men look for morning
light.

Hope in the Lord, ye waiting saints, and He
Will well provide,
For mercy and redemption full and free
With Him abide;
From sin and evil, mighty though they seem,
His arm almighty will His saints redeem.

- Ps. 130. Psalter 362.

THE SHIP LOGOS

returns to
Singapore
Large Book Exhibition
and Sale

Date:

Time:

Place

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, May 25 - 27, 1972
Open daily 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. to 9 p.m.
: Port of Singapore: Probably the ship will be anchored in
the Inner Roads, just off Clifford Pier.

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OUR VIEW ON THE "STOP VIET BOMBING PETITION"

In this issue are reproduced a news report in the Straits Times, Singapore's national newspaper, of a "stop Viet Bombing" petition signed by 200 local Christians, and handed by the Rev. Richard Ong, District Superintendent of the Methodist Churches of Singapore-Malaysia (Singapore District) to Mr. John J. O'Neil, Deputy Chief of Mission, U.S. Embassy, and of two letters to the Editor in reaction.

A first impression created by the "Christian" petition might have been that the petitioners were genuinely humanitarian. Indeed, we have come across Christian ministers who are conscientious objectors to war. One of the signers himself had protested his abhorrence to me in the course of a friendly discussion. But, why protest the American bombing of North Vietnam alone (which is directed at military targets only), and not North Vietnam invasion of the South, where the civilians die by thousands? The fallacy of the petition has been quickly exposed, thank God, by the two letters to the Editor, undersigned S.E. Aw (Dr.) and T.S.H. We heartily concur with the reasons given therein in answer to the so-called Christian petition. And to be sure, those standing with these two dissenters to the petition are overwhelmingly more than those so-called Christians who lean to godless Communism.

We would like to add here that while war brings death and misery and is to be abhorred, it is justifiable, yea, even to be waged to its bitter end, when it is fought for self preservation and righteous principles against aggression. God is not only a God of peace, but also a God of war. He cannot give ultimate victory to the aggressor. The recent history of World War II is eloquent testimony of a Higher power over the nations, just and invincible. It is important for Christians to know on which side of any war they stand.

In the light of this discussion we would declare our loyalty to our Government and Nation and give wholehearted support to National Service. We pray that our Government "bearing the sword not in vain" against every evil doer will rule with justice and equity, and protect us from every form of aggression.

Straits Times, May 17, 1972

CHRISTIANS SEND 'STOP VIET BOMBING' PETITION

Singapore, Tues. - A petition calling for the immediate cessation of the bombing of North and South Vietnam by the United States Air Force was presented to the American Embassy here today.

It was signed by some 200 local Christians. The petition was handed over by the Rev. Richard Ong, District Superintendent of the Methodist Churches of Singapore-Malaysia (Singapore District), to Mr. John J. O'Neil, Deputy Chief of Mission, U.S. Embassy.

Also at the presentation ceremony were the pastor of Paya Lebar Methodist Church, the Rev. (Dr.) George Wan, the Rev. Robert Foster of the Methodist Mission and Mr. David Wee of Trinity College.

Among those who signed the petition were students of Trinity College, members of Wesley Methodist Church, Paya Lebar Methodist Church, the Pentecost Methodist Church and the Barker Road Methodist Church.

Straits Times, May 23, 1972.

TREADING IN ARENAS WHERE PITFALLS AREN'T OBVIOUS

I refer to the reports on the "Stop Viet bombing" petition (S.T., May 14 and 17). If, indeed, the motive of the petition is purely humanitarian, a call to halt hostilities should be issued to North Vietnam as well as the U.S.

Diplomatic channels to North Vietnam for the transmission of such a document are not lacking.

It is patently clear that indiscriminate shelling by one side is as reprehensible

as indiscriminate bombing by the other. The Methodist church has entered an arena that is far from simple and must be careful not to appear less than fair in its judgements.

For this reason many Methodists will not sign the petition.

Christian involvement in this particular area has pitfalls that are not obvious to laymen and women.

These were outlined with forceful candour by Clarence W. Hall in the October and November issues of a popular magazine last year.

To these articles may I humbly draw the attention of fellow-Methodists. - S.E. Aw (Dr.)

You reported (S.T., May 17) that a group of Methodists and other Christians have protested against the American bombing in North and South Vietnam.

This group of Christian leaders are apparently unaware of the presence of thousands of North Vietnamese troops in South Vietnam, and the 10,000 communist shells rained on An Loc, Kontum and Hue every day.

Christian protest should be honest and impartial.

But these local Christians are not alone in their anti-American protest over the Vietnam war.

The World Council of Churches - described as an "ecclesiastical United Nations" - has opposed American military action in Vietnam and openly supported American draft-dodgers and deserters.

In April 1970 it sent US \$25,000 of medical supplies to the Vietcong.

Methodists in Singapore may be interested to know that their Church and protesting

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Nursery Roster: 4th June Mauriel Choo, Lena
 Soow; 11th June Jenny Liow, Phua Lee Cheng.
Mr. George Miley of the Logos is the Lord's
 messenger this Sunday. We extend him a
 warm welcome.

Bro. Koh Chong Seong praises the Lord from
 Ward 22 of ORGH for great improvement and
 thanks praying friends and visitors.

Mandarin Bible Class. From this Lord's Day
 a Mandarin Bible Class is started by Mr.
 Liow Hon Song at 3 p.m. Another step to
 augment the Sunday School of the Chinese
 Service!

Life Church and FEBC have opened their
 doors to the Logos during the week. Mr.
 Frank Dietz, head of the Bible training
 school of 15 brought his students ashore.
 FEBC students shared their dorms with the
 Indian brethren while joint chapels brought
 mutual blessings. The Logos leaves S'pore
 this Sunday evening for Bangkok.

COMBINED YF MEETING

with
 Zion, Galilee, Sombawang,
 Toa Payoh, Mt. Carmel.
LIFE (HOST)

'A MAN CALLED PETER'

a 2-hour coloured film

"The true, inspiring, dramatic life story
 of the American Senate Prochor
PETER MARSHALL (1903 - 1949)"

DATE: 3rd June 1972

PLACE: LIFE CHURCH

TIME: 7 p.m.

Refreshments will be served

ALL ARE WELCOME!!!

CHRISTIAN RELIEF via the Logos. Our appeal
 last week brought in 9 paper bags of good
 clothing, a confirmation from the Lord. We
 have 4 months to collect. The Relief goods,
 it is agreed, will be used not only for
 Bangla Desh, but wherever there is a need.
 The Logos discharged all their surplus
 clothing to Bangla Desh before sailing to
 Singapore.

JUBILEE CHURCH Y.F. cordially invited Life
 Church Y.F. to their 17th Anniversary Night,
 June 18, 7.30 p.m. and requests a special
 number.

FEBC The green Renault was sold for \$1,100
 and the proceeds used for part payment of
 the VW and for repairs. (\$342.00).

THREADING IN ARENAS WHERE PITFALLS AREN'T

OBVIOUS - (continued)
 readers are within the fold of the World
 Council of Churches. This may explain
 their one-sided protest.

Readers who wish to know more of this
 World Council and its un-Christian acti-
 vities are referred to the October and
 November 1971 issues of a well-known maga-
 zine.

Christianity stand not only for reconci-
 liation and peace, but it equally stands
 for honesty, and for self-defence and re-
 sistance against aggression. - T.S.H.,

GALILEE APPOINTMENTS

Wed. 7.00 p.m. Bible Study

8.00 p.m. Prayer Meeting

Sat. 4.00 p.m. GCYF at Sambau

Sun. 3.00 p.m. Sunday School

4.30 p.m. Worship Service

4th June Galilee Church Anniversary

Dinner. Register with Dn. Lim Kim Hee.

SEMBAWANG. The Lord's messenger for June
 4, 10 a.m. is Rev. Burton Toms.

MT. CARMEL GOSPEL MISSION celebrates 5th
 Anniversary this Saturday, May 27.

RAWANG. Elder Lau Hock Ann writes of near
 completion of the buildings, including
 the installation of water supply and
 electricity, Praise the Lord! Contract
 for the furniture will be awarded when
 Rev. Tow visits this week. Our needs:
 \$18,500!

SARIMBUN (Mrs. Ho) presents two boxes of
 surplus medicine to Ling Kwang Mission.
 Please see Rev. Tow.

JURONG praises the Lord for receipt of
 a surplus Norge Refrigerator.

K.L. Address: Dr. Tow Siang Yeo, 2802/14
 Jalan Pegawai, K.L. Tel. 647942.

**Letter to the Straits Times from our
 B-P Churches:** A letter to the Straits
 Times from our B-P Church, dissociating
 ourselves from the "Stop Viet bombing"
 petition and re-iterating the stand of
 our church, has been sent with the ap-
 proval of the Presbytery's Standing Com-
 mittee. The full text of the letter
 appears in the May issue of FAR EASTERN
 BEACON and MALAYSIA CHRISTIAN (Chinese
 translation).

SMCCC Resolution on "Our Stand and Objectives"
 Full text of resolution in the May issues
 of Far Eastern Beacon and Malaysia Christian.

LING KWANG MISSION of Zion and Faith B-P
 Churches has voted \$500/- from its charity
 fund for relief purposes in West Kalimantan,
 Indonesia through Rev. K.C. Quek & Rev.
 Tow in their proposed second trip there
 in July/August.

The Mission's Old People's Home and Orphan-
 age Fund now stands at \$9,000/- (more than
 half of which is by transfer from the Mis-
 sion's general fund). In view of the pro-
 posed old people's home and orphanage wel-
 fare projects, the Mission is now studying
 the advisability or otherwise of member-
 ship in the S'pore Council of Social Ser-
 vice. Prayers for God's guidance are re-
 requested.

ICY CAMP 19-24 June at Rawang. Registration
 forms available from YF Pres. or Bobby Phee
 (FEBC)

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ERRING FOR THE SAKE OF SAVING LIVES

....if signing a petition to stop the bombing in Vietnam is an error

I REFER to the letters by Dr. S.E. Aw and T.S.H. (S.T., May 23) on the "Stop Viet bombing" petition.

Those Methodists and other Christians signed the petition as Christian laymen and I am sure that they do not speak for the institutional church of their respective denomination.

I am also convinced that each petitioner is aware that the Vietnam war has many political implications; consequently no judgement was made either morally or otherwise.

It was merely a call to the American President to withhold America's great fire power for the sake of lives to be saved.

It may be interesting to note that President Nixon has allowed more bombs to be dropped on Indochina than any other U.S. President.

During the week of February 6, 1972 the U.S. dropped in South Vietnam alone, more than half a pound of TNT for each of South Vietnam's 17,500,000 people.

More than 6.2 million tons of bombs have been dropped on Indochina by the United States, and that is three times as much bombs that were dropped throughout World War II.

Between 1965 and 1971 there were 1,050,000 civilian casualties in South Vietnam alone.

Of these, 325,000 were killed and 30 per cent of them were children under the age of 13.

America's self defence and resistance against aggression have killed more Vietnamese civilians in the last six months than the 'communists' have in 16 years.

It is fortunate that there are people who are making an attempt to plead for other human lives, feeble and misguided as this plea may seem to some.

If Dr. Aw and T.S.H. would like to initiate a protest to North Vietnam, they may have my signature.

If my signing of the petition to stop the bombing in Vietnam is an error, then may God forgive me. I would rather err on the side of humanitarianism and be un-Christian, so that the words of Jesus found in Matthew 5:7 and 9 and in Mark 3:4 and 5 do not go unheeded in my life. - RICHARD E. ONG, SINGAPORE 10.

OUR REPLY TO REV. RICHARD ONG'S REPLY

Last week we re-published from the Straits Times a "Stop Viet Bombing" petition involving Rev. Richard Ong and two letters in disagreement by Dr. S.E. Aw and T.S.H.

This week we republish also from the Straits Times Rev. Richard Ong's Reply to Dr. S.E. Aw and T.S.H. Since this letter is subtly worded, we feel constrained to reply to Rev. Ong.

Although Rev. Ong seeks to show that the motive of the petition is purely humanitarian, to save lives, and blames America for killing more Vietnamese civilians in the last six months than the "communists" have in 16 years, the use of quotation marks for the word communists should reveal his political stance to the reader. Therefore, his statement, "If Dr. Aw and TSH would like to initiate a protest to North Vietnam, they may have my signature," is mere lip service. At any rate, if he was so keen about saving human lives, in all honesty, he should have protested against the North Vietnam invasion of the South as much as he protested the American bombing of the North. The onus (responsibility) is on him, not on Dr. Aw or T.S.H.

Our protest to his petition is not that we are callous to the human suffering caused by the bombing. Our protest is directed at his unfair, one-sided treatment. Therefore the quoting of Matt. 5:7 and 9 and Mark 3:4 and 5 are irrelevant to the issue.

The true picture of what is happening in South Vietnam today is that packs of wolves from the North are devouring the sheep and lambs in the South. A cry for help goes out, and here come neighbours to help beat off the wolves. Rev. Ong would rather save the lives of the wolves than the lives of the sheep. - T.T.

Note: Our B-P Church Statement forwarded by Rev. K.C. Quek as moderator to dissociate from the said petition appeared in the Straits Times at the same time as Rev. Ong's reply. Another rebuttal to Rev. Ong by Mrs. L.B. Farnum, an American woman in S'pore, appeared in New Nation, 23rd May '72, with a rejoinder by Patrick Low, in NN, 29 May '72. Patrick Low's article is further answered by T.S.H. (Dr.) in NN, 1 June '72. (Dr. S.E. Aw's and Dr. T.S.H.'s letters to the Straits Times and the Editorial of this Weekly are reproduced in Christian Standard, June, 1972.)

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* 4 June at 7.45 p.m. *
* at Life Church *

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REVIVAL MEETING at Zion Church on 7th and
8th June at 8 p.m.

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Mon. 7.30 p.m. FEBC Lecture (Rev. Toms)

Tues. 8.00p.m. Prayer Meeting (Bro. David
Lim)

Session Meeting

Thurs. 5 p.m. Singapore U. VCF (Chinese)
at FEBC Hall

7.30 p.m. FEBC Lecture (Mr. Gaspar)

Sat. 6.30 p.m. Ong - Tan Wedding

Lord's Day 10 a.m. Mr. Peter Yuen (Farewell
message)

4 p.m. Mr. Liew

(The Pastor at Faith
Church and Kelapa Sawit)

Nursery Roster: 11th June Jenny Liew, Phua
Lee Cheng; 18th June Jean and June Low.

The Holy Matrimony between Dr. Ong Thiew
Chye and Miss Tan Woon Kin will be sole-
mised at Life Church on Sat. June 10, 6.30pm.
New Address. Madam Lee Yin Peng, (Lawrence
Leong's mother) 30 Jalan Pari Dedap, S'pore
16 (8½ m. Upper Changi Road).

Relief Goods received last week for distri-
bution via the Logos were two boxes and
three paper bags. Bring them in!

Galilee Church cordially invite the whole
Life Church Session to their 12th Anniver-
sary Thanksgiving Service this Lord's Day,
4.30 p.m., and thereafter to dinner.

GALILEE APPOINTMENTS

4th June (Sunday)

4.30 p.m. Worship Service. Speaker: Rev.
Dr. Timothy Tow.

Dinner will follow after service.

Wed. 7.00 p.m. Bible Study in 2 sessions

8.00 p.m. Prayer Meeting

Sat. 4.00 p.m. GCYF at Sembang Gospel Mission

JOIN the ICY CAMP, RAWANG, June 19 - 24!!!

GOD HAS HEARD MY PRAYER

By Koh Cheng Siong

On the day I was sick I went to see
a doctor next to my shop. I thought after
a few days my fever would go down, but
instead it become worse. So, I went to
another doctor. He sent me for an X-ray
of the stomach and for blood testing
costing me \$50/-. The fever continued
and I asked him for a letter to go to
hospital. At the hospital my fever con-
tinued.

Finally, the fever came down after
they gave me a blood transfusion of two
pints. I felt better. A few days later,
I found that I was very pale, and they
gave me blood transfusion again and
again. All the same, I was getting paler.
So, they sent for another 3 pints of blood.
But, I remembered God and I prayed very
hard with tears. I read the Bible in
Romans 10:13, "FOR WHOSOEVER SHALL CALL
UPON THE NAME OF THE LORD SHALL BE SAVED."

The next few days, thank God, the
blood remained and has not vanished up
to now. I can feel that the blood is in-
creasing, and I thank God again. The doc-
tor says that I am improving and I might
be sent home soon. I thank all praying
friends of all church, and all visitors.
ORDINATION OF MR. JOHN F.C. CHEONG by the
Christian Nationals Evangelism Commission
will be held at Grace Church, 14 Queen
Street, Sat. June 10, 3 p.m. Rev. Tow and
Rev. Quek will participate. (Mr. Cheong,
is an early convert of Miss Char from Je-
maluag and studied at Chien Lien on a
scholarship.)

U.S.A. - The Holy Matrimony between Bro.
Tow Siang Kwang and Sis. Lee Soon Meng
will be solemnised at the Reformed Bible
College Chapel, Grand Rapids, Michigan,
Sat. June 17, 1972, 3 p.m.

FAR EASTERN KINDERGARTEN requires a help-
er. Applicants must be able to converse
in English. Girls between 16 and 22 may
apply to the principal. Vacancy exists
with effect from 23rd of June '72.

ZION KINDERGARTEN Board of Directors,
at meeting last Lord's Day, decided to
give the teachers and staff the 13th mth.
salary at the end of the year.

ZION KINDERGARTEN Vacancy. Applications
are invited from Christian ladies for the
post of a teacher as from July this year.
Kindergarten Basic Training & ability to
play the piano required. Kindergarten
Teaching experience an advantage. Appli-
cations to reach "The Chairman, Board of
Directors, Zion Kindergarten, through ZK
Principal, 5 Tavistock Avenue, Singapore
19" before 15th June 1972.

FAITH CHURCH Sunday School holds one-day
get-together at 258 Tana Merah Besar,
Changi. Transport leaves Church at 8 a.m.
RAWANG B.F. Praise the Lord for a loan
of \$1000 from Sembawang. Lifer: \$216.60.
ICY CAMP RAWANG will afford a chance to
meet new friends and bring them to Christ.

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RAWANG READY FOR ICY-CAMP!

Since the date of the ICY Camp, June 19-24, was announced to our contractor Mr. W.K. Tham, he has made every effort to expedite the work on the new Rawang Church. With God's help, Rawang will be ready to receive our campers, as scheduled!

At present the carpenters are feverishly working on the pulpit parquet floor. Indian glaziers will soon inset the pulpit and porch windows with yellow, green and blue glass panes. The painter will put the finishing touches. All this work should be completed when our campers from Singapore "invade" Rawang on the 19th!

As far as the Rawangites themselves are concerned, they had shifted the old pews into the Church as early as the Lord's Day May 28. On that day an offering of \$61 was taken for the building fund. Since moving into the new church to worship, every one of the sixteen old pews has been filled to the last seat! More and more of the lost sheep are returning to the fold. A week after the congregation shifted into the new church, the old shack was dismantled and sold to a member for \$200!

Now, before the ICY goes to Rawang, it is reported that the Nanyang University Christian Fellowship are visiting the Muar area with a 10-man gospel team, around June 10. Hearing of the excellent facilities in Rawang, the Varsity fellows and girls are requested to shelter with us. We have instructed the Rawangites to extend them every hospitality! Our plan to make Rawang a campsite and a half-way station for God's servants is realised sooner than expected.

Meanwhile the contract to make 26 pews to seat 208 people, with pulpit, communion table and six chairs, has been awarded to a Muar manufacturer at \$63 per pew. Since the furniture will take three months to finish (two months to dry the chengai wood), we are obliged to delay the dedication of the new church till September. A suitable Lord's Day will soon be announced.

To beautify the Church grounds, the pattern of palms and pines at Gilstead Road will be followed. Since we have no royal palms, we shall substitute with orange coconut palms. We still need two hundred lorryloads of earth to fill many low-lying patches.

To make Rawang Church what she should be, we need only \$16,000 more to pay the bills. The total costs are as follows.

1. Earthfilling	\$ 9,000
2. New Church and Kdgn. Blk. incl. of plumbing, electricity and piling	65,000
3. Furniture and fans	3,000
4. Miscellaneous: fencing, furniture for kindergarten block and parsonage, etc.	3,000
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	\$80,000

By spending this \$80,000 we will have 5,500 sq. feet of floor space to serve every phase of the gospel ministry and two acres of open grounds for every form of outdoor Christian activity! Does not such a low-cost-high-effect project deserve your support?

CAN GOD SEND RAWANG \$10,000 BY END OF THIS MONTH?

Hitherto, the Lord has enabled us to pay our bills at roughly \$10,000 a month. Over \$60,000 has been spent out of the Treasury. Now, all that's left is \$2,000. So, we need another \$8,000 to make up \$10,000 to pay the contractor at end of this month. This need is urgent. Of course, the Rawangites are doing their best. But this is the hour they really need our help.

In answer to our fervent prayers, a Galilean this week has given \$50, and a Lifer in thanksgiving \$200. These sums though comparatively small are sweet to those in need. Perhaps some brother church or churches might help us with a loan as Jurong and Sembawang have done? May the Holy Spirit prompt you to ring 50617 before we leave for Rawang!

A TIME TO PRAY, TO SHARE, TO LISTEN, TO VISIT AND TO WITNESS

The ICY Camp at Rawang seems to gather a small, inner group of thirty, including the organisers and speakers. This may be as well. This should afford more time in the morning for a deeper prayer fellowship, for study of God's Word, for sharing of Christian experiences; in the afternoon, for visitation; and in the evening, for witness to Rawangites. The evening meetings with Rev. K.C. Quek as the evangelist are planned to bring new souls into the Kingdom. He needs your sustained prayers.

This ICY Camp is essentially a missions camp. May the young people's vision, FEBC students particularly, be widened so that some will be willing to go into the far corners of the harvest field. (Donations for the Rawang camp may be handed to Rev. Quek Kiok Chiang, Deacon Koh Kim Hiang or Dr. Patrick Tan) -T.T.

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Thurs. 7.30 p.m. FEBC Lecture (Mr. Gaspar)
Sat. 3.00 p.m. Wong - Lim Wedding
4.00 p.m. Calvary Stone-Laying Service
Lord's Day 10 a.m. Rev. Tow
4 p.m. Rev. Tow

Nursery Roster: 18th June Jean and June Low;
25th June Elizabeth Tan, Mrs. Mollie Tan.

Wedding Bells! The holy matrimony between
Mr. Wong Jan Lin and Miss Phyllis Lim of
Alsherman of Christ will be solemnised at
Gilstead Road, Sat. June 17, 3 p.m., with
a reception thereafter at the FEBC Hall.
Baptism. Madam Yin Ah Noy, 70, mother of
Mrs. Khoo Peng Kiat, received baptism from
the pastor's hand at the TESH quarters, Wed.
June 7, 6.30 p.m. Pray for her as she goes
for another operation soon.

Pray for Bro. Swee Khoon of LCYF at the
Thomson Road Hospital. Continue to sustain
Bro. Koh Cheng Seong in prayer.

Elder Seow Chong Pin is appointed to the
Far Eastern Kindergarten Committee upon re-
signation by Dr. Tow Siang Hwa to devote
more time to the Calvary project.

MUAR. Congratulations to Elder & Mrs. Kwa
Chiao Jian of Trinity Church, Muar on the
occasion of the marriage of their second
son Eng Hwi to Dr. (Miss) Chow Sew Leong at
Katong Presbyterian Church, Sat. June 17,
3 p.m.

RAWANG Building Fund. Galilean \$50; Lifer
\$200.

CALVARY. Bro. and Mrs. Henry Heng and child
leave June 16 for the US for a six month
training course. Deacon Paul Pua is acting
Treasurer for Calvary in their absence.

KELAPA SAWIT Deacon John Lin's mother-in-law
is very ill and requests our prayers. The
half acre of land for our Church has been
refused on the grounds of our ecumenical
stand! The Johore Government would require
us to accept Roman Catholics into the fold!
as one of the conditions for grant.

"STOP VIET BOMBING" Petition by Methodists
in Singapore: Mr. Lim Eng Siang, 70D The
Arcade, 1, writes to offer reprints of the
two articles which appeared in the Nov. and
Dec. 1971 issues. Available also in Chinese
and Japanese soon. Requests qualified Indo-
nesian translator for the same.

RFI & Mrs. Robert J. McGill, missionaries
of the LEPPFM to Taiwan send greetings.
Their furlough address: 6143 North 11th St.,
Philadelphia, Pa. 19141.

LING KWANG OLD PEOPLES HOME and Orphanage
Fund now stands at \$9,200, with \$200 receiv-
ed from an old lady.

COMBINED B-P CHOIR PRACTICE will be held
on Sunday night 25 June at 7.45 p.m. at
Life Church.

POKOK ASSAM CALLING AGAIN

Mr. Sam E. Guneretnam of Pokok Assam
Evangel Centre is calling again. He
hopes some FEBC student will go and
resuscitate the youth work there. Who
of the FEBC student body feels called
to go? Preferably two should answer
this call. Let them see the principal
after due consideration. (Pokok Assam
is 444 miles north of Singapore).

Dear Reader, these are momentous days!
The Lord is coming! Judgment is near!
Our passion for souls should redouble
as we behold the signs of the times.
Whatever we do for the Lord, let us
do it conscientiously - with the holy
desire of seeing His Kingdom advanced
a little farther each day.

NEWS FROM THE LOGOS

'We arrived here on Friday morning, and
found a very full programme lined up by
Mike and the local brothers who had been
helping him. A couple of Christian busi-
nessmen are spending almost all their
time working for us in different ways.
One has arranged many meetings in dif-
ferent churches, conferences on board,
etc. and the other, being a shipping
broker, has done much in the practical
areas needed. On Sunday morning we
sent teams to 13 different church meet-
ings, and had a great time of fellowship
with all the believers in these places.
Each day this week we are having con-
ferences on board, so life is always
busy. Our prayer is that in the midst
of this constant activity lives will be
deeply changed by the Holy Spirit

We had an interesting incident on the
way here. We passed a Malaysian ship
that was in distress, leaking oil very
badly. We sold them enough oil to get
them to S'pore, and they were very grate-
ful. They all came on board for refresh-
ments, and we were able to share testi-
monies with them through an Indonesian
fellow on the crew who knows enough
Malaysian to interpret. They were
moved by all this, and went away with
tracts, wondering exactly what kind of
a ship they had come across!'

- Dave Brown

GALILEE CHURCH celebrated her 12th Anni-
versary last Lord's Day with a special
service and dinner of 10 tables. Life
Church Session thanks Galilee for their
kind invitation.

ZION CHURCH celebrates 15th Anniversary
Thanksgiving with a buffet dinner on Sat.
June 17, 7.45 p.m., followed with a light
programme to recall the past history of
Zion.

The present series of Gospel meetings
with Mr. Tom Hamblin is well-attended
with several coming to Christ the first
night.

Z.K. VANCANCY. Applications are invited
from Christian ladies for the post of a
teacher as from July this year. Write:
"The Chairman, Board of Directors, Zion
Kdgn., 5 Tavistock Ave. (19)

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CASTING OUT A DEMON AT F.E.B.C.

The clock had struck eleven when James Lee (from whom demons were recently cast out and is now rejoicing in the Lord) returned to College with several newfound Galilean buddies in the old Ford. The car-doors clicked noisily in the still night air. Some muffled voices, and then silence. Time for lights out and to bed!

Suddenly, out of the pitch darkness of night rang a concatenation of voices. It's someone in a nightmare again? No, someone's run amok? No, but it cannot be a boxing match!

As I rushed out to the stairway to investigate there stood Johnny, Anthony and another before me. "Pastor, one of the Galileans, Kok Weng is demon-possessed. He is frightened. He is saying that the devil will come for him 2 a.m. tonight."

When I came upon the scene of commotion there was Kok Weng lying on his back on a soft white bed. James knelt over him. With pointing finger he challenged the evil spirit in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. Anthony held him in the right arm and Bobby his legs. Tony knelt at the feet, feverishly praying.

Then came Tiang Hock's turn to rebuke the demon. The foul spirit boomed back, puffed and threatened. The boys held the struggling body fast. Upon seeing my new face, he called out my name. "It is useless for you to come and assist," he jeered. "I would hold on for ten hours." Remembering the words of St. James, "Resist the devil, and he will flee from you," I said that was all right. We would stay on our knees until he left. Further groanings, louder rebukes, pleading prayers, punctuated with chorus-singing - what a din of unfamiliar noises jarring the peace of the kampong folk. Some Indians silently gathered below and peered through the shafts of light from the College dorms.

"O Lord cleanse us from all sin by Thy precious blood! O Lord, have mercy on us. O Lord, cast out this evil spirit."

"No!" retorted the enemy. "You have no power to cast me out. I must have Kok Weng's life."

"Yes, we have no power ourselves. But we come in the Name of Jesus Christ. He is the Son of the living God."

"No!"

"Yes!" Jesus Christ died on the Cross for our sins. He bruised your head. You are conquered. We cast you out by His precious blood!"

We strained further to pray, to cry to the Lord. We pleaded nervously before Him on our knees. We quoted the Bible. We sang "There's power in the blood." The demon, though now subsiding in bodily resistance, would not budge.

Meanwhile Pastor Heng's assistance was summoned. When he arrived, he repeated the same process. But he added, "In the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ, you foul spirit, I command you to tell us your name!" At this the adversary began to sob, "My name is Hor Yee." (Hor Yee was one of the spirits cast out of James while the patient was previously present, and had taken a part in the exorcising). Waxing bolder, Pastor Heng called the spirit to come out. When he resisted, he put his palm over his chest and thundered, "The blood of Jesus Christ burn you and cast you to hell where you belong. There followed a struggle and a whine. This process was repeated for some time, to no effect. The resistance stiffened up.

Feeling the need of cleansing and mutual confession of sins, Rev. Heng led several others, including Dr. Patrick Tan, to another room. Meanwhile the main body of College students, including the girls, pleaded on their knees at the foot of the Life Church pulpit. I was left alone with Anthony and another. While the other two literally held a watching brief over Kok Weng I maintained a barrage of commands to the evil one to come out. Supported by the prayers coming from all sides, and the singing of choruses exalting the Name of Jesus, I felt more confidence in rebuking the demon. When the true self in Kok Weng began to cry, I quickly fed him with a simple prayer, "Lord Jesus, have mercy upon me. Lord Jesus save me." Then in Cantonese, "Khow Yeso Kow Ngo: Lord Jesus, save me!"

Entered Rev. Heng the second time, now bolstered with a new power. "You evil spirit, the blood of Jesus burn you and cast you to hell." More groans and sobs. Suddenly, the patient sighed, "He is going out..." And then in a triumphant shout, "In the Name of Jesus, get out!"

No sooner had he uttered this than the tormented soul came to his senses. Sheepishly he looked up as the room rang with Hallelujahs and glory to His Name. The soul now delivered was weak and feeble. It must be strengthened with the Word of God. Pastor Heng gave him Psalms 23, 27, and 34 to read.

Suddenly the young man brightened, "Jesus comes! He is standing there!" At this he fell to his knees and worshipped. A flood of tears fell on the cement floor. A prayer of confession and adoration ascended from grateful, trembling lips. "Praise the Lord, the Name of Jesus is all powerful. Glory to His Name!"... chimed the relieved disciples.

ATTENTION ALL COMBINED B-P CHOIR MEMBERS

A Choir Practice will be held
 on Sunday, 18th June at 7.45 p.m.
 and not on 25th June,

as was announced in the previous Weekly.

COMBINED B-P CHOIR COMMITTEE MEMBERS to
 meet after practice.

LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

Mon. to Fri. Mt. Carmel S.S. Camp at FEBC
 Hostels.

Tues. 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting in Church (Sis-
 ter Low Sock Khim)

Lord's Day: 10 a.m. Rev. Arthur Gee of CNEC.

4 p.m. Mr. Liew (Rev. Tow at
 Muar and Rawang).

Nursery Roster: 25th June Elizabeth Tan,
 Mrs. Mollie Tan.

Bro. and Mrs. Henry Heng's departure to the
 U.S. is postponed to July 15.

Ministry of Surplus Goods. Thanks to Mrs.
 Lim Kim Hee, contact was made with a depart-
 mental store which donated five big boxes
 of shop-soiled shirts and dresses. After
 distributing some to some FEBC students the
 bulk is kept with the rest for overseas re-
 lief.

RAWANG B.F. Toa Payohite \$20; Lifer \$10;
 Praise the Lord, \$1000 is loaned by Life
 C.S.S. Our needs are now reduced to less
 than \$15,000.

JOHORE BAHRU. The Holy Light Church (Chinese)
 is appealing for an FEBC student to teach
 Sunday School and run the Junior Y.F. on
 Saturday mornings. Piano playing essential.

FAR EASTERN KINDERGARTEN requires a helper.
 Applicants must be able to converse in Eng-
 lish. Girls between 16 and 22 may apply to
 the principal. Vacancy exists with effect
 from 23rd of June '72.

FAR EASTERN BEACON June issue available this
 Lord's Day. Articles include The Catholic
 Church—Quo Vadis? an Appraisal of the
 House-Church Movement; follow-up on the
 "Stop Viet Bombing" petition, and What
 about the Church in China?

Mr. & Mrs. Denis Yeo, with their 3 children,
 are back in S'pore from the U.S.A. for va-
 cation. Mrs. Yeo is Quek Swee Choo, daughter
 of Elder Quek Khiok Meng of Faith B-P Church.
 Welcome to the Yeos.

LING KWANG MISSION, Old People's Home and
 Orphanage Fund: Another \$700 received dur-
 ing the past week - \$500 from a Faith Mem-
 ber out of her savings for the Lord's work,
 and \$200 from Faith Church Prayer Fellowship
 friend as a thanksgiving for her son's wed-
 ding. The fund now stands at \$9,900.

GALILEE APPOINTMENTS

Wed. 7.00 p.m. Bible Study in 2 sessions

8.00 p.m. Prayer Meeting i/c Samuel
 Fong.

Fri. 8.00 p.m. Combined Song Service with
 Eagles' Club (397 Alexander
 Road)

Sat. 4.00 p.m. GCYF at Sambau

Sun. 3.00 p.m. Sunday School

4.30 p.m. Sunday Service (Holy Commu-
 ion)

ICY CAMP at Rawang will end on Thurs. June
 22. "Family Evangelism" is our theme.

DAYS ARE FILLED WITH SORROW AND CARE,
 Hearts are lonely and drear;
 Burdens are lifted at Calvary,
 Jesus is very near.

Chorus:

Burdens are lifted at Calvary, Calvary,
 Calvary;

Burdens are lifted at Calvary, Jesus
 is very near.

Cast your care on Jesus today,
 Leave your worry and fear;
 Burdens are lifted at Calvary,
 Jesus is very near.

Troubled soul, the Saviour can see
 Every heartache and tear;
 Burdens are lifted at Calvary,
 Jesus is very near. (199)

COME INTO MY HEART, BLESSED JESUS,
 Come into my heart, I pray;
 My soul is so troubled and weary,
 Come into my heart today.

Chorus:

Into my heart, into my heart,
 Come into my heart, Lord Jesus;
 Come in today, come in to stay,
 Come into my heart, Lord Jesus.

Come into my heart, blessed Jesus,
 I need Thee thro' life's dreary way;
 The burden of sin is so heavy,
 Come into my heart to stay.

Come into my heart, blessed Jesus,
 O cleanse and illumine my soul;
 Fill me with Thy wonderful Spirit,
 Come in and take full control. (479)

Cont.

By this time, it was two-thirty. But;
 I had earlier noted that the hour that
 the evil spirit left Kok Weng's body was
 only a few minutes before two - the hour
 he would have tried to take, his life!
 What a false hope, what a defeat to the
 Father of lies!

At chapel the next morning at 8 a.m., a
 sound and sane Kok Weng shared his grue-
 some yet glorious experience with the
 College family. Prayers now were doubly
 fervent. Throughout the day and during
 the earlier part of the night after the
 College students took turns to fellowship
 with Kok Weng, and to pray with him at
 another special session. When they finally
 came to the parsonage for supper Kok Weng
 assured us that the Lord had delivered him.
 We worshipped in song and prayers again
 and committed him to the care of the Lord."
 "... Neither death, nor life, nor angels,
 nor principalities, nor powers...nor height
 nor depth, nor any other creature, shall
 be able to separate us from the love of
 God, which is in Jesus Christ our Lord."
 (Roman 8:38-39). T.T.

Triple June 17 1) 15th Anniversary of Zion
 Church 2) Foundation stone laid for 3-
 storey College and F.E. Kindergarten Ex-
 tension Blk, Gilstead Rd. 3) Foundation
 stone for Calvary B-P Church laid.

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Saturday, 24th June 1972

I.C.Y.-SM CAMP AT RAWANG (19th-22nd June)

By Koh Kim Hiang.

Up to the last few days before the camp, the number of people who registered as campers was disappointingly small. Seeing the poor response, the committee had no choice but to decide that the programme for the camp be as flexible as the circumstances might call for.

What a surprise we had on the morning we set off to find that we had as many as twenty-nine campers gathered at Life Church. This number was just about right for the seven cars that were going to Rawang - a Divine arrangement surely!

All the seven cars, by the mercies of God, arrived safely at Rawang although there were incidents of near mishaps. By the time we had settled in it was late in the afternoon.

The new Rawang Christian Church has the appearance of a typical countryside church one sees in western magazines. It is simple, stately and has in it solemnity, which is perhaps enhanced by the quiet surrounding and the artistically chosen coloured-glass panes which form the upper part of the church front and a strip behind the pulpit on the rear wall. The education block behind the church houses the parsonage and 2 kindergarten class-rooms.

On arrival at Rawang, the camp committee decided to follow close to the original programme. The morning messages based on the theme "True Reformation gives Revival for the Redeemed in Christ" were brought to us by Rev. Burton Toms. Precious gems were extracted from the book of Philippians when he led us through the study of it. The messages were thoroughly refreshing.

That night meetings were evangelistic. Rev. Quek Kiok Chiang, the Lord's messenger, spoke in Teochew, which was interpreted into English by Rev. Tow. Rev. Quek's theme was "Household Evangelism". His messages on "An Ark", "A Door", "A Window" brought conviction to the hearts of the Rawangites and it was a joy to see a total of 19 people making decisions for the Lord Jesus Christ during the three nights. A number of people also made decisions, vowing to pray for the salvation of their households.

On Tuesday afternoon, it was a thrilling experience for the Singaporeans to go out visiting and holding family worships in the 28 Christian homes, scattered in the village of Rawang. Our primary object in the visitation was to revive the faith of the Rawangites. Rawang was a Christian colony, but through the passage of time the faith of many of the Rawangites has grown cold. Today, many of them are just nominal Christians and a few have degenerated into a state of being gripped by superstition. In our visitation we divided ourselves into three groups with Rev. Tow, Rev. Quek and Rev. Toms as our leaders. The Rawang young people led us over muddy ground through rubber estates to the various homes. We sang hymns and choruses, prayed, read the scriptures and exhorted the members of each home in the faith.

The immediate effect of our visits was seen in the increase in attendance in the evangelistic meetings. On the first night we had about 80 attending. On the second night (after the visitation) the attendance was a hundred. On the last night, we were thrilled to see a hundred braving the rain, to attend the meeting. On the second and last nights many of us had to stand, because all the pews were filled up. His Name be praised!

On the third afternoon, we had another joyous experience. We helped clear up the church premises. Pieces of wood were strewn over the church compound. They were actually left there by the contractor for the Rawangites to use as firewood. The Singaporeans and the Rawangites worked together to stack up the pieces of wood in an orderly manner. We filled up the holes on the laterite drive-way with gravel and reinforced the bridge between the main highway and the drive-way. It was really giving, in terms of physical strength and energy.

The camp was really something to remember. Perhaps, it was the re-discovery of the truth of the statement that "It is more blessed to give than to receive" that made the camp such. Certainly, the hospitality of the Rawangites with Elder Lau taking the lead is something hard to repay. The camp has strengthened our ties with them. The fellowship with them was sweet. Already Elder Lau has extended us another invitation to camp there. Perhaps, we should accept this gesture of love.

PIANO FOR RAWANG. One contribution you can make towards more fervent worship at Rawang is the gift of a good used piano (free from dry-rot). Rawang has only a small organ which is not too wholesome either.

The ministry of music is next to preaching, says Martin Luther. A piano offered to the Rawang Church will not only add to the spirit of singing at worship and in the Sunday School but also afford young Rawangites an opportunity to learn music. Rev. Yeo Choon Liang of Living Water Church who preaches at Rawang three Sundays of the month has offered his services to give young Rawangites free music tuition. Will you do your part? - T.T.

LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

Mon. 7.30 p.m. FEBC Lecture (Rev. Toms)

Tues. 8.00 p.m. Prayer Meeting Dn. Koh Kim Hiang

Sat. 4.00 p.m. Y.F.

Lord's Day 10 a.m. Rev. Tow (Lord's Supper)

4 p.m. Mr. Liew (Lord's Supper and Baptism)

Nursery Roster: 2nd July Mrs. Woo Sock Eng, Mrs. Tan Kong Chin; 9th July Lorena Tan, Amy Loh.

New Address. Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Chiang Yao Ching, 53 Cairnhill Circle, Tel: 275282.

Engagement. The engagement between Sister Lily Tow and Mr. Carl Dauber of Ohio on May 30, 1972 is announced.

CALVARY "STONE-LAYING" SERVICE. 300 gathered to witness the unveiling of a bronze plaque by Elder Heng Mui Kiah which reads: "Calvary Bible-Presbyterian Church, Founded June 17, 1972. To minister to the residents of Jurong Town in earnest expectation of His glorious return". Rev. Tow brought the message based on the text. The Calvary B.F. has reached \$290,000. We need \$120,000 more.

SEMBAWANG. Congratulations to Bro. & Mrs. William Fu on the birth of a daughter, Sat. June 17, 1.30 p.m.

RAWANG B.F. Lifer \$70; Zionite \$50. With more received from Rawangites in Singapore and Malacca our needs are reduced to \$13,000, praise the Lord!!!

PRAISE SERVICE & PIANO RECITAL

THEME: "Behold He comes, and every eye shall see Him"

Our B-P Churches will hold a "Praise Service & Piano Recital" on 20th August, 1972 at the Conference Hall.

The Combined B-P Choir will be singing a medley of songs climaxing with Peterson's "Jesus is Coming Again". During the first part of the programme the audience will participate in congregation singing.

The second part of the programme features our concert pianist, Mr. Dennis Lee, LRSM, ARCM, B.MUS. PCM. Mr. Dennis Lee is a Christian and is a very widely known concert pianist. Local critics were highly favourable in their comments on his performances here last year.

For our Praise Service & Piano Recital he will be playing a medley of very well-known hymns, a few pieces of Bach and his own arrangement of "Jesus is Coming Again".

Come to the "Praise Service & Piano Recital" and be blessed with an evening of good sacred music. Admission will be FREE.

All offerings and donations for the evening will go to the Calvary Building Fund.

Sponsorship

The B-P Music Committee wishes to invite sponsors for the "Praise Service & Piano Recital". The sponsorship is a hundred dollars each. Please contact any of the B-P Music Committee members for further information.

SITUATION VACANT Female Lab. Technician Trainee. Age 16-18, Sr. Cambridge with Science subjects. Phone 374339 for interview.

ATTENTION ALL COMBINED B-P CHOIR MEMBERS

We are only 8 weeks away from the August Praise Service & Piano Recital. Practices will be held weekly from now on and if necessary we will practise more frequently. Please commit to memory "Jesus is coming again" and "Before Prayer" for this coming practice which will be held on Sunday, 25th June at 7.45 p.m.

ZION Y.F. celebrates its 15th Anniversary Sat. 24th June.

Zion Church's 15th Anniversary was commemorated with a buffet dinner, attended by about 150 members, friends and invited guests.

CONGRATULATIONS to Mr. Chiang Shiao

Soong of Faith Church who will be awarded a President's Scholarship at the Istana on Sat. July 1st 1972, at 8 p.m.

FROM A LIFE CHURCH S.S. STUDENT

"I dare not bring my friends to church because the church-goers here look so worldly - with all their fancy clothes and such, including some of the S.S. teachers. I pray to God that something might be changed in Life Church about this. Romans 14:21 says, 'It is good neither to eat flesh nor to drink wine, nor any thing whereby thy brother stumbleth, or is offended or is made weak'."

CONGRATULATIONS to Mr. Lee Fah Ping of Faith Church Choir for being selected to join the 40-member Singapore Youth Choir sponsored by the Ministry of Ed. for a 2-week tour of the U.K., leaving on July 27th.

Congratulations to Mr. Stanley Quek Swee Han, second son of Elder Quek Khiok Meng of Faith Church, for being conferred with the degree of M.B., B.S. at Dublin on June 22nd. Dr. Quek is due back in Singapore early in July to do his Housemanship and National Service.

LING KWANG MISSION CLINIC thanks another two Christian doctors (Dr. Gwee Hak Meng of ORGH and Mrs. Gwee, Dr. Chan Fong Lian of OPD) for offering their voluntary service at the Clinic.

Ling Kwang Old Peoples' Home and Orphanage Fund reached \$10,000/- with a \$100/- contribution from a Lifer last Lord's Day. During the week another \$1,000 came from a Faith Church Session member, bringing the total to \$11,000/-. May God bless the very cheerful givers.

FEBEC Final Examinations commence Fri. June 30 and end July 7. The end-of-term dinner is extended to Sunday, July 9, 6.30 p.m., culminating in the 5th Graduation Service to be held at the Life Church Auditorium at 8 p.m. The College will re-open on Sept. 18 for the 11th academic year.

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"BEHOLD HE COMES, AND EVERY EYE SHALL SEE HIM"

by Tow Siang Hwa

B-P Churches to Meet at Conference Hall 20.8.72

These words from Revelation strike the theme for our Combined B-P Churches' Praise Service and Piano Recital at the N.T.U.C. Conference Hall on Sunday 20th August at 8 p.m. From many signs and world-shaking events we know that the Lord's promised return is near - "even at the door." It is therefore the duty of every faithful church to proclaim this glorious message of hope - "Behold, He comes," and sound the warning to those who are still outside Christ. At the same time, all Believers should be faithful, watching for His glorious appearing again in the clouds. At that moment, the trumpet of God will sound, "and the dead in Christ shall rise first: then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord." (1 Thessal. 4:16-17)

MESSAGE IN SONG

What a glorious message and what better way is there than to proclaim it in song and music! A wide selection of choice hymns and choruses will be used in the Congregational Singing, led by none other than Rev. Philip Heng. When 1000 voices unite in the Saviour's praise, you can be sure that hearts will be warmed and uplifted. Our Combined B-P Choir will sing Peterson's "Jesus Is Coming Again" and Mrs. Murray's "Behold, He Comes!"

International Concert Pianist

Guest Pianist for the second part of the evening's programme will be Mr. Dennis Lee who will be returning from Europe for his third annual tour of the Far East. Dennis Lee was born in Penang. At the age of fourteen he won a music scholarship to the Royal College of Music in London where he studied under Angus Morrison. Later he studied under Dirchler in Vienna and Ilonka Deckers in Milan. During his years in Britain and Europe he gained the ARCM (Hons.) for Piano Performance, ARCM (Hons.) for Violin Teaching, B. Mus. (First Class Hons.) London, M.Mus.R.C.M. He won numerous scholarships and awards of prizes and medals which are too many to mention. Among his achievements are radio and television performances for BBC, Radio Bremen, Radio-Television Singapore and Malaysia, and playing at the Royal Festival Hall, London. Most important, Dennis Lee is a born-again Christian. Don't miss hearing him!

Donations to Calvary Building Fund

Normally, to organize and present a programme such as what we have would cost \$2000 in rental of the Conference Hall, printing of publicity materials and programmes, professional fees, etc. Thanks to the many B-P members who have rallied to our help, this sum will be more than met. On the Concert night, free-will offerings will be received in Donation Boxes placed outside the Hall for the Calvary B-P Church Building Fund. The building of Calvary is now in its final stages. Of the funds needed, 75% have already been found. Perhaps the Lord has laid it on your heart to help us finish the job at Calvary. We would greatly appreciate your help. May God bless every cheerful giver.

Sponsors Wanted for the Concert

Last Sunday we appealed for Sponsors for the Praise Service and Piano Concert of 20th August. Each sponsor was requested to support the Concert with a donation of not less than \$100. Immediately after the Morning Service at Life Church, we received donations amounting to \$600. Later a Pastor rang to pledge his support with another \$100. More donations are on the way. Each sponsor will be given two tickets to seats reserved for sponsors and will have our appropriate acknowledgement for his/her gift in the Souvenir Programme.

We are looking for 30 more sponsors from among our members. Won't YOU please be a sponsor?

"FEAR NOT..... YE ARE OF MORE VALUE THAN MANY SPARROWS."

If God cares even for the lowly sparrow, how much more would He care for us, His children? This thought must be a source of immeasurable comfort and assurance to many a Christian in trouble.

The time now is 1.40 a.m. on Thursday 29 June 1972, long past normal bed-time stories! Indeed, but it is the time to write a short testimony to the grace and watch-care of our loving Heavenly Father. Man proposes, God disposes - we have heard often said. How about this: man despairs, but God cares? Mrs. William Seah had been scheduled for delivery on Thursday 29 June. This was man's plan. But on Wednesday evening labour pains began. God had other plans to strengthen our faith. Just before midnight my phone rang. Mrs. Seah's labour pains were getting stronger. Doctor's attention was required. So, off to another night call. As the car sped through deserted highways, a silent prayer ascended to the Almighty. "Lord, grant a safe delivery to mother and child."

 * COMBINED B-P CHOIR PRACTICE *
 * Practice will be held *
 * on Sunday night *
 * 2 July at 7.45 p.m. *
 * at Life Church *

ALL COMBINED B-P CHOIR MEMBERS please learn the pieces by heart.

FEBC urgently needs funds this week to meet end-of-the term payment of honorarium. The Treasurer Elder Heng Yow Tong will appreciate paying up of all pledges from regular contributors.

FOR OUTDOOR EVANGELISTIC WORK among the Dayaks and Chinese in the rural areas of West Kalimantan, our brethren there have written to request gifts of loud hailer, a used tape-recorder and Bible film strips or slides. Rev. K.C. Quek who plans to spend two weeks in August doing the Lord's work there will bring them along. Gifts in kind or in cash to make the purchases will be much appreciated.

NEW TELEPHONE NUMBERS from Monday, July 3: Zion and Faith Churches 884786. Zion Kdgn. 880733.

MINISTRY OF SURPLUS GOODS. All that has been accumulated at Life Church Parsonage will be sent to W. Kalimantan by Rev. Quek's hand. Any more from Readers? Send them also to Faith Church. Surpluses after W. Kalimantan will go via Logos.

LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

Tues. 8.00 p.m. Prayer Meeting. Mrs. Burton Toms.

8.00 p.m. Session Meeting.

Sat. 2.30 p.m. A Christian Fellowship at FEBC (Rev. Tow)

4.00 p.m. Life Church Y.F. - "Three Greatest Sins" (Rev. Tow)

Lord's Day 10 a.m. Rev. Tow

4 p.m. Mr. Liew

Nursery Roster: 9th July Lorena Tan, Amy Loh; 16th July Mrs. Ivy Tow, Mrs. Phang Guek Im.

Congratulations to: 1) Deacon and Mrs. Koh Kim Song on the birth of a daughter, June 19, 1972. 2) Deacon and Mrs. William Seah on the birth of a son, Colin Chong Lim, June 29, 1972.

SEMBAWANG Mr. Liew Hon Seng will preach on behalf of Rev. Tow, Lord's Day July 9.

RAWANG B.F. From USA \$10(U.S.); Sarimbunite \$10. (We're in urgent need of \$4,000 to pay the bills).

SARIMBUN now has electric lights and refrigerated water. Welcome to retreat!

POKOK ASSAM. Mr. Guneratuam, to answer your request, an FEBC team will arrive Mon. July 24 afternoon after our monthly visit to Rawang. Please arrange for 3 nights of meetings to be followed by a week of DVBS. Joseph Ong and Michael Chung will stay with you throughout the two weeks.

WILL THE BPM COMMITTEE agree to meet at the home of Elder Tow, Mon. night, July 17, (8 p.m.)? Members are Revs. Tow, K.C. Quek Philip Heng, Quek Swee Hwa, Elders Joshua Lim Seow Chong Pin.

SONGS & VERSES FROM THE HOLY LAND by T. Tow \$1 per copy. Get yours from Life Church Office.

At Gleneagles Hospital the midwives were anxiously waiting. The examination trolley was by Mrs. Seah's bedside. Yes, she was in labour with strong pains every 4-5 minutes. Examination showed a Breech presentation with both feet down. As the bag of water broke the cord came down and tangled between the feet - a grave complication and obstetrical emergency! The baby's life-line was in danger of being cut off. Quickly! Summon the theatre staff and Anaesthetist! Midwives hurried helter skelter. Telephones began to buzz. Hot lines came alive! A little life was in peril. Make haste for Caesarean section.

"Siew Yang, your baby is in danger. Pray the Lord to preserve its little life." Yes, Lord be merciful and protect this child from harm. We committed our ways unto the Lord. Bring the oxygen, quickly! Here, breathe through this mask, for baby's sake! Soon the Theatre Staff, aroused from bed, arrived and hurriedly prepared the Operating Theatre. Soon the trolley came rattling along and we were off! Lift doors opened, down three floors and into the Theatre. The Anaesthetist was all ready with oxygen, gases, injections and tubes.

"We shall examine Mrs. Seah under anaesthetic and see if she can be delivered without Caesarean." Right! Anaesthetic went in and she went out. Yes, fully dilated. We proceed with delivery. No Caesarean. Forceps ready? With a silent prayer, the legs were delivered together with the cord, then body and arms. Finally the head. The baby gasped. Alive! Praise the Lord! The time: 12.56 a.m. Clamp and cut the cord! Take him away. Anaesthetist sucked out baby's air passage and gave oxygen. Baby gave a few gasps and then a lusty cry! Alive! It was touch and go. Life hung by a cord! Man near despair, but God did care! Soon, Mrs. Seah came out of the anaesthetic. "You have a son 6 pounds 4 ounces, Siew Yang! 'Praise the Lord!' came the dreamy response.

William had left word to be called in case of delivery. By now, with all the excitement over, we decided not to interrupt his sleep.

Dear Reader, we are of more value than sparrows. Why not trust Him in everything? O we of little faith! Lord, increase our faith.

The Board of Directors, Faculty and Students
 of

Far Eastern Bible College
 cordially invite
 OUR READERS

to the
 Fifth Graduation Service
 to be held at

Life Church, Gilstead Road,
 Lord's Day July 9, 7.45 p.m.

Mr. Stephen Hyun,
 F.E. Representative of Gideons Int.
 will deliver the message
 (refreshments at FEBC Hall)

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BEHOLD, HE COMES! FRIEND, WILL YOU BE READY?

by Tow Siang Hwa

The greatest event of the age and the major Prophecy awaiting fulfilment is our Lord's imminent return. It is a fact as much as Jesus' life, death and resurrection are facts. The Lord's return is the Believer's blessed hope. Many world events indicate that the time is near at hand. We must be prepared, for when He appears, those who are not ready will be left behind to a very sad fate the Great Tribulation.

The main purpose of our Praise Service and Piano Concert is to remind Christians and warm unbelievers. The message of Christ's return will be sounded out loud and clear. None who hear will be left in any doubt. The Songs which we shall sing will be about the Second Coming. The Choir will sing it, the Congregation will resound it, the pianist will strike the same theme. A thousand voices shall echo the theme "Behold, He comes!" Even so, Lord Jesus, come!

THANK YOU, SPONSORS FOR YOUR SPLENDID RESPONSE!

Since our announcement two weeks ago, twenty-two Sponsors have rallied to this good cause. Many came spontaneously with their gifts for Calvary. One devout widow and a young lady who had recently found a job greatly touched and encouraged my heart by their voluntary donations. Calvary's building is now in its final stages. If you wish to have a part in this work in Jurong, now is the time. Sponsor our Praise Service and Dennis Lee Piano Recital, spread the message "Behold, He Comes" and contribute your share to Calvary - for \$100.

God loves a cheerful and spontaneous giver!

EBENEZER - "HITHERTO HATH THE LORD HELPED US"

"Ebenezer" is the Hebrew word for "Stone of Help." It is the name given by Samuel to a stone he set up for the children of Israel gathered at Mizpah. The occasion was a sacred one, a time of confession of sins to implore Divine help against Israel's enemy, the Philistines. The ark of God was taken by the enemy twenty years ago, and had been without a home for almost one generation. Yet, God had not forgotten His people, for He raised up Samuel to be their prophet. Samuel, instead of saying what great things he could do for Israel, rather called on God and witnessed to His grace over the years. (I Sam.:7)

This Lord's Day sees the completion of the tenth academic year of Far Eastern Bible College. On the same evening, July 9, 7.45 p.m. the College will convene at Life Church to witness the graduation of Miss Trinh Huong Linh with the B.Th. degree and the receiving of a Certificate of Religious Knowledge by Miss Cynthia Gan of Pahang. Mr. Stephen Hyun of Korea will deliver the message and the B-P Choir will sing.

The completion of the tenth year is significant in that a vantage point is reached whereby the past might be surveyed more objectively. Beginning with a class of three students, a principal and a lecturer, the College today has grown to a student body of 25 with four times the teaching strength. Eleven have graduated five with the B.Th., four with the Diploma and two with the Certificate. Though the number is small their durability has stood the test of time. Each one may be found in some portion of the Lord's vineyard. For all these results, we have no merit to claim than saying with Samuel, "Hitherto, hath the Lord helped us!"

Hitherto hath the Lord helped us through your prayerful support and gifts. As the College grows, so her needs. At present FEBC is run on a shoe string, or to use another figure of speech, with tightened belt. To keep it going we need \$18,000 per annum or only \$1,500 per month. This of course does not include the scholarships received by students, but that is a matter of responsibility by the sponsoring church or individual. Hitherto, has the Lord helped us through our Readers. God bless you in your giving and God is able to make all grace abound toward you that you **having all** sufficiency in all things may abound to every good work.

"Hitherto hath the Lord helped us" should lead us to expect what God will do in the next decade. These are momentous days, days of dramatic change, days also of opportunity. The Bible College should play the role of a watchman. We must be prepared to sound the warning, to join in the fray where action is called for. While stressing on academic learning, we must not slack in prayer, in evangelism and in missionary outreach.

Our graduates and students are all actively church orientated and doing a regular, silent work in the establishment of God's kingdom. However we must be ready at a moment's notice to go to the relief of distant calls. We have gone to minister to the youth of Rawang, we have answered and are answering the call of West Kalimantan and we are going to Pokok Assam. Working hand in hand with Bible Presbyterian Churches the FEBC must translate the theology she has learnt into church founding and missionary outreach.

"Hitherto hath the Lord help us," said Samuel, and Israel replied, "Cease not to cry unto the Lord our God for us, ..." (I Sam. 7:8). As God has helped us in the past, so may you continue to intercede for us in the days ahead that we might be sustained in every battle for the Lord. - T.T.

ALL B-P GROUPS, START TO PRACTISE!

With six more Sundays to go, let us start to sing the songs which have been selected for our Praise Service on 20 Aug. at the Conference Hall. Will the leaders/Pastors of each Church/group please begin right away. Each week one or more songs will be printed in the B-P Weekly. Here is the complete list:

- CHORUSES:** 1. For God So Loved the World
2. Living - He loved me.
3. Only Jesus, Always Jesus (145 in 200 Choruses)
4. Christ Returns (25 in 200 Choruses)
5. Behold He Comes.
6. When we see Christ (Elim 589)
7. Lord Crucified (194 in 200 Choruses)
8. How Marvellous His Love (100 in 200 Choruses)

- HYMNS:** 1. Jesus Is Coming Again.
2. What If It Were Today?
3. Some Golden Daybreak.
4. Meet Me There.
5. Christ Returneth.
6. Will Jesus Find Us Watching?
7. Must I go and empty-handed?

SONGS FOR THIS WEEK

All B-P Groups, please practise.

THEME CHORUS (Music with Choir Members)

1. Behold He Comes! (4 times) Members
And every eye shall see Him
Friend, will you be ready
When Jesus comes?
2. WHEN WE SEE CHRIST (Elim 589)
It will be worth it all when we see Jesus,
Life trials will seem so small when we see Christ;
One glimpse of His dear face all sorrow will erase,
So bravely run the race till we see Christ.
3. "JESUS IS COMING AGAIN" (Music with (by John Peterson) Choir Members)

1. Marvellous message we bring,
Glorious carol we sing,
Wonderful word of the King...
Jesus is coming again...

CHORUS:

Coming again ... Coming again...
May be morning, May be noon,
May be evening, and may be soon!
Coming again ... Coming again...
O what a wonderful day it will be....
Jesus is coming again!

2. Forest and flower exclaim
Mountain and meadow the same
All earth and heaven proclaim....
Jesus is coming again!

3. Standing before Him at last
Trial and trouble all past.
Crowns at His feet we will cast....
Jesus is coming....

(These 3 songs will be repeated next week)

The Board of Directors
Faculty and Students
of

Far Eastern Bible College
cordially invite
OUR READERS

to the

Fifth Graduation Service
to be held at

Life Church, Gilstead Road,
Lord's Day July 9, 7.45 p.m.

Mr. Stephen Hyun,

F.E. Representative of Gideons Int.

will deliver the message

(refreshments at FEBC Hall)

LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

Tues. 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting, Rev. Tow

Lord's Day 10 a.m. Rev. Tow

4 p.m. Mr. Liew

Nursery Roster: 16th July Mrs. Ivy Tow,

Mrs. Phang Guek Im; 23rd July Judy Lim,

Mrs. Joshua Lim

Baptised at Life Mandarin-Teochew Service

last Lord's Day were Madam Koh Soo Cheng

and Miss Tan Sock Kheng of Hume Heights.

Praise God for over 40 in attendance.

Rev. Tow minister this Saturday at

Jemualang in answer to Miss Char's call

to bury a Christian.

RAWANG B.F. Praise the Lord! Lifer \$110;

Australian \$33.20.

U.S.A. Rev. Hsu, thank you for donation

to help B-P Weekly postage.

TOA PAYOH B-P Church committee meeting

on Wednesday 12th July 8 p.m.

USED CLOTHES and Evangelistic aid for W.

Kalimantan. In his visit again to W. Kali-

mantan early next month, Rev. K.C. Quek

plans to go by boat, bringing with him

used clothes for distribution to the poor

and needy, and evangelistic aid equipment

such as loud hailer, Bible story pictures

and slides and a used tape-recorder. Gifts

in kind or cash will be much appreciated.

Please deposit your used clothes at Church

and contact Rev. Quek at Tel: 84786/81733

about other gifts. Thank you (QKC)

GALILEE APPOINTMENT

Tues. 8.00 p.m. Session Meeting at Parsonage

Wed. 7.00 p.m. Bible Study in two session

8.00 p.m. Prayer Meeting i/c Eddie Ng

Fri. 8.00 p.m. Family Worship at 470-J Blk.

41, Jln. Rumah Tinggi

Sat. 4.00 p.m. GCYF at Sambau Gospel Mission

Sun. 3.00 p.m. Sunday School

4.30 p.m. Worship Service

Saturday. Kelapa Sawit Oil Palm Estate S²

Team leaving parsonage at 1.00 p.m.

ZION KINDERGARTEN committee meets this

Lord's Day at 2.00 p.m., followed by Zion

Church Session Meeting at 3.00 p.m.

'Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is... Heb. 10:25.

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WITH CHRIST TO A VILLAGE FUNERAL

The FEBC faculty was in session at 2 p.m. when the phone rang. "Distant call from Jemaluang for Miss Char - Mr. Kan's dead, come back quick!" Half an hour later the phone rang again, "Bring along a Christian coffin too!" As much business had to be transacted, the "rescue party" did not start until 6.30 p.m.

Miss Char and I arrived at Jemaluang, 10 p.m. that night. We went straight to the Kan's house, where 80-year-old Mr. Kan, retired municipal street-lamp lighter, had died in the morning. There we met Miss Lee, the missionary who phoned us earlier.

Miss Lee related how immediately after the old man had expired some old women gave him a change of Chinese death clothes. These consisted of a blue gown and a black cap, complete with a new umbrella and his walking stick. A hot argument ensued over this pagan attire. Miss Lee insisted that since old man Kan was a Christian, he must be dressed in white. This point was finally conceded after a long-drawn battle of words. When we arrived, Mr. Kan was not only attired in white, but covered with a white pall oversewn with the red cross of Jesus Christ.

However this Christian testimony in apparel was not complete without the Christian coffin requested. Not being instant undertakers, we had brought none. However, we had a good contact made hitherto with Rev. Yeo Choon Liang of Living Water Church, Muar who runs a Christian funeral service. We called Muar 189 at 10.20 p.m. In ten minutes, all was arranged for a \$350 coffin, reduced to \$200 for charity's sake, to be shipped to Jemaluang the next morning.

At 10.30 the next day a light brown coffin glittering with silver plates and handles, with a cross superimposed on the lid, arrived in a shining silver-black hearse. What a bright contrast with the unwieldy monstrous-looking Chinese coffins! What surprised the village crowd was when the lid was lifted, revealing a soft-cushioned bed overlaid with white satin. "Look," exclaimed one who felt the insides, "its Dunlopillo." "Yes," remarked Miss Char, "Mr. Kan who lived a hard life, sleeping on wooden boards, has earned a Dunlopillo at last!" "But who's to help carry him into the coffin?" asked Mr. Kan's friend the grave digger. Seeing not a single one around, the pastor offered his services. What an experience carrying a dead body - how stony-hard and icy-cold it felt!

When the crowd gathered again they were introduced to our simple yet solemn Christian rites. First a chorus from John Sung, "The Cross is evermore my glory, All my sins are washed away By the precious blood of Jesus." Then an invitation hymn, "Come to Jesus just now!" A 15-minute message on Christ the Resurrection followed which was concluded with a prayer, and further invitation to believe in Jesus. Owing to previous appointments, we are obliged to return to Singapore after this preliminary service.

Early Sunday morning, we made it back to Jemaluang in good time for the burial. By now all the sons and daughters, grandchildren and relatives, had come from far and near. Over a hundred were brought once again under the Gospel sound. Many seemed gladdened by the message of life eternal according to Jn. 3:16. I asked the grave digger old Kan's friend, "Did Kan tell you about Christ in his life-time?" "Yes, he did." "Then, do you believe in Jesus?" "Of course! See, I don't keep idols in my house."

Mr. Kan was a street-lamp lighter before World War II. He was a brighter light by his outspoken testimony. In fact, our coming to know him 20 years ago while "prospecting" the East Coast was through a cross erected over his house. This symbol of Jesus Christ, he said, earned even the Japanese respect. He was never molested by the invading army. He was treated better than any other in the village because he was a Christian. (Old Mr. Kan and his wife were baptised years ago by Rev. Quek Keng Hoon.)

When the hour came for the cortege to leave, the village guild turned out in full force. They offered their tortoise-shaped hearse (the tortoise symbolises longevity) which the young men zealously pulled with the anticipation of an angpow. They marched round the village until they came to the main road. Then a jeep took over like a train engine coupling into its coach. Those in cars sped away ahead of the now motorised hearse to the cemetery hill. On a slope facing a beautiful scenery of blue hills and forests old Kan was laid to rest. While his son manipulated the coffin ropes to set it "straight" according to Chinese geomancy, the pastor committed the corpse dust to dust, but his spirit to the Father of spirits.

Jesus says, "I am the resurrection and the life; he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live. And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this?" (Jn. 11:25,26). -T.T.

1. BEHOLD HE COMES!

Behold He Comes! (4 times)
And every eye shall see Him
Friend, will you be ready
When Jesus comes?

2. WHEN WE SEE CHRIST (Elin 589)

It will be worth it all when we see
Jesus,
Life trials will seem so small when
we see Christ;
One glimpse of His dear face all
sorrow will erase,
So bravely run the race till we see
Christ.

3. "JESUS IS COMING AGAIN"

(by John Peterson)

1. Marvellous message we bring,
Glorious carol we sing,
Wonderful word of the King...
Jesus is coming again...

CHORUS:

Coming again...Coming again...
May be morning, May be noon,
May be evening, and may be soon!
Coming again...Coming again...
O what a wonderful day it will be...
Jesus is coming again!

2. Forest and flower exclaim
Mountain and meadow the same
All earth and heaven proclaim...
Jesus is coming again!

3. Standing before Him at last
Trial and trouble all past.
Crowns at His feet we will cast...
Jesus is coming again!

(Songs for the B-P Praise Service & Piano
Recital, Aug. 20)

LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

Tues. 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting, Bro. Low
Tiang Hock

Sat. 4 p.m. Y.F. Topic: Arts.

Lord's Day 10 a.m. Rev. Tow (thereafter
Rawang and Huar)

4 p.m. Mr. Charles Tsao

Nursery Roster: 23rd July Judy Lim, Mrs.
Joshua Lim; Mrs. Cheng Soon Lang, Mrs.
Edmund Tay.

Hear Elder O.J. Tassicker at Life Church
this Lord's Day, 10 a.m. A Tim Sum Lunch-
eon in his honour will be held after ser-
vice at the Peacock Room, Ming Court;
12.30 p.m. The charge is \$4 per head.
Friends of Mr. Tassicker, please take
note!

SURPLUS GOODS Another consignment received
from Mt. Carmel at Life Church Parsonage
has been transmitted to Faith to be packed
and shipped to W. Kalimantan.

Life Church Mandarin-Teochew Service runs
a Mandarin Bible Class every Lord's Day
at 3 p.m. This class now has six or seven
students. Come and join us (Mr. Liew).
FEBC At the Fifth Graduation Service held
at Life Church last week Miss Trinh of
Vietnam was conferred the degree of B.Th.
and Miss Cynthia Gan was awarded the Cert.
of Rel. Knowledge. The offering
taken was over \$580.

BIBLE-PRESBYTERIAN MISSIONS

Bible-Presbyterian Missions, the mis-
sionary agency of our churches, is the
successor to Malaysia Pioneer Mission which
was founded in 1952. Through the MPM the
resources of our churches were channelled
to establish a gospel witness at Kelapa
Sawit and Pulau Tekong. The MPM gave aid
also to Galilee and Jurong in their early
days. Today, the BPM gives support
to Tea Payoh English Service, etc., etc.

Now, when we renamed the MPM Bible-
Presbyterian Missions (note the plural),
we are stressing the need of not only mis-
sionary outreach at home but also abroad.
As our churches multiply on Singapore Island,
we should lift up our eyes and look on the
field. We should pray the Lord of the har-
vest to send labourers into the neglected
towns and villages of West Malaysia, and
to the tribes of West Kalimantan. These
are our first responsibilities since re-
peated Macedonian calls are heard from
these quarters. If we remain inert, then
we are deliberately disobeying the Great
Commission of our Lord. - T.T.

ELDER O.J. TASSICKER, who served on Life
Church Session 1959-1961 is now on a week's
visit after an absence of 11 years. Elder
Tassicker is senior lecturer in Elect. En-
gineering at the University of NSW. He has
just given a series of lectures in USA and
is on his way back to Australia.
At a specially arranged family worship at
the home of Bro. and Mrs. Mahadevan last
Friday Mr. Tassicker spoke on the empty
search for satisfaction by tourists he met
on the way. He applied this observation
to the audience if we might not be seeking
for lesser things. He gave the answer to
our quest in Jesus Christ the Bread of Life.
He told of a wonderful trip to the stone-
age natives of New Guinea. One chieftain
when told of the offer of salvation in
Jesus Christ asked how long ago it was that
the offer was made. When the missionary
said, "Since 2000 years ago," the chief
answered, "Then why did you wait so long
to tell us?"

GALILEE APPOINTMENTS

Wed. 7.00 p.m. Bible Study and Prayer
Meeting at the home of
David Teo by special re-
quest - 220-B, Blk. 1,
Redhill Close (3)

Rev. Philip Heng will be preaching at Mt.
Carmel, Sun. 23rd at 10.30 a.m.

Fri. 8.00 p.m. Combined Song Service at
397 Alexandra Road.

BPM Committee meets Mon. July 17, 8 p.m.
at the home of Elder Joshua Lim!

THE MASTER MUSIC BOOK compiled by Elder
Joshua Lim for the "200 Revival Choruses"
is missing. It is a big blue book. Kindly
return it to owner.

* ATTEND B-P PRAISE SERVICE *
* and *
* PIANO RECITAL *
* Singapore Conference Hall *
* Sunday Aug. 20, 8 p.m. *

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FROM SARIMBUN TO KULAI BESAR

When Bro. and Mrs Liew Hon Seng left K.L. in March to work with us at Life Church Mandarin-Teochew Service, we had the happy arrangement of settling them at Sarimbun. This arrangement was profitable not only spiritually and evangelistically but also economically. Economically, it solved the housing problem, for at Gilstead Road we have no more quarters available, and the Liews are entitled to quarters.

Bro. and Mrs. Liew, being Malaysian citizens, need also a professional visit pass. Since their arrival we have applied for the same on their behalf. Sorry to say, their application has not been approved. This means they are obliged to leave by end of this month!

Perceiving that God's higher hand was over this matter, we began to pray for the next move. After a week of waiting on the Lord, we felt led to send Bro. Liew to "spy out the land" at Simpang Renggam and Kulai Besar. Both these towns have no Gospel witness. (Kulai Besar is the new town sprung up at the 19th mile, one mile before old Kulai, and not under Kulai jurisdiction.) Finding neither contact nor house available at Simpang Renggam, we decided to try Kulai Besar. Besides, we knew one of our Kelapa Sawit members residing in the new town. Sure enough, we found Bro. Goh Chin Meng and his family and do you know what was the first thing we heard? Bro. Goh, now retired from teaching, had just recovered from a year's illness. In thanksgiving to God, he vowed to help start a Gospel work if some Church would come into the new town of Kulai Besar! Mrs. Goh, whom I had baptised at Kelapa Sawit a decade ago, then took us to a developer's office to see if any of the 40 terrace houses it is building would be available. "Only two left, and one of the two is right in the centre with an L road-frontage. The price is \$14,700 cash." Then added the manager, "This one that is most suitable for your Church is actually booked. If you pay the ten per cent deposit now, it is yours."

The evening of our Kulai "venture" was when Bible Presbyterian Missions was scheduled to meet. When the story of Sarimbun and Kulai Besar was related to the Committee with the further glad news of \$1,500 already found for the deposit, the brethren unanimously voted \$500 as BPM's contribution towards purchase, as well as \$130 for the monthly support of the Liews from September. (This effort is made possible through Toa Payoh's coming autonomy and self support in the same month).

A name has been chosen for this newest Gospel outreach - Bible Presbyterian Church, Kulai Besar. A committee has also been formed, comprising Rev. T. Tow, president; Rev. K.C. Quek, Vice-president; Mr. Liew Hon Seng, secretary; Deacon Tan Wai Choon, Treasurer; and Deacon John Lim of Kelapa Sawit, Deacon Goh Ching Meng of Kulai Besar, members.

Our newest church property is situated on a hill slope above the new town shopping centre where are clustered such big businesses as Chung Khiaw Bank and Johore Sugar. The property is a one storey terrace house with about 1,000 sq. ft. of floor space. It has three bedrooms. In order to make a bigger hall, one bedroom will be incorporated into the sitting room. This will give ample space to run

a. kindergarten class and for worship. Another can be held in the porch. The property is freehold within the Ko Teck Kin estate. Such a property can easily fetch \$40,000 in Singapore. (But we are called to go out and not stay in S'pore.) We invite therefore Readers zealous to see the Gospel go out to invest in this latest and most cost-effective enterprise launched by the B-P Movement. We have \$2,000. We need only \$12,700 to obtain the property for Christ. We welcome Readers not only to visit Sarimbun which continues to witness despite the Liews leaving, but also Kulai Besar, as you see the new church-house rising.

RAWANG CHURCH DEDICATION SUN. SEPT. 24.

Rawang Church is completed! What delays the awaited day of joyous dedication is the manufacture of the pulpit, table, chairs and pews. Since the furniture cannot be delivered until mid-September, we have decided to hold Dedication on Sunday Sept. 24.

Many Readers have given to Rawang, so we wish a goodly number will come. Elder Joshua Lim is arranging an air-conditioned 45-seater tourist "jumbo" to cater to your needs. The fare is most moderate. Setting out from Gilstead Road at 11.15a.m., the bus will take you to see the new church-house at Kulai Besar en route. It arrives Rawang at 3 p.m. in time for the service. After service our Singapore guests will be entertained to a buffet dinner. Leaving Rawang at 5.30 p.m., we should be home by 9.15p.m. Rawang B.F. Australian \$100; Katongite \$100. Our needs are now reduced to \$8,000!

TWO-PRONG ADVANCE FOR CHRIST

1. Rev. Tow, Tan Wai Choon, Joseph Ong and Michael Chung leave this Lord's Day to preach at Rawang and Muar. Thereafter to Pokok Assam for special meetings and a two-week DVBS by Joseph and Michael. 2. Rev. Quek sails after Aug. 6 to W. Kalimantan for fortnight's meetings with Chinese and Dyaks.

PRAISE SERVICE TICKETS. Tickets to the Praise Service and Piano Recital of 20.8.72 are now available to B-P members. As the number of seats is limited and may not be able to meet the demand, requests for tickets must be made individually so as to prevent wastage and abuse. Will all B-P group leaders please put up application forms for members to enter their names. Requests for tickets should reach members of the B-P Commission for Music by Sunday 6.8.72. Members may also apply for tickets for their friends. These will be considered if tickets are available after 6.8.72. PLEASE BOOK YOUR TICKETS EARLY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT. INFANES AND YOUNG CHILDREN WILL NOT BE ADMITTED.

SONGS FOR PRAISE SERVICE (20.8.72)

CHRIST RETURNETH! (Inspiring 131)

1. It may be at morn, when the day is awaking,
When sunlight thro' darkness and shadow is breaking,
That Jesus will come in the fullness of glory
To receive from the world His own.

CHORUS:

Oh Lord Jesus, how long, how long
Ere we shout the glad song - Christ returneth!
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Amen,
Hallelujah! Amen.

2. It may be at mid-day, it may be at twilight,
It may be, perchance, that the blackness of midnight
Will burst into light in the blaze of His glory,
When Jesus receives His own.
3. Oh joy! Oh delight! should we go without dying,
No sickness, no sadness, no dread and no crying,
Caught up thro' the clouds with our Lord into glory,
When Jesus receives His own.

PLEASE NOTE: SONG FOR NEXT WEEK:

WHAT IF IT WERE TODAY? (Hymnody 459)

SIX CHAPTERS of the ICY-Singapore will meet for the Combined Chapters Come-together at Life Church Grounds on 9th August (National Day) from 4.00 p.m. to 9.00 p.m. Programme includes Orientation, Games, Treasure Hunt, Tug-of-War, Dinner, etc. Rounding up the evening will be an informal Talentine. The chapter with the best turn-out and over-all performance gets an attractive award!

ELDER O.J. TASSICKER writes: "Truly to meet once again so many good friends refreshed my soul and spirit. Life Church has not flagged. I am very sensitive to the mood of the congregation and was uplifted by the prayerful attitude of the people on Sunday morning..." Extra volumes of the Songs and Verses from Holy Land will be most useful."

THE BIBLE-PRESBYTERIAN MISSIONS COMMITTEE met at Elder Joshua Lim's home last Mon. It noted the efforts made by local missions. It requests every local mission to submit reports at the next Presbytery Meeting (Sat., Sept. 2) so that a full picture be obtained of our total outreach. BPM which voted \$500 for Kulai Besar has meanwhile received \$500 from F.E. Kindergarten. BPM also contributed \$160 for one loud-hailer for Gospel work in W. Kalimantan through Rev. Quek and \$50 for the Pokok Assam trip. BPM will support Mr. Liew \$130 per annum from Sept. when the same sum will cease to go to Toa Payoh.

CONGRATULATION to Dn. Quek Swee Peng, Director of Ling Kwang Mission Clinic, for success in the MRCOG Exams. Dn. Quek is due to return from UK next Thurs.

Congratulation to Dn. & Mrs. Chang Woon Soo of Faith Church for God's gift of their first child, a girl, on Fri. July 21. Rev. Quek Kiok Chiang urgently requests more used clothes for Christian Relief in W. Kalimantan. To date 1,200 pieces have come in. It is hoped the amount will double. Please make an effort to clear your wardrobe of surplus items and hand them over at Life or Zion or Faith Church by next Lord's Day July 30.

F.E. Beacon and Malaysia Christian. July issues available at Church this Sunday, PRAY FOR quick recovery for Rev. Quek Khee Swee who is recuperating from an operation at TRGH Wd. 4.

LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

Tues. 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting. Miss Trinh
Fri. 5 p.m. Rev. Tow returns from Upcountry
Sat. 4 p.m. Y.F. Topic: Censored for Christ
Speaker: Lau Tiang Hock

Lord's Day 10 a.m. Rev. Tow
4 p.m. Mr. Liew

Nursery Roster: 30th July Mrs. Cheng Soon Leng, Mrs. Edmund Tay; 6th Aug. Christine Tow, Melinda Lim.

Wedding Bells! The holy matrimony between Deacon Lau King Hong and Miss Rosy Leong of Wai Yan Tong will be solemnised on Sat. Aug. 5, 3.30 p.m.

Miss Chang Ching Ho of the Mandarin-Teochew service met with a traffic accident and is now under treatment at ORGH Ward 9. Please pray for her.

FAR EASTERN KINDERGARTEN. At a committee meeting held at 64 Andrew Road last Thursday, Rev. Tow was elected the chairman. Other members: Elder Joshua Lim (Sec.); Mr. Phang Ching Yen (Treas.) Dn. William Seah, Elder Seow Chong Pin.

SEMBAWANG. Congratulations to Deacon & Mrs. Chee Ah Chai for the gift of a boy, July 19th, 1972.

GALILEE APPOINTMENTS

Wed. Prayer Meeting - Deacon Seow
Rev. Heng will be away at a Christian Conference, K.L., July 27-31.

A CHINESE OUTREACH will be launched by the Carmelites in the home of James Lee. 65-J, Blk. 66, Lengkok Bahru.

THE SARIBUN COMMITTEE is called to meet on Fri. 28, 8 p.m. at the Life Church Parsonage.

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A MISSIONARY JOURNEY ALONG THE GOSPEL HIGHWAY

By Tan Wai Choon

It was 12.30 p.m. after service last Lord's Day when Rev. Tow, Michael Chung, Joseph Ong and I sped off from Gilstead Road on our missionary journey to our gospel stations in West Malaysia. (We went first to Thomson Road Hospital to express our sympathies to the Quek family for the home calling of Rev. Quek Khee Swee).

When we came to the Malaysia side of the causeway, as usual, Rev. Tow said, "Nothing to declare, Sir." The customs officer, looking smilingly at our familiar "Jesus Saves" car, bade us to proceed. "Praise the Lord, that certainly saved us many precious minutes," remarked Rev. Tow. "Amen," we joined in. Surely "at the name of Jesus every knee should bow." There is power in the name of Jesus.

Bible-Presbyterian Church, Kulai Besar

As we were approaching Kulai, 20 miles from Johore Bahru, the Lord sent us a cool shower. We drove to lot 81 to have a look at our newly bought semi-detached house-church in the process of building. To our utter amazement, we saw several houses with their walls up already. The speed with which the contractor executed his work was faster than we expected.

At Rawang and Trinity

We reached Rawang at 3.45 p.m., fifteen minutes before the service was scheduled to start. The kind and very hospitable Elder Lau and the Rawangites were very happy when they saw us. We went to have a look at the 26 pews beautifully made but waiting to be varnished, stacked behind the church auditorium.

When told that he had to baptize six and confirm the faith of four Rawangites, Rev. Tow was led of the Spirit to preach a message different from the one he had prepared. The newly-baptized babes ought to be given milk (1 Peter 2:2) rather than meat (Heb. 5:4). Joseph sang a solo with his guitar at the service while Michael gave his testimony to the Youth Fellowship. After the worship, we were treated to a sumptuous dinner at the home of the Laus.

The service at the Trinity Church, Muar was to begin at 8.00 p.m. It had come to my turn to "work". The thought of preaching before a new audience made one nervous. With the assurance of the pastor and the brothers praying for me and the confidence that Christ was with me (Mt. 28:20) I went up the pulpit to "preach the word" (2 Tim. 4:2).

Deacon Kwa and his wife were especially warm in their reception of us.

Trinity Church has many promising young people many of whom have gone abroad for further education or gone to large cities like Kuala Lumpur and Singapore where job opportunities are greater.

We passed that night at Rawang. Arising early the next morning, we had an excellent breakfast, including golden creamy durians which Elder Lau had picked at 5 a.m. We were very grateful for the Lord's provisions and the hospitality of the Rawangites. Elder Lau also packed a big bunch of rambutans into our car as we set out for Pokok Assam. In the car, I read a portion of Scripture, and Michael, Joseph and I prayed, while Rev. Tow drove.

"Fellowship" with the mosquitoes at Pokok Assam

It was late in the afternoon when we reached the "Evangel Centre" at Pokok Assam. Already a few boys were at the Centre awaiting us. We offered the rambutans and a rapport with the boys was established. Mr. Sam Guneratnam was most joyous on seeing Rev. Tow and us. "God has answered my prayer," he shouted. He then led us upstairs to the rooms in which we were to lodge. On opening the doors, we were welcomed by dozens of swarming mosquitoes.

That night we had a meeting with half a dozen of the boys while Rev. Tow and Mr. Guneratnam discussed business. When it was time to retire for the night, we decided to sleep downstairs on the wooden pews. Sleeping near each other would enable us to share the mosquito destroyers. The best news that we heard before retiring was that Mr. Guneratnam had decided to hand over the property to our church. We had a prayer meeting together.

The aggressive mosquitoes demanded our "fellowship" and came to our ears with their orchestral music which we did not the least desire, let alone enjoy. I covered my head with a piece of cloth while poor Rev. Tow had to slap his face many times. Nonetheless, the Lord "giveth his beloved sleep" (Ps. 127:2).

To Penang and Kuala Lumpur (25.7.72)

"The Lord's business requireth haste" (1 Sam. 21:8). The next morning, after a quick breakfast, Rev. Tow and I left for Penang which was over an hour's drive while Joseph and Michael remained behind to make further contacts. Praise the Lord, Dr. Tow Siang Yew had leave that day. This enabled us to discuss our business more freely. His wife and all his children were at home, all very glad to see us. Dr. Siang Yew agreed to be on the new Pokok Assam Committee.

When we returned to Pokok Assam, we saw Mr. Guneratnam again, but our boys were not there. They had gone **visiting** already. The work here is most promising. Literally there are dozens of young people waiting to hear the Gospel. Mr. Guneratnam was sad to see us leave. Anyhow, leave we must for we must reach Kuala Lumpur before dusk. We reached Kuala Lumpur at 6.30 p.m. We knew that the Lord would lead us to Dr. Siang Yeow's house. Sure enough He did and before long we arrived at Jalan Pegawai. Dr. and Mrs. Siang Yeow were most hospitable. After a sumptuous meal we met for worship when Rev. Tow gave a message based on the song, "This world is not my home", a favourite of Anthony, son of Dr. Siang Yeow. Dr. Tow agreed to sit on the P.A. Committee too. Thus far the following make up the Pokok Assam Committee: Rev. Timothy Tow, pres.; Mr. Sam Guneratnam, V-pres.; Mr. Tan Wai Choon, Secr.; Drs. Siang Yew and Siang Yeow, committee members. We still need a treasurer.

Witness to a hitch-hiker, Gan Ah Tah

Early next morning, Rev. Tow sent Dr. Siang Yeow to his office (as Dr. Siang Yeow's car was in the workshop). At Seremban we picked up a hitch-hiker who introduced himself as Gan Ah Tah, from Muar. He is now working in the Singapore Armed Forces. Rev. Tow and I gave him the gospel and answered all his objections and questions concerning the faith. We invited him to accept Christ as his Saviour. We could see that he was convicted of his sins. When we reached Rawang, he thanked us and said that he was very lucky to be in our car. I told him not to forget Christ and invited him to come to our church in Singapore. We told him that God had put him into our car that he might be saved.

At Kulai Again

It was about two hour's drive when we reached Kulai. Enthusiastically we went to have another look at the "promised land." The supervisor was at the site and when we pointed to lot 81, he at once knew that it was ordered by us to be used as a church. Rev. Tow conversed with him in Hakka which made him feel that Rev. Tow was one of his clansmen. He assured us that it would be built according to our specification and also promised to see his boss for further reduction in price as the house would have one wall fewer to make.

Home Sweet Home

With that assurance we sped home, reaching beloved Singapore at about 4.00 p.m. We went straight to Zion to pay our respect to the Queks via Mandai. We have this joy that the Lord has made us "fruitful in every good work" (Col. 1:10). We have this confidence that our labour "is not in vain in the Lord." (1 Cor. 15:58).

SONGS FOR PRAISE SERVICE (20.8.72)

WHAT IF IT WERE TODAY? (Hymody 459)

Jesus is coming to earth again
What if it were today?
Coming in power and love to reign
What if it were today?
Coming to claim His chosen Bride,
All the redeemed and purified,
Over this whole earth scattered wide
What if it were today?

CHORUS:

Glory, glory! Joy to my heart 'twill bring
Glory, glory! When we shall crown Him King
Glory, glory! Haste to prepare the Way ...
Glory, glory! Jesus will come some day.

Satan's dominion will then be o'er
O that it were today!
Sorrow and sighing shall be no more
O that it were today!
Then shall the dead in Christ arise,
Caught up to meet Him in the skies;
When shall these glories meet our eyes?
What if it were today?

Faithful and true would He find us here
If He should come today?
Watching in gladness and not in fear,
If He should come today?
Signs of His coming multiply,
Morning light breaks in eastern sky;
Watch, for the time is drawing nigh
What if it were today?

LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENT

Tues. 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting. Mr. Liew Hon Seng

Fri. 8 p.m. Family Worship at the home of Bro. and Mrs. Roland Wong, 134J Commonwealth Crescent, Block 104.

Sat. 3.30p.m. Lau-Leong Wedding

Lord's Day 10 a.m. Rev. Tow (Lord's Supper)
4 p.m. Rev. Tow (")

KULAI BESAR BUILDING FUND. Filipino \$100; Sarimbunite \$500; Lifer \$200.

BIBLE-PRESBYTERIAN PRAISE SERVICE AND PIANO RECITAL. Closing date for application of tickets is Aug. 6!

\$2940 is urgently needed for the second instalment of Kulai Besar.

IN MEMORIAM, Rev. Quek Khee Swee, 85, Advisory Pastor of Faith B-P Church, went home to be with the Lord last Lord's Day, July 23. The Memorial Services held **nightly at the church** & the Funeral Service (held also at the church & conducted by Rev. Tow on Fri., July 28, 2.30 p.m.) were very well attended. The Faith Church Funeral Committee and the bereaved family thank all members of the B-P family and friends for their condolences and attendances. Monetary gifts received so far amounted to \$9,296, of which \$2,060 was given for a prayer room in another church in memory of the late Rev. Quek, and the rest for the Old People's Home and Orphanage, being planned by the Ling Kwang Missions of Faith and Zion B-P Churches. The overall total will be raised to \$10,000 by the bereaved family.

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EXTENDING GOD'S KINGDOM VIA THE GOSPEL HIGHWAY

If you have read last week's account of "A Missionary Journey Along the Gospel Highway" you will have noted the following number of stations linked up for the extension of God's Kingdom:

1. Gilstead Road	3	4. Muar	128	7. Pokok Assam	440
2. Kulai Besar	36	5. Rawang	133	8. Penang	500
3. Kelapa Sawit	43	6. Kuala Lumpur	245		

For greater economy and easier travel, the Lord will assuredly open more stations along the way. But, are we willing to follow in His steps, to enter every open door?

Pokok Assam

We have been associated with Pokok Assam since 1966. Those who have ministered there include Miss Char, Rev. Philip Heng, Tow Siang Kwang and Swee Thian Hoe, Peter Chua and Stephen Kwan, Goh Seng Fong and Company, Joseph Ong and Michael Chung. Now there's a new Pokok Assam Committee formed, and the latest member to be added is Mrs. Chew Kia Song!

As we begin this Weekly Report, Joseph and Michael are concluding their fortnight's meetings and returning home. Here's a first hand description of Pokok Assam from Joseph's letter, dated July 28th, 1972.

'None of them turn up for our meetings and no one seems interested at all. We visited some of the old members and found that they weren't even sure of their salvation. We had a talk with one of them and according to him, the meetings here terminated six months ago! In other words, we have no Christians to work with, so it is actually a pioneering task - in two weeks! We thought we were wasting God's time and money and we had the intention of asking you to send us home as soon as possible.

However we're glad we didn't quit so soon. We continued to pray and we went tracting by ourselves. We managed to gather a group of teenagers into the house. At first they came in for mischief, but thank God, about 12 of them accepted Christ. These are sincere repentances. These boys turn up every night (very punctual) on their bicycles, very well behaved and keen to learn. They learn to pray and read the Bible and their prayers are very sincere.

We're still going from door to door inviting people in for our gospel meetings and we are making full use of the tracts which we brought here. The people here are friendly (esp. teenagers) and we are getting along fine. We don't have much problem with our host except for a few disagreements.

Both Michael and I feel that somebody must come up to continue the work. These new Christians are interested in worshipping the Lord and studying the Bible.

They express the desire of going to church and they need more guidance...'

What Pokok Assam ultimately needs is a couple, permanently stationed. The aging house also needs large scale repairs, but we cannot do this, till December, during FEBC's first term vacation.

Rawang

Since the Liews have not got their 'work permit' they were obliged to leave Singapore by end of July. And, since Kulai Besar which is acquired for their sake and ours, is still under construction, the logical place to settle them temporarily is Rawang. We packed the Liews, ducks, chickens and all, in the "Jesus Saves" Wagon and got them safely landed at the Rawang Station on Monday afternoon. We arrived in the midst of an "operation clean-up" by the young Rawangites who warmly received us..

While the Liews are expert changkollers and would be an asset to Rawang in preparing the grounds for the Dedication in September, their mission to Rawang is primarily spiritual. So, I announced a series of instant gospel meetings to be held for six nights, beginning the very night of our arrival. Sixty people turned up, including the six grandchildren of our idol-worshipping neighbour living opposite, whose oldest grand-daughter, now 14, saw a vision of angels some years ago.

Mr. Liew preached on "Jacob the Grabber" and applied the lesson to our lack of getting the best from God. The congregation hung on the preacher's lips. With such increased watering of the peoples' hearts, we must see an abundant crop of good works in the days to come. And with the 26 pews so finely made, more are turning up for the Sunday Service. At last week's baptismal service, they counted over 90 present.

To see that Mr. Liew is kept busy for the Lord, I introduced him to Deacon Kwa of Trinity Church. Mr. Kwa said this was "good news" to him, for he could make use of him in other fields.

For Rawang's Dedication on Sunday, Sept. 24, an airconditioned Tourist Jumbo will leave Gilstead Road, 11.15 a.m. The charge is between \$7 and \$8 for the round trip. Book early to avoid disappointment.

Kulai Besar

The reason why Kulai Besar is chosen for the Liews is obvious to our Readers.

We thank our Readers for your ready response to our Appeal. Thus far, we've received funds enough to pay the initial deposit (\$1,470) and a second instalment of \$2,000. We were tremendously encouraged by two gifts from Lifers last week, made up of \$2,000 and \$210, and this week by a Galilean's \$100. To date, nearly \$5,000 has been subscribed. We need therefore only \$10,000 to buy the house, but this sum must be paid in four month's time.

The Kulai Besar property is a corner terrace-house. It has about 1,000 sq. ft. floor space. The enlarged hall has 500 sq. ft. which makes it big enough to run a kindergarten class and on Sunday for worship. The house is most beautifully and strategically situated. It is on the highest terrace of Kulai Garden, before which runs a main road to the old Kulai town.

As to the date of Kulai Besar's inauguration, sometime in November should be an auspicious occasion!

Sarimbun

With so much attention focused on Rawang and Kulai Besar, on the first leg of the Gospel Highway, Sarimbun seems to be fading out of the picture. Far from it! Mrs. Ho, upon hearing of the Liew's departure, felt a strong urge to further develop Sarimbun into an Evening Rest Home. She came to see me specially on this new project. Lord willing, the front porch of the mission house would be converted into a tower with an upper storey for guests. Parallel to the mission house on the higher ground can be built a "longhouse" of five rooms, to accommodate ten inmates. The room inside the mission would be dismantled to make the hall exclusive for meetings.

The present Sunday School continues. Every Lord's Day Bro, Sng Teck Leong drives a VW Kombi provided by Mrs. Ho. Travelling with him to Sarimbun are Misses Tiew Ah Tuan, Anne Cheang and Fang Siu Yin, teachers. The attendance is about 25. - T.T.

Christian Patriotic Song for National Day:

SINGAPURA

O fairest Isle of Southern seas,
Thy waters are so blue!
Waft by a balmy ocean breeze,
Thy land is decked with dew.
Singapore, Singapore,
Thou favoured Isle of ease!
God bless thee yet with Thine increase,
And peace from year to year.

Our fathers came in days of yore.
From many climes and lands.
They found a richer life in store
Beneath just ruling hands.
Singapore, Singapore,
Thou Haven of the free!
God bless thee yet with thine increase,
And peace from year to year.

On thee we've built a new City,
Fourth great port of the world.
May Right prevail and Equity,
Not by might, nor by power!
Singapore, Singapore,
So may thy sons serve thee.
God bless thee yet with thine increase,
And peace from year to year.

Today we sail as one nation,
Our flag is flying high!
May our Captain by wise action,
Steer us with Compass nigh.
Singapore, Singapore,
Lightship of Liberty.
Sail on unto Prosperity
And peace a thousand years.

PRAISE SERVICE & PIANO RECITAL - 20.8.72

Application for tickets - Please be reminded that the application for tickets closes on Sunday, 6th Aug. '72. Late application will be entertained only if there are tickets left.

Church leaders in-charge of tickets, please confirm with Dn. Koh Kim Hiang (phone 52398) the number of tickets requested by their respective churches, by 6th Aug. '72.

Calling Volunteers to Usher at Conference Hall - Y.F. presidents (Life, Zion, Galilee, Sembawang, Toa Payoh, Faith, Mt. Carmel) please select 6 young people (Min. age 16 yrs.) from your Y.F. to usher at Conference Hall. Their names must reach Dn. Khoo Peng Kiat, 26, Jalan Tan Tock Seng (11) not later than 14th Aug. '72.

1. BEHOLD HE COMES!

Behold He Comes! (4 times)
And every eye shall see Him
Friend, will you be ready
When Jesus comes?

2. "JESUS IS COMING AGAIN"

Marvellous message we bring,
Glorious carol we sing,
Wonderful word of the King...
Jesus is coming again...

CHORUS:

Coming again...Coming again...
May be morning, May be noon...
May be evening, and may be soon!
Coming again...Coming again...
O what a wonderful day it will be...
Jesus is coming again!

ICY-S'pore Get-Together, Wed. 9th Aug.-4pm.
to 8.30 p.m. Place: Life Church.

LOST. Bible belonging to Miss Joanna Yam of Galilee Church in the pews of Life Church. Kindly return. GALILEE SESSION Mtg. 15 Aug.
REV. BURTON TOMS will speak at Life Church next Lord's Day. Miss Trinh at the Mandarin Teochew Service. Rev. Tow will be at Faith and Kelapa Sawit.

Rev. K.C. Quek leaves for W. Kalimantan by air Tues. Aug. 8, 6 a.m. for Pontianak and returns Aug. 22. 2350 pieces of surplus clothes were shipped by Pelui steamer "Enggano" Aug. 2 to Permangkat. Rev. Quek brings with him equipment for outdoor evangelistic work, S.S. teaching material, J.S. Choruses, etc. He requests prayer support. PRAY for Miss Chang Ching Ho at Ward 11, ORGH.

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ALL SET FOR PRAISE SERVICE & PIANO RECITAL

by Tow Siang Hwa.

After months of practice our Combined B-P Choir is now almost ready for the 20th. The Conference Hall will be ours from 2.30 p.m. on that day. Souvenir Programmes are in press and should be ready in a few days. Our Conductors, Accompanists, Song Leader and Guest Artiste are all putting in the final touches for the big day.

OVERWHELMING DEMAND FOR TICKETS

Last week the organisers received an overwhelming demand for tickets, far in excess of the available seats. Some requested as many as 200% above their normal church attendance. Obviously we are in no position to meet all these requests. What we have done is to allocate tickets to each group taking into account their membership, the actual request and the tickets available. Again it will be obvious more applicants will be disappointed, for which we crave your understanding.

However, please note this: all members who have applied will be assured of at least one ticket each. All Session/Church Committee Members, Concert Donors/Sponsors, Advertisers, Choir Members should have already received two tickets each. If anyone belonging to the above categories has not received the two tickets, please contact me or Mr. Koh Kim Hiang.

B-P MEMBERS EXTEND HOSPITALITY TO GUESTS

The Concert Hall has 1024 seats. We may have more people than seats, in which case some will have to sit on the steps of the tiered portion. As far as possible, will B-P members please "rough it out" on the stairs (carpeted) and allow our guests the use of the seats.

All members and guests are kindly requested to arrive early - about 7.45 p.m. and be seated by 7.50 p.m. Our Organist and Piano Accompanist will be favouring us with a 15 minute Prelude of beautiful Hymns. DON'T MISS THIS, especially the ORGAN PIANO DUETS.

SILENCE DURING PIANO RECITAL, PLEASE!

Our Guest Pianist Mr. Dennis Lee would be grateful if during the Recital the audience will keep silent (as in all Classical Music Concerts). Please refrain from eating, talking, rattling of paper, scraping of shoes on floor, coughing, clearing of throat, etc. Young children who must be present should be kept quiet by their parents or elders.

Souvenir Programmes will be given free of charge by Ushers at all entrances to the Hall. Please keep your copy carefully as it contains a valuable selection of Hymns and Choruses on the Return of our Lord Jesus Christ.

OFFERINGS TO CALVARY GRATEFULLY ACCEPTED

At the close of the Concert, offerings and donations will be received in BOXES outside all entrances. If you have been touched by the message in song, and wish to help the work at Jurong Town, please give an Offering to Calvary B-P Church Building Fund. We expect to function in October. So, SPEED THE GOSPEL TO JURONG WITH YOUR GIFT!

20.8.72 CONCERT TICKETS - LAST CALL.

B-P Church Members, please get your tickets from Deacon Koh Kim Hiang. Each member will get at least one ticket. If you enrol as an Usher, you will not need a ticket.

My dear Readers,

I should like to add a note to the Report above. The theme of the Praise Service is "Jesus is Coming!" It comes to you and me most appropriately, at a time when we think not.

If we take it to heart, we have a blessings. If we being awakened to the nearness of His coming, begin to do something to publish the Gospel message, we have a greater blessing. Giving to Calvary Church Building Fund is to have a share in the Gospel Outreach. You will not lose your reward.

Talking about the Calvary Outreach to Jurong Town, I'm delighted to report yet another in our B-P Church movement now taking root at Seletan Hills. A move is on by Zion Church to purchase a house-church in this sprawling housing estate. Charlie Tan, soon graduating from FEBC, will be the pastor. You will read a full-page report next week.

Praise the Lord, 1972 sees the completion of Rawang and Calvary Churches, the acquisition of two house-churches, at Kulai Besar and Selatan Hills! Jesus says, "Occupy till I come!" - T.T.

DENNIS LEE FAREWELL CONCERT will be held on Friday 25 August at the Conference Hall. Tickets will be available during Praise Service 20.8.72.

CONCERT SPONSOR. Another spontaneous donation was received from Miss Amy Lin, too late for acknowledgement in the Concert Programme.

LIFE CHURCH S.S. TEACHERS' TRAINING COURSE will be held every Sunday beginning 3rd Sept. at the FEBC Lecture Room from 8.00 a.m. to 9.50 a.m. This course is opened to all baptized Christians who are above 16 years of age. Rev. B. Toms will teach Bible Survey while Mrs. James Turner will teach Child Evangelism. Application forms are available from Life Church Office.

LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

Tues. 8.00 p.m. Prayer Meeting

Wed. 7.30 p.m. Buffet Dinner at FEBC Hall in honour of Lily Tow's marriage to Mr. Carl Dauber in USA

Lord's Day 10 a.m. Rev. Tow (bapt. cl. 11.30)
4 p.m. Miss Trinh Huong Linh

Nursery Roster: 20th Aug. Shirley Ho, Lucy Chua; 27th Amy Lin, Mrs. Annie Tan.

Wedding Bells. The holy matrimony between Miss Lily Tow and Mr. Carl Dauber of Ohio will be solemnised in Akron, Ohio, Sept. 2, 1972. Rev. Tow who will give away the bride is scheduled to fly Sunday Aug. 20, 11 p.m., arriving New York Aug. 21, 8.35 p.m. Traveling with the pastor will be Madam Lee Yin Peng (Lawrence's mother) and Mrs. Khoo Buck Kee (John Tow's mother-in-law).

Rev. Burton Toms will preach at Life Church for three weeks during Rev. Tow's absence, as well as administer the Lord's Supper.

Mr. & Mrs. Tow Siang Kwang are now shifted to Elmwood Apartment J-8, 100 Western Ave., Kalamazoo, Mich. 49008, USA.

REV. & MRS. EDWARD PAAUWE sent greetings to friends and Readers. Rev. Paauwe, while deputising in US, is working at the Independent Board Office and is associate-editor of Biblical Missions. From Aug. 19 to 26 Rev. Paauwe is speaking at the 20th Century Overcomers Camp at the Harmony Hearts Camp in Jermyn Pennsylvania. They are making their home in Willow Grove, Pa.

REV. K.C. QUEK who has been indisposed has delayed departure for W. Kalimantan to Tues. Aug. 15.

MR. LIM ING SIANG has obtained permission from Readers Digest to translate; print and distribute two articles on the evils of the World Council of Churches. Their titles are "Must Our Churches Finance Revolution?" and "Which way the World Council of Churches?" These appeared in the Oct. and Nov. 1971 issues of R.D. We are seeking competent translators in Chinese, Japanese and Indonesian. Please contact Mr. Lim or Rev. Tow.

DR. ALBERT B. DODD missionary of the Independent Board for Presbyterian Foreign Missions to China went home to be with the Lord in Taipei, Taiwan, July 31, 1972. He was 95 years of age. Dr. Dodd was a staunch defender of the faith by exposing modernistic teachings in Chinese universities and seminaries. He was in Manila 1951 to help organise the Far Eastern Council of Christian

Churches and visited Singapore the same year as well as in 1956. His funeral was attended by Dr. Carl McIntire and Dr. Lynn Gray Gordon, president of the Independent Board.

GALILEE APPOINTMENTS

Tues. 8.00 p.m. Session Mtg. at Parsonage.

Wed. All Galileans please attend Keswick Mtg. at Conference Hall.

Sat. 4.00 p.m. GCYF at SGM.

1.00 p.m. Pastor leaving for Kelapa Sawit D.V.B.S.

Sun. 10.00 a.m. Pastor speaking at Sembawang

2.00 p.m. Choir Practices

3.00 p.m. Sunday School

4.30 p.m. Worship Service

RAWANG B.F. Lifer \$100/=.

KULAI BESAR. Jurong B-P Church \$9; Toa Payoh S.School loan \$300.

JOHORE EAST COAST. Under Miss Char's leadership last week Joseph Ong and Bobby Phee of FEBC made an evangelistic trip to Jemaluang, Mersing, Endau and Rompin. Week before this Misses Anne Cheang and Tiew Ah Tuan ran a DVBS at Jemaluang. About 60 attended daily.

MISS TRINH HUONG LINH will teach for Rev. Tow at Chin Lien Bible Seminary during his absence.

PRAY for Miss Chang Ching Ho at Ward 11, ORGH.

FAR EASTERN BIBLE COLLEGE reopens Sept. 11 for the 11th academic year. Would be students should make a first contact with Dr. Quek Swee Hea, Academic Dean, phone 81733. Gifts of theological books will be gratefully accepted.

PIONEERING IN DYAK BORNEO by Jason Linn, which began to be translated by Rev. T. Tow in 1970, is now nearing completion: Rev. C.T. Hsu of New York City who has read the original recommends this book to youth readers - a challenge indeed to carry the Gospel to those who have never heard.

REV. TOW preaches at Faith Church this Lord's Day and at Kelapa Sawit in the afternoon. He leaves Gilstead Road 1.30pm. On the way home he will inspect the church-house at Kulai Besar fast coming up. If you are interested in visiting the new gospel station please let him know in advance. Mr. Liew Hon Seng is most likely to be at Kelapa Sawit by taking a bus from Muar.

SINGAPORE & USA COMPARED. In Rev. Paauwe's missionary letter the cost of living is mentioned as follows: "The cost of living is much higher in the States than it is in Singapore. It costs us about twice as much to live here as it did there. But, by sending a gift designated for us to The Independent Board now, you will be helping us a great deal during these slack summer months."

JURONG B-P CHURCH and SS has need of a ceiling fan. With 50 children crowded into the living room of the Chandra home, the air is more than warm! A ceiling fan can be a means of attracting the children to come to Christ. If you do not have a spare fan how about giving its equivalent? Please ring 50617, Rev. Tow.

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SELETAR HILLS BIBLE-PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Dear Members and Friends of the B-P Family,

A growing church is one which is alive! Zion has followed with much interest and prayer the steady expansion of her sister churches. It is now her turn to announce a recent development. Our Seletar Hills Outreach is aimed largely at the needs of a residential estate. By contrast the Calvary Outreach in Jurong attempts to meet the needs of an industrial town. Both are essential and represent the various needs of suburban Singapore.

An 11-year Old Landmark

The Seletar Hills Sunday School was founded on Feb. 19th, 1961 and has functioned through the years without closing down. Tribute must be paid to Elder Heng Yow Tong and successive groups of co-workers who maintained a brave struggle for survival despite many difficulties, not the least of which was the lack of a permanent meeting-place. The nomadic history of Seletar Hills (recalling that of Mt. Carmel) was by and large detrimental to the development of a proper church fellowship, which was and still is the purpose of our B-P Sunday School movement. It is easy to start a new work, but to carry it on to fruition is a most difficult task.

The Necessity of a Church in Seletar Hills

Two years ago, before my return to Singapore and under the leadership of Rev. Quek Kiok Chiang, the Zion Session began considering seriously the purchase of a property. Land was applied for, but we were informed that was not available. It was then decided that the Project be phased out in two stages: the formation of a house church, followed by the building of a church hall. Some might, with good intentions, ask: "But is it all that necessary to establish a Church in Seletar Hills now when we are already heavily committed in Singapore and Malaysia with building projects, etc.?" Our answer is a firm "Yes". Anyone who has observed housing development in the Bukit Sembawang district can see how fast houses are being erected in that vast, sprawling area. If we were to continue the witness planted there we must act now before land and house prices soar too high. Zion and Sembawang Churches can hardly cater to a small proportion of the present population in North East Singapore, let alone to the expected thousands more who will soon settle there. Perhaps the most compelling reason is that there is no Protestant Church in Seletar Hills, an estate equal in size at the moment to Serangoon Gardens, which supports 6 churches! There is (as usual) a Roman Catholic Church. This imbalance, where certain areas have too many churches and others too few or none, must be rectified.

A House Church

Our answer from the Lord, we believe, is the purchase of No. 53 Jalan Redop (off Yio Chu Kang Road), a single storey, semi-detached house situated in a very pleasant part of the old estate (Phase 7), midway between the old and new phases. The sitting-room is large and a ten to fifteen minute walk takes one to the nearest bus-stop. The asking price for the house is \$61,000 free of encumbrances and we have to raise the amount very soon.

Another answer from the Lord is the provision of a worker. Bro. Charlie Tan, F.E.B.C. final-year student, has consented to be the full-time pastor of this work. In many ways already Charlie has been active in the work of Zion and Ling Kwang. It is not easy to start off a pastoral ministry by looking first for members to form a house church, for at the moment we only have a Sunday School work. But we are confident the Lord will continue to rebuke us for the smallness of our faith.

How You Can Help

When the Zion Kindergarten building was bought, the Lord's people got together and through gifts and interest-free loans we acquired what is now a most valuable piece of property in Serangoon Gardens. \$61,000 not including other expenses involved in getting the place ready for occupation, is a paltry sum to the Lord. No offering is too small; certainly none too great. And if you cannot give, we ask you to loan a sum interest-free which can be recalled anytime when sufficient notice has been given. To realise somewhat over half of the needed amount we need 150 persons to give \$250 each. Any moved to help may hand their offering to Seletar Hills to the respective pastors or cheques can be made out to "The Seletar Hills Project" and sent to Elder Chia Kim Chwee, Treasurer, The Seletar Hills Project, 5 Tavistock Avenue, Singapore 19. May God richly bless all who give and pray.

Yours for the Gospel's Sake,
Rev. Quek Swee Hwa.

PRAISE SERVICE FINAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHOIR 1. Dress Rehearsal - 2 p.m. Sunday afternoon at Conference Hall.

2. Those without tickets wishing to hear the Choir & Dennis Lee are welcome to attend the Dress Rehearsal at 2 p.m. - Sun. afternoon, Conference Hall.

3. Ushers please arrive at Conference Hall 7.15 p.m. sharp.

4. Choir Members must arrive not later than 7.15 p.m.

5. Organ-Piano Duet by Dr. Quek Swee Hwa & Mr. Teo Kian Seng will commence 7.40 p.m.

6. Audience should arrive early to get a good seat.

7. Concert Sponsor - Another late donation of \$100 received with thanks from Mr. & Mrs. William Fu.

LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

Tues. 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting. Mrs. Ivy Tow
Sat. 4 p.m. Y.F.

Lord's Day 10 a.m. Rev. Burton Toms

11.30 a.m. Baptism Class

4 p.m. Miss Trinh (Mandarin-
Teochew Service)

Life Church - FEBC Bookings. 1) Tues. Aug. 29, ISCF Leadership Conference (Mr. Freddie Ho); 2) Sat. Sept. 2, 10 a.m. Lim Lai Song, wedding; 3) Sat. Sept. 2, 3 p.m. Eio Eng Hua, wedding. (both weddings to be officiated by Rev. K.C. Quek)

Rawang-Muar Appointments

Mr. Liew Hon Seng and Mr. Tan Wai Choon will speak in Rev. Tow's absence, respectively.

Rawang B.F. Mandarin Lifer \$50; Galilee \$100.

Kulai Besar B.F.: Lifer \$200 (previously pledged now received); Lifer \$100. (The 100 Pesos previously offered by a Filipino is changed for \$41.)

JURONG B-P CHURCH. Praise God for an offering by Sombawangite in response to last week's request and further \$60 by a Lifer for S.S. work.

DEACON & MRS. CHEE AH CHAI thank the Lord for successful operation on their son Marcus.

REV. & MRS. ED. PAAUWE'S Missionary Letters (40 copies) have arrived by air. Get yours from Miss Elizabeth Lee, Life Church Office.

FEBC 1972-73 PROSPECTUS is available from the College.

GALILEE APPOINTMENTS

Wed. 7.00 p.m. - Bible Study

8.00 p.m. - Prayer Meeting

Fri. 8.00 p.m. - Combined Song Service at
397 Alexander Road

Sat. 4.00 p.m. - GCYF at Sambau

Sun. 2.00 p.m. - Choir Practices

3.00 p.m. - Sunday School

4.30 p.m. - Worship Service (Holy
Communion)

RAWANG DEDICATION and GOLDEN JUBILEE SERVICE will be held on Sunday Sept. 24, 3 p.m.

Rev. Quek Kiek Chiang, moderator of B-P Church will take part in the dedication. A tourist bus will leave Gilstead Road promptly at 11.15 a.m. En route the party will see the new house-church at Kulai Besar. A buffet dinner with local fruits will be served after service. The bus will return to Singapore by 9.15 p.m.

AMERICOURIER NO. 1

My dear Readers,

As I said at the Wednesday night dinner in thanksgiving for Lily, America and I "have an affinity," according to Chinese idiom. This "affinity" is due to "something previously determined," or, according to Christian theology, "predestination." Yes, I believe that my long association with the States is not according to any human calculation, but by a predestination - for the Gospel's sake. For, until my coming in contact with Faith Seminary in 1947, none of our Church Family had had any dealings with America.

In all my past visits to USA, I went on "official" business. This time it is of a personal nature, as you know, to attend Lily's wedding, and of course, to visit my other children John and his wife and two children, Rev. & Mrs. Paauwe and children, also Mrs. Jacob Hwang (former Miss Loo Keng Eng, a cousin) and perhaps Siang Kwang and Soon Meng (cousin & wife), etc., etc. There's quite a B-P colony there, when you add Lawrence and Lee Lin, Roy Lim and Grace, Swee Tian Hoe and Lee Yen, Ronnie Tow, Bro. & Mrs. Chow Chung Hwa (former Jenny Lim), Rev. C.T. Hsu, etc.

Though this is a private visit, I am aware of God's higher hand guiding, surely, to some higher purpose. My visits with all the Church leaders there and fellow-soldiers for the Faith in the last two decades would be equally important. In this sense my visit becomes semi-official.

The Lord seems to confirm this trip to U.S. even more by adding another member to my team. Apart from Lawrence's mother and John's mother-in-law, Dr. Chee Siew Oon has "signed up" too. Dr. Chee is father of Maureen and Peng Kong now studying in South Carolina.

And so, we say "God be with you," as we fly Saber Sunday night 10 p.m. to London, and then by Panam to New York. Pray for our safety as we pray for a time of rich spiritual blessing at the B-P Praise Service the same night.

Yours affectionately,
T.T.

P.S:

Having just read Dr. Quek's write-up on Seletar Hill's latest development, may I add this word of commendation. Praise the Lord for the establishment of another house-church!

I believe it is the Lord's will to found another church in Seletar Hill because, as I understand, this housing estate is going to be bigger than Serangoon Gardens. Besides, we have the foundation of a Sunday School that has been going on for 11 years!

Let all our churches and Sunday School give to Seletar Hills generously!

"Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:"

- Matthew 28:19.

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Heathrow Airport,
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AMERICOURIER NO. 2

My dear Readers,

Since the whole B-P Family was at the Praise Service and Dennis Lee Piano Recital, we took a taxi which cost only \$3/- to Airport. Still, four Lifers were there to send us off, Shen Pan, Mr. & Mrs. T.S. Chua and son David. On board we were seated next to the George Chew family. Dr. Chew is Mr. Kia Song's eldest son. He is a well-known child specialist with a lucrative practice. But, he feels God's call to go to the mission field. This is his second term to Ghana. So, there are the Lord's people, the sheep of God's special care.

Is it the Lord's will for me to go to U.S.?

"No," says a young Christian. And he is so sure about it too. "As I read Isaiah 14:12ff where Lucifer tries to ascend to heaven but is brought low, and my thoughts were directed to you, I felt it was not the Lord's will for you to go." "And how did you come to read Isaiah 14?" "I just opened the Bible at random and came to this passage right away." Dear Readers, this method of finding out God's will is no better than asking a tortoise or a sparrow to pick a fortune-teller's slip, which uneducated amahs usually practise at a five-foot-way stall. The theological term for such misuse of the Bible is "Bibliomancy". This method of using God's Word in a particular situation is like a crazy pharmacist who dispenses medicine not according to the doctor's prescription but according to his whim, picking up any bottle from the shelf that he comes across at random. To take such dispensing is to court death: I told that brother of his grave error, but he persisted by referring to an inner understanding through the spirit. I can guarantee that spirit is his erring spirit, if not from the Evil One.

Against his ominous advice, I on my part know it is the Lord's will. First, I have prayed about this for many a day. I have felt a fatherly obligation to Lily who was saved from the jaws of death 7½ years ago. Then it seemed my prayer was answered when a sister offered to buy the ticket. Further my application for leave to Life Church Session was unanimously approved. Above all I have the peace of heart and mind. I need not turn the Bible at random to find an answer. The matter of giving away one's daughter to be married to a Christian young man is, according to whole-Bible-teaching, in the Lord's will. The only question is, "Can I make it to USA?" Well, the Lord has provided! (but that young Christian quickly brought in Jonah. He had a ticket too!) Well, it's for the wise Reader to judge. However, Jonah hid in the hole, whereas I've been sleeping in my house.

This seemingly private matter is brought up in the open in order to correct a grave error. I hope no Christian will practise Bibliomancy. The Bible must be read and its teachings and principles clearly understood, its examples remembered, and properly applied. And insofar as the individual is concerned, he must have the peace of God in his heart as he applies that particular Bible principle to a particular situation in his life.

God is a God of minute circumstances, guarding even a sparrow from falling. When I have three other Christians joining me in this trip, I feel all the more God is working on my behalf.

Competition between Airlines benefits Travellers

Not only the charter versus the regular, but charter versus charter. My round trip London ticket by Saber is \$1,000. So is Rev. Marvin Dunn's by British Caledonian (We crossed each other's path at Bahrain Airport. Mrs. Dunn was with him and they, like me, were going to a son's wedding). From London to New York and back on an excursion ticket the price is \$883. So I'm paying \$1,883 for this trip, which is about half what you'd normally pay.

Saber is Singapore's own charter. Saber is fighting hard for business by offering attractive courteous service. Singaporeans have to work hard to keep going. No work, no makan.

Our flight was originally scheduled to touch down at Bombay, Bahrain & Athens before reaching London. Since the plane was not full we took in more fuel. We made only one stop at Bahrain. This cut down flying time by 3½ hours which made it a very pleasant ride.

From Gatwick to Heathrow

Our charter from Singapore lands at Gatwick. From Gatwick to Heathrow Airport is a two-hour coach ride. It costs only half-a-pound. But, eating at the Airport restaurant for three costs £3.66. Fortunately, this is the only meal we've to pay between Singapore and New York. We eat our dinner on the plane tonight during the Atlantic crossing.

THE B-P COMMISSION FOR MUSIC thanks all sponsors, donors, ushers and choir members for making the Praise Service a success. MOUNT CARMEL GOSPEL RALLIES (30th August - 2nd September) with Mr. Tan Kok Beng speaking on "A New Meaning in life" nightly at 7.30 p.m. Prayer appreciated. Our Chinese Outreach is underway at Block 66, Lengkok Bahru with James Lee leading and Miss Mary Lew assisting.

CHINESE EVANGELISTIC MEETINGS

The Mount Carmel Gospel Mission has formed a Chinese Section with James Lee as chairman. Initially three Gospel meetings will be held on the 11th, 13th and 15th Sept.; Time: 7.30 p.m., Place: 65-G, Blk. 66, Jalan Tiong, S'pore 3. Their Visitation Teams will visit and witness to the family and relatives of Christian brothers and sisters as the first phase of their work. Those visited will also be invited to attend the Gospel Meetings. Readers are requested to help in the following ways:

- 1) Pray for these series of meetings;
 - 2) Help in the visitation and at the meetings;
 - 3) Donations - whether cash and kind.
- Goh Teck Chong, the Secretary of the Chinese Section may be contacted at the Mission, 446 (Blk. 61) Lengkok Bahru, Singapore 3.

SEMBAWANG B-P CHURCH - The Sunday School Annual Picnic will be held on 28th August at the Sembawang beach.

LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

Tues. 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting. Dn. Koh Kim Hiang

Sat. 4 p.m. Y.F.

Lord's Day 10 a.m. Rev. Toms (Holy Communion)
11.30 a.m. Catechism Class

4 p.m. Miss Trinh (Mandarin - Teochew Service)

TOA PAYOH B-P CHURCH - The Family Worship will be at 8.00 p.m. today at the home of Dr. & Mrs. Patrick Tan, 9A Gilstead Road, Singapore 11.

D.V.B.S. will be from 29th Aug. to 31st Aug., beginning at 9.00 a.m. each day. Toa Payoh B-P Church will be autonomous by 10th Sept. which is also her First Anniversary. A Thanksgiving buffet lunch will be served at 12 noon after the Service. The election of deacons will also take place immediately after the service.

GALILEE APPOINTMENTS

Wed. 7.00 p.m. Bible Study

8.00 p.m. Prayer Mtg. i/c Cho Kam Seng

Sat. 12.30 p.m. Children Fellowship at Sambau

4.00 p.m. GCYF at Sambau

Sun. 2.00 p.m. Choir Practice

3.00 p.m. Sunday School

4.30 p.m. Worship Service

FAR EASTERN KINDERGARTEN has a vacancy for a teacher. Applicants must have School Certificate, Basic Training Certificate and Music. See Elder Joshua Lim immediately or Tel: 56050.

Rev. K.C. Quek has already paid the S\$300/- (a gift from S'pore) out of the money entrusted to him. He hopes to return on 29 Aug.

Upon arrival at Gatwick, Dr. Chee Siew Oon went on his own way. He wanted to see Miss Soon Ai. For the moment we are three. We are flying by Pan Am Jumbo, arriving New York 8.35 p.m. Monday evening. We thank God for journeying mercies thus far. We pray for you all and particularly for the Lord's messengers coming Lord's Day.

Yours affectionately,
T.T.

PRAISE SERVICE AND PIANO RECITAL (20.8.72)

The Praise Service and Piano Recital held at the Conference Hall was well-attended. Praise the Lord! The evening started with a pre-service piano-organ duet by Dr. Quek Swee Hwa and Bro. Teo Kian Seng. The 1000 people in the hall responded well to Rev. Philip Heng's leading during the 3 sessions of congregation singing, which climaxed with Peterson's "Jesus is Coming Again."

The 54 member B-P Choir, thanks to your prayer support, sang with high spirit. Comments from the audience were favourable. All glory and honour to His Name! Passages from Scripture presenting the Gospel in a nutshell was read by Elder Chia Kim Chwee, with the voices of the Choir providing the background music. In the second half of the evening, Bro. Dennis Lee thrilled the audience with his masterly touch on the piano. His music was live. If it hadn't been for his request that there be no applause for him, as he desired that all glory and honour should go to the Lord, there would have been loud calls for encore. "I have never heard hymns played on the piano in this superb manner," was the general remark from the audience. It was surely an evening of blessing. Thank God, the offering collected for the evening which goes to Calvary Building Fund was \$3259.27. The only regret for the evening was that there were some who received tickets but did not attend.

COMBINED B-P CHOIR - All members of the Choir are cordially invited by Dr. & Mrs. Tow Siang Hwa, to a Fellowship Party at their home at 64 Andrew Road at 8 p.m. on Sunday, 3rd Sept. 1972. The recording of the Praise Service and Piano Recital will be played and plans for the future will be discussed. Supper will be served at 9.30 p.m.

Rev. K.C. Quek, now in W. Kalimantan praises God for responsive audiences listening to God's Word preached. He writes of great opportunities in missionary work, esp. among the Dayaks. "A W. Kalim. Pioneer Mission has been organized to consolidate & extend the work which has already been done....By clear providence of God a wooden & attap hut with over 200 acres of freehold land right in the midst of the Dayak area is just available for purchase for dual use as a mission station & a training inst. - space & all only for about \$300 only!" (Jehovah Jireh)

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AMERICOURIER NO. 3

My dear Readers,

Arrival in New York

We thank God for a most pleasant flight by Pan Am Jumbo across the Atlantic in seven hours on the changing hues of the afternoon sun. The Lord continued to be good to us, but His mercies were particularly felt when we were spared from opening our luggage for Customs examination. A young officer seeing the three of us carrying our heavy bags rather sympathised with us. So he said, "O.K." He thought we could be trusted.

At the J.F. Kennedy Airport, New York City, there were John and Leah in John's car, Lawrence and Leelin in theirs and Rev. Hsu Chiang Tai in his to welcome us. Rev. Paaue would have come had he not gone to camp. John took me to the new Paaue flat in Willow Grove, a suburb of Philadelphia, where I am now temporarily settled. The car ride from N.Y. took 2½ hours.

Visit to Faith Seminary

Apart from attending Lily's wedding, I have quite a few other duties to perform. One is to see Dr. Faucette, Registrar of Faith Seminary, on behalf of Han Joong Sik our Korean student at FEBC. On Tuesday morning I phoned F.S. for an appointment and when Leah took me there in 15 minutes Dr. Faucette was on the point of answering Han's letter. On my request F.S. is kind enough to sponsor him and again I saw the Lord's hand helping us.

Lifers Get-Together

On Tuesday evening all the Lifers in the Philadelphia area gathered at Lawrence Leong's home at Huntingdon Valley for a buffet. Roy Lim and his Filipino wife Grace and two children also came. It was a happy reunion between pastor and a scattered flock here in U.S.

Lily and Carl Married Aug. 23

In view of their pastor's going on vacation, the Sept. 2 wedding as announced in Singapore was advanced to Aug. 23rd and the reception timed for Friday Aug. 25. It happened that Larry just traded in his car for a new Chevy Station wagon, so the ride by the Lifers party to Akron, Ohio would be more secure and pleasant. The Leongs, Leah, John and I, with the children drove to Ohio in one car.

On the American Turnpike

The drive from Willow Grove, Pennsylvania to Akron, Ohio is over 400 miles, like from Singapore to Ipoh. We started out at 8.30 a.m. and arrived Akron 5 p.m. We travelled all the way on what is known as the turnpike, express highway linking from state to state. The turnpike is straight and wide like the stretch in W. Malaysia between Slim River and Tanjong Malim - 400 miles all the way! Maintaining a cruising speed of 60-70 miles is therefore no strain at all. The turnpike speeds transcontinental traffic. This reminds us of our Gospel Highway to speed the Message of Salvation to the ends of W. Malaysia, even to Thailand.

A Fine Christian Family

It was such a joy to meet with Carl's people. His parents are born-again, fundamental Methodists. Carl's big brother who is in USAF is preparing to study Bible College to serve the Lord. Carl is majoring in Education and I urge him to give his life to the Lord. Lily is delighted to receive the precious gifts and thanks each friend most gratefully. They are now settled at the above address.

Translation of Jason Linn's Missionary Biography

The days between arrival and driving to Ohio have been days of quiet concentration at the Paaue home to resume translation of the book above. A most challenging book to young people to serve the Lord, its translation was begun in 1969 but discontinued through lack of time. What better time to finish it than during this foreign vacation? By God's grace, it will be completed upon return to Singapore. This lifts a big stone off my chest, as I will be able to say to both God and man, "I have at last done what I have promised." Pray for Rev. Jason Linn in Hong Kong that he might have funds to publish this English version.

Yours affectionately,
T.T.

P.S. Am planning to fly back from N.Y. Sept. 9.

The Committee of
TOA PAYOH BIBLE-PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
(English Service)

383, Lorong 4, Block 71,

Toa Payoh

cordially invite

our Readers

to the

FIRST ANNIVERSARY SERVICE

Lord's Day, 10th Sept., 1972, 10.30 a.m.

Buffet Lunch will be served at 12 noon.

The Toa Payoh B-P Church Committee have nominated the following to the diaconate: Aaron Wong Jit Beng, Koa Keng Seong, Tan Choon Hee, Ronnie Ong Ah Bah and Tan Kah Aik. The election will take place next Sunday (9.9.72) immediately after service.

GALILEE APPOINTMENTS

Wed. 7.00 p.m. Bible Study

8.00 p.m. Prayer Meeting

Sat. 12.30 p.m. Children Fellowship

4.00 p.m. GCYF

Sun. 9.30 a.m. Sambau Gospel Mission

Sunday School Speaker: Mr. Bobby Phee.

2.00 p.m. Choir Practise

3.00 p.m. Sunday School

4.30 p.m. Worship Service

LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

Tues. 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting. Mr. Low Tiang Hock.

Sat. 3 p.m. Eio-Tan Wedding

4 p.m. Y.F. Speaker: Bro. Low Tiang Hock

Lord's Day 10 a.m. Tom Hamblin

11.30 a.m. Baptism Class

4 p.m. Miss Trinh (Mandarin-Teochew Service)

EMERGENCY SESSION MEETING will be held immediately after Worship Service at the auditorium to appoint two representatives to the Toa Payoh Anniversary Thanksgiving Service.

Please continue to pray for Mdm. Chang Ching Ho at Ward 11, ORGH.

Zion B-P Church

Congratulations to Chua Siak Seng for graduating from the S'pore Polytechnic in Mechanical Engineering.

Goodbye and God bless you to Teo Kian Seng, son of Elder Teo of Faith Church, who left last Wednesday to study music at the Royal Academy of Music in London.

Faith B-P Church held a series of Gospel Meetings from Wednesday to Saturday last week. The speaker was Rev. Djunaidi from West Kalimantan and the meetings were conducted in Mandarin and Hokkien.

RAWANG CHURCH is all set for the Dedication Service on 24th Sept. '72 at 3 p.m. With the pulpit, communion table and the 26 pews all neatly placed in the sanctuary, the atmosphere has never been more conducive for worshippers. Elder Lau Hock Ann and all the Rawangites are expecting a big contingent from Singapore to rejoice with them. The Rawang brethren are very hospitable. Meanwhile, please remember Liew Hon Seng and his family who are temporarily lodging there until the house at Kulai Besar is ready. Another \$10,000 will be needed within the next few months.

FAR EASTERN BIBLE COLLEGE opens for the 11th Academic Year on 11th Sept. '72 with Day of Prayer beginning at 8.00 a.m. Prospective students are requested to contact Dr. Quek Swee Hwa, the Academic Dean. Copies of the latest prospectus are available at the FEBC office, 9A Gilstead Rd. Two evening courses will be taken by Mr. George Gaspar - Programmed Instruction on Monday from 7.00 - 9.00 p.m., and Dr. Timothy Tow - Systematic Theology on Thursday from 7.30 p.m. - 9.00 p.m. These two courses are opened to the public.

JOHN CALVIN on The Duty of Subjects Towards Their Rulers

'The first duty of subjects towards their rulers, is to entertain the most honourable views of their office, recognising it as a delegated jurisdiction from God, and on that account receiving and reverencing them as the ministers and ambassadors of God. For you will find some who show themselves very obedient to magistrates and would be unwilling that there should be no magistrates to obey, because they know this is expedient for the public good, and yet the opinion which those persons have of magistrates is, that they are a kind of necessary evil. But Peter requires something more of us when he says, "Honour the king" (1 Pet. 2:17); and Solomon, when he says, "My son, fear thou the Lord and the king" (Prov. 24:21). For, under the term honour, the former includes a sincere and candid esteem, and the latter, by joining the king with God, shows that he is invested with a kind of sacred veneration and dignity. We have also the remarkable injunction of Paul, "Be subject not only for wrath, but also for conscience sake" (Rom. 13:5). By this he means, that subjects, in submitting to princes and governors, are not to be influenced merely by fear (just as those submit to an armed enemy who see vengeance ready to be executed if they resist), but because the obedience which they yield is rendered to God himself, inasmuch as their power is from God. I speak not of the men as if the mask of dignity could cloak folly, or cowardice, or cruelty, or wicked or flagitious manners, and thus acquire for vice the praise of virtue; but I say that the station itself is deserving of honour and reverence, and that those who rule should, in respect of their office, be held by us in esteem and veneration.' (Institutes, Bk. 4, Chpt. 20, para. 22)

THE ARMED FORCES COMMITTEE of the FES gives some suggestions of how you can help them:-

1. Pray for us, in your church prayer meeting, family worship, your quiet time. Remember your members in uniform. Pray for a staff worker for the A.F.C.
2. Support us by giving. We need Christian books and magazines for our sick quarters, N.C.O.s and Officers' messes. Leave them in the F.E.S. HQ, Fort Canning Road, marked for A.F.C. Also support financially.

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AMERICOURIER NO. 4

My dear Readers,

A Paragraph from Jason Linn's "Pioneering in Dyak Borneo".

"Jesus says, "Signs shall follow them that believe." Whosoever believes and obeys will find miracles following.

Preaching one Sunday, I told the story of a miracle that happened in China. A devout old woman, seeing how others had money to offer to the Lord and she none was troubled in her heart. So she earmarked a mother hen to offer to the Lord. Every Lord's Day she would bring the eggs laid by this hen to Church as her offering. One day the hen was stolen. So she ran to the pastor to ask him to pray. However, the hen remained astray, and not a shadow of her could be seen for the next few days. She went to see the pastor again and the pastor said, "Many days have passed, so it seems there's no hope. Let me give you a dollar to buy another." "No," she replied, "Not that I have no more hens. This hen was given to the Lord, and God will not allow her to be stolen." Reluctantly, the pastor knelt with her again to pray, and she prayed most fervently. She felt a great relief, as if the Lord had answered. So thanking the pastor, she took leave of him.

On the way she saw a man with a hen coming towards her. Recognising the hen to be hers, she sought her return. Of course the man refused. But, in the ensuing altercation many villagers came upon the scene. The village headman also came to ask the cause of dispute. Whereupon the woman bowed her head and prayed for wisdom to the headman to judge the matter. As both parties submitted to the headman's judgment, he sent a boy to bring some rice. This he divided between the two. The village headman then took over the hen and squatted at a distance away. He let the man first to call the hen, but there was no reaction for a long while. The man dispassionately conceded defeat. When the woman's turn came to call the hen, she at once dashed forward to peck at the rice. This decided who the owner was. It was a small matter, but it proves how God answers prayer."

The passage above which might be entitled, "A Solomon is come to judgment," is a glimpse of Jason Linn's 250-page book now being translated, of all places, in America! By God's grace, the translation is scheduled to be finished by Sept. 9. By this translation, I have come to know so much more of a great missionary sent by the Chinese Church. May God bless His faithful servant and may this unusual book be published in English soon to the blessing of the English speaking Church. If some young person reading this English version will dedicate himself or herself to full-time ministry, the hundreds of hours put into this work will not have been spent in vain.

What a paradox - to come away and hide myself in my daughter's home in the United States to translate the missionary exploits of a Chinese pastor in the wilds of Dyak Borneo! But it gives me such wondrous joy, yea, soothing relief from a burden I've been carrying for the last three years. When you promise a friend to do something and it is not done, it hangs like a millstone round your neck. But now I am being delivered.

At the Hqs. of the Mission Board that sends the Paaupes and Toms

This week when Rev. Paauwe went to work at the office of the Independent Board for Presbyterian Foreign Missions, Leahia, children and I "tumpang" his VW Beetle. Leahia went to get her laundry done at the Board Hqs. where there's a washing machine. I went to pay a courtesy call on Dr. Gordon, the President and Gen-Sec. We had a wonderful morning together, during which we made a 40-minute tape telling all about our church and missionary outreaches, the Gospel Seaway and Highway, FEBC, etc. This tape will be used on the radio stations to promote missions. After work comes makan. We were entertained to a Kentucky Chicken Lunch in the Gordon house.

Baltimore and Silver Spring

This weekend finds the Paaupes and me in Baltimore and Silver Spring. Baltimore is the home of Dr. & Mrs. Jacob Huang (former Miss Loo Keng Eng) and Silver Spring (45 mins. from Baltimore) is home of Rev. Paauwe's parents. After visiting the Huangs the Paaupes drove off to Silver Spring. I remain till Sunday night, when after preaching here the Huangs will send me to the Paaupes.

It is most heartening to find the former Miss Loo happily married. Dr. Huang is a Ph.D. from Johns Hopkins and teaches College here. Both husband and wife love the Lord and they and two children attend a fundamental Baptist Church. However, they have felt mere church attendance is not enough. They feel God wants them to do soul saving work with the Chinese University students. So for quite a while they have opened their home for a Bible Class every Sunday afternoon. About 20 are weekly gathered to study God's Word.

Now God seems to open a greater door of service for this Priscilla and Aquilla couple. They bought a house this second day of my visit two blocks from Johns Hopkins University as a Christian centre for Chinese students. Meanwhile God has also given them means to make down payment for a new house at Red Fox Farms. It is a joy, may I say again, to see our member from S'pore extending God's Kingdom in America.

Final Visits and Home!

I'll see Dr. McIntire next week. On Friday Sept. 8 a family worship at the Paaue home at Willow Grove will be held. I'll speak to 20 Lifers, including perhaps Rev. Hsu of N.Y. My final visit will be with Rev. Hsu, before flying to London to catch the Saber flight home. I thank the Lord for leading each step of the way. Pray for journeying mercies!

Yours sincerely,
T.T.

CALLING ALL B-P CHOIR MEMBERS.

The Choir will practise on 10th Sept. Sun. at 7.45 p.m. at Life Church to prepare for the coming Christmas Praise Service. The Choir has been invited to present a Christmas Programme over FM Radio. Whether we will accept the invitation or not will depend on the response at the practice this Sunday.

Members of the Commission for Music will meet after the practice.

LING KWANG MISSION, OLD PEOPLE'S HOME AND ORPHANAGE.

Two Bible-Presbyterians have pledged \$10,000/-. bringing the total to about \$60,000/-. May God bless the cheerful givers. The sketch layout for the proposed 6-acre Home & Orphanage complex has been prepared by Messrs Yao and Quek to the Authorities concerned for consideration. Please pray for early approval of this major charitable project for the benefit of the poor and needy and to the glory of God.

WEST KALIMANTAN: Reports with pictures by Rev. K.C. Quek in his second missionary trip there are carried in the FAR EASTERN BEACON ready for distribution this Lord's Day. Your prayer support and freewill offerings are requested for the "West Kalimantan Pioneer Mission", the "West Kalimantan Bible School" (for Dayak Preachers) and the "Salvation Old People's Home" that have been planned in this "foreign" mission nearest to Singapore. During the past week Faith B-P Church and friends have given over \$2,000/-. and the Church Session has voted to take on the Director of the West Kalimantan Pioneer Mission Rev. Andreas Djunaidi, through the Bible-Presbyterian Missions (BPM), as a "foreign" missionary.

BIBLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH ANNUAL CONFERENCE Rev. Tow and Rev. Quek regret having caused a delay in the holding of the Annual Conference. Please be informed that the Conference will be held at Life Church on the first Saturday of October, commencing at 2 p.m. The agenda will soon be sent to all groups concerned.

AN ACCOUNT of the B-P Church Praise Service and Piano Recital together with Mr. Dennis Lee's testimony in full is carried in the FAR EASTERN BEACON.

TOA PAYOH B-P CHURCH Committee and Members thank God and celebrate First Anniversary at this Lord's Day with a Thanksgiving Service beginning at 10.30 a.m. and buffet lunch at 12 noon. The election of Deacons will take place immediately after service.

LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

Tues. 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting. Sis. Low Sock Khim.

Sat. 4 p.m. Youth Fellowship

Lord's Day 10 a.m. Rev. Timothy Tow

11.30 a.m. Baptism Class

4 p.m. Miss Trinh (Mandarin-
Teochew Service)

At the Emergency Session Meeting held last Sunday, Elder Seow Chong Pin and Dn. Lau King Hong were appointed to represent Life Church at the Toa Payoh B-P Church Anniversary Service.

RAWANG CHRISTIAN CHURCH members are all set for the Dedication of their new auditorium on 24th of September. The Service will begin at 3.00 p.m. sharp. About 20 have already booked their places in the 40-seater air-conditioned bus at \$8.00 per head, round trip. To avoid disappointment, please reserve your seat/s with Elder Joshua Lim of Life Church immediately, Tel: 56050. First come, first served!

GALILEE CHURCH APPOINTMENT

Wed. 7.00 p.m. Bible Study

8.00 p.m. Prayer Meeting led by Jason Yap. Mr. Douglas Tan will show slides on China.

Sat. 12.30 p.m. Children Fellowship

4.00 p.m. GCYF

Sun. 9.30 a.m. Sambau Gospel Mission

2.00 p.m. Choir Practice

3.00 p.m. Sunday School

4.30 p.m. Worship Service

ZION B-P CHURCH

Congratulations to Bro. Andrew Chua for passing the Junior Flying Club course and obtaining the Private Pilot's License.

Congratulations to Sis. Sally Chua Siew Choo and Bro. Charlie Tan Choong Seng on the occasion of their engagement on Sat. 9th Sept. Rev. Quek Swee Hwa officiating.

SELETAR HILLS PROJECTS. Cash in hand to date stands at \$3,629.93. Calvary Church has promised \$1,000. However the total need is very great and the money for the project must all be handed over by Sept. 28th. Readers are requested to pray and share in this Zion Outreach.

FEBC opens for the 11th Academic Year on Mon. 11 Sept. with Day of Prayer and Registration. Students are to meet at the College by 8 a.m. for transport. Two evening courses are opened to the public each beginning at 7.30 p.m. The evening lecture on Systematic Theology by Dr. Tow begins this Thursday 14th Sept.

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Singapore.

AMERICOURIER (Concluded)

My dear Readers,

Souls Saved at Chinese Students Bible Class

For the last two years Dr. and Mrs. Jacob Huang (Loo Keng Eng) have been running a Sunday Bible Class for Chinese students at Johns Hopkins and other Colleges in Baltimore. The class has grown to 20, meeting also on Friday nights for prayer. Both meetings of the week are also for fellowship, when all chip in to make "Chiao-tze" or "Wan-ton." While the ladies chit-chat, the men go into the basement to cut one another's hair. (The charge at the barber shop is U.S. \$2.50)

At the Bible Class souls have been saved, one by one. One Miss Helen Tseng said she found a greater treasure here than studying in College. She found the Lord. She in turn brought her room-mate, another Chinese girl, to salvation. At the Bible Class I preached (John 3:1-21), one young man confessed he was not born again. How honest! I said he was not far from God's Kingdom. An old missionary couple, Rev. & Mrs. Frederick Pyke, who attend this Bible Class regularly was delighted at my testimony about Dr. John Sung. They said Dr. Sung had lodged in their house in Peking on two occasions.

Silver Spring and Potomac River

The Huangs sent me over to Silver Spring (an outskirt of Washington) where Mr. & Mrs. Jacob Paaue, parents of Rev. Paaue, have their lovely home. Mr. Paaue is a space engineer, and lectures at Maryland University where Dr. Fague Springmann is Prof. of Music. When Dr. Springmann heard I was in Silver Spring he invited me to his house overlooking the Potomac. So the whole Paaue family and I went to a lovely dinner in their home, but I was "detained" to stay for the night. Dr. and Mrs. Springmann are lovers of God and fellowmen. The Christian witness they gave in Singapore lingers sweet in our memory.

Courtesy Visit with Dr. McIntire

We arrived back at Willow Grove on Wednesday afternoon. As Rev. Paaue had driven long enough I asked John to take me to Collingswood, N.J. across the Philadelphia Harbour to visit with Dr. McIntire. This was at a Prayer Meeting in Church attended by about 80 people. I brought greetings from Singapore and presented two copies of The B-P Magazine. I had also opportunity to expound God's Word on the "Co-operative Will of God." When we are in the centre of His will and conscientiously following Him step by step, He prospers us and helps us. This is based on my experience this trip according to Gen. 24:27: "I being in the way, the Lord led me." Dr. McIntire is looking forward to a good delegation from Singapore to the ICCS Silver Jubilee, June 1973.

With Rev. Hsu Chiang Tai in Chinatown, N. York

Thursday evening, 7.00 p.m. John kindly came to take me to New York, 80 miles north, to visit Rev. Hsu. On the turnpikes, we made it in 1 hour 35 mins., paying \$4 toll each way. New York Chinatown is much like Ngow Chay Sui with more Chinese odours and litter. It has about 100,000 Chinese, I'm told. Total in U.S. is about half a million.

Rev. and Mrs. Hsu spent over an hour with us in sweet fellowship. They send a gift for Kulai Besar. Mrs. Hsu makes dresses in a factory, and Rev. Hsu runs a Chinese tourist business in summer. He takes Chinese exclusively to Niagara Falls or Washington, and witnesses Jesus Christ en route. His prayers for safety are appreciated by the heathens as well. "After prayer, they feel safer," Mrs. Hsu said. Rev. Hsu drives an old car worth \$50 on which he has the Gospel painted bumper to bumper, running-board to roof-top. One sign says, "No God, No U.S. - Anti-God is Anti-U.S." For exalting Him, he gets punctured tyres, but others salute him. Rev. Hsu is a regular sender of books to FEBC.

Friday Night Grand Finale in Paaue Home

The Lifers "in Diaspora" were invited to a buffet dinner for house blessing, as well as to say farewell to me. So we had John's family, Paaue's sister and fiancée, Leongs, Lims, Dr. and Mrs. Gordon. Best of all Rev. and Mrs. Howard Carlson and family, outgoing missionaries to Israel, came all the way from Detroit in time to join us. At the worship that followed my message was: "Wealth is God's earthly blessing, to be used not for ourselves, but for His purposes" (Deut. 8:18). Secondly, "Acknowledgement of God's blessing through family worship, is a condition for continuing blessing" (Deut. 12:5-8). It was hoped that Lifers in the Philadelphia area would meet more regularly in this fashion in the steps of the Huangs in Baltimore.

At Philadelphia Presbytery on Saturday and Farewell

A pro re nata meeting was convened at the N.E.B. Presbyterian Church at which I had preached 14 years ago. As Rev. Paaue belongs to this Presbytery and I as well (being ordained by the same in Geneva, 1950) I went along with him.

There I met Rev. Grauley and Rev. Robert McGill who visited S'pore some years ago. The student pastor of N.E. was saved while listening to Dr. McIntire on the radio and is now at Faith Seminary. Since my plane was flying from Philadelphia 7.30 p.m. we had to leave the meeting at 2.15. Dr. and Mrs. Gordon kindly sent me to the airport with the Paauwes in front and John in the rear. What a wonderfully occupied trip, not a minute dull or wasted, but spent in the joy of seeing loved ones and friends, and not the least, as I told you before, translating Jason Linn's missionary biography.

What is the Costliest Thing in the World?

Perhaps you would answer, "Diamonds?" I read somewhere of a better answer - Experience. I agree with this.

When I landed at Gatwick Airport from Philadelphia Sunday morning, Saber was flying in from Singapore in two hours. Knowing this was the only plane operating, I gauged it would hurry back by Sunday night. However, I was assured it would not fly till Monday 4 p.m. This obliged me to spend the night at the nearby Ifield Court Hotel. Knowing the mercurial schedule of charters, I left the hotel early at 10.15. To my utter dismay the counter clerk supposed to represent Saber said, "Saber left at 9 a.m." As I prayed and hoped and shuttled from pillar to post, the young lady whom I had contacted the previous day took pity on me. She phoned again and then came my answer from the Lord. She said, "Get a trolley quick and rush your baggage up the aircraft yourself." The next five minutes I was on a 400 metre dash that could beat the Olympics. Praise the Lord, I got into the plane in time with another Singaporean caught in the same quandary. May this costly experience of running one's life out be of some help to charter comrades.

Our plane **landed** nervously at Bombay in a thunder storm. How one's heart panted and prayed. Praise the Lord, we got through safely. How relieved one was to step onto Singapore soil, Tuesday 2 p.m. There were the Toms and my family to fetch me home.

Yours affectionately,
T.T.

WEST KALIMANTAN: Rev. Andreas Djunaidi, director of the newly-formed W. Kalimantan Pioneer Mission, is due to return to K.B. early this week by boat. He brings with him **more** surplus clothes, gospel work and farming equipments, and medical supply, this time mainly for the Dayaks.

In response to the "Macedonian Cry" just received from K.B. on behalf of 2 Dayak Villages (Njajat & Sungei-Anau), 2 more mission stations with day school for the Dayak children have been planned to begin functioning from 1.1.73, with some land for agricultural purposes, all at \$250 for each station. This brings the total of mission stations under the care of the WKPM to five, including one already meeting in a Christian home and the one that has already started at the renovated attap house standing on the Bible School land.

For the Bible School, the proposed "Salvation Old People's Home" and the 5 mission stations, the additional capital need is estimated at \$3,066 (of which half has been donated). The annual recurrent expenditure, including subsidies to 6 Dayak Bible School students, 5 preachers-cum-day school teachers and 20 old people for a start, is estimated at 90,000 rupiahs per month (or about \$630). The Mission looks to God for one-third of the support through S'pore, another 1/3 through the rest of Indonesia and the remaining one-third through the brethren in W. Kalimantan itself. - Q.K.C.

NEW TELEPHONE for Zion and Faith: 880833 (instead of 81733) and 884786 (instead of 84786).

HEAR DENNIS LEE on Radio FM or AM on Sunday 17th Sept. 3 p.m.

THE B-P CHOIR will rehearse this Lord's Day, 7.45 p.m. at Life Church!

LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

Tues. 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting. Rev. Tow
Sat. 4 p.m. Y.F.

Lord's Day: 10 a.m. Rev. Tow

11.15 a.m. Coach leaves for Rawang

11.30 a.m. Catechism Class (Rev. Toms)

4 p.m. Miss Trinh

The Coach to Rawang Church Dedication is fully booked. It leaves promptly after the morning worship 11.15 a.m. at Life Church. En route it will pass through Kulai Besar to view our newest station on the Gospel Highway. After service at Rawang buffet dinner will be served. Scheduled time of arrival back at Gilstead Road is 9.30 p.m. Please check on your passports and immigration cards.

Life Church Mandarin Service. The holy matrimony between Bro. Lim Lai Song and Sister Tan Sock Kheng will be solemnised at a simple ceremony after worship this Lord's Day, Sept. 16, 4 p.m. The congregation will remain thereafter for a tea reception.

GALILEE APPOINTMENTS

Tues. 7.45 p.m.. Sunday School Staff and Teacher's Meeting.

BRO. GOH SENG FONG and Sister Daisy Koh of Life Church leave this Lord's Day for Canada to study at the Prairie Bible Inst. We wish them godspeed.

ARMED FORCES COMMITTEE - Rally for all Servicemen on Sat. 23rd Sept. at 7.30 p.m. at Scripture Union HQ, 36A Orchard Road. Mr. Andrew Goh of YFC speaking.

FEBCCers in Endau. Joseph Ong, Bobby Phee and Anne Cheang are in Endau this weekend to hold evangelistic meetings.

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A DAY OF TRIPLE - REJOICING

This Lord's Day, Sept. 24, 1972, has been anticipated by Rawangites and Bible-Presbyterians for the last two months. It has dawned at last as Readers scan for the latest news. Why are we all so keenly expectant? As indicated by our caption, there are three reasons:-

1. Rawang's Golden Jubilee

This Lord's Day is selected to commemorate the 50th year of founding of Rawang Church, since 1922.

This Church was founded by a band of Christians who settled in Rawang over 50 years ago in a little colony, like the Pilgrim Fathers who sailed to America in 1620. About 20 families led by the Low Brothers, and Rev. Chiam and Brother, etc. made this riverine land their new home. They came for economic and political reasons from a Motherland torn by natural disasters and wars. But they were above all Christians. They could not forsake the faith of their fathers, as their children today cannot forsake theirs.

"Our fathers sailed from China's strand
To this new shore promised of God,
A pilgrim band, they saw beyond
A City fair above the cloud.
Faith of our fathers, holy faith,
Live in our hearts from age to age!"

For two decades after World War II, however, the spiritual condition of the Rawangites ebbed to a new low. The old wooden bungalow at which the people worshipped correspondingly deteriorated. The Rawangites needed revival both spiritual and physical.

Since March 1966 Rawang has come under the monthly ministry of the Life Church pastor, extended through Trinity Church, Muar. Muar was and still is the Life Church pastor's original assignment. During this period Rawang has also been faithfully nurtured on the remaining Sundays of the month by Rev. Yeo Choon Liang of Muar's Living Water Church.

A church that had dwindled to a handful has picked up again - to almost a hundred on Communion Sunday! Hence, the abounding joy that is now sweeping over Rawang as her sons prepare to celebrate their Golden Jubilee. (Many souls have been born again, and outsiders brought into the fold during the last six years).

2. Dedication of an \$80,000 Complex

The second reason for rejoicing is the dedication of Rawang's new Church Complex. This consists of a church auditorium, 33' x 66', a parsonage, two large kindergarten rooms, a semi-open fellowship hall, an outdoor camping kitchen, wide playing fields on over two acres of laterite - filled grounds.

In the building of the complex, our thanks are due to honorary architects Mr. Ang Kheng Leng for the prototype plans and Miss Tay Siew Mui, daughter of Elder Lim Iew Guat of Trinity Muar, for making the revised and final drawings. From these revised plans, the serene and classic lines and glorious rainbow colours are derived. We also thank Mr. W.K. Tham, builder of Life Church and FEBC at Gilstead, for faithfully and conscientiously working on its construction, and for donating materials and services up to \$2,000.

While the Rawangites have worked assiduously to bring in to the Lord's House, we cannot leave unsaid the hundreds of donations, big and small, cheerfully and spontaneously offered by our Readers. Our offerings have come from practically every member B-P Church and group, from Readers and friends in Australia and USA, as acknowledged week after week, and one even from remote Kuwait through an appeal in the F.E. Beacon. A sizeable help is made up of \$7,500 interest free loans from several churches and a kindergarten. On this Day of Dedication our cash needs add up to only \$5,000. If Readers and friends will save a little here or there for Rawang then Rawang will be able, financially, to "get off the ground" and soar to greater heights of service and praise. Rawangites are going out of their way to cook us a dinner worthy of the occasion, topping up with loaded baskets of dukus, (a famous local fruit) Is it for this reason that we Singaporeans are invading Rawang in a 40-seater air-conditioned coach and two pastoral cars?

3. Spontaneous Inauguration of our Gospel Highway

The third reason for rejoicing is this spontaneous inauguration of our much talked about Gospel Highway. It has been with us in a small way, since we have not been able to traverse it up to Penang more than once a year. With Rawang built for a campsite and half-way motel as well, henceforth more gospel trips can be made with this station providing out-going and returning motorised evangelists maximum rest. Since this Lord's Day will see the greatest number of Singaporeans visiting Rawang, is it not proper to declare this memorable occasion the Inauguration of our Gospel Highway? Yea, it is doubly auspicious in that we will view our latest and new house-church nearing completion at Kulai Besar. Also, our ambassadors-for Christ will see the Oil

Palm Estate seven miles up, where Galileans run a monthly English Bible Class and soon after the Deaf Carpenter's house at Kelapa Sawit Village where we have our oldest mission church (founded 1954).

As we vividly recount the works God has established for the salvation of lost souls in Johore, there are our members and friends in Kuala Lumpur, Pokok Assam and Penang awaiting our fellowship and help as well. By the might of God's Spirit and with your constant prayer support, are we enabled to do anything at Rawang, Kulai Besar and Kelapa Sawit, not to talk of Pokok Assam 435 miles away and in such great need! However, this is a Day of Triple-rejoicing. Let us praise the Lord with all that we have. (Latest gift is U.S. \$20 from Philadelphia Area) - T.T.

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ATTENTION ALL B-P CHOIR MEMBERS

There will be no Choir Practice this Lord's Day, Sept. 24. Normal practises will resume next Sunday, Oct. 1.

CHRISTMAS PRAISE SERVICE is being planned by B-P Commission for Music for the Conference Hall in December. Praise items are invited from our B-P Churches for audition and inclusion in the programme.

GREETINGS FROM AUSTRALIA. Elder & Mrs. Tassicker and Brother & Mrs. Edmund Lim send greetings to Life Church friends thru Elder Tow, just returned from Sydney. Edmund and family are due back at Christmas for vacation with family and friends.

LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

Tues. 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting. Elder Edmund Tay.

Sat. 3 p.m. Engagement between Bro. Stephen Kuan and Anne Sun.

Lord's Day 10 a.m. Rev. Tow (Lord's Supper)
4 p.m. Rev. Tow (" ")

thereafter solemnisation of wedding between Bro. Lim Lai Song and Sister Tan Sock Kheng, and reception. (Previous appointment unavoidably delayed)

COACH TO RAWANG leaves Life Church Gilstead Road on time! All passengers to be present at 11 a.m. this Lord's Day. Bring your passport and I/C. Any inquiry should be directed to Elder Joshua Lim, 56050.

CALVARY COMMITTEE MEETING 8 p.m. Friday 6.10.72 at 64 Andrew Road.

Bro. & Mrs. Henry Heng send greetings from U.S.A. They report meeting with ex-Lifers Bros. Tan Swee Teck, George and Henry Chen.

PASTOR RICHARD WURMBRAND, author of the widely circulated book "Tortured for Christ" will speak at Zion & Faith B-P Churches on Saturday 30th Sept. at 7.30 p.m. sharp, with T.V. sets installed downstairs. By decision of the Presbytery, this meeting is co-sponsored by our B-P Church of S'pore and Malaysia, the others being Mr. Ronnie Kon of A.V.L. Evangelism of K.L. & Mr. Lim Siew Boon of S'pore. Admission to this meeting is by free tickets (some still available at our B-P Churches and Christian Book Room). There being not enough tickets for distribution, host churches (Zion and Faith) may be admitted free but are requested to play host by yielding their seats if necessary. Pastor Wurmbbrand will speak also at the University of Malaya, Petaling Jaya on Oct. 1 and at the S'pore Conference Hall on Oct. 2 at 5 p.m. & 8 p.m. The three meetings in S'pore will be interpreted into Mandarin by Elder Peter Yap.

NEW ADDRESS: Bro. & Mrs. Lim Lai Song, Blk. 43, No. 47E Lengkok Bahru, 3.

B-P ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Please note that the 22nd Annual Conference of the B-P Church of Singapore and Malaysia will be held on Saturday, 7th October, 1972 at Life Church, 9 Gilstead Road, Singapore 11 from 2 p.m. to about 10 p.m., with breaks for tea, fellowship dinner and rest.

The agenda of the Conference includes Holy Communion Service, presentation & discussions of reports by member bodies and Presbytery Commissions; Constitutional revision - overture by Zion Church on trusteeship and immovable property, and re-election of Presbytery officers. All Sunday School Superintendents, Adult Fellowship and Youth Fellowship Pres., Missioners, Heads of Institutions are invited to the Annual Conference as observers to present and hear reports for mutual encouragement and for discussion and promotion of united efforts to advance God's work as a Bible - Presbyterian family. Proposals through the Church Session are welcome.

It is requested that all reports be presented in writing, with 50 copies duplicated on white foolscap paper and sent to the Stated Clerk, Elder Edmund Tay, at the Life Church Office, 9 Gilstead Rd., Singapore 11 on or before the Lord's Day, 1st Oct. 1972. All departmental reports of a particular congregation please be collected and collated as a single, brief report. It is hoped that copies of these reports will be received in time for them to be stapled together and distributed to all concerned a few days before the Annual Conference. Your co-operation and prayers will be much appreciated.

RAWANG CHURCH B.F. On this happy day a son of Rawang has given \$1,000. Praise the Lord.

Rev. & Mrs. Edward Pauwe send greetings from the U.S. to our Readers.

MR. JOHNSON SEE succeeds Mr. Goh Seng Fong in the leadership of the Monk's Hill Group meeting every Saturday at Life Church.

THE FEBC HALL is open every Saturday 10.30 a.m. to the Cairnhill Secondary School ISCF

NEW ADDRESS. Madam Phay of Life Church is now residing at 167 Amber Road.

M.V. LOGOS: According to Mr. George Miley the gospel ship is due to arrive in S'pore, Sept. 30, from Indonesia.

Evangelists Rosli Nurfea & Idat Zachaeus who are guests at FEBC Hostel are leaving respectively for Thailand & K.L. end of the month.

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A RECORD OF THE RAWANG TRIP AND DEDICATION

Bible-Presbyterians attending Rawang's New Church Dedication set out last Lord's Day in one air-conditioned tourist coach under Elder Joshua Lim and two cars driven by Rev. Tow and Dr. Quek. They converged at the Causeway almost simultaneously, but the Life Church pastor's car was the first to be cleared. The three vehicles met again at Ayer Itam. Only then did we learn that Elder and Mrs Seow were turned back at the Causeway because their passports had expired, notwithstanding Elder Joshua's strenuous efforts to help. This was a great disappointment not only to the Seows but to the whole company. Nevertheless, a valuable lesson on group travel has been learnt.

When the Dedication Service at Rawang began at 3.15 p.m. with the Singaporeans trooping in in the nick of time, there were eight ministers seated on the pulpit facing a packed hall of three hundred. Mr. Henry Chew was at the organ for a season when the Chairman Rev. Tow called the people to worship. It opened with "The Church's One Foundation" which was immediately followed with the responsive reading of II Chron. 6:18-33 by Rev. John Chin. Dr. Quek Swee Hwa offered the Invocation. Then the Rawang Choir sang as a prelude to Elder Lau Hock Ann's Word of Welcome.

Congratulatory messages were presented by Rev. Quek Kiok Chiang on behalf of the Presbytery, by Elder Joshua Lim on behalf of Life Church and Calvary and by Rev. Lau Oon Hui of Tangkak. The Trinity Church Choir and Rawang Sunday School raised the spirit of worship with more hymns of praise. A significant item followed which was the presentation of a large pewter vase to Miss Tay Siew Mui, A.R.I.B.A., Rawang's architect, whose simple yet classic design of the new church has given the new house of worship such "beauty of holiness". Her services were particularly appreciated by the chairman, quoting Hebrews 3:3, "... he who hath builded the house hath more honour than the house." Mrs. Chew Kia Song presented the memento to Mrs. Lee, who received it on the behalf of Miss Tay, her sister. A short sermon was then delivered by Rev. Andreas Djunaidi of West Kalimantan who has recently become a B-P missionary, supported by Faith B-P Church. After another anthem by Gloria Church and Rawang, Rev. Quek Kiok Chiang climaxed the service by giving the offertory prayer and dedicating the House to the Lord. Rev. Lau Oon Hui pronounced the benediction at 5.05 p.m.

After service the congregation spent a happy hour of fellowship over a delicious home-cooked buffet dinner topped up with a huge basket of Rawang dukus presented by Elder Lau. The treasurer counted \$734.70 in the offering bags, and \$2630.00 in cheques and cash given by hand. Through the Life Church pastor's hand was delivered \$900, which consisted of \$500 loaned by Life Church S.S., and \$100 and \$50 by Lifers on that day, plus \$250 previously received and acknowledged. Praise the Lord for such a memorable day of overflowing rejoicing and thanksgiving. T.T.

FROM RAWANG TO KULAI BESAR

That God should have opened a new station at Kulai Besar two months before Rawang's Dedication seemed to indicate one important fact - "The King's Business required haste" (I Sam. 21:8). The liberal offerings and a loan, amounting to over \$4,000 in a day for Rawang last week, has given the Rawangites a big boost. Now they are able to pay all their bills, while the \$7,500 loan taken is reduced to \$6,000. Rawangites themselves should take care of this residual sum.

Now that our burden for Rawang is practically discharged, may I take the liberty to present Readers our needs for Kulai Besar. As you will remember, the opening up of Kulai Besar at the end of July was both sudden and dramatic. Having discovered a vacant corner terrace house in the midst of a new housing estate behind the business centre, we secured possession immediately the next day by paying a \$1,470 deposit. That we were able to get this sum in two days manifested the Lord's confirmation.

In the meantime we have paid a second deposit of \$2,000, while offerings have come in to raise our total receipts to nearly \$5,000. What are our remaining needs? Since the price is \$14,700, we will not need more than \$10,000. And only this "bit" to secure a freehold property with 1,000 ft. floor space before Christmas!

The opening of Kulai Besar has great potential for furthering God's Kingdom along the Gospel Highway. For the moment we see three outreaches Bro. and Mrs Liew Hon Seng, our appointees to Kulai Besar, can achieve:- 1) Evangelising the new town of Kulai Besar with a gospel service and kindergarten 2) Co-ordination with Kelapa Sawit in the running of the weekly English Bible Class 3) Ministering to Life Mandarin Congregation which is their original appointment.

It is noted that Kulai Besar is directly connected to the East Coast by a new road which forms a junction with Kota Tinggi. This means that the Liewes are also available to answer any call from Miss Char's stations at Jemaluang and Endau.

(Kulai Besar Building Fund this week: Kulaite \$210; Lifer \$50)

INTRODUCING PASTOR RICHARD WURMBRAND

The Rev. Richard Wurmbbrand is an evangelical minister who spent fourteen years in communist imprisonment and torture in his homeland of Rumania. He is one of Rumania's most widely known Christian leaders, authors and educators. Few names are better known in his homeland.

In 1945, when the communists seized Rumania and attempted to control the churches for their purposes, Richard Wurmbbrand immediately began an effective, vigorous "underground" ministry to his enslaved people and the invading Russian soldiers. He was eventually arrested in 1948, along with his wife Sabine. His wife was a slave-laborer for three years. Richard Wurmbbrand spent three years in solitary confinement - seeing no one but his communist torturers. After three years he was transferred to a mass cell for five years, where the torture continued.

Due to his international stature as a Christian leader, diplomats of foreign embassies asked the communist government about his safety. They were told he had fled Rumania. Secret police, posing as released fellow-prisoners, told his wife of attending his burial in the prison cemetery. His family in Rumania and his friends abroad were told to forget him since he was now dead.

After eight years he was released and promptly resumed his work with the Underground Church. Two years later, in 1959, he was re-arrested and sentenced to twenty-five years in prison.

Mr. Wurmbbrand was released in a general amnesty in 1964, and again continued his underground ministry. Realizing the great danger of a third imprisonment, Christians in Norway negotiated with the communist authorities for his release from Rumania. The communist government had begun "selling" their political prisoners. The "going price" for a prisoner was \$1,900. Their price for Wurmbbrand was \$10,000.

In May 1966 he testified in Washington before the Senate's Internal Security Subcommittee and stripped to the waist to show eighteen deep torture wounds covering his body. His story was carried across the world in newspapers in the U.S., Europe and Asia. Wurmbbrand was warned in September 1966 that a decision had been made by the communist regime of Rumania to assassinate him. Yet he is not silent in the face of these death threats. He has been called "the voice of the Underground Church." Christian leaders have called him "a living martyr" and "the Iron Curtain Paul."-from "Tortured for Christ".

Further Quote from "Tortured for Christ"

"If I were asked, 'Are you for the communists or against them?' my answer would be a complex one. Communism is the greatest menace to mankind. I am utterly opposed to it and wish to fight it until it is overthrown. But, in the spirit, I am seated in heavenly places with Jesus. I am seated in the sphere of the 'Nay,' in which, notwithstanding all their crimes, the communists are understood and loved, a sphere in which there are angelic beings trying to help everyone attain the goal of human life, which is to become Christlike. Therefore my aim is to spread the Gospel to the communists, to give them the good news about Christ, who is my Lord, loves the communists,....."

B-P CHURCH ANNUAL CONFERENCE

All Presbyters, Deacons, Deaconesses, Church Cttee members and Heads of departments within the entire B-P family are reminded of the Annual Conference of our Church at Life Church, Gilstead Rd., this coming Saturday Commencing at 2.00 p.m. sharp with a Holy Communion Service. All reports (in 50 cps.) please be presented as early as possible before the Conference to the Stated Clerk, B-P Church of S'pore & Malaysia, 9 Gilstead Road, S'pore 11. (Buffet Dinner will be served.)

B-P CHOIR REHEARSAL: This Lord's Day, Oct. 1, 7.45 p.m. at Life Church!

LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

Tues. 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting. Rev. Toms
Session Meeting at FEBC Library
Wed. 8 p.m. Pastor at Silver Wedding Anniversary of Mr & Mrs Chan Suay Bah (parents of Alan Chan)
Sat. 2 p.m. B-P Annual Conference (Dinner at 6.30 p.m.)
Lord's Day 10 a.m. Rev. Quek Kiok Chiang
4 p.m. Miss Trinh Huong Linh
(Rev. Tow will speak at Sembawang and Faith)

GALILEE APPOINTMENTS

Wed. 7.00 p.m. Bible Study
8.00 p.m. Prayer Meeting
Sat. 4.00 p.m. GCYF
Sun. 2.00 p.m. Choir Practices
3.00 p.m. Sunday School
4.30 p.m. Worship Service

MOUNT CARMEL. The shophouse next to Mt. Carmel had recently been vacated. We'll appreciate your prayers as we plan to acquire it to meet the 'population explosion' at our present premises.

NEW TELEPHONE NO. of Dn & Mrs William Seah is 886847.

STOP PRESS

Pastor Richard Wurmbbrand who speaks tonight, Sat. Sept. 30, at Zion and Faith B-P Churches, 5 Tavistock Ave., Serangoon Gardens, will speak also at the same venue Mon. Oct 2, 5 p.m. and 8 p.m. instead of at the S'pore Conference Hall, Shenton Way as previously announced. Close-circuit TV has been installed for a total attendance of some 1,500 per meeting. Admission to the two Monday meetings shall be by the free tickets already issued.

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GEMS FROM PASTOR WURMBRAND'S SERMONS

1. From "Unprofitable Servants" to Profitable Ones. In the parable of the "unprofitable servants" (Luke 17:7-10), we observe that we belong to this category if we serve the Lord merely from a sense of duty. If we do work for the Lord with the mentality of a servant, doing no more than is required, we remain "unprofitable". We should rise above this level of service to the level of one with a passionate love. Then our service becomes profitable indeed!

From Moses to David, God had chosen to dwell with His people in a tabernacle. It was David of all His saints who felt a holy desire to build a better building for the Lord, to make it out of gold and precious stones and the finest cedar wood. He desired to do this because he passionately love His God. For this holy desire to build God a House, David was rewarded with an established throne and a high commendation from the Lord. Let us serve the Lord not as servants but with a passionate love that makes us delight in His service.

2. "366 Fear Nots". One injunction to Joshua that recurs again and again is "Fear not". When I made a count of the number of "fear nots" in the Bible, I found that there are 366 of them, i.e., one for each day of the year, plus one for the leap year. How good it is to know that our God is with us every day and every fraction of a day. He tells us not to be afraid anytime, for He cares for us.

3. SAVED, while the Sermon is preached! How often evangelists who call for decisions at the end of a sermon give the impression that it is by their call that a sinner comes to repentance. This is not true. As the message is being preached and a soul, hearing the glad news of Christ's saving grace believes through the working of the Holy Spirit, then he is saved there and then. As you hear the Word being preached now and you believe, you are already saved! You are saved now as I speak!

4. Members one of another. How is it that when someone hits you with a truncheon on the ankle you groan with your tongue? Because ankle and tongue are members one of another, members of the same body. When Christians are tortured by the Communists, we who are outside the Iron and Bamboo Curtains cannot help but cry out! We are members one of another of the same body of Christ.

5. Prayer, as defined by a secret believer in Red China hearing our broadcast, is: After you have said everything throughout the day and you can conclude with "Amen", then it is prayer. Such a definition could not have been made by one going through ten seminaries!

6. Another insight into the deep truths of Christianity is observed by the underground Church in China - don't try to be "better" Christians, rather become Christ-like Christians!

7. Prayer is a dialogue, not a monologue. When I was a little boy I once pranked on the door bells of my neighbourhood. After ringing the door bells, one by one, I ran away from the inmates. Often we are like that in our prayers made to God. We repeat the outworn phrases perfunctorily and we rush away from Him into our own world of business or pleasure. We don't give him a chance to reply, to speak back to us. Prayer is a dialogue. Let us reverently wait for His answers.

8. Be a "jubilated" Christian. In the Catholic Church Calendar a name is given to every Sunday. One is called "Jubilate" i.e. "Be jubilant" or "make a joyful noise". On such a Sunday I observed no sign of jubilation in the priest as he mumbled a prayer. Even so, at dinner time we thank God for our food with neither jest nor expression. But upon tasting the sweetness of the soup we husbands would thank our wives most profusely. But we don't thank God for the good wives He gives us! Let us thank God not perfunctorily, but profusely. Let us start a new kind of Christianity that is not afraid to shout "Hallelujah, Praise the Lord!" Let us become "jubilated" Christians!

9. God gives us a better name, but do we live up to it? God changed Abram's name to Abraham, which means "father of many nations" and Sarai's to Sarah which means "princess" and she was "mother of many nations". Do you live up to your name who are called Mary, John or Magdalene? Do you live a life of holiness like Mary, mother of our Lord, a life of passionate love for our Lord like John the Apostle, and a life of dedication from one previously degraded by sin like Mary Magdalene? When the Lord asked me in the prison cell one day, "What is your name?" I dared not answer a word because I could not measure myself to the Richard the English martyr who died for Jesus centuries ago in England.

10. God our Father. Jesus teaches us in the Lord's Prayer to say, "Our Father." It is He who has shown us this most endearing name of God!

Once a boy was standing on an island. As a big ship sailed by he waved the ship to stop. Some men who were around made fun of him. But the ship suddenly swung round and a little boat was let down which soon ferried the boy up the big ship. Said the boy to his mockers, "Did you know that the captain of the ship is my father?" How good it is to know that God is our father. He will do His utmost for us, who are become his children through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Luther was reputed to look into the sky from his bedroom window before he retired. He would say, "Good night, God. I commit your church and everthing to your care" as I rest my body for the night." He knew God as his Father. Do you know God as your loving Father?

Your Name is linked to God's. Once my wife witnessed to a woman warder while in prison and she believed. She wanted to know more about God, particularly His name. My wife had not studied theology, but the Holy Spirit gave her an answer. She said, I have heard that God is called God of Abraham, God of Isaac and God of Jacob. So God's condescends to link His Name to a person's name. Your name is Nina. So He is God of Nina.

Now in Hebrew the word "of" does not appear separately like the English so that it reads "God-of" Abraham, "God-of" Isaac, "God-of" Jacob. God's name and your name are the only two words together linked. How privileged you are to be so received of God that you are verily his and He yours, as Paul says, "For me to live is Christ!" Can you put God's Name before your name?

12. Smile! The love of Christ can put a smile on our lips in the darkest moments of our life.

Once the Communists made a cunning plan to shatter the faith of a young Christian girl. They arrested her on the very day of her wedding, yes, even at the sacred ceremony that was being performed in the Church. This Christian girl, instead of being shocked to death or fainting fits, smiled upon her captors. Giving herself up to be handcuffed, she said goodbye to her husband. She looked forward now to seeing her Heavenly Bridegroom in the prison cell, and sang a song of praise as she was led away.

The smile that Christ gives us is an arch with a strength to straighten out every crooked line of our life. - T.T.

FAR EASTERN KINDERGARTEN invites application for the posts of Principal and teachers with music (essential) and teaching experience. Salary depends on qualification etc. Apply immediately. Application forms obtainable at the Kindergarten's office.

B-P CHOIR REHEARSAL: This Lord's Day, Oct. 8, 7.45 p.m. at Life Church!

GALILEE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

Wed. 7.00 p.m. Bible Study at Mrs. Lee Chou Peng's residence.

8.00 p.m. Prayer Meeting at the same place.

Sat. 4.00 p.m. GCYF

Sun. 2.00 p.m. Choir Practices

3.00 p.m. Sunday School

4.30 p.m. Worship Service

LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

Tues. 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting

Fri. 8 p.m. Family Worship at the home of Elder and Mrs Tow Siang Hwa, 64 Andrew Road.

4 p.m. LCYF Speaker: Miss Peggy Yeo
 Lord's Day 10a.m. Rev. Tow
 4p.m. Miss Trinh

The pastor and Elder Joshua Lim leave for Kelapa Sawit and Kulai Besar this Lord's Day afternoon, 1.30 p.m. Mr. Liew will speak at Kelapa Sawit.

Mr. E. Mahadevan is now in Hong Kong taking a three-month course of training.

The General Elections of Life Church will be held on Nov. 5. The Church will re-elect a pastor, six elders, and ten deacons. Nominations from the congregation should be sent to the Church office forthwith. The 22nd Anniversary Thanksgiving will be held on Sunday Oct. 22, followed with tea and refreshments.

RAWANG B.F. Lifers: \$50; \$50.

KULAI BESAR B.F. Lifers: \$200; \$50.

FAR EASTERN BIBLE COLLEGE. The enrolment this year is 25 fulltime and 3 part-time, with half a dozen unregistered evening students.

The Wurmbrand Meetings. Despite Satanic attacks on the credibility of Pastor Wurmbrand which finally resulted in the cancellation of meetings at the Conference Hall, the Lord's servant found a warm welcome at Zion and Faith, Serangoon Gardens, as reported last week.

The meetings were attended by 1,500 on Monday night. Many decisions were made for Christ. Offerings totalling \$10,000 channelled directly to the Jesus to the Communist World Mission, Inc. Mr. Lim Siew Boon, a Singapore Christian business man, was largely responsible for Pastor Wurmbrand's visit to S'pore. Mr. Peter Yap was interpreter.

THE M.V. LOGOS arrived from Indonesia, Friday Sept. 29 and sailed Oct. 6 for India. Mr. George Miley, spiritual head of the ship, preached at Life Church last Lord's Day. A quantity of Christian books and tracts was left with FEBC. Every student receiving a set of books took away a package of tracts for individual distribution.

ARMED FORCES RALLY for Christian Servicemen on Saturday 14 Oct. at 7.30 p.m. at Cantonese Methodist Church, 1, Queens Street. Speaker Mr. Lau Kim Guan of FEBA.

LIFE CHURCH & FEBC BOOKINGS for December Holidays. 1) Asian Preachers Institute, Dr. G.D. James, Dec. 3 to 9; 2) Kam Yan Church Y.F., Dec. 10 to 15.

Nursery Roster: 15th Oct. Phua Lee Cheng, Jenny Liew; 22nd Oct. Jean Low, June Low.

Do you have a good used piano? The FEBC requires all students to acquire a basic knowledge of music. We are in great need of another piano. If you're buying a new one why not give the old one to us? REV. JASON LINN, author of "Pioneering in Dyak Borneo", is visiting Indonesia, Mar. 1973. Any invitation for him to conduct special meetings prior to Indonesia?

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Dr. Tow Siang Yew, our member in Penang, writes on:

CULTS, SPIRITUAL WORLD AND LONG HAIR

1. What is a Cult?

It is a religion that has broken away from orthodoxy or has been organised to oppose orthodoxy. And what is orthodox Christianity? It is Biblical Christianity, the plain and simple teachings of the Bible - the Word of God. It could be summed up in I Cor. 15:3-4 "Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures. He was buried and He rose again on the third day, according to the Scriptures".

In Christianity when we talk about cults we actually mean religious subversive elements. And when the words "subversive elements" are mentioned we think of shady characters lurking in dark alleys ready to pounce on their unwary victims or to kidnap them for ransom. But religious subversives are not at all like frightful terrorists. In fact they may be very attractive, well educated, polite and convincingly friendly. That doesn't mean that they are Christians although they are armed with "seemingly Christian" literature and a lot of Bible verses. Even the devil is not what most people imagine him to be - the comic character with horns and a long tail! The Bible says Satan often comes in disguise as an angel of light.

Common Characteristics of Cults

- (a) All cults are against the Church and Christians. They say all others are wrong and their cult is a special group that has the real truth of God.
- (b) Cults all deny the deity of Christ.
- (c) They also deny salvation by faith in Christ and say that salvation is by obeying their own teachings and by good works.
- (d) They believe that their own cult have new interpretations of the Bible and also new additions given to their leaders.
- (e) They claim to believe in the Bible but distort the teachings to suit themselves.

2. Is There a Spiritual World?

Yes, there is a spiritual world. It is real but is invisible. God created it, but modern liberal theology deny its existence. But the Bible tells us of its existence and ascribe them as real personality. (II Sam. 14:20; Matt. 14:36; Jude 6; Rev. 14:10). Some are good, holy and elect (angels) and others are fallen from their original state, and therefore evil (satan and devils).

Angels are represented as praising God continually Ps. 103:20; Isa. 6; Rev. 5:11. They rejoice at the conversion of sinners, watch over believers, protect little ones and are present in the Church.

Evil spirits delight in opposing God and destroying His work. They were created good but revolted against God. Satan is one of the princes among the angels who became evil and head of the devils. He and his hosts seek to destroy the work of God, to blind and mislead even the elect and encourage the sinner in his evil way. Even Christ was tempted by the Devil in the wilderness when he was on his 40 days fast. (Ref. Louis Berkhof - a summary of Christian Doctrine).

3. What is the Christian's View about Long Hair, Operation Snip and the Ban on Hippies?

As Christians we must answer these questions from the biblical point of view. We wholeheartedly support our Government in being firm against Government servants, teachers and students sporting unduly long hair or the "shaggy dog look". Not only is it unsightly and untidy but it is also unhygienic in this hot climate. Besides it is also the trade-mark of hippies.

Western affluence has produced hippism with its disgruntled youth and degraded morals. Hippism is part and parcel of the present day permissive society, the drug addicts, the sexual perverts and the aimless generation.

Christians then should not ape them and should search the Scriptures for guidance. I Cor. 11:4-5 says "Doth not even nature itself teach you, that, if a man have long hair, it is a shame unto him? But if a woman have long hair, it is a glory to her".

It is not only right in the sight of God not to have long and shabby hair, but it is also the citizens' duty to obey their government which is put in power by God. (Romans 13:1-7). - from The Christian Educator Vol. I, No: 2 - Sept./Oct. 1972 Bulletin of the Committee on Christian Education Wesley Church, Penang.

(Ed. note: Dr. Tow Siang Yew, a member of Life Church, is waging a ceaseless battle in Penang against liberalism and "Ecumenical Theology". He is president of Gideons, Penang and preaches regularly at JSM. His daughter Betty joins FEBC this year.)

B-P CHOIR PRACTICE, this Lord's Day at Life Church, 7.45 p.m.!

HEAR and SEE MR. DENNIS LEE on Channel 5, Monday 16, 7 p.m.!

REV. & MRS EDWARD PAAUWE are taking further studies at Faith Seminary. Rev. Paauwe is taking Archaeology and I Peter and Mrs. Paauwe O.T. Introd., Church History, Advanced Hebrew and Christian Ed. They send greetings to our Readers.

LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

Tues. 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting (Dn. Koh Kim Hiang)

Sat. 4 p.m. Y.F. Speaker: Mr. Cyril Ward.

4.30 p.m. VCF meeting in Church.

Lord's Day 10 a.m. 22nd Anniversary Thanksgiving

4 p.m. Miss Trinh

Nursery Roster: 22nd Oct. June Low; Jean Low; 29th Oct. Elizabeth Lee, Low Sock Eng.

Baptised at the Mandarin-Teochew Service on Oct. 1 was Bro. Chua Kok Kee.

RAWANG B.F. Zionite: \$200.

KULAI BESAR. Kelapa Sawite \$40; Kulaite \$200 Lifer \$500. To date \$5,790 has been paid to the housing developer. We need \$8,910 before Christmas to complete payment for the whole house. Three Christian families at Kulai Besar are thrilled at the prospect of starting the new Church and kindergarten.

REV. TOW visits Muar and Rawang next week on schedule as usual.

THE B-P ANNUAL CONFERENCE held at Life Church last Saturday was attended by about 40 commissioners and observers. Amongst the decisions taken is the holding of a Christmas Praise Service with Mr. Dennis Lee at the Piano at the Conference Hall. The date will soon be announced.

It was also decided to hold the next Conference at the new Calvary Church, Jurong Town. Rev. Quek Kick Chiang, moderator with all the other officers was re-elected for another term of two years. The moderator requests all member churches to submit their statistics for report to the Government.

The Conference spent an hour of delicious fellowship over a curry-mutton and roast-chicken dinner, bolstered with mee-siam.

GIFTS RECEIVED AND APPRECIATED from a Zionite \$300/- for Kalimantan, \$100/- for Ling Kwang Old People's Home and U.S. \$30 from Rev. Hsu of New York for Kalimantan.

CONGRATULATIONS to Miss Teo Kuen Hwa of Faith Church for obtaining the Music Diploma of LRSM (Teaching)

BIBLE-PRESBYTERIAN MISSIONS (formerly called the Malaysia Pioneer Mission, founded since 1952) is the missionary arm of our B-P Churches. It has a two-fold mission:-
1. to help younger churches on the home front, 2. to spread the Gospel beyond S'pore to the ends of the earth, which we call "Foreign Missions."

Our Foreign Missions now involve founding new stations on our "Gospel Highway" from S'pore to Penang. Our latest addition is Kulai Besar, 36 miles north of S'pore. Our appointees to Kulai, Mr & Mrs Liew Hon Seng, are partially supported by BPM.

We also extend through the "Gospel Seaway" to West Kalimantan where a Dyak work is being opened through Rev.

Andreas Djunaidi.

Support to the BPM has hitherto been received mainly from the bigger churches. We commend BPM to the prayerful support of our Readers. Offerings to BPM may be sent to the Treasurer, Elder Joshua Lim, 32, Monk's Hill Terrace, Singapore 9. CALVARY CHURCH COMMITTEE will meet Sat. 21, 4 p.m. at the Church site!

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THE LORD'S JUDGMENTS

(By Isaac Newton)

Lord, while Thy judgments shake the land
Thy people's eyes are fixed on Thee;
We own Thy just, uplifted hand,
Which thousands cannot, will not see.

How long hast Thou bestowed Thy care
On this indulged, ungrateful spot;
While other nations far and near
Have envied and admired our lot?

Here peace and liberty have dwelt,
The glorious gospel brightly shone;
And oft our enemies have felt
That God has made our cause His own.

But, ah! both heaven and earth have heard
Our vile requital of His love;
We, whom like children He has reared,
Rebels against His goodness prove.

His grace despised, His power defied,
And legions of the blackest crimes,
Profaneness, riot, lust, and pride
Are signs that mark the present times.

The Lord, displeased, has raised His rod;
Ah! where are now the faithful few
Who tremble for the ark of God,
And know what Israel ought to do?

Lord, hear Thy people every where,
Who meet to mourn, confess, and pray;
The nation and Thy churches spare,
And let Thy wrath be turned away.

- from Christian Beacon.

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HOUSE BLESSING AT ELDER AND MRS. TOW'S

last Friday was attended by about 60 Lifers, and friends. This was a happy gathering at the completion of renovations carried out at "Eden Vale". A striking feature of the renovations is a swimming pool, 20 x 40. Elder and Mrs Tow extend a cordial invitation to the Lord's people to use his house and pool.

IF "THEOLOGY IS THE QUEEN OF SCIENCES", then "Music is the queen of arts." At FEBC we stress the importance of both theology and music. Every student is required to take the basic music course and thanks are due to the music teachers who serve gratis. Do you have a piano to spare? This is your contribution to training workers for the Lord!

READ THE FAR EASTERN BEACON for special Wurmbrand Report and for Photonews of Rawang and West Kalimantan!

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22 YEARS A CHURCH MOVEMENT

The word "movement", according to The Advanced Learner's Dictionary of Current English, means: "united actions and efforts of a group of people for a special purpose." As a church movement, what actions and efforts are we united in, and for what purpose? It is good to pause, and ask ourselves this question as Life Church celebrates her 22nd birthday this week.

Our Church was born out of what is known as the 20th Century Reformation Movement. When after the Second World War the big denominational Protestant churches began to work towards church union, and that movement has become known as the Ecumenical Movement which now takes in the Roman Catholic Church, God raised up the 20th Century Reformation Movement to withstand this unbiblical Ecumenism. Our Church, then only an English Service of the Say Mia Tng (Life Church, Prinsep Street), declared separation from the Ecumenical Movement while joining with the 20th Century Reformation Movement. The Ecumenical Movement is headed by the World Council of Churches and the 20th Century Reformation movement by the International Council of Christian Churches. We have all along taken a militant stand for the Faith against the inroads of Liberalism, Romanism, Communism as well as the compromising influences of New Evangelicalism. God has blessed our separated stand for the Gospel, even as the recent reception of Pastor Wurmbrand has shown. (Pastor Wurmbrand was dropped by the Ecumenical and New Evangelical churchmen who originally met to sponsor him!) May members of the B-P Church be not ashamed of this original purpose of our church, and be further exhorted by the apostle Jude to "earnestly contend for the faith once delivered unto the saints" (Jude 3).

We are a Church movement not only for the defence of the Faith but also for the propagation of the Gospel. That we formed the Malaysia Pioneer Mission as early as 1952 (now Bible-Presbyterian Missions) shows the zeal of the little Life Church to extend the Gospel beyond her four walls. In obedience fully to the Great Commission's four-point programme 1) "To go" which is "missions", 2) "to make disciples" which is "evangelism", 3) "to baptise" which is "church organisation", 4) "to teach" which is "theological training", we have therefore 1) gone out as far as possible from Singapore with the Gospel 2) stressed soul-saving at every level of Church work, 3) baptised believers and organised them into churches, 4) founded the Far Eastern Bible College to train a new generation of ministers and missionaries to keep the movement going.

We are a Church movement, indeed, as we behold what God has done through this obedience, giving us now a total of 15 churches. The latest to be established is Kulai Besar, God willing, this Christmas.

While you have prayed, worked and given for the extension of Christ's Kingdom, the Great Commission remains, nevertheless, an unfinished commission. How many uncaring estates in Singapore with their teeming thousands are waiting for the Gospel witness! How many mushrooming towns and villages in West Malaysia are shrouded in the outer darkness of superstitions and false religions! How many wandering souls among the Chinese and Dyaks in West Kalimantan are crying for our help! Let our Church movement go with the Gospel to these in our immediate and intermediate neighbourhoods. That is the least we must do, for it is useless to talk of a Far Eastern outreach when we can't even drive three hours beyond our doorstep!

There is another reason why we must press on relentlessly with the Gospel. As the missionary force in our lands is being diminished by immigration restrictions and as little headway is made in the founding of new churches, the responsibility becomes all the more ours to evangelise. We should fall in line with that rising movement of missions among Asian Churches today. A church in the Philippines gave 200,000 Pesos or S.\$80,000 last year to the support of foreign missions. A church in Hong Kong sent six missionaries to South Vietnam. These are encouraging signs of the younger churches slowly coming of age, taking their turn, as it were, to run in the last leg of the Gospel relay. And why the last leg? Because we believe what our Lord has said in Matt. 24:14 "And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come." We believe we are living in the end-times and our duty is to take over from where the western missionaries have left off.

May we therefore reason with our Readers, you who have found the peace and joy of salvation through the Gospel expounded on this page. You who have been blessed materially and can easily contribute to the advancement of the Gospel. Praise God, many of you have taken an active part to support our Gospel outreach, and God has blessed you much in return. Will you not pray for us that God may sustain our hands, for Life Church in her new leadership in future years, and give to the various projects God has committed to our trust? May this Church Movement of 22 years grow from strength to strength for Christ's honour till He comes. - T.T.

List of B-P Churches and the dates of their founding or affiliation:

1. Life - Gilstead Road - Oct. 1950
2. Kelapa Sawit - 26th m. Johore - Jan. 1954
3. Zion - Serangoon Gardens - June 1957
4. Faith - Serangoon Gardens - June 1958
5. Tekong - Pulau Tekong - Jan. 1960
6. Galilee - Gilstead Road - June 1960
7. Jurong - 14 1/2 m. Jurong Rd. - Oct. 1961
(FAR EASTERN BIBLE COLLEGE) Sept. 1962
8. Life (Mandarin-Teochew) - Oct. 1965
9. Mt. Carmel - Lengkok Bahru - April 1967
10. Toa Payoh (Chinese) - Toa Payoh Apr. 1970
11. Sembawang - Sembawang Hills Est. Nov. 1970
12. Rawang - Muar - July 1971
13. Toa Payoh (English) - Sept. 1971
14. Calvary - Jurong Town - Aug. 1972
15. Kulai Besar - 19th m. Johore - Dec. 1972

B-P CHOIR PRACTICE, this Lord's Day at Life Church, 7.45 p.m.!

LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

Tues. 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting (Dn. Lieu Kok Kwong)

Sat. 4 p.m. Y.F.

Lord's Day 10 a.m. Rev. Tow

4 p.m. Rev. Tow (Life Mandarin Teochew Service 7th Anniversary with fellowship tea.)

Nursery Roster: 29th Oct. Elizabeth Lee, Low Sock Eng.

Candidates for Baptism at Life Church 22nd Anniversary Thanksgiving: 1) Amy Ho Woon Peng, Accounts Clerk, 446-P, Circuit Road, 2) Tan Nee Keng, National Serviceman, 10B Kim Pong Road (3) 3) Thong Yew Meng, - Student, 7B, Whampoa Drive (12) 4) Cheong Par Kim, David, Student, U of S'pore, 1, Duankirk Avenue (11) 5) Walter Seah Cheng Hee, Analyst, 98G Commonwealth Crescent (3) 6) Billy Lee Yew Mun, Student, 44C Lim Liak Street, Block 29 (3) 7) Maggie Lau, Housemaid, 11B Queen Astrid Park (10)

Reaffirmation of Faith: 8) Judy Chong May Lan, Student, 67, Jalan Jumbu Ayer (21) 9) Richard Wong Kok San, Student, 28-B Sturdee Rd. Blk. 8 (8).

Mr. & Mrs. T.S. Chua, parents of Eleanor, Nancy, and David Chua, etc., oldtimer Lifers since Prinsep Street, are received into the membership of Life Church, Gilstead Road. (English and Mandarin-Teochew Service, respectively).

Dates of Life Church Bookings for Weddings
Nov. 18; Dec. 9, 3 p.m.,

Dec. 16, 3 p.m.

We extend our deepest condolence to Sis. Seah Seow Pang on the passing away of her beloved father.

Miss Alice Tow Liang Kwang arrived from Taiwan on Oct. 17 and makes her residence with her sisters at 111A Amber Road. She preaches this Lord's Day at Life Mandarin-Teochew Service.

Mrs. Jacob Huang's (Loo Keng Eng) NEW ADDRESS: 3118 N. Calvert St., Baltimore, Md., 21218, USA. (This is the new Christian Students Centre two blocks from Johns Hopkins.)

Evangelist Zacchaeus Idat of Indonesia is back from Malaysia. He is scheduled to fly back to Djakarta, Oct. 30.

SARIMBUN GOSPEL MISSION. The Sunday School attendance at Sarimbun, a hamlet in the corner of S'pore maintains above 20 each week. A youth camp will be held here Dec. 11-16, Mr. Lau Chin Kwee in charge.

RAWANG CHURCH thanks Galilee Church for a set of Holy Communion trays.

FEBC. We extend our deepest condolence to Anthony Tan on the passing away of his beloved father.

REV. C.T. HSU. Many thanks for your regular supply of valuable theological books for FEBC, such as Dean Alford's Greek Testament, all safely in hand - Mrs Burton Toms.

REV. EDWARD PAAUWE who will be "on deputation" early November, will visit Lily and her husband in Ohio.

FAR EASTERN BEACON October issue is out, featuring Pastor Wurmbrand's Messages.

ZION CHURCH SESSION, at meeting last Lord's Day, voted \$150 from the Church's Charity Fund for W. Kalimantan. Read more about this "foreign" mission field in FAR EASTERN BEACON.

GALILEE APPOINTMENTS

Wed. 7.00 p.m. Bible Study

8.00 p.m. Prayer Meeting

Sat. 4.00 p.m. GCYF at Sambau

Sun. 2.00 p.m. Choir Practice

3.00 p.m. Sunday School

4.30 p.m. Worship Service

THRU THE YEARS

(by J. Gordon Holdcroft)

Thru the years we've had sweet fellowship
With each other and with the Lord;
Thru the years we've worked together,
With each other and for the Lord.

His hand to lead us;

His Word to feed us;

We've sung His praises thru the years.

Memories so precious

Memories that blessed us

Thru the years.

Thru the years until He comes for us,

He has a task for us to do;

Thru the years the souls around us

Will be dying without the Lord.

His blood can cleanse them;

His power transform them;

Proclaim this message of Good News!

With hearts so grateful

To Him be faithful

Thru the years,

Thru the years of all eternity

We'll have sweet fellowship with the Lord;

Thru the years of all eternity

We'll sing together with the Lord.

Himself to lead us;

Himself to feed us;

We'll sing His praises thru the years.

Bowing before Him

Love and adore Him

Thru all the years of eternity.

LIFE CHURCH GENERAL ELECTIONS will be held Nov. 5 immediately after the Lord's Supper. Just mark the names of the persons you'll elect and put the slip in the box and go home. No waiting. Results will be announced the following Sunday.

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FROM THE NOVENA CHURCH TO LIFE CHURCH

Amy Ho Woon Peng

I come from a non-Christian family. At the age of ten I attended a Sunday School which was conducted by my music teacher at her home. I was taught of the Lord, that He is our Saviour. I was also taught to read the Bible everyday and not to pray to idols. After a year my music teacher left us for another school. Maybe I was still too young to understand the teaching of Christianity. I gradually dropped out from the Sunday School and I had forgotten Christ entirely.

I started working at the age of seventeen. Amongst my other colleagues, there was a boy who was a very strong Catholic (he still is). He used to tell me about the Catholic Faith.

One day, he asked me to accompany him to the Novena Church and attend the Saturday Service. I went along, and since then I had never missed one Saturday of not attending the service. Sometime in 1971 I signed up for the Catechism class. The class was conducted by one of the fathers of the Novena Church. I was taught to say the Rosary everyday, make the sign of the cross before saying prayers and how to confess our sin to the fathers of the church before receiving communion. In the class we had film shows which illustrated the teachings of Christ, but no Bible was used. After four months, I was due for baptism.

I started asking myself questions. Was I following the right belief and right teaching? Why were we taught to say the Rosary everyday instead of reading the Bible and learning God's Words? Why were Bibles not used during service and prayer sessions, only mass books were used. Why must we kneel before fathers of the church to confess our sin and ask them for forgiveness? Why couldn't we speak directly to the Lord? We were taught not to believe the idols, but what about the altar where there were statues bearing images of Jesus Christ, Mary and other Saints? Were those not idols? All those questions which I asked myself made me very undecided as to whether I should go through the baptism. Finally, I decided to go to a different church, i.e. a Christian Church to find out more about Christianity. So, in January this year, I came to the Life Church where my younger sister is a member.

I started by joining the Sunday School. The class was then conducted by Mrs. Yuen. I could still remember that the first Bible Lesson I had was on First John - that "truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with His Son Jesus Christ," and that I can speak directly to Him if I accept Him as my personal Saviour.

Also, I found that the Life Church and the prayer Service is so much different from the Catholic Church. Here we have no altar, no statues and photos which bear the images of the Lord, Mary and other Saints. No kneeling and saying the Rosary. We pray to the Heavenly Father above, reading the Bible and learning God's Words. I know that I am following the right belief this time, I am positively sure. I have accepted Christ as my personal Saviour, and I am now spiritually prepared to be baptised as a Christian.

LIFE CHURCH MANDARIN-TEOCHEW SERVICE CELEBRATES 7th ANNIVERSARY THANKSGIVING

Life Church Mandarin-Teochew Service was founded in October 1965 out of a conviction that the Lord wanted us to minister to the Chinese-speaking, and all the more as we had the advantage of full facilities provided by the English Church.

Although it has not grown like the English-speaking churches in our movement and the majority of the congregation are elderly, we can still praise the Lord for a gradual increase in attendance. The average Sunday attendance is between 25 and 30 and at the Lord's Supper between 30 and 40. Four adults and one infant were added to the Church by baptism during the year, and we had our first wedding recently solemnised after a Sunday Service. The Sunday School remains at about a dozen with Mrs. Khoo Peng Kiat and Miss Tiew Ah Tuan in charge. The Church Committee at present comprises of Rev. Timothy Tow, Elders Tow Keng Hee and Seow Chong Pin, Mr. & Mrs. Charles Tsao, and Mrs. Lee Choon Ngee.

When Galilee Church shifted to Gilstead Road at beginning of this year, the Mandarin-Teochew Service gladly made way for her sister church. We are now worshipping in the end room of the FEBC Hall.

The Mandarin-Teochew Service has contributed liberally to Rawang, and now decides to send her 7th Anniversary Thankofferings to Kulai Besar. We are also partially supporting Mr. & Mrs. Liew Hon Seng who are to be stationed at Kulai Besar in December, with the hope that Mr. Liew would serve with us from February, 1973.

A confirmation of the Lord's blessing upon the Mandarin-Teochew Service is the gift of a brand new "Pearl River" piano from a member of the English Service. The piano is in turn offered gladly by the Mandarin-Teochew Service to the FEBC music tutors for the instruction of the students. To God be the glory for all that He has done to keep this little flock going. - T.T.

LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

Tues. 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting (Bro. Lau Chin Kwee)
Fri. 1.30p.m. (FEBC Faculty Meeting)
Sat. 4 p.m. Y.F.
Lord's Day 10 a.m. Rev. Tow (Lord's Supper)
11.20 a.m. General Elections
4.00 p.m. Miss Trinh

22nd Anniversary Thankofferings: \$1576.85
cakes: \$102.60.

Lost and Found a pair of spectacles in plastic case. Ring 50617.

A Fifth Youth Group assembling weekly on the Church-and-College premises comes from ACS. The rest are our own Y.F., and from Monk's Hill, Swiss Cottage and Cairnhill. Life Church S.S. Conference will meet at 11B Queen Astrid Park, home of Dr. Tow Siew Ai, Wed. Nov. 8. Kampong Tengah Holiday Camp which is booked for Nov. 9 is therefore open for use by any group. Please contact Elder Edmund Tay.

FAR EASTERN KINDERGARTEN has vacancies for a Christian principal and teachers. Please apply to the Supervisor, FEK, 9 Gilstead Rd., 11.

RAWANG CHRISTIAN CHURCH plans to hold a Daily Vacation Bible School from Nov. 13. Mr. & Mrs. Liew Hon Seng are appointed to head the DVBS. A set of kindergarten furniture for 40 pupils is being ordered for next year.

KULAI BESAR B.F. from Rawang Church \$100. The church-house has roofing of Redland tiles completed.

TOA PAYOH B-P CHURCH (English). Revs. Quek and Tow are invited to sit on the Session as advisory pastors.

SEMBAWANG WEDDING BELLS. A first wedding solemnised at Sembawang took place this morning (Sat. Oct. 28, 10 a.m.) between Bro. Vincent Quek Aik Liang and Miss Sally Phua Keng Kwee, Rev. Philip Heng officiating.

LOGOS. Two brand new irons were offered by Lifers to the Gospel ship Logos. Here's a Thank You note: "I was ironing down on the family floor, and really enjoyed using the new and very good iron that we have now, thanks to the friends in Singapore! ... You can perhaps share this word of appreciation with the others who may have been involved in giving this gift to us."

THE B-P COMBINED CHOIR will hold a Music Camp at "Eden Vale", Fri. Nov. 3 to Sun. Nov. 5, for a time of fellowship, rehearsal and recreation. The weekly practice at Life Church is on at 7.45 p.m. this Lord's Day.

A GLIMPSE OF MISSIONS IN W. MALAYSIA. In his Christmas Newsletter Rev. Marvin Dunn observes: "During 1972 only one new worker has been able to enter our field, but 19 missionaries have either left us for new fields in S.E. Asia or are waiting in the homelands for guidance re the future. By December we will have 30 all told in South West Malaysia. Our numbers are thus sadly depleted. However, we believe God is working out His purposes for this land, and some Christians are awakening to their responsibilities."

JURONG CHURCH will hold a DVBS Dec. 20 to 22. A special offering will be taken the first Lord's Day in Nov. for Kulai Besar.

ICY-SM. Will all members and friends please note that the a/m will be having its AGM on 4.11.72. Place: Life Church Time: 3.00 p.m. - 4.45 p.m.

GALILEE APPOINTMENTS

Wed. 7.00 p.m. Bible Study.
8.00 p.m. Prayer Meeting.
Sun. 2.00 p.m. Choir Practices
3.00 p.m. Sunday School
4.30 p.m. Worship Service

ZION WEDDING BELLS. The holy matrimony between Mr. Johnny Lee Goan Tze (son of Elder Lee Tsu Hwai of Faith Church) and Miss Connie Quek Lay Keow will be solemnised at Zion Church, Sat. Nov. 4, 3 p.m.

LIFE CHURCH GENERAL ELECTIONS. Members are reminded of their duty before the Lord to come next Lord's Day to elect one pastor, 6 elders and 10 deacons. The election will be a matter of minutes after the morning worship. Just mark the names and drop the slips in the box. No waiting!

MRS. CAROLINE HUANG (Loo Keng Eng) writes of their moving to 3117 N. Calvert Street Baltimore, Md. 21218. This is a two-storey house (with basement) located only two blocks from Johns Hopkins University. Weekly Bible Classes are held for the Chinese students under Dr. & Mrs. Huang's guidance. Your prayers for the Huangs will be much appreciated.

BILLY GRAHAM HAILS CATHOLIC PARTICIPATION IN 'KEY 73'

Minneapolis (RNS) - Evangelist Billy Graham said here he welcomes Roman Catholic participation in Key 73, the massive interdenominational evangelism effort planned next year.

"We all ought to get behind it," Graham said in commenting about the recent action of the National Association of Evangelicals in voting down a resolution to endorse Key 73. Some NAE delegates had objected to Roman Catholic participation in the effort.

Graham, who recalled that he was one of the original organizers of Key 73 along with Carl Henry, said his evangelistic association will cooperate "100 per cent" in the effort.

"I think it's wonderful for Catholics to come in and get involved in evangelism," he said in an interview. He said there are "thousands of evangelical Catholics."

He noted that each denomination is free to take part in Key 73 as it sees fit.

- Australian Beacon.

B-P CONGREGATIONS, apart from Life, Zion, Faith and Galilee Churches, please give your membership figures (male, female and total) within this week for submission to the Registrar of Soc. Phone 884786 or 880733, Mr. Loh Tai Yin.

WURMBRAND "GEMS" in Chinese may be obtained in this month's Malaysia Christian.

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COMING AGAIN

Coming again, Coming again,
Maybe morning, maybe noon,
Maybe sometime, maybe soon.
Oh, what a wonderful day it will be.
Jesus is coming again.

Dearly Beloved Reader,

May the above remind us of the words of our Lord, "I will come again and receive you into myself." John 14:3. Perhaps sometimes we allow ourselves to fall into aimlessness and lethargy because of the vagueness of the hour of our Lord's return, "But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no not the angels of heaven, but my Father only." Matt. 24:36. And so we often drift, oblivious, sometimes careless of the Promise of our Lord.

Beloved, the testimony of the Lord standeth sure, and if He says he is coming again, He means it!

About two months ago, one of the youths in my church was demon attacked. As we prayed for his deliverance, we commanded the evil spirit within him to tell us why he had attacked the youth. The swift reply was, "Because he doubted". But the answer to our next question took us by surprise.

"In Jesus Name, tell us why you demons are so active nowadays?" And the reply? "Because Jesus Christ is coming soon!" Even the evil ones know it! And as the Bible says, Satan knows that "He has but a short time", Rev. 12:12. Would to God that Christians were as alive to this realisation.

Recently I attended a Christian conference. We were making plans to reach a certain sector of the people that had long been neglected in the task of evangelism. At this conference, there was a young pastor who of late had been bothered by breathlessness and extreme heart palpitations. All medical probabilities were ruled out. Recognising certain similarities with our past experience of demonic activity, we proceeded to lay hands on him that night in Jesus' Name to ask for God's deliverance. The effect was immediate. That night the young man had two dreams. The second dream was clear. He was in a house at night, when suddenly a white dove flew in and began to fly around him. Try as he might he just could not catch hold of the bird. The bird then flew out of the house. In his dream the young pastor chased after it, as it encircled the house and himself. Still he could not catch it. Then in surrender, he stretched forth his arm and at once the white dove landed on it. Suddenly he looked at the sky and thought that dawn was about to break. There was a big bright red moon, touching the horizon with wisps of clouds around it. As he saw all these there was a tremendous urge within him to shout out to all the neighbourhood, "The Lord is coming, the Lord is coming." He awoke. It was only 12.05 a.m.

The interpretation was clear to him - the white dove is the Holy Spirit who came on him not by his efforts to "get" the Spirit but by his surrender. The next day, the pastor gave testimony of his experience. That same night while at prayer, he thanked the Lord for being so real to him and prayed that God might reveal Himself to the entire group.

Suddenly, one in the group (the woman was kneeling with hands clasped in front of her), she was not rowdy at all, emitted some of the most beautiful sounds I have ever heard in what must have been a language. I noted the repetitive lines and the nuances. Shortly after, an interpretation was given: "Oh, Lord Jesus, Lord Jesus, I love you. I love you. Before you every knee should bow and every tongue confess that you are Lord. Oh, Jesus, Jesus. You are coming again, You are coming again. Soon." With that she lapsed into silence while the rest of the group prayed on.

My beloved Christian, I just cannot help but note that within a short space of 1½ months the Lord has reminded me three times that the Lord's coming is very near.

Beloved the certainty of the Lord's Return has been my belief since I was a babe in Christ. But now the nearness of His return grips me. I must share this with you.

The next day, the Spirit of the Lord got hold of me and I wept: "Lord, have mercy on my people. For so many are too engrossed in their own business, ambitions, leisure, lustful desires to care for you!" Some who have been active in days gone by have relaxed their efforts as if to say, I have done my share of the job. Beloved, what will you say to the Lord when He comes? Some have been discouraged at the length of the task ahead. Oh, beloved, may I encourage you, "the end is in sight!"

"When Jesus comes to reward His servants
Whether it be noon or night,
Faithful to him will he find us watching
With our lamps all trimmed and bright."

"Oh can we say we are ready brother,
Ready for the souls bright home?
Say, will he find you and me still watching,
Waiting, waiting when the Lord shall come."

LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

Tues. 6.30 p.m. "Old-and-New" Session Fellowship Dinner at Parsonage.

8.00 p.m. Prayer Meeting
Session Meeting at FEBC Library.

Wed. S.S. Staff Conference at 11B Queen Astrid Park.

Thurs. Kampong Tengah Camp open to anyone through Elder Edmund Tay.

Lord's Day 10 a.m. Rev. Alan D. George of Child Evangelism

4 p.m. Miss Trinh (Mandarin-Teochew Service)

Miss Chang Ching Ho is cheerfully convalescing at Ward 51, ORGH. Praise the Lord.

Mrs. Seah Siew Yang is expected back from London this Lord's Day and William a fortnight later.

A 6th Youth Group assembling at the Church-and-College premises are the Christian Service men under the leadership of Major Patrick Tan.

Bro. Goh Seng Fong sends greetings to Lifers from San Francisco Baptist Seminary, 5655 Mission St., San Francisco, California, 94112, USA. Sister Daisy Koh also sends greetings. She is sponsored by a Christian family to study at Maranatha Baptist College Wisconsin (2,000 miles from S.F.). Readers, please write to encourage them.

New Address: Mr. & Mrs. Henry Heng, 1326 West Covington Court, Apartment 4, Peoria, Illinois 61614, USA.

Life Church Youth Fellowship Annual Camp

Theme: Looking Unto Jesus

Date: 4th to 9th Dec. '72

Camp Site: Calvary B-P Church

Theme Speaker: Rev. Burton Toms

SARIMBUN: is booked by the Raffles Institution ISCF for camp, Dec. 4-8.

KULAI BESAR B.F. Mr. W.K. Tham, Rawang contractor: \$200; Penangite \$100. Mr. Liew Hon Seng writes of progress: "Mr. Goh Chin Meng and I went to Tampoi to order 20 benches and tables for the Church which cost us altogether \$340". (These benches and tables are for dual use, for church service and Kindergarten class.) "Please try to get us swings, Bibles and hymnals."

SITUATION VACANT: Cook for FEBC. Please apply to the Principal.

FEBC First Term Final Exams. begin Fri. Nov. 17!

OBITUARY. Mr. Hsu Kim Chew, (uncle of Elder Heng Yow Tong) a staunch friend of Life Church and the Calvary Project, was suddenly called home on Oct. 30, 1972 at the age of 65. This took place during a Kindergarten Committee Meeting of Say Mia Tng (Prinsep St. Life Church) without pain or sickness. Funeral on Nov. 1 was officiated by Rev. Heng Teck Im, with participation by Revs. Quek and Tow.

LIFE CHURCH GENERAL ELECTIONS. Every Lifer is requested to do his or her duty this Lord's Day to elect officers of the Church: one pastor, 6 elders and 10 deacons.

COMMISSIONERS FROM PRESEPTERY to supervise Elections are Elders Chia Kim Chwee and Heng Yow Tong of Zion Church.

THE STORY OF THE HEAD AND TAIL OF A SNAKE.

Once upon a time there was a snake whose head and tail got into an altercation. Boasted the head to the tail, "By any comparison I am your superior." "What?" retorted the tail, "In what way am I your inferior?"

Replied the head, "Do you consider this - I have ears to hear, eyes to see and a mouth to eat? And when we move about is it not I who lead the way?"

Answered the tail, "But you did not know you can't move without me. If I coil onto a tree and hold tight, would you get away? Nor could you eat. Eventually will you not starve to death?" So saying he coiled onto a tree nearby.

At this the head yielded, "All right," he said, "you be the leader."

Seeing he was given the leadership, the tail loosened his grip. But the head began to complain, "Since you're the leader, you should go in front." Whereupon, the tail began to wriggle and wiggle away dragging the head behind him. But, before long, the reptile fell into a burning pit and perished in the flames. - Translated from an Anthology of Buddhist Fables in Chinese. St. Paul said to the Galatians, "But if ye bite and devour one another, take heed that ye be not consumed one of another."

SHELTON WINS DECISIVE VICTORY

What New Jersey took away the State of Florida has now returned! Friday, Oct. 20, 1972, marked a historic day in the life of the Twentieth Century Reformation movement.

In Tallahassee, the capital of the State of Florida, the State Board of Independent Colleges and Universities of the State Department of Education in a unanimous action and without conditions gave to Shelton College the required license. A team of Florida educators were unanimous in their appraisal of the institution that it more than met minimum standards. Their report commends the College in point after point in the very places where the State of New Jersey condemned the school.

Shelton was driven out of the State of New Jersey in the summer of 1971 and opened its fall term at Cape Canaveral in the vacant Boeing building.

The newspapers across the state reported the news, and in the Cape Canaveral area, Today, the newspaper which serves the area, gave two lengthy accounts one of which opened by saying that the College scored almost a straight-A grade before the State Board. This means that the degrees of the College will now be accepted.

All barriers have been removed for the College to step forth - immigration, veterans grants, Social Security - all these areas which have to now been denied are now to serve the College. - Christian Beacon Oct. 26 '72.

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FROM RAWANG TO KULAI BESAR

At the peak of our labours building Rawang Church in June and July, when the contractor's bills kept on coming and we had a hard time making ends meet, we were the least expecting to be called to build another house for the Lord. But called we were, and with confirmatory signs of the Lord's leading - to Kulai Besar.

Our sudden decision to buy a corner terrace-house under construction at Kulai Besar was precipitated, as you have read herein before, by Mr. & Mrs. Liew Hon Seng's failure to get a "work permit". Since they are of us and we still need their services in Singapore, our attention was directed to Kulai Besar, only 19 miles from Johore Bahru and 33 miles from Gilstead Road. The choice of Kulai Besar fulfils a two-fold purpose: While affording our co-workers a place near enough to Singapore (so that they may continue their labours with us) to stay, it also falls in step with the marching orders of the Great Commission to send out the Gospel.

The dramatic suddenness with which we took possession of the corner terrace-house under construction at Kulai Besar has paid off. When we put down the ten per cent deposit (\$1,470) the day after its discovery, a couple simultaneously came to the developer's office inquiring for a house. (Ours was the last corner house available.)

The economic price of \$14,700 for a freehold property built with solid bricks and roofed with Redland tiles has received hearty approval of all who come to know about it. This is confirmed by the sums of money received during the last three months - 21 items totalling \$6497.50. What is needed before us is only \$8202.50, the price of a small car!

We're sure all who are keen to see the gospel spread out will gladly give to spur the steps of God's messengers. Here is therefore a project every Church, Sunday School, Youth Fellowship etc. can support to mutual benefit. The members and young people who give to Kulai Besar could be brought to the locale on the Day of Dedication. There they can see for themselves what Gospel preaching is like in a new town in West Malaysia. There perhaps God will speak to some young soul, as He spoke to Jeremiah, calling him to the ministry.

It is proposed to hold Dedication for Kulai Besar on Christmas Day, providing a time for makan (buffet style as at Rawang) and fellowship in the Lord. Welcome to Kulai Besar in advance! - T.T.

REPORT ON MY VISIT TO SOUTH THAILAND

By Roesli Nurfea

Thailand has 37 million people, 90% Buddhist, and 3½ million Muslims. In South Thailand the people are very poor, dirty and ignorant. Children under 6 years of age run around naked. Disease is rife, esp. malaria. The OMF has been working here 20 years, and there are now 40 missionaries (over half of this number are medical staff at the mission hospital). The OMF has built a hospital at Saiburi. The roads here are good, and the main highway was built about 10 years ago by a Korean Company. The roads in the rural areas pass rice fields and plantations.

Thai language is the basis of the education system, though Malays use the Jawi script, or adapt the Thai script to the Malay language. e.g. tobang = terbang, tobit = terbit, oreh = orang, Sieh = Siam, hok = yang. Eleven missionaries are working in the Malay language, and they all have Malay names like Rosid, Harun, Elia, Daud, Nuraini, Rafiah, Zainab etc. These are easier for Malays to pronounce! Although in their ignorance, the Malays are fanatically Muslim, yet when we visited the kampongs they readily gathered around to listen to the Gospel. In the Hospital the Gospel is preached in Thai and Malay every afternoon, and I was able to help here. Every day we travelled 10-40 kms visiting kampongs by motorbike. The weather is very hot, except when you run into a rain storm on the highway! There is nowhere to shelter. For 300 kms there is no church, but there are three 'preaching chapels' each attended by about 15-20 people. There are many suffering leprosy, but the hospital can take in only 2-3 patients only because of lack of room. I visited one leprosy patient some distance away. This was evidently by the guidance of the Holy Spirit in order to bring him the Word of the Lord. This patient was like a pillar of cloud by day and a flame of fire by night, and a guide to many others in that place. When we arrived people gathered to hear the good news of Salvation. Even though they felt weak and tired in body because of leprosy, praise God many new roads were opened to the Gospel. (Gal. 2:20)

One always meets two groups of people in South Thailand. Those who wear white skull caps are the students at the many Muslim religious schools all over South Thailand. Those who wear the saffron robe are the Buddhist priests. Temples are scattered all over the countryside.

From the 10th - 15th October I was in Yala, about 39 kms from Pattani. Here there is a Baptist Church. Miss Suvana Ngarmstichoke who works in this church, formerly was a student at FEBC Singapore. On the 15th I preached at this Church

and the Holy Spirit was poured out. That afternoon I left for Haadyai (140 kms). This was the town I had heard mentioned when I was praying in Kuala Lumpur. In Haadyai there are three churches - Presbyterian, Adventist and Baptist. They have no evening meetings. I left a note at the Baptist church and went to stay at the Metro Hotel. The next morning a Mr. Own Shinvorm and a Miss Ubonwon visited me. They are both Thai. We had a very good meeting together. Miss Ubonwon studied in New Zealand, and when she returned she accepted the Lord Jesus as her Saviour. She lectures at the Faculty of Engineering in Haadyai. She is a leader in the Baptist Church which has no pastor. Before she became a Christian she was a fanatical Buddhist. She has a fiancee who was also a fanatical Buddhist, and who studied in USA. For two years she prayed for her fiancee that he would believe in Jesus, and the Lord answered her prayer. On his return from America, this young man was teaching at Bangkok University, and there he received Christ as his Saviour. Now he is active in Christian work.

I was taken to the Faculty of Engineering complex, a beautiful setting, though the buildings are not all completed yet. After looking around we arrived at the roof top of one building. The Lord spoke to me and said "pray ... pray". There was an empty room there and I told my companions that we should pray. We all prayed, I in Indonesian, Mr. Shinvorm in Thai and Miss Ubonwon in English. We prayed for a revival the next week. We felt the anointing of the Lord. Then we were taken and introduced to Mr. Lim and his wife. The Lord worked everything out wonderfully. Mr. Russell Gray and Mr. Lim interpreted for me at the meetings.

On the 21st October I returned to Haadyai for the revival meetings which were to last three days. I went to the Metro Hotel, but there was no vacant room. How surprised I was when a young Indonesian man urged me to stay and share his room. There were 21 Indonesians there in Haadyai working on an oil drilling rig out at sea. Eleven of them were Christians. They worked two weeks and rested in Haadyai one week, taking turns on a 14 - 8 rota. This man was on his rest period. So God led me to many new friends, and they attended the meetings and were revived by God's word.

A revival has come to South Thailand. Pray for all that has been mentioned in this report. Pray also that God will open the way for me to return to South Thailand. Thank you! The Lord bless you! (Mr. Nurfea returns to Indonesia Nov. 16)

LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

Mon. 7.30 p.m. Mr. Ronnie Kon speaking at FEBC Hall.
Tues 8.00 p.m. Prayer Mtg. (Miss Diana Wee)
Wed. 8.30 p.m. BPM Meeting at Elder Joshua Lim's (N.B. Elders Tow and Seow)
Sat. 4.00 p.m. Rev. Tow at Zion Y.F.
5.30 p.m. Wedding between Mr. Lau Wah Ming and Miss Yeo Kei Choo of Emmanuel Church, Dr. Quek officiating.
Lord's Day 10 a.m. Rev. Tow
4 p.m. Miss Trinh
7.30 p.m. Rev. Tow at Mt. Carmel Chinese Service, Jalan Tiong.

Wedding Bells! The holy matrimony between Mr. Chin Wee Kwang (foster son of Mr. Goh Chin Meng of Kulai Besar) and Miss Thia Geok Bay was solemnised today at 547-F, Commonwealth Drive, Block 79, S'pore 3. Rev. Tow officiating.

Apportionment of 22nd Anniversary Thanks-offerings: To Calvary, Toa Payoh, Kulai Besar, BPM, \$350 each. (Just received U.S. \$22 from USA for Anniversary Thanksgiving.)

Results of General Elections held Nov. 5 under supervision of Presbytery Commissioners Elders Chia Kim Chwee and Heng Yow Tong
Total No. of Votes Cast - 179. Blank Votes 5; Spoilt 1. All Candidates are returned with the number of votes indicated against each name."

Signed: Chia Kim Chwee, Heng Yow Tong,
5/11/72.

Pastor: Timothy Tow Siang Hui 154,
Elders: Lim Khng Seng 131; Seow Chong Pin 151; Edmund Tay 163; Khoo Peng Kiat 158; Lau King Hong 121; Patrick Tan 159. Deacons: Koh Kim Song 156; Tan Wai Choon 157; Paul Tsao 163; Khoo Wah Ann 137; Lim Teck Chye 120; Sng Teck Leong 132; Teo Soon Hock 110; William Teo 126; Yee Keong Hui 106.

THE B-P CHOIR MUSIC CAMP

The Music Camp held last week-end (3-5 Nov.) at 64 Andrew Rd., was highly successful. Members of the Choir benefitted tremendously from the practices and the lectures given by Mrs. Lilian Choo, Dr. Quek Swee Hwa and Mr. Yew Wei Lee.

The programme at Camp was a balanced one. Apart from the practices and lectures, there was ample time for devotion and recreation.

The general feeling among the Campers was that we could have more of such camps

B-P CHOIR PRACTICES

Members are reminded that henceforth practices will be held on (i) Saturday 7 p.m. at 64 Andrew Rd. of Dr. & Mrs Tow Siang Hwa (ii) Sunday, 8.00 p.m. at Life Church.

CHRISTIAN YOUTH GROUPS regularly meeting at Gilstead Rd. 1) Life YF; 2) Monk's Hill; 3) Swiss Cottage; 4) SAF; 5) Serangoon Sec., 6) Cairnhill; 7) ACS I; 8) ACS II. (Please observe rules of courtesy when using the Church-College premises.)

GALILEE APPOINTMENTS

Wed. 7.00 pm Bible Study i/c Dn. Ambrose James.

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"North Malaya, South Siam, Borneo, Sumatra and other islands."

A DREAM COME TRUE!

From the earliest days of the founding of our Church movement in October 1950, we have been constrained by the marching orders of the Great Commission to go out with the Gospel. To channel the resources of our people into this evangelistic outreach a missionary society called the Malaysia Pioneer Mission was organised in March 1952. (which is now re-named Bible-Presbyterian Missions). We called the missionary society "Malaysia Pioneer Mission" because we felt God's call to advance the Gospel beyond our Island State to the lands immediately beyond, commonly known as Malaysia. (Malaysia was only a geographic terminology with no political significance in those semi-colonial days and would include those lands inhabited by the Malay Race outside of Singapore and Malaya.)

In the Call to interested Christians to come together for the organising of the missionary society this is what the conveners said:

"Our immediate objective are the resettlement villages in Johore, South Malaya. There are seventy of them where men, women and children are closely settled in little townships within easy reach of the resident missionary. What a great and effectual door opens before us! (I Cor. 16:9). Our vision, however, must extend as wide as God lays before our eyes - a harvest of souls awaits us also in North Malaya, South Siam, Borneo, Sumatra and other islands. Thither we must go!" (Malaysia Christian Vol. I No. 2, March-May, 1952.)

In the days immediately after the issuance of this Call, two long-distance missionary tours were made by the writer and the then Deacon Hsu Chiang Tai (now Rev.) during which 60 new villages, from Tampoi in South Johore to Alor Star in North Kedah, and from Port Dickson on the West Coast to Kuala Lipis in Pahang's heartland, were sown with thousands of New Testament portions and Gospel tracts.

In January 1954 we took over Kelapa Sawit in South Johore from Dr. Andrew Gih. We have been nurturing it ever since with help from the Evangelistic League. Today Kelapa Sawit has a vigorous Sunday School and kindergarten with an English extension work maintained by Galileans.

In Jan. 1960 we took over Pulau Tekong with help from the Evangelistic League and continue to support it despite her dwindling numbers on account of resettlement.

In 1963 we started a work at Dr. Tow Siang Yeow's house in Temerloh which today has become a flourishing independent Church under Dr. Ng Eng Kee.

And so the outworkings of God through weak and frail channels can be recounted of more recent endeavours - Rawang, Pokok Assam, and the latest - Kulai Besar, not to mention our mutual concern for Miss Char's two stations on the Johore East Coast, Jemaluang and Endau.

Now, all the above-mentioned efforts have been limited to West Malaysia, our idea. We have not been able to advance, as originally dreamed, to "South Siam, Borneo, Sumatra and other islands", though the MPM in 1965 did send the writer and Rev. Philip Heng on a missionary round trip to Sabah to explore the possibility of starting a mission according to the stipulations of the "Sabah Fund". (The Sabah Fund is a sum of over \$9,000 donated by a Sabah English Christian Engineer, now kept in trust by Life Church, out of which only \$500 has been spent on West Kalimantan while the door to Sabah is shut.)

Notwithstanding limitations and frustrations in our missionary endeavours, through two decades, the Lord is finally thrusting us forth to "North Malaya, South Siam, Borneo, Sumatra and other islands." For North Malaya we have the Pokok Assam project to finalise. As to South Siam, we have not entered yet. However last week's Report on South Thailand by Roseli Nurfea mentioned Suvana Ngarnsithichoke, who studied two years at FEBC and finished up at Chin Lien, now manning a Baptist Church at Yala, not far from the Malaysian border. Borneo, in so far as West Kalimantan is concerned, has come under BPM and Faith Church through Rev. Quek's August visit. And Sumatra? We have just received an urgent call from the Batak Church around Medan (through Rev. J.C. Maris, ICCG General Secretary in Holland) to go to their succour. This Call from North Sumatra, which constitutes an important item on the BPM Agenda, completes the list of lands and islands beyond Singapore envisaged in the MPM Call twenty years ago - A dream come true!

In all the outreaches recounted above, we have ventured out not in our own zeal but rather with much waiting on the Lord. We have gone out in almost every case to answer a call from some weaker member of Christ's body needing help. Is that not true of Rawang, which is so well known to you? Is it not true of Pokok Assam? Of West Kalimantan? And now the Batak Church of North Sumatra! But there are the other islands telescoped in that dream that must be visited with the Gospel. "A dream come true" must see the evangelisation of the far flung archipelago realised, in earnest expectation of His glorious return. - T.T.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT: CHRISTMAS PRAISE SERVICE & PIANO RECITAL, MONDAY 18.12.72.

The B-P Churches' Combined Praise Service for Christmas 1972 will be held at the Conference Hall on Monday 8 p.m., 18th Dec. '72. This happy event will be a "Grande Finale" to a year of growing musical interest and activity among B-P members. Highlights of the programme are:-

*DENNIS LEE, celebrated Christian Pianist back from Europe.

*CHILDREN'S CHOIR from the Convalescent Home.

*ISLAND CAROLLERS - Combined B-P Choir.

*YOUR FAVOURITE CAROLS, CAROLS, CAROLS!

Offerings for the night will be given to the Children's Society Convalescent Home at Nicholl Drive. A full house of over 1000 is expected, so get your tickets (free) from any B-P Church/Group from Sunday 26th Nov. '72.

CALVARY NEWS

The Church buildings are now almost ready for occupation. In preparation for moving in, a weekly Prayer Meeting has been started at 64 Andrew Road every Thursday night at 8 p.m. This meeting will shift to Calvary when the building is ready. Those who are interested in joining Calvary are requested to come for prayer every Thursday night.

Congratulations to Dn. & Mrs. Paul Phua on the gift of a baby girl, Karen Phua, 10th Nov. '72.

LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

Tues. 8.00 p.m. Prayer Meeting. Miss Trinh
Fri. 6.30 p.m. (FEBC End of Term Dinner and Service)

Sat. 4.00 p.m. Y.F.

Lord's Day 10 a.m. Rev. Tow

4 p.m. Miss Trinh

After service this Lord's Day, the Session is requested to meet and approve the pastor's visit (in company of Rev. Quek) to the Batak Church, North Sumatra.

Baptised on Nov. 15, 1972 was Leow (alias Phay) Hwee Meng, 41, of Rawang on his sick bed, 245 Irrawady Rd., 12. (Bro. Phay is a mandore of T.T.S.H., N.B., Elder Khoo Peng Kiat)

Wedding Bells! The holy matrimony between Mr. Lim Thai Mui and Miss Swee Poh Tin will be solemnised by Rev. Philip Heng, Sat. Dec. 2, 4 p.m.

SPECIAL CHRISTMAS SERVICES AT GILSTEAD RD.

- 1) Friday Dec. 22, 7.45 p.m. by Life Church
- 2) Sat. Dec. 23 by Galilee Church.

REV. JASON LINN, author of "Pioneering in Dyak Borneo" will hold a series of 5 nightly meetings for Christians at Life Church, Jan. 8-12, 1973. This will be a joint outreach by the English and Mandarin-Teochew congregations and open to all. Please indicate whether Mandarin or Cantonese should be used by the evangelist. Pray for revival and spiritual blessings. Rev. Linn will spend one month in Singapore before going to Indonesia in February.

TOA PAYOH CHINESE SERVICE. Rev. Tow will preach at Toa Payoh this Lord's Day afternoon, 3 p.m. and administer the Lord's Supper.

WELCOME SINGAPORE CHRISTIAN TEACHERS to Life Church in your early worship (7.00am) this Lord's Day before your coach leaves for the Penang Camp. Deacons Tan Wai Choon and Khoo Wah Ann are in the party. Deacon Tan is one of the speakers.

SARIMBUN is booked on Christmas Day, Dec. 25 by the Jalan Rama Rama Sunday School (Madam Oh).

BIBLE-PRESBYTERIAN MISSIONS met at Elder Joshua Lim's last Wednesday. In view of Elder Tow's inability to sit on the Board, Elder Patrick Tan was elected to take his place. The Missions Committee reported increased offerings and outreach and decided to publish a quarterly, Dr. Patrick Tan and Elder Joshua Lim, editors. The Committee considered favourably the W. Kalimantan Report and voted \$50 per month for the support of the work. It also heard an urgent appeal from the Batak Church of North Sumatra wishing to be linked to the fundamental cause such as advanced by the ICCC. The appeal was received through Rev. J.C. Maris, Gen-Sec. of ICCC in Holland. BPM voted to send Revs. Quek and Tow forthwith to Medan to visit the Church which has special need to found a Bible School. A sum of \$500 was voted for the travelling expenses. To kill two birds with one stone Revs. Quek and Tow will leave Nov. 26 noon for Muar and Rawang on the monthly appointment, visit Pokok Assam en route to finalise plans, and arrive Penang Mon. night. They stay with Dr. Tow Siang Yew and fly the next day to Medan. They expect to return by same route to S'pore Dec. 7.

OBITUARY. Elder Loh Soon Hin of Trinity Church, Muar, went home peacefully to the Lord, Thurs. Nov. 16. Funeral took place today (Sat.) 3 p.m. at Bakri Cemetary, Muar. We send the bereaved family our deepest condolence.

KULAI BESAR B.F. Life Church \$350; Calvary through BPM \$1,000; Indonesian Lifer \$50. (Mr & Mrs Liew Hong Seng are shifting soon to Kulai as the church house is nearing completion)

WEST KALIMANTAN.

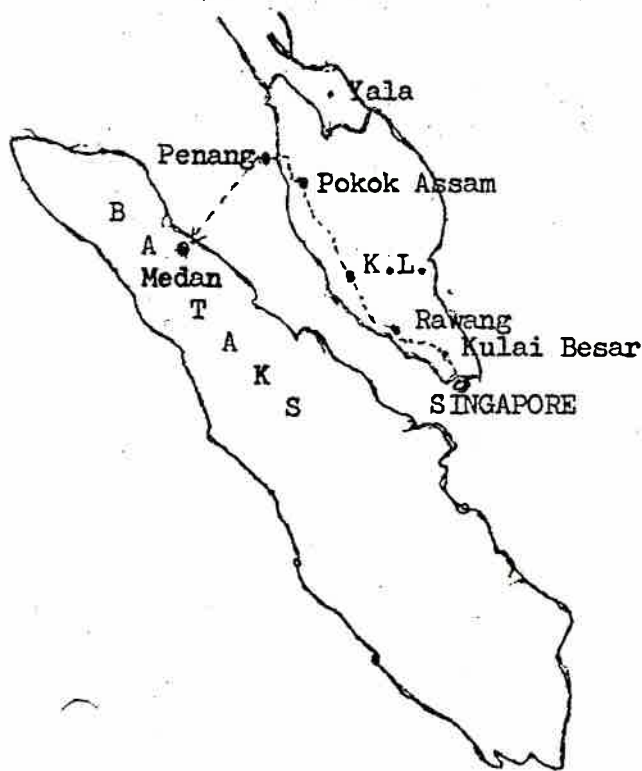
Praise the Lord, the capital needs for the building of the "Mt of Olives Bible Institute" for Dyak preachers, the 5 missions stations with primary schools and the "Salvation Old People's Home" have now been fully met. A full account will be rendered in the FAR EASTERN BEACON & MALAYSIA CHRISTIAN next week. What needs further to be taken care of from S'pore is the recurrent expenditure (1/3 of the monthly total of \$630), starting from Jan. '73. Pledges totalling over \$100 have already been made for the maintenance, on a yearly basis, of the preachers (at \$21 p.m.), Bible Institute Students & Old People's Home inmates (at \$14 p.m.)

MT. CARMEL ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING today (11.00 a.m. - 1.00 p.m.). Prayer appreciated. The Admin. Com. will be elected.

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BATAKOURIER No. 1

My dear Readers,

1. "In Journeyings Often" (II Cor. 11:26)

"In journeyings often" was one recurrent phase of St. Paul's life, inasmuch as he was commissioned of God to be "Apostle to the Gentiles" "In journeyings often" was his own description of his nomadic missionary life in the Second Letter of the Corinthians.

"For travel was a job he took
When at the Cross he all forsook
To serve the Master where He'd call
All over this terrestrial ball."

"In journeyings often" has also been our portion in the Lord's service, unworthy vessels though we are. Of late we have been called to Indonesia, and the call has come again (as announced last week) - this time to the Bataks of North Sumatra.

"Lord give us courage to follow
Through valleys deep through paths narrow
Norwing nor sail can change the course
Pilgrims of old have set for us."

2. Appeal from Batakland

This opening to North Sumatra has come about in much the same way as occurred in West Kalimantan. The struggle for the Faith and purity of the Church has led our brethren in Batakland to appeal to the ICCC Hqrs. as W. Kalimantan was led to appeal to Singapore. The Batak appeal to Rev. J.C. Maris, ICCC Gen-Sec. in Amsterdam, was logically reforwarded to us. Request was made that a visit (more economically) be paid to the brethren under oppression. This appeal was brought before the Bible-Presbyterian Missions Board which, after prayerful consideration, commissioned Rev. Quek and me to the field.

3. Via the Gospel Highway to save time and expenses, etc.

It happened that the date set for our departure corresponds with my monthly appointment to Muar and Rawang (Nov. 26). To save time and travelling expenses it was therefore decided that we should "work our way" to Medan (port of entry to North Sumatra) via Muar and Rawang and the Gospel Highway. In this way we could transact other items of the Lord's business en route - 1) inspect Kulai Besar and make further payment; 2) arrange for moving of the Liews from Rawang to Kulai Besar to prepare for Dedication on Christmas Day; 3) meet with Rawang Session in respect of opening of the long-awaited Christian Kindergarten; 4) meet with Mr. Guneratnam on the future of Pokok Assam; 5) visit with retired pastor Rev. Quek Keng Hoon at Taiping; 6) visit with Dr. Tow Siang Yew in Penang. From Penang we hop over to Medan on an MAS flight costing only \$114 per person round trip. This travel schedule we've finalised, I'm sure, is in God's will, inasmuch as the greatest good will be achieved at the least expense. (On the return journey we could further spend a night with Dr. Tow Siang Yeow in K.L.)

4. Who are the Bataks?

According to the Encyclopaedia Britannica they are a proto-Malay race who inhabit the highlands of North Sumatra. They were cannibals in the early 19th century until missionaries penetrated their dark strongholds. Whole tribes were converted to Christ, so that over half-a-million of them have today become Christians. Many of them well-educated, the Bataks are occupying high positions of government. Now, if so many of the Bataks are converted, why should they need our help? Well, the ever-recurring phenomenon in Church History of degeneration and apostasy is the reason for our help. The Batak Church has not escaped the corroding influence of Liberalism and Ecumenism. The World Council of Churches have taken control of the Church. Those who love the Lord go outside the camp to suffer the reproaches of Christ. They are ousted for their faith, persecuted for their stand for the Truth. The letters from Rev. Pohan of the separated Church, as quoted in the Far Eastern Beacon this month, testify. To combat the evils of Christ-denying doctrines flooding the Church, the secessionists must start all over again. The best way to do it is to found a Bible-believing, fundamental Bible School. In this connection the Far Eastern Bible College can render advice and our Churches are well able to give the much needed financial help.

5. Your help a personal kindness to our Saviour

Giving material help to the suffering brethren is not merely an act of charity. It is an offering of sweet savour to God, an act of personal kindness to our Saviour. For He says, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto Me" (Matt. 25:40).

6. Echo to the Robinsons Fire

Our members overseas will be profoundly shocked to read of the total burning down of Robinsons this week at a loss of \$10 million with the horrible deaths of at least eight young lives. Has God spoken to you, rich Readers, with your houses and lands, stocks and shares? Here is one area in which you can serve God, giving at least a tenth of your substance to promote the Gospel's extension. But there are those who, like the rich fool, amassing and ever amassing riches, lands, houses, for themselves, are not rich towards God. In the morning the rich fool was gloating over his abundant profits. The same evening his soul was called home, as suddenly as the fire broke out. Now, the parable of the rich fool (Luke 12:16-21) does not say that he went to hell. It rather hints at a man's lost opportunity forever to use his wealth for God's glory, Christian or no Christian. How many a Christian, with much wealth bestowed on their children and on themselves to enjoy a life-time, who give the Lord a tip once or twice a year, will mightily regret. But, we are persuaded of more generosity in the economic planning of our Readers.

7. Au revoir. Pray for us!

We take leave of you in Rev. Quek's rejuvenated Volvo this Lord's Day after service. Brethren, pray for us - for a safe journey to and fro, for a heart kindled by the Love of Christ, for dedication to do our utmost for His Kingdom.

Yours affectionately,

T.T.

LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

Tues. 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting. Elder P. Tan
Sat. 4 p.m. Lim-Swee Wedding, Rev. Philip Heng officiating.

Lord's Day 10 a.m. Rev. Burton Toms (Lord's Supper)

4 p.m. Rev. Tan Sia Yong (Lord's Supper) (phone 805192)

Wedding Bells! The Holy matrimony between
1) Mr. Paul Lim and Miss Low Chye Pin of the Bible Church; 2) Mr. Walter Seah and Miss Nancy Chua of Life Church; 3) Mr. Ng Keng Hin and Miss Chin Lian Yeok of F. of Christ will be solemnised at Life Church on Sat. Dec. 9 at 12.30 p.m., 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. respectively. (Mr. Ng Keng Hin has also booked FEBC Hall for reception)
API (Asian Preachers Institute) has booked FEBC Hostels, Sun. Dec. 3, 6 p.m. to Sat. Dec. 9, 11 a.m.

Welcome R.I. ISCF to Life Church worship. Sun. Dec. 3 before going to Sarimbun Camp. (Dec. 3-8).

FEBC vacation begins and reopens Jan. 8, 1973.

A Short-term Bible Institute of 11 weeks coinciding with the regular term for sch. leavers in which a comprehensive course in Bible, Theology, Church History and Greek will be offered, opens also Jan. 8.

Wedding Bells! The holy matrimony between
1) Mr. Eddy Ho Pitt Lup and Miss Cynthia Gan Ah Mooi will be solemnised at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Penang on Sat. Dec. 2, 1972, 11 a.m. 2) Mr. Stephen Kuan Kong Weng and Miss Annie Sun at Life Church, Sat. Dec. 16, 3 p.m., Rev. Tow officiating.

The FEBC Certificate of Religious Knowledge is awarded to Goh Seng Fong (in absentia) for creditably completing the prescribed course of studies.

Vacancy for Cook. Please contact Dr. Patrick Tan. Phone 513069.

LION CHURCH has bought a terrace house at Jalan Lakum, Seletar Hills for \$57,000 to start a house-church. \$44,000 in gifts and loans has been found. Mr. Charlie Tan will be in charge of the new church.

EVANGELIST ROSELI NURFEA, Jalan Java 10, Bandung, Indonesia sends greetings to Lifers and FEBCers.

SEMBAWANG B-P CHURCH opened a branch Sunday School at Mayflower Terrace on Nov. 5 with 19 children, which swelled to 29 the following week. Mayflower S.S. is at the edge of Sembawang Hills Estate where Cheng San Road leads to Serangoon Gardens.

THE GREAT COMMISSION

(Tune: Thuringian Folk Song, B-P Mag.)

For you I have sent into all the wide world,

And you shall be my witnesses from Jerusalem,

And you shall be my witnesses from Jerusalem.

But first receive power, the Spirit of God,

And you'll go through Judea, Samaria, all the earth,

And you'll go through Judea, Samaria, all the earth.

Go ye into all, into all nations,

And make them My disciples, and baptise them for Me,

And teach them all My Word, for I'm with you to the end.

CHRISTMAS PRAISE SERVICE AND PIANO RECITAL TICKETS.

Application for tickets to the above concert will be received at all B-P Centres. Will Church Sessions/Cttees please post up application forms in the usual manner. Each member entitled to 2 tickets. Please book early to avoid disappointment.

DENNIS LEE, pianist will be playing at our Christmas Praise Service at the Conference Hall Monday 8 p.m. 18.12.72.

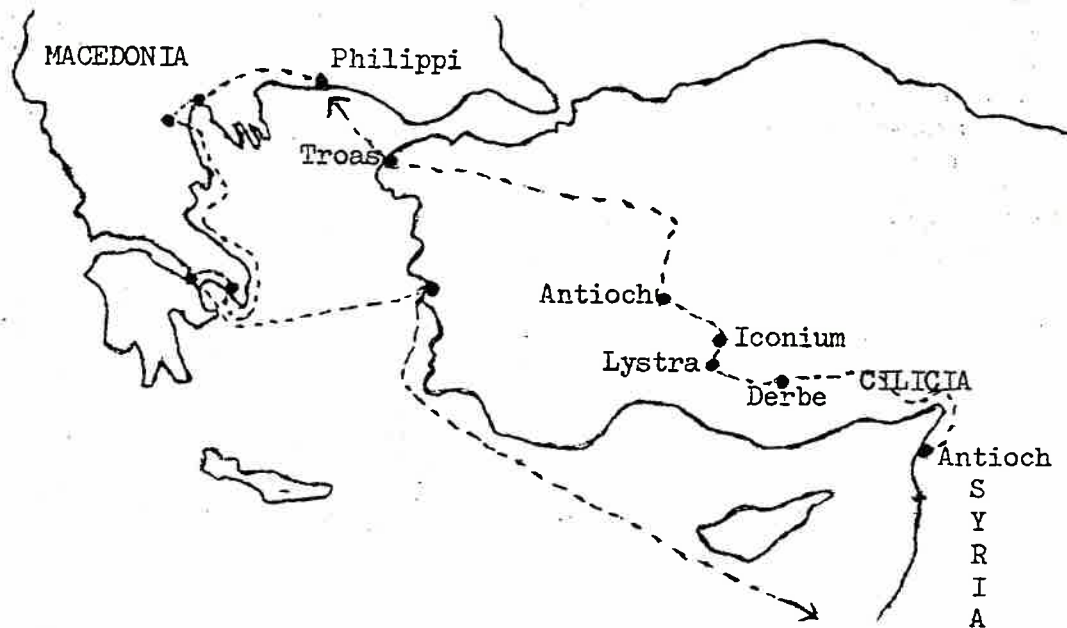
KELAPA SAWIT. Rev. Philip Heng and Elder Heng Hui Kiah are invited to the wedding feast, Wed. Nov. 29, 12 noon, by Deacon Chou Chai Yak in honour of his second son Kwang Chang and Miss Chang Siew Mui.

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ST. PAUL'S 2nd MISSIONARY JOURNEY

BATAKOURIER NO. 2

18 Hargreaves Rd.,
Penang,
Nov. 28, 1972

My dear Readers,

1. "An Analogy in Contrast."

The "Acts of the Apostles" could well be called the "Acts of the Missionaries", for both the words "apostles" and "missionaries" mean "sent ones". The Book of Acts is the text book on missions. It should be avidly read by all missionary-minded Christians. The Book of Acts is particularly a Guide Book for missionaries!

In Acts 15:36 we read how the Apostle Paul was minded to go on his Second Missionary Journey - "to visit our brethren in every city where we have preached the word of the Lord and see how they do." He "chose Silas and departed, being recommended of the brethren unto the grace of God. And he went through Syria and Cilicia, confirming the churches" (v. 41). In the course of visiting the churches he had established in his First Missionary Journey, there came to him what is known as "the Macedonian call." In a vision of the night Paul saw a man standing on the other side of the sea, on the Macedonian shore of Europe, calling to him, "Come over into Macedonia and help us." This led him and Silas (and Luke) to cross over from Asia into Europe with the Gospel for the first time.

In our present "Second Missionary Journey" our immediate objective, rather, is North Sumatra to answer the "Macedonian call" of the Batak Church. Since this journey is most profitably made by driving to Penang to catch an MAS plane to Medan, we've so timed it as to enable us to visit churches on our Gospel Highway. This similarity in reverse order to St. Paul's journey I'd call an "analogy in contrast."

2. Rawang and Muar

Though these two parishes come under my monthly ministry, the people more gladly heard Rev. Quek. He exhorted the Rawangites to put God first and themselves second, preaching from Matt. 6:33 and the story of the widow of Zarepath and Elijah. At Trinity Church in the evening he challenged the Muarians to prove their profession of faith with acts of obedience from the story of Peter "launching out into the deep". If we give to God first, He will give back to us beyond our expectations. If we act obediently after hearing what God has commanded us to do, we manifest a living faith, without which we are still dead in sin, or unsaved.

As every church, like a family, has its internal problems, Rawang is no exception. We have therefore called the Session to meet with us at 12 noon Dec. 7 on the last leg of our return journey. This is part of the work "confirming the churches" (Acts 15:41).

Bro. & Mrs. Liew's two young children have lately taken ill under the monsoon weather. (We prayed for them and also supplied them with my stock of cold-pills.) Their stay in Rawang would terminate by Dec. 11 when they'll shift to Kulai Besar, their appointed place of work. (Come to Kulai Besar's Dedication on Christmas Day!)

At Muar we also visited Mrs. Elder Loh Soon Hin whose husband recently went home to be with the Lord. We heard a wonderful testimony: Before he died he sang his favourite Chinese hymn, "Hold Thou My Hand", to the tune of Londonderry Air. Then he closed his eyelids to wake up in His presence. When my dear Mother died, she also sang and said she saw the Lord coming to receive her. Reader, can you die so peacefully, triumphantly?

3. On to Pokok Assam

After a sumptuous breakfast at Elder Low's, Monday morning, Rev. Quek took to the wheel at 7.15. At Kajang we halted for a drink, for both man and machine. Then came my turn to drive. By 1 p.m. we were at Tapah for lunch. Stopping at small towns for refuelling (our stomachs included) is my way of travel. You get better food and parking without shoulder-ache. At Bidor, seven miles south of Tapah where the Lord took Mrs. Tow Keng Chuan, Mrs. Nancy Tow and Le Anne on April 19 (Easter Monday) 3p.m. 1965, our beloved dead were recalled in hallowed remembrance.

At 4 p.m. we reached Taiping where three-quarters-of-an-hour was spent in sweet fellowship with near-nonagenarians Rev. and Mrs. Quek Keng Hoon. An appointment was made for lunch on Dec. 6 on our return trip. Two of the elderly couples' grandchildren, cousins of Peter Quek, are worshipping at Life Church. Rev. Keng Hoon was glad for their continuing faith. Parents should be concerned for their children's spiritual welfare, more so when they're away from home.

Two miles outside of Taiping is the satellite town of Pokok Assam. This is our second prime objective in this missionary journey. We came here this time to finalise plans with Mr. Guneratnam to take over the 3600 sq. ft. property before any development could be made. Mr. Sam was delighted as usual to see us, and more so with Rev. and Mrs. Quek in my company. An appointment was made for Dec. 6, 10 a.m. when we should visit the Land Office together to ascertain tenure and transfer of ownership. Mr. Guneratnam's sincere desire to give up everything to BPM is confirmed by my more experienced colleague. Rev. Quek also agrees that the old house is beyond repair (we truly fear it might collapse in a storm) and that the most profitable decision is to rebuild.

4. Penang

7.15 p.m. sharp found us safely arrived at Dr. Tow Siang Yew's. A table of delicious chicken porridge (by previous arrangement) with "spring rolls" was spread in readiness. After makan the Queks drove off to stay with Bro.-in-law Lim Chin Kuan. As for me there was nothing right here better than a hot shower and Dunlopillo bed to which I took for my travel-worn body. We praise the Lord for His goodness in providing not only a place for rest at every interval of this long journey but more so in keeping us from accident. (with "Amen" from Rev. & Mrs. K.C. Quek)

Dr. Tow Siang Yew has further invited us to lunch with some Christian friends for fellowship before sending us to the airport - for Medan.

Yours affectionately,
T.T.

CHRISTMAS PRAISE SERVICE AND PIANO RECITAL TICKETS.

Application for tickets to the above concert will be received at all B-P Centres. Will Church Sessions/Cttee please post up application forms in the usual manner. Each member entitled to 2 tickets. Please book early to avoid disappointment through Elder Khoo Peng Kiat.

DENNIS LEE, pianist will be playing at our Christmas Praise Service at the Conference Hall, Monday 8 p.m. 18th Dec. '72.

CHRISTMAS PRAISE SERVICE - Mon. 18th Dec. '72 at the Conference Hall.

For the coming Christmas Praise Service this year, we want to specifically "remember the poor". All the offerings and donations will go to the Singapore Children's Society Convalescent Home.

You are most welcome to sponsor this Praise Service at \$50 per sponsorship. Please note that all donations (the sponsorship included) to this Praise Service are deductible from income tax.

"God loveth a cheerful giver."

All donations could be made through Elder Tow Siang Hwa, Dn. Lieu Kok Kwong or Dn. Koh Kim Hiang.

DR. TOW SIANG HWA'S telephone number at 64 Andrew Road, has been changed from 52536 to 552829.

LOST a brown cover Calvary Receipt Book. Finder please return to Dr. Tow Siang Hwa.

LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

Tues. 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting. Mrs. I. Tow

Thurs. 6 p.m. Revs Tow & Quek return

Sat. 12.30pm. Lim-Low Wedding

2 p.m. Seah-Chua Wedding

3 p.m. Ng-Chin Wedding

Lord's Day 10 a.m. Rev. Tow

4 p.m. Rev. Tow

Life Church Youth Fellowship will hold her annual camp at the Calvary Bible-Presbyterian Church, Jurong Town, from 4th - 9th Dec. Speakers include Rev. Philip Heng and Rev. Burton Toms. The Theme for the camp is "Looking Unto Jesus" (Heb. 12:2).

GALILEE APPOINTMENTS

Wed. 7.00 p.m. Bible Study

8.00 p.m. Prayer Meeting

Sun. 2.00 p.m. Choir Practices

3.00 p.m. Sunday School

4.30 p.m. Worship Service

Rev. Philip Heng has moved from 13B

Pepys Road to Calvary Church with effect from Tuesday 27th Nov.

The Session and Church members of Galilee extend their deepest condolence to Titus Ong and family on the passing away of their mother, Dec. 1

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All God's testings have a purpose  
Someday you will see the light.  
All He asks is that you trust Him,  
Walk by faith and not by sight.  
- Zoller



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Medan,  
North Sumatra,  
Dec. 3, 1972.

## BATAKOURIER NO. 3

My dear Readers,

### 1. "The good hand of God."

At Penang Airport the MAS counter clerk could not find our names on the passengers list, despite our tickets being "okayed" in S'pore. The lame excuse given was that we had not confirmed flying after arrival in Penang. Since the plane was full we were obliged to stand sheepishly on the waiting list. To say the least this was like drenching ice water over our backs. Fortunately, Dr. Siang Yew knew the manager. A phone call helped change the situation. At the eleventh hour we were ushered, beyond our expectation, into the first class compartment where the only two seats left welcomed us on board at no extra charge! A prayer of thanksgiving ascended from our hearts for "the good hand of God" upon us (Neh. 2:8).

At Medan Airport we were met by Rev. Paul A. Pohan, Deputy Superintendent of the Batak Christian Church. He was accompanied by Pandeta (Pastors) Pasaribu and Sianturi of the Evangelistic Association. Since I had two letters of introduction from my brother Elder Tow to his Medan friends, we requested to be taken to one of them. Mr. Christopher Ng with his young wife and parents received us very cordially. Being made to feel at home, we soon turned their spacious sitting hall in our temporary headquarters. The five pastors sat to discuss at length the schedule for the whole week. When the business meeting was over, our hosts graciously entreated the new-comers to lodge with them for the night before setting out the next day. This kindness not only saved us thousands of rupiahs (\$1.00 = R146) in hotel bills but afforded a time of deeper fellowship - for the Ngs are Christians. Once again we felt "the good hand of the Lord" upon us.

### 2. At a Hainanese Boarding House

The next morning Rev. Pohan came with his two buddies in an old taxi on the first leg of our itinerary. We drove south in a jogging three hour ride to Pematang Siantar where is located the headquarters of the Batak Christian Church. Since the church had no place to stay we found our lodging at a Hainanese boarding house called "Losmen Sutomo" ("losmen" is Indonesian word for "lodgement"). The price per two-bed cubicle was only R500 or S\$3.40 per night, but sanitary facilities were rather dark and slimy. What a dismal picture in contrast with that flying first class cabin! The words of St. Paul, however, came to mind, "I know both how to be abased, and I know how to abound..." (Phil. 4:12).

### 3. First meeting at a Batak Church

At the extraordinary meeting with members of the Batak Christian Church the same night, about 200 old and young gathered to hear us. The way the meeting was conducted impressed us deeply. Not with the levituous informality and sometimes irreverence that I have experienced at some Singapore gatherings, to all intents and purposes, these Batak Christians met in their church to worship the Lord. The service began with a hymn to the tune of "Germany". With neither piano nor organ, not even a drum as used in South India, the congregation burst forth into song with powerful sonorous notes. A musical people, both old and young sang lustily, pouring out their hearts to God. A choir composed mostly of young women and men rendered two numbers as a preliminary welcome. After the Word of God was preached at which four young people indicated their desire to train for the ministry, the two Singapore messengers were honoured with the presentation of a "ulos" each (a Batak shawl). This is the highest honour that could be conferred on any visitor. Such honour humbled us and reminded of the ass Jesus rode, upon whose back a blanket perhaps was spread for the Royal Rider. "Lord, make us lowly servants that Christ might be lifted high."

### 4. Proposed help to the Batak Christian Church

The next morning was spent in a business meeting with the elders of the Church. The proposed setting up of a Bible School at Pematang Siantar was discussed as well as the construction of half a dozen preaching stations in the south. Our coming was for the purpose of finding where the need of an ailing Church was and to help her to her feet.

The story of the Gereja Kristen Batak is a sad one. What was once a glorious Church, becoming independent of the Rhenish Mission in 1927, has now shrunk to a mere 41 congregations. Over 200 congregations have left the denomination in recent years to link up with those in the World Council of Churches. Those who stand firm in their faith, however, continue to struggle on in poverty. Their pastors being inadequately supported have to toil during the week in the rice fields and farms. Many do not receive any salary owing to the abject poverty of the congregations. Apart from helping the Batak Christian Church to establish a Bible school, there is a genuine need to extend them Christian Relief in the spirit of Acts 11:30: "Then the disciples

every man according to his ability, determined to send relief ... which also they did, and sent it to the elders by the hands of Barnabas and Saul."

#### 5. At a Chinese Church

At Pematang Sianbar we were also invited to preach at the mid-week Youth Service of the Church of the Holy Word, a Chinese congregation linked to Dr. Andrew Gih. About 80 turned up to hear the Gospel which, being preached in Mandarin, drew their eager attention. (Chinese in Indonesia have no more Chinese schools to go to, and the only place to hear Mandarin spoken is in Church) Incidentally the pastor of this Church is a fruit of Rev. Jason Linn who held a campaign in Medan a decade ago.

#### 6. Through Batakland via Parapat and Brastagi

After Pematang Siantai we would have gone on visiting more Batak Churches had not Rev. Pohan fallen ill. This obliged him to return to Aek Nabara while we took the shortest route through Batakland with Pastor Pasaribuas our guide. We spent a night at Parapat on the shore of Lake Toba and the next at Brastagi in the highlands. Along this route we counted at least 100 Batak Churches, the evidence of a mighty working of the Holy Spirit through German missionaries in by gone days. Sad to say these massive edifices, a great many of them have no more the pure Word preached in them.

#### 7. A typical Batak pastor

As we had more time for fellowship on the way we learned more of the straightened circumstances of Batak pastors. Pastor Pasaribu our guide, for example, has ten children. His church being composed of poor farmers and artisans, he does not receive a regular salary. To make ends meet he had thought of setting up a vegetable stall by the roadside to be attended by his two oldest daughters. He also thought of rearing a few piglets with the help of the other children. We visited his lowly cottage made of wooden planks and thatch. We felt so sorry that we gave him a sum of money to help him help himself. We feel this is a worthy case and that the relief given contributes directly to the propagation of the Gospel.

Yours affectionately,  
T.T.

#### CHRISTMAS PRAISE SERVICE & PIANO RECITAL 18.12.72

Tickets are going fast. All B-P members please book your tickets to avoid disappointment.

Special Musical members: ISLAND CAROLLERS, CONVALESCENT HOME CHILDREN and LIFE YF VOCAL GUITAR GROUP will render best-loved carols. DENNIS LEE at the PIANO.

B-P CHOIR TO USHER IN CHRISTMAS OVER RADIO  
Our Combined B-P Choir ("ISLAND CAROLLERS") will usher in Christmas for the Republic with a ½ hour broadcast of Carols over FM Stereo and AM Radio Channels on 24 December at 11.30 p.m. TUNE IN TO EITHER CHANNEL - DON'T MISS a REAL MUSICAL TREAT!

#### SPONSORS FOR PRAISE SERVICE

All donations (Income Tax Exempt) will be given to the Children's Convalescent Home at Nicoll Drive. Over \$2,000 have been received. Remember the poor neglected children at the Convalescent Home. Please do your bit to make Christmas happier and brighter for them. Your donation may be given to any Deacon/Elder or Committee Member.

ALL DONATIONS ARE INCOME TAX EXEMPT.

\*B-P CHOIR PRACTICE at 64 Andrew Road  
Sunday 10 December at 7 p.m.

\*Sunday 17 December at 2 p.m.

\*WANTED: USHERS FOR PRAISE SERVICE.  
Volunteers from all B-P Groups please meet on Sunday 17 December 11.30 a.m. - 12 noon at Life Church for briefing. Thank you.

\*FEMALE CLINIC ASSISTANT/RECEPTIONIST WANTED  
Christian, fluent in English and Mandarin, under 20 years of age. No previous experience necessary. Apply Dr. Tow, 374433.  
MRS. D. DEAN (formerly worshipped with us at Life) sends greetings to friends of Life Church.

#### ELDER O.J. TASSICKER, FRIEND OF S'PORE WRITES:

'We were most distressed to learn from the TV this evening that there was a serious fire in Robinsons of Raffles Place with damage and loss of life. No doubt there will be a public appeal for the families of those who were stricken down. As a gesture of brotherly love please find enclosed a cheque towards such an appeal - for the servants of the Lord must not be slothful in helping one another!'

#### LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

Tues. 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting

8 p.m. Session Meeting at Library

Wed. 9 a.m. Rev. Tow at Faith Church  
Camp

Sat. 2 p.m. Kuan-Sun Wedding

Lord's Day 10 a.m. Rev. Tow

4 p.m. Miss Trinh (Rev. Tow  
at Kelapa Sawit)

SPONTANEOUS GIVING of a dozen parcels of good clothing for Batak Christian Relief has come from Lifers, praise the Lord. This is one item greatly appreciated for Batakland. To date, cash gifts have totalled \$834.00 which will be handled by BPM Treasurer, Elder Joshua Lim.  
MR. & MRS. HENRY HENG, 1326 West Covington Court, Apartment 4, Peoria, Illinois 61614 U.S.A. send greetings, also on behalf of Bro. & Mrs. Swee Thian Hoe and Bro. & Mrs. Tow Siang Kwang.

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## BIBLE COLLEGE TRAINING FOR EVERYONE?

Readers of the B-P Weekly are familiar with the work of the FEBC as well as with its graduates who are in active Christian service in many parts of the world. What they may not realize, however, is that FEBC does not exist to train professional Christian workers only, that is, those who can spare up to four years for full-time theological study! It has long been the desire of the Faculty and Directors that FEBC should serve a wider range of interests. For the man-in-the-pew, for future Church pastors and even theological lecturers, FEBC should have some provision for their training needs. In short it is the aim of the College to provide a curriculum which can be "tailored" to suit the needs of everybody. And we really mean "everybody", for the College is "an autonomous institution, governed by a Board of Directors, independent of ecclesiastical control" (Prospectus). Christians from all denominations may look to it as a sound, Biblically-oriented, theological college with good standards. A present look at the students confirms the representative character of the College. We have students from the Bible-Presbyterian, Methodist and C.N.E.C. Churches, Brethren Assemblies, and other Churches.

### Evening Lectures

How then can we serve your needs? For those with full-time jobs who can only spare an evening or two a week there are the Evening Lectures held each term. For the Second Term (Jan. 5th to Mar. 23rd, 1973) the following courses will be offered:

1. "Christian Education: Methods & Materials For Adolescents".  
2 credits. Lecturer: Mr. George Gaspar. Monds. 7.30-9.15 p.m. at FEBC.
2. "The Book of Acts". 2 credits.  
Lecturer: Dr. Timothy Tow. Thurs. 7.30-9.15 p.m. at FEBC.

### Short Term Bible Institute

For school-leavers or any who can set aside 11 weeks for full-time theological study, here is an unique opportunity for you to acquire a deeper knowledge of the Bible and related Biblical disciplines. From Jan. 5th to Mar. 23rd, 1973, a Short Term Bible Institute will be held to coincide with the Second Term of the regular programme of studies. The lecturers are all qualified in their particular field of teaching:

Dr. Timothy Tow, B.D.; S.T.M.; D.D.  
Dr. Quek Swee Hwa, B.A.; B.D.; M.A.; Ph.D.  
Rev. Burton Toms, A.B.; Th.B.; S.T.M.  
Miss Peggy Yeo, B.Th.; M.R.E.  
Mr. George Gaspar, B.A.; Dip. Ed.; Dip. Prog. Learning and Ed. Tech.; M.Ed.  
Also assisting is Mr. Charlie Tan, Greek Instructor.

As for the courses the following are available:

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| Bible               | 1. Acts, by Dr. Tow, 2 credits                                             |
|                     | 2. Letters of Paul, by Rev. Toms, 2 credits                                |
| History             | 3. N.T. History, by Dr. Quek, 2 credits                                    |
|                     | 4. Asian Church History, by Dr. Quek, 2 credits                            |
| Christian Education | 5. Methods and Materials for Adolescents, by Mr. Gaspar, 2 credits         |
|                     | 6. Counselling, by Miss Yeo, 2 credits                                     |
| Practical Studies   | 7. Public Speaking, by Dr. Tow, 1 credit                                   |
| Greek (optional)    | 8. Introduction to N.T. Greek, by Dr. Quek and Mr. Charlie Tan, 2 credits. |

### Enrol Now!

Those interested in more information please contact Dr. Quek Swee Hwa, 5 Tavistock Avenue, Singapore 19, or telephone 880733, 884786, 513676. Application Forms may be requested from Dr. Quek or any of your Church Pastors. All prospective students must register by Monday, Jan. 1st, 1973.

It is interesting to find two examples of "short term" Bible Institutes in the Bible. The Apostle Paul, single-handed it appears, lectured for one and a half years in Corinth at the home of Justus (Acts 18:7-11). Later at Ephesus he took over an established school, the School of Tyrannus, and lectured daily for two years (Acts 19:1-12)! Allowing for the rapid pace of life today, should you begrudge 11 weeks then if the result could be a more effective witness for the Lord wherever He may have placed you in His vineyard?

### The Blessing of Giving

Perhaps what has been said has reminded some of the financial needs of the College. FEBC is not supported by large endowments. It is a constant amazement to all closely associated with the College how God has met every need with our limited and highly restrictive budget. If your vision is for the training ministry, claim the blessing of giving by sending a gift through any of our B-P pastors.

Dr. Quek Swee Hwa  
Academic Dean, FEBC.



THANKS TO THE SPONSORS OF THE CHRISTMAS  
PRAISE SERVICE

The B-P Music Commission wishes to express its grateful thanks to the sponsors of the Christmas Praise Service. All donations received will certainly be much appreciated by the children in the Convalescent Home. The Lord loveth a cheerful giver.

B-P CHOIR - Final Practice & Dress Rehearsal

B-P Choir members please take note of the place and time for the final practice and dress rehearsal.

- (a) Final Practice, Sunday, 17th Dec. 1972 at 2 p.m. at 64 Andrew Rd. (Ladies please bring your Choir attires along)
- (b) Dress Rehearsal, Monday, 18th Dec. 1972 at 7 p.m. at the Conference Hall.

Please be **punctual**.

BE PUNCTUAL AT THE PRAISE SERVICE, 18th Dec.

The Praise Service on Monday will start at 8p.m. All those going are reminded to be seated by 7.50 p.m. Please come early to avoid disappointment. Late comers, please be prepared to sit on the steps.

Young children and infants will not be admitted.

DONATIONS RECEIVED for Children Convalescent Home up to date exceeds \$5,225. Thank God for many cheerful givers.

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LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

Mon. 9.00 a.m. CNEC Christmas get-together  
Tues. 8.00 p.m. Prayer Meeting  
Fri. 7.45 p.m. CHRISTMAS SERVICE with plays by S.S.

Lord's Day 10 a.m. Rev. Tow

4 p.m. Mr. Liew Hon Seng

7.30 p.m. Young Lifers go carolling

Life Church Christmas Service on Friday Dec. 22, 7.45 p.m. welcomes items of praise from any group. Please notify Pastor by Tuesday 8 p.m. Worship offerings to help Batak Christians, Kulai Besar, etc.

Life Church Y.F. Camp thanks: 1) The Calvary Committee for use of church grounds 2) Camp speakers, Rev. Toms, Rev. Heng, Dr. Patrick Tan 3) Mrs. Ang the cook and 4) Generous contributors.

SARIMBUN Campers from Life Church went tracting throughout the farmlands and invited next door scouts to a gospel film. The road in is soon to be metalled!

JURONG WEDDING BELLS. The holy matrimony between Miss Susan Rokiah Chandra and Mr. Carl H.O. Busing will be solemnised at St. Andrew's Church (opp. Anzuk School) on Dec. 23, 1972, 4 p.m.

KULAI BESAR B.F. Lifer \$50; Sarimbun Fund \$300. Owing to rains and hindrance to work progress we regret to announce postponement of Dedication to a later date.

MT. CARMEL has decided to make a three-storey extension to their present rented premises subject to approval by the HDB. The floor area is (33 x 45) x 3. The top floor will be a semi-open roof garden.

BATAKOURIER No. 4

(A letter of appreciation from a Batak Pastor)

9th Dec. '72

Dear Dr. Timothy Tow,

Greetings in the wonderful name of the Lord Jesus Christ and love to you and yours and all the brothers and sisters from each and every one of us here in Medan.

Brother, We were so greatly blest for the fellowship we had when you were in Medan and North Sumatra, and especially for myself, for the great sympathy you showed towards my family. Truly God, our Almighty God, is a living God, a God who listens to those who serve Him: I certainly never dreamed to know you. All was unexpected.

Brother, to me, your visit to Medan was just like that of what Elijah experienced in Cherith. Oh, how we praise and thank the Lord for this everlasting and wonderful love. "I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help?" Undoubtedly, "my help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth."

I tell you brother, that on writing this letter, I am now in a position to start my small shop. My daughters and sons will be keeping the shop and the porklings - 2 porklings and one grown-up pig (female).

Through this letter, brother **Stanturi** sends you his and his church's members' greetings, hoping that you may visit us in the near future. You know, brother, the people were deeply impressed by Words you spoke in that church - "The Heart is Deceitful".

If the Lord will, I hope to visit Bro. Pohan on Dec. 11th and will come in Medan in Dec. 13th. Upon my return, I shall write to you again,

As for the last, I would ask you to continue to pray for us and beg of you to speak of us and of our "Nusantara Evangelical Foundation" to your people there in Singapore and Malaysia.

May God continue to bless you.

Your Brother in the Lord  
Jesus,

Sgd. Rev. M.S. Pasaribu

GALILEE APPOINTMENTS

Wed. 7 p.m. Bible Study

Junior: Romans

Senior: Genesis

8 p.m. Prayer Meeting

Sun. 2 p.m. Choir Practices

3 p.m. Sunday School

4.30 p.m. Worship Service

All are welcome to attend a Cantata entitled Night of Miracles to be presented by Galilee Church Choir on Saturday 23rd December at 7.30 p.m. at Life Church.

BATAK RELIEF. For the establishment and building of a Bible School and the construction of 7 Gospel stations, for the relief of poor pastors we need \$10,000. So far, over \$2,000 have been received and promised. Revive a dying Church in your Christmas giving! For details read the F.E. Beacon!



My dear Readers,

1. A health discovery for you!

In my last letter I mentioned that our journey through a section of Batakland took us to Parapat on the shore of Lake Toba and Brastagi in the highlands. These are two famous health resorts in North Sumatra that compensate for the dust and dirt of the towns. Our lodging at Parapat and Brastagi for the night being made during mid-week we had the whole hotel to ourselves. At Parapat on the Lake we were charged R400 per bed per night. This is equivalent to S\$2.75. Nor is eating at the canteen expensive. For S\$10 a day you can enjoy the cool air and scenic beauty of a tropical Switzerland. Here's a health discovery for you to spend a week out of Singapore in nature's bosom while visiting our stations along the Gospel Highway and in Batakland (via Penang) at \$250 per head!

2. Final Preaching Engagements

We returned to Medan on Saturday Dec. 2 in order to keep three preaching engagements each on the Lord's Day. Thanks to the warm hospitality of the Ngs, we found a home to rest our weary bodies not only for the night but for the remaining days until we flew on Tuesday.

At the Chinese Methodist Youth Worship at 8.30 a.m. attended by about 250 I gave a salvation message in English which Rev. Quek interpreted into Chinese. At 10 a.m. Rev. Quek spoke at the Church of the Holy Word (Dr. Andrew Gih) while I was invited to a Pentecostal Church. In the evening I was driven to a village church at Pantjur Batu while Rev. Quek spoke at a Bethel Church. In all these places, not only was the Gospel presented but also a warning to the pastors and elders on the evils of the Ecumenical Movement. It seems God has given a four-fold ministry of evangelism, relief, resuscitation (reviving the weak churches) and warning.

Our seventh and last speaking engagements scheduled for Monday night at Medan and Pantjur Batu were cancelled at the last minute by heavy rain and break-down of the taxi. At any rate, were the meetings held under the downpour, our preaching could scarcely be heard. For, the roofs of most Indonesian Churches are made of zinc.

The remaining of our time was profitably spent in fellowship with our kind hosts including Dr. Kosman and his elder Bro. Dr. Kosin through Elder Tow's introduction. We visited the Bible Institute of the Methodist Church whose principal, Rev. Luther Leono, we'd met in Singapore before. The Methodists have a flourishing work in Sumatra with six districts plus another in Java which also comes under the jurisdiction of the bishop. A Methodist university with two faculties, English Literature and Medicine, has recently been founded and is still in the embryonic stage.

We took leave of our gracious hosts Tuesday afternoon and landed in Penang after a half hour's flight. Mr. Lim Chin Kuan a former Lifer whose beloved wife (Tan Mui Kiang) passed away a year ago kindly received us, with whom Rev. Quek put up for the night. As for me I stayed with my brother, thanking God for all His provisions at each step of the way.

3. Pokok Assam, Taiping, etc.

One chief reason why we went to Medan via Penang was our appointment with Mr. Guneratnam of Pokok Assam. This we kept by driving in soon after 10.30 a.m. Together we went to the Land Office to inquire if the tenure of the Evangel Centre under his name was transferrable. Praise the Lord, we had a favourable reply from the Assistant Controller of Land Revenue. It remains for Mr. Guneratnam to write in and for the trustees of the B-P Church to be interviewed and for the Mentri Besar to give his OK. All this might take some months. However, Mr. Guneratnam is sincere to part with his property so long as a Gospel Witness continues to be maintained. So, Pokok Assam has come more **definitely** under BPM by the will of God.

After transaction of this first phase of a long-drawn business, we were lavishly entertained by Dr. and Mrs. Lim Swee Ann at their new home in Taiping. Rev. and Mrs. Quek Keng Hoon, parents of Mrs. Lim, now spending their evening years here, were delighted to see us. A sum of \$300 was offered also for the Gospel work in Batakland, praise the Lord. Our hopes of raising \$10,000 to build the Bible School and seven preaching stations were quickened.

From Taiping we came to Ipoh to visit with Mrs. Chin Kap Seng. It was she who so kindly nursed Lily at Ipoh Hospital eight years ago after that fatal accident. Mrs. Chin is Lily's mother's sister. After Ipoh we stopped at Tapah for a drink and then in one long stretch made our way to Kuala Lumpur. Here again kind hosts were in readiness with food and drink and a clean bed to look after the weary travellers. Our night spent with Dr. and Mrs. Tow Siang Yeow and the brief worship together with the children is another page of pleasant memories.

Thursday Dec. 7 dawned upon the "Bataknauts" bright and clear as they made their homeward lap to Singapore. We arrived at Rawang ahead of schedule for the Session meeting. The future development of the gospel ministry through a Christian kindergarten was discussed at length. Mrs. Teo was appointed principal and commissioned to open the school in the next few months. The Liews, leaving for Kulai Besar the next day, were to be given an official send-off in recognition of their good work.

#### 4. Kulai Besar Dedication and delayed by contractor

Kulai Besar our newest addition on the Gospel Highway was visited in the twilight. Work on the church house has progressed little during the last fortnight. A photo taken by Rev. Quek will soon appear in the Far Eastern Beacon to show what a good buy we've made for the Lord. With the contractor's delay, Dedication must be postponed!

As we conclude this missionary letter our hearts are full of praise to the Lord God Almighty who through His Son Jesus Christ has called us into the ministry. We are merely laying foundations for a new extension of the Gospel which is to be carried on and further built up by the younger generation. "Behold, I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it: for thou hast a little strength, and hast kept my word, and hast not denied my name ... Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown."

P.S. After Service last Sunday, Calvary offered \$1,000 for Batak work and relief!

Yours for the faith of the Gospel  
T.T.

#### A CHRISTMAS PRAISE SERVICE TO REMEMBER

On Monday night 18th December 1972, over 1,000 people - B-P members, Christians from other Churches and friends filled the Singapore Conference Hall to overflowing capacity for our Christmas Praise Service and Piano Recital. Long before the scheduled starting time of 8 p.m., people began streaming in and by 7.30 p.m. the Hall was already half full. These early arrivals were treated to a "pre-view" of the Choir rehearsing under the baton of Mrs. Lilian Choo. At the stroke of 8 p.m. Rev. Philip Heng mounted the stage and led the audience in the rousing strains of "Joy to the World." This set the keynote of joyous worship and adoration of the Saviour for the rest of the evening. The thousand voices filled the Hall in singing four other great hymns of praise: Silent Night, Hark the Herald Angels Sing, Mary's Boy Child and O Come all Ye Faithful. It was indeed wonderful and heavenly singing, with many friends who do not normally sing hymns, joining in with great gusto. O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise!

Thirty-two little boys and girls from the Convalescent Home won the hearts of the audience with their singing of five Carols around a Christmas tree on the stage. These children had come all the way from Changi to express their appreciation for the help being given to the Home. The sweet angelic voices of these innocent kids sang forth the clear message of Christmas and was a blessing to many hearts. As a token of our appreciation to them, the Chairman Dr. Tow presented a basket of gifts to the Matron of the Home.

A Life Church Youth Fellowship Vocal-Guitar group led by Deacon Koh Kim Hiang rendered a folk Carol entitled "The Shadows Sing." Their beautiful harmony and excellent performance received many appreciative comments.

Our Guest Artiste Mr. Dennis Lee, back from Europe for a flying visit, transported the audience to heavenly heights by his magical touch on the Steinway keyboard. His "Songs of Love and Adoration" by three great masters, Mendelssohn, Schubert and Chopin, were played in his usual masterly fashion and gave new meaning to these classical pieces. By popular request, Dennis played his own arrangement of Peterson's "Jesus is Coming Again," calling to mind our August Praise Service at which he had first played his great composition. It was a timely reminder that while we commemorate the first coming of our Lord, we should also remember the imminence of His Second Coming - and be up and doing our best for our Saviour.

The newly constituted and re-named combined B-P Choir - "ISLAND CAROLLERS" - rendered six carols with Singapore's leading Christian Conductor Lilian Choo conducting. The girls' numbers "O Little Town of Bethlehem, Unto us is born a Son and Ding Dong Merrily" were most sweetly sung. Their angelic melodious voices blended beautifully, with Dr. Quek Swee Hwa at the piano. The combined Choir sang "Lovely Child, Holy Child" to the accompaniment of Melinda Lim and Koh Kim Hiang on their guitars. In "Christmas Day" Violet Oon sang the solo parts while in "O Come all ye Faithful" the duets, trios and quartets were sung by Violet Oon (Soprano) Yang Soo Suan (tenor) Yew Wei Lee and Koh Kim Hiang (Bass), Amy Loh and Melinda Lim (alto). The Choir's performance was most praiseworthy and justified all the hard work and efforts of past months. In the Grand Finale Rev. Philip Heng led the Congregation in the singing of O Come all ye Faithful accompanied by Dennis Lee on the piano and Quek Swee Hwa on the Yamaha organ. The Praise Service was brought to a close with Benediction by Rev. Quek Kiok Chiang. For a full minute afterwards, the audience remained in their seats, in reflective appreciation, as though waiting for an encore. As we dispersed some were already asking "When's the next Praise Service?" All praise and glory to our great God and Saviour Jesus Christ for a wonderful and blessed evening.

\* Donations and Offerings exceeding \$8,000 given to CCH.

Dr. Tow Siang Hwa

DENNIS LEE PIANO RECITAL at Conference Hall  
8.15 p.m. 30.12.72. Limited number of \$5  
tickets at 40% disc. available from Dn. Koh  
Kim Hiang. INAUGURAL SERVICE OF CALVARY  
CHURCH: 9.30 a.m. Sun. 7.1.73. All welcome.

ZION CHURCH presents Xmas Cantata, "Love  
came down at Xmas" Dec. 25, 8 p.m. FAITH  
CHURCH holds Xmas Service Dec. 26, 8 p.m.  
Faith Carol. Party distributes gifts at  
Kwong Wai Siu Hosp. Dec. 24, 2.30 p.m.



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## NEW YEAR'S EVE PRAISE LETTER

My dear Readers,

A more blessed and meaningful Christmas has visited Life Church this year in that we have heeded the Lord's injunction, "It is more blessed to give than to receive" (Acts 20:35). We have given not to spend it on some internal project of the local church but for the relief of the very poor and for the Gospel's extension beyond and far away. We have given in response to the Batak Christian Appeal, to the needs at BPM's new station at Kulai Besar, etc. At the Christmas Service Lifers brought over \$2,400. At the Lord's Day Service on Christmas Eve, over \$1,500. During the week various envelopes were handed to me amounting to \$450. With \$187 from the LCSS and \$123.30 from the Mandarin Service, we've exceeded \$4,800. This is just \$200 short of the mark Session had prayerfully set. How true the higher principle of blessing - cheerful giving in the Name of our Lord. For those who have given worshipfully, meaningfully, the joy of Christmas is rekindled this New Year's Eve. With the good reports coming from Batakland in the near future on how your gifts have been used (and very concretely from Kulai Besar) this Christmas joy will live on and on! Now, what I have just said of Life Church applies to every branch church and Readers who have similarly given. "God loveth a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that ye always having all sufficiency in all things may abound to every good work ... Thanks be unto God for His unspeakable gift" (II Cor 9:7-15).

### Missions is the Holy Spirit in Action

The "Acts of the Apostles" is sometimes called "The Acts of the Holy Spirit". Let us recognise that Missions is the Holy Spirit in Action. The recent missionary journey up West Malaysia, crossing over to the Batakland in N. Sumatra, was undertaken at every leg by the moving of the Holy Spirit. It is our prayer that the whole Church and every Reader may see this truth. Let us all fall in line and be ready to go, and give as the Lord requires us "lest that which is lame is turned out of the way" (Heb. 12:13). Whether Pokok Assam or Kulai Besar, West Kalimantan or N. Sumatra, we've entered these doors not in our own initiative, but rather under force of circumstances and the providential leading of the Holy Spirit. At each step of the way we have waited on the Lord. We dare not enter any field until we have "assuredly gathered that the Lord had called us for to preach the gospel unto them" (Acts 16:10).

### First Missionary Conference of the SMCCC at Gilstead Rd., Jan. 15-17, 1973

The Singapore and Malaysia Council of Christian Churches had decided to hold a first Missionary Conference in 1973 at her last Annual Meeting. What better time than to hold it at the threshold of the New Year? What better psychological moment than at this juncture when the Lord is thrusting us forth as never before? (Now, of all times, has also come a Christmas letter from our former student, Miss Suvana Ngarm-sithichoke inviting Rev. Quek to visit Yala in South Thailand.)

In the timely providential arrangement of God, we have three eminent missionaries visiting us in the New Year. They are Rev. and Mrs. Jason Linn, missionaries to Dyakland, Kalimantan Timor, 1929-1944, and Dr. Lynn Gray Gordon, president and general secretary of the Independent Board for Presbyterian Foreign Missions. With such an auspicious concourse of visits from the Lord's choice servants, shall we let the golden opportunity slip without holding a missionary conference?

How challenging and enlightening this First Missionary Conference must become with much wise teaching from the Holy Spirit through veteran missionaries. Remember the dates - Mon. Jan. 15 (whole day), Tues. Jan. 16 and Wed. Jan. 17, in the evening only. Speakers: Rev. and Mrs. Jason Linn, Dr. Lynn Gray Gordon, with supporting missionaries now based in Singapore.

These meetings will meet a great need, I'm sure, in our Singapore church. Perhaps, young Reader, it is here that your future career is going to be decided! Plan to attend our First Missionary Conference at Life Church and Far Eastern Bible College Mon. Jan. 15 to Wed. Jan. 17. Watch for more news next week!

### Rev. K.C. Quek to observe WCC Conference in Bangkok

The World Council of Churches' Commission on World Mission and Evangelism is meeting in Bangkok, Dec. 29 - Jan. 12. The decisions of this ecumenical body will affect the missionary efforts of evangelicals one way or another inasmuch as past events have shown. Dr. Carl McIntire, president of the ICCO, being unable to observe this Conference has cabled Rev. Quek to attend on his behalf as reporter for the Christian Beacon and the 20th Century Reformation Broadcast. As in Jeremiah's day, there's a need today to witness to the Truth in high places, before kings and governors, high priests and elders. We commend our brother to another mission. "Fight the good fight of faith." Rev. Quek will return in time to our First Missionary Conference, with 1st hand reports in the F.E. Beacon. - T.T.

### MOSES' PSALM OF LIFE

1. Lord, Thou hast been our dwelling place,  
From age to age our rampart.  
Before the hills were ever born,  
Everlasting God Thou art!  
A thousand years before thy sight  
Fly as a watch in the night.
2. When Thou dost turn man into dust,  
He fades away like the grass.  
The days of our years are seventy,  
Eighty years could hardly pass.  
All our strength is sweat and sorrow  
All our health fleeting shadow.
3. Our secret sins before Thee lay.  
With Thy mercy satisfy.  
So teach us to number our days,  
To wisdom our hearts apply.  
Through days of toil and affliction  
May Thy grace 'pon us be shone.
4. Lord, Thou hast been our dwelling place,  
From age to age our rampart.  
Before the hills were ever born,  
Everlasting God Thou art!  
Be Thou our strength from year to year,  
Till 'fore Thy face we appear.

Tune: Russian Air

Music in Far Eastern Beacon, July, 1971

### LIFE CHURCH APPOINTMENTS (Jan. 1 - 7, 1973)

Mon. 3.00 p.m. Rev. Tow officiating wedding  
at Kim Tien Church.

Tues. 8.00 p.m. Prayer Meeting, Rev. Toms  
8.00 p.m. 1st Session Meeting, important!

Wed. 8.00 p.m. Jurong Church Committee at  
Life Church parsonage.

Lord's Day 10 a.m. Rev. Tow (Lord's Supper)  
4 p.m. Rev. Tow (Lord's Supper)

Congratulations: 1) Dr. and Mrs. Patrick  
Tan on the gift of a daughter, Dec. 15, '72  
2) to Dr. and Mrs. Lim Teck Chye also on  
the gift of a daughter, Dec. 21, 1972. (Belated, for lack of space last week).

Young Lifers celebrate 20th Anniversary  
New Year's Eve. Rev. Tow will bring a  
short message.

ANONYMOUS CHRISTMAS ENVELOPE through Life  
Church pastor: Kulai Besar \$20; Rawang \$20;  
Calvary \$10.

MISS SUVANA NGARMSITHICHOKE invites visit  
to her field of service: Yala Baptist  
Church, 47 Phitiotee Rd., Yala, Thailand.  
Yala is reachable by car and is as far from  
Penang as Muar is from Singapore.

FAR EASTERN BIBLE COLLEGE SHORT TERM BIBLE  
INSTITUTE opens Jan. 8 and lasts for 11  
weeks. Register with Dr. Quek or Dr. Tow,  
immediately!

WEDDING BELLS! The holy matrimony between  
Mr. Stephen Pang of Chin Lien Bible Sch.  
and Miss Lim Buay Eng will be solemnised  
at Kim Tien Church, 11 Branksome Road, 15,  
Jan. 1, 3 p.m., Rev. Tow officiating.

REV. K.C. QUEK is wait-listed to fly to  
Bangkok, Mon. evening by Thai Airways.

REV. PETER NG has returned from his round-  
the-world deputation term for JSM. Wel-  
come home to Singapore.

SAVE WATER DESPITE THE HEAVY MONSOON RAINS

### REPORT ON FIRST HELP DESPATCHED TO BATAK LAND

The estimate of \$10,000 needed to help  
the Batak Christian Church and Evangelis-  
tic Assoc. in N. Sumatra establish a Bible  
Institute for Batak preachers, 7 mission  
stations and for Christian Relief, was  
presented to the Committee meeting of the  
BPM last Wednesday, Dec. 27. All contri-  
butions from groups and individuals in  
the BP family for the two mission fields  
in Indonesia (West Kalimantan and N. Suma-  
tra) will be channelled through the BPM  
treasurer.

The ICR (International Christian Relief),  
under a Committee of four, viz., Revs.  
Quek and Tow, Miss Char and Miss Tan Mooi  
Hean, will coordinate with BPM to meet  
the full financial commitments. The first  
remittance of \$2,000 was made before  
Christmas for the Bible Institute land,  
30,000 Gospel tracts in Batak, 2 uncom-  
pleted mission stations and Christmas  
relief of Batak pastors. A consignment  
of surplus clothing from Life Church is  
being packed for transmission by the  
Faith Ladies Fellowship. - QKC

### SARIMBUN REPORT

We thank the Lord for sending two more  
co-workers to help in the Sarimbun Sunday  
School this year. Also, for providing  
the VW transport to and fro.

This year we have an average attendance  
of 25. During Christmas, we had a wonder-  
ful time together, especially with the  
visit of the Life Church Chinese Sunday  
School. We had special items, sketches  
and singing.

In the new year, we hope to do door-  
to-door invitation to cover the whole  
area.

The road to Sarimbun Gospel Mission  
leads to the Scout Camp. Soon it will be  
metalled. This will make our Mission  
house even more useful as a campsite for  
youth groups. - Anne Cheang

### KULAI BESAR REPORT

Mr. Liew Hon Seng is "moving house" on  
Jan. 2 and will transport Jurong's old  
piano, LCSS's Japanese organ, Sarimbun's  
old refrigerator and whatever useful spare  
furniture from Gilstead Road to furnish  
this newest Gospel station. A brand new  
set of kindergarten furniture costing only  
\$340 (who'll offer this sum?) will fill  
the Church hall. This will be for dual  
use - classroom as well as for seating  
accommodation in worship.

Latest receipts - U.S. \$20.00 from Phila.  
\$20, and \$10 from Jurong Church brings up  
the total to \$7981.90. The new corner  
church-house costs only \$14,700. Dedication  
of Kulai Besar which was postponed owing  
to heavy monsoon rains is now fixed for  
Feb. 5, 1973, the third day of Chinese  
New Year.

### ATTEND 1st MISSIONARY CONFERENCE

Jan. 15-17

Rev. and Mrs. Jason Linn of Dyakland speak-  
ing, etc.