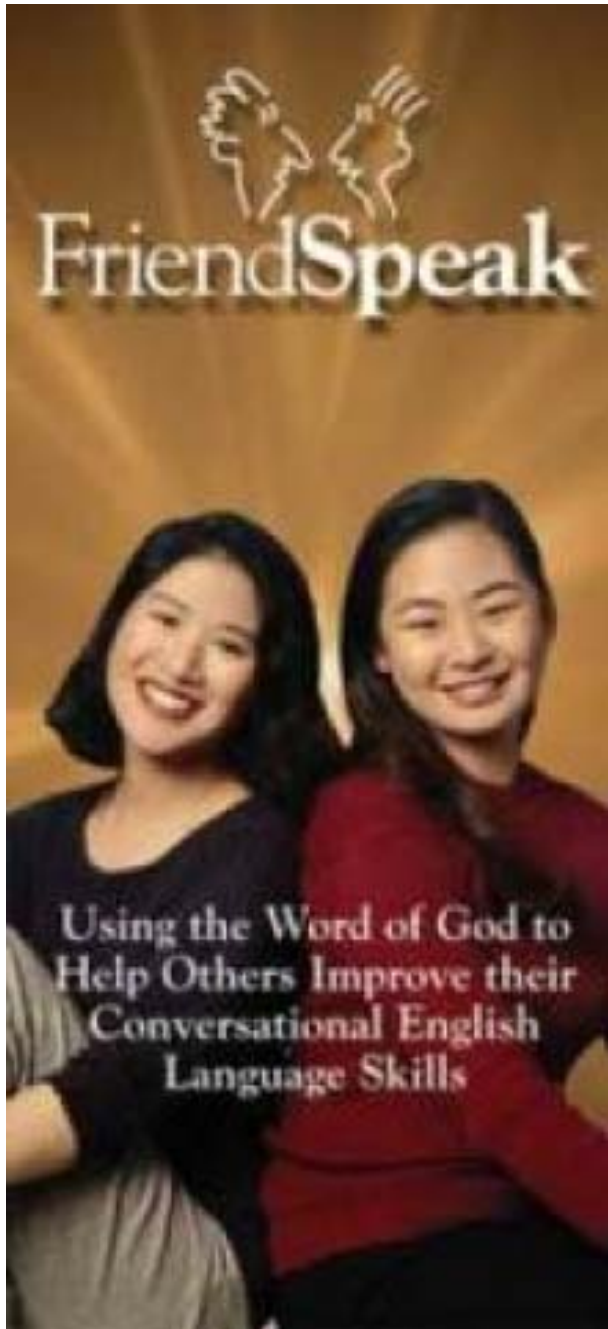


FOCUS

our 4 5th year

For the Week of 26th April 2009



On Saturday, May 16th, LST/FriendSpeak is hosting a training seminar at the Pasir Panjang Church of Christ. The purpose of this training is to equip you to implement the LST/FriendSpeak kit in the marketplace as we touch lives for Christ. Retirees, housewives and students will also find this useful.

The FriendSpeak Training Seminar will start with a lunch at 1pm. From 2:00pm–5:30pm, participants will be equipped with the skills and practice necessary to be effective FriendSpeak workers. The aim of this seminar is to train participants to share their faith in a very natural and comfortable way.

All attending the seminar will receive a kit to use with their contacts. The cost of the seminar is S\$70 per person. There will be participants from Malaysia and other congregations in Singapore. **Since this event is sponsored by PP, members and regular visitors will attend for free.**

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PP FAMILY NEWS

We warmly welcome brother Mac and sister Sarah Goh into the family of God at PP. Mac hails from Nigeria and was an active member with the campus congregation in his undergraduate days. Photographs on the back.

Elder Winston Chong will be speaking on the subject of "Dealing with Rejection" at our morning services today. Brother Vincent Lim will be the preacher in the evening.

SIBI's day courses (Monday to Thursday) will conclude this week. Brother Charles is teaching the "Gospel of John" in the mornings and brother Tom on "Evangelism Methods" in the afternoons. The SIBI Open Bible Study continues as usual at 10am on the book of Proverbs.

We are pleased to announce that SIBI now has a permanent classroom on the first floor of the Educational Wing overlooking the West Coast park. All SIBI sessions including the Open Bible Study will be conducted there.

In view of this move, the Hearing Impaired classroom will return to the former Hearing Impaired hall, at brother Patrick's former office. Sister Belinda's 'Sal-

vation Bible Class' will meet at the container next to the nursery BC.

A cappella singers, please place your lunch orders for next week's session with sister Betty at the lobby today.

The 2009 SPC major series on "Christlike Characters Development" got off with a good start last Wednesday. The work sheet for this Wednesday's session will be distributed by our ushers at all worships today. Come back this Wednesday at 7:30pm with your friends. Dinner provided.

We will be hosting our first parenting workshop at PP this Friday, 1 May from 2pm-5pm. All parents are encouraged to attend this seminar with elder Adrian. Bring your friends. Lunch will be served from 12noon onwards.

Please cover elder Eric and brother Siow Hwee in your prayers as they conduct the 9th Annual May Day seminar in Xian this week. Uplift sister Hong Ngee in her rededication last Sunday morning. Our condolences to sister Phay on the demise of her uncle last week.

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Worship Service	Today (26 Apr)	Next Week
8am Scripture Text:	Psalm 76:1-3	Psalm 77:10-12
11am Call to Worship: SR/OP: S. Leader: Communion: Preacher: Shepherd's Prayer:	Henry Kong Chen Yi Irvin Wan Tan Yiu Huat Elder Winston Chong Elder Simon Goh	Henry Kong Gareth Chan Matthew Tng Michael Booker elder Adrian Teo Elder Beng Chuan
Ushers Balcony	Nehemiah Tan HI Team	Johnsten Wee HI Team
6pm Call to Worship Scripture Text: SR/Prayer: S. Leader: Communion: Preacher: Closing Prayer:	Henry Kong Psalm 76:11-12 Charles Cook Tom Goracke Deacon Li Chhoan Vincent Lim Elder Simon Goh	Henry Kong Psalm 77:13-15 Ban Haw Leong Deacon Paul Lim Patrick Ong Deacon Paul Lim Elder Beng Chuan

CALENDAR of events

Sunday, 26th April 2009

- 7:30am Shuttle Bus Service
- 8:00am Morning Worship
Speaker: Elder Winston
- 9:30am Bible Classes for all ages
New adults combined series
on "God in the Marketplace"
with Peter Lim and his team
- 11am Morning Worship
- 6pm Evening Worship
Speaker: Vincent Lim



Wednesday, 29th April 2009

- 10am Open Bible Study on the
Book of Proverbs with
Charles Cook
- 6pm Dinner served
- 7:30am SPC major series conducted
by elder Adrian on "Christlike
Character Development".

Care teams are asked to divert their sessions for this 7-week series.

FAMILY CONCERNS

Please pray for:

God's forgiveness for all my sins - Amparo
 God's forgiveness for my careless use of my tongue
 - Mee Geok
 God's direction as I seek employment opportunities in
 Singapore - Roy Tay
 Audrey's mid-year exams - Julie Wee
 Chialynn and her IB exams - Michelle and Karen
 My eyes to get well through the medication and success in
 my studies in school - Mac
 My grandma who is in critical condition - Michael Mariaraja
 My son's health and to find a job - Aquino Milagros
 God's protection for Evonne as she travels in Europe
 before returning to Singapore in May - Lynda Wee
 God's strength and guidance for my son, Bevan in this
 difficult time - Ron Tong

Thank God for:

Brother Cher Yam's sermon - Julie Wee, Elvira, William
 Chong, Fook Weng
 The safe and smooth delivery of Hwee Yee's firstborn on
 15 April and keep watch over them - Fook Weng
 His love and protection to all His people on earth. Pray for
 my outreach to my boss' children - Maribel
 Safe return from Macau - Doreen Lum
 The birth of Aaron and keeping both mother and child safe.
 Thank you all for your prayers - Kelvin Koo
 Blessing Roy during his studies in UK and his safe return to
 Singapore - Dorothy Tay

FACTS & FIGURES

8am Worship	122
11am Worship	248
6pm Worship	<u>59</u>
Total:	<u>429</u>
Morning Giving	\$ 9477
Evening Giving	<u>\$ 698</u>
Total Contribution	<u>\$ 10,175</u>



Receipt No. Donor Amount

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Members who wish to sponsor local and overseas campers are asked to speak to any of our ministers or elders. Thank you.



We warmly welcome into the family of God at PP: brother Mac from Nigeria and sister Sarah Goh who was baptized on her birthday last Thursday by our minister.



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More and more registrations are coming in for our June camp. At our latest count, the number of overseas participants have exceeded the 2 dozen mark.

Mark your calendars and reserve the afternoon of Saturday, May 16th free for the Friendspeak seminar at PP from 2pm-5:30pm. Each participant will receive a kit and be trained and accredited to use these effective materials in sharing the gospel of Jesus. Lunch provided from 1pm.

Several members have ordered brother Ed's 12 DVD set on 'Scheme of Redemption' for \$30. Please see brother Patrick if you wish to order (\$30) or loan these DVDs (free).

Why choose FriendSpeak? Because we understand your situation. You've found a mission field right outside your front door and you're ready to act. You need something sensible and appropriate; you need something that works. Here's how FriendSpeak can help:

You'll be equipped to meet both the physical and spiritual needs of your international neighbors. While most churches tend toward one or the other, FriendSpeak combines both in a friendly, one-on-one environment where meaningful conversation, not teaching English, is the goal. Christians meet weekly with their international readers to help them practice their English, discussing the stories of the Gospels from easy-to-read workbooks. In this context, language skills improve, friendships are born, and faith is discussed openly.

Your members are trained to become everyday missionaries. FriendSpeak prepares your members to conduct well-planned, one-on-one, English conversation classes (entirely in English) while teaching them to share their faith in a very natural and comfortable way. FriendSpeak focuses on three core principles that empower Christians to act with confidence:

The Word is the teacher and we are the illustration.
A friendly relationship is more productive than Teacher vs. Student.
Scripture is the basis for conversation.

You will attract significant numbers of un-churched people. We would be happy to send you dozens of references from churches that are opening their doors to entire neighborhoods on a weekly basis. Because English is in such high demand, you can expect a diverse crowd of participants from many different walks of life.

You will witness the development of genuine faith. You'll observe in your readers the development of genuine faith in Jesus because of their direct experience with the gospel. FriendSpeak fosters spiritual growth and church transformation. As churches focus their attention outward with renewed passion and become more active in real-life, day-to-day evangelism, hearts are changed and lives are transformed.