



# Trinity Methodist Church

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NEWSLETTER FOR JANUARY 1975

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## CHILDREN LEARN WHAT THEY LIVE

- If a child lives with criticism,  
He learns to condemn.
- If a child lives with hostility,  
He learns to fight.
- If a child lives with ridicule,  
He learns to be shy.
- If a child lives with shame,  
He learns to feel guilty.
- If a child lives with tolerance,  
He learns to be patient.
- If a child lives with encouragement,  
He learns confidence.
- If a child lives with praise,  
He learns to appreciate.
- If a child lives with fairness,  
He learns justice.
- If a child lives with security,  
He learns to have faith.
- If a child lives with approval,  
He learns to like himself.
- If a child lives with acceptance and friendship,  
He learns to find love in the world.

- Dorothy Law Nolte -



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TRINITY FAMILY NEWS

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INFANT BAPTISMS on Christmas Day 1974

Allison Sheila Ling Ai ) daughters of Mr & Mrs  
Amanda Jane Swee Ling ) Andrew Gwee, of Barnet,  
Emma Louise Jinn Ai ) Herts, England  
Denise, daughter of Jessie CHENG, 7 Taman Serangoon  
Sharon Su Ying, daughter of Mr & Mrs Philip TAN,  
210-G Lorong 6 Blk 33 Toa Payoh  
Natalie Eu Ming, daughter of Mr & Mrs Vincent TEO  
38, Mayflower Way (20)  
Ifan Hin Shiong, son of Mr & Mrs Raymond TAY, 22  
Jalan Peradun (28)  
Jui Hsiang, son of Mr & Mrs Franklin TAN, 23 Marlene  
Avenue (19)  
June Ling Hui, daughter of Mr & Mrs Vincent CHIA,  
168-L Lorong 2 Blk 116 Toa Payoh

WE EXPRESS OUR SYMPATHY To Mr & Mrs Wee Sip Ghee and Mrs Sonia  
Cheang at the death of a beloved mother and grand-  
mother, Madam Tan Siew Cheng (Mrs Wee Huck Lay) on  
1 December 1974

AMONG OUR KNOWN SICK are a number of our oldest members, including  
Rev. Chew Hock Hin who had a slight stroke on Sun-  
5 January and has been warded in Ward 3 Alexandra Hospital. Our  
centegarianian Mrs Tan Kim Tee is in Ward 12 of the same hospital  
after a fall which fractured the neck of the femur in her leg.  
Mrs How Ah Sun is in Ward 9 at Thompson Road Hospital. We under-  
stand that Mr Lee Hock Boon has been discharged from ORGH. Please  
remember all these in your prayers.

THE M.Y.F. presented a Christmas Play-Pageant entitled "Light from  
the Open Door" in the church sanctuary on 21st  
December. Congratulations to Miss Deborah Chia and her team. The  
MYFers also helped with the Woodbridge Christmas lunch, and sang  
carols there, at Chen Su Lan Children's Home and, on Christmas Eve,  
at the homes of members and friends.

WE SHALL NEED TWO SERVICES on Christmas Day this year. Last month  
it was so crowded that some who wanted to attend just could not get  
in. We are so sorry this happened, and will try to ensure that it  
does not happen again.



**CHRISTMAS CANTATA** The Choir under Mrs Chew Swee Kiok delighted a packed church on Christmas Sunday morning with their singing of a cantata "No Room for the King". There was special music, too, for Christmas Day. Thank you, choristers!

**CHRISTMAS GREETINGS** were received from Trinitarians abroad, including Mr & Mrs Chiang Hai Chew and family, Mr Ong Chye Huat, Mr & Mrs Graham Nicholas, Miss Choy Yin Loy and Tonni Wei. Somehow this is a season which binds us to one another in new ways!

**NOTE THESE ADDRESSES** in your Church Directory:  
 Mr & Mrs CHIANG Hai Chew, 4750 Grassmere St.,  
 Burnaby 1, B.C., Canada V5H 2Z6  
 Mr ONG Chye Huat, c/o B.L.N.G., Instrument  
 Dept., Lumut, Brunei Mr & Mrs TAN Chwee Kang,  
 120-D Blk 20 Marine Terrace (15) Tel:415762  
 Mr & Mrs CHAN Chong Hiok, 31 Brockhampton  
 Drive (19)

**RECENT ARRIVAL** Another Christmas card told me of the birth of a baby boy on 12 September 1974 to Mr & Mrs Hoo Piew Seng of Burghley Drive.

**SCHOLARSHIP TO SAIGON** Mr Ong Kim Siong, headmaster of Toh Tuck Secondary School, left for Saigon on Sunday 5th January to attend a special three-month course under a SEAMEO scholarship at the Regional Centre for Education.

**NATIONAL SERVICE CALL-UP** has come for a large group of our young men during the last few weeks. Seah Siow Tong and Adam Wong are at SAFTI; Stephen Tan and Lum Kian Chee have just been joined by Benjamin Chia at Seletar; David Chia is at Pulau Tekong, and Benny Ou began his N.S. this week. Others will be leaving shortly, but I think this is the largest group to be called up at the same time. We shall remember these new recruits, as well as the more 'hardened' campaigners, and wish to maintain the vital ties of Christian comradeship with them while they are witnesses 'in the front line'.

**A FEW MISSIONS TINS** issued in July, have not yet been returned to the Outreach committee or the pastor. To date a little less than \$400 has been counted from the tins which have come back. Tin-holders, please let us have your contribution.

**WE HAVE BEEN GLAD TO WELCOME** Mr and Miss Mold, the father and aunt of Mrs Smith, during the Christmas holiday.



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 \* CHURCH CALENDAR FOR JANUARY \*  
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1. Wed. NEW YEAR'S DAY  
 2 Thu. No Coffee House Training Class  
 4 Sat. 8.00 P.M. 'THE OPEN DOOR' COFFEE HOUSE till 10.30 p.m.  
 5 SUN. 8.45 A.M. SUNDAY SCHOOL & MEMBERSHIP CLASS  
 10.00 A.M. HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE - The Pastor (COVENANT)  
 11.15 A.M. WSCS JOY STALL in the Basement  
 CHOIR PRACTICE  
 3.30 P.M. M.Y.F. MEETING  
 5.30 P.M. HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE - The Pastor  
 7 Tue. 8.00 P.M. JOINT COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN at 68 Chartwell Dr.  
 8 Wed. 8.00 P.M. FIRST LOCAL CONFERENCE in the Basement  
 9 Thu. 8.00 P.M. COFFEE HOUSE EVALUATION MEETING  
 11 Sat. 4.15 P.M. MONTHLY PARISH MEETING at 3, Medway Drive, the  
 home of Mr & Mrs Henry Chia  
 8.00 P.M. 'THE OPEN DOOR COFFEE HOUSE' till 10.30 p.m.  
 12 SUN. 8.45 A.M. SUNDAY SCHOOL & MEMBERSHIP CLASS  
 10.00 A.M. SERVICE OF WORSHIP - The Pastor  
 11.15 A.M. CHOIR PRACTICE  
 12.00 NOON Worship Service at Woodbridge Hospital  
 3.30 P.M. M.Y.F. MEETING  
 5.30 P.M. SERVICE OF WORSHIP - The Pastor  
 14 Tue. 8.00 P.M. VISITATION TEAMS meet at the church  
 15 Wed. 7.45 P.M. BIBLE STUDY FELLOWSHIP  
 16 Thu. 8.00 P.M. COFFEE HOUSE TRAINING  
 17 Fri. 8.00 P.M. STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING  
 18 Sat. In K.L. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF COUNCIL OF CHURCHES  
 19 SUN. 8.45 A.M. SUNDAY SCHOOL & MEMBERSHIP CLASS  
 10.00 A.M. SERVICE OF WORSHIP - The Pastor  
 11.15 A.M. CHOIR PRACTICE  
 3.30 P.M. M.Y.F. MEETING  
 5.30 P.M. SERVICE OF WORSHIP - Mr Paul George  
 22 Wed. 7.45 P.M. BIBLE STUDY FELLOWSHIP at the Manse  
 25 Sat. 8.00 P.M. 'THE OPEN DOOR' COFFEE HOUSE till 10.30 p.m.  
 26 SUN. 8.45 A.M. SUNDAY SCHOOL & MEMBERSHIP CLASS  
 10.00 A.M. GOSPEL SONG-SERVICE  
 11.15 A.M. CHOIR PRACTICE  
 12.00 NOON Worship Service at Woodbridge Hospital  
 3.30 P.M. M.Y.F. MEETING  
 5.30 P.M. SERVICE OF WORSHIP - The Pastor  
 29 Wed. 7.45 P.M. BIBLE STUDY FELLOWSHIP at the Manse

PLEASE NOTE change of venue for Parish Meeting, 11th January



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 IN GRATEFUL ACKNOWLEDGMENT  
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Thanksgiving & Memorial Gifts from:-

Mr & Mrs Low Siew Tian	100.00	Dr & Mrs Alan Tay	10.00
Mr & Mrs Francis Lee	20.00	Catherine & Daisy Lee	10.00
Mrs Tan Kim Tee	20.00	Mrs Alice Goh & Mrs Tan	
Mr Chew Chin Bee in mem- ory of dear grandparents and parents	200.00	Hin Jin in loving memory of their late parents	100.00
		Mr Wee Sip Ghee and f'ly in memory of the late	
		Mdm Tan Siew Cheng	200.00

For Church Extension from:- (excluding pledges already noted)

Dr & Mrs Alan Tay	100.00	Mr & Mrs Yip Fook Yoon	300.00
Esther & Grace Lee	50.00	Mr Robert Cheok	50.00
Mr & Mrs T. S. Khoo	200.00	Mr & Mrs Pang Kia Seng	1,000.00
Mr & Mrs Boen Kin Kap	50.00	Anonymous	50.00
Mr & Mrs Jolly Low	100.00	Mr Wong Tien Choh	1,000.00

Christmas Offerings for Church Extension from:-

Mr Choo Sit Fuee	50.00	Mr Ong Thiam Kok	10.00
Miss Chan Kheng Chee	10.00	Lilian Fong	5.00
Mrs Kwok Chee Meng	20.00	Miss Lilian Seow	50.00
Mr E. K. Liew	75.00	Dr & Mrs Alan Tay	25.00
Mr & Mrs Goh Peng Hian	50.00	Mrs Irene Koh	20.00
Mr & Mrs E.K.Khoo	100.00	Mr & Mrs Chew Kim Min	10.00
Mr Lee Kim Tah	20.00	Miss Lelia Seow	100.00
Mr & Mrs Tan Hui Pheng	10.00	Mr & Mrs Peter Low	100.00
Mr & Mrs Vincent Chia	10.00	Mr & Mrs Lim Tin Soon	10.00
Mr & Mrs Tan Tiam Guan	20.00	Master Low Meng Teck	1.10
Mr & Mrs Frederick Wong	20.00	Miss Esther Lee	5.00
Mr & Mrs Tay Soon Hock	20.00	Master Samuel Christopher	2.00
Mr & Mrs Wee Eng Hock	200.00	Mr & Mrs Eddie Tang	20.00
Mr & Mrs Goh Siak Juay	100.00	Mrs Lena Kwok	10.00
Mr Samuel Teo Chee Keong	10.00	Miss Chan Khung Chee etc.	15.00
Mrs Winifred Lim	20.00	Miss Grace Lee	10.00
Miss Chan May Chee	10.00	Mrs Susie Lee	10.00
Mrs Harriet Chua	10.00	Mr & Mrs Sunny Tay	10.00
Mr Sydney Lowe	10.00	Mr & Mrs Ong Seng Geok	20.00
Mr & Mrs Tan Hee Phuan in loving memory of Catherine Tan			
Cheng Sim	50.00	Mr James Tay Thian Hock	4.00
Anonymous	10.00	Mr & Mrs Koh Tiong Tat	10.00

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## W.S.C.S. ANNUAL CONFERENCE

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reported by Catherine Pang

The Women's Society of Christian Service, Singapore-Malaysia Annual Conference, 7th Session, was held in Penang from 22 to 26 November at the Christian Convention Centre, Tanjong Bungah. Eighteen of our Singapore District delegates went by coach and two by plane. The coach left Singapore at 7.30 a.m. and reached Penang at 12.15 midnight. Our Penang hostesses were waiting for us patiently and prayerfully at the Centre and they were as happy to see us as we were to reach our destination.

The four and a half days were packed with a most interesting and lively programme. For Bible Study we had discussions on "Faith" for the first morning, "Love" on the second morning and "Service" on the third day. Before coffee break on the first morning we had an hour-and-a-half discussion with four young people who were encountering problems at home. The second morning, we had a forum on problems encountered in society, when two prominent speakers, Mr Lawrence Chia (PRO of a Penang electronics firm) and Mrs Philip Hoalim (a distinguished lawyer) presented the rights of women and family law. The third morning, a seminar led by our Conference President, Rev Denis Dutton, and Mrs Christine Ramanahantan of the Roman Catholic Church touched on problems met within the community.

The business meetings were long and tedious, elections for SMAC-WSCS Executive Committee 1975-976 were carried out, and Mrs Rosie Leong of Christ Church, Singapore (and a former member of our own WSCS) was elected Conference President. Resolutions passed included the following:

1. The interest earned from Fixed Deposit to be utilised for the expenditure of three full time Christian woman workers (Mrs Ang Kim Kiat, Miss Chia Nyoke Lin and Miss Aileen Khoo) in travelling to SMAC Annual Conference, Pastors' School and the WSCS Annual Conference.
2. WSCS Sunday to be held on May 11, 1975 with the theme "Christ's Call to Discipleship". Project: Counselling Centres in Penang and Ipoh.
3. Week of Call to Prayer and Self-Denial to be held from 25 to 31 October, 1975. Theme: 'Forsaken Children'. Project: An Orphanage in Hong Kong.

Workshops on Human Relationships were led by Rev. Albert Dalton from the Churches' Counselling Centre, Singapore.



In the evenings, various Districts participated in the musical items. The Iban Missions presented an evening of cultural and war dances. Our Singapore District presented a comical pantomime, and a sixty-yearold grandmother demonstrated yoga exercises and a hula dance!

Next year, God willing, the Annual Conference will be held at Fraser's Hill; but if suitable accomodation cannot be found there, conference will be held in Singapore.

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TRINITY LADIES, PLEASE NOTE

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Arrangements are being made for a talk and demonstration on hair care and treatment to be held in our church basement on Sunday 12 January, after the morning service. All are welcome.

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FOR CHURCH EXTENSION FUND

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Let me quote from the letter which accompanied a contribution of \$1,000 to the Church Extension from Mr Wong Tien Choh:-

"In revered acknowledgment of His mercies and with profound gratitude to Him our Heavenly Father:-

1. For being blessed by Him to be enabled hereby to cherish the memory of longdeparted friends:  
the late Mr Chia Cheng Jin, Public Accountant  
the late Mr J.S.M.Rennie F.S.A.A., F.C.I.S., Incorp.Accountant  
the late Mr Chung Hong Woot, A.M.I.Struct.E. Registered Arch't  
the late Mr Daniel Elijah Sundram
2. For being blessed by Him with the survival of my wife through the able performance of surgeons Mr Leong Hin Seng and Mr Sung Wing Huen directed by the healing hand of the Lord Jesus; and with this opportunity to express my grateful thanks to them, and to the other physicians, sisters, nurses and all helpers for their kindness, patience and care extended to her during her long hospitalization at Alexandra Hospital in 1973. May God bless them all.
3. For being blessed by Him with the life of the Rev Chew Hock Hin, who has devoted it to the service of His Church for a life-long time, and is still helping it forward after his retirement."

We are glad to be able to record the people who lie behind this generous thank-offering; and we praise the Lord for the gift of friends.



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Miss Florence Gwee	2.00	M. Gwee	5.00
Mrs Doris Gwee	5.00	Mr Daniel Gwee	20.00
Miss Lim Poh Lan	10.00	Mr & Mrs Michael Ong	20.00
Mr & Mrs Tan Keng Hian & f'y	20.00	Dr & Mrs Tan Beng Guan	20.00
Allison Gwee (Miss)	1.00	Miss Amanda Gwee	1.00
C. Gwee	10.00	Mr & Mrs P. Sathiasingam	20.00
Benjamin Oh Keen Mun	3.00	Mr & Mrs Wee Chye Huat	10.00
Dr. S. E. Yeoh	100.00	Master Eugene Ong	5.00
Madam Ho Lek Cheng	10.00	Rev & Mrs Smith	50.00

Additional Gifts for Church Extension from:-

Miss Teo Chin Luan	100.00	Mrs Goh Kok Kee	100.00
Anonymous	20.00		

We gratefully acknowledge the gifts listed here, and the generous gifts made anonymously or through the regular channel of the Pledge Envelopes. 141 members and friends are pledging a total of \$ 19,291 so far this year - but Pledge Cards may be completed at any time and returned to the Pledge Treasurer, who will supply the necessary envelopes. Cards are always available at the church.

THE INDISPENSABLE MAN (~~with~~ acknowledgments)

Some time when you're feeling important,  
 Some time when your ego's in bloom,  
 Some time when you take for granted  
 You're the best qualified man in the room,  
 Some time when you feel that your going  
 Would leave an unfillable hole,  
 Just follow this simple instruction  
 And see how it humbles your soul.  
 Take a bucket and fill it with water,  
 Put your hand in it up to your wrists,  
 Pull them out - and the hole that remains  
 Is a measure of how you'll be missed.  
 You may splash all you please when you enter,  
 You may stir up the water galore,  
 But stop, and you'll find in a minute  
 That it looks just the same as before.  
 The moral of this is quite simple;  
 Just do the best that you can.  
 Be proud of yourself - but remember,  
 THERE IS NO INDISPENSABLE MAN.