

TMC NEWSLETTER

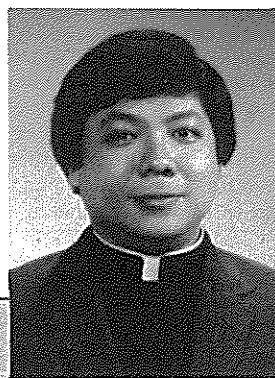
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TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH 34 SERANGOON GARDEN WAY (1955)

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Pastoral Epistle

"He appeared to them over a period of forty days and spoke about the Kingdom of God". These are tremendously significant words of Luke in Acts 1:3. They tell us that besides appearing to His disciples, the dominant activity of Jesus between His Resurrection and Ascension was that of teaching and training. So much so that in Acts 4, when Peter and John address the Jewish religious authorities in Jerusalem, they spoke like men trained in a theological seminary and vs 13 of that same chapter tells us that the Sanhedrin "took note that these men had been with Jesus".

Although Jesus spent much time ministering and preaching, and this we know through the Gospel accounts, what is not so obvious is the amount of time He spent teaching and training His disciples. But in Acts we find the fruit and evidence of this so clearly presented by the apostles' ministry in the Early Church.

This teaches us that teaching and training are to be dominant activities in the church as well. Christian Education is to be a primary priority in the church. And here we do not only think of Sunday School for it Involves Every Person in the community of faith. And That Means, dear friends, it involves You.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION involves adults as well as the young. So it is my prayer to see more Adult Bible Studies on Sunday. It is my prayer that God will raise up Leaders for these classes.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION involves the ministry of Small Groups. It is my prayer that many, many more will join in the training that is organised and begin such groups so that every person will be involved in a Small Group.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION involves training of the laity for ministry. It is my prayer that persons will show an eagerness to learn as we conduct Lay Training courses. My prayer is for persons to rediscover the reality of the priesthood of all believers, to be taught, trained and engage in service and ministry.

Let Jesus' priorities be our priorities and vision. Let us give ourselves to the work of His Kingdom. Let us prepare by being involved in teaching and training. Let us follow the footsteps of our Master.

Rev Melvin Huang

Christian Education Adult Bible Class

Christian Education is everybody's business. The psalmist likens God's word to delightful and enjoyable fare

**"How sweet are Thy Words to my taste
Yes sweeter than honey to my mouth."**

Obviously, God's Word had been timely and impactful at the hour most needed. But this was the same man who earlier expressed

**"O how I love Thy Law
It is my mediation all the day".**

Someone describes the process of meditation as a kin to the chewing on the regurgitation of cud as the cattles feeds on grass. The cow chews, and chews, and chews and apparently it becomes tasty to its taste buds. Our closest equivalent to that experience would be devouring on roasted peanuts before a tense spy or kungfu thriller on channel 5.

To enjoy God's Word and benefit from it calls for meditation. To meditate on God's Word necessitates exposure to it, pouring over it and of course "eating it" or applying to personal life.

The "Adult Bible Class" is a creation in the direction to motivate serious treatment of God's Word, expand borders in our faith walk, and of course, obedience to His Word, and spiritual growth.

Some have asked "Is it for young people?" Yes, if one defines the serious learner of God's Word as "young". Irrespective of age level, all are welcome to taste and see. God will have a timely word for you. "Do I need to know a lot to join the class?" It is especially instituted to meet the needs of those who seek to know God more. A disciple is a "learner" so the class caters not to those who know, but to those who want to be disciples, that is "learners".

The class continues with its forum of "Foundation of Faith". We want you to benefit from this learning with us.

Christian Education is your business, too.

Chan Chong Hiok



READ US TH' STORY ABOUT TH' GUY WHO LET HIS
GIRL FRIEND GIVE HIM A HAIRCUT

Young' Adult Class

DATE : Every Sunday

TIME : 10 am

PLACE : Church Upper Room

Those intending to attend are asked to arrange to worship at the 8.15 am or 5 pm services

GREETINGS FROM U.K.

To: Our Friends at Trinity,

Greetings, Best Wishes and God's Blessings

From Eileen and Christopher Smith

This message was conveyed through Mr & Mrs Tan Keng Hian who visited Rev & Mrs Christopher Smith in July.

WE WILL BE SHARING CHRIST TO ALL THE FAMILIES AT SERANGOON NORTH AVENUE 5 AREA. DO COME AND JOIN US.

**TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH
and
CAMPUS CRUSADE FOR CHRIST
OUTREACH**

Date : 27 Sept 86 (Sat)

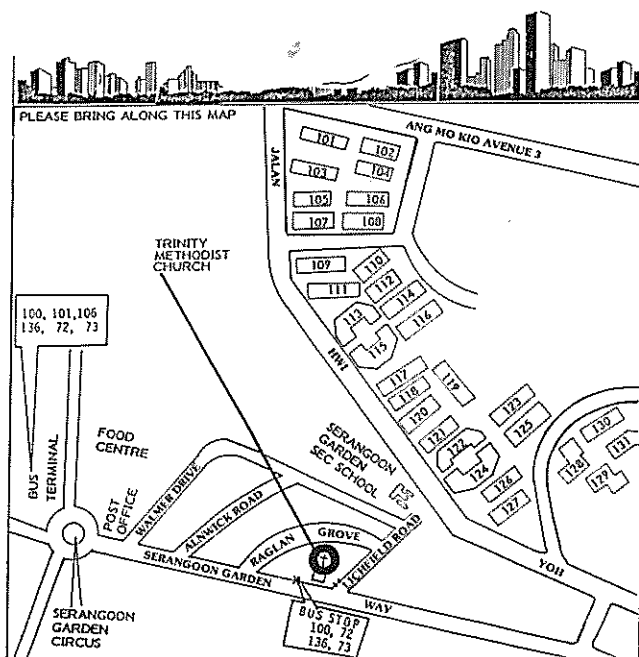
Time : 2.30 pm — 5.30 pm

Venue : Serangoon North

Meet at : TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH
34, Serangoon Garden Way
Telephone: 2824443

PLEASE PRAY FOR

- 1) Fine weather.
- 2) Hearts to be receptive to the Gospel.
- 3) More labourers to reap the harvest.
- 4) Effective follow-up by our trained nurture group leaders



SOMEHOW I CAN'T
FIND TIME TO BE AS
ACTIVE IN DOING
THE LORD'S WORK
AS I SHOULD



IT AMAZES ME
WHAT PETER AND
PAUL AND OTHER
EARLY CHRISTIANS
ACCOMPLISHED FOR
HIM



BUT THEY
DIDN'T HAVE
VIDEO GAMES





Thank you for what you've done!



Senior choir sings their love



Youth Choir doing their bit.



Everytime we think of you our hearts are filled with joy.



Pastor expresses

Dear Dani

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We love You be
We're praying everyday y
Guided by the*

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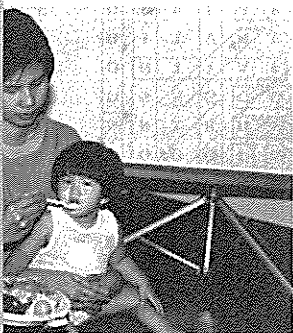
*think of You
filled with Joy
all you've meant to us
as we serve the Lord
in many ways
for eternity.*

*in your fellowship
our partnership
we share in Jesus Christ
the Joy we've known
the way you've grown
each time we think of You.*

*is in our hearts
You to know
the use of Jesus's love
the Love will grow and grow
wisdom from above.*

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The rush in on.



There goes the diet!



One big happy family

Pray & Praise Service

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SPEAKER

TESTIMONY

7/9	Rev. Chan Wing Cheong International Baptist Church	Mr. Ronnie Lee Calvary Charismatic Centre
14/9	Rev. Melvin Huang	Dr. Raymond Teo Christ Methodist Church
21/9	Rev. Melvin Huang	Mr & Mrs Chee King Ting FGBMFI
28/9	Rev. Neville Tan Bedok Church of God	Mr. Leong Po Lye Wesley Methodist Church
5/10	Rev. Melvin Huang	Dr. Gordon Tan Kampong Kapor Methodist Church
12/10	Rev. Percy Campbell Tung Ling Bible School	Mr. Raymond Lim Church of S'pore (Balestier)

WORD-PUZZLE FIND:

Can you find the 22 words from the Bible that are hidden in the puzzle? The words are hidden in every direction — across, down, diagonally, and some are even spelt backwards. Also, some words overlap so that some letters are used more than one word. The first word has been found for you. After you have found all the other hidden words, the left-over letters, when unjumbled, will spell out the name of a church you know very well.

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S M L A S P N S L Y S
W W H F A R D O M B N
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N R T R H Y M N D B I
D S N G G O S P E L S
O H T I A F L O V E E
O I I V S E B Y A I H
G P R E J E S U S T P
M E R C Y T S U R T E

1. APOSTLES

2. BIBLE

3. FAITH

4. FAST

5. FORGIVE

6. GLORY

7. GOOD NEWS

8. GOSPEL

9. GROW

10. HOLY

11. HYMN

12. JESUS

13. LOVE

14. MERCY

15. OBEY

16. PRAY

17. PSALMS

18. SAVED

19. SIN

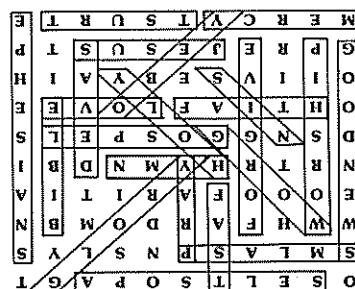
20. TRUST

21. WORSHIP

22. EPHESIANS

The left-over letters spell:

— — — — — CHURCH



ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRINITY WILL BE CELEBRATING ITS 30TH ANNIVERSARY THIS YEAR. OUR ANNIVERSARY SERVICES WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY 14 SEPTEMBER AT 8.15 AM AND 10.00 AM. SPEAKER MR LIAU NYUK SIONG, VICE-PRESIDENT OF TRINITY ANNUAL CONFERENCE WILL SPEAK AND YOU ARE INVITED TO A RECEPTION AFTER THE 10.00 AM SERVICE.

REV MELVIN HUANG'S PAGER NUMBER WILL NOW BE: 5020791. USE OF 4045544 IS DISCONTINUED.

TMC PRAYER MEETING IS HELD EVERY FRIDAY EVENING AT 8.00 PM. DO COME AND PRAY TOGETHER AS A BODY OF BELIEVERS AND SEE GOD'S HAND MOVING.

LAY TRAINING COMTEMPORARY CULTS

LECTURER : REV. MELVIN HUANG
 DATE : 25TH SEPTEMBER 1986
 THURSDAY (5 Week Course)
 TIME : 7.30 PM
 VENUE : TEC
 SUBJECTS : MORMONISM
 JEHOVAH WITNESSES
 UNIFICATION CHURCH
 CHRISTIAN SCIENCE
 COST : STUDENT — \$3
 MEMBER — \$5
 NON-MEMBER — \$7
 CLOSING DATE : 21ST SEPTEMBER 1986

Registration forms available at the Church Office.

NEW MEMBERSHIP CLASS

DATE : 28TH SEPTEMBER 1986
 SUNDAY
 TIME : 11.30 AM
 VENUE : TEC

Those interested please see pastor.

Methodist Youth Fellowship Programmes

Sub-Theme: Preparation for Service in Council

SEPTEMBER

- 6 Methodist Youth Fellowship Affair
- 13 "Cost of Serving My Lord"
- 20 Annual General Meeting
- 27 Evangelism outreach with the Evangelism Committee

Sub-Theme: Stewardship

OCTOBER

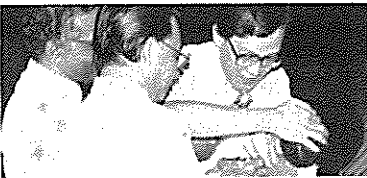
- 4 "Generation Gap Nite"
- 11 Bible Study: My Master's Manager
- 18 Prayer & Praise
- 25 Bible Study: My Master's Bookworm

FAMILY NEWS

BAPTISM OF INFANTS AND CHILDREN

on Sunday 27 July 1986

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- 1) Abigail Huang Yongping daughter of Rev & Mrs Melvin Huang
- 2) Stephanie Seah Hui Xing daughter of Mr & Mrs Seah Pong Hin
- 3) Rachel Soh Hui Fen daughter of Mr & Mrs Tommy Soh Tian Seng
- 4) Yang Zong) sons of Mr & Mrs Yeo Tai Hoen
- 5) Yang Qing)

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CONGRATULATIONS to Victor and Linda Seah Siow Kiang on the birth of their son, Matthew on 11 August.

CONGRATULATIONS TO . . . William and Emily Wilfred on the birth of their son, Andrew on 23 August.

CHRISTOPHER SEAH SIOW TONG IS NOW BACK IN SINGAPORE AFTER COMPLETING HIS TENURE WITH OPERATION MOBILISATION FOR 4 YEARS. HE IS NOW LOOKING FOR A JOB IN THE COMMERCIAL WORLD.

Ang Hwee Suan, one of the editors of our newsletter is now doing a course on Librarianship in the United Kingdom. She left on August 3. At present she is at South Glamorgan County Library doing practical work until September 25, and she will then do her Post-graduate Diploma at the College of Librarianship, Wales.

Hello,

14 August, 1986

I've been in Aberystwyth for about 2 days now. Afterwards we're going to see the town proper. It's a really quiet place, no night life. The air is beautiful, so is the scenery. The people are nice (keep calling us "dear" and "love"). There are only 17 overseas students, a fair number from Asia. Wales is a wet country (that accounts for the green grass) but today is fine. The hostels are very well-furnished and clean. I like it, especially the rooms that overlook the hill and Cardigan Bay. Better stop.

*Love,
Hwee Suan*