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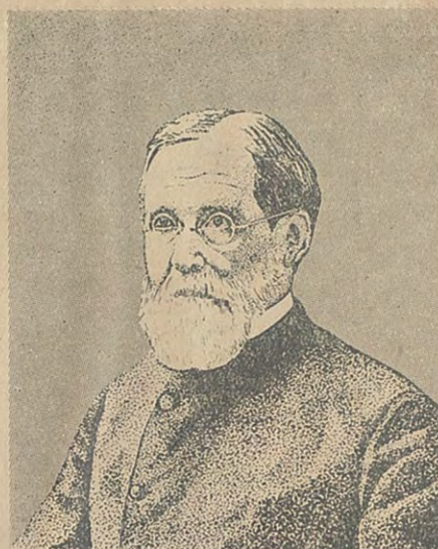
1885 And All That

The First Methodist Service

The First Quarterly Conference

The First Opening of Work Among the Chinese

My life furnishes a testimony to the fact that God has been with me, not only in a general way, all the time, but especially at set times and in distinctive ways his presence has been unmistakable. And I would that all who knew me could have the same tokens of the Divine Presence that I have enjoyed. — James M. Thoburn.



AUGUST-SEPTEMBER, 1957.

The memory of Bishop Oldham is a benediction, uplifting, inspiring.

What a vision he had — a vision of the needs all about him, of open doors of service, of the immeasurable resources of God.

He was always constrained by an inner urge. "Under the pressure of necessity," he says, the school in Singapore was founded. . . . "Under the pressure eager desire," a desire to enter every door that God opened to him, and to make full use of every opportunity. — Abel Eklund in "A Man Sent from God" Methodist Message, May 1937.

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Source: Methodist Message August-September 1957

And Are We Yet Alive?

By Rev Dr T. Jeyakumar
Bishop of The Methodist Church in Malaysia



In 1749, Rev. Charles Wesley wrote a poem titled ‘And Are We Yet Alive?’ which was later introduced as a hymn by Rev. John Wesley in 1780 and sung at the opening of their ‘holy conferencing.’ It became the opening hymn for many Annual Conference Sessions in Methodism worldwide. For early Methodists, these gatherings were moments of gratitude - grateful for life and for seeing one another. Life for the Methodist preachers was difficult, filled with fears and trials. Yet, despite hardships, they remained committed to their mission.

The challenges are still real for Methodists today, but we are alive because God has given us a mission that cannot be thwarted. He will equip us to fulfil His purpose. Therefore, we must be “yet alive” - spiritually empowered to walk through the doors God opens for us.

In the context of God’s calling and opportunities, I am reminded of Revelation 3:7-8: “... What he opens no one can shut, and what he shuts no one can open. I know your deeds. See, I have placed before you an open door that no one can shut. I know that you have little strength, yet you have kept my word and have not denied my name.” The doors for ministry remain open, even after 140 years in this land. Therefore, my focus is not on the open doors but on the people called Methodists. Throughout history, those whom God has used are men and women who have had two characteristics, among others: they are filled with the Holy Spirit, and their lives are marked by sacrifices. Such were the 18th-century Methodists and the Methodist missionaries who came to us.

Two Characteristics of the Person Whom God Uses

1. Ministry in the Power of the Holy Spirit

One of the most significant moments in Wesley’s life was his spiritual awakening on Aldersgate Street in London on 24 May 1738. He felt his heart “strangely warmed.” This marked the moment when he understood salvation was by grace through faith, not by works. This encounter with the Holy Spirit transformed his life.

Seven months later, on 1 January 1739, Wesley and his friends experienced an outpouring of the Holy Spirit, which he described as a “little Pentecost.” This event revitalized his ministry and the Methodist movement.

Wesley demonstrated the power of the Holy Spirit through his bold preaching. Open-air preaching was considered unconventional, but his reliance on the Holy Spirit led to conversions and spiritual awakenings. Wesley believed that preaching was a means for people to experience God’s grace. If we are to preach effectively, we must do so in the power of the Holy Spirit.

In Wesley’s ministry, the Holy Spirit also demonstrated power through miracles. He frequently spoke of physical and spiritual healing, through which people experienced bodily healing, inner transformation, and deliverance from sin.

Of Rev. Oldham, the first missionary pastor sent to this region, the same was said by a ninety-year-old Indian pastor whom Oldham had helped educate: “He was full of the Holy Spirit.”

2. Ministry Marked by Sacrifices

Even though the door for ministry is open, we need people willing to make sacrifices for the ministry in order to move forward. Wesley, for instance, entered his marriage on the condition that he “should not preach one sermon or travel one mile less” because of it. While we may not agree with all of Wesley’s choices, his willingness to sacrifice for the ministry is clear.

Wesley held nothing back, including his reputation. He wrote to his brother Charles: “My brother, when I devoted to God my ease, my time, my life, did I except my reputation? No.” He sacrificed even his reputation. This reflects his commitment to God and His mission.

Wesley also committed to living simply and prioritizing ministry over personal wealth. He kept only a small portion of his income for living expenses, giving the rest to help the poor and fund the growing Methodist movement. While we don’t have to agree with his choices, we cannot deny his commitment.

The early Methodist missionaries in Malaysia made their own sacrifices. Rev. William Shellabear’s first wife died, and he remarried, but his second wife also passed away. Yet, his ministry continued. He had saved money while working as an officer in the Royal Engineers and used those funds to advance the Methodist Mission in Malaysia, purchasing land and putting up a building in Petaling Street.

In the early days of Methodist Mission, school staff sacrificed a month’s salary for the development of the school. Despite low

salaries, they gave sacrificially. Rev. James Hoover’s house was shared with a boys’ school and dormitory. Who would endure that discomfort for the sake of ministry? We have salvation and much more because of Jesus’ ultimate sacrifice - His death on the Cross. He laid down His life for others. The early Christians, the early Methodists, followed Christ’s example, even suffering or dying for their faith. If the Methodist Church is to remain “yet alive,” we need people who focus not on entitlement but on the sacrifices required for God’s work.

A Final Word

The “little strength” mentioned in Revelation 3:8 reminds us that it is not by our might, nor by power, but by His Spirit, that we accomplish His work. The phrase “what He opens, no one can shut” assures us of God’s unshakable plan. We are alive in Christ to carry out His unshakeable mission, and no opposition can stand in the way of God’s will.

As Charles Wesley wrote in his hymn:

*“Yet out of all the Lord
hath brought us by His love;
And still, He doth His help afford.”*

I have no doubt about God’s faithfulness and the open doors He provides for mission. But I pray earnestly for more men and women who fully rely on the Holy Spirit’s power for ministry and are willing to make sacrifices. May we not miss the opportunities God presents but be bold and faithful in moving forward as the people of God, called Methodists.

A summary of the sermon preached during the 140th Anniversary Celebration of The Methodist Church in Malaysia held on 2 March 2025 at Damansara Utama Methodist Church, Petaling Jaya.

SABAH



140 MCM magnet design-sabah

The 140th Anniversary of The Methodist Church in Malaysia was held on 16 February 2025 at Song En Methodist Church in Kota Kinabalu, Sabah. This event marked the first in a series of celebrations that will take place in three cities: Kota Kinabalu, Sibu, and Petaling Jaya. It was a combined service using both Bahasa Malaysia (BM) and Chinese languages. A congregation of 540 people was warmly welcomed by our liturgist, Sabah Annual Conference Lay Leader, Datuk Anthony Lau. The celebration was graced by the presence of Bishops, Annual Conference Presidents, Pastors, and Church Leaders from various denominations, including the Anglican Church, Basel Christian Church of Malaysia, Roman Catholic Church, Sidang Injil Borneo, Calvary Charismatic Centre, The Assembly of God Sabah, Grace Chapel, Protestant Church of Sabah, Sabah Evangelical Mission, Christian Revival Church, Sabah Baptist Association, and Methodist Church members.

The celebration service began with an uplifting worship session led by our praise team, headed by Rev Fionalisa and Rev Michael Chan. A combined choir of 150 members from five Methodist churches,

accompanied by a six-member orchestra, performed a translated hymn in Chinese titled "Holy is He," written by Claire Cloninger.

The service reached its peak when Bishop Dr. T. Jeyakumar (with Rev Jenny Teo interpreting) delivered his sermon on 'Methodisme Klasik' in Bahasa Malaysia, based on Luke 4:16-19. This was the same Scripture passage used by John Wesley on 2nd April 1739 during his first open-air preaching, attended by 3,000 people.

The central theme of Bishop Jeyakumar's sermon focused on John Wesley's three core principles: Personal Holiness, Spiritual Formation, and Social Holiness. Bishop concluded by quoting John Wesley's words on the legacy of Methodism: "I am not afraid that the people called Methodists should ever cease to exist, either in Europe or America. But I am afraid lest they should only exist as a dead sect, having the form of religion without the power. And this undoubtedly will be the case unless they hold fast both the doctrine, spirit, and discipline with which they first set out."

Bishop closed his sermon with four key areas of emphasis for Malaysian Methodism:

1. Minister in the power of the Holy Spirit.
2. Promote accountable discipleship.
3. Care for the needy.
4. Work to transform society.

Bishop pleaded that "Christians, regardless of denomination, need to work together to transform our society."

A video highlighting the history of Methodism in Malaysia was shown, a poignant moment to honour the selfless leaders who brought the

truth and blessings of Methodism to future generations.

Following the video, Bishops, Presidents, and Church Leaders were invited to the stage for the anniversary cake-cutting ceremony. The thanksgiving offering received was donated to Keningau Methodist Preaching Centre and Keningau Methodist Church to support BM ministries. Souvenirs in the form of fridge magnets bearing the mark of "140 Years of Methodism in Malaysia" were distributed to commemorate this 140th year of God's grace and mercy upon us. Glory to GOD!



SARAWAK



卫理公会在马设教140年庆典@砂拉越

报道：杨新捷

2025年2月23日下午4时，马来西亚卫理公会在马设教140周年第二庆典在砂拉越诗巫爱连街福源堂隆重举行。1300位出席者，包括会督、各年议会会长及代表、牧者、以及砂拉越华人年议会和伊班年议会会友，共同欢庆此历史性时刻。同时，有超过700人在线上观看直播。

庆典开始，伊班教会姐妹身穿传统服装，在传统乐器的伴奏下呈现 Ngajat 舞蹈，展现砂拉越原住民群体的文化风采。

砂华人年议会副会友领袖王成豪弟兄及伊班年议会会友领袖 Andrew Shilling 弟兄在欢迎致词中表示，140周年是教会历史上独一无二的时刻，值得珍惜与铭记，更是回顾与展望的宝贵机会。他们说：“140年来，我们见证了无数感人的故事与无私奉献的精神。因着大家的坚守，才有今日的大马卫理公会。靠神的带领，让我们持守卫理公会的

优良传统，迎接挑战，共创美好明天。”随后，砂华人年议会、伊班年议会及诗巫卫理神学院师生组成的140人诗班献唱《真光普照》和《求复兴众人》，激励会众以基督之光照亮世界，并祈愿教会复兴。

贾古玛会督勉励，强调教会更新和复兴，以及充满活力切合时代的事工和领导的重要性。

沙巴年议会前会长许光福牧师以“继往开来，凭信前行”为证道主题，引用约书亚记三：1-17，勉励会众紧抓掌管历史的神，信靠祂的带领。他指出，正如当年站在约旦河边的以色列百姓，卫理公会先贤也经历面对未知未来的经历。

许牧师指出，我们可从约书亚的经历中学到三大属灵功课：

1. 回顾神所行的奇事（书3：1-4）

正如神带领以色列人一样，我们也可以看到祂在我们生命中奇迹般的工作，而巩固我们的信心。

2. 进深认识永活的神（书3：5-11）

神是永恒的、信实的，祂渴望与我们建立关系。我们必须以圣洁和顺服来回应。

3. 未来凭信心开拓新境界（书3：13,15-16；4：1-7）

以色列人服从神越过约旦河，用石头作标记以示提醒。同样，我们的周年庆典亦提醒我们神的恩典，为即将到来的属灵争战做准备。

1885年2月8日，James M. Thoburn 牧师以撒加利亚书4：6讲道开始了卫理教会事工，宣告唯靠神的灵方能成事。反思此点许牧师力劝信徒渴望复兴和更新。他忆起葛培理的经历，祈求神在他的生命中工作，后来成为一名伟大的布道家。最后，许牧师总结引用约翰卫斯理的话：“最美好是-神与我们同在”，提醒众人相信神的同在和能力。

证道后，会众观看大马卫理公会历史回顾。诗巫卫理神学院诗班献唱《今天，我们欢庆所信》，将颂赞与荣耀归于行奇事的神。

庆典尾声，全场齐唱《求作远象》。在贾古玛会督的祝福祷告下，140周年庆典圆满落幕。



PETALING JAYA



Worshippers filling up the main hall and gallery, first floor

Celebrating 140 years of Methodism

After the joyful celebrations in Kota Kinabalu and Sibu, the pinnacle of the celebrations for Peninsula Malaysia was held in Petaling Jaya on 2 March at Damansara Utama Methodist Church. The event saw about 2,300 worshippers, along with many others who had gathered in Simultaneous Worship Sessions at churches in Penang, Kuantan, Ipoh, Seremban, and Melaka. Each location had its own activities, as well as the opportunity to participate in the live broadcast. Additionally, there were home viewers throughout Malaysia, as well as in Singapore, Australia, and the US.

The service began at 4pm with a video presentation showcasing 140 years of Methodist Missions in Malaysia. It was a great reminder of our founding father, John Wesley, and how many other missionaries came from all over the world to spread the gospel in Asia. We also remembered our forefathers who worked tirelessly to establish churches, schools, and engage in mission and community work in Malaysia.

This was followed by a rousing rendition from the 140-strong choir, comprising intergenerational members from our local Methodist churches, and backed by the Selangor Philharmonic Choir, accompanied by a beautiful orchestral arrangement conducted by Ms Joanna Lau. Ms Juwita Suwito then led an inspiring worship session - praise and glory to our God!

Bishop Dr T. Jeyakumar preached a sermon entitled "And Are We Yet Alive?" based on the scripture text of Revelation 3:7-8, stirring listeners to rise to the challenge of the mission that God calls us to. The sermon was interpreted into Mandarin by Rev Dr Hii Kong Hock. The sermon concluded with a call to commitment—for all who were able to kneel before our Almighty God and commit to moving forward in the ministries He has called us to. The service ended with a prayer by the Bishop to bless the people called Methodists.

Two special guests from The Methodist Church in Singapore – Rev Reuben Ng, TRAC President and Rev Lek Yong Teck, CAC President also joined us in the celebrations.

The celebration continued with dinner held outside the church beneath a huge canopy. About 400+ volunteers, comprising members from various churches ensured the smooth running of the event.

For those who missed the celebration, a video replay is available at dumc.my/140mcm. Photos and videos can also be viewed at fb.com/140mcm.

All thanks and glory be to our heavenly Father, who has sustained and strengthened The Methodist Church in Malaysia. May we continue to walk in His light and love, and work to see His Kingdom come, His will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Amen.



Bishop and Presidents from various Annual Conferences



Bishop's sermon 'And are we yet alive?' was the title of a hymn from Charles Wesley



As Bishop knelt before the Lord, he requested the congregation to do likewise

140th MCM Simultaneous Worship Sessions at various locations



Wesley Methodist Church Ipoh - Standing for the responsive affirmation



Wesley Methodist Church Melaka - Packed hall on Sunday afternoon



Wesley Methodist Church Kuantan - Total of 84 worshippers



Wesley Methodist Church Seremban - United in one voice

140th MCM Simultaneous Worship Session at Trinity Penang



Watching the livestream

On March 2, 2025, more than 200 brothers and sisters, and pastors from the Methodist churches across the Northern District gathered at Trinity Methodist Church, Penang, for a special simultaneous worship session. The event was a time of worship and thanksgiving, commemorating the 140th anniversary of The Methodist Church in Malaysia.

Before the service, the attendees enjoyed pre-service activities, including photo sessions at specially designed 140 MCM booths, and a mini-quiz on the 140-year history of the Malaysian Methodist Church, adding excitement and engagement to the occasion.



Praise and worship



Methodist Trivia! A time to know more about Methodism in Malaysia!



Quiz time!!



Definitely a keepsake!

The simultaneous worship session began with a heartfelt bilingual opening prayer led by Rev Shearn Sya and Rev Chiam Teng Poh, setting a reverent tone for the evening. This was followed by a livestream from DUMC, where a 140-member choir and orchestra led a glorious time of worship. Together with an inspiring Praise and Worship session led by Juwita Suwito, the worship experience was deeply moving—its grandeur and spiritual depth powerfully felt throughout the livestream.

Bishop Jeyakumar's message resonated deeply, reminding everyone that The Methodist Church in Malaysia was built not by human might but through God's Spirit, and the sacrificial dedication of the pioneering ministers that had laid MCM on solid foundations.

The spirit of unity, fellowship, and gratitude was evident throughout the evening, culminating in a meaningful time of bonding over a fellowship dinner. The event was a testament to God's faithfulness and the enduring legacy of The Methodist Church in Malaysia.



A time of commitment and renewal



A section of the congregation



A time of fellowship over dinner

Trinity Methodist Church Petaling Jaya

By Theresa Yip



Worship Team

In 2025, the Methodist Church in Malaysia (MCM) celebrates its 140th anniversary. To commemorate this milestone, a series of events have been planned, including **“MCM Sunday”** on 9 February 2025. On this day, all churches in the Trinity Annual Conference across Malaysia unified in worship, following the same Order of Worship, reflecting the longstanding Methodist tradition in the country.

Rev Paul Christie of TMCPJ, delivered a sermon titled “Becoming a Renewed Body of Christ,” based on **1 Corinthians 12:12-27**. This passage uses the human body as a metaphor for the Church, emphasising unity, equality, and empathy among believers.

Key points from the sermon include:

Unity (1 Cor 12:12-13):

The Church, like the human body, consists of diverse members with unique gifts and personalities, yet united in one body through Christ. The Holy Spirit unites believers, and mutual appreciation for each member’s contributions is essential for thriving as a Church family.

Challenges to Unity:

- **Inferiority Complex (1 Cor 12:14-20):**
Some struggle with feeling inferior, but Paul stresses that every member is vital.
- **Superiority Complex (1 Cor 12:21):**
Paul calls on the strong to honour the weak, emphasising that all members are equal in value.

Equality (1 Cor 12:22-25):

While the Church is diverse, it must embrace differences, striving for unity that celebrates diversity rather than erases it.

Empathy (1 Cor 12:26-27):

The Church is a living, Spirit-filled organism, where every part of the body is necessary. Empathy and care for each other are key to becoming the Church God has called us to be.

At the end of the service, a commemorative book titled **“Not By Might But By My Spirit”** was presented to church members.

The congregation praised God for His faithfulness over the past 140 years, trusting Him to guide the Church into a stronger future.



Distribution of the book, Not by Might....

A Tribute to God and the Early Missionaries Called Methodists

By Rev Wong Mun Wah

Wesley Methodist Church Johor Bahru commemorated the 140th Anniversary of Methodism in Malaysia on 9th February 2025 in a meaningful, yet low-key, manner. During the sermon on Isaiah 6, based on the revised lectionary, the English and Chinese congregations were led to reflect on three key points in the early history of the Methodist movement in Singapore and Malaysia:

Divine Guidance in the Arrival of Methodism:

The arrival of Methodism in Singapore and Malaysia was not random but directed by God’s guidance. Key events include:

- Charles Phillips’ call for missionary assistance from James Thoburn in Calcutta, urging support for the English-speaking diaspora in Singapore.
- Bishop John E. Hurst’s encounter with a Scottish merchant in 1884, which led to concerns about the neglect of Singapore/Malaysia by Methodists, while the movement had already established missions in China and India.
- The 1884 South India Annual Conference pondering the question, “What can we do for Singapore?” which led to the appointment of William F. Oldham to Singapore in 1885.
- Charles Phillips’ dream, guiding him to welcome the team led by James Thoburn and Mr. & Mrs. Oldham on 7th February 1885.

2. Prophetic Evangelism:

The evangelistic work in the early days was empowered by the Holy Spirit. Prophetic words spoken by Thoburn about the impact of the gospel came to pass rapidly. By 22nd February 1885, a church was born. Oldham later marveled at the progress, saying, “What hath God wrought!”

3. Building Methodism on Holy Foundations:

The Methodist Church in Malaysia was built by holy and dedicated individuals. Their grace and gifts were instrumental in establishing the church and its ministries over the years.

The congregations were encouraged to prayerfully follow the example of William Oldham, responding to the prophetic word given by Thoburn, and to engage in evangelism, discipleship, social outreach, and the preservation of the Methodist Church’s polity and discipline.

The commemoration also included the distribution of TRAC’s commemorative publication, *“Not by Might But by My Spirit: An Introduction to Methodist Pioneers of Malaysia & Singapore,”* which helped congregants, especially younger generations, better understand the church’s roots and God’s work through Methodism in Malaysia. To God be the glory!



Living Hope Methodist Church – 11th Anniversary Celebration

Living Hope Methodist Church (LHMC) celebrated its 11th anniversary of becoming a faith community in Bukit Rimau on 9 February 2025. This date also coincided with MCM Sunday – an observance of the 140 years of Methodism in Malaysia by TRAC. The church grew from a humble rented shop lot in 2014 to its current home at Gaya Resorts. As we reflect on this journey, we are reminded of the countless lives that have been touched and the unwavering unity that has defined our congregation. Since its inception, LHMC has been a place where people from all walks of life come together to worship and to serve one another. The church's growth is a testament to God's faithfulness and the collective dedication of our members.

The anniversary celebration service was graced by TRAC President, Rev Joshua Khong. His sermon, drawn from John 14:15-18, inspired all to reflect on the past and look forward with renewed purpose.

A time of sharing and testimonies by members of the congregation were also a vivid reminder of the diversity and unity of the church as we look forward to a new decade: "A Decade of Becoming". LHMC enters an exciting new decade of disciple making of all nations (Matthew 28:18-20), embracing greater opportunities – Growing in Christ, Touching Lives & Bringing Hope.



Rev Joshua Khong
sharing the
Ministry of the Word



Mr Ian Lau sharing
the dream/vision of
his daughter, Lau Chi
Lam, who was unwell



Wonderful Pot-bless lunch by
church members/worshippers



Living Hope Methodist Church family at the 11th Church Anniversary on
9 February 2025 with TRAC President, Rev Joshua Khong and
his wife, Elaine

12th East Asia Area Seminar 2025



Participants at the 12th EAA Seminar

The World Federation of Methodist and Uniting Church Women has nine geographical areas in the world. The East Asia Area consist of Malaysia and 8 other countries namely, Korea, Taiwan, Singapore, Indonesia, Philippines, Hong Kong, Cambodia and Japan where the latter two countries are associate members.

Held once every five years, the 12th EAA Seminar 2025 themed "Empowered to Bloom" inspired from Colossians 1:11 was held from 25-28 February 2025 at Cititel Midvalley. In total, about 250 women from all over the world attended the event. The GC Methodist Women were privileged to organise this event.

Dr Elaine Goh was the main speaker taking delegates through four main sessions whilst Rev Tryphena Law conducted a workshop on LGBTQI issues which are prevalent amongst younger people today.

In conjunction with the 12th EAA Seminar, GCMW was also privileged to host the Asian Young Women Leadership Development (AYWLD) programme for young women aged 18-30 years. The purpose of the AYWLD is to empower women, develop their potential leadership with an international perspective, and to raise interest in social issues and international challenges.

We praise and thank God for the opportunity to host this event and for the work that the EAA continues to do in the region.

Election of EAA Office-Bearers for 2026 - 2031

The following individuals have been elected as office-bearers for the EAA term spanning 2026 to 2031:

President:
Jeong Sook Lee (Korea)

Vice President:
Margaret Chan Pik Wan (Malaysia)

Secretary:
Chen Chia Hui (Taiwan)

Treasurer:
Shih Hsiao Hui (Taiwan)

Internal Auditor:
Esther Ching (Malaysia)

Past President:
Mary Devadason (Malaysia)

The office-bearers will be formally installed at the 15th World Assembly, which will be held in **Auckland** from **24th to 28th August 2026**.



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The Methodist Academy is dedicated to equipping both our volunteers and full-time workers—pastors included—with the tools, knowledge, and spiritual vitality they need for effective ministry. Training is not a one-time event; it is an ongoing process. Repeatedly renewing our understanding and passion for ministry ensures that we are always equipped with fresh insights and fuelled by spiritual zeal to serve the body of Christ in the power of the Holy Spirit. This process of renewal and equipping enables us to effectively live out our calling and transform lives for His kingdom.

Speakers:

- Pastor Dato Dr. Daniel Ho – School of Evangelism
- Pastor Chris Kam – Discipleship
- Pastor Kelvin Yong – School of Missions
- Bishop Dr. T. Jeyakumar – School of Preaching

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'One Church, One School' Methodist Primary School, Petaling Jaya



Students and teachers having a joyous time

On the morning of 14 January 2025, a dedicated group of Methodist Women (MW) members gathered at the Connect Lounge of TMCPJ, to prepare 400 gift packages filled with festive mandarin oranges, refreshing drinks, and delicious cookies for the pupils and staff of Methodist Primary School (MPS), situated opposite the church. This heart-warming tradition has been part of the Chinese New Year celebrations for several years, embodying the spirit of the 'One Church, One School' collaboration.

At 11am, the MW members made their way to the school to join the prize-giving ceremony. The event started with a brief speech in Bahasa Malaysia by Mr Tan Hock Wah, Chairman of the Board of Governors followed by students showcasing their talents with performances like the vibrant Dikir Barat.

As the ceremony unfolded, MW members distributed the thoughtfully prepared gifts to the eager children, teachers, office staff, and canteen personnel. It was a joyful moment, a true celebration of cultural exchange and generosity.

In addition to the gift-giving, the 'One Church, One School' initiative also participates in the "Hot Meals" programme, which has been running since 2016. Over the years, the number of hot meals provided to students had fluctuated. In 2023, the programme served around 15-17 meals a day, while most recently in 2024, the average was just 7 meals daily. Ms. Sharan, the teacher in charge,

explained that this decrease is partly due to government support in providing meals to poor children through RMT (Rancangan Makanan Tambahan). Initially, meals were provided three days a week at RM3.00 each, but now the programme has expanded to offer meals five days a week for RM3.50 each.

As we look ahead to 2025, a new chapter begins with a new canteen operator. Although the number of hot meals to be provided is yet to be determined, the commitment to nourishing our children remains steadfast.

Together, through initiatives like 'One Church, One School', we continue to build a stronger community, enrich lives, and share the joy of cultural celebrations.



Students and teachers receiving the gifts.



MW members preparing the gift packs.

Bekunsi Ka Jaku Tuhan di Kota Kinabalu Methodist Preaching Point

Oleh Mr Jefri Ngalambai



Beserimbai enggau pejalai ngulo Aum Area Executive Committee (AEC), Council of Trustees (COT) enggau Council of Education (COE) Sabah/Sarawak kena 15 February, Presiden SIAC, Reverend Bonnie Sedau sempat nemuai ngagai Kota Kinabalu Methodist Preaching Point di Asia City, Kota Kinabalu.

Puji Tuhan, Reverend Bonnie mega udah diberi peluang bekunsi ka ajar iya nengah Joshua 1: 1-18 maya Sembiang Minggu nya. Maya penemuai nya President SIAC disempulang Tuai Periman SIAC, Mr Andrew Shilling enggau Chairman Bod Belanja SIAC, Mr Jefri Ngalambai.

Bala temuai ari SIAC meri besai terima kasih lalu ngenataika ka pengaga ati ngagai bala anemiak gereja Methodist ba Preaching Point nya ti diketuaika Paderi sida, ianya Rev Fionalisa Aldrin enggau bala tuai gereja ti bukai.

Sepengudah tembu sembiang, sempat mega bala bekelala enggau bala ti bisi datai sereta merarau enggau bala sida.



Berita Dri SIAC – Penampok Pengereja & Pemela di Gereja Menoa

Oleh Mr Jefri Ngalambai

(Pengereja Bod Multimedia, Archive & Information)



Puji Tuhan, kena 18 January & 8 February 2025, bisi 2 buah Gereja Menoa SIAC udah ngator LCEC Retreat ti diaduka nengah Komite Pelajar Kristian sida.

Kena 18 January, 2025 bisi 15 iku bala kaban KGM di Gereja Methodist Iban Bandaraya Miri udah sama ngulo penampok seharinya. Speaker ti dikangka maya nya, ianya Mr Jefri Ngalambai (Chairman Bod Pengator & Pengiga Belanja SIAC) udah bekunsi ka topik “The Dynamics of Local Church” ti besangkut-paut enggau bidang pengawa kaban Komite Gereja Menoa ti bepelansarkan “Methodist Book of Discipline.” Sama bisi ngulo penampok seharinya ianya Pastor In-Charge, Reverend Brendstein Kulleh ti udah meri devotion kena ngepun ka penampoknya. Pia mega Mr Jambi Jawat (Tuai Periman GMIM) enggau Mr Dominic Untam (Chairman LCEC) sama bisi datai ngulo penampok seharinya.

Penampok ti sama mega bisi diator di Gereja Methodist Iban Bandaraya Kuching kena 8 February. Bisi 24 iku bala kaban KGM enggau pemela ti bukai sama mega ngulo penampok ti sama di Gereja Methodist Iban Bandaraya Kuching. Leboh maya nya, Reverend Steward Damat (PIC) udah ngepun ka sesi enggau devotion lalu Mr Jefri Ngalambai sekali agik bekunsi ka topik ti sama baka di GMIM lalu mega bisi ngator tanya-saut pasal ator pengawa pemela gereja.

Bala ti datai ngulo 2 iti penampok tu udah bulih penerang enggau penemu ti dalam agi ba pekara enggau chara nyadi pemela di gereja menoa nitihka pemansang pengawa enggau utai ti nyadi kemaya hari tu.

Kitai besampi lalu ngarapka sesi penampok baka tu, tau mega diator di gereja-gereja menoa ke bukai kelebihan agi maya timpoh bala kaban KGM ti agi baru mangku pengawa nyadi pemela ba gereja menoa sida. Kelimpah ari nya, penampok bakatu tau nyadi ka peluang dikena bala ketua-ketua gereja enggau paderi betukar-tukar ka penemu kena ngemansangka pengawa nyadi pemela di gereja kitai.





教会总动员携手抗灾 民都鲁地区受灾最严重

整理/报道：杨新捷



2025年1月28日除夕，民都鲁遭遇持续暴雨，引发严重水灾，导致许多居民生活受影响。随后，砂拉越其他地区也出现灾情，急需援助。

年会迅速部署救援

基督徒社会关怀部主席黄国平表示，该部在灾情发生的第一时间（1月29日）迅速拨款10万令吉给民都鲁教区，以便展开援助工作。

此外，2月1日，召开紧急会议进一步讨论其他灾区的需求，并拨款8千令吉予诗巫北教区，支援实兰沟受灾居民。

他表示，尽管资源有限，但教会希望通过各教区的总动员，为灾民提供及时的援助。虽然无法满足所有受灾家庭的需求，但大家齐心协力，盼望能减轻灾民的负担。

他也特别感恩，在农历新年期间，许多弟兄姐妹愿意放下与家人团聚的时光，因着主的爱，投入救援行动，让受灾家庭感受到上帝的恩典与肢体的关怀

民都鲁赈灾进展

民都鲁教区长刘丽幼牧师表示，当地灾区水位已退去，许多灾民已返回家中收拾残局。在住宅区的道路上，随处可见许多被丢弃的家具和电器，损失惨重。



教区基督徒社会关怀执行会在第一时间将物资送到赈灾中心，并购买清理工具，借给各教会弟兄姐妹使用。他们还积极将物资送到未及时得到援助的居民。她感谢教会弟兄姐妹自动自发帮助当地居民清理房屋。

她也表示，虽然当地人力有限，但无外援计划，关怀工作主要由牧区和团契层面执行。她还看到民都鲁各宗派教会尽最大努力进行灾后关怀工作。尽管大家身心疲惫，但使命心志依然坚定。

其他地区的灾情援助

实兰沟：灾区主要集中在长屋地区。诗巫北教区为灾民提供衣物和食物，并为每户提供RM50以购买必需品。

西连：部分地区涨水，只有少数居民受到影响，且政府单位已进行救援。当地由颂恩堂负责关怀灾民。

美里：受灾地区主要包括市区沿河一带、实务地和尼亚石山，目前水位已退。美里教区已在实务地派发干粮和日常用品，主要由怀恩堂与美里福音堂共同负责救援。尼亚石山灾区则由活石堂提供援助。



红本《门徒》导师培训开幕礼

报道：聃聃

1月21日，年会基督教教育部在卫理大厦开办为期两天一夜的红本《门徒》导师培训。28名来自15间堂会的学员分为两班上课，由万富奇牧师（博士）、郭进吟牧师（博士）、林崇恩牧师、徐智淳牧师、许慧怡牧师和陈丽芬姐妹担任导师。

此次培训首次迎来三一年议会的牧者参与，标志着一次新突破。开幕礼上，年会会长——廖克民牧师分享了红本《门徒》的意义，并引用<诗篇>119篇105节，强调神的话语是脚前的灯、路上的光。门徒生命最“红”的标志，就是背起十字架，将门徒的身份烙印在心，融入生活，成为世界的光，活出真实的门徒生命。



廖会长勉励



全体照

新血老将齐聚力，共绘圣工新篇章

报道：编辑部

2025年1月7至16日，年会各部门假卫理大厦召开年度首次会议，标志着新一届（2025-2028年）事工规划与执行正式启航。

崇拜与音乐部
主席：陈志浩牧师
副主席：蔡光明牧师
文书：张丽云牧师
指导：刘依凤传道
工作方向：
跨代敬拜；敬拜教导；敬拜程序；教会音乐；教会温暖



教育部
主席：廖克民会长
副主席：雷德瑞牧师
文书：朱潘佩茵师母
指导：谭鸣晖牧师
核心同工：刘黄声志师母
工作方向：
福音使命；品质管理；硬体设备/发展计划；连结互动（园所-教会-社区）



基督教教育部
主席：廖克民会长
指导：许慧怡牧师(正)、彭慧玲牧师(副)
工作方向：
一、生命培育：生命培育系统；门徒课程；卫理领导学校；圣经比赛书卷查经课程；卫理信仰学堂
二、生命传承：儿童事工；家庭与辅导事工
三、生命成长：以马忤斯（西马）；祷告事工；基督里的良伴；资料库



青少部
主席：林崇恩牧师
副主席：萧武勇弟兄
文书：叶谦恩牧师
财政：杨紫琪传道
工作方向：
4LC；光盐计划；青年事工；MY Team；大专事工；少年事工；少年军；校园事工；年会青团



布道部
主席：廖春煌弟兄
副主席：陈文晖牧师
文书：华维忠牧师
工作方向：
堂会实地考察与评估；教会及信徒布道装备；整合资源及伙伴计划；发展布道工具与团队；强化福音据点与植堂



宣教部
主席：郭进明牧师（博士）
副主席：王昆和牧师、陈爱仁弟兄
文书：詹友训牧师
财政：傅添吉弟兄
工作方向：
泰北阿卡宣教；缅甸南板宣教与勐康卫理学校；印度MACI宣教；曼绒希望原住民儿童之家与WMS校园宣教；原住民事工；外劳与难民事工；旅马华侨事工



传播部
主席：杜万炜牧师
南钟主编：简永裕牧师(正)、李丹萍牧师(副)
传媒指导：陈华彬牧师
工作方向：
书籍内容审核；社交媒体；视频拍摄；宣传南钟挚友；书籍出版



历史文献部
主席：李丹萍牧师
副主席：刘立章牧师
指导：张伟牧师
文书：李恩慧牧师
工作方向：
一、人文小组：建筑遗产；历史走廊
二、文创小组：生命见证；文字集合
三、文献小组：堂会历史；历史档案



社会关怀部
主席：卢道远弟兄
指导：锺恩雄牧师
文书：叶惠芬牧师
工作方向：
爱心三合一；Methodist Care



卫理救援赈灾发展部
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副主席：吴明森弟兄
文书：吴姮霖姐妹
财政：蔡荣华弟兄
工作方向：
RDC；国内赈灾；国际赈灾；志愿者动员组；卫理公会志愿者学院



会友事工部
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文书：王祖国弟兄
财政：符逸雯姐妹
工作方向：
数码事工特别组员；领袖培训；推动可持续发展目标（SDG）下的电子版刊物优先政策；加强对奉献教育；税务报税教育及福利课税的普及



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工作方向：
制定产业发展标准操作程序；成立各教区指定律师事务所；委任部员领养并协助各教区产业发展与管理



牧职部
主席：陈志浩牧师
注册员：陈华彬牧师
工作方向：
灵性关怀；行政治理；装备教导；恩赐服侍；教牧家庭



经济部
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文书：林孝标牧师
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年会财政：符逸雯姐妹
教牧医药福利金（PHMF）代表：彭宏谊弟兄
年会经济、奉献和教育：王祖国弟兄、符逸雯姐妹
工作方向：
从历史走向未来；事工导向的预算和开支；数据整合与分析；筹款与财务管理教育；创新奉献模式；财务透明与报告优化；资源分配与增长目标；行政、程序政策与管理





உண்மையிலே சுதந்திரத்தை உணர்கிறோமா?

சுதந்திரம் எல்லாருடைய வாழ்க்கையிலும் எதிர்பார்த்து எங்கும் ஓர் உணர்வுபூர்வமான அனுபவமாகும். ஏதேன் தோட்டத்தில் ஆதாமுக்கு ஏவளுக்கும் உண்மையில் ஆண்டவர் ஓர் இலவசமான தேர்வை (சுதந்திரத்தை) கொடுத்தார். துரதிர்ஷ்டவசமாக தங்களின் கீழ்படியாமையினால் மனுசனும் மனுஷியும் பாவத்திற்கு அடிமையாகி அந்த சுதந்திரத்தை இழந்தார்கள். அனைத்து மானிடமும் ஏதோ ஓர் விதத்தில் தங்களின் சுதந்திரத்தை இழந்த அனுபவத்தை உணர்ந்துள்ளனர்.



நமது நாடு தன்னுடைய 63வது மெர்டேக்கா (சுதந்திர தினம்) கொண்டாடிருக்கிறது. இருப்பினும் தற்போதைய நடைமுறை வாழ்வில் அநேக அடக்குமுறைகள், துன்புறுத்துதல்களை நாம் உணர்கிறோம். இதன் மூலம் உண்மையான சுதந்திரத்தை நாம் இழந்துவிட்டோம். இந்நிலைமைக்கு காரணம் கிளர்ச்சி உண்டாக்கும் மனப்போக்கு, தேவபக்தி இல்லாமை மற்றும் தாழ்மையுடன், P.P. ஆபிரகாம் சுயநலத்தோடு இருக்கும் தலைவர்கள். மேலும் சமுதாயத்தில் ஒற்றுமை இல்லா சூழ்நிலை.

தற்போதைய திருச்சபைகள் குறிப்பாக நம்முடைய தமிழ் வருடாந்திர மாநாடுகளில் அதிகமாக நம்மால் பேசப்படும் காரியம் புதுபித்தல் மற்றும் எழுப்புதல் ஆகும். கடந்த 2018 மற்றும் 2019 ஆண்டுகளில் ஜெபத்தின் மூலம் புதுபித்தல் மற்றும் ஓர் புதிய அலை தலைப்பில் பல மாநாடுகள் நடைபெற்றது. இருப்பினும் கடந்த 2020 கொரோனா தொற்றுவிபாதி தொடங்கி இந்நாள்களையும் நாம் அதிகமாக பேசப்பட்ட புதுப்பித்தல் மற்றும் எழுப்புதலின் உண்மையான அனுபவத்தை நாம் உணர்ந்துள்ளோமா...? நம்மிடைய அதிகமான ஜெப முகாம், கருந்தரங்கு ஏற்பாடு செய்யப்பட்டு வந்தாலும், இப்புதுப்பித்தல் மற்றும் எழுப்புதல் மூலம் நாம் எதிர்பார்த்த விரும்பத்தக்க விளைவுகளை நாம் உண்மையில் உணர்ந்துள்ளோமா? இல்லை!



யோவான் 8:32 –சத்தியத்தை அறிவீர்கள், சத்தியம் உங்களை விடுதலையாகும்;—

உலகமக்களை தாழ்த்தும் பாவத்தின் அடிமைதனத்தை குறித்து இயேசு குறிப்பிட்டுள்ளார். இயேசுவை முழுமையாக விசுவாசிப்பதன் மூலமே நமக்கு விடுதலையாகும். அவரை உண்மையாக விசுவாசிப்பதன் மூலம் நாம் சத்தியத்தை அறிவோம். அவரின் கற்பனைகள் கைகொண்டு அவருக்கு நாம் சீஷராய் இருப்போம்.

நடைமுறை வாழ்வில், அறிவார்ந்த அறிவு (எ. கா – பரிசேயரும், சதுசேயரும்), அனுபவபூர்வமான அறிவு (எ.கா— சீஷர்கள்) இரு பாலர் உள்ளனர். நம்மில் அநேகர் நினைப்பது எதுவேனில், நாம் நம்முடைய மூலையை கொண்டு அறிவார்ந்த அறிவுள்ளவர்கள் என்று நினைக்கிறோம். சிலர் அனுபவபூர்வமான அறிவை கொண்டு மனதின் எண்ணங்களோடு காரியத்தில் செயல்படுகின்றனர். இருப்பினும் வேதகாமத்தில் யோவான் 8:36: – ஆகையால் குமாரன் உங்களை விடுதலையாக்கினால் மெய்யாகவே விடுதலையாவீர்கள்; இது நமக்கு உறுதிபடுத்துகிறது என்னவென்றால், இயேசு ஒருவரே நம் வாழ்வில் உண்மையான சுதந்திரம் கிடைக்க மூலகாரணம். விடுதலையாவீர்கள்; இது நமக்கு உறுதிபடுத்துகிறது என்னவென்றால், இயேசு ஒருவரே நம் வாழ்வில் உண்மையான சுதந்திரம் கிடைக்க மூலகாரணம்.

என் கருத்து என்னவென்றால், நாம் எதிர்பார்க்கும் புதுபித்தலும் எழுப்புதலும் ஒருவர் உண்மையான சுதந்திரத்தை அனுபவித்தால் மட்டுமே நிறைவெறும். ஒருவரிடம் கிழே குறிப்பிடப்பட்ட காரியங்கள் அனைத்தும் உண்மையான சுதந்திரை உணர உறுதிபடுத்தப்படவேண்டும். அவை;— ஒருவரின் ஆவி, மனம், சரிரம், உணர்வு மற்றும் சமூகம்.



ஆவி –நம்முடைய ஒரே விசுவாசம், ஒரே பிதா, ஒரே குமாரன், ஒரே ஆவி, ஒரே ஞானஸ்நானம், ஒரே விசுவாசம் ஆகும் (எபேசியர் 4:4–6). நடைமுறை வாழ்வில் நாம் ஆவிக்குரிய காரியங்களில் நாம் வேறுபட்டுள்ளோம். நாம் கட்டாயமாக ஒரே மனமாய் ஜெபத்திலும் மற்றும் மாநாட்டு காரியங்களிலும் ஈடுபட்டவேண்டும். ஆனால் மிகவும் வருத்தமான காரியம் நம்மிடையே இந்த ஒரே மனம் காணப்படவில்லை. நாம் சுதந்திரத்தை பறைசாட்டினாலும் நம்மிடையே ஒரே மனம் நம் ஆவிக்குரிய வாழ்வில் இல்லை.

மனம் –நம் விசுவாசிப்பது என்னவென்றால், ஞானம், அறிவு, புரிந்துணர்வு பிதாவினிடத்திலிருந்து நாம் பெறுகிறோம். (நீதிமொழிகள் 2:6). நம்முடைய தனிப்பட்ட வாழ்வில், குடும்பத்தில், தேவ சமூகத்தில் இருக்கும் நடவடிக்கைகளில் நாம் ஒரே உடன்பாட்டில் இருத்தல் வேண்டும். நம் ஞானம், அறிவு மற்றும் புரிந்துணர்வு நாம் விசுவாசிக்கிற ஒரே தேவனிடமிருந்து

பெற்றுக்கொள்ளுகிறோம். இருப்பினும் நம்முடைய மாநாட்டு தலைமைத்துவத்திடம் நமக்கு நிறைய கருத்து வேறுபாடுகள் மற்றும் அர்பணிப்பு இல்லை. இது நாம் இன்னும் மனதளவில் முழு சுதந்திரை அடையவில்லை என்று குறிக்கிறது.

சரிரம் –ரோமர் 12 மற்றும் 1 கொரிந்தியர் 12 குறிப்பிட்டது போல், கிறிஸ்துவுக்குள் நாம் ஒரே சரிசரமாய் இருக்கிறோம். காரணம் நாம் இயேசு கிறிஸ்துவை இரட்சகராய் ஏற்றுக்கொண்டு அவரை விசுவாசித்தால் நாம் அவருடைய பிள்ளைகளாகும்படி, அவர்களுக்கு அதிகாரங்கொடுத்தார் (யோவான் 1:12, எபேசியர் 4:16). இதன் மூலம் நாம் ஒன்றாக இணைக்கப்பட்டு சரிரம்(மாநாடு) வளர்ச்சிபெற பயனுள்ள காரியத்தில் ஈடுபட்டேவண்டும். இருப்பினும் வருத்தத்தக்குரிய காரியம் என்னவென்றால் தலைமைத்துவத்தை குறித்து பல சச்சரவுகள் மற்றும் புறங்குறுதல் அத்தனையுடைய வளர்ச்சிக்கு தடையாக உள்ளது. இதுவும் நமக்கு அறிவறுத்துவது, நாம் இன்னும் முழுமையான சுதந்திரத்தை நமது சரிர மண்டலம் மூலமாய் இன்னும் உணரவில்லை.

உணர்வு –நாம் கிறிஸ்துவுக்குள் சகோதர சகோதரிகளாய், நாம் சொந்த உணர்வு உள்ளவர்களாய் இருத்தல் வேண்டும். நாம் ஒருவருக்கொருவர் ஒருவர் அக்கறையுள்ளவர்களாய் இருக்கவேண்டும். நாம் ஒருவருக்கொருவர் பாரத்தை பகிர்ந்துகொள்ளவேண்டும் (ரோமர் 12:15). மாநாட்டில் உள்ள 54 சபைகளும் ஒருவருக்கொருவர் தங்கள் வளங்களை பகிர்ந்து கொள்ள உதவவேண்டும். மாநாட்டு தலைமைத்துவமும் இதே அக்கறையும் பாரத்தை எல்லா சபைகளுக்கும் காண்பிக்கவேண்டும். இத்தகைய செயல் கண்டிப்பாக நம்மிடைய ஒற்றுமையை நிலைநிறுத்தும். மாறாக சிலசமயங்களில் இது எதிர்மறையாக நடைக்கிறது. இதுவும் நமது உணர்வுகளில் நாம் முழுமையான சுதந்திரத்தை அடையவில்லை என்று அறிகிறோம்.

சமுதாயம் –நாம் தேவனுடைய சாயலில் அவரைப்போல் சிருஷ்டிப்பட்டு, இயற்கையாய் ஒரே தேவனை, ஒரே சிருஷ்டிகரை விசுவாசிக்கிறோம். ஆனால் தேவன் நம்மை வெவ்வேறு பாத்திரங்களாக உருவாக்கி வெவ்வேறு காரியங்களுக்கு பயன்படுத்துகிறார். இந்த வேற்றுமையை ஏற்றுக்கொண்டு, தேவனுடைய மகிமைக்காக ஒற்றுமையாய் செயல்படுகிறோம். நாம் இந்த காரியத்தில் மேலும் மேன்மையடைய தலைத்துவத்தில் உள்ளவர்கள் ஆணி வேராக செயல்பட்டேவண்டும். இதன் மூலம் நம் வாழ்க்கையில் சமுதாய அடிப்படையில் நாம் முழுமையான சுதந்திரம் அடையமுடியும்.

மேல் குறிப்பிட்ட (ஆவி, மனம், சரிரம், உணர்வு & சமுதாயம்) ஆகியவற்றில் கண்டிப்பாக நம்முடைய அனுகுமுறைகள், அறிவு, திறமைகள், தேவனின் விசுவாசிகளாகவும், சீஷர்களாகவும் நம் வாழ்க்கை முறையில் பல விளைவுகளை ஏற்படுத்தும். இதன்மூலம் நாம் முழுமையான சுதந்திரத்தை உணர, நமது வாழ்வை முழுமையாக தேவனுக்கு ஒப்புவித்து, இவ்வுலகத்திற்கு உப்பாகவும், வெளிச்சமாகவும் தேவனுடைய மகிமைக்காகவும் வாழவேண்டும்.

முடிவாக, என் மேலான நம்பிக்கை நம்முடைய மாநாடு மற்றும் தமிழ் மெதடிஸ்ட் திருச்சபைகள் தங்களை மதிப்பீடு செய்து, முறையான செயல்களை செய்து பல மாற்றங்களை வெளிக்கொண்டுவரவேண்டும் என பிரயாசப்படுகிறேன். இதன் மூலம் நாம் வாஞ்சிக்கிற உண்மையான சுதந்திரத்தை இயேசுவின் மூலம் பெற்றுக்கொள்ளலாம்.

குறிப்பு – இது என் முதல் இருதயத்தின் படைப்பாய் உள்ளதால், குறைகள் இருப்பின் தயவாய் மன்னிக்க வேண்டுகிறேன். தங்களின் கருத்துகளையும் தயகமின்றி தெரிபடுத்தவேண்டுமாய் எதிர்பார்கின்றேன்.

தாழ்மையுடன்,
P.P.ஆபிரகாம்

MCKL's High Achievers Soaring Overseas: From MCKL to the World



From MCKL to the world, our high achievers continue to make waves at top universities across the globe. Two such outstanding alumni, Damien Chim and Sia Rei Zen, have exemplified excellence in their academic journeys, earning full scholarships to the University of Sydney and Kyoto University, respectively. Their stories showcase how determination, strategic planning, and the right academic foundation can lead to incredible opportunities.



Damien Chim: A Leap of Faith to A Level and Beyond

Currently pursuing a degree in Computer Science at the University of Sydney on a full scholarship, Damien Chim's achievements are nothing short of extraordinary. His accolades include securing a **Top in the World** score for AS Level Physics during the **Outstanding Cambridge Learners Award, November 2023 Exam Series**—an exceptional feat that cements his place among the brightest young minds in the field. For Damien, the decision to enrol in **Cambridge A Level (CAL) at MCKL** was driven by opportunity and ambition.

"After high school, I was unsure about which field to pursue, so I decided on A Levels. Upon research, it was clear that MCKL is among the top providers in Malaysia. When I saw that they had just set up a campus in Penang with

generous scholarships, I took a leap of faith. Looking back, it was one of the best decisions I have made."

This choice provided Damien with a strong academic foundation and ultimately led him to one of his greatest achievements—the Outstanding Cambridge Learner Award for AS Level Physics. Earning the **Top in the World** award for Physics was a defining moment.

"This award is a testament to my passion for Physics. I have dedicated an extensive amount of effort to mastering it, and this recognition is incredibly rewarding—not just for me but also for my parents and my lecturer, Mr Ban, who supported me every step of the way."

His dedication and perseverance paved the way for his full scholarship to the **University of Sydney**, where he now pursues his passion in Computer Science.

Damien highlights the importance of **deep understanding and consistent practice**.

"To excel in A Levels, you need to understand the concepts thoroughly before applying them. The questions can be tricky, and surface-level knowledge won't be enough. Practice is key—keep testing yourself and don't hesitate to seek help when needed."



Sia Rei Zen: A Journey to Kyoto University with AUSMAT

From MCKL to Kyoto University, **Sia Rei Zen's** story is one of resilience, strategic planning, and academic excellence. As a **Western Australian Certificate of Education (AUSMAT) graduate at MCKL**, Sia is now pursuing a **Degree in Economics at Kyoto University on a full scholarship**—an achievement he describes as surreal.

For Sia, choosing **AUSMAT at MCKL** was a calculated decision.

"MCKL offered the right mix of structure and support, making it an ideal place to focus on academics and get the most out of the AUSMAT programme."

His efforts paid off in the best way possible—gaining entry into **one of Japan's most prestigious universities** on a full scholarship.

"It felt surreal. Everything I worked so hard for finally paid off. Getting into Kyoto University without financial worries was an incredible blessing, reminding me that all those late nights and sacrifices were worth it."

Sia attributes much of his success to the **supportive learning environment** at MCKL. Being surrounded by driven and supportive classmates made a huge difference, keeping him motivated throughout his studies. His teachers played a crucial role, taking the time to help him understand complex material and providing encouragement when challenges arose. Their guidance had a significant impact on his confidence and academic performance. The final stretch before exams was particularly intense, filled with late-night study sessions, group revisions, and the mounting pressure to excel. Although exhausting, it was one of the most rewarding experiences of his journey, preparing him for future challenges.

Sia urges AUSMAT students to be prepared for a **rigorous but rewarding journey**.

"Time management is key. Start building solid study habits early, and don't hesitate to reach out to teachers and friends for support. AUSMAT opens many doors—stay focused and take it one step at a time."

A Legacy of Excellence at MCKL

Both Damien Chim and Sia Rei Zen's journeys illustrate how MCKL provides the right academic foundation, guidance, and opportunities for students to thrive at top universities worldwide. Their inspiring stories serve as a beacon for future MCKL students, proving that with determination, perseverance, and the right support, global success is within reach.

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Students working on assignments in the library

Character Building at the Core

Character building is at the heart of our Methodist Education. At WMS, we hold the core values of God-centeredness, Integrity, Respect for Life, and Excellence with Humility. Through classroom discussions, leadership opportunities, and community service, we teach our students the importance of living out these principles in everyday life, preparing them to lead with compassion and make meaningful contributions to society.



Girls' & Boys' Brigade

Worldview Spiritual Formation Rooted in Christian Values and Beliefs

Our Christian-based education offers students a strong moral foundation, helping them to develop a worldview that we envision will help them navigate life's challenges with purpose and grace. With regular chapel services and spiritual guidance and programmes, students are encouraged to explore their faith, build a relationship with God, and cultivate a sense of hope that guides them toward a purposeful life.

Preparing Students for a Life of Impact

Choosing WMS means choosing an education that shapes well-rounded individuals ready to thrive in both personal and professional spheres. Our character-based approach equips students not only with the knowledge to pursue their dreams but also with the integrity and values to make a lasting positive impact on the world.



Students worshipping at Praise Rally



To find out more about WMS, please visit us at wms-school.edu.my

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A CALL TO TEACH & NURTURE

Opportunities await:

Significant Persons of Tomorrow (SPOT)

A Career Programme for fresh graduates.

PROGRAMME

Working as part of Wesley Methodist School (WMS) is beyond a career. It's a journey with purpose, and it is uniquely rewarding. Join us in building children into responsible, purposeful individuals and citizens who will be equipped with the aptitudes to succeed and adapt in a rapidly changing world through Methodist Education.



To achieve this, we seek new talents who want to embark on a full-time teaching position at Wesley Methodist School to join our SPOT Career Programme within Peninsular Malaysia. It is a fully paid training programme and graduates in any discipline are welcome to apply for the JULY 2025 intake.

REQUIREMENTS

- Holder of a bachelor's degree in any discipline or currently in the final year of their degree programme.
- Passionate to teach and nurture young minds
- Strong written and spoken communication skills in English and BM
- Reflective and has a mindset to continually improve



BENEFITS

- Professional Development & Learning Opportunities include: Scholarship for Teaching Qualification
- Holistic Training Programme on pedagogy approach & Worldview Spiritual Formation
- Medical and dental insurance
- A collaborative working school environment that provides opportunities to build rapport with the education leaders and schools' educationists.
- Living allowance, including statutory contributions
- Mentoring Programme for career development and management
- Networking opportunities within an established Christian organization and its associations

APPLY BY:
31 MAY 2025



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Join Our Team of Inspiring Educators!

- Teacher (IGCSE / National Curriculum)
- Head of Department / Middle Leadership
- Vice Principal

Requirements

- Minimum Bachelor's in Education, Teaching, or related field.
- 2+ years teaching experience. 5+ years teaching experience for Head of Department / Middle Leadership / Vice Principal.
- Strong subject knowledge and passion for education.
- Proficient in multimedia classroom resources.
- Fluent in English and BM.
- Highly motivated, disciplined, responsible.
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills.

Wesley Methodist School (WMS) is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare and safety of our students and expects all staff members to share this commitment.

Interested applicants can apply by sending their resume and cover letter to **hr@mcoe.edu.my**





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ACADEMIC
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ACHIEVEMENTS

SPIRITUAL
FORMATION

Locations:

Kuala Lumpur | Bandar Seri Coalfields | Klang | Seremban
Penang | Ipoh

Curricula:

Cambridge International (IGCSE) | KSSM (SPM)

Levels:

Early Years | Primary | Secondary



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