

When asked when the **HOUGANG SMALL GROUP** (“HGSG”) was formed, its leader, William Chua exclaimed, “*Aiyoh!*” We were testing his memory! Many leaders have been born and continue to be born out of HGSG. There has been Pastor Kai Ming, Khia Teck (presently LCEC Chairman), Yong Horng (presently worship leader and small group leader), Bernice and Yvonne (Sunday School teachers), Chiam (ministering with Outreach and Social Concerns) and many more. HGSG has received many broken-hearted into its midst, and witnessed the miraculous change in these broken hearts to hearts of joy in the Lord, committed to giving of themselves to the service of God.

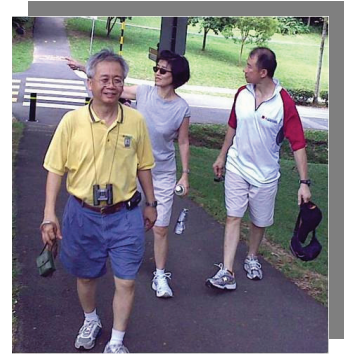
HGSG, 18-strong, gathers fortnightly on Sunday afternoons at Jalan Limbok. It is presently discussing apologetics – reasons for one’s faith, and interesting topics relating to Noah’s ark, dragons and dinosaurs are fair game. HGSG also meets for outings to places like Hort Park.



HGSG has all along been serving in Pelangi Home, but it has recently made a connection with Bethany Methodist Nursing Home, a home for the destitute where most of the residents are more than 60 years old.

ABOUT SMALL GROUP CONNECT

This monthly newsletter is published by the small group committee at Trinity Methodist Church. Its purpose is to share the vibrant small group life of the church with the broader congregation. It will feature one small group per month.



Bethany is funded by the Methodist Welfare Services but, nevertheless, operates on a tight budget. HGSG has committed itself to supplying 200 kg of rice and 150 kg of sugar to Bethany. Although 200 kg might seem like a lot of rice and difficult to imagine, to put things in perspective, HGSG reminds us that there are about 300 residents and 140 workers at Bethany. Each day, Bethany consumes 50 kg of rice. This means that 200 kg of rice lasts only 4 days, a truly sobering thought. No wonder that some of the HGSG members feel that 200 kg of rice is just simply too little.



HGSG knows that Bethany could do with more staple provisions like rice, milk powder (so that the residents can get their calcium), Milo, sugar etc, and hopes that those who can help will come forward to make a connection by rendering physical help and/or donations in cash or kind.



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