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2 Chronicles 7:14

If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land.

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Malaysia National Prayer Nurturing

Drawing near

"Our Father in heaven, Your name be honored as holy."

What does the Church need today? More or better machinery? New methods, new plans, new organization...? While the Church looks for all these, God looks for a man. Precisely because the Spirit of God flows only through man and on man, not through methods or on any machinery. Prayer makes the man God is looking for, for life and deepest conviction come out of the man's intimate communion with God, his Father in heaven. We who call ourselves by His name must keep His name holy by setting apart ourselves for Him.

Let's pray:

LORD, my Father in heaven, because of all that You have done for me, I present my body to You as a living sacrifice for this day, pure and pleasing. Change the way I think and transform me into a new person. For I know that Your will for me is good and acceptable and perfect (Rom 12:1-2).

- Praise God for His attributes (grace, mercy, love, holiness, unchanging character, etc.) and His works (creation, redemption, etc. See Rev 15:3-4)
- Thank Him for all the good things

Grave concerns:

O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth! You have set Your glory above the heavens!

ISSUES

- Malaysia:
 - Still reeling from the seizure of Bibles and the refusal of the Federal Court to grant the Catholic church leave in the Herald case, a Christian group, in its Merdeka and Malaysia Day message, has called on Malaysians to be committed in saving the country from religious extremism and racial polarisation. (<http://www.themalaysianinsider.com/malaysia/article/in-merdeka-message-christian-leaders-urge-malaysians-to-save-country-from-e#sthash.oxZILIBQ.dpuf>)
 - Selangor MB crisis reveals the ugliness of power struggle (at the expense of rakyat's wellbeing) in the political arena regardless of affiliation.
 - Malaysia women are believed to have joined ISIS forces to offer Jihad Al-Nikah or sexual jihad, senior intelligence officials told the Malaysian Insider.
- Jihad Al-Nikah refers to a controversial concept where Sunni women allegedly offer themselves in sexual comfort roles to fighters for the establishment of Islamic rule. (<http://www.themalaysianinsider.com/malaysia/article/malaysian-women-join-middle-east-jihadists-as-comfort-women-reveals-intelli#sthash.X5TDqrve.dpuf>)
- Britain
 - There is a deep concern amongst experts that Muslim extremism is a growing threat in the UK -- and as CNN's reporting reveals, there are a number of British extremists who believe ISIS' Islamic caliphate will spread across the world.
- About 500 people linked to Britain have joined the ranks of ISIS -- the militant group that has declared an Islamic state in Syria and Iraq. (http://edition.cnn.com/2014/08/27/world/europe/isis-britain-jihadi-problem/index.html?hpt=hp_c5)
- The threats of ISIS
 - As fighters for the Islamic State in Iraq and Syria continue to seize territory, the group has quietly built an effective management structure of mostly middle-aged Iraqis overseeing departments of finance, arms, local governance, military operations and recruitment. (http://www.nytimes.com/2014/08/28/world/middleeast/army-know-how-seen-as-factor-in-isis-successes.html?hp&action=click&pgtype=Homepage&version=LedeSum&module=first-column-region®ion=top-news&WT.nav=top-news&_r=0)
- West Africa
 - The Ebola outbreak in West Africa is going to get worse before it gets better, according to the top US public health official. The World Health Organization says the outbreak has killed 1,427 people in Guinea, Liberia, Nigeria and Sierra Leone. (http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2014/08/27/ebola-outbreak-gets-worse_n_5724702.html)

Beyond MPC 2014: Choosing to Keep in Step with the Incomparable God Who “Sees The End From The Beginning” ...

Some years ago, the Sovereign Lord led us on a journey of coming together as a whole Methodist Family that began with the MPC 2007 (in PJ and Shah Alam) with the theme “One in Christ Through Prayer”. The journey continued with MPC 2011 (in Sibu) on the theme “Spreading Scriptural Holiness, Transforming the Nation”. This was followed by the recent MPC 2014 (in PJ/ KL) with the theme “A Church after God’s own Heart”.

We thank the Lord for the many blessings we have received in MPC 2014

such as, the 410 intercessors (from all our Annual Conferences) on duty during the whole of the MPC for 3 days; at least 912 signed up for the “A CALL TO NATIONWIDE 24-7 Prayer initiative, mobilizing non-stop unbroken prayer nationwide for the next 2 years to be a blessing to Malaysia”. Altogether, there were about 2,885 present at the Sunway Convention Centre on 29-30 Aug 2014 and more than 12,000 were at the Putra Stadium, Bkt Jalil, KL on the 31 August Sunday Worship Celebration. We thank the Lord for the 258 ushers on duty, the many “unnamed” ones who served willingly like the 70 sisters from the (inter-Annual Conference) Methodist Women who for 10 hours prepared the elements for Holy Communion for the Worship Celebration held at Putra Stadium that Sunday. The Lord gave us an able Organising Team that worked tirelessly since last year. The GC Prayer Team was most instrumental in mobilising our Methodist Family for prayer that began in January 2014. This culminated in a “Month of Prayer & Fasting for the MPC 2014” from 1 Aug, which many of us committed ourselves to. The cleaning up at Putra Stadium was so good that the staff and personnel there said they would welcome the Methodist Church in Malaysia back to use the stadium anytime!

We witness clearly the sovereign hand of the incomparable and irreplaceable God in the way He gave us our themes and speakers. He has first called us to gather as His whole Methodist Family in Malaysia in the spirit of Galatians 3:28 - “*There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus*”. In this regard our General Conference and Annual Conferences leadership have been most responsive and collaborative, as we collectively, sincerely and seriously heed the divine injunction of 2 Chronicles 7:14 - “*if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land.*”

As we continue our voyage after MPC 2014....

we worship and follow the Sovereign God Who calls us to “*remember the former things of old; for I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is no one like me,*”¹⁰ declaring the end from the beginning and from ancient times things not yet done, saying, “*My purpose shall stand, and I will fulfill my intention*” [Isa 46:9-10].

In Isaiah chapter 46, our God makes it very clear that unlike the idols [v 1. Bel & Nebo] which has the “DNA” of human beings, He is “absolutely other”. There is nothing in the universe that can be used to “create” Him – He is simply out of this world, totally and uniquely “different” from any thing in the material order!

This incomparable God is the Holy One of Israel, Who unlike the chief idols of Babylon, Bel and Nebo that needed protection and carrying, He is the One Who will carry them from “womb to tomb” (vv 3-4: “*Listen to me, descendants of Jacob, all you who remain in Israel. I have cared for you since you were born. Yes, I carried you before you were born. I will be your God throughout your lifetime-- until your hair is white with age. I made you, and I will care for you. I will carry you along and save you.*”). Each line in verse 3 ends with the Hebrew words for “womb” – as if God is saying, “you will always be my little girl” as fathers say to their daughters!

Bible scholars have noted that in Isaiah the majestic monotheist view of God finds its clearest and highest form in the title – *The Holy One of Israel*, which is used 31 times in this book, compared to only 6 times in the rest of the Old Testament. This development is all the more astounding when we consider the fact that it came at a time when Israel is at its lowest ebb – being exiled from their beloved Jerusalem; Isaiah “saw God” most clearly in the most desperate of situations! We too, can see God clearest in the darkest of times – in a very low ebb moment as our nation stands at the cross roads of uncertainty and inexplicable events such as the loss of our two air flights this year.

As we stay on the highway of prayer and holiness after MPC 2014....

we choose to remain chosen, to belong to God, to be in the centre of His will on this journey of faith and prayer so that we can let Him accomplish His plans through us. We must, unlike the remnant in Babylon, choose to believe in this Incomparable God Who effected a “re-set” for Israel, by a second “Exodus”, this time from Babylon.

The narrative of the selection of Gideon’s army in Judges 7:1-8, reminds us that our incomparable God Who declares “I am God, and there is no one like me, declaring the end from the beginning”

can so “work things out” so that there is no mistaking where the glory should only go.

The remnant Israelites were so overwhelmed and intimidated for a long spell in Babylon by the pomp and lavish worship of Bel and Nebo that they suffered from “a displaced people with a misplaced awe” syndrome. What added to their choice of unbelief was the fact that God is going to use a non-Jew, a detested pagan, “a bird from the east”, in the person of King Cyrus of Persia to overthrow Babylon (Isa 41:1-3) and effect their restoration to Jerusalem..

To keep in step and remain chosen and “usable” in the hands of this Incomparable God, one has to overcome unbelief caused by “fear and trembling” (Judges 7: 3) especially in the face living under grave, prolonged intimidation by enemy forces and threatening circumstances that cause the people of God to feel like a minority. The people of God called Methodists must not be satisfied with being among the initially 10,000 shortlisted after “round 1”. We must aim to be the “finally chosen” 300 in Gideon’s army that “put on the full armor of God – so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand” (Eph 6:13).

God used 4 imperatives to remind the unbelieving remnant of the objective reference of faith in Him which is contained in their history. Such “proofs” were found especially in the miraculous signs and interventions of God in their first Exodus from Egypt that are inferred to in verses 8-10: “**Do not forget this! Keep it in mind! Remember this, you guilty ones. Remember the things I have done in the past. For I alone am God! I am God, and there is none like me. Only I can tell you the future before it even happens. Everything I plan will come to pass, for I do whatever I wish**”.

As we look forward to the way ahead beyond MPC 2014

we pursue “staying chosen” and keeping in step with this Sovereign God Who in 2007 started our Methodist Family prayer movement. More than ever before, “we humble ourselves, pray, seek His face and turn from our wicked ways” before the Incomparable One “Who sees the end from the beginning”. Let us now choose to be unwavering in fulfilling His intention as “a church after God’s own heart”. We do this at different levels.

#1. Personal level – pray and obey 2 Chronicles 7:14 (“if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land”) each day; pray it at least once daily, in a posture of humility and thirst for holy transformation.

Our God is a HOLY GOD so that those who “turn from their wicked ways” [2 Chron 7:14] will find that “no good thing does He withhold from those who walk uprightly” [Psalm 84:11]

Those who belong to this absolute” holy One of Israel” must bear His holy likeness especially in living out compassion, love, goodness and faithfulness.

Micah 6:8 captures this succinctly for us – “O people, the LORD has told you what is good, and this is what he requires of you: to do what is right, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God”.

In the New Testament, James 1:26 declares in no uncertain parallel terms - “If you claim to be religious [ie devout, spiritual people] but don’t control your tongue (ie in good and healthy speech), you are fooling yourself, and your religion is worthless.”²⁷ Pure and genuine religion in the sight of God the Father means caring (ie demonstrates compassion, love) for orphans and widows in their distress and refusing to let the world corrupt (ie faithfulness, trueness to God, holding on to holy, undefiled living against world’s strong tides that washes against you) you.

#2. Local Church – strengthen prayer life and gatherings in the congregation(s); give this due emphasis, priority and attendance as a local church community event as our churches are stirred up by MPC 2014 to pray.

#3. Inter-MCM level - organizing Combined Methodist Prayer Gatherings meeting periodically in towns and cities where there are more than one Methodist church; it helps to spur one another on in seeking God in intercession.

#4. Inter-denominational level – to initiate and participate in Prayer Gathering with other churches and networks periodically to pray for our nation.

#5. National level - to participate in the 24-7 PRAYER FOR THE NATION TWO YEAR COMMITMENT from 16.9.2014 – 16.9.2016. START NOW – on your own or with your family or in your local church or Small Group or Ministry Group. More information will come as each AC begins to plan, organize and train with the help of the AC Prayer Coordinators working with the GC PRAYER MINISTRY TEAM. Already we have the following indications from our Annual Conferences in adopting the day of the week for this national 24-7 Prayer initiative: Monday – TRAC, Tuesday – CAC and SPAC, Thursday – SCAC and SPAC, Friday – TAC, Saturday – PMSM, Sunday – SIAC. An overall plan will be put together as we pray to fully fulfill our part together with others in the Body of Christ in this nation. Sacrifices and commitment are needed especially when it comes to the “MOONLIGHT SHIFT”!

An Impact Statement and Benediction....

As a Methodist Family we seek by God’s grace to be a blessing that impacts this nation by being a Church after God’s own heart that humbly chooses to stay on His highway of prayer and holiness. A church that is:

- **Growing Deep and Strong Inside**
- **Standing with Christ’s Body nationwide**
- **Giving God Glory from every side**

As a people of God called Methodists in Malaysia - go forth into this land and the world in peace; be of good courage; hold fast to that which is good; render no one evil for evil; strengthen the faint hearted; support the weak; honour all people; love and serve the Lord; rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son & the Holy Spirit, be upon us and remain with us always AMEN.

Bishop Ong Hwai Teik

Seeking in Unity for A Church After God's Own Heart:

The Methodist Prayer Convention 2014



For three days, during the recent weekend of 29th – 31st of August, the Methodist Church of Malaysia had their National Methodist Prayer Convention (MPC) 2014, with a purpose of seeking after God's direction for the Methodist Church, and for the Methodists' role in the larger Body of Christ.

Close to 12,000 people turned up for the main celebration held in Putra Stadium on the 31st of August. The date was chosen for a symbolic meaning, and prayers were offered for God's blessing, direction, and intercession on occasion of Malaysia's National Day.

The Methodist Church is a prominent Christian denomination in Malaysia. From the pioneer work started in 1894 by a handful of missionaries among the Tamil population in Penang, it has grown to encompass close to 200,000 people in 1034 congregations across the nation, making it the largest Protestant denomination in the country.

The current bishop of the Methodist Church in Malaysia, Bishop Ong Hwai Teik, shared about the three main directions for the Methodist Church of Malaysia, taken from Galatians 3:28, Ephesians 2:14, and 2 Chronicles 7:14.

Galatians 3:28

²⁸ *There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither*

slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.

The coming together of Methodist Christians from throughout the country, including Sabah and Sarawak, manifest the reality of Galatians 3:28. Bishop Ong shared that this undivided unity across the board of the Body of Christ for God's heart is especially pertinent for this season in Malaysia.

The coming together of Christians from all races, and from both West and East Malaysia, reflects the people's heart in obeying the injunction in Ephesians 2:14, to overcome racial and other barriers.

Ephesians 2:14 New International Version (NIV)

¹⁴ *For he himself is our peace, who has made the two groups one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility,*

On a deeper level than just coming together, Bishop Ong shared that there is a purpose for a gathering such as this, which can be found in 2 Chronicles 7:14.

'The MPC 2014 is a collective response in humility towards the call and promise of our gracious God, to acknowledge that we are called by His name and that we belong to Him. We would then acknowledge His Lordship by admitting our need for Him by our intercession and seeking His presence

and favor, accompanied by a sincere spirit of repentance and the forsaking of evil behaviors and actions,' Bishop Ong outlined in a letter to the Methodist Church of Malaysia. 'We are here together to seek God to bring restoration and revival to our church and this land'.

This call of obedience is reflected in the theme taken up by the convention: 'A Church After God's Own Heart'.

2 Chronicles 7:14

¹⁴ *if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land.*

There were many solemn moments during the celebration, but also a powerful air of commitment to God, and an encouraging and joyful feeling of unity as One Body that spread all across the stadium. The praises to God were thundering, backed up by 4 complete columns of choir, and a full band from the Boys' Brigade of Malaysia.

Rev Dr. Stephen Seamands shared a message about what it means for a church to be after God's heart. He took his message from John 2:1-11, in which Jesus performed His first miracle of turning water into wine, after the wine had run out.



‘The first thing to take note of here is Mary and the servants’ response to Jesus’ command to fetch more water. They did not question the command; basing their actions on their own knowledge i.e. ‘what we need is more wine, not water’. Oswald Chambers said that “The Spirit of obedience brings more joy to God than anything else in the world.” The servant’s obedient response allowed them to be a part of what Jesus was doing,’ Rev Seamands shared.

He shared that Jesus’ word to us are specific to our background, circumstances, and personality. They are always personal. But while this is true, we can also learn much through the types of water pots in John 2:1-11 about God’s communication to us. They symbolized three things:

A. The water pots represent a religion of form and duty that’s not flowing from our hearts.

The water pots were used “for the Jewish rites of purification” (John 2:6). It is possible to have clean hands but an unclean

heart. Jesus can turn the water of outward cleansing into the wine of inner transformation and renewal.

B. The water pots represents walls and barriers of resentment and disunity.

The Jews had a wall that divided them from the Gentiles, and they used the water from the water pots to stay uncontaminated from contact with Gentiles. Jesus can take the water of bitterness and alienation and turn it into the wine of fellowship and reconciliation.

C. The water pots represent places of ministry and service God is calling us to.

Just like Jesus used the water to cleanse His disciples’ feet, we are called to various forms of ministry and services.

Rev Seamands shared that the servants first obeyed, and then the miracle proceeded. This order is important.

The highlight of the celebration was the Holy Communion Sunday Prayer in which 12,000 people prayed and partook of the

Eucharist as One Body in Christ. A moment of silence was taken in remembrance for the victims of MH17 and as a token of respect for God’s sovereignty even in the midst of tragedy.

In his benediction, Bishop Ong shared that the vision for the Methodists of Malaysia is to build strong and deep from the inside and stand as Christ-worthy nation-wide that the Methodist Church will not stand in isolation but in solidarity with the rest of the nation’s Christians.

‘It means that as September 16 midnight approaches, and as all the churches in Malaysia take up the call to pray for our nation 24 hours 7 days a week, from that date and for the next 2 years, the Methodist Church of Malaysia will be counted to join in. Because we all know that real breakthrough can only come through prayer,’ Bishop Ong enjoined.

6 September 2014 by Jason Law
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Devotion

DEVOTION

A Grateful Heart

No duty is more urgent than that of returning thanks.
(Ambrose)

IN WORD:

The revelation of the new creation of grace, replete with the promise of a resurrection, prompted a huge question among early Christians: what is left to do? Perhaps there were several answers to that question, but there was one overriding response: be thankful.

That should be easy enough, but we amazingly miss both the pleasure and the purpose of gratitude. We get hung up on the details of life, on the worries and fears that plague us, and on the complications of relationships. We forget the main thing—in Jesus, God has saved us ultimately from everything, and it’s all received by grace through faith. There’s nothing we can do to earn it, no obligation to fulfill. It’s a gift, and it’s comprehensive. Thankfulness ought to be easy.

There’s only one way to maintain a grateful heart, and that’s to meditate on all the reasons we should be grateful. When we remind ourselves of the abundance of riches God has lavished on us, the incomprehensible mea-

One Year at the Cross Devotional by Chris Tiegreen

sure of grace that covered all our sin, the excruciating price He paid to redeem us, and the extravagant promises of future glory, gratitude is a natural response from our hearts. The new covenant is radical in its mercies, mind-boggling in its wisdom, and overwhelming in its power. Thankfulness flows from awareness of such things.

IN DEED:

Measure the level of gratitude in your heart. It’s easy to see; if bitterness and complaining are commonplace within you, gratitude isn’t. It’s time to cultivate a spirit of thankfulness.

If you need to cultivate an appreciation for what God has done—an appreciation that extends beyond the borders of your circumstances, no matter how difficult they are at the moment—spend some time contemplating your former lost condition. Then spend some time contemplating God’s efforts to redeem you. Spend enough time trying to understand those two extremes, and you’ll soon find yourself as grateful as someone who was just saved from certain death. All other concerns will pale in comparison. Gratitude will flow from your heart.

Be thankful.

Colossians 3:15









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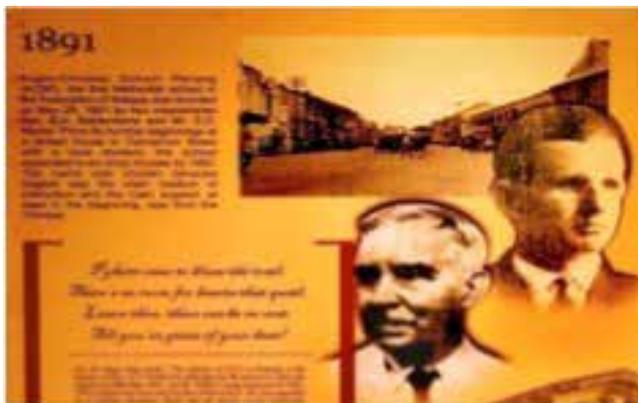
MBS Heritage Centre - The Pride of Every MBS-ian



MBS Penang had conceived the idea of putting on pictorial record the history and achievements of one of Penang's earliest premier schools in December, 2009. This idea became a reality when the family of the late Dr. Cheah Hock San, an alumnus who served on the MBS Board of Governors for over 39 years, donated generously to the setting up of the school's "History Room" seven months later. In August, 2010, two other alumni, former principal Mr. Arthur Khoo Hock Cheng and Mr. Loh Keng Aun came forward and pledged to support the setting up of a connecting gallery each. Thus, was born the MBS Heritage Centre on 10th September, 2010.

The MBS Heritage Centre, centrally located on the ground floor of the Dato' Ong Boon Kheng Building, comprises three galleries, namely, the Dr. Cheah Hock San Gallery, the Loh Keng Aun Gallery and the Arthur Hock Cheng Khoo Gallery. A 72- feet-long MBS Hall of Fame completes the current set-up.

It is true that a picture paints a thousand words. A visit to The MBS Heritage Centre evokes a sense of nostalgia and sentimentality as one step into the pages of MBS' history in its 123 years of existence.



Each of the galleries is a treasure trove of memories and untold stories of the days studying or working in the school together with its variety of memorabilia; from the founding of the school in the Dr. Cheah Hock San Gallery to the poignant recollections of the past beginning from the 1950s to the 1990s in the Loh Keng Aun Gallery, and, then onto the new millennium in the Arthur Khoo Hock Cheng Gallery.

DR. CHEAH HOCK SAN GALLERY

The main gallery begins with the history of the School. The 5-panel display charts the founding of the first Methodist school in the Federation of Malaya, on 28 May 1891. It was Rev. G. F. Pykett who truly "blazed the trail" and brought forth great development through his long connection of over 40 years with the School. The panel brings together the essential elements that symbolise the ethos, tra-



International Accolades - One of the attractions at Dr. Cheah Hock San Gallery

On display is the original racket used by All England Champion and Thomas Cupper Dato' Teh Kew San, the full Motor GP gear and trophies of Asian Champion Kuan Meng Heng and an original King's Scout certificate signed by King George V himself!

dition and culture of MBS including information about the school: motto, crest, song, the school bell, and its philosophy of education. Aspects on the school's benefactors, the school's scout movement as well as the alumni association are also on display. A grand 24-ft by 4-ft mural with the master class touch of our world renowned water-colourist, Mr. Abdullah Ariff straddles the breath of this gallery. The school's successes in the international arena are proudly exhibited in the centre.

ARTHUR H.C. KHOO GALLERY

This room transports you back to the different time periods and key historical moments of the School. It begins with a collection of the events in the 1950s, 1960s, 1970s, 1980s and 1990s eras, recapturing memories of days in the School as students, head prefects, teachers, principals and friends. A scaled model of the School and the old trophies of these bygone eras are also on display.

As an example, the '60s era saw our Thomas Cup and All-England champions Tan Aik Huang, Dato' Teh Kew San and Tan Aik Mong together with the 'water babies' Roland and Ian de Bruyne bring honour and glory to the school and the nation; scholastic achievement continued to rule the day with scholarships awarded to our students for studies in Harvard, MIT, Vassar, Cambridge, Australia, New Zealand, England and India. The scouts built their own den in 1964.



Reminiscing the 50s era:
One of the panels on display at the Arthur Khoo Gallery

LOH KENG AUN GALLERY

This room takes a closer look at growing up in MBS in the new millennium and MBS' media coverage telling of stories of courage, achievement and generosity as well as charting the story of Pykett



A 1930s Baby Grand Piano Used During the Pre Merdeka School Assemblies

Methodist School. Each of the works on display has a unique story to tell.

The new millennium was a period of rapid physical development and transformation of the School which saw the completion of two new buildings, the Jeannie Cheong Lean Eng and Dato' Ong Boon Kheng buildings, the imposing "gateway" to MBS, and the opening of the MBS Heritage Centre. The School distinguished itself in ICT-digital related fields. It was first in the National "Kami Anak Malaysia" video competition and second in the National KWN Competition. Vic Teo emerged second runner-up in the Malaysian Idol competition. More importantly, the centre proudly displays its "1Malaysia" character as it has been so over the past 12 decades.

MBS Hall of Fame

The MBS Hall of Fame covering the entire length of the Centre provides an all-encompassing experience amidst over 170 of the school's many illustrious alumni chief among whom are Tun Abdullah Haji Ahmad Badawi, our fifth Prime Minister, and Tan Sri Dr. Koh Tsu Koon, Penang's third Chief Minister. It is definitely the central attraction in the MBS Heritage Centre. A dozen half-moon paintings depicting moral values uniquely created by the ACS Art Club in 1936 adorn the upper walls of the hall. The MBS Hall of Fame showcases portraits of her famous sons and daughters from the different eras who have made their impact in their varied fields both nationally and internationally.

Also on display are old school magazines, report cards, enrolment records, the School's trophies and achievements, school publications and books authored by our alumni. Some of these items date back to as early as 1934! Special events in the School are documented for posterity.

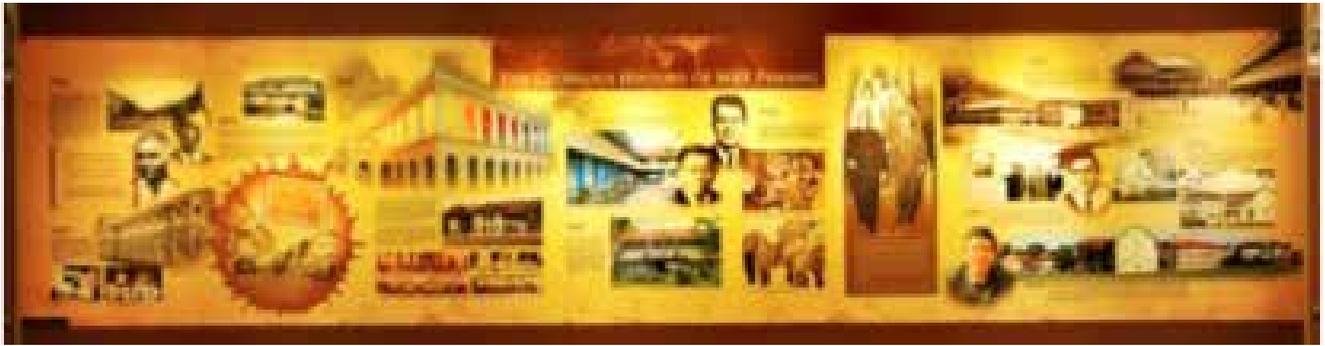


MBS Hall of Fame

It showcases over 170 alumni who have done the school proud in the national or international arena in categories such as "National Heroes", "Businessmen and Entrepreneurs", "Sports Personalities", "Social Work and Social Activists", "Academicians", "Public Service", "Artists and Artistes" and even "Beauty Queens"!

Where Do We Go From Here?

No institution stands still, and new panels will be placed outside the Heritage Centre featuring Contemporary Events reflecting the dynamic changing trends in the education landscape and complements the collection in the three galleries of the Heritage Centre. Contemporary Events look in depth at a broad range of subjects that reflect the ways in which the School's vision and mission, scholarship, meaningful times of cultural immersion, parental and community



involvement and the education system as practiced in MBS are evolving presently. We are also planning a “time-line” of black and white images of the school, memorable events and its personalities from yesteryears. Our final piece in the jigsaw will be an ICT themed media room where access to the School’s rich heritage is at the touch of a finger on the keyboard. We are optimistic that these aspirations will be realized by 2017.

Conclusion

The MBS Heritage Centre is truly indebted to the Principal, the Board of Governors, MBS Union, old boys and teachers who contributed invaluable advice, support, memorabilia and time. Through countless narrations, e-mails and searches on the internet, we managed to piece together the school’s rich heritage and colourful past. Decorated Malaysian artist and alumnus, the late Mr. Tan Lye Hoe gave pointers on how to make the centre special and we salute the many successful old boys for donating their prized possessions and supporting their alma mater’s call. The MBS Heritage Centre has spread its message far and wide and we have old boys from all over the world flocking back to their alma mater. This centre is destined to be a “magnet” for the thousands of old boys who have passed



through the portals of MBS Penang. Our tireless effort over the past three years has been duly recognized by Persatuan Sejarah Malaysia that has bestowed on us the honour of the “Best School History Gallery In Malaysia” for 2013-2014.

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VACANCY AT TRAC OFFICE

We invite application for the position of TRAC Office Administrator. Please include CV and salary expectation. All applications must come via email only to jeya6609@gmail.com before 15th October 2014. Only shortlisted applicants will be notified of interview via email only. Successful candidate must be able to start work on 1st November 2014.

Duties of TRAC Office Administrator

1. The Office Administrator shall see to the efficient running of the TRAC Office in daily affairs, at 2, Jalan 5/37, Seksyen 5, 46000 Petaling Jaya. This includes the administration of the apartment belonging to TRAC and the President’s quarters. All administrative and menial staff shall come under the purview of the Office Administrator.
2. The Office Administrator shall coordinate with the respective Conference officers for matters related to the affairs of the running of TRAC. The Office Administrator shall ensure that the Annual Conference publications like the Journal, the periodic TRAC newsletter (Berita TRAC) and the monthly prayer letters are published and sent out on time to all TRAC churches.
3. The Office Administrator shall liaise with the Financial Offices

of TRAC and AEC office to ensure that all claims to and expenses of TRAC are paid promptly. The Office Administrator is responsible and must maintain proper accounting of office petty cash. The Office Administrator shall assist where necessary in facilitating the financial aspects of the organization of retreats, camps and courses run by TRAC and its Boards.

4. The Office Administrator shall maintain the personnel records of all staff in the TRAC headquarters. This shall include annual leave, medical leave and hospitalization records. He/She shall maintain confidentiality at all times.
5. Other duties: The Office Administrator may be called upon by the President to oversee or assist in any other tasks not listed above as deemed necessary for the efficient functioning of the TRAC office and its ministry.

Working hours: 8am to 5pm. Monday to Friday with one hour lunch break. May have to work on other days when required.

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