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“For though you have countless guides in Christ,
you do not have many fathers.
For I became your father in Christ Jesus
through the gospel.”

1 Corinthians 4:15

By Revd Canon Terry Wong

In my editorial piece for the December 2012 issue of the Diocesan Digest, I had reflected on the passing of the baton from Bishop John Chew to Bishop Rennis Ponniah:

Reflecting on the years under the ministry of Bishop John Chew, I can vividly recall how I visited some friends with him in Edinburgh. One of them was Revd Canon Titus Chung, who was finishing his doctorate in the cold of Edinburgh. He was terribly homesick. We actually arrived on his birthday. The company, dinner and pieces of bak kwa brought some comfort and 'home' to him. I could see then the importance of this bishop's visit. While there was neither ceremony, staff nor crook, this visit was at the heart of a bishop's work. He was our "father-in-God". This phrase sounds divine, familial, earthly and homey all at once.

I recall with fondness how I felt about the changing of guards eight years ago. Little could I guess that this homesick doctoral student who was paying a heavy price in the cold of Edinburgh will one day also assume the responsibility of being our next father-in-God.

I had gone on to say:

Undoubtedly, Jesus Christ is the Shepherd of the Church. And this is precisely the reason why all who follow Him will invariably be most Christ-like when they live out this fatherly role. It transcends one's personality and human traits. When we minister as a spiritual father, it brings encouragement and strength at some of the deepest levels of our being. Sometimes, this fatherly role is discharged in the form of discipline. Executed rightly or wrongly, "children" (and we always are) will be helped in the midst of it to understand that fathering and family brings along with in the usual share of pain as well, justified or otherwise. When we understand this, it helps us to forgive more readily. Or even better, we benefit and grow from it.



So we bid farewell to Bishop Rennis Ponniah even as we welcome Bishop Titus Chung. He and I have spent years serving as colleagues, including a five-year stint together at the Cathedral. Now that he has stepped into office, this "father-in-God" role will be accentuated for me, as it will be for all of us.

"Keep him in our prayers" is our usual refrain. And indeed, we must. We too need to pray for ourselves. We do well to seek to understand the nature of the church, her offices and ministry orders. In embracing his role, we also embrace ours, whether lay or clergy.

And in recognising his fatherly role, I also come to grasp my own as I step into another parish, for we are fathers and sons too at the same time.

May the Father heart of God be reflected in every corner of our diocese and deaneries.

By The Rt Rev Dr Titus Chung

Greetings

Good morning brothers and sisters in Christ, a very warm welcome to you and thank you for attending our synod meeting this morning.

We wish to acknowledge the presence of our brothers and sisters from the six deanery countries. Although we cannot be physically together, your online participation is significant to us because we are one big family under God. The diocese belongs to all of us and we pray that in Christ we will continue to grow in unity regardless of nationality, culture and race.

We also wish to congratulate our clergymen Moses, Ezra, Glenn, Ian, Kiat Lern and Thomas on your ordination to the Order of Priesthood in August. We will keep you in prayer and may our good Lord shower you with grace and mercy, and anoint you with the gifts of the Holy Spirit so that you can be effective and faithful in serving the people God has entrusted to you.

Current Challenges

The fact that we have to gather for Synod in this manner a second time is telling of the situation we are in. It is not an overstatement to say that the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on humanity is historically unprecedented. The scale of its impact is direct, widespread and extensive, from economics and geopolitics, to medical infrastructure, social security and religious activity. The reality is that nobody is spared, albeit in different degrees, as the virus recognizes no boundaries. The challenges facing each of the seven countries in our diocese are unique, due to differing national contexts. Amid great difficulty and profound complexity, our primary task is to take good care of the elderly and children among us, and ensure that our people comply with safe management measures. As leaders, whether clergy or laity, it is our duty to keep our worship environments safe and protected, and pray that with God's help we are void of cluster transmissions.

Our pastoral duties ought to continue in the face of daunting obstacles. We praise God that with swift adaptation and use of online-technology, church activities in our diocese are able to continue. Not only have we found this a good platform for Sunday services, Christian education classes and fellowship gatherings, some of us have put our God-given creativity to good use by making it a friendly and effective place for evangelism. Efforts to continue ministries and ensure spiritual provisions have not been hampered by the crisis. This deserves acknowledgement and encouragement. We thank all of you who have worked so tirelessly and conscientiously behind

the scene, and we pray that our good Lord will bless you and your families.

Although some among us are less ready than others to adapt to change, we can no longer ignore the fact that the use of the virtual platform is here to stay. We need not go into detail at this point about its pros and cons, or the positive and negative impact it has on our church life. Discussions, however, should be encouraged in our parishes. Our aim is to take advantage of technology without falling prey to it.

Related to the use of online-platforms to meet pastoral needs is the subject of Online Communion. Bishop Rennis had permitted it mainly for the Archdeaconry of Singapore for a period of three months. This dispensation expired on 31 October 2020. After receiving feedback from clergy colleagues here and with a clearer understanding of the needs and challenges of some churches in administering the Holy Communion, we have decided to extend the dispensation for the Archdeaconry of Singapore to 31 January 2021. We wish to underscore that Online Communion is an unusual practice permissible only for a period of time in extraordinary circumstance.

Besides Online Communion, the dispensation encompasses Reserved Communion and Onsite Communion. The intention behind providing options here is to enable us to better serve the people God. The vicar or priest-in-charge therefore has the liberty to decide which option to appropriate, including a combination of two, or even all three. The point is we have to be sensitive to our different church contexts and reasonable in our administrations.

Although online worship is now the new norm, we ought not to forget it can never replace onsite or physical worship in the church. As leaders we need to consistently educate and remind our church members the importance of returning to church as a form of spiritual discipline, with safe management measures in place. However convenient it is to just turn on the television or computer, our people should be mindful that this is only a stopgap measure. The danger of sliding into spiritual sluggishness is very real if we are not careful. Returning to church for service is a





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lot more meaningful and significant especially as the Christmas season draws near. As God's chosen leaders, we have to step up in guiding and encouraging our church members. We ourselves ought to set an example, more so in the midst of stormy weather.

Back to the essential

What lessons can we learn from the COVID-19 pandemic? Why has God allowed it to happen? What is God telling us through this crisis? In the many conversations and discussions about the pandemic, "re-set" is a key word that keeps surfacing. Like it or not, the world and the church are being forced to pause. We have come to a standstill. It is as if a divine finger has pressed the re-set button, giving humanity a second chance to ask ourselves if we have derailed from God's purpose in managing the world. And, Christians are not being spared from it. Our Christian duty is both to the church and to the world, for we owe it to God who has created the world and entrusted it to us (Gen 1:28-30). We are responsible for managing God's creation, but have fallen short because of our insatiable human desires. It is rather ironic that during the lockdown, according to newspaper reports, the air pollution level of some major cities dropped drastically within just a few days.

God has a plan for the world: He wishes the world to be saved by His Son Jesus Christ. The salvation of God in Christ Jesus is as much about a blessed life here and now as it is about the future glory in eternity. We can grow and be transformed on this side of paradise if we allow ourselves to be nourished by the source of life (John 15:1-8).

In Paul's language, it is a process of weaning off milk so that we can take solid food (1 Cor 3:2). To Matthew, it cannot be anything other than becoming the light and salt of the world (Matt 5:13-16). In other words, we have a task and we need to ask how well we have fared in our growth in Christ and in managing the world (or marketplace) for God. What grade would we get if there is a test for us to take? Could COVID-19 be the test God has put on us so that we can have a realistic check of where we are spiritually? Can our ministries over the years withstand the test of fire, as Paul says in 1 Corinthians 3:13, that "each one's work will become manifest, for the Day will disclose it, because it will be revealed by fire, and the fire will test what sort of work each one has done"?

We need to take stock and, if necessary, prune away things peripheral, however good and pretty they may seem. We need to go back to the core of the Gospel, or the bread-and-butter of the church, before getting distracted again. One may ask what is the core and what is the bread-and-butter of the church? Among the answers, we believe it all comes down to the Great Commission (Matthew 28:16-20) and the New Commandment (Matthew 22:36-40).

Do note that it is neither the former or the latter, but both together. If we focus on one more than the other, we are twisting the most important teachings of Jesus. To put it succinctly, being a disciple of Jesus and making disciples of all nations cannot be separate from God's unconditional love nor our love for God. The danger, if we decouple the two, is a discipleship that is devoid of the sacrificial love of God. In its extreme form, it can turn into religious fanaticism. The Crusades is a good case in point, only if we look back at church history.

1 John 4:7-8 says, "Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love."

We can be the disciples of Jesus and change the world by making disciples of all nations only when we know God and love one another with the unconditional love of God. Anything that falls short of this can dilute or compromise the standard God has originally intended. To reemphasize the Great Commission and the New Commandment is to go back to the core of the Gospel or the bread-and-butter of the church. We need to take stock to know where we are, before coming up with a plan for the future.

Looking ahead

What would the diocese look like in the next three, five or ten years? This is a question about the vision and mission of our church. To spare us from a lengthy discussion, we can simply say that vision is about the unchanging goal that will last for generations, and mission is the task of the current generation to achieve the goal articulated in the vision.

If we can accept these definitions, and keep in mind what has just been said, our diocesan vision must therefore have a lot to do with being disciples of Jesus and making disciples of all nations with the love of God. Certainly, it is not just

for one generation. The key point is: what can we do in our generation to make our diocese and our parishes a better place for the next generation to continue achieving the vision? This is our mission.

To put it slightly differently, it is about creating a culture of discipleship and growing our parishes into disciple-making churches. To some of us this may be a paradigm shift. It is certainly not easy. As leaders called by God, we need to ask if we are ready and willing to apply ourselves to it.

If our mission is to hand down a disciple-making church to the next generation so that they can take the ball and run with it, the answer seems obvious. Thus, we need to start talking about discipleship in our parishes and use it as a reference point for all of our ministries. For example, learning to look at our church through the lens of discipleship, asking how ministries can be related to or add strength to our growth in being Jesus' disciples. Or, what plan do we have to motivate one another to go out into the marketplace and make disciples with the love of God.

In some ways what I have just said should not be new to us. We thank God for what He has been given to us as a diocese. The synod report in your hands clearly testifies to a rich and diverse ministry a small diocese like ours could hardly ask for. We have mission works in the six deanery countries of Cambodia, Laos, Indonesia, Nepal, Thailand and Vietnam. Within Singapore, our diocese has ministries in nine schools, eight kindergartens, eight childcare centers, 27 community service centers and 27 parishes with multiple congregations.

Indeed, we have been faithful in building the body of Christ and sowing seeds of the Gospel in the lives of many through our wide and diverse ministries. As we receive the synod report today, we wish to thank you all for your hard work over the years and your steadfastness in running a good race without giving up, especially as we confront this pandemic that is unprecedented in human history and is pushing all of us to our very limit. We continue to keep you in prayer, and ask that through the amazing works of the Holy Spirit you are able to find deeper meaning in the twin-teachings of Jesus (the Great Commission and the New Commandment) in your lives and ministries, and grow stronger each day.

As we take stock and focus on the essential, certain areas deserve our attention and require some strengthening. A case in point is our diocesan training for both laity and clergy. We have some good training programs and we thank God for our brothers and sisters who have contributed so much to make that possible. As we move forward and focus on the essential as mentioned, extra hard work is needed to step up the training resources for both clergy and laity. Someone among us has to help look into it and

prayerfully get it started sooner rather than later. Besides training, key areas such as chaplaincy work in our schools, our community services (SACS and SAMH), and also mission work in our deanery countries warrant our attention. As we carry out stocktaking in mission deaneries, schools, social services and parish ministries, it eventually entails postings because matching the right person to the right job becomes one main consideration among others.

Regarding recent postings, someone told me that the scale is unprecedented. He may be right, but I recall when Bishop John Chew was newly enthroned as the diocesan bishop in 2000, he soon initiated a posting that involved at least 15 clergymen. Referring to the big move, Bishop Chew had said, "we completed what could be the most extensive clergy movement at any one time in our history". The difference between then and now, however, is our current pandemic, which has added an extra level of complexity and challenge to the exercise. Clergy postings are never easy decisions to make and therefore early preparation and planning are much needed.

After much thought, consideration and committing it in prayer since February, the decision was made and soon announced in order to give sufficient time for the transition. Without question, it is not easy for the concerned pastors and the churches to make the adjustment. But by God's grace, all have embraced it well. Thus, we wish to thank you for your understanding, and your effort in helping us to strengthen one another as we move forward as one diocesan body to achieve the Great Commission and fulfil the New Commandment.

As we close, let us be reminded again of the calling we have received and our first love for our Lord Jesus Christ. We can take courage and stay focussed in the middle of a huge storm and not lose heart, and continue to steer the ship to the end that God has destined, because the God who calls us to follow Him is the faithful God.

And God, in Isaiah 41:10, says, "fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand." Amen.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Titus Singapore". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.



THE CONSECRATION AND ENTHRONEMENT OF THE RT REVD DR TITUS CHUNG as the 10th Bishop of Singapore

On 18 October 2020, the peal of church bells beckoned and welcomed honoured guests to St Andrew's Cathedral for the consecration and enthronement service of the Revd Canon Dr Titus Chung Khiam Boon as the 10th Bishop of Singapore. Distinguished guests present at the ceremony included President Halimah Jacob and her husband Mohamed Abdullah Alhabshee. Former Head-of-State Dr Tony Tan and his wife Mary, both Anglicans, also attended. Others politicians and Christian leaders in attendance included Minister of Home Affairs and Law K. Shanmugam, Foreign Ministry Vivian Balakrishnan, Culture, community and Youth Minister Edwin Tong and Catholic Archbishop William Goh.

Although the momentous occasion within the cathedral was muted in attendance because of the COVID-19 restriction limit of 100, live streaming the service on YouTube meant that it was witnessed by a much wider audience than previously possible.

Among the viewers were Anglican members and clergy from Singapore and the six deanery countries of Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Nepal, Thailand and Vietnam; friends from the wider Church of the Province of South East Asia and the Anglican Communion around the globe.

The service itself was no less stately in sacred ceremony and Anglican tradition.

The Rt Revd Dr John Chew, who was the 8th Bishop of Singapore, presided over the service on



Bishop Titus Chung (55) takes over from Bishop Rennis Ponniah, who retired in September after eight years at the helm. Bishop Chung was ordained in 1997 after graduating from Trinity Theological College. He was a priest and then vicar of Chapel of the Holy Spirit from 1997 to 2005 before being Priest-in-charge of St Andrew's Cathedral's Mandarin congregation. He is also a systematic theologian with a doctorate in philosophy from the University of Edinburgh, UK. His dissertation was on the Scottish theologian T F Torrance's theory of divine revelation.

Before becoming bishop, Bishop Chung taught part-time at Trinity Theological College, was the Convenor of Continuing Ministerial Education for Clergy and Deaconesses for our diocese, and a member of the Senior Clergy Planning Team.

Bishop Chung is married to Connie and they have two sons in their twenties, Theodore and Thaddeus.

behalf of the Most Revd Datuk Melter Jiki Tais, the Archbishop of the Church of the Province of South East Asia, who was unable to come due to the global pandemic-related border restrictions that were in place.

In accordance with the historical customs of the Anglican Church and how it is ordered by the threefold ministry of bishop, priest (presbyter) and deacon, the programme began with the Consecration Service in which the Revd Canon Dr Titus Chung was presented and ordained to the holy order of bishop.

Bishop John Chew, Assistant Bishop Low Jee King and retired Assistant Bishop Kuan Kim Seng prayed over Bishop Titus Chung before passing to him the symbols of his office: the Bible, ring, mitre (the bishop's headdress) and pastoral staff.

The Consecration Service was followed immediately with the Enthronement Service where the newly ordained Bishop Titus Chung was installed to the seat as the Bishop of the Diocese of Singapore.

As the hymn *Great is Thy Faithfulness* resounded through the cathedral, Bishop Chung exited the nave, and church leaders closed the doors of the cathedral. With his pastoral staff, he knocked three times on the closed doors and waited for permission to enter. Signalling acceptance from the clergy and people of this diocese, the doors opened, and Bishop Titus was led to the cathedra, the bishop's seat.

Overhead, the cathedral bells rang 39 times to symbolise the [39 Articles of Religion](#) [find the link at end of article] of the Anglican Church – the historic formulary of the Anglican Church.

As stated in our provincial constitution:

The doctrine of the church in the province is grounded in the Holy Scriptures and in such teachings of the ancient fathers and councils of the church as are agreeable to the said Scriptures; in particular such doctrines as to be found in the 39 Articles of Religion, the Book of Common Prayer and the ordinal. These are what help guide our church in what it believes, what it teaches and confesses, how we carry out the liturgy for worship and also the way in which we order its ministry.

As Bishop Chung received the Staff of Pastoral Office, Bishop Chew exhorted him to "bring in the wandering, sustain the weak, rouse the careless and shepherd the flock entrusted to you by His aid and grace, who is indeed the Good Shepherd, Jesus Christ our Lord."



The doors of the cathedral were opened to receive her new bishop

“Your shoe size is as big as the heavy task and responsibilities that God is placing upon you.”

In pre-recorded video greetings that were screened during the service, Bishop Chung received congratulatory messages and blessings from Archbishop Melter Tais (Diocese of Sabah and the Province of the Anglican Church of South East Asia); Bishop Ng Moon Hing (Diocese of West Malaysia) and Bishop Donald Jute (Diocese of Kuching).

Bishop Donald Jute said, “I know your shoe size. It is not as small as you and others might like to think. Your shoe size is as big as the heavy task and responsibilities that God is placing upon you.”

In his maiden address as Bishop of Singapore, Bishop Titus Chung said:

Madam President Halimah Yacob, cabinet ministers, government officials, Christian leaders, distinguished guests, honourable friends, brothers and sisters in Christ here in the sanctuary and many more who are participating from Singapore and from many other countries via livestream. Thank you very much for spending time with us. Your participation makes this event extra meaningful.

I wish to offer my heartfelt gratitude to Archbishop Melter, Bishop Moon Hing and Bishop Donald. Thank you for your kind words of encouragements and I look forward to working closely with you, especially in the areas of mission and ecclesia ministries, as God leads our province to fulfil the Great Commission.

The calling of the Bishop of Singapore is to be the Cure of Souls. With it comes the twofold responsibility to serve the church and serve the



Bishop Titus Chung with Mdm President Halimah Yacob

nation we belong to under the divine purpose of God. This responsibility that God has entrusted to us is all the more clear as we weather the storm of a pandemic that is unprecedented in human history and is pushing us almost to our very limit.

Much has been discussed about the COVID-19 pandemic, and how we can rise to the occasion. Amidst our endeavour to take the best measures and find the best solutions, we need to ask some basic but important questions such as what it is to be human and what real human needs are. If we accept that human beings holistically comprise the body, mind and spirit (or in more modern terms the physical, mental and psychological), then tending to



Bishop Titus Chung and his wife Mrs Connie Chung

the bodily needs alone, no matter how important and crucial, is not enough to restore a person to his or her complete wellness.

It is therefore not surprising that in the last few months, we have seen a continuing rise in mental and psychological health needs among Singaporeans due to the impact and stress of the COVID-19 pandemic. And the weight of responsibility as the Cure of Souls keeps increasing, to tend to the needs of the body, mind and the spirit, especially of those who are greatly distressed.

What we need is not something just for the here and now, notwithstanding the great pressure to get ourselves out of the woods as soon as possible, but a long-term plan for all of us to grow healthily, holistically and robustly in the long run, beginning with our youths.

One may ask, how can we do this? Certainly, there is more than one answer to the question. Some look to music and art, or counselling. The importance of faith, however, cannot be overlooked. Faith is needful and crucial because it nurtures the human mind and spirit. It gives strength and builds resilience. Faith enables a person to grow and relate to another with love and hope, especially in times of great challenge and difficulty. Faith is where love and hope are found, and in love and hope, faith.

The responsibility of the Bishop of Singapore also involves the calling to build lives and enable communities to grow robustly in faith, love and hope, and individuals to live up to his or her potential in peace and harmony, as God wills it. And because every life matters to God, we are to provide care and support to everyone, more so to those who are in need of help (be it body, mind or spirit) in such a way that they are able to overcome the vicissitudes of life courageously and resiliently, and continue to grow healthily, holistically and robustly.

This is a solemn and sacred task, and we need all the help we can get from God.

I conclude by referring to Mark 10:44-45. It says, "and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many".

If you ask why we Christians do what we are doing, here is the answer: Faith, love and hope are best expressed in our service to one another. For our Lord Jesus Christ came to serve and not to be served, and to give new life that is otherwise not possible.

The recording of this service can be found at:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3qVle1035AY>



Rt Rev Rennis Ponniah (right) hands over the Diocesan Pastoral Staff to the Vicar-General.

BISHOP RENNIS PONNIAH'S COMPLETION OF TERM THANKSGIVING SERVICE

by Karen Wong

A special Thanksgiving Service held at St Andrew's Cathedral on 30 August 2020 marked Bishop Rennis Ponniah's completion of term as the 9th Bishop of Singapore.

Among the pandemic-restricted limit of 100 guests present at the service were former Head-of-State Dr Tony Tan and his wife, some government ministers, key representatives of the judiciary, key national church leaders and inter-religious leaders.

In a heart-felt address, Bishop Rennis reflected on his eight years serving as bishop. He said, "To be a diocesan bishop is a high calling. It is more than a public office; it is a divine office.

"A priest is someone for whom God is the central reality. A priest's task is to help people

connect with the living God in a living relationship. A priest cares for the people of God, forms them spiritually to live for God and serve the society, and he leads them out to share the good news of God's saving love in Christ Jesus with the world. The bishop is the chief pastor or under-shepherd of Christ for the diocese."

"Being a bishop is a humanly impossible task. As I reach the finishing line, I want my dear friends to know that it is a God-enabled task. It is a task completed by God's grace and for God's glory."

Bishop Rennis thanked God for supplying him divine strength and protection to lead God's people into spiritual victories (like growth of our deaneries and parishes, leadership renewal and the Celebration of Hope national evangelistic

rallies). He recalled experiencing the surge of the Holy Spirit when he faced exhaustion, weathered criticisms, overcame discouragements and faced the pastoral challenges of COVID-19.

He thanked God for family, spiritual allies and diligent co-workers who helped and supported him to fulfil his vocation. Foremost among them was his dear wife Amir, whom he said “prayed him through” the demands of the office and joyfully came alongside his ministry through her gifts of hospitality, intercession and personal pastoral care of clergy wives and deaconesses.

He also thanked God for the “hidden joys” that were in the cup of costly sacrifice of being a bishop, such as the joy of being affectionately loved as a father-in-Christ not only in Singapore, but in the six deanery countries; of touching lives and watching people grow; and of knowing God’s awesome presence not just in majestic cathedrals but also where His people worship in the remotest mountain village or busy backstreet shophouse.

Bishop Rennis was grateful to God for the grace and privilege of having prepared a band of senior clergy and ministry leaders over the last few years to share the immense and diverse responsibilities of leading the diocese..

He said of the bishop-designate, “Titus has a warm pastoral heart, a well-formed theological mind, a steady pair of hands, and a desire for the truth of the Gospel to be practised and made known. I therefore commend him and his wife Connie to you, for your full support and fervent prayers.”

Referring to the subdued mood and uncertainty caused by the pandemic, Bishop Rennis said, “The Church, like our Lord, must show solidarity in pain. Much of the world is suffering, anxious and in disarray because of the COVID-19 pandemic. The Church must enter the pain, find strength not to just survive but to serve the needs of others and bring hope in the midst of the bleakness.

“God is resetting the world to be in line with his good and divine intentions. The Word of God says that His people, in all circumstances, are more than conquerors through Christ who loved them.

“Jesus is girding his Church in a new way for a new day.”

In his own brief address, Bishop-Designate Dr Titus Chung expressed gratitude on behalf of the diocese for Bishop Rennis’ dedication and contributions, and hailed him as “the man with a mission” to carry out the Great Commission of Jesus Christ.

Besides Revd Canon Terry Wong who officiated the two-hour service and Revd Canon Rinji Kwashi who led the confession, the Most Revd Benjamin Kwashi, the Archbishop-Emeritus of Jos, Nigeria delivered a sermon on “Global Antioch” and called on the Diocese of Singapore to keep proclaiming the life-giving Gospel of Jesus Christ to the countries under her care and to all the world..

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Through pre-recorded videos greetings, the Archbishop of the Province of the Anglican Church of South East Asia and Bishop of Sabah, the Most Revd Datuk Melter Jiki Tais, thanked Bishop Rennis for his friendship, fellowship and partnership in the gospel, sang a beautiful song of being a servant of the Lord and wished him the priestly blessing from Numbers 6:24-26.

The Archbishop of the Episcopal Anglican Province of Alexandria and Bishop of the Diocese of Egypt, North Africa and Gambela, the Most Revd Mouneer Anis, brought greetings and described the relationship between the two dioceses as “the most fruitful companionship in the whole Anglican Communion.” He expressed gratitude for the relationship, the support and encouragement his diocese received, and the fruits produced from working together with our diocese. He thanked



Bishop Rennis for the role he now plays as the Honorary Director of the Secretariat of the Global South Fellowship of Anglican Churches, and his "efforts and hard work in formulating a structure for the Global South that will be fruitful for generations and decades to come."

There was also a very moving collation of greetings in a pre-recorded video from the deanery churches for the retiring diocesan bishop,

A climactic moment towards the end of the

service was the handing over of the Diocesan Pastoral Staff to the Vicar-General, Assistant Bishop Low Jee King.

Bishop Rennis said to the Vicar-General, "The Staff of the Pastoral Office is a symbol of the call of Christ Jesus to bring in the wandering, sustain the weak, rouse the careless, and shepherd the flock entrusted to the Diocesan Bishop.

"As you receive this staff in trust for the next Bishop of Singapore, may the diocese in every generation discharge Christ's calling by the power of the Holy Spirit, to the praise and glory of God Almighty."

The service concluded with the presentation of gifts to Bishop Rennis and Mrs Amir, and a video presentation of the Aaronic Blessing sung by more than 200 members of the diocese.

Prior to giving the benediction, Bishop Rennis exhorted the congregation to have holy confidence in God while riding the different seasons of our diocesan journey. He then blessed the people and the new Diocesan leadership with the presence and power of the God of all ages! ✠

PROVINCIAL NEWS

INSTALLATION OF THE 6TH ARCHBISHOP OF THE PROVINCE OF SOUTHEAST ASIA

On 2 February 2020, the Most Revd Datuk Melter Jiki Tais, Bishop of Sabah, was installed as the sixth Archbishop and Primate of the Province of the Anglican Church in Southeast Asia, at a special service that took place in All Saints' Cathedral in Kota Kinabalu, East Malaysia. The event was extra significant as it was held on the 24th anniversary of the province's inauguration.

Archbishop Melter takes over from Archbishop Datuk Ng Moon Hing, Bishop of West Malaysia, for a term of office that will run from February 2020 to February 2024.

Ordained into the priesthood in 1993, Archbishop Melter has over 20 years of parish ministry experience, and was the Archdeacon of the Central Archdeaconry (2007-2009), Assistant Bishop (2009-2015), Vicar General (2014-2015) and the 6th Bishop of Sabah since 2015. He is also notably the Diocese of Sabah's first indigenous bishop, and is our province's first Bumiputera archbishop.



From L to R: The Rt Revd Danald Jute, Bishop of Kuching; the Rt Revd Datuk Ng Moon Hing, Bishop of West Malaysia; the Most Revd Datuk Melter Jiki Tais, Archbishop of the Province of Southeast Asia and Bishop of Sabah; and the Rt Revd Rennis Ponniah, Bishop of Singapore at Installation Service at All Saints' Cathedral, Kota Kinabalu.

SPIRITUAL FORMATION

IN A LEADER'S LIFE

by Revd Dr Joshua Sudharman

Vicar, St John's - St Margaret's Church

As Christian leaders, we have two journeys to consider: our 'natural' journey from the time of our biological birth, and our 'spiritual' journey from the time of our spiritual birth. The formation that we received in both these journeys overlap in our present lives. No two leaders are exactly alike, because leaders are people, and no two people are exactly alike. Each leader has a unique journey that shapes them into who they are. That journey incorporates both nature and nurture, and actually begins in their mother's womb where they were "knit together" (in the picturesque language of Psalm 139:13) because at conception, the DNA of the leader, which defines the physical attributes, traits and qualities they inherit from their parents, is determined. After gestation comes birth, and the way the child is cared for and taught through the early years of life, by parents, siblings, extended family, school, community etc., has a profound shaping effect on them, which tapers off as they become adults. Major life events and experiences also play their part in making the leader.

Peter Scazzero in his book *The Emotionally Healthy Leader* argues: "We lead more out of who we are than out of what we do, strategic or otherwise. If we fail to recognize that who we are on the inside informs every aspect of our leadership, we will do damage to ourselves and to those we lead." Scazzero urges leaders to "face your shadow" which refers to gaining self-awareness about the aspects of our character and personality that we prefer to neglect, forget or deny, and the forces that made us who we are. He makes the incisive observation that "it is easier to spend your life manipulating an institution than dealing with your own soul". He also humorously quipped: "Jesus may be in your heart, but Grandpa is still in your bones!"

As for our spiritual formation, we need to reflect on how well we have understood what being "saved by grace through faith" (Ephesians 2:8-9) means, because a clear grasp of the Gospel (by which we become Christians and are born again) is absolutely fundamental to healthy spiritual formation. Distortion in our understanding of God as Trinity (Father, Son and Holy Spirit - One God In Three Persons) is disastrous, as is distortion in our understanding of what the Cross of Christ accomplished. It would be a travesty if those who do not even know what it means to be properly Christian assume leadership in the church.

Spiritual formation goes beyond ensuring our theology is orthodox. It also involves the molding of our value system and convictions such that there is growing alignment with God's values and convictions. A proper humble attitude towards the Bible is indispensable in this regard. Do we sit in judgment of the Scriptures, or do we allow the Scriptures to judge us? Paul exhorted the Christians

in Rome: "Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect" (Romans 12:2). Are our minds being transformed as we believe the "indicatives" of Scripture (i.e. the statements of truth), and obey the "imperatives" of Scripture (i.e. the commands)?

Dr Jeffrey Greenman from Regent College, Vancouver has helpfully proposed a comprehensively Trinitarian definition of spiritual formation which is worth unpacking. He defines spiritual formation as *"our continuing response to the reality of God's grace shaping us into the likeness of Jesus Christ through the work of the Holy Spirit in the community of faith for the sake of the world"*. The six components of this definition will be expanded upon below.

Our continuing response...

Spiritual formation is first and foremost a response in that it is not humanly initiated or generated. Just as a vocation is the response to a prior call, so spiritual formation is the response of faith, trust and obedience to the prior work of God as proclaimed in the Gospel. Using the analogy of the back-and-forth dynamic of a tennis rally, spiritual formation involves a back-and-forth dynamic between the believer and God, but the one who "serves" to begin the rally is always God. Spiritual formation must therefore avoid lapsing into a kind of Pelagian self-driven proactivity, but rather should derive its impetus from God's prior work of grace in one's life. This response is not a one-time event but a continuous, ongoing, lifelong process. While there may be brief periods of heightened intensity and forward momentum in spiritual formation, the key focus in spiritual formation is about cultivating intimacy with the Lord over the long haul. It is therefore more akin to a life-long marathon than a short sprint.



... to the reality of God's grace...

God's grace is understood to be the unmerited gift of God's love and mercy to sinners, shown supremely in Christ's life, death and resurrection, as well as the power to carry out his will. The biblical logic of divine grace is exemplified in the truth that "we love because he first loved us" (1 John 4:19), hence spiritual formation is our continuing response to the reality of God's grace. Because God's grace deals decisively with human sin through the cross, spiritual formation requires that we reckon seriously with issues of sin, temptation, fallenness and brokenness. "Rooted in a robust sense of sin and joyful confidence in the efficacy of the gospel, spiritual formation involves grace-based disciplines of confession, forgiveness and reconciliation." Divine grace is not opposed to the human response entailing some measure of effort and commitment, but divine grace is opposed to the notion of earning divine favor through effort and commitment.

...shaping us into the likeness of Jesus Christ...

Greenman cites three key Scriptures in support of this assertion that spiritual formation is about transformation into the image and likeness of Christ - two by Paul and the third by John:

For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. (Rom 8:29)

And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit. (2 Cor 3:18)

Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is." (1 John 3:2)

Indeed, becoming like Jesus is the "goal of spiritual formation" and the "eschatological destiny" of every true disciple. And because being "conformed to the image of his Son" is the ultimate purpose of God's saving work through the cross and resurrection, spiritual formation "is an extension of the logic of the cross and is impossible apart from the reality of Christ's atoning work". This requires that disciples take on Jesus' "cruciform" way of life, marked by obedience to God's will, self-sacrifice, and humble service for the sake of others.

...through the work of the Holy Spirit...

It is the Holy Spirit's work to bring about Christlikeness in us, and it is our responsibility to cooperate with the Spirit in this process. J.I. Packer helpfully described this idea of cooperation with the Spirit in the context of differentiating between regeneration and sanctification:

Regeneration was a momentary monergistic act of quickening the spiritually dead. As such, it was God's work alone. Sanctification, however, is in one sense synergistic - it is an ongoing cooperative process in which regenerate persons, alive to God and freed from sin's dominion (Rom 6:11, 14-18), are required to exert themselves in sustained obedience. God's method of sanctification is neither activism (self-reliant activity) nor apathy (God-reliant passivity), but God-dependent effort (2 Cor 7:1; Phil 3:10-14; Heb 12:14).

Regeneration is monergistic in that it requires the agency of God alone. Sanctification, which is an alternative way of describing spiritual formation, is synergistic in the sense that it involves the agency of both the Holy Spirit and the believer. The distinctive virtues of the Christian faith are the fruit (product) of the Spirit working in us, namely, "love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control" (Gal 5:22-23).

... in the community of faith...

While spiritual formation does require the acquisition of some personal disciplines (like prayer, confession, fasting, biblical meditation etc.), it cannot ultimately be a solo enterprise. Spiritual formation has to happen in the context of relationships with other believers. These relationships, which are often messy and imperfect, are the crucible of transformation in which we learn forgiveness, humility and love for



our neighbour as ourselves. Engagement in the corporate life of the church, through worship, fellowship and service, also ensures that spiritual formation does not remain a cerebral exercise alone, but that the rubber actually meets the road in real-life application.

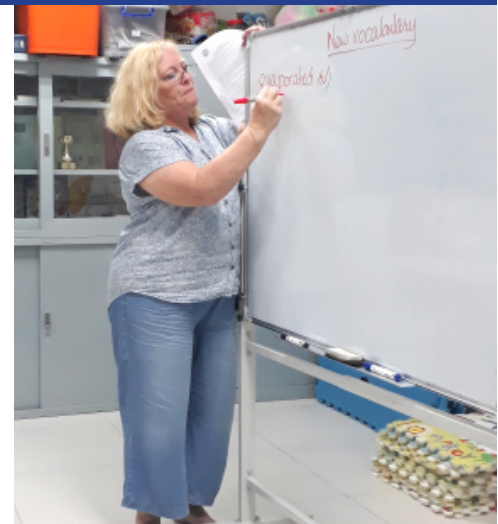
... for the sake of the world.

The mark of genuine spiritual formation is the capacity to reflect Christ as the "salt of the earth" and the "light of the world" (Matt 5:13-14). Growth in Christlikeness is of one piece with participation in Christ's mission to the world. "Spiritual formation at its best involves a reciprocal dynamic between gathering and scattering, contemplation and action, silence and speech, being and doing, receiving and giving." In the words of Elizabeth O'Connor, "Just as we are committed to being on an inward journey for all of time, so we are committed to being on an outward journey, so

that the inner and the outer become related to one another and one has meaning for the other and helps to make the other possible."

So, to sum up, spiritual formation is *"our continuing response to the reality of God's grace shaping us into the likeness of Jesus Christ through the work of the Holy Spirit in the community of faith for the sake of the world"*. It is upon the primary foundation of orthodox theology and Christ-like character that we build the secondary or tertiary traits and qualities that make for good leadership. These qualities may in some cases be inborn and unchangeable, but by and large, they can be learnt and acquired through observation, imitation and intentional application. Pastors and all Christian leaders need to be formed, not just as sterling disciples of Christ, but also in effective leadership principles and practices because their roles demand it. 📌





C A M B O D I A

ENLARGE MY TERRITORY

by Becky Locuson, Missionary in Cambodia

Many of my important belongings were recently stolen during my tuk-tuk ride to the airport. In my wallet was an old but pristine copy of the prayer of Jabez that I've been carrying around for years. The prayer goes like this:

"And Jabez called on the God of Israel saying, 'Oh, that You would bless me indeed, and enlarge my territory, that Your hand would be with me, and that You would keep me from evil, that I may not cause pain.' So God granted him what he requested." (1Chronicles 4:9-10)

I never prayed this prayer. The blessing and protection parts of the prayer were all well and good, but I was terrified of what enlarging my territory might mean. I lived in a comfortable home in a lovely town; I was near family and friends, and I was devoted to my church. My territory was already good; very, very good. So I just tucked the prayer away in my wallet.

But following a series of pretty dramatic life events, I came to experience the love of God in ways I had never known. And I surrendered whatever years I have left to live to His service. And like He did for Jabez, God granted me what I requested. Because today I'm a cross-cultural worker teaching English at Church of Christ Our Peace (CCOP) in Phnom Penh, Cambodia.

My main teaching objective when I arrived was to teach English at CCOP with a conversational program called Spotlight. Spotlight is a Christian organization that creates listening programmes and guided questions that give emerging English language speakers opportunities to improve their conversational language skills in a friendly, low stress, Christian environment.

There are hundreds of topics to choose from, and we select them based on their high interest and suitability. Topics have ranged from learning about the handshake, or the word okay; to cave exploration, the Wonders of the Ancient World, and the history of tea; to Ravi Shankar and sitar music, to name a handful.

Many of our students are Khmer, of course, but we have also had students representing Taiwan, Japan, China, Korea, and Pakistan - Christian and non-Christian alike. We also now have two additional teacher-facilitators both from New Zealand, so we are indeed a multinational ministry!

Spotlight classes, which are held here on Wednesday evenings and Saturday mornings, have provided and continue to provide wonderful opportunities for relational evangelism. We pray for more growth and more opportunities to share the gospel of Christ Jesus.

In addition to Spotlight, we offer English classes to our church staff, and English support classes for Khmer teachers who teach English at a primary school in Takh Mao, a small community on the outskirts of Phnom Penh. We are also in the early stages of planning a beginning English class that we will offer to the community, starting in June or July.

It is overwhelming how God has seen fit to answer my prayers in the way He has. Still, I do not think this is an easy place to live - not compared to where I'm from, but God has surrounded me with support on both sides of the world and has given me a love for the Khmer and a love for this place that is hard to explain. God shows me every day that He blesses whatever He anoints and ordains, so there is no need to tuck prayers away and leave them unprayed. ✚

FAREWELL INTERVIEW WITH REVD JESSE BLAINE

By Pov Morn (Church of Christ Our Peace)

Introduction by Revd Steven Seah, Dean of Cambodia

In 2012, Jesse Blaine came to Cambodia to serve with Children in Families, an NGO that helps to place vulnerable children with foster families. Sarah and Clara, his wife and daughter, came with him. They started worshipping in the Church of Christ Our Peace (CCOP) when its building was still a pre-war villa.

Jesse then sensed a call to the ordained ministry. Under Revd Gregory Whitaker's supervision in Cambodia, he was ordained to the diaconate in 2015, then to the priesthood in 2016 with the Diocese of the Mid-Atlantic (Anglican Church in North America). Because of his fluency in Khmer, he was seconded to the Deanery of Cambodia to serve as priest of the Khmer congregation.

After eight years in Cambodia, four years of which were spent serving in CCOP, Revd Jesse has returned to the United States for family reasons. He leaves behind a much stronger Khmer congregation, for which we thank God and him. We bid Revd Jesse and his family farewell on April 6, 2020. We will miss our jovial and charming brother!

Here is a translated and summarized extract of Revd Jesse Blaine's interview in Khmer with Pov Morn (CCOP) on April 4, 2020 (posted on CCOP Khmer's Facebook page).

What were one or two significant things you saw the Lord doing in your time here at CCOP?

I saw God gradually empowering the people to share their faith and bring others to CCOP. I also saw God strengthen their identity as a family of God.

How has the Lord grown your faith during this time?

My faith grew through seeing God work in and among us - how God has provided and grown the Khmer congregation. God has been bringing the people in and granting them the desire and confidence to serve as Scripture Readers, and in the worship team, the sound team and in Sunday School.

What are some of the strengths of CCOP Khmer?

I would say that one of its strengths is the people's desire to draw closer to God. This was evident in the church retreat. Though new to silence, the people experienced God in the silence and now they desire for more of God. During the exchange of peace every Sunday, people move around freely to greet and pray for one another. I hope this desire for intimacy with God and with each other will continue to grow.



What are one or two things that you hope CCOP Khmer keeps doing? Or what hopes do you have for CCOP Khmer's future?

I hope that everyone in CCOP Khmer will continue to encourage and pray for one another, and to work together, to mourn together when we fail and to rejoice together when we succeed.

What will you miss the most?

I will miss everything about CCOP but most of all I will miss the people. I have spent time and had fun together with so many. I feel sad to leave them but I trust God to keep everyone together in Christ.

What bible verses would you like to share with CCOP Khmer?

The first verse is from John 10:10. "I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full." I would like us to know that God wants to give us an abundant life, and to try our best to receive from God the things that come from an abundant life in Christ.

The second verse is from Ephesians 3:10. "His intent was that now, through the church, the manifold wisdom of God should be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly realms." The Church is not just a building. Church is the fellowship of believers where they share and grow together into the deeper things of God. More than that, the Church is where God displays his glory through his people. I hope that members of CCOP Khmer will, together, show the world God's glory. ✚

I N D O N E S I A

32ND CHURCH PLANT: PALU, CENTRAL SULAWESI

An earthquake of magnitude 7.5 struck Central Sulawesi on 28 September 2018, which triggered near-field tsunamis, major soil liquefactions, and landslides in the regencies of Palu, Sigi, Dongga and Parigi Moutong.

In the provincial capital of Palu, major soil liquefaction in two locations submerged homes and buildings in mudflow that caused thousands of deaths. More than 2,000 people perished in the disaster, exceeding the 600 people killed by the Lombok earthquake a few months earlier, making this latest earthquake the deadliest to strike Indonesia since the 2006 earthquake in Yogyakarta.

Gereja Anglikan Indonesia (GAI) is participating in the rehabilitation of Palu by providing a source of education, with the co-objective to also plant a congregation there. A piece of property was purchased to establish a kindergarten and congregation. The Dean of Indonesia, Revd Dr Timothy Chong, conducted a Dedication Service of the property on 15 February 2020. Mr Iddo Wekku was appointed as Project Manager to build up both the kindergarten and the congregation there.



33RD AND 34TH CHURCH PLANTS: DENPASAR AND CANGGU, BALI

GAI has targeted the island of Bali for a major church planting and leadership building initiative. It has plans to plant several churches around the island and is surveying a piece of property to establish an Anglican Training Centre. The reason behind this initiative is that Bali is a more peaceful area in Indonesia, is central in location, and therefore more accessible to an overseas faculty.

GAI has identified several geographical areas to establish church plants. The Dean of Indonesia inaugurated two such church plants on 15 March 2020.

GAI Denpasar, like many new

church plants, is currently meeting in a home. Pastor Arie Pakasy was commissioned as pastor-in-charge and will, together with his church committee, provide leadership.

Another congregation was planted in Canggu by Revd James Long from Providence Anglican Church in Jakarta. Appropriately named Providence Anglican Church, Canggu, this church plants meets in a hall of a holiday resort, and its services are primarily in English, with translation into Bahasa Indonesia.

Both congregations are seeing conversions, growth and excitement for the kingdom of God at work in their lives. ✚



L A O S

INTRODUCING THE NEW DEAN OF LAOS

"God saved you for a reason, Ian. What are you doing about it?" These are famous words for Revd Ian Hadfield. A friend from high school spoke these words to Ian after the car accident that killed his mother. He had miraculously escaped that car wreck to climb a 40-meter cliff to call for help for his two younger sisters. They were then just fourteen, twelve and nine years of age. A year later, Billy Graham came to Sydney to speak about Jesus, and Ian decided to do something about the second chance God had given to him.

"I now know 'what I am doing about it,'" said Revd Ian. "In God's strength, I try to encourage as many as possible to start or continue to follow Christ. I am grateful to be a pastor supporting people in their Christian spiritual journey."

Along with his wife, Narelle, Revd Ian came to Singapore through Church Missionary Society Australia (CMSA) and is the new Vicar of St George's Church and Dean of Laos. Narelle grew up in Australia's Northern Territory working with Aboriginals, and has been connected to CMSA all her life. Together, they once served on Norfolk Island (a little Island in the Pacific Ocean with a population of 2,000 people and 5x7 km in size), and in Sydney working with university students (many from overseas). They have also served in Indonesia for nine years at All Saints Jakarta and more recently in Hong Kong for three years.

After working for twelve years in Asia, including serving in the Deanery of Indonesia, Revd Ian feels he has a good understanding of how international churches function. But "what does it mean to be the Dean of Laos?" wondered Revd Ian about this most unusual part of his current job description.

"In November 2019, I visited the work in Laos. I



saw the excellent work of the four English language teaching centres; how they professionally teach English and share Jesus. I observed the great work that Hope Centre does for those who are street children and those children who are struggling with the effects of abuse or in danger of trafficking. I witnessed the Skills Centre teach young people work skills that will help them out of the poverty cycle and saw the leaders' Christian witness. I saw the potential of the work at Hands of Hope Deaf School and I was encouraged by the faithful and ongoing witness of the International Church of the Holy Spirit who look up to Christ and out to the lost and needy of Laos," said Revd Ian.

"After this trip I knew that my role as Dean is to raise up more finances for the work in Laos - please help me with this. I knew that I need to raise up more prayer for Laos - please help me with this. I know that I need to raise up more people to serve in Laos - please help me with this too. Thank you and thank the Lord for his gospel and his generous people."

If you would like to help with finances, prayer or going to Laos, please contact the Revd Ian Hadfield at ian@stgeorges.org.sg

Please pray, care, give and go to Laos ☩





CONSECRATION OF NEW PROPERTY IN HANOI

7 December 2019 was a joyous occasion for Revd Jacob Vu Hong Thai and the leaders and members of Church of the True Light (CTTL) Hanoi as they gathered to witness and celebrate the consecration of their new church sanctuary by the Bishop of Singapore, the Rt Revd Rennis Ponniah.

In July 2018, the Deanery of Vietnam had purchased its first property - a commercial space in the city centre - using funds that were raised during the "Give Him a Hundred" initiative in 2017.

Sharing this space with CTTL Hanoi are ABBA International Academy and ABBA English Centre, both part of the education mission of the Deanery of Vietnam. Hopefully, this property will continue to grow as a good base to launch more church

planting works in the city of Hanoi and beyond in the years to come.

Present at this special event were Revd Nguyen Hong Chi and leaders from Church of Christ Our Hope, Ho Chi Minh City, as well as the Dean of Vietnam, Revd John Lin and Deanery Council members, Revd Jonathan Wong and Mr Tan Kah Ho.

Revd Vu said, "This is a remarkable day for all of us, Vietnamese Anglicans, as we witness this significant milestone of the emerging Anglican community in Vietnam. The first stone is laid down, and we will look forward to the next new things the Lord will do in this nation!" ✚





A NEW WORK IN HALONG BAY

Revd Lin and Revd Wong, together with Revd Vu, also had the opportunity during this trip to visit the nearby coastal city of Halong. Famous for its picturesque limestone formations in the bay, it is a thriving, fast-growing city. They visited a small group of believers, who were all young adults and their children. They will form the nucleus of a new church plant in that city, which will be known as Church of the True Light (CTTL), Halong.

"The way this church emerged in Halong is so amazing because we did not plan for it," says Revd Vu. "We had set up The Lighthouse orphanage in Halong 20 years ago, which took care of 42 children. We had to close The Lighthouse in 2011 because of difficulties with the local government. About ten of these youths were disciplined in CTTL Hanoi for the past seven to ten years, and now they have returned to start Church of the True Light, Halong."

The provision of new facilities, along with the birth of a new work in Halong, both point to how God is indeed at work in the Deanery of Vietnam. We hope that the parishes in Singapore continue to faithfully give, pray and support the work in Vietnam so that our brothers and sisters in Vietnam may persevere to bring the Good News of Jesus Christ throughout their land, and fulfil the Great Commission in their nation! ✠





T H A I L A N D

A GROWING LEADERSHIP FOR A GROWING CHURCH

By Revd Canon Yee Ching Wah, Dean of Thailand and Director of Missions

The Anglican Church in Thailand (ACT) recorded a yearly average of 65 confirmations over the last five years (the highest was 87 in 2019). The electoral roll has grown from 549 to 776 in the same time frame. The increase in attendance comes mainly from the new church plants in Lat Krabang and Chiangmai.

Growing in tandem was the number of brothers and sisters responding to the calling to full-time ministry. Here is a list of ACT leaders and their development in 2019:

Rev Noppadon Hattayanont

Ordained Priest; serving in Christ Church Bangkok

Rev Phuwasak Kabinsak

Ordained Priest; serving in Omkoi

Rev Samrerng Thakerngsuk

Ordained Deacon; serving in Lat Krabang Anglican Church

Mr Dhanadhis Jirathamakul

Graduated with MDiv from Trinity Theological College, serving in Christ Church Bangkok

Mr Sakdha Kittiwathanachote

Graduated with MDiv from Bangkok Institute of Theology, serving in Lat Krabang Anglican Church

Miss Naphamas Chiangthong

Began Masters in Biblical Studies at Singapore Bible College; was serving in Lat Krabang Anglican Church

Mr Kanakhun Dennada Began

MDiv program at McGilvary College of Divinity, Chiangmai; serving as Intern in Chiangmai.

In 2020, two new students will enroll for their seminary studies:

Mr Jorhae Darakamon, Richard

Awaiting confirmation of MDiv program at Trinity Theological College, currently serving as lay pastor at Maesot Anglican Church

Ms Chintana Tonngulueem

Will begin MDiv at McGilvary College of Divinity, Chiangmai, currently serving at Korat Anglican Church

Ordination of Rev Noppadon Hattayanont and Rev Puwasak Kabinsak



Every one of these leaders has a testimony to tell of how God has led and called them. Here is the remarkable story of the Chiangthong family:

Ms Naphamas Chiangthong (Fon) was a Graphic Design student at King Mongkut Institute of Technology at Lat Krabang. Her family, including her grandfather who is a Buddhist monk, has never heard the gospel.

In 2014, Fon came to Cornerstone Student Centre (CSC) to attend our English Conversation Classes. There, she met Samatha Ooi, a Tributer from St Andrew's Cathedral. A friendship developed, which led to many good conversations. Fon wondered why CSC offered English classes for free. What motivated Samantha to give up her job to serve in CSC? Samantha had answered that it was because God told her to. At that moment, Fon had many questions: Who is this God? Why do people make personal sacrifices to obey this God?

One day, she saw a comic version of the Bible at CSC. She opened it and found the story of Moses, from her favourite cartoon, The Prince of Egypt. She had thought that Moses was just a cartoon hero without realizing that he was a real person mentioned in the Bible. This started her quest to know more. Samantha gave her a Bible and met up with her every Monday to discuss the Bible together. Fon found the Bible fascinating and loved reading it. Still, she only wanted to satisfy her curiosity and argue the contrast between science and God. She never thought that God would become real to her.

When Samantha invited Fon to church five months later for Good Friday service, she went out of curiosity. At the service, she was fascinated by the songs, the worship and the atmosphere. At some point, she started crying and could not stop. She was hit by a deep awareness of her badness and wrongdoings, even though she had always considered herself a good girl who never caused trouble to anyone. She could feel God's presence all around her, to the point that she begged God to leave her alone because she did not deserve to receive anything from Him. But she could feel God staying with her and hugging her tightly.

She went home still confused about what had just happened. That night, she had a dream. She saw a woman dressed in red and an evil red crown, with a black and terrifying face. She held a big red book with many people's names in it. The evil woman wrote her parents' names and her brother's name down and they died. But when she tried to write Fon's name down, she could not. She tried really hard but just could not. Then Fon cried out in her dream, "I believe in Jesus!" The woman screamed very loudly and disappeared.

Then Fon saw a white light come down from above. She instantly knew that he was Jesus. She asked Jesus, "Can you bring my family back, please?" Jesus said, "Yes because you believe in me". After telling the whole story to Samantha, and when Samantha asked if she would like to receive

Christ, she knew in her heart that the answer was "Yes! Definitely yes!"

After receiving Christ, Fon attended Lat Krabang Anglican Church and continued bible study with Samantha. Her parents soon noticed a change in their daughter.. She no longer focused just on herself and was more caring for others. When she explained that this was because she is now Christian, they were quite shocked but eventually accepted her decision. Even her grandfather took the news well.

Eventually, Fon's brother, Suphakit (Benz), who was studying in the same university, became a Christian too. So did Fon's mother. She turned out to be a faith-filled prayerful Christian, often travelling the five hours from Kanchanaburi to visit and bless the people at Lat Krabang Anglican Church. Fon's father says he is a Christian but has not been baptized yet.

Fon responded to God's call to full-time ministry after she graduated from university in 2017. In July 2019, Fon's family came to Singapore with her to send her to study at Singapore Bible College. Benz is currently a Youth Worker at LKAC and hopes to enrol in a Singapore seminary within the next two years.

It is incredible what the Lord has done for Fon and her family in five short years. They have come out of darkness into His marvellous light! ✝

Naphamas Chiangthong (Fon) with her parents and brother (Benz)





THE DIOCESAN MISSIONARY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (MDP)

An Introduction

by Mr James Tan, Head of Missions Department

The Diocese of Singapore has the privilege and joy to be a steward of the gospel, particularly in Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Nepal, Thailand and Vietnam. The opportunities are tremendous for advancing God's Kingdom across these six deanery countries, which have a combined mission field of nearly 500 million people of diverse cultures and languages. Correspondingly, the need for willing and able labourers is also high.

Our long-term goal is to help the Anglican communities of these six nations mature into dioceses. One strategy is to invest in long-term missionaries who will live, serve and labour alongside our indigenous brothers and sisters.

Since January this year, a work group has begun meeting regularly at the Diocese's Missions Hub in St Andrew's Village, to conceptualise a Diocesan Missionary Development Programme (MDP). The work group has two primary goals.

The first is to empower our parishes to raise, train and send faithful and godly missionaries to the deaneries, as part of catalysing the indigenous growth and maturity in these countries.

The second is to establish a diocesan missionary training, deployment and care system that is robust and sustainable, so that our missionaries can pursue their God-given call and serve Him more effectively.

Prior to the work group's formation, the Missions Department spent some six months conducting "demand and supply" research. We interviewed the

leadership of each deanery country to understand the system gaps and long-term missionary needs. We had in-depth conversations with a cross-section of our local churches to better appreciate their various aspirations and challenges of raising, training and sustaining missionaries. We also spent time consulting several established missions agencies such as Campus Crusade (Cru), Interserve, Overseas Missionary Fellowship (OMF), and Operation Mobilisation (OM), to learn about their operating models and explore prospects for collaboration.

Much exciting work remains to be done in the weeks and months ahead, and the work group intends to continue consulting and engaging with our parishes in the design process.

"Developing a shared purpose in the family is crucial, so we would like to involve more stakeholders. If every Anglican parish and congregation in Singapore can be challenged to raise and send one or more missionaries from within its community, then we can have a strong missionary cadre to serve our deanery nations and accelerate the process of evangelism and discipleship", said Revd Canon Yee Ching Wah, the Director of Missions and leader of the work group.

If you desire to participate actively in shaping the Anglican MDP's design process, please email missions@anglican.org.sg about your interest. ✚



ACROSS UPDATE 2020

by Revd Michael Teh, Chairman of ACROSS

ACROSS exists to provide crucial support in times of crises to countries affected by natural or man-made disasters. We have witnessed over the last 18 years how relief efforts provided by ACROSS have seen thousands giving their lives to Jesus Christ.

Relief to countries affected by Covid-19

The pandemic has caused great distress to so many countries across the globe. ACROSS helped in the following ways:

1. Supported our deanery countries of Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Nepal and Thailand (The Deanery of Vietnam had graciously offered to give their share to the Deanery of Indonesia). [The Missions Board (MB) approved a total of S\$60K]
2. Supported the appeal for funds by the National Council of Churches of Singapore to help the churches in Hubei, China. [MB approved S\$20K]
3. Supported Singapore in the "Our Dorm, My Home" project and St Andrew's Cathedral's supply of vitamins to selected dormitories. [MB approved a total of about S\$56K. Project is still on-going.]
4. Supported the appeal from Bishop Raphael Samuel for Bolivia. [MB approved USD15K. This amount is inclusive of S\$5K contribution from St James' Church]

Relief to countries affected by other disasters

ACROSS provided other relief support to the following countries:

1. Supported another urgent appeal for help for ACROSS' work at Sanamsay, Laos. [MB approved S\$10K]
2. Supported the appeal from the Diocese of Jerusalem for their work in Beirut after the terrible blast at the Beirut port centre in August 2020. [MB approved USD20K, inclusive of S\$5K contribution from St James' Church]

It is with a deep sense of gratitude to our Almighty God that ACROSS is able to provide support to those in distress.

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JESUS SAID,
 "IN THE SAME WAY, LET YOUR
 LIGHT SHINE BEFORE OTHERS,
 THAT THEY MAY SEE YOUR
 GOOD DEEDS AND GLORIFY
 YOUR FATHER IN HEAVEN."

MATTHEWS 5:16

SERVE 2020 CORE



SERVE

2020

by Cherie Cheong, Youth Coordinator

The SERVE Programme 2020 had a rhythm that was vastly different from previous years. In January, the staff team ran at full pace to implement, concurrently and for the first time, a separate (Core) Programme and an (Extended) Programme.

Our inaugural three-week Core Programme targeted youths who had completed their GCE O-Levels and were waiting to enrol in a junior college, as well as youths who had to enlist for National Service in the earlier part of the year.

Chia Zhi Qin (St John's - St Margaret's Church) who was awaiting enlistment, joined the Core Programme to learn more about God and what it means to be an Anglican, to make new friends within the Anglican community and learn new skills to be a better steward in church. At the end of the programme, he shared that the experiences

he went through surpassed his expectations.

The session on Anglicanism taught by Revd Ian Chew deeply impacted him. He learnt that 'a Parish takes care of its community, not just its members'. He began to realise the significance of the work that parishes do to reach out to the community. This challenged him to be more involved in his parish.

Daniel Wong (Church of the Good Shepherd) from the Extended Programme, was grateful to engage in topics such as Law & Grace, Identity in Christ and A Biblical Perspective on Homosexuality. These were concepts that he felt he was able to grasp and appreciate at a deeper level in this SERVE setting. During the SERVE retreat, Daniel felt challenged to pursue God actively. He felt God saying to him regarding his level of faith and perseverance, 'Even if it hurts, will you still praise me?'

The Extended Programme comprised our regular full-day sessions of teachings, group discussions, mission trip preparation, and two weeks of community attachment at various Anglican community services.

Unfortunately, the COVID-19 situation affected part of the Extended Programme. Instead of going on their overseas mission trip, the SERVERs helped out at the St Andrew's Boarding House.

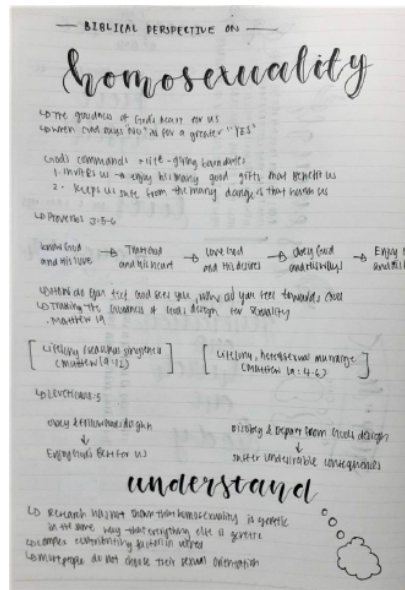
Harold Tan (All Saints' Church) shared that his interactions with the students at the Boarding House made him reflect on the child-like faith he used to have. 'The boys rarely had any doubts or questions on how they were going to do the things they wanted to accomplish. It made me remember the times where God did make things work out, and how He was there since the start, and how He has been faithful all these years.'

It was quite the roller coaster ride this year for the staff team and the SERVERs due to the uncertainties and changes that cropped up. But Harold spoke for all of us when he said, 'My experiences in SERVE reminded me that God is an active God. And He is working in me and my circumstances even when I cannot see it or feel it. I left this programme knowing that I have a perfect identity and a perfect God'.

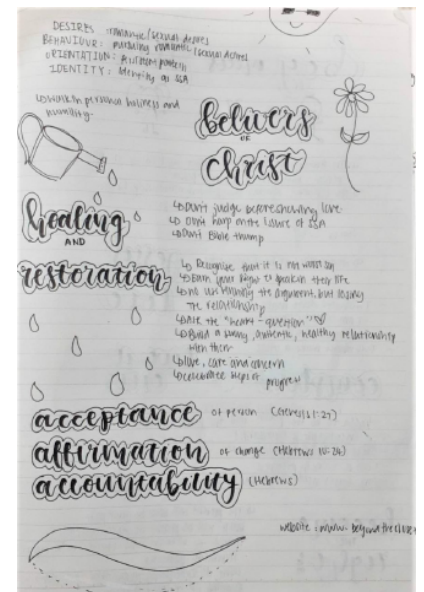
We thank God for being faithful and we trust that everything worked out for His glory and purpose. The staff team appreciates the session speakers and Emmanuel Phuntsog (MPCC), who helped as a mentor, and contributed so positively to both programmes.



A teaching session for the SERVE Core



Session notes by Eleanor Teo (CHS)



The SERVE 2020 Extended Programme Graduation



The Extended Programme SERVERs at their retreat



Registrations for SERVE 2021 is ongoing and will close in mid-December. If you need more information, please email the DYB staff at dyb@anglican.org.sg.

TOPIC	SPEAKER	AFFILIATION
The Lordship of Christ	Rev Jonathan Wong	Priest, Church of the Good Shepherd
Prayer	Rev James Singh	Lecturer, Tung Ling Bible School - School of Ministry
Disciple making - Core Programme	Mr Aaron Cheng	Youth Pastor, Church of the True Light
Disciple making - Extended Programme	Rev Bertram Cheong	Priest, Westside Anglican Church
Character Formation	Mrs Cherlie Cheong	Coordinator, Diocesan Youth Board
Personal Bible Study - Core Programme	Mr Lim Weiyi	Youth Pastor, Yishun Christian Church (Anglican)
Personal Bible Study - Extended Programme	Rev Glenn Chan	Deacon, St James' Church
Old Testament Book Study - Micah	Rev Charles Tewer	Vicar, My Saviours' Church
Evangelism	Mr Liong Kwok Wai	Lecturer, East Asia School of Theology
Christian Community - Core Programme	Rev Joseph You	Priest, Church of Our Saviour
Christian Community - Extended Programme	Rev Hambali Leonardi	Priest, St Andrew's Cathedral
"The Fear of the Lord Servant Leadership God and Money - Extended Programme"	Rev Christopher Chan	Chairman, Diocesan Youth Board
Anglicanism	Rev Ian Chew	Deacon, Chapel of the Resurrection
Apologetics	Mr Max Jeganathan	Director, Ravi-Zacharias International Ministries Asia Pacific
Love Buzz - Core Programme	Mr Leon Stewart	Youth Pastor, St Paul's Church
Boy meets Girl - Extended Programme	Mr Amos Tan	Youth Pastor, Chapel of Christ the Redeemer
The Personhood and Work of the Holy Spirit - Extended Programme	Rev David Lee	Vicar, Chapel of the Resurrection
Leadership Principles from the Book of Nehemiah - Extended Programme	Mr Loke Chi Shyan	Pastoral Staff, Chapel of the Resurrection
Worldviews - Extended Programme	Ms Jillian Lee	Principal, Sterling Campus
Law and Grace - Extended Programme	Rev Daniel Tong	Vicar, St Andrew's Community Chapel
The Father Heart of God - Extended Programme	Rev Daniel Lim	Priest, Church of the Ascension
SERVE Retreat: Identity & Destiny	Mr Christopher Ho Mr Amos Tan	Pastoral Staff, Church of Our Saviour Youth Pastor, Chapel of Christ the Redeemer"
A Biblical Perspective on Homosexuality - Extended Programme	Mr Raphael Zhang	Focus on the Family
New Testament Book Study - James - Extended Programme	Ms Cynthia Tan	Staff, East Asia School of Theology

OTHER DYB EVENTS IN 2020 in the midst of the Covid-19 restrictions

While the COVID-19 pandemic threw most of us a curveball, we managed to convert some of our planned events to virtual meetings. We brought online our planned youth pastors and leaders' training for both topics 'Thinking Strategically in Ministry Leadership' and 'Mentoring'. We were glad to have a higher-than-usual attendance for these sessions.

The COVID-19 restrictions also limited the

youth pastors' annual August gathering to a meetup via Zoom. Nevertheless, we had a great time of comradery and fellowship, with time spent in small groups to pray for one another.

While our young adult event originally planned for September had to be cancelled, some of the pastoral staff and leaders who oversee young adult ministries came together and planned for a series of talks for young adult to be held in November 2020. (insert publicity for Heart to Heart).

Despite this year's difficult circumstances, we thank God for technology that enable us to continue meeting for fellowship and training. ✚

heart to
heart



WAITING & DATING

Navigate love life with fellow young adults (aged 21-35)
through this 2-part series of Zoom talks.

#1 Single-Minded: Stewarding Singleness with Purpose

Date/Time: 21 Nov 2020, 2pm-4pm

Speaker: Raphael Zhang

Focus on the Family



#2 Dating Myths

Date/Time: 28 Nov 2020, 2pm-4pm

Speaker: Quek Shiwei

Director

Kallos Ministry



Register at: tinyurl.com/heart2heart2020

Organised by the Diocesan Youth Board

A N G L I C A N S C H O O L S



*Mdm Lee Lin Yee (centre, in grey top),
former Principal of St Margaret's Secondary
School*

The Diocese wishes to express our heartfelt appreciation and thanks to Mdm Lee Lin Yee, who was the Principal of St Margaret's Secondary School from 2015 to 2019, for her dedication, sterling work, outstanding leadership and invaluable contributions. During her tenure, Mdm Lee also very ably coordinated ACTS (Anglican Character Thinking and Service) Leadership efforts among the Anglican school principals. We wish her and her family God's blessings as she embarks on an exciting new chapter in her work.

The Diocese also warmly welcomes Ms Linda Lim, who took over from Mdm Lee from 15 December 2019 as the new Principal of St Margaret's Secondary School. Ms Lim was the Vice-Principal of the school since 2017. *Ms Linda Lim, current Principal of St Margaret's Secondary School*



RUN WITH ENDURANCE, The 85th Anniversary Celebrations of St Hilda's Schools RACE WITH JOY

HUMBLE BEGINNINGS

Founded in 1934 by Archdeacon Graham White, St Hilda's School and St Hilda's Church had their humble beginnings at Ceylon Road. The two-storey bungalow was occupied by Bethel English School, a private school for boys which Archdeacon White took over. In May 1935, he rented the house next door to open a school for girls. Miss Chia Ah Moy became the first headmistress and church worker.

In 1936, the far-sighted Archdeacon White felt that renting these properties would not provide certainty for the future of the school and church. He dug into his savings to make the down payment and took a loan to meet the bulk of the costs of purchasing the properties. He called it "the planting of a grain of mustard seed".

It was only in 1938 that Bethel English School became St Hilda's School, named after St Hilda, the founding abbess of a monastery at Whitby, England. St Hilda's values of devotion to God and faithful stewardship of lives continue to inspire Hildans today.

Fearing that he would not survive the Japanese Occupation, Archdeacon White crafted a trust deed to transfer his ownership of the properties and the school to the Anglican Diocese. The deed

also detailed his vision for the school to provide "the education of children of all races and creeds".

During the Second World War, the school came under the jurisdiction of the Japanese military authorities and functioned as a Japanese school. After the War, the school became one of the first private schools to re-open. It had a staff of 20 teachers for an enrolment of 615 mostly overaged girls and boys.

1950 marked a significant milestone for St Hilda's School when the government accorded it Grant-in-Aid status. The boys were asked to transfer to neighbouring schools, and St Hilda's School became an all-girls' institution.

The school grew over the years. By the mid-1980s, despite numerous extensions and additions to the facilities, it became evident that it had outgrown its premises at Ceylon Road. The Diocesan Education Board, in consultation with the Ministry of Education, reached a decision to relocate the school to a site offered by the government in Tampines New Town.

With the completion of the new school buildings, St Hilda's School began a new chapter in 1989. It began operating as St Hilda's Primary School (SHPS) and St Hilda's Secondary School



Archival photo of St Hilda's School circa 1940

(SHSS). Both were co-educational and had their respective principals: Ms Foo Pee Pee, the principal of SHPS, and Mrs A Abraham, the principal of SHSS and who oversaw the move to the new campus.

Funds raised by the Diocese of Singapore went towards the construction of Chapel of Christ the Redeemer (CCR) church building on the school campus. Today, CCR oversees the chaplaincy work of both schools.

GOD'S FAITHFULNESS THROUGH THE GENERATIONS

In 2019, the same year that Singapore commemorated its Bicentennial, St Hilda's Schools celebrated their 85th Anniversary with the theme Run with Endurance, Race with Joy. The occasion brought together various stakeholders from the school's past and present to helm four key events: a Carnival, Founder's Day, Hildan Vision Night and Gala Dinner.

SCHOOL CARNIVAL

The St Hilda's Schools Carnival on 9 March 2019 kicked off their 85th Anniversary celebrations. The theme for this event was a line taken from the school song of both schools. In Service and Brotherhood and Love speaks very much about the schools' values.

To live out these longstanding values and continue the schools' heritage of connecting and contributing to the community, the carnival aimed to raise funds for the Singapore Anglican Community Services, St Andrew's Community Hospital, and St Andrew's Mission Hospital.

The carnival was a wonderful opportunity for the Hildan family to celebrate and work together. Together with staff of both schools, Chapel of Christ the Redeemer, St Hilda's Alumni and the Parent Support Group (PSG) members of both schools contributed generously and actively to provide food, games and carnival rides. Everyone worked hard in the sale of carnival coupons. Members of the School Management Committee and Alumni, and church members from Anglican churches donated coupons

Beyond sponsoring financially-needy students from both schools, there were enough donated coupons to bless children and beneficiaries from charitable organisations who joined us for a day of enjoyment. Collectively, the Hildan family raised a total of \$100, 000.

Besides the opportunity to fund-raise, the carnival gave various student groups learning opportunities to apply what they have learnt in their curriculum and co-curriculum to design carnival workshops and other aspects of the event. Carnival-goers, including Guest-of-Honour Minister Heng Swee Keat, got to enjoy a wide variety of student performances. These included



Guest-of-Honour Minister Heng Swee Keat participating at the Art Experience Station and Games Station

Reader's Theatre, a K-Pop dance, a handbells performance and a joint production by Choir, Drama and Band.

FOUNDER'S DAY

On 12 April 2019, St Hilda's schools celebrated Founder's Day as a family with three key highlights.

In line with its theme Together, One and All, the school appreciated its past and heritage through reflections on Archdeacon Graham White's contributions and curated Hildan stories. It celebrated the present with Hildan talents and performances put together by various aesthetics Co-Curricular Activities (CCA) groups. It also anticipated the future through our Guest-of-Honour Venerable Wong Tak Meng, Archdeacon of Community Services of the Diocese of Singapore, who inspired everyone to lead the school into the future as a Hildan community.

It was a meaningful and memorable experience for all who were involved. "I got to learn more about our school's rich history and culture, making the overall experience both enriching and fun. I also have a new-found pride of being a Hildan," said



Official opening of Our Hildan Garden by Ven Wong Tak Meng



Top: Guest-of-Honour Ven Wong Tak Meng

Middle: Head Prefects and Student Council Presidents

Above: SHPS and SHSS Choir

Adelle Neo, a primary five SHPS student councillor who volunteered as an usher.

Gloria Vadukkoot Chacko, a secondary two Hildan Chorale member, shared that she was delighted to perform for the guests. "It was a very special experience and the happy expressions on the audience's faces warmed my heart. This memorable event made me proud to be a Hildan."

Previous years' head prefects and student council presidents of both schools joined in the celebrations and re-connected with the school. Sophie Ann Hoo, President of the SHSS Student Council in 2011, reflected, "It was a time of nostalgia for me. I was so happy to catch up with my fellow friends and teachers through this reunion!"

Mrs Helen Tan, School Management Committee Vice-Chairman, who graduated from the Ceylon Road campus, expressed her gratitude to the team for their hard work to put together a very memorable event. She reflected, "It was a wonderful opportunity to give thanks to God for His enduring love over St Hilda's Schools since its founding."

The event ended with the official opening of Our Hildan Garden by Ven Wong, who unveiled a plaque inscribed with the bible verse from Isaiah 40:8. Various stakeholders watered the plants in the garden to symbolise how different stakeholders have, together, nurtured Hildans with the necessary love and care to Go Forward.

HILDAN VISION NIGHT

Hildan Vision Night (HVN) was started in 2016 by Venerable Wong Tak Meng, the Acting Vicar of CCR at that time.

He had envisioned it as an opportunity to bring together current and former students, the teachers and parents, and members of St Hilda's Church and Chapel of Christ the Redeemer, to highlight the schools' heritage and celebrate God's goodness.

Since then, HVN has become an annual affair on the school calendar, and a homecoming for



Worshipping and praying as one family

graduates and former staff. They are occasions for Hildans to gather as a family to share each other's testimonies, prayers and journeys, and recognize the roles that each stakeholder plays to fulfill God's calling for St Hilda's Schools.

HVN 2019 focused on moving Forward and Upward. It included a time of praise and worship and a short exhortation by school chaplain, Revd Victor Teo. It also featured videos and testimonies by alumni, current students, parents and school leaders. The Guest-of-Honour, Revd Joshua Sudharman, Education Board Chairman, encouraged both the schools and the church to continue in their shared rich heritage.

The memorable evening ended meaningfully with singing of the school song led by Ms Gladys Chia, an alumna in her seventies from St Hilda's Girl's School in Ceylon Road. She was accompanied on the piano by Mrs Lily Tow, another alumna from Ceylon Road.

A parent commented, "It was very heartening to see so many different parents, teachers, students and volunteers who came forward to share their journey, testimonies and joys."

THANKSGIVING GALA DINNER

The Thanksgiving Gala Dinner marked the celebratory finale. Hosted by the St Hilda's School Alumni, it saw more than five hundred guests turn up in resplendent "black and gold" at the Marina Mandarin Hotel Ballroom on 15 November 2019 for a great time of reconnecting and reminiscing.

Sharing the occasion were Guest-of-Honour, Bishop Rennis Ponniah, and special guests, Sister Anita and Sister Dorothy, nuns of the Order of the Holy Paraclete from St Hilda's Priory in Whitby, UK. Guests were treated to an evening of music by the SHPS Strings Ensemble, the SHSS Handbell Ensemble, the CCR Praise and Worship Team, and alumnus Isaac Ong. Exclusively designed commemorative tote bags and collar pins were on sale at the event.

St Hilda's School Principals Mrs Daphne Yeoh and Mrs Janice Lim said in agreement, "As we celebrate 85 years of God's faithfulness and honour Graham White's legacy as one Hildan family, we look forward to continue to build together so that our Hildan legacy can live on."

Regardless of what the future may hold, St Hilda's schools will Go Forward together in service and brotherhood and love, to serve our Lord and to serve others because is the Christian's choice!



SHSS Handbell Ensemble



Gala Dinner guests



ONE FAMILY UNBROKEN TO GLORIFY THY NAME

By Mr Thomas Tham, Vice Principal of St Andrew's Junior School

I firmly believe that God had a plan for me, even before I started my education and career in St Andrew's School.

My younger brother and I grew up in a traditional Chinese family. My Chinese-speaking parents had little formal education, and they were Taoists who continued the practice of ancestral worship passed down to them from earlier generations. They did not know anyone who studied in St Andrew's. Nonetheless, they believed that a Christian education at St Andrew's would benefit their sons, and went to great lengths to enrol me in St Andrew's Junior School (SAJS). Three years later, my brother joined me.

God Prepared The Way

Although I didn't get the chance to attend church or Sunday school as a child, God provided me with a nurturing spiritual environment. I was reciting the Lord's Prayer and singing hymns during morning assemblies and chapel periods before I could understand their significance. Participating in Religious Emphasis Week programmes were merely fun activities that meant we didn't have to attend lessons.

These 'rituals' eventually made sense to me when Mrs Maggie Vong, my P4 form teacher, invited students to her Saturday Bible Story Class. I didn't face any difficulty getting permission from my parents to attend this "Story Telling Class". These weekly classes helped me grow in my faith and understanding. At Primary 4, I said the prayer

of repentance and accepted Jesus into my life and started my personal walk with the Lord.

I continued to have teachers who provided me with spiritual guidance throughout my formative years. In St Andrew's Secondary School (SASS), I was blessed to have Mr Phua Kia Wang and the teachers who led Christian Fellowship. In St Andrew's Junior College (SAJC), Mrs Caroline Tan, the teacher-in-charge of Saints for Christ, was one of the significant people who inspired me to be an educator. She was also the one who impressed upon me to return and serve in St Andrew's. Ms Jacqueline Oehlers, who was the Principal of SAJS when I was completing my final year at the National Institute of Education (NIE), was keen to have me as a staff, but there was no vacancy for me. Providentially, I was offered a place in the NIE Honours programme. Ms Oehlers managed to secure a teaching post for me in 1997, right after I completed my Honours programme. I believe this was His divine timing.

Since then, God continues to watch over me and has allowed me to serve in St Andrew's Junior School for 22 very fulfilling years. I have had the privilege to serve under five principals, first as a teacher, then as a head of department, and currently as a vice principal.

God's Blessings

My parents were baptised a few years ago and are growing and actively serving in their church. Although my father attributes his salvation to a

sister-nurse who ministered to him during his stay in Mt Alvernia Hospital, I believe that seeds of faith were sown as he witnessed God's redemptive work in the lives of two Saints in the family.

Besides being thankful for the salvation of my household, I give thanks for the great privilege to be a *Saint*. Spending twelve of my formative years in St Andrew's has helped me acquire biblical and moral values that have guided me in life.

Returning to serve in St Andrew's has also yielded precious blessings of serving alongside some of my teachers, witnessing the completion of St Andrew's Village and celebrating the 150th anniversary of the school. I also got to witness first-hand the growth of my son in SAJS.

With my daughter currently enrolled in SAJC, and my wife an alumnus of SAJC, my family portrait of *Saints* is now complete.

What I Have Learnt As A Saint

(based on the School Hymn)

One family unbroken,
We join in one acclaim;
One heart, one voice uplifting
To glorify Thy name.

My cohort (Class of 87) had organised a gathering in 2017 to celebrate the 30th anniversary of our graduation from SASS. As we reconnected with friends, some of whom we had not met in decades, it was evident that we continue to embrace the differences amongst us, just like we did in the good old days when we gathered in the field to play football or hum-tum bola and differences in family backgrounds did not matter. We have remained One Family Unbroken even after 30 years.

The opportunity to work in St Andrew's has been wonderful. I have enjoyed working in an



environment where colleagues, parents, students and other stakeholders get to develop and exhibit a strong sense of belonging and loyalty.

I get to work alongside and be supported by *Saints* from different generations. There are *Saints* amongst parents and stakeholders, all with similar DNA and ethos. A distinctive St Andrew's trait is "inclusivity". Just like Christ who came for the poor and the sick, St Andrew's does not turn any student away. As an educator, I am glad and thankful that St Andrew's continues to go the extra mile for the underdogs. Regardless of race, ability, potential or family background, we remain *One Family Unbroken*.

They reaped not where they laboured,
We reap what they have sown;
Our harvest may be garnered,
By ages yet unknown.

At our gathering, the Class of '87 was inspired to bless new generations of *Saints*, and managed to raise the humble sum of \$30,000 to spruce up the new SAJS library. We hope to inspire our sons, as well as future generations of *Saints* to pay it forward too. We have been blessed by the missionaries who founded St Andrew's School, as well as the many generations of alumni before us. Lest we forget, we need to sow for the next generations to reap. As I serve God as an educator, I am aware that I may not get to celebrate the fruit of my labour. Yet, I know that what I do is worthwhile, meaningful and a privilege.

The days of old have dowered us
With gifts beyond all praise,
Our Father make us faithful
To serve the coming days.

I have faced many challenges and obstacles as an individual and as a member of Team SAJS. But God is good and gives me wisdom, strength and joy to serve Him faithfully. Past victories assure me, and Team SAJS encourages me that He will see us through every situation. I pray that I will be faithful and have the pleasure to serve Him in SAJS for many more years.

Passing It On

As a *Saint*, I believe in the St Andrew's motto that "No one is here by chance". I give thanks that I am part of the Saints Family. Many other St Andrew's alumni have been blessed growing up in St Andrew's. With this mutual sense of deep belonging and gratitude, many have come back to serve and contribute, like I have. My prayer remains for future generations of *Saints* to walk through the gates with gratitude and pride, and pass on the *Saints'* ethos to future community builders who bring blessings to others. ✚

EXPANDING OUR REACH OF CARE

By the SAMH-SACS Corporate Communications Team

St Andrew's Nursing Home (Aljunied)

St Andrew's Mission Hospital (SAMH) has been appointed by the Ministry of Health to manage a Build-Own-Lease nursing home in Aljunied.

Slated to begin operations in 2023*, the nine-storey nursing home will provide long-term nursing and rehabilitation care to 342 residents, including persons with dementia.

Providing Holistic Care to Seniors in the East

MOH has also appointed SAMH to be the integrated operator (IOP) of a nursing home and senior care centre in Tampines North, as well as a pair of active ageing hubs (AAHs) in Bedok (under the IOP scheme). The two AAHs at Bedok South and Bedok North aim to open their doors between 2021 to 2022*. Providing general and dementia day care, community rehabilitation, home care, as well as active ageing services, the AAHs will be able to serve up to 100 and 60 day care clients respectively.

Meanwhile, the nursing home and its co-located senior care centre (SCC) at Tampines North are scheduled to open in 2023*.

By 2023, SAMH and SACS will be able to serve a total of more than 2,000 nursing home residents and 600 day care clients island-wide.

With God's leading and guidance, SAMH and SACS will continue to carry out our vision of being a light in society, relieving suffering and enriching lives with His love.

*Timelines are subjected to further review due to the impact of Covid-19

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SAMH looks forward to serving more seniors in the community, with the nursing home at Aljunied being the sixth nursing home SAMH is operating in the Central region.

Artist's impression by MKPL Architects Pte Ltd



The nursing home at Tampines North will provide long-term residential, nursing and rehabilitation care for 277 residents whilst its co-located SCC will serve up to 60 day care clients.

JOURNEYING WITH GOD

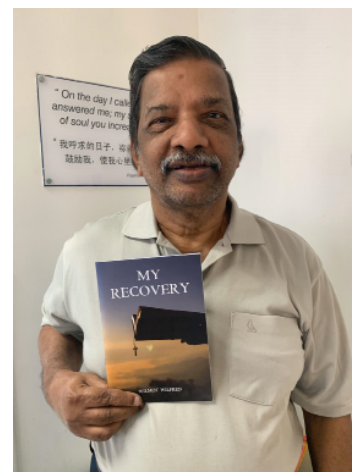
by St Andrew's Nursing Home (Buangkok)

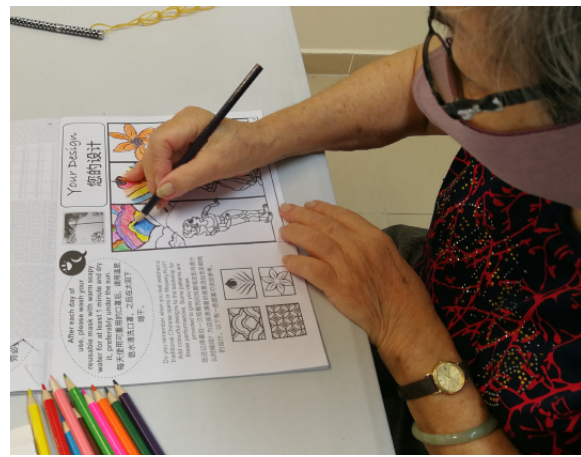
Mr W W, who has suffered from a mental health condition since 1978, was admitted to St Andrew's Nursing Home (Buangkok) in 2014.

A turning point in his recovery took place after counselling sessions with the nursing home chaplain, and he started praying and reading the bible again. This renewed faith in God, combined with his wife's weekly visits and lunch outings, as well as visits from his son and brother, helped motivate Mr W W to live life to the fullest.

He wrote his first book, entitled My Journey about his life experiences, which was printed in March 2019.

His second book, My Recovery was released in December 2019. In it, he shared about coming to terms with life and realizing that God's purpose for him is to live a more meaningful life. His two books have been distributed to many beneficiaries.





ASC (Havelock) serves as a communal space where seniors can keep physically and mentally active through an array of active ageing programmes, such as morning exercises, art activities, and cognitive stimulation games.

Regular client Mdm Han said, "I enjoy coming here to learn new things, exercise, and play games with other seniors!"

BUILDING A COMMUNITY FOR HAVELOCK VIEW SENIORS

by the Anglican Senior Centre (Havelock) Team

Aligned to help meet the growing needs of our ageing population, Singapore Anglican Community Services started operating its fifth senior activity centre, Anglican Senior Centre (ASC) (Havelock), in June 2020, amidst challenging times brought about by the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Together with our volunteers and community partners such as St Matthew's Church, ASC (Havelock) sets forth to serve the Havelock View community with love.

Another regular client, Mdm Lee, is glad to have this centre in her neighbourhood. "I was

very bored living alone at home. Now, I can come here to watch dramas and play bingo with my new friends!"

ASC (Havelock) also connects seniors to relevant care resources, and monitors the Alert and Alarm System (AAS) that assists elderly residents in the vicinity in the event of a fall or other emergencies at home.

For more information about ASC (Havelock), please call 6694 0967 or email asc_havelock@sacs.org.sg. 📞

In compliance with the Ministry of Health's COVID-19 advisory, the centre has been running its programmes in small groups over shorter time durations to ensure client safety while keeping them engaged. Safe distancing guidelines are also adhered during group activities such as screening of drama series.





Aerial view of SJSM Village, with the nursing home building in the foreground (under construction).

Preparing Hearts for the Opening of SJSM VILLAGE

by Christina Leong, member of St John’s - St Margaret’s Church

In the making for seven years, St John’s - St Margaret’s (SJSM) Nursing Home looks forward to opening its doors to welcome its first resident. Situated together with a childcare centre within SJSM Village, this fulfils the church’s vision for Project Spring-Winter (PSW) to bring the young and old together in a multi-generational setting where they can interact, build relationships and learn from one another. So named to reflect the seasons of life, PSW is a community service initiative of SJSM Church that will transform the ministry and mission of the parish.

Located within the Dover community, the new SJSM Village will cater to 273 nursing home residents, over 80 seniors at the Senior Day Care, and up to 200 pre-schoolers at its childcare centre.

The eldercare services will come under the umbrella of St Andrew’s Mission Hospital (SAMH) as the appointed Nursing Home Operator, while the childcare services will be managed as a Little Seeds Preschool by St James’ Preschool Services (pro-tem Anglican Preschool Services), which currently operates 17 pre-school centres, including three St James’ Church Kindergarten campuses.

Supported by many church members who want to serve the young and old in this village, the PSW Volunteer Committee and the SJSM Church Chinese congregation organized Befriender Training and visits to SAMH nursing homes for their volunteers to get exposure in befriending seniors. These trainees get the opportunity to share their

experiences at a regular forum called Kampung Gathering. They also get to listen to talks by experts to learn about dementia care. In preparation for the opening of SJSM Nursing Home, many volunteers have formed various interest groups to plan future ward activities and prepare welcome kits to bless every nursing home resident.

When construction of the SJSM Village is completed, it will be filled with a buzz of activities to welcome the seniors, children, staff and Dover community to experience God’s love and blessing.✚

Participants at a Kampung Gathering



SAMH-SACS NURSES' DAY CELEBRATION

by the SAMH-SACS Corporate Communications Team



In view of the COVID-19 situation, the programme was livestreamed via Google Meet and staff joined in remotely for the online celebration from different locations.

The Rt Revd Rennis Ponniah, then Bishop of Singapore and President of SAMH-SACS, was the guest-of-honour. He was accompanied by Bishop-Designate Revd Canon Dr Titus Chung.

On 24 July 2020, staff and management of SAMH-SACS commemorated Nurses' Day together for the first time through de-centralised celebrations.

In his opening message, Bishop Rennis Ponniah thanked our nurses for their hard work and perseverance in caring for those we serve during the COVID-19 pandemic.

He said, "You have made us proud by the way you have lovingly, competently and compassionately served all under our care. You have treated them as persons who need love, care and hope with the sympathetic trademark touch of SAMH and SACS. We thank God for your dedication."

Sharing from Jeremiah 29:11, Bishop Rennis encouraged SAMH-SACS to be assured in God's goodness, not to lose heart, and to continue seeking the welfare of our nation through these challenging times.

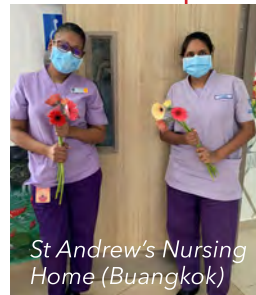
We give thanks to God for the opportunity to celebrate our nursing staff together as one SAMH-SACS family, despite the challenges of COVID-19. May we all continue living out our calling with compassion and good cheer, to bring hope to every patient and make a difference in their lives!

The nursing care staff of SAMH-SACS were also blessed with gifts of Gerbera daisies from the Rotary International District 3310.

Thank you, Rotary International District 3310 for your lovely gesture of appreciation, as well as Rotary Club of Queenstown Singapore for making this happen.



St Andrew's Senior Care (Tampines)



St Andrew's Nursing Home (Buangkok)



Anglican Senior Centre (Hillview)



St Andrew's Adult Home (Sengkang)



St Andrew's Senior Care (JOY Connect)



St Andrew's Community Hospital



St Andrew's Nursing Home (Henderson)



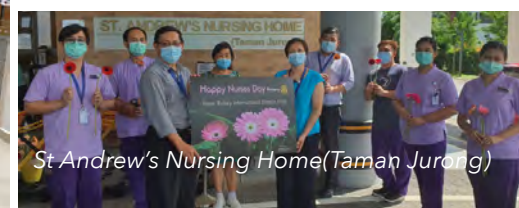
St Andrew's Nursing Home (Queenstown)



St Andrew's Senior Care (Henderson)



St Andrew's Senior Care (Queenstown)



St Andrew's Nursing Home (Taman Jurong)

NURSES' MERIT AWARD 2020: Living Out God's Love

by St Andrew's Nursing Home (Buangkok) and the SAMH-SACS Corporate Communications Teams

We are overjoyed that Ms Suzanna Ho, Nurse Manager, St Andrew's Nursing Home (SANH) (Buangkok), as well as Ms Arlene Dergam Aleta, Nurse Manager, St Andrew's Community Hospital (SACH), were awarded the Nurses' Merit Award 2020.

Since 1976, the Nurses' Merit Award is presented by the Ministry of Health (MOH) to nurses who have displayed noteworthy and exceptional performance, participated in professional development, and contributed to raising the standard of the nursing profession. The Bishop-Designate Revd Canon Dr Titus Chung presented the award recipients with a certificate and MOH badge pin during the SAMH-SACS Nurses' Day Virtual Celebration on 24 July 2020.



1. What inspired you to become a nurse?

I made the decision to sign up for the Nanyang Polytechnic Nursing course on the last day of registration. That was also the day I made the decision to become a Christian. I believe that being a nurse is my calling. I want to give all glory and praise to God because apart from Him, I am nothing.

Even though I struggled academically and failed my Primary School Leaving Examination, repeated a year of school and fared badly for my GCE O-levels, with God's grace and strength, I completed my Diploma, and later, my Degree in Nursing. I thank God that I have this chance to shine for Him later in my life.

2. What are some lessons you have learned as a nurse?

As nurses, we meet people from all walks of life. It is important to stay professional, show empathy and remain composed in challenging situations.

Patients and residents have taught me many valuable lessons. I recall caring for a young cancer patient whose wife and young child stayed by his side till his last moment. From this, I have learnt to treasure my loved ones, to appreciate and live life to the fullest, and be resilient to persevere on through challenging times.

1. What inspired you to become a nurse?

My mother encouraged me to pursue nursing because she felt that nursing better suited my caring and patient personality compared to my initial interest in computer science.

2. What challenges have you encountered as a nurse and how did you overcome it?

When I first started serving at SACH, I had struggled to understand my patients' needs due to language differences. Through classes conducted by SACH, I learnt new languages such as Mandarin, Malay and Hokkien, which enabled me to communicate better with patients and build stronger rapport with them.

3. What has been your most fulfilling experience as a nurse?

Being at the frontline in a COVID-19 ward was most fulfilling for me in my 15-year nursing career. This experience moulded me to be more decisive, led me to value teamwork even more, and to trust God for strength and wisdom.

MAKE ME A BLESSING TO SOMEONE TODAY

by St Andrew's Senior Care (Henderson) and Anglican Senior Centre (Hillview) Teams

'In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.' – Matthew 5:16

To most people, senior care centres are places where the elderly receive care because they are frail and vulnerable. But there are some in their midst who give, not just receive. They pay it forward with acts of kindness that have not gone unnoticed.

Mdm Kong is a regular at Anglican Senior Centre (Hillview) - a feisty elderly lady who greets staff with a chirpy "Good morning!" whenever she is wheeled in. One morning, when she learnt that Mdm Ang, another senior at the centre, was limping because of a fall, Mdm Kong tenderly held her hands and prayed with her.

It was a heart-warming scene that reflected the Apostle Paul's teaching in his first epistle to the Corinthians that we make up the whole body of Christ. When one member suffers, all suffer together; and if one member is honoured, all rejoice together (1 Corinthians 12:26).

Mdm Helen is another regular at the centre, who travels there with other seniors by chartered transport. Strolling in one day with her hands full with multiple bags and more slung across her body, she had explained that she was carrying them for the others whom she observed had difficulties walking with their loads.

Despite some weakness in her own legs, Mdm Helen had also stopped to assist another senior who was wheelchair-bound before walking back to her own activity area. Such is the altruistic and unassuming character of Mdm Helen, a quiet encourager who goes out of her way to show her love and compassion to others.

From the day he was admitted to St Andrew's Senior Care (Henderson) in 2018, the late Mr Patrick Khoo took it upon himself to cheer up those who were sad. Although he was wheelchair-bound and diagnosed with dementia, these challenges did not dampen Mr Patrick's desire to offer a listening ear and counsel the downcast and depressed. He prayed for them and encouraged them to commit their cares to God. His affable nature and grandfatherly ways helped him connect easily with fellow seniors and staff. Those he counselled were always full of praise and gratitude towards this 92-year old nonagenarian for his gentleness and kindness.

When we spend enough time in senior care centres, we get the chance to see those whom society deems weak and needy bless each other. Each client is, in their special way, truly a blessing.✚

Mdm Kong



Mdm Helen



Mr Patrick Khoo



BLESSINGS

AMIDST THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

by the St Andrew's Nursing Home (Queenstown) Team

In a bid to protect the safety of residents, visitors, volunteers and staff of St Andrew's Nursing Home (SANH) (Queenstown), visitations and physical volunteer activities came to a temporary halt in compliance with the Ministry of Health (MOH)'s advisory amidst the COVID-19 pandemic.

During this challenging period, SANH (Queenstown) and St Andrew's Senior Care (SASC) (Queenstown) were blessed with gifts of appreciation and encouragement from our anchor parish, Church of Our Savior (COOS).

SANH (Queenstown) is grateful for the love and support we have received from our anchor parish in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic. With God's guidance and grace as well as close collaboration with our partners, we will continue to journey faithfully through challenges that lie ahead to serve the community. ✝



Led by Mr Johnny Wee and his wife, Dorothy, Bukit Batok (BB122) Cell Group from COOS crafted colourful mementos to appreciate the staff of SANH (Queenstown) and SASC (Queenstown) for their hard work.



Revd Daniel Wee, Vicar of Church of Our Savior, presented a memento to Mr Chan Wah Tiong, Executive Director of SANH (Queenstown), as a gesture of the anchor parish's unwavering support for the nursing home.



The mementos were personalized with names of our staff, as well as an encouraging message to spur them on.

SERVING THOSE WITH AUTISM

by the St Andrew's Autism Centre Corporate Communications Team

Thanks to a partnership with the Diocese Youth Board and their annual SERVE Programme, groups of youths have had the opportunity to volunteer at St Andrew's Autism Centre (SAAC) in the past nine years.

On 10 February this year, six SERVERs from various Anglican churches aged between 16 and 20 showed up eagerly for a two-week volunteering stint. During this time, they got to experience being extra pairs of eyes and hands for the teachers at St Andrew's Autism School, and for the coaches at the Day Activity Centre (Siglap).

The youths were forthright with their reflections about their experience and personal growth, which we would like to share here. We hope their sincere sharing can contribute to how our Anglican community understands and views autism.

It was a pleasure for us at SAAC to have this year's SERVERs join us in our work for their community service attachment. The growth in their understanding of autism, and their appreciation and support for people on the autism spectrum are what we hope everyone in society can experience. Let us continue to step forward and embrace and serve our autism community.

Daniel guiding a student in letter tracing, marveling at how well she wrote with just some help.



How has your understanding of autism changed since you started volunteering? What has shaped these changes?

"At first, I had the impression that all people with autism are always in their own world, and behave in socially inappropriate ways. I thought they are incapable of working and taking care of themselves. However, my experiences at the SAAC totally changed my views. There were so many instances where the students and clients functioned and achieved beyond my expectations."

~ Harold Tan, 16 years old ~

"I realised that it was important to respect the freedom of people with autism, and help them to grow in independence. I learnt this by watching how the teachers and coaches treat the students and clients with love and respect but without pampering them, which led to their growth and maturity over time."

~ Joash Lee, 18 years old ~

"When I observe the teachers and coaches showing love and patience to the students and clients, I see God's love displayed through them. No matter how the world views autism, at SAAC we see them as people who have value and are able to live with dignity."

~ Keven Chua, 20 years old ~

Were there endearing or touching moments?

"There was this time when one of the children came up to me and gave me a quick hug around my legs. Though I was momentarily startled, I felt this warm feeling that helped me realise that these children are so friendly and loving, and so special in God's eyes. They cherish everything around them, including what others may deem as insignificant."

~ Eleanor Teo, 16 years old ~

Do you have any words of encouragement for the staff at SAAC and the friends with autism whom you have gotten to know?

"I want to encourage the teachers and coaches not to worry about tomorrow and to lift their troubles to the Lord (Matthew 6:34). And to those with autism: You don't need the whole world to love you. You only need to know how much God loves you. He loves you more than you can ever imagine."

~ Eleanor Teo, 16 years old ~

"I want to say to the staff that I am very thankful for what they do every day. Do not give up and press on! Your work in this field will definitely bear fruit in the lives of those you serve."

~ Harold Tan, 16 years old ✚

HEARTS OF SERVICE

SERVING THE LORD IN THE FIELD OF AUTISM

by the St Andrew's Autism Centre Corporate Communications Team

St Andrew's Autism Centre (SAAC) welcomed new leadership at the helm in May this year with the appointment of Mr Bernard Chew as its Chief Executive Officer. He succeeds Mr Dennis Ang who has served as CEO since 2011 and retired after more than eight years in the service.

The transitional months were challenging times that coincided with the first impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. The usual operations were thrown into disarray, with multiple changes to rules and guidelines as the nation moved through the various phases of managing the pandemic. Although newly appointed, Bernard led the organisation through those very challenging times with Dennis' support, and with courage, conviction and clarity.

Courage, conviction and clarity are values that Bernard firmly believes a strategic leader should lead with and exemplify. He developed this belief through his various leadership roles in the education sector as a school principal and as Director of Special Education Branch (SEB) at the Ministry of Education.

His interest in the disability sector started with the birth of his two children, both with special needs. That passion grew over the years as he worked among persons with disabilities, especially in his most recent role as the Director of SEB over the last three years. In the years ahead, he hopes to devote the rest of his career working in the disability space, and impacting the quality of life of individuals with special needs throughout their lifespan.

Psalms 139:14 is a verse Bernard holds dear to his heart. To him, individuals with autism we work with are all individuals fearfully and wonderfully made by God, imbued with dignity, and equally

"I would like to see everyone in SAAC believe that, together, we can make a transformational difference in the lives of every resident, client, student, and their families; and then, work hard to make that transformation in each life happen."

- Mr Bernard Chew, Chief Executive Officer, St. Andrew's Autism Centre

deserving of opportunities for a good quality of life as the rest of us without autism.

To Bernard, God's love was evident in the care shown by SAAC staff to our beneficiaries. This key factor drew him to join SAAC and the broader St Andrew's Mission Hospital family.

Bernard has a deep **conviction** that SAAC's mission is to love individuals with autism and their families. He hopes to impart this conviction to SAAC staff and steer the organisation towards putting love into action and transforming the lives of individuals and their families in their care. He hopes to help SAAC fulfil its mission and vision with clarity in his leadership. He also hopes that the staff can be united in purpose and have the **courage** to continue the good that we are doing, and change what is not working.

Gratitude resounds among all at SAAC. We are thankful for Dennis' past leadership that was undergirded by compassion and generosity. His parting sentiment was to shift the focus from his achievements to what has given him the greatest satisfaction: observing how the organisation has transformed and the results it has delivered. We also look forward with great expectation to a new chapter in our journey of hope under Bernard's new leadership. ✚



Mr Bernard Chew (right) took over from Mr Dennis Ang (left) in April this year as SAAC's new CEO. Mr Ang retired after eight years of taking the helm at SAAC.



SPEAKING SOFTLY

A Century of Quenching the Deep Thirst for God's Word

The Centenary of the Chinese Union Version Bible (1919 - 2019) and
the Ancient Civilisation and New Culture Seminar

To celebrate the significant occasion of the 100th anniversary of the Chinese Union Version (CUV) Bible, the Ancient Civilisation and New Culture Seminar was held at Mandarin Orchard Singapore from 6 to 7 September 2019.

This seminar was organized by the NCCS Chinese Church Committee (comprising Anglicans, Lutherans, Methodists and Presbyterians), Gospel Hall Network of Churches, Trinity Theological College, Fellowship of Evangelical Students and Nanyang University Graduates' Christian Fellowship, and was sponsored by OUE Limited.

Professionals and experts from mainland China and Hong Kong, as well as from Indonesia, Malaysia and Singapore gathered to discuss the process of translating the CUV Bible and how the CUV Bible has impacted China and the Nanyang region for the past century. The speakers also explored the relationship between the CUV Bible and the "Sinai Civilisation"

The seminar attracted a total of 500 participants, many of whom expressed great appreciation for a very special and meaningful event.

Professor Yan Kejia, Chairman of the Institute of Religious Studies, Shanghai Academy of Social Sciences, said that this seminar has given him the opportunity to deepen his knowledge of Christianity and the Bible and to change his perception of how Christianity developed in Chinese society.

Zhang Xinyu (a student from Trinity Theological College) said, "For those of us who have benefited greatly from the CUV Bible, this centenary event provided a wonderful platform for us to understand its rich history. The CUV Bible is not merely a religious classic, it is also a treasure for humanity that testifies to God's communication with us and humanity's participation in God's will throughout history".

May God continue to bless the mission and ministry of the Chinese churches to the next century! ✝

Based on the translated excerpt by Lee Jialing of the article 和合细语，百年润泽 in Anglican News, Issue 444 (2019, 12)



GROW AS A FAMILY GLOW AS A CHURCH

Singapore Anglican Indian Board Family Camp 2019

by Gideon Manaseh (member of Light of Christ Church Woodlands
and the Family Camp Planning Committee)

The Singapore Anglican Indian Board's (SAIB) Family Camp was held from 10 to 13 June 2019 at the Sheraton Imperial Hotel, Kuala Lumpur. This was the largest combined camp ever organised - with 290 attendees from across all 10 SAIB churches. Those of us in the Planning Committee witnessed God's immense grace enfold and flow through every aspect of the camp - from the planning, administration, budget, logistics and transportation to every ministry and fellowship session.

The theme Grow as a Family, Glow as a Church was prayerfully chosen to reflect our desire to renew hope, reaffirm His love, revive and restore relationships, improve family bonds, promote harmony and strengthen unity.

The worship and ministry sessions were conducted by guest ministers Pastor Gabriel Thomasraj and his brother, Pastor Joel Thomasraj from Apostolic Christian Assembly, Avadi, India. God's word to His people was clear:

UNITY IN OUR RELATIONSHIPS IS IMPORTANT TO GOD. HE FORMED AND PLACED US WITHIN RELATIONSHIPS - AND GAVE US OUR SPOUSE, OUR CHILDREN, OUR PARENTS, OUR SIBLINGS, OUR CHURCH AND THE WIDER BODY OF CHRIST - BECAUSE HE WANTS US TO SUCCEED TOGETHER IN UNITY.



For Isabella (My Saviour's Church), the messages gave her peace and relief. "Every session helped me to understand why certain things were happening at home, and taught me how to manage the family." She felt that she needed to be at this camp for this reason, and she is very grateful that God had provided the way for her to be there.

"The lessons opened my eyes to how my

behavior affects my relationship with my family and friends. In fact, it also affects our church community" said Ruth Joshi (Parish of Christ Church).

Mary (Church of the Epiphany) was convicted to discover similarities rather than focus on differences to build unity. She said, "I needed to learn how to let go of my feelings, and have faith in God."



Children who attended the camp had their own programme run by Mr and Mrs Anthony Fernandez from Calvary Convention Centre, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. They had a blast playing games, singing and dancing, and getting creative with craft work.

Many of the campers were also thrilled with the opportunity to relax and enjoy the wonderful city of Kuala Lumpur and the delightful accommodation and services of the hotel.

THE SINGAPORE ANGLICAN INDIAN BOARD BIDS FAREWELL TO BISHOP RENNIS AND MRS AMIR

By Revd Israel Selvam and Revd Edison N Wilson

The Singapore Anglican Indian Board commemorated the retirement of Bishop Rennis Ponniah and Mrs Amir Ponniah by organising a farewell dinner for them on 12 September 2020. All the Anglican Indian clergy and pastors, together with their spouses and the lay representatives from the various Indian-speaking parishes and congregations attended the special occasion.

The Parish of Christ Church choir and My Saviour's Church dance ministry presented special video-recorded song and dance items. Another video montage captured Bishop Rennis eight-year tenure and involvement with the Indian churches, which was a memorable and meaningful flashback in time for everyone present.

Several clergy shared personal stories and ministry experiences they had with Bishop Rennis over the years. They mentioned being impacted by Bishop Rennis' emphasis on the importance of family life, his delight in God's Word, dependence on the work of the Spirit and the important role he played in the formation of the Singapore Anglican Indian Board (SAIB).

SAIB Chairman and Vicar of the Parish of Christ Church, Revd Canon Steven Asirvatham said, "The formation and launch of SAIB in 2015 was a significant milestone for the Indian churches in our diocese. We are very grateful to Bishop Rennis for the instrumental role he played in sowing this seed of faith. We hope to see this seed grow into

a fruitful tree with many branches for the glory of God."

Revd Ezra Sivakumar, Priest at St Paul's Church, thanked God for Mrs Amir and Bishop Rennis' faithfulness, humble service and generous hospitality. "My family and I sincerely appreciate the sacrifices of all the members of your family."

He added, "Your passion for the gospel and your ability to communicate it clearly through words and actions have blessed us and encouraged us."

He also spoke the promise from Isaiah 46:4 over Bishop Rennis: "Even to your old age I am he, and to gray hairs I will carry you. I have made, and I will bear; I will carry and will save."

As a mark of respect and recognition in line with Indian customs, Revd Canon Steven Asirvatham and his wife, Mrs Vimala, garlanded Bishop Rennis and Mrs Amir, presented them with tokens of appreciation and led in a prayer of blessing over them.

On behalf of the Singapore Anglican Indian Board, we thank Bishop Rennis for his faithful service unto our Lord and wish him and his wife and family all the best in the next phase





From left to right : Bishop-Designate Titus Chung, Bishop Rennis Ponniah, Bishop Low Jee King and Revd Michael Teh at the CHS 40th Anniversary Service on Sunday, 30 August 2020

CHAPEL OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

CELEBRATES 40 YEARS!

By Revd Michael Teh, Vicar of Chapel of the Holy Spirit

We, at Chapel of the Holy Spirit (CHS), are so thankful to God for His faithfulness and goodness to us since our inception in 1980.

This 40-year milestone has spiritual significance, which has led us to choose for our theme Crossing Jordan - a rallying call to all at CHS that there is a mission ahead of us and a duty to God to obey.

We were intentional to keep our celebrations simple for 2020, so the only thing that COVID-19 disrupted was our plan to visit Israel at the end of the year. We believe that God has His reasons for this change of plans.

In keeping with our theme of Crossing Jordan, our focus is on God's mission for us for the next 40 years or more. I share with you here some highlights of the key outreach ministries that the entire parish will continue to participate in:

1. Building up the community in CHS.

We currently have three language services:

English, Mandarin and Tamil. The English congregation has four core sub-groups for children, youth, young adults and adults.

2. Outreach to the scholars in St Andrew's Hall

We currently have 15 families each hosting two students. We hope to double this number of host families.

3. Outreach to residents of a new nursing home

This new nursing home is right next to St Andrew's Junior College, where CHS is. It should be operational in 2021.

4. Outreach to the residents living in the eight nearby HDB blocks

5. Outreach to St Andrew's Secondary School students and teachers

CHS provides chaplaincy oversight to the



school's 1,3000 students and teachers. The Boys' Brigade has been reaping fruits over the years!

6. Outreach to the boys and staff in St Andrew's House

This student care centre provides the opportunity to minister not just to the 150-200 boys and staff but also to the 150-200 sets of parents and 300-400 sets of grandparents. We intend to build up many befriending families within CHS to bless the boys and their families.

7. Community Outreach to Potong Pasir and Bidadari housing estates

Besides the community in Potong Pasir, there will be many new families moving into the nearby Bidadari new town for CHS to reach out to. Our Tamil congregation has already started ministry to the Indian migrant workers staying at a dormitory within Bidadari.

"And Jesus went throughout all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction. When He saw the crowds, He had compassion for

Top: The CHS English congregation

Middle: The CHS Mandarin congregation

Above: The CHS Tamil congregation

them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then He said to His disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few, therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into the harvest." (Matthew 9 L 35 - 38)

What can we learn from Jesus?

He went.

He proclaimed.

He connected.

He showed compassion.

He prayed.

I pray that CHS will enter the next season with the same compassion for the "crowds" in our neighbourhood who are "harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd".

Prayerfully, CHS can have a heart of love that propels us into our community with actions that befit the vision and fulfil the mission that our Lord Jesus Christ has given us. ☩



Outreach to the Potong Pasir community with line dancing sessions



Our English Young Adults Ministry: The Fire Place



Outreach to the Indian children in Potong Pasir.



Outreach to the Potong Pasir community through soccer

Providing chaplaincy to St Andrew's Secondary School



Artist's impression of the new nursing home. Photo from Wee Hur Holdings.





by Revd Ang Soo Sung, Priest at Jurong Anglican Church Mandarin



Jurong Anglican Church Mandarin (JACM) was birthed from St Andrew's Cathedral Chinese Congregation's vision to plant a church in Jurong to meet the spiritual needs of its large portion of Chinese-speaking residents with the gospel. It was the result of a mission to re-establish an Anglican presence in this western region after St John's Church, established in 1884, had to vacate its land to the government in 1992.

At its inauguration in July 2006, JACM consisted of 30 members who met at the German Centre in Jurong East. Since then, this church plant has conducted over 540 baptisms, mostly for new immigrants and construction workers from China. Many of these new believers have since returned to China, but this demography still currently makes up half of JACM's weekly worship attendance of about 120.

The Jurong Church Building Fundraising Project is a diocesan project led by St Andrew's Cathedral Mandarin Congregation, with fundraising efforts jointly carried out by St Andrew's Cathedral,

its Mandarin Congregation, Westside Anglican Church and JACM, as well as other parishes of the diocese. What started as a \$7 million fundraising target in November 2013, the Fundraising Project has, as of January 2020, received from generous donors \$10.6 million. If by God's grace, we get to acquire the plot of land in Jurong West St 41 that we have our eyes on, we will need to raise a total of \$30 million to cover both land and building costs.

The latest Fundraising Carnival and JuRun 2019 event took place on 28 October 2019. Bishop Rennis Ponniah graced the event as the Guest-of-Honour. More than 450 people joined the 3km JuRun, which passed through five historically significant points. The last point of the trail was at St Andrews Cathedral, where participants learned more about the vision and progress of the Jurong Church Building Project. The Fundraising Carnival held right after JuRun had 32 stalls selling food, drink and various other articles.

We thank God for His provision of good weather and a day that went very smoothly, where everyone could gathered for a common goal and even celebrate Singapore's Bicentennial. We are grateful for the \$115,000 raised, and the chance to raise greater awareness of the vision and progress of the Jurong Church Building Project. All glory be to God! ✚



The Boys' Brigade in Singapore celebrates 90 Years of Enriching Young Lives

With its roots originating in Scotland, the 1st Singapore Company was founded on 12 January 1930 at Prinsep Street Presbyterian Church by Scotsman James Milner Fraser. Before arriving in Singapore to work in 1927, Fraser had promised his old Brigade Captain that he would start a Boys' Brigade (BB) Company in Singapore as soon as he could. At the official enrolment of BB Singapore by the Brigade Headquarters in London in August 1930, the Company had a membership of 40. By 1936, the Singapore Battalion was 200 strong. Since then, the Brigade has been constantly contributing to the character development of Boys throughout their BB journey.

Through the grace of God, the BB has now grown to 113 Companies in kindergartens, primary and secondary schools, post-secondary institutions, a special education needs school and an international school in Singapore.

In line with our 90th Anniversary theme, BB through the generations, for all generations!, we caught up with Mr Foo Jia Ming, rank-and-file BB Officer who is currently Captain of the 11th Singapore Company at his alma mater, Christ Church Secondary School. Jia Ming has dedicated the past 15 years to the Company, joining as a Boy and rising up to the role as Captain.



The concept behind the 90th Anniversary logo: The salute is the expression of honour, respect and commendation. The uniform, along with the forward-looking nature of the Boy's posture, is a signifier that the BB seeks to continue to develop leaders in society for many more generations. The textured lanyards mark the numeral '90'. The circle of stars represents the NCO Star or Leadership badge for holistic development in character and leadership.

7th Singapore Company, sponsored by Chapel of The Holy Spirit and St. Andrew's Secondary School.





24J Singapore Company, sponsored by St John's - St.Margaret's Church and Fuhua Primary School.

He shared, "Truly, the path that I have taken with BB has been an enriching one. I had mentors who were willing to invest their time and energy to mould me towards Christian-manliness. The lessons they taught were not just in the BB context. I remember my BB teacher's constant encouragement and his insightful prayers. His compassion for us BB Boys shone brightly through his words and actions. His impact on me has lasted beyond my formative years as a youth, and I am truly grateful to him.

"What was passed to me, I strive to pass on to the Boys under my care by investing a part of my

life in theirs so that they may experience the same impact, and do likewise to the next generation and beyond. My hope, as we celebrate the 90th Anniversary of The Boys' Brigade in Singapore, is that we will continue this generational mentorship, this flow of God's blessings towards the Boys, by having hearts of compassion among the leaders. It is my prayer that this hymn of mentorship will continue singing and not stop till God's work is done in the future generations of Boys, Primers and Officers." ✚

List of Anglican Churches supporting BB Companies in Singapore

Sponsoring Anglican Church	BB Company	Sponsoring School
Church of The Ascension	7J Singapore Company 07E Singapore Company 08E Singapore Company	St Andrew's Junior School Ascension Kindergarten Ascension Kindercare
Chapel of The Holy Spirit	7th Singapore Company	St Andrew's Secondary School
Church of the Good Shepherd	9th Singapore Company 67J Singapore Company	Westwood Secondary School Queenstown Primary School
Light of Christ Church Woodlands	11th Singapore Company	Christ Church Secondary School
All Saints' Church (English Congregation)	14th Singapore Company 06E Singapore Company	Anglican High School Kiddy Ark Childcare & Development Centre
St John's - St Margaret's Church	24J Singapore Company	Fuhua Primary School
Chapel of the Resurrection	26th Singapore Company	Tanglin Secondary School
Chapel of Christ The Redeemer	49J Singapore Company 49th Singapore Company	St Hilda's Primary School St Hilda's Secondary School
St John's Chapel	52J Singapore Company 59J Singapore Company 64th Singapore Company	Pei Tong Primary School Greenridge Primary School Ang Mo Kio Secondary School
Westside Anglican Church	95J Singapore Company	West Grove Primary School
St Andrew's Cathedral	106J Singapore Company	Gan Eng Seng Primary School
St Paul's Church	01E Singapore Company	St Paul's Church Kindergarten

A TRIBUTE TO REVD CANON MERVYN MOORE

(RIP June 15 2020, Aged 77)

by Karen Wong

REVD CANON EMERITUS MERVYN MOORE first arrived in Singapore from South Africa in 2001 to be the Port Chaplain at the Mission to Seafarers, a role he filled till November 2009. During this time, he also served as Acting Vicar of St George's Church from July 2005 to September 2006. His ministry in Singapore also extended to St Peter's Hall, the Anglican residential college within Trinity Theological College, where Canon Mervyn ministered to many seminarians as the residential Warden Designate from January to May 2011, and as Warden from June 2014 to January 2016.



Mervyn Moore was collated Honorary Canon of St Andrew's Cathedral on 10 January 2016, and was conferred the title of Canon Emeritus on 3 March 2016. Bishop Rennis Ponniah described Canon Mervyn as outstanding in his devotion to Christ, in his knowledge and commitment to Anglican ethos, in his compassionate love for people and in his capacity for personal friendship with a whole host of people.

On 1 October 2018, he was appointed Honorary Fellow of St Peter's Hall - one of the first to be appointed to this position, in recognition of his past contributions and anticipation of future contributions to teach, train clergy, bring guidance to seminarians in St Peter's Hall.

A memorial service was held at St Peter's Hall on 9 July 2020. Revd Martin Jungnickel, Associate Vicar of St Hilda's Church and a seminary student at St Peter's Hall under Canon Mervyn, was the officiant of this service that was broadcast over Zoom.

Captain Robert Walker, Group COO of ASP Ships Group and current Chairman of the Management Committee of the Mission to Seafarers Singapore (MTSS), remembered how Mervyn brought a fresh enthusiasm to their work with seafarers and led from the front with gusto.

He said, "His energy and passion were inspiring and contagious. His natural, warm approach to people within the Singapore community laid a strong foundation for increasing the reach to supporters for our work and became a legacy for us."

"Mervyn also took it upon himself to collate

information and write a book compiling the history of MTSS. The book was released in 2005 to coincide with MTSS' 80th anniversary in Singapore. It remains a wonderful document and record that will remain forever as a treasured memory of the order."

Captain Walker added that Canon Mervyn also spent many hours rewriting the MTSS constitution, and was instrumental in reaching out to the maritime

community in Singapore. "His experience as director of Chaplain Service to the South African Navy certainly helped him," said Captain Walker.

Mr Toh Soon Kok, the current Port Chaplain of the MTSS, expressed gratefulness for the privilege of working many years under Canon Mervyn whom he referred to as "a people's pastor".

Mr Toh said, "Canon Mervyn and his wife, Dawn, showed a deep love and fear of God. Their wisdom in resolving conflicts and their respect for all people left a deep impression on me, my wife, and my colleagues. We are so grateful for the opportunity to learn from him."

Mr Toh added, "Mervyn is also well-loved for his humility and sunny disposition. He encouraged and gave us room to grow at our own pace. Even after retiring from MTSS for over 12 years, he and Dawn kept in touch with the staff and our families. They respected and treasured our friendship. This is his legacy."

Revd Joseph Goh, the current Warden of St Peter's Hall, described Canon Mervyn as always cheerful, witty and uplifting. Many from St Peter's Hall remember how he and Dawn embraced them with love and friendship. He set a great example of loving God not only in how and what he taught about God, but also in loving people, even when it was not easy to do so. He talked about difficult episodes without vindictiveness, but took care to always be gracious, fair-minded and humorous.

Venerable Wong Tak Meng held Canon Moore up as "an exemplary servant of Christ, an inspiring witness for the Gospel and a friend to all." Clergy, diocesan lay leaders, St Peter's Hall students and MTSS leaders all give thanks to the Lord for the sacrificial love of the late Canon Mervyn Moore and his wife Dawn, and the indelible mark of Christ's character that they have left on us.

ORDINATION 2020

Congratulations to the following who were ordained to the priesthood on 23 August 2020, at St Andrew's Cathedral:

Revd Glen Chan Jian Wen
(St James' Church)

Revd Ian Chew Hong Meing
(Chapel of the Resurrection)

Revd Ezra Sivakumar s/o Sathiasillan
(St Paul's Church)

Revd Lew Kiat Lern
(St Andrew's City Church)

Revd Thomas Jacob s/o Isaac
(My Saviour's Church)

Joint Ordination with The Church of the Province of Myanmar to the Priesthood:
Revd Moses Israeli

MAKING OF DEACONESSES 2020

We warmly welcome and congratulate the following who were made deaconesses on 26 July 2020 at St Andrew's Cathedral:

Ms Chow Wai Keng
(Chapel of Christ the Redeemer)

Ms Tan Puay Lan Grace
(St Andrew's Cathedral)

Ms Ti Lian Swan
(St Andrew's Cathedral)

VICAR'S INDUCTION ST GEORGE'S CHURCH

The Revd Ian Hadfield was inducted as Vicar of St George's Church on 16 February 2020. He holds a Bachelor of Divinity from Moore Theological College, Sydney (1994), was ordained as a deacon in 1995 and priested that same year. His past experience include being Assistant Minister at St Stephen's Normanhurst Sydney (1995-1998), Rector in Norfolk Island (1998-2002), Chaplain to Robert Menzies College and Pastor to Trinity Chapel (2002-2007), Old Testament Lecturer at the School of Christian Studies (2003-2006), the Anglican Chaplain to Macquarie University (2006-2007), Associate Minister at All Saints' Jakarta (2007-2009), Vicar of All Saints' Jakarta (2009-2016), and Senior Associate Minister of St Andrew Kowloon, Hong Kong (2016-2019). Revd Hadfield is also our diocese's Dean of Laos.



CORRECTION

We apologize that we left out introducing a newly ordained deacon/priest in our past issue:

INTRODUCING OUR NEWLY ORDAINED CLERGY REVD THOMAS ISAAC



DATE OF ORDINATION: 7 July 2019

THEOLOGICAL TRAINING: Bachelor of Divinity, 2015, Trinity Theological College .

PREVIOUS WORKING EXPERIENCE: Regional Facility Manager

CURRENT POSTING: My Saviour's Church

MARRIED TO: Ruth Shamala

CHILDREN: Matthias (10), Marcus (10), Seraphina (5), Samuel (3)

FAVOURITE QUOTE: "When Christ calls a man, he bids him come and die." Dietrich Bonhoeffer, *The Cost of Discipleship*.

We also apologise that in the article *If My People*, about Chapel of Christ Our Redeemer's 30th anniversary (Issue No 272, November 2019, page 41), **Revd Daniel Tong's** name was omitted. The former vicars present included Revd Gregory Chiang, Revd Then Chee Min, Revd Daniel Tong, Revd Andrew Raman and Archdeacon Wong Tak Meng.

1. **Revd Ian Hadfield** was appointed Vicar of St George's Church and Dean of Laos with effect from 9 September 2019.
2. **Revd Ezra Sivakumar** (Deacon, Light of Christ Church Woodlands) was posted as Deacon to St Paul's Church with effect from 1 October 2019.
3. **Revd Zane Elliott** was appointed Associate Priest at All Saints' Anglican Church, Jakarta with effect from 1 December 2019.
4. **Revd Samuel Kunjumone** (Priest, Church of the True Light) resigned with effect from 16 December 2019.
5. **Revd Dr Soh Guan Chin** (Honorary Priest, St George's Church) retired on 28 February 2020.
6. **Revd Joseph You** was appointed Acting Vicar of Marine Parade Christian Centre from 1 March to 31 July 2020, in addition to his existing appointment as Priest at Church of Our Saviour.
7. **Revd Dino Thangamany** (Priest, St Andrew's Community Chapel) was posted as Priest to St John's-St Margaret's Church from 1 April 2020.
8. **Revd Bernard Yee** (Priest, St John's Chapel) was posted as Priest to Chapel of Christ the Redeemer with effect from 1 April 2020.
9. **Revd King Chiew Kwang** (Honorary Priest, Yishun Christian Church) was posted as Priest to St John's Chapel with effect from 1 April 2020. His appointment as full-time Chaplain at Anglican Care Centre (Hougang) and Anglican Care Centre (Yishun) will cease.
10. **Revd Andrew Yap** (Priest, Christ Church Bangkok) was appointed Acting Vicar of Christ Church Bangkok with effect from 1 July 2020.
11. **Revd Gilbert Wong** (Honorary Priest, St Andrew's Community Chapel) was posted as Honorary Priest to All Saints' Church with effect from 1 July 2020.
12. **Revd Joseph You** was reappointed Acting Vicar of Marine Parade Christian Centre from 1 August to 31 December 2020.
13. **Revd Michael Lim** (Priest, St Andrew's Cathedral) was posted as Priest of the English Congregation of My Saviour's Church with effect from 9 August 2020.
14. **Bishop Low Jee King** was appointed by Archbishop Melter Tais as the Vicar General of the Diocese of Singapore for the period 30 August to 17 October 2020.
15. **Revd Alan Wood** completed his term of contract with All Saints' Church, Jakarta on 31 August 2020.
16. **Revd Barry Leong** (Vicar, Marine Parade Christian Centre) was appointed Acting Vicar of Church of the True Light with effect from 1 September 2020.
17. **Revd Andrew Smith** was appointed Vicar of Christ Church, Bangkok with effect from 7 September 2020.
18. **Revd Joseph Goh** (Honorary Priest, Church of Our Saviour) was posted as Honorary Priest to Chapel of the Resurrection with effect from 1 October 2020.
19. **Revd Winston Tan** (Vicar, Church of the True Light) retired on 1 October 2020.
20. **Revd Canon Dr Titus Chung** was consecrated and enthroned as the 10th Bishop of Singapore on 18 October 2020.
21. **Rt Revd Dr Titus Chung** was appointed Dean of St Andrew's Cathedral with effect from 18 October 2020.
22. **Revd An Yue Jin** was appointed Priest-in-charge of Mandarin Congregation, St Andrew's Cathedral with effect from 1 November 2020.
23. **Revd Lew Kiat Lern** (Priest, St Andrew's City Church) was appointed Chaplain to St Andrew's Nursing Home (Taman Jurong) and posted as Honorary Priest to St Andrew's Cathedral with effect from 1 November 2020.
24. **Revd Canon Steven Asirvatham** was appointed Dean of Nepal with effect from 1 January 2021.
25. **Revd Jonathan Wong** was appointed Dean of Vietnam with effect from 1 January 2021.
26. **Revd Barry Leong** (Acting Vicar, Church of the True Light) was appointed Vicar of Church of the True Light with effect from 1 January 2021.
27. **Revd Canon Terry Wong** (Vicar, St Andrew's Cathedral) was appointed Vicar of Marine Parade Christian Centre with effect from 1 January 2021.

28. **Revd Lewis Lew** (Honorary Priest, St John's - St Margaret's Church) was appointed Vicar-Designate of St Andrew's Cathedral with effect from 1 December 2020, and as Vicar with effect from 1 January 2021.
29. **Revd Daniel Lim** (Priest, Church of the Ascension) was posted as Priest to St Andrew's Cathedral with effect from 1 January 2021.
30. **Revd Christopher Chan** (Priest, Chapel of the Resurrection) was posted as Priest to St Andrew's Cathedral with effect from 1 January 2021.
31. **Revd Calvin Wee** (Priest, St Andrew's Cathedral) was posted as Priest to St Hilda's Church with effect from 1 January 2021.
32. **Revd Hambali Leonardi** (Priest, St Andrew's Cathedral) was posted as Priest to Church of the Ascension with effect from 1 January 2021.
33. **Revd Peter Manimuthu** (Honorary Priest, Church of the True Light) was posted as Honorary Priest to St Paul's Church with effect from 1 January 2021.
34. **Ds Bessie Lee** (Deaconess, St Andrew's Cathedral) was posted as Deaconess to St John's - St Margaret's Church with effect from 1 January 2021.
35. **Revd Martin Jungnickel** (Associate Vicar, St Hilda's Church) was appointed Vicar of St Hilda's Church with effect from 11 January 2021.
36. **Ven Wong Tak Meng** (Vicar of St Hilda's Church) was posted as Priest to St John's - St Margaret's Church with effect from 11 January 2021.

The following clergy were appointed Honorary Chaplains to our various SACS/SAMH ministry points:

1. **Revd William Tham** - Honorary Chaplain of Anglican Senior Centre (Woodlands) with effect from 24 August 2018.
2. **Revd Bertram Cheong** - Honorary Chaplain of St Andrew's Nursing Home (Taman Jurong) with effect from 22 November 2018.
3. **Revd Michael Chang** - Ag Honorary Chaplain of PEACE-Connect Cluster Operator with effect from 1 February 2019.

4. **Revd Canon Terry Wong** - Honorary Chaplain of St Andrew's Adult Home with effect from 11 February 2019.

PARISH WORKER/PARISH ASSISTANT LICENCES

Parish Worker / Parish Assistant licences were issued on 23 September 2020 to:

1. **Mr Fu Wei Kai**, Parish Worker at All Saints' Church (Chinese)
2. **Ms Brenda Wong Eng Eng**, Parish Worker at All Saints' Church (Chinese)
3. **Mr Theodore Samraj**, Parish Worker at Parish of Christ Church
4. **Mr Nelson Choo**, Parish Assistant at Chapel of Christ the Redeemer
5. **Ms Evangelline Khoo Bee Hong**, Parish Worker at Church of the Good Shepherd (English)
6. **Ms Qiu A Xue**, Parish Worker at Chapel of the Resurrection (Chinese)
7. **Mr Steven Thomas**, Parish Assistant at Light of Christ Church Woodlands
8. **Mr Isaac Raju s/o Vedhamuthu** Parish Worker at Light of Christ Church Woodlands
9. **Mr Paul Molina**, Parish Assistant at Light of Christ Church Woodlands
10. **Ms Eliza Poh Yu Xin**, Parish Assistant at Marine Parade Christian Centre
11. **Mr Sebastain Danny Choong**, Parish Assistant at Marine Parade Christian Centre
12. **Ms Chan Yuet Chun Serene**, Parish Assistant at Marine Parade Christian Centre
13. **Mr Rajaram Arulkumar**, Parish Assistant at My Saviour's Church
14. **Mr Kelvin Koo Chee Yong**, Parish Worker at St Andrew's Cathedral (Westside Anglican Church)
15. **Mr Chia Kum Meng**, Parish Worker at St Andrew's Cathedral
16. **Ms Cai Xiaoqin**, Parish Worker at St James' Church (Chinese)
17. **Mr Lim Teck Chye Allen**, Parish Worker at St John's - St Margaret's Church
18. **Mr Mok Han Kwang Kelvin**, Parish Assistant at St John's - St Margaret's Church
19. **Mr Simon Devaraj**, Parish Assistant at St John's - St Margaret's Church
20. **Mr Leon Chester Stewart**, Parish Assistant at St Paul's Church



NATIONAL DAY AWARDS 2020

The Diocese of Singapore congratulates the following individuals from our Anglican schools and agencies who received the 2020 National Day Awards, and thanks them for their dedication and service:

THE PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION MEDAL (BRONZE)

Ms Diana Chin Siong Yoon
Principal
St Andrew's Autism School

THE PUBLIC SERVICE MEDAL

The Rt Revd Rennis Solomon Mohanraj Kumar
s/o Ponniah
President
St Andrew's Mission Hospital Board

THE COMMENDATION MEDAL

Mr Teo Qing Cong Eugene
Head of Department
Christ Church Secondary School

THE LONG SERVICE MEDAL

Mdm Lim Geok Lian
Teacher
Anglican High School

Mr Daryl Tan Yong Leng
Head of Department
Anglican High School

Mr Mohd Faizal B Osman
Teacher
St Hilda's Primary School

Mr Loh Yun Kong
Senior Teacher
St Hilda's Primary School

Mdm Zabedah Bte Hamit
Teacher
St Hilda's Primary School

Mr Lian Cheng Yong Richard
Head of Department
St Hilda's Secondary School

Mr Toh Hong Seng
Head of Department
Christ Church Secondary School

Mr Lim Bing Hui
Year Head
St Margaret's Secondary School

Mr Lim Huey Min
Administration Manager
St Andrew's Secondary School

Ms Sunarfa Binte Supaah
Head of Department
St Andrew's Junior College

Mdm Chong Kwee Chin
Teacher
St Andrew's Junior School

Mr Norman s/o Selvaraju
Level Head
St Andrew's Junior School

Mr Tham Kine Chuen
Vice-Principal
St Andrew's Junior School

Ms Sujatha Paramathayalan
Head of Department
St Andrew's Secondary School

Ms Khoo May Ying Elaine
Head of Department
St Margaret's Primary School

Congratulations, also, to Anglican members from our parishes who received this year's National Day Awards.

DIOCESAN LISTINGS

ST ANDREW'S CATHEDRAL

11 St Andrew's Road
Singapore 178959

Web: cathedral.org.sg

Bishop: Rt Revd Dr Titus Chung

Dean: Rt Revd Dr Titus Chung

Vicar: Revd Canon Terry Wong
(till 31 Dec 2020), Revd Lewis
Lew (from 1 Jan 2021)

Vicar-Designate: Revd Lewis Lew
(from 1-31 Dec 2020)

Clergy: Revd Joshua Raj
Sundraraj, Revd Moses Israeli,
Revd Canon Rinji Kwashi, Revd
Hambali Leonardi (till 31 Dec
2020), Revd Calvin Wee (till
31 Dec 2020), Revd Bertram
Cheong

Clergy (from 1 Jan 2021):

Revd Christopher Chan, Revd
Daniel Lim, Revd Lew Kiat Lern

Deaconesses: Ds June Tan, Ds
Bessie Lee (till 31 Dec 2020), Ds
Grace Tan, Ds Ti Lian Swan

Mandarin Congregation

11 St Andrew's Road
Singapore 178959

Priest-in-Charge: Revd An Yue
Jin

Clergy: Revd Ang Soo Sung,
Revd David Wong, Revd Lui
Choo Huat

Extension Centres of St

Andrew's Cathedral:

WESTSIDE ANGLICAN CHURCH

10 Science Centre Road #01-21
Singapore 609079

Clergy: Revd Bertram Cheong

JURONG ANGLICAN CHURCH (MANDARIN)

10 Science Centre Road #01-21
Singapore 609079

Clergy: Revd Ang Soo Sung

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH

600 Upper Changi Road
Singapore 487012

Web: asc.org.sg

Vicar: Revd Dr Ivan Ee

Clergy: Revd Foo Chee Meng
(Hon), Revd Gilbert Wong (Hon)

English Congregation

Web: asc.org.sg

Priest-in-charge: Revd Darren
Choo

CHAPEL OF CHRIST THE KING

2 Mattar Road
Singapore 387724

Web: cck.org.sg

Acting Vicar: Revd Timothy

Ewing-Chow

CHAPEL OF CHRIST THE REDEEMER

2 Tampines Ave 3
Singapore 529706

Web: ccr-redeemer.org

Vicar: Revd Victor Teo

Clergy: Revd Bernard Yee

Deaconess: Ds Chow Wai Keng

Mandarin Congregation

Priest-in-Charge: Revd Lim Kek
Wah

CHAPEL OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

3 Sorby Adams Drive
Singapore 357690

Web: chs.org.sg

Vicar: Revd Michael Teh

Clergy: Revd Gary Chng, Revd
Steven Chong

CHAPEL OF THE RESURRECTION

1 Francis Thomas Drive #02-17
Singapore 359340

Web: cor.org.sg

Vicar: Revd David Lee

Clergy: Revd Christopher Chan
(till 31 Dec 2020), Revd Ian
Chew, Revd Dr Timothy Chong
(Hon), Revd Joseph Goh (Hon),
Revd Jeremy-Joe Tan (on study
leave)

Mandarin Congregation

Clergy: Revd Lee Kong Kheng

Extension Centre of COR: CENTURY CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Clergy: Revd Christopher Chan
(till 31 Dec 2020)

CHRIST CHURCH, PARISH OF

1 Dorset Road
Singapore 219486

Web: christchurch.org.sg

Vicar: Revd Canon Steven
Asirvatham

Clergy: Revd Edison Wilson

CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR

130 Margaret Drive
Singapore 149300

Web: coos.org.sg

Vicar: Revd Daniel Wee

Clergy: Revd Joseph You,

Missionary Clergy: Revd William
Mok

Mandarin Congregation

Clergy: Revd Eric Chiam

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION

13 Francis Thomas Drive
Singapore 359339

Web: ascension.org.sg

Vicar: Revd Dr Joel Leow

Clergy: Revd Huang Hui Jen,

Revd Daniel Lim (till 31 Dec
2020), Revd Hambali Leonardi
(from 1 Jan 2021)

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY

Mailing Address: Northpoint
Bizhub

2 Yishun Industrial St 1 #06-01
Singapore 768159

Web: churchoftheepiphany.sg

Acting Vicar: Revd Canon

Steven Asirvatham

Clergy: Revd Paul Xavier

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

2 Dundee Road
Singapore 149454

Web: goodshepherdsingapore.com

Vicar: Revd Huang Ao-you

Clergy: Revd Tay Hong Ern

English Congregation

Web: goodshepherdenglish.org

Clergy: Revd Jonathan Wong

CHURCH OF THE TRUE LIGHT

25G Perak Road
Singapore 208142

Web: truelight.org.sg

Acting Vicar: Revd Barry Leong

Vicar: Revd Barry Leong (from 1
Jan 2021)

Clergy: Revd Vincent Hoon,
Revd Peter Manimuthu (Hon) (till
31 Dec 2020)

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

1 Hamilton Road
Singapore 209175
Web: holytrinitychurch.org.sg
Acting Vicar: Rt Revd Low Jee King

Clergy: Revd Michael Chan,
Revd Adrian Chong

LIGHT OF CHRIST CHURCH WOODLANDS

20 Woodlands Drive 17
Singapore 737924
Web: lightofchrist.sg
Vicar: Revd William Tham

MARINE PARADE CHRISTIAN CENTRE

100 Tembeling Road
Singapore 423597
Web: mpccnet.com
Acting Vicar: Revd Joseph You
Vicar: Revd Canon Terry Wong
(from 1 Jan 2021)

Mandarin Congregation

Clergy: Revd Wong Kok Yean

**Extension Centre of MPCC:
CHAPEL OF CHRIST OUR HOPE**
Clergy: Revd David Teo (Hon)

MY SAVIOUR'S CHURCH

2 Prince Charles Crescent
Singapore 159011
Web: mysaviours.org
Vicar: Revd Charles Tewel
Clergy: Revd Thomas Isaac

English Congregation

Clergy: Revd Michael Lim

ST ANDREW'S CITY CHURCH

250 Tanjong Pagar Road, #01-01
St Andrew's Centre
Singapore 088541
Vicar: Revd Edwin Tan

ST ANDREW'S COMMUNITY CHAPEL

8 Simei Street 3
Singapore 529895
Web: sacc.org.sg
Vicar: Revd Daniel Tong
Clergy: Revd Yap Chee Han,
Revd Eric Yong (Hon)

ST GEORGE'S CHURCH

44 Minden Road
Singapore 248816
Web: stgeorges.org.sg
Vicar: Revd Ian Hadfield

ST HILDA'S CHURCH

41 Ceylon Road
Singapore 429630
Web: sthildas.org.sg
Vicar: Ven Wong Tak Meng
(till 10 Jan 2021), Revd Martin
Jungnickel (from 11 Jan 2021)
Associate Vicar: Revd Martin
Jungnickel
Clergy: Revd Wong Ngiam Koy,
Revd Calvin Wee (from 1 Jan
2021)

ST JAMES' CHURCH

1 Leedon Road
Singapore 267828
Web: sjc.org.sg
Vicar: Revd Chua Siang Guan
Clergy: Revd Canon Yee Ching
Wah (Hon), Revd Tang Wai Lung,
Revd Glenn Chan

Mandarin Congregation

Clergy: Revd Luke Ting

ST JOHN'S CHAPEL

111 Farrer Road
Singapore 259240
Web: sjcp.org.sg
Vicar: Revd John Lin
Clergy: Revd King Chiew Kwang
Deaconess: Ds Lena Lim

ST JOHN'S - ST MARGARET'S CHURCH

30 Dover Avenue
Singapore 139790
Web: sjsm.org.sg
Vicar: Revd Dr Joshua
Sudharman
Curate: Revd Alvin Toh-Cheuin,
Clergy: Revd Andrew Raman,
Revd Dino Thangamany, Revd
Daniel Teo, Ven Wong Tak
Meng (from 11 Jan 2021), Revd
Salmon Periyanyakam, Revd
Titus Soo (Hon)
Deaconess: Ds Laura Chan, Ds
Bessie Lee (from 1 Jan 2021)

Chinese Congregation

Clergy: Revd Thong Tang Hiong

ST MATTHEW'S CHURCH

1K Eng Hoon Street
Singapore 169796
Web: smc1902.org
Vicar: Revd Koh Hock Soon

English Congregation

Priest-in-Charge: Revd Chan
Chee Keng

ST PAUL'S CHURCH

843 Upper Serangoon Road
Singapore 534683
Web: stpaulschurch.org.sg
Vicar: Revd Jeremy Ponniah
Clergy: Revd Chang Lubin,
Revd Ezra Sivakumar, Revd Peter
Manimuthu (from 1 Jan 2021)

ST PETER'S CHURCH

1 Tavistock Avenue
Singapore 555104
Web: stpeters.org.sg
Vicar: Revd Ong Chooi Seng

YISHUN CHRISTIAN CHURCH (ANGLICAN)

10 Yishun Avenue 5
Singapore 768991
Web: ycca.org.sg
Vicar: Revd William Chee
Clergy: Rev Israel Selvam

Mandarin Congregation

Clergy: Revd Ng Hwee Leong

SCHOOLS

ANGLICAN HIGH SCHOOL

600 Upper Changi Road
Singapore 487012
www.anglicanhigh.moe.edu.sg

CHRIST CHURCH SECONDARY SCHOOL

20 Woodlands Drive 17
Singapore 737924
www.christchurchsec.moe.edu.sg

ST ANDREW'S JUNIOR COLLEGE

5 Sorby Adams Drive
Singapore 357691
www.standrewsjc.moe.edu.sg

ST ANDREW'S JUNIOR SCHOOL

2 Francis Thomas Drive
Singapore 359337
www.saintandrewsjunior.moe.edu.sg

ST ANDREW'S SECONDARY SCHOOL

15 Francis Thomas Drive
Singapore 359342
www.standrewssec.moe.edu.sg

ST HILDA'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

2 Tampines Avenue 3
Singapore 529706
www.shps.moe.edu.sg

ST HILDA'S SECONDARY SCHOOL

2 Tampines Street 82
Singapore 528986
www.sthildassec.moe.edu.sg

ST MARGARET'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

99 Wilkie Road
Singapore 228091
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2020-2021 Holding site:
2 Mattar Road,
Singapore 387724

ST MARGARET'S SECONDARY SCHOOL

111 Farrer Road
Singapore 259240
www.stmargaretssec.moe.edu.sg

KINDERGARTENS

ASCENSION KINDERGARTEN

11 Francis Thomas Drive
Singapore 359338

QUEENSTOWN GOOD SHEPHERD KINDERGARTEN

2 Dundee Road
Singapore 149454

ST HILDA'S KINDERGARTEN

83 Ceylon Road
Singapore 429740

ST JAMES' CHURCH KINDERGARTEN

Harding Campus
29 Harding Road
Singapore 249537

Leedon Campus

1 Leedon Road
Singapore 267828

Gilstead Campus

25 Gilstead Road
Singapore 309070

ST PAUL'S CHURCH KINDERGARTEN

839 Upper Serangoon Road
Singapore 534682

LITTLE SEEDS PRESCHOOL@

PASIR PANJANG HILL BRETHREN CHURCH

3 Pasir Panjang Hill
Singapore 118827

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ASCENSION KINDERCARE

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#01-436
Singapore 350105

KIDDY ARK KINDERCARE

Blk 727 Tampines St 71, #01-11
Singapore 520727

PRAISELAND KINDERCARE

Blk 662 Yishun Ave 4, #01-235
Singapore 760662

SONSHINE KINDERCARE

Blk 211 Bukit Batok St 21 #01-252
Singapore 650211

ST ANDREW'S KINDERCARE

Blk 511 Jurong West St 52, #01-80
Singapore 640511

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