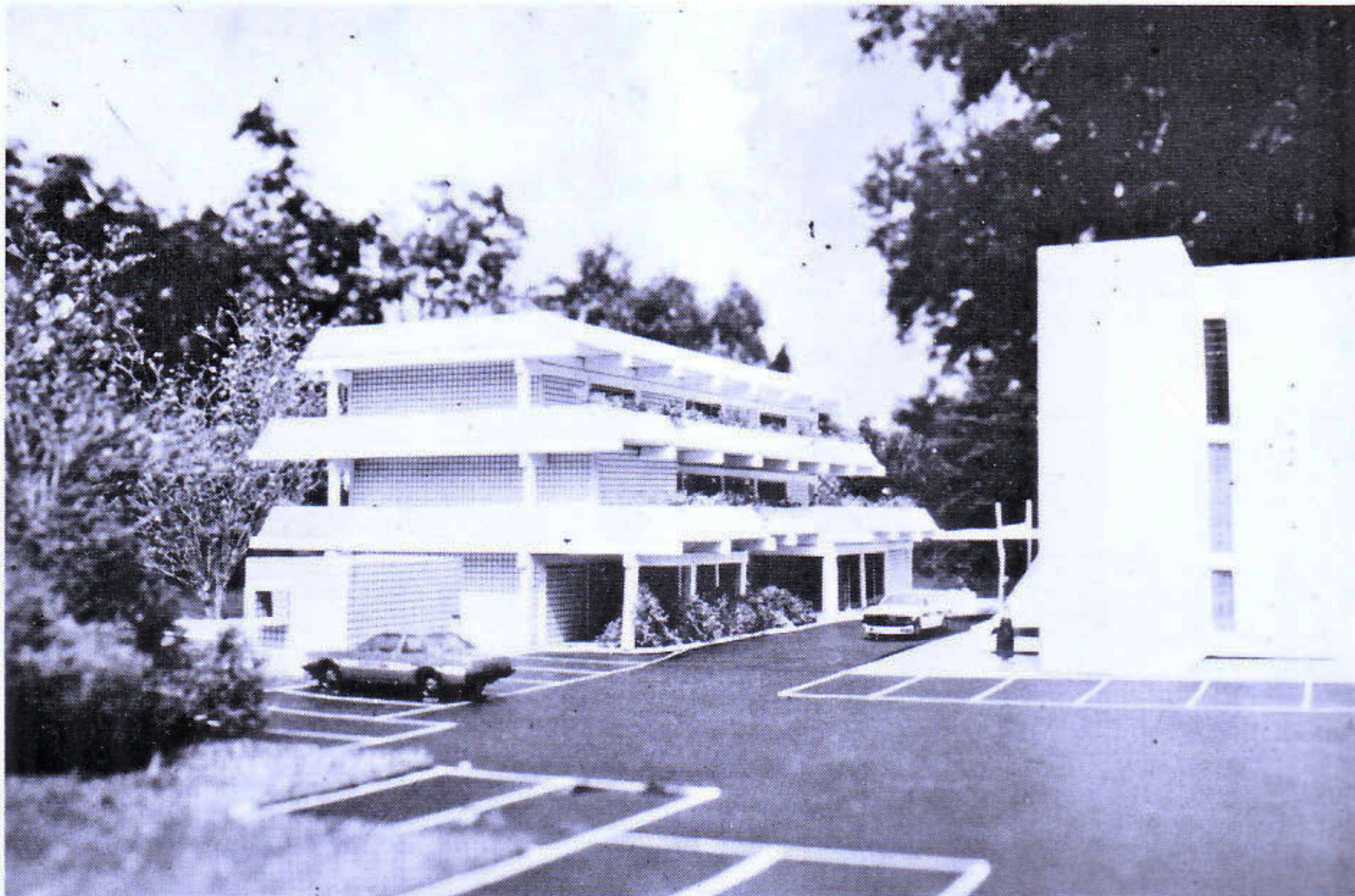


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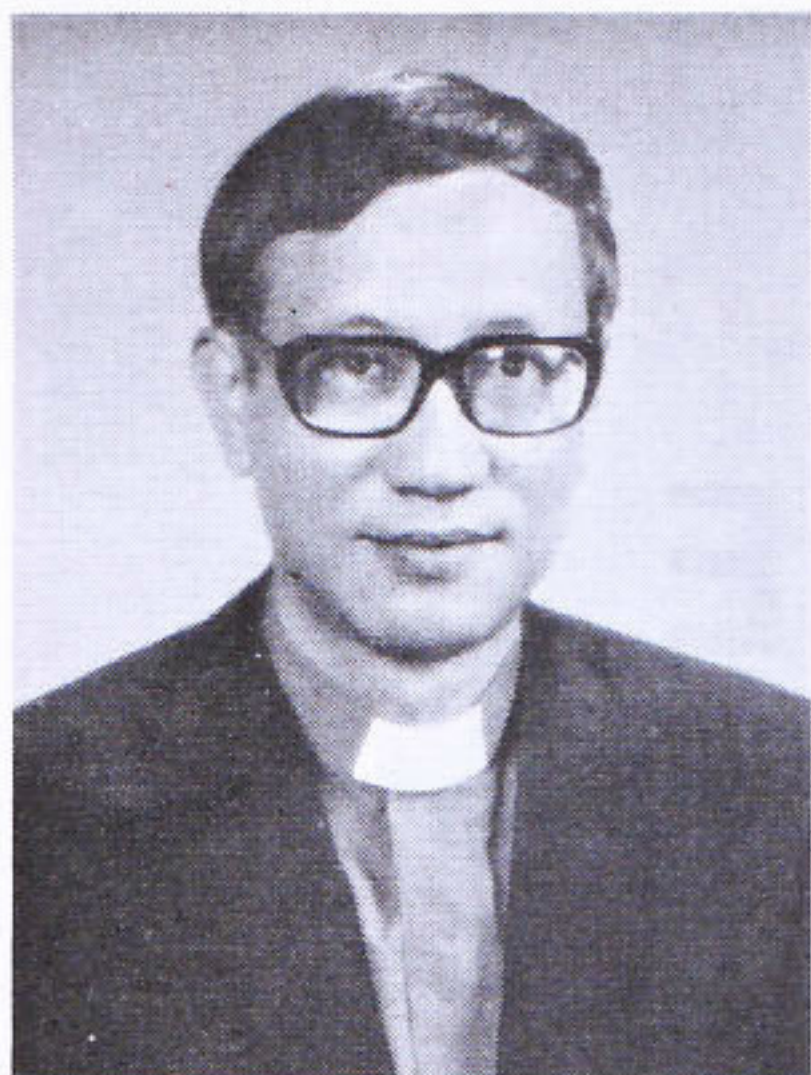


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# MESSAGE

First, I want to congratulate you on the 29th Birthday Anniversary of the Trinity Methodist Church.

Second, I am privileged and delighted to share with you your celebration of this joyful event. I want to thank God with you for His goodness and mercy over all of His people. We all recognize that Trinity is of great importance to us and to the programme of God.

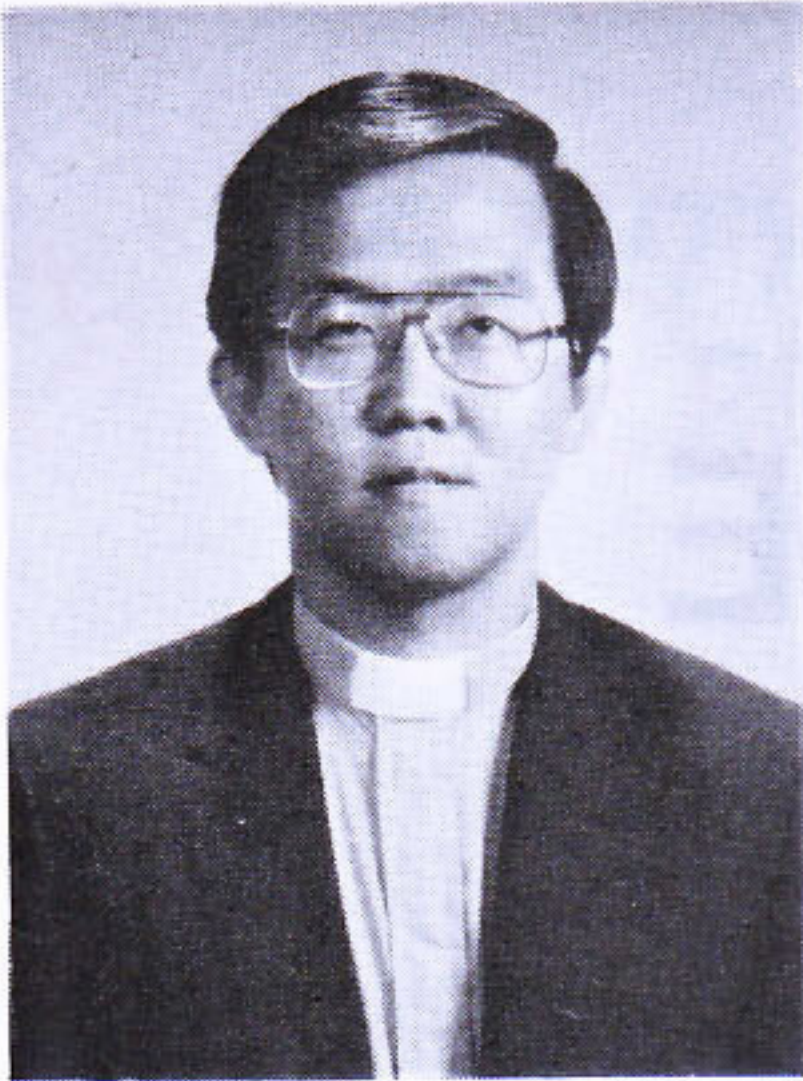
My prayer is that the Lord will use each of you to point to unbelievers to a saving knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ, the head of the Church, to encourage believers to unite within the fellowship of Trinity, and to make even better members of those already in the church. May you also be sincerely open to serving your community for the sake of the Kingdom of our God.

With all good wishes to you all.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ho Chee Sin', written over a horizontal line.

Bishop Ho Chee Sin  
THE METHODIST CHURCH IN SINGAPORE





# MESSAGE

"Where there is no vision, the people perish...."

— Proverbs 29:18

"A task without a vision is drudgery;

A vision without a task is a dream;

A task with a vision is victory."

— Selected

Your Pastor and Church leaders believe in these words about "Vision". In fact, they have a vision — a vision of a more vibrant, enthusiastic and dynamic congregation which is a living, responsive witness in a new community which is gradually evolving in the new Serangoon Housing Estate. Thousands of people are already moving into these flats and I am sure many are searching for God and for a greater meaning in their lives. God's love can only be made manifest through the faithful witness of Churches like Trinity Methodist Church.

Because of their vision, your leaders have undertaken the task of building a new educational centre. The building of the centre is for the sole purpose of making the Church more effective in its witness. By opening the amenities of the new building to the people, more lives will, I am sure, be blessed by the preaching, teaching and outreach ministries of the Church.

As your Church celebrates its 29th Anniversary this year and as it looks to the completion of the new educational centre at the end of the year, may each of you re-commit yourself to God and pledge to make the vision of your Pastor and Church leaders yours as well.

Rev Dr Kang Ho Soon  
DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT EAST  
TRINITY ANNUAL CONFERENCE





# MESSAGE

It is thirty years since I stood, with Andrew Lee and a group of other Wesley Church members, down by the present bus-terminus at the bottom of Serangoon Garden Way, sharing in an open-air act of Christian witness in a part of the growing city where no church had yet been built.

What changes there have been, in church and city, since those far-off days! Each Anniversary has brought fresh cause for rejoicing and 1985, which celebrates a hundred years of Singapore Methodism, provides an extra dimension of gratitude to God for all that He has done.

For Eileen and myself, it brings also the joyful expectation of renewing old friendships and sharing once again in the fellowship of Trinity Methodist Church as, through the generosity of you all, we visit Singapore at your invitation for the first time (at least for me!) since we left ten years ago!

May God continue to bless you all as the church takes another step into the future — for He who leads you "is the same, yesterday, today and forever."

Christopher Smith  
Our Guests of Honour



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# MESSAGE

It is the time of the year we as members and friends of Trinity Methodist Church celebrate our Church Anniversary. As we celebrate 29 years as a community of believers we are aware of the countless blessings that God has given us. Through the years we have witnessed the growth in membership, the maturity of our members and the addition of physical structures to our Church. An outstanding symbol of growth in our Church community is the construction of the Trinity Educational Centre.

This new building will contribute to our expanding ministries as a Community-based Church. The project, according to our schedule, will be completed in time for our Christmas celebrations.

It is appropriate at this time to look at the Word of God to see what He has to say to us. When God called the people to rebuild the Temple in Jerusalem (Haggai 1:13 & 14) His spirit moved key leaders and faithful worshippers of the community of faith. Zerubbabel (Key Leader), Joshua (High Priest) and the faithful remnants responded to the challenge and call of God to rebuild the Temple. It was indeed a massive project, yet during the time of their rebuilding the people did not doubt the presence of God in their endeavours.

In this same manner, the Community of faith in Trinity has been challenged and called by God to undertake this TEC Project. He has indeed moved the hearts of Church Leaders (LCEC), the Pastor and faithful worshippers of the Church to ensure that this building is completed. In the past few months we have seen the building surfacing. We have also seen people coming forward to support this project by their prayers and by their financial giving. The Spirit of God is indeed moving with us as we continue to take courage in seeing this project completed for His work, His Glory and His Ministry! God has been with us. God is with us and He will continue to bless us.

With you ..... celebrating 29 years of God's blessings.


Rev. Daniel Koh Kah Soon



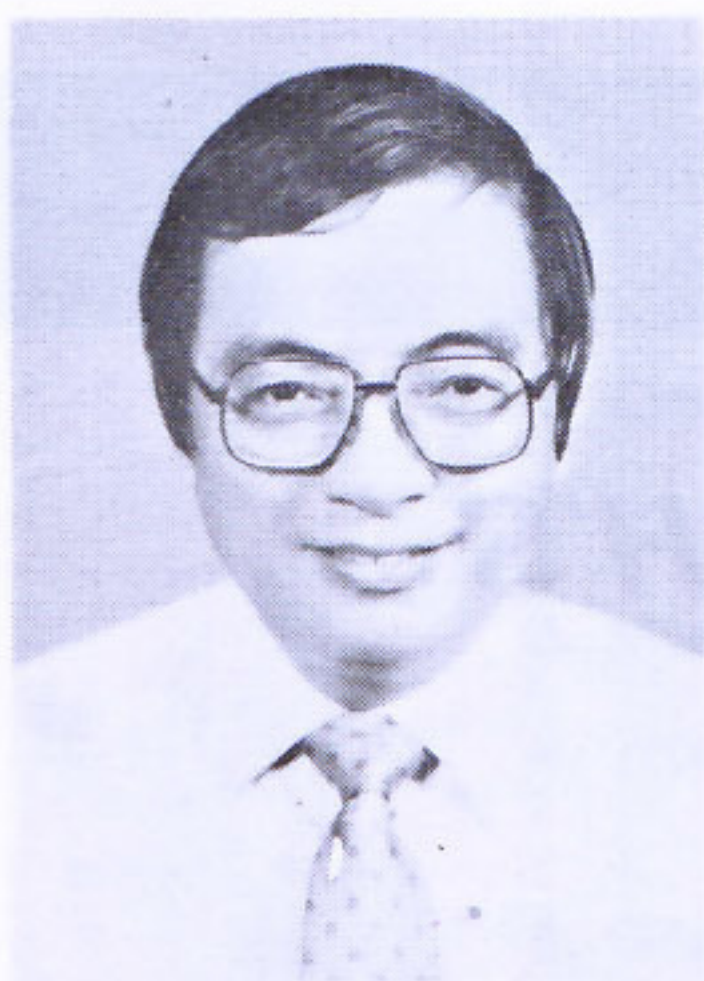
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# MESSAGE

Trinity Methodist Church is 29 years old. We have come a long way since our beginning as a house Church. When our new 3-storey educational building is completed this year, we will have more facilities for more activities.

Our opportunities for evangelising to the community are excellent, considering the rapid build-up of new townships around Serangoon Gardens. 1986 is going to be a year of exciting challenges for us. We will need more funds and more dedicated people for our outreach projects.

With the complete utilisation of our land space and no further expansion possible, does this mean we can only cater to a finite membership. Not really so. We can have more Worship Services every Sunday. We can have a more effective plan for the maximum use of the Education Centre and Sanctuary. We can always fall back to house meetings.

Let us not be too concerned with physical facilities but concentrate on revitalising our inactive members and winning new converts from the immediate neighbourhood. In our recent "walkathon", we have already claimed territory for our Lord in the nearby township.

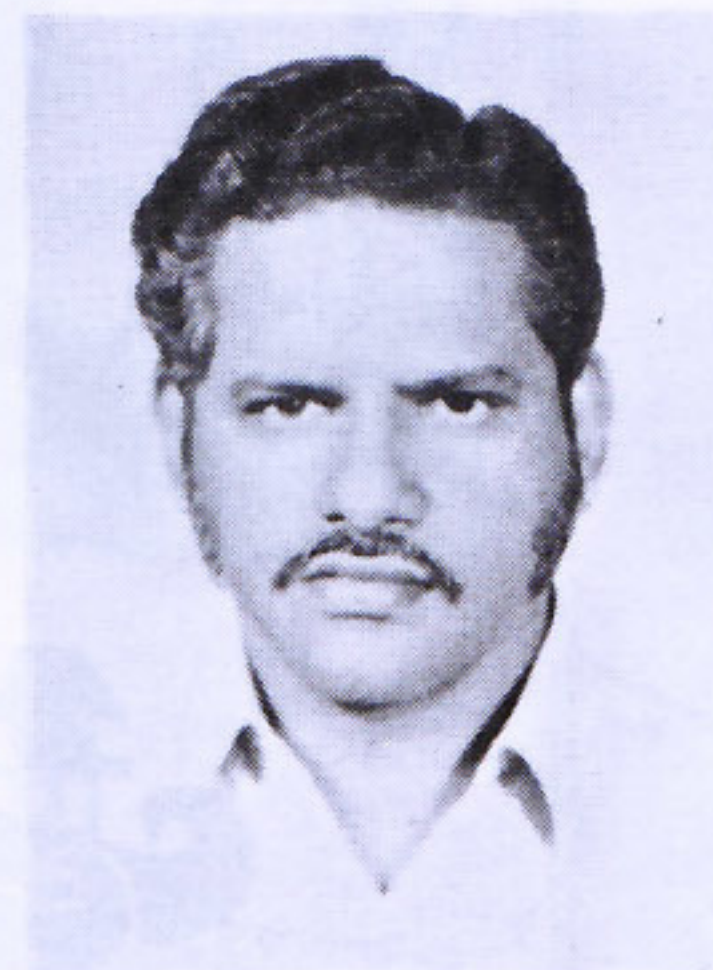
What we need now is a sense of vision and mission. We need a sense of direction and guidance through the working of the Holy Spirit. Let us move forward with courage, so that our Lord's will may be done.

"Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit says the Lord Almighty".

God be with you all.

**Daniel Gwee**  
**Chairman**  
**Local Church Executive Committee**

# MESSAGE



As we celebrate the 29th Anniversary of the founding of the Trinity Methodist Church, I cannot help but to recall to memory the early years beginning 1956, of the excitement, anxiety and sometimes frustration as to whether we were taking the right decision in organising a Methodist congregation in Singapore Garden Estate. Our strength came from God as we stood steadfast against criticism from many who thought it was unwise for a small group of newly settled Methodists to launch Trinity Methodist Church in Serangoon Garden. All that is now history, we have come a long way since then.

We are still building as we did in the early days. The completion of the Trinity Educational Centre will mark yet another milestone in the history of the Church. To-day, we celebrate with God in our midsts, to whom all glory and honour is due for the blessings and guidance so freely and lovingly given to our congregation of faithful servants of Gods. Many have given sacrificially, substantial sum of money to fulfill the project, as testimony of how God has blessed them abundantly.

To-night's function is held to celebrate the 29th Anniversary and also to raise funds for the Trinity Educational Centre Building project. Of the S\$1.3 million needed we have raised and promised \$812,697.00 to-date. To meet payments when the project is completed in November 1985, we have arranged with the Methodist Hq., and ECLOF Singapore for loans initially. Our own members and some friends have pledged collectively support to extend interest-free loans for a period of 1 to 4 years. While every arrangement has been made to ensure the progress of construction work, we still have an uphill task of raising \$530,000 to keep within the budget of \$1.3 million.

On behalf of Mr. Pang Kia Seng, Chairman, Project Committee, Dr. Khor Tong Hong, Chairman, Task-force Committee and all members connected directly with the project, I want to express our appreciation of your generous moral and financial support which will go a long way towards helping us to make our vision become a reality and free of debt.

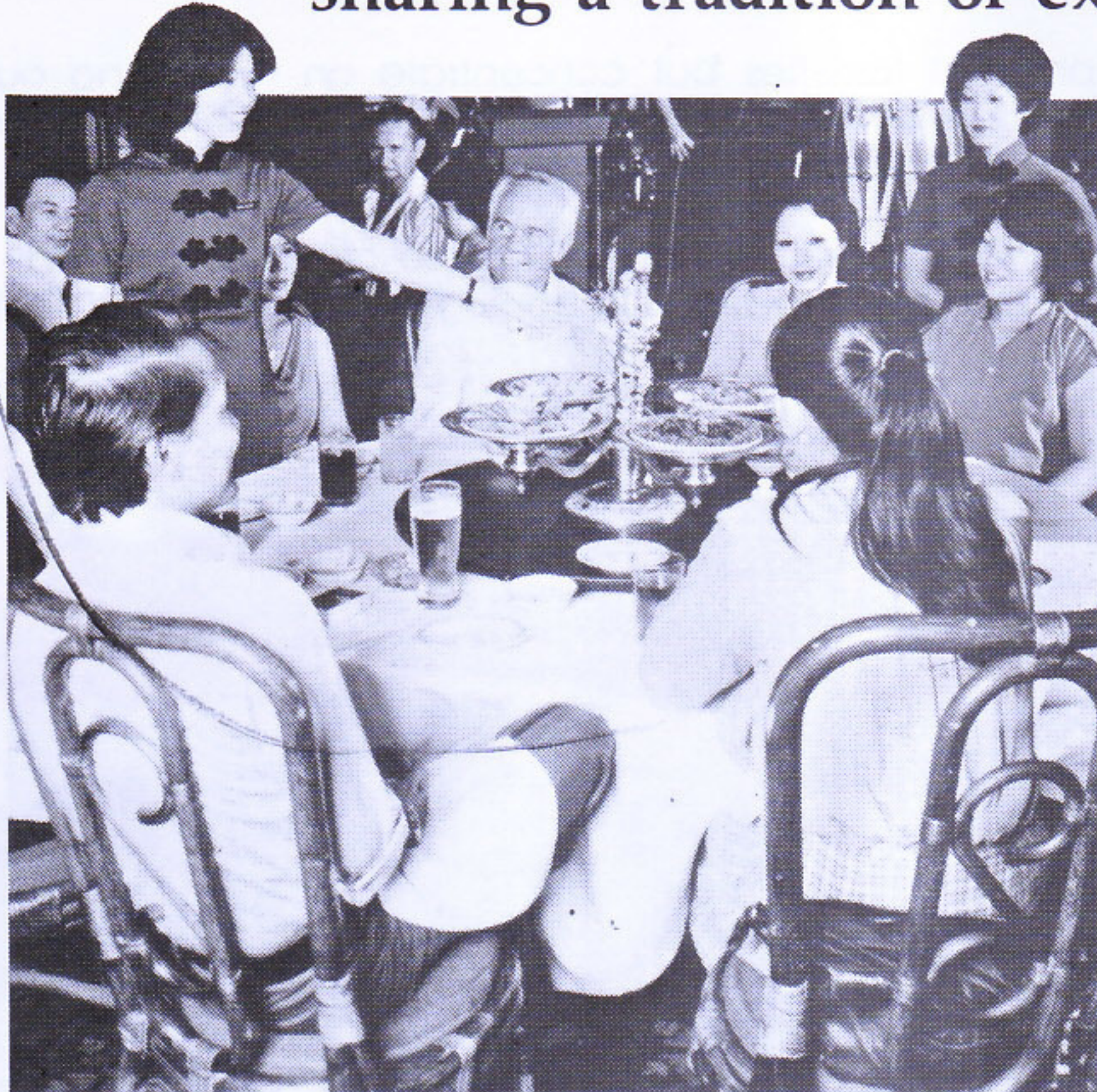
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**P. Sathiasingam**  
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1. Opening Prayer	Rev. Daniel Koh Kah Soon
2. Singspiration	Mr. Bruce Zee / Mr. Ivan Tan
3. Musical Item	Sunday School Choir
4. Words of Welcome	Mr. Daniel Gwee Chairman, L.C.E.C.
5. Giving Thanks To the Lord	Rev. (Dr.) Kang Ho Soon District Superintendent
6. Dinner	
7. Musical Item	Youth Choir
8. Cutting of Anniversary Cake	Rev. & Mrs. Christopher H. Smith Guests of Honour
9. Speech	Rev. Christopher H. Smith
10. Appreciation & Acknowledgement	Mr. P. Sathiasingam Chairman, Trinity Education Centre Building Fund
11. Closing Prayer & Benediction	Bishop Ho Chee Sin President, TRAC

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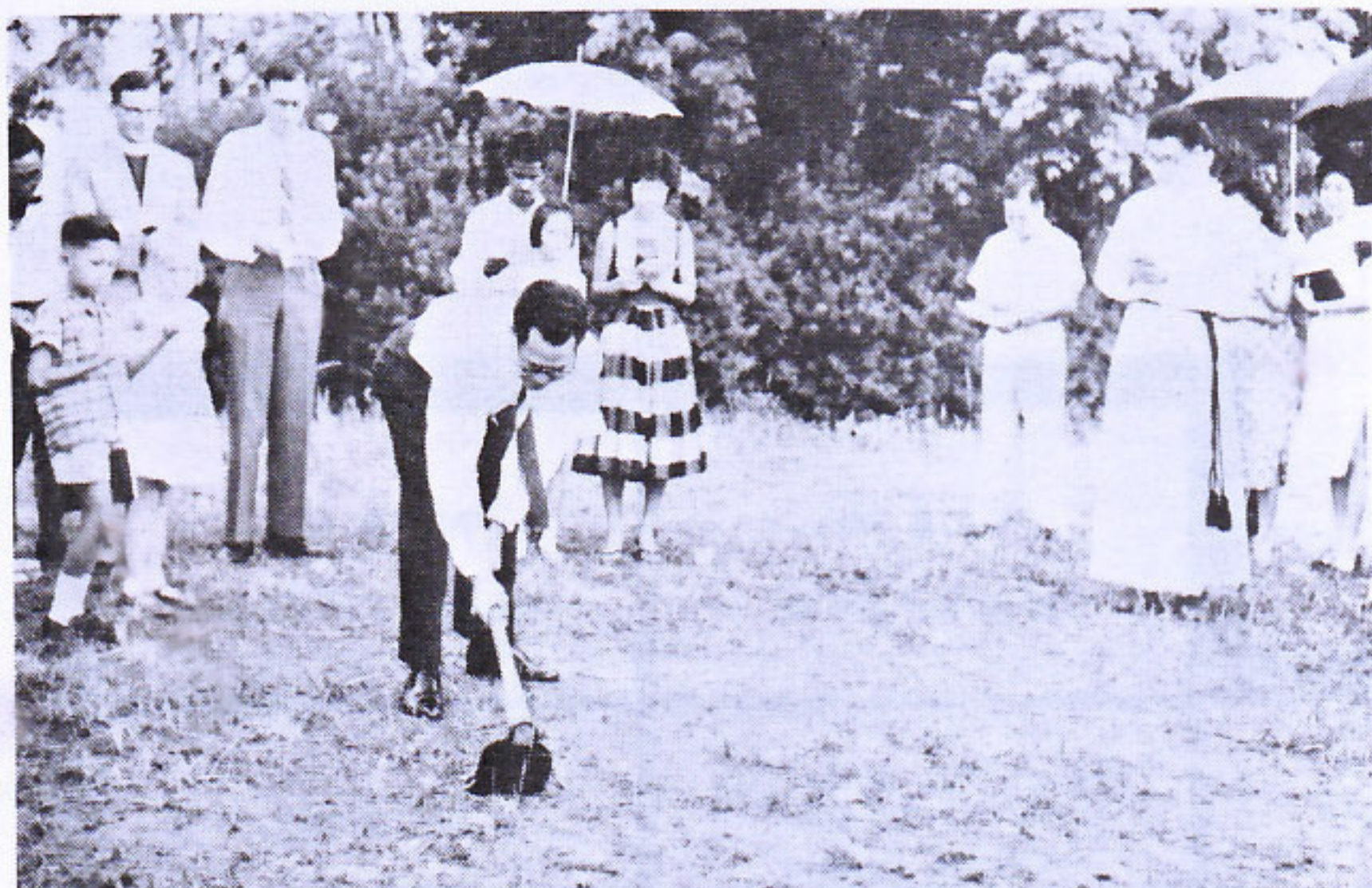
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Our first ground-breaking ceremony

# CHURCH HISTORY

In 1956, when Serangoon Gardens was still surrounded by villages and rubber plantations, a group of Methodist living there felt the need for regular fellowship and worship, thus they started meeting regularly in their own homes. On 25th Nov. of that year, the church was officially constituted as part of the Malayan Annual Conference.

A year later, 28 members of the young church committed themselves to buying a piece of land at the junction of Lichfield Road and Serangoon Garden Way. Meanwhile the church found a temporary home in St. Peter's Church, Serangoon Gardens.

The debt for the church site was not settled until 1961. The Board of Trustees of the Methodist Church made a generous loan of \$60,000 to the Church for a sanctuary to be built. This was completed in 1963.

Between 1957 and 1965, the church had 6 pastors, there was therefore no long term pastoral leadership. Leadership came primarily from committed founder members of the church, notably Mr. Andrew Lee and Mr. Lam Yat Seng.



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Our Sanctuary in the early days.

In 1965, Rev. Chew Hock Hin was appointed to Trinity Methodist Church where he served for 5 years. Rev. Christopher Smith took over from him in 1970. He was succeeded by Rev. Daniel Tan in 1975. Rev. George Wan came to Trinity Methodist Church in 1980 when Rev. Daniel Tan transferred out to Kampong Kapor Methodist Church. Our present pastor, Rev. Daniel Koh was appointed pastor in 1981

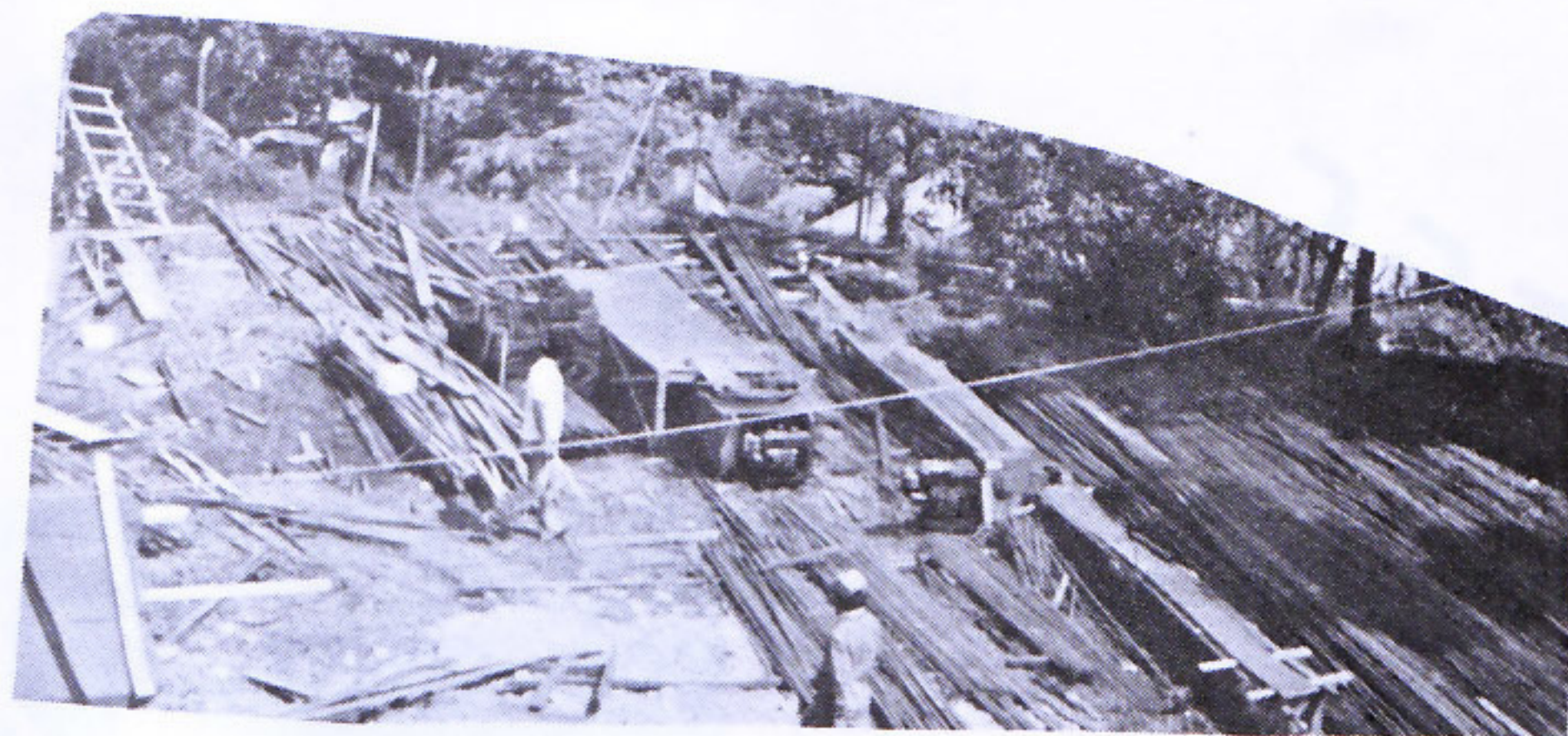
The future looks bright and exciting for Trinity Methodist Church. With faith courage and vision the members trust the direction of the Holy Spirit and respond to the Spirit's leading. And with the completion of our Education Centre Building towards the end of this year more facilities will be made available for the work & extension of God's Kingdom. To God be all Glory.



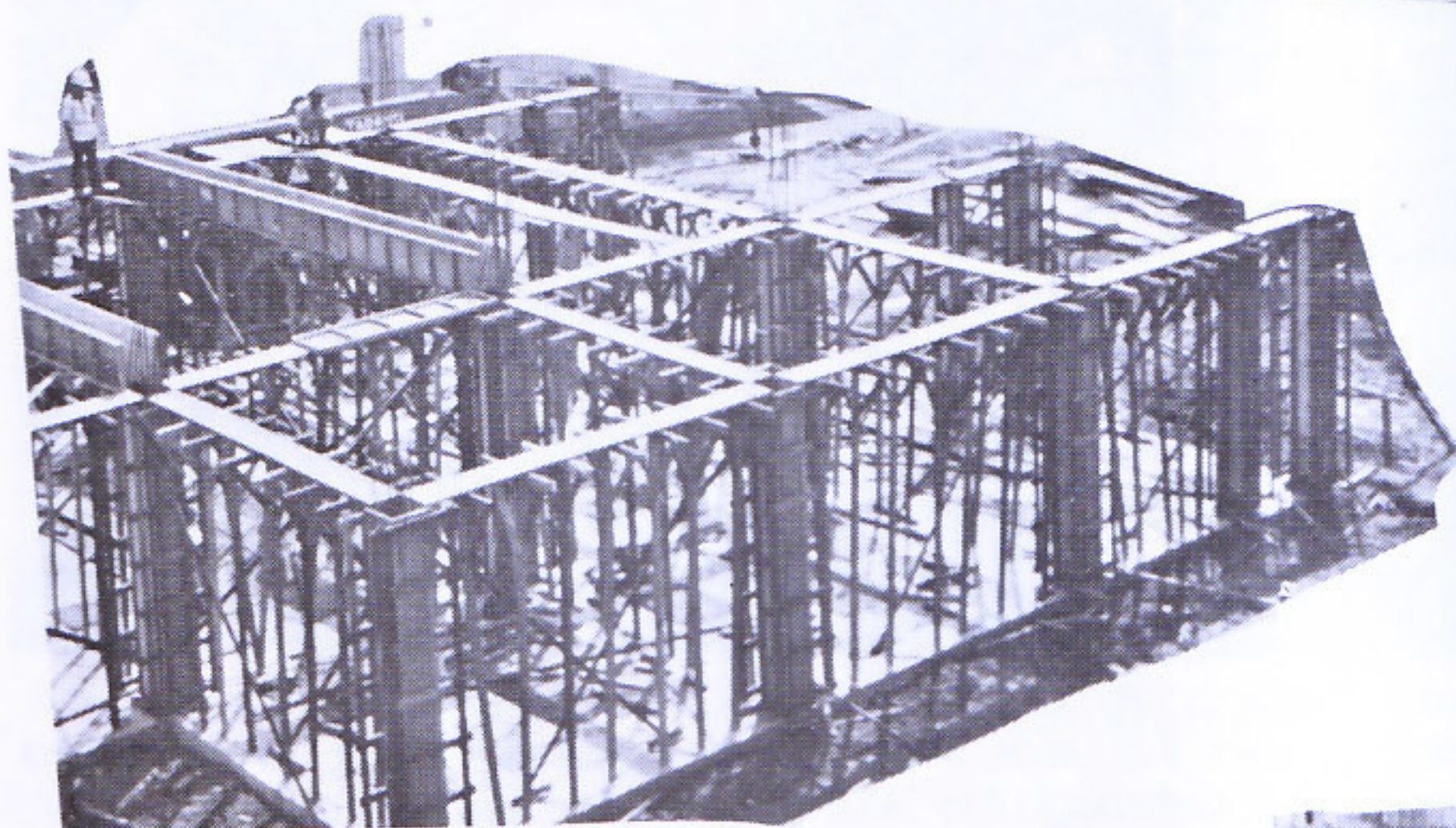
Our pioneers — recognise any of them?



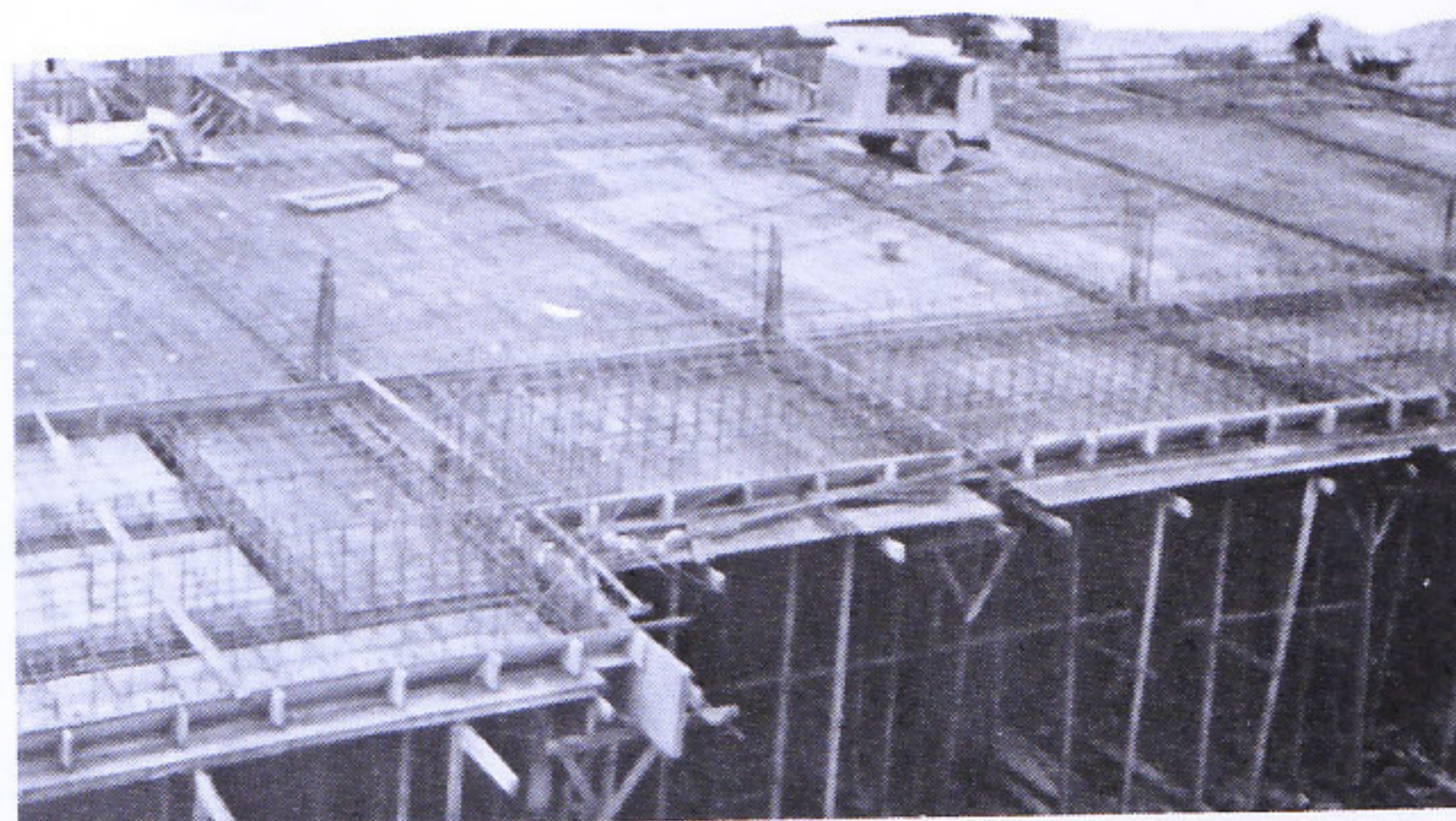
# TEC BUILDING PROGRESS



Foundation work begins



First Storey coming up



Starting work on the Second Storey



The Third Storey is being built.



**A Model of Our Vision Project.**



# TEC FUND RAISING PROJECTS



Pastor flagging off our "Walkathon". This project is our biggest fund-raising project this year. Members and friends of the Church raised about \$18,000 through this "Walkathon".



"Walkathon" — walking with Jesus.....  
walking with a smile all the way



Mini-Food-Fair for funds and fellowship. The women are not the only ones doing the fund-raising. Our Sunday School kids are also doing their part by making handicrafts to sell. Their next project? Selling hand-painted glasses.



The Youth Choir presenting a Christmas Cantata to raise funds for the TEC Building Fund.



# TEC BUILDING FUND STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT

ACCUMULATED FUND	230,000	
PLEDGES (143 Cards)	298,725	
GENERAL DONATIONS	180,463	
TRINITY SUNDAY SCHOOL	10,378	
TRINITY CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE	4,765	
TRINITY METHODIST YOUTH FELLOWSHIP	6,649	
TRINITY METHODIST ADULT FELLOWSHIP	1,305	
TRINITY WORSHIP & MUSIC COMMITTEE	2,492	
TRINITY WOMEN SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE	6,000	
CHRISTMAS GREETINGS thru Newsletter	6,605	
PROCEEDS FROM SALE OF OLD NEWSPAPERS	1,571	
PROCEEDS FROM MOTHER'S DAY GREETINGS	2,100	
PROCEEDS FROM WALKATHON	14,857	
DONATIONS FROM TRAC CHURCHES:		
PENTECOST	1,000	
PAYA LEBAR	5,000	
ANG MO KIO	1,000	
WESLEY	5,000	12,000
INTEREST FROM FIXED DEPOSITS	34,787	
		812,697
Less: Outstanding Pledges		130,000
	ON HAND	682,697

## LOANS

To meet the balance needed by the end of 1985, arrangements have been made with the Finance & Administration Chairman of the Methodist Church in Singapore and the Ecumenical Church Loan Fund — Singapore (ECLOF).

## INTEREST-FREE LOANS

21 pledges of Interest-free loans from members and friends of Trinity Methodist Church have been received. The Loans are for a varying periods of 1 to 4 years and the total amount pledged to-date is 139,000.00

## Trinity Education Centre Building Project Committee

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			Mr. Chew Chin Jin
			Mr. Lee Park Ming
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## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We wish to place on record our very sincere thanks and appreciation to the following:

To God for the love, wisdom, guidance and directions given for the fulfillment of our Vision Project — Trinity Educational Centre.

Rev. & Mrs Christopher H. Smith our guests of honour

Bishop & Mrs Ho Chee Sin, President TRAC

Rev. (Dr) & Mrs. Kang Ho Soon, District Superintendent

Pastor and his wife Rev. & Mrs Daniel Koh Kah Soon

Member of the Organising Committee of the 29th Anniversary Dinner

Members and friends of Trinity Methodist Church for their generous donations to the Trinity Educational Centre Building Fund

The Pastors and members of Pentecost, Paya Lebar, r, Ang Mo Kio and Wesley Methodist churches for their donations and prayer support

All Heads and members of Programme Committees for their respective efforts in raising funds for the Project.

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## TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH

### WORSHIP AND MUSIC COMMITTEE

The Worship and Music Committee is responsible for the music presented during worship services, and for carrying out various after duties necessary for the services.

#### The Choir Directors

The choir director not only coaches the choir on the music they have to sing, but has the responsibility, with the Pastor, of choosing appropriate hymns and anthems for worship services which will complement the sermon being preached. In addition, in our church, a major musical work, such as a cantata, is usually presented once a year. The church has been blessed in having faithful and talented choir directors.



Our Church Choir presenting on Easter Cantata, Mrs. Chew Chin Jin conducting.

#### The Choir

We have been enjoying the music sung by our choir during regular morning worship services for so long, that we have taken the hard work that they put in for granted. Every Sunday, after the worship service, choir members remain behind to practise for the coming weeks. When a cantata is being prepared, there are many extra and long practise sessions, some of which take place at night.

The regular church choir was given a break of ten weeks from mid-May until the end of July this year. During the period, the Youth Choir, under the direction of Ang Hwee Suan and David Gwee, ably took over the singing of anthems and responses during the services.

#### The Organists

We have also been blessed in having many talented church organists some of whom have been playing for almost twenty years. Organists not only play for the regular services, but, some of our senior organists have the difficult task of accompanying the choir when a cantata has to be presented.

#### Communion Stewards

The Communion Stewards are responsible for preparing the elements for Holy Communion Services. We thank God for the ladies in the church who have served as faithful stewards for many years.

#### Flower Arrangers

Many ladies in the church, and one man, Victor Seah, have been responsible for the beautiful flower arrangements we see in the church. Arrangers are responsible for buying as well as arranging the flowers, and this is usually done on Saturday or early in the morning before the service begins.

#### Ushers

Ushers have the responsibility of making worshippers, especially newcomers, feel welcome. In addition, they take the offering and arrange that there is a smooth flow of worshippers to the Communion table.

It can be seen that there are many ways in which one can serve on the Worship and Music Committee. Not all these require special talents, only a willingness to serve God. We thank God for the many who serve Him so faithfully, and for the Pastor who is always available for help and guidance, and pray that more members of the congregation will come forward to serve.



## MISSIONS COMMITTEE

The aim of the missions committee is to encourage TMC members who are missions inclined to serve full time in the missions field, as well as to raise funds to supplement the partial support that our missionaries are receiving from the church. In addition, the committee seeks to provide regular prayer support for our missionaries.

The committee conducts a number of programmes to support this aim. One important annual project of the committee is the raising of funds for our missionaries through 'mission's tins' which are handed out to a number of faithful church members. Response from the church as a whole towards this project has been overwhelming, and the proceeds are steadily increasing every year.

The committee also holds a Missions Emphasis Week annually. This year, Missions Emphasis Week was held from 8 July — 14 July. The highlights of the programme included a talk-cum-slide-presentation by Miss Florence Chia who gave an inspiring account of her adventures in China, and a message during Worship Services on 14 July by Mr Ben Long, a missionary from the U.S. attached to the Navigators. Mr Long reminded the congregation of our basic duty as Christians to preach the Good News and to 'make disciples of every nation'.

The committee looks forward to maintaining its programmes, as well as instituting new ones in the future, so that the church may do its part in reaping the harvest in the mission field.

## EVANGELISM COMMITTEE

The main aims of the Evangelism Committee are to fulfil the Great Commission by spreading the Gospel, and to train and stimulate members of the church for mass and personal evangelistic activities.

To this end, the committee has vigorously carried out a number of projects. Such projects in the past have included the screening of Gospel film shows like 'The Cross and the Switchblade', 'Joni', 'The



Youths of our Church witnessing and carolling at the Ang Mo Kio Trade Exposition, Dec. 1983.

Year of the Beast' and 'Noah's Ark'. The committee also recently helped to screen the Josh MacDowell 'Evidence for Faith' series. About 120 tickets to this series were given to interested church members.

Another recent project of the Evangelism committee involved teaching senior Sunday School students the skills for personal evangelism. Part of this project was a musical entitled 'Make it clear', which was presented to the students by the Ngee Ann Polytechnic Campus Crusade for Christ on Evangelism Sunday.

Future projects for the committee include preparing for the coming Mini-school of Evangelism series, the theme of which is 'Evangelism and discipleship through small groups'. The theme is felt to be very relevant to our church situation, and church members will be strongly encouraged to attend.

Basically, the goal of the committee is to stimulate church members to evangelise, either as a church together or on their own. This is done by training members and building up their spiritual lives. The committee plans its projects with this aim in mind, and hopes that, with God's grace, this aim will be fulfilled in TMC.

## CHRISTIAN SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE

The committee at present comprises about 15 members. Its stated aim is "... to develop and promote programmes and studies and action projects in areas of Christian social concern", as well as to "promote study and action in Christian Social Concerns in the local church".

In the light of this aim, the TMC Christian Social Concerns Committee maintains a number of year-round programmes. One major programme of the committee is its Woodbridge Hospital Ministry, in which two sessions of Worship Service are conducted on every 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month for Woodbridge patients. The committee also visits the Woodbridge wards every month, and keeps in touch with the patients. This programme is run in conjunction with St Peter's Church (Serangoon Gardens). One testimony to the value of this programme can be seen in the fact that five patients received Christ and were baptised last year by our pastor.

The committee also continues to assist charitable institutions like the Hiding Place and Methodist Home for the Age, by providing monetary gifts and gifts in kind. At the same time, it renders aid, encouragement and in some cases, financial support to seven needy families.

In addition to its regular programmes, the committee plans a Christmas and a Lunar New Year Outreach every year. During these seasons, the committee holds parties or additional services at Woodbridge, and provides gifts and angpows to the 7 families in need.

New challenges to the committee in the coming year include that of the Singapore Chesire Home, which recently moved to new premises in Serangoon





Mr. Ng Yean Keat, Social Concerns Committee Chairman leading the worshippers in during a Sunday Service in St. Luke's Chapel, Woodbridge Hospital.

Gardens. The committee plans to work hand in hand with the Anglican Welfare Services to provide a monthly service at the Home. They are also examining the possibility of providing a "Fetching Service" for inmates who wish to come to our Sunday Worship Services.

## COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

This committee previously centred around the Sunday School and its chairman was often also the Superintendent of the Church School. In recent years, however, while maintaining a close relationship with the Sunday School, the committee began to develop in new directions.

It first helped to oversee the MYF ministry when this ministry was facing many problems. As a result, a close bond grew between the MYF and the committee. This led to co-operation between the MYF and the Sunday School.

In order to help members in the church as a whole, there was also a growing concern to provide opportunities for personal encouragement and growth through involvement with small groups. This later became, and still is at present, the main project with which the committee is concerned



Church Youth Camp Papa & Mama, Mr & Mrs. Sathiasingam all smiles as everything is working out well according to the Christian Education's Programme.

with. As many members do not attend Sunday School or have any form of Bible Study, the establishment of small groups seems to be the best way of providing Christian education to all.

In order to achieve its aims in this area, the committee is at present trying to bring together a team of workers to implement the curricula for Leadership (Lay) Training, which is aimed at training small group leaders. The committee is also trying to bring together a team to develop a Small Groups' strategy for the church as a whole. In addition, it provides resources for small-group and personal growth in the form of the Church Library, the Tape Library, the Sunday Bookshop, and, in the near future, the Audio-visual Department.

The committee also undertakes the ministry of personal encouragement to Sunday School teachers, and it hopes to encourage the habit of reading good Christian books as a means of personal growth.

The ultimate vision of the committee is to provide Christian education for all through small groups, so that each one may be "blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ" (1 Cor. 1:8b).

## MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

The committee sees its primary role as "assimilating and seeking to involve Church members and friends in the participation and meaningful membership of Trinity Methodist Church". This is done through strengthening members by way of visitation, encouragement and counselling, intensification of interpersonal relationships and fellowship, and learning of the Word.

With these objectives in mind, the committee has placed active emphasis on the development and expansion of a number of specific programmes.

Firstly, the committee continues to foster a dynamic Lay Visitation Programme. Under this programme, committee members and friends rally round members and friends of the church in their illnesses, hospital confinements, shut-in experiences and bereavements. Upon receiving word from the Church office, members form a telephone chain, thereby ensuring that a suffering member is encouraged through the programme.

Secondly, the committee helped to establish the Senior Adult Fellowship (SAF) under the leadership of Mr Wong Yow Chuen. The SAF was established to cater to the needs of a maturing Church, as more and more of our members are entering the 55-year-old group. Its programmes thus far have included Walk-a-jogs and lunch fellowships.

Thirdly, as the Small Group strategy is recognised as the vital link to meaningful interpersonal relationships and the intensification of fellowship, this committee and the Christian Education committee have worked on plans to support the various existing small groups by supplying resources and curricula.



Fourthly, the equipping of members for service and leadership through a system of lay-training is on the committee's drawing board. Together with the Christian Education Committee, a centralised curriculum and conduct of lay-training courses will be worked out for the enrichment of members. A team is at present being formed to undertake this.

The committee has thus been blessed with an active and fruitful year, and it looks forward to the challenges ahead as it crystalises and puts into action its various new programmes.

## METHODIST ADULT FELLOWSHIP

The principal role of the MAF is to gather adults as a supportive fellowship, for exhortation in practical Christian living, and for mobilisation in effective Christian service.

The MAF conducts a regular fortnightly programme, during which Inductive Bible Studies are done on books like "Let's Pray together" by Margaret Former and Sharrel Keyes and "Man After God's Own Heart", Vol. 2 (on the life of King David) by Robbie Castleman. This fortnightly programme is regularly attended by 16-18 members and friends.

In addition to this regular programme, the MAF also organises other activities. It held a "Steamboat Night" on 16 December 1984, as well as Carol Night (Candlelight Service) on 24 December 1984. The proceeds from the two events were respectively given to the TEC project and to help the victims of the drought in Ethiopia.

In support of the TEC project, the MAF designed note pads, which were put on sale at S\$6.00 each. To date, S\$1000.00 from the sales of these note pads has been given to the TEC project.

The Council hopes to encourage more members and friends to attend its meetings on a regular basis by inviting guest speakers and organising other interesting activities.

The MAF can truly praise God for the fruitful year He has given them. They commit their future programmes and activities into God's hands for His guidance and blessings, and thank God that the Spirit He has given us does not make us timid, but fills us with power, love and self-control (2 Timothy 1:7).

## M. Y. F.

The Trinity MYF was formed in July 1960, with Miss Lucy Lau as its first President. Through the years, the objectives of the MYF have, in essence, remained unchanged.

The MYF aims to help young people to achieve a vital relationship with Jesus Christ; grow in Christian character and also to render effective

and joyous service to the Church and to the world.

Over the last twenty-five years, the MYF went through many ups and downs. Many times it looked as if the MYF would have to close its doors. However, God has always provided for the MYF and we thank Him that we are still able to serve Him through the MYF today.

The MYF provides the base for mutual encouragement and interaction among young people. MYFers meets every Saturday for fellowship, prayer, Bible Study and games. On Sundays, the MYFers look out for new comers and loners and encourage them to attend MYF Meetings.



We see our role in Church as supportive one and MYFers are always urged to support and participate in Church activities.

As we look back on the last Church year (Aug. '84 — Aug. '85), we thank God for the unity of leaders of the MYF. We also praise Him for our young people who have given of their time and talent to be a part of the youth ministry in Trinity Methodist Church.

**Sunny Loh, President**

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## OUR W.S.C.S.

The aims and objectives of the WSCS are:-

1. To help women to know Christ better and have a closer walk with Him
2. To pray and uphold each other in Christ
3. To provide opportunities for women to serve God in different areas of Church life.

### Brief History

The Society was formed in March 1958 when some women met at the home of Rev. & Mrs. Kenneth Chellappah (then Pastor of our Church). There were 10 Committee members. Monthly meetings were held at members' homes. We also made mosaic vases, children's dresses, etc. for our first Church bazaar. Fellowship dinners and film shows were held to raise funds for our existing Church building.

### Projects

- a) We support TRAC WSCS projects, e.g. financial support for Karo Batak students to go to Theological college; the ESN Centre for girls at Mt. Sophia; the purchase of teaching aids for the Karo Batak Church in Indonesia.
- b) We contribute to the World Day of Prayer and the Fellowship of the Least Coin.
- c) At the local Church level, we support some local missionaries and missionary organisations, e.g. The Hiding Place. We also help to raise funds for our TEC building. We visit regularly the Methodist Home for the Aged and also conduct Sunday Services at the Home.

### Role of the Society in the Overall Church Ministry

- a) The WSCS has helped in the spiritual growth of a number of sisters-in-Christ through the Prayer and Bible Study Fellowship.
- b) The visitation team visits Church members who are sick, the shut-ins or who are hospitalised.
- c) Some members help to conduct Sunday Services at Woodbridge Hospital on 2nd and 4th Sundays.
- d) The WSCS also prepares Easter Sunday breakfast; refreshments for TRAC and GC Conferences; Fathers' Day Lunch; New Year's Eve Dinner and holds occasional Mini Food-fairs.

The Lord is wonderful. He gives joy and strength to those who serve Him. He is close to those who seek Him and showers His blessings on those who walk with Him. We continue to seek His guidance as we learn to serve Him. Praise the mighty name of Jesus.

**Mrs. Lydia Han, President**

## OUR SUNDAY SCHOOL

Since the beginning of 1985, the average attendance has been slightly more than one hundred children. Our main objectives for the coming Church year are:-

1. to increase attendance by 50%
2. to form more small groups of teachers for prayer, Bible Study and fellowship
3. to challenge young people to evangelistic and mission work
4. to train committed Christians to be teachers.

We would also like to encourage our Sunday School children to be part of efforts to raise funds for our Education Centre. With this aim in mind, a "Walkathon" was jointly organised with the MYF. A sum of about \$18,000/- was raised. We had an enjoyable and meaningful time as we walked around the new housing estates surrounding our Church to claim the area for God. During the December holidays this year, a jumble sale will be held to further raise funds for the new Education Centre.

We look forward with keen anticipation to an exciting year ahead. With the completion of the Trinity Education Centre building, the children can expect proper Sunday School classrooms, more audio-visual aids and materials. Lessons will be made more interesting. Completed projects, handiwork and art pieces can also be exhibited. More teachers will be needed to serve in the Sunday School. Therefore there will be training sessions to be carried out.

God deserves all honour and glory, for without Him we can do nothing. His divine purpose and plan will be fulfilled in our children's lives by the power of His Holy Spirit.

**Joyce Chew**  
**Asst. Sunday School Superintendent**



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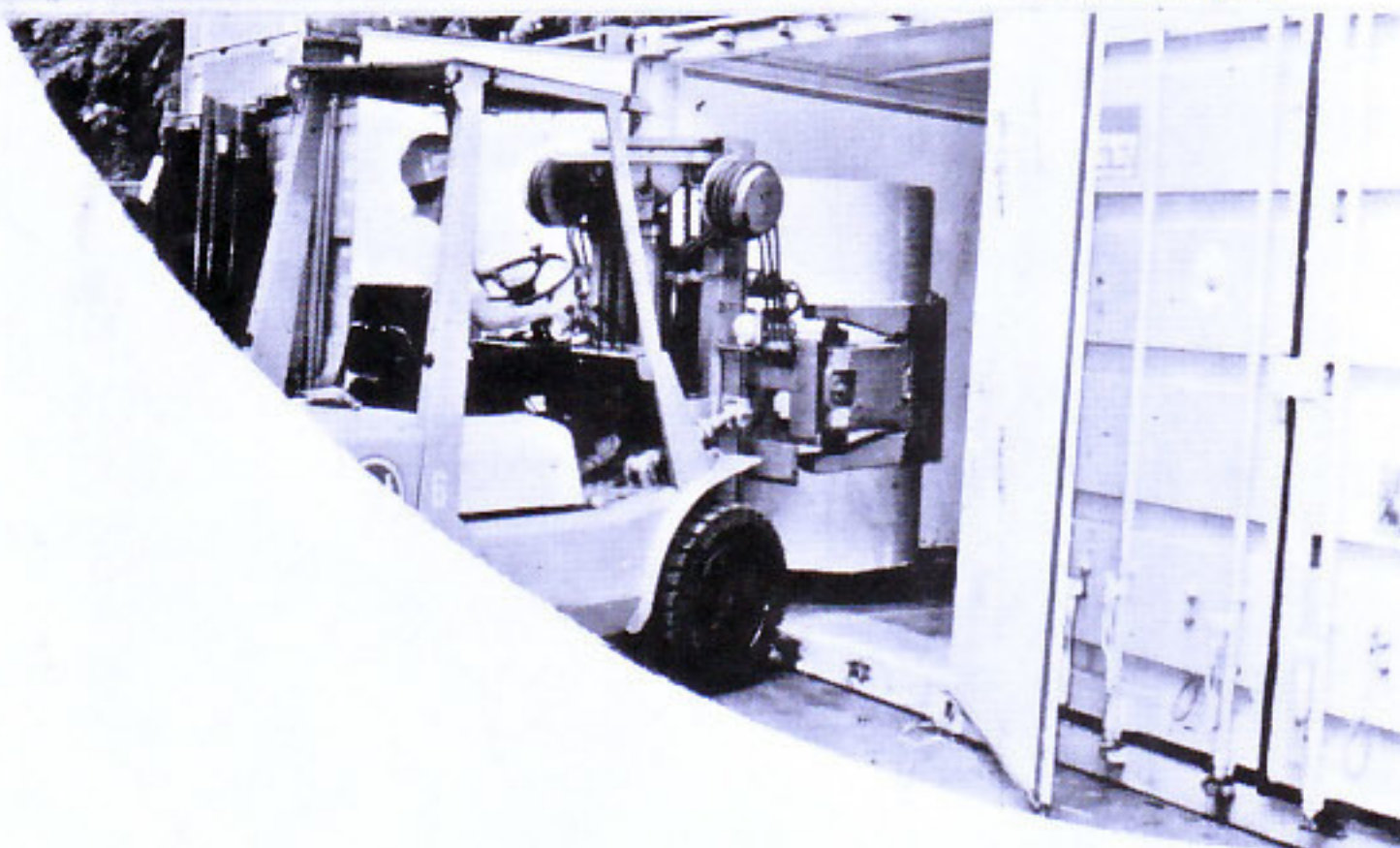
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