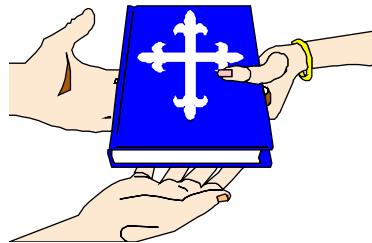


FOCUS

For the Week of 13th December 2009



How We Can All Agree...



There is so much debate and disagreement in Christendom today. This has resulted in many denominations, unable to see eye-to-eye, even in the basic teachings of the Bible. So how can we find the common ground to work on?

As I see it, there are 4 levels where we need to work at in order to find a consensus:

The first level is regarding matters pertaining to salvation. Here, we can make no compromise. The Bible teaches in 1 Timothy 4:16 *"Take heed unto thyself, and unto the doctrine; continue in them: for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself, and them that hear thee."*

The second level has to deal with matters not pertaining to salvation. In this instance, like the early Christians in Berea, we need to examine the scriptures to ensure if these things were so (Acts 17:10-11).

The next level of disagreement is regarding customs or cultural differences. We should recognise these as such, and not make it a bone of contention according to 1 Corinthians 11:16, *"if any man seemeth to be contentious, we have no such custom, neither the churches of God."*

Finally, there are differences in matters of opinion. Romans 14:4-6 is very clear when it states, *"One man esteemeth one day above another: another esteemeth every day alike."*

"Come now, and let us reason together" - Isaiah 1:18.



20th December:

9:30am Combined Quarterly Singing led by brother Daniel Ng

1pm-4pm Thanksgiving Day for House Helpers and HI BC at NTU Alumni Club, 11 Slim Barracks Rise

27th December:

9:30am - Junior BC Annual Awards Sunday

6pm - Annual Thanksgiving Service

28th-31st December

Youth Camp at Camp Challenge, Sembawang (meet at church building for coach transport).

1st January 2010

8am-12noon - Annual Church Planning Day (breakfast provided)

3rd January 2010

9:30am - Annual Welcome New Members Session

SIBI 2010 Schedule:

8th-24th January: Weekend Course with brother Tony Yueng

11th-22nd January: SIBI Internship Fulltime Training Classes

PP FAMILY NEWS

Right: PP's 2 mission teams who are currently in the field in Tuao, Philippines and Nias, Indonesia. Continue to cover them in your prayers. Both teams will return this week.



Brother **Seah Siow Hwee** will exhort the congregation this morning. Come back at 6pm when our minister, **brother Henry Kong** will encourage us to grow in faith and service in 2010.

Join us this Wednesday at 10am for SIBI's Open Bible Study new series on "Angels & Demons" by **brother Charles Cook**.

Brother Kuek Lee Hock will conclude the SPC series, "Transforming into Jesus' living Church" this Wednesday at 7:30pm. SPC will take a break and return on the first Wednesday of 2010 (6th January) on a new series on Evangelism starting with "You catch 'em; He cleans 'em" by brother Charles Cook.

Even though the year is coming to a close, a good number of activities are still coming your way. Take a look at the blurb on the front page and **get your family or Care team involved**.

Coming next Sunday: **Brother Daniel Ng** will lead another wonderful session of singspiration at the 9:30am Bible Class hour.

The **PPCIG** has already completed a 'personal weekend visit' ahead of the programme launch on January 2010. We are looking for PP members who are willing to mentor Chinese nationals and to follow up with a personal weekend visit if necessary. Please let brothers Patrick or Henry know if you can help.

Attention all PP members: Please take a minute to look at the **final 2010 color directory printout** outside the church staff offices. It will be posted throughout the month of December and taken down after our Annual Church Planning Day on 1st January 2010. Your signature (with any changes) will assure us of its accuracy.

Special Thanksgiving
Service on 27th December at 6pm. If the Lord has been gracious to you in 2009, come back and give thanks!

Worship Service	Today (13 December)	Next Week
8am		
Scripture Text:	Elder Beng Chuan Psalm 119:89-96	Henry Kong Psalm 119:105-112
11am		
Call to Worship:	Elder Beng Chuan	Henry Kong
SR/OP:		Liu Ming Hui
S. Leader:	Shawn Lee	Jeremy Tng
Communion:	Vincent Lim	Jim Kawi
Preacher:	Seah Siow Hwee	Charles Cook
Shepherd's Prayer:	Elder William Wong	Elder Adrian Teo
Ushers	Daniel Ong	Richard Leow
Balcony	HI Team	HI Team
6pm		
Call to Worship	Elder Beng Chuan	Henry Kong
Scripture Text:	Psalm 119:97-104	Psalm 119:113-120
SR/Prayer:	Ramesh Dhanabalan	Deacon Li Chhoan
S. Leader:	Jason Ng	Charles Pang
Communion:	Patrick Ong	Elder Simon Goh
Preacher:	Henry Kong	Teng Cheng Chong
Closing Prayer:	Elder William Wong	Elder Adrian Teo

CALENDAR of events

Sunday, 13th December 2009

- 7:30am Shuttle Bus Service
- 8:00am First Morning Worship
Speaker: Seah Siow Hwee
- 9:30am Bible Classes for all ages
- 11am Second Morning Worship
- 1:15pm Shuttle Bus Service ends
- 6pm Evening Worship
Speaker: Henry Kong

Wednesday, 16th December 2009

- 10am SIBI Open Bible Study on
"Angels & Demons"
by Charles Cook
- 7:30pm SPC: Worshipping in the Living
Church by Kuek Lee Hock

Sunday, 20th December 2009

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- 9:30am Quarterly Combined Singing
led by brother Daniel Ng

FAMILY CONCERNS

Please pray for:

PP church and churches in India. Kumar's and Immanuel's families and work - David Dass

My work and my health - Kumar

PP missions and my family in India. My SIBI study - Immanuel

Safe journey for my cousins and my family's health - Amelyn

My sister, Stacia Scotland for her marriage relationship. I will continue to trust God and believe His promises - Keisha

My exams on the 17th and 21st December - Josephine Seow

PP mission team in Tuao, Philippines and Nias, Indonesia - Fook Weng, Patrick

Travel mercy and safety in Malaysia - Joyce Tan

Travel mercy from 13-19 December - Phyllis Ng

Travel mercy for Maribel to Philippines and bless her family especially her mother's health - Aquino Milagros

The health of my sister, Marilyn in USA and travel mercy. My safe trip back to Philippines - Fabila Elvira

Ely and my travel mercy and safety back to Philippines. My parents, brothers and sisters and relatives and friends to gather together in fellowship - Maribel

Thank God for:

Elder Winston's sermon - Phyllis Ng, William Chong, Maribel

Brother Samuel Lim's sermon - Patrick, Henry Kong

Blessing me with a job, especially in such times - Amanda Kiang

Special Thanks:

Dear brethren in Christ,
I want to express my thanks for all the prayers and support given to me during the illness and death of my son. Your great love for me and my family during the darkest day of my life and bereavement has been a source of great comfort. Most of all, I want to thank God for everything - His love, grace and mercy.

- Adelma

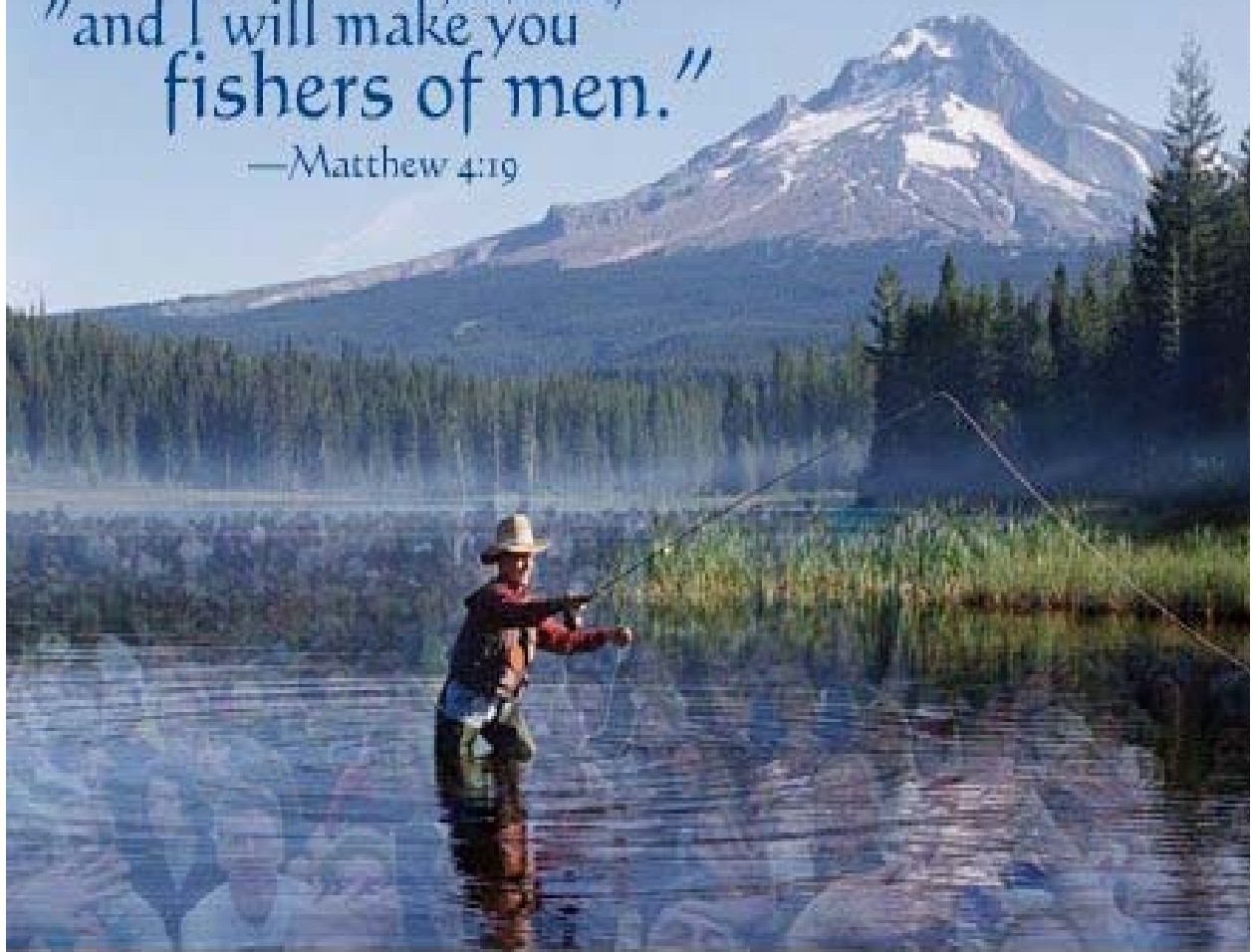
FACTS & FIGURES

8am Worship	112
11am Worship	233
6pm Worship	44
Total:	389

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"Come, follow me," Jesus said,
 "and I will make you
 fishers of men."
 —Matthew 4:19



First SPC SERIES FOR 2010:

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INSTRUCTOR: CHARLES COOK

- 6 January --- We Catch'em, He Cleans'em
- 13 January --- The Church Must Be Healthy
- 20 January --- The Church Must Be Growing
- 27 January --- The Church Must Be Active
- 3 February --- Jesus Christ, Disciple Maker
- 24 February --- Soul Winning & Apologetics
- 3 March --- Soul Winning In A Changing World
- 10 March --- The Soul Winner's Lifestyle
- 17 March --- Build Your Own Presentation #1
- 24 March --- Build Your Own Presentation #2

[Attn SIBI Students: See the instructor about credit for this series]

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