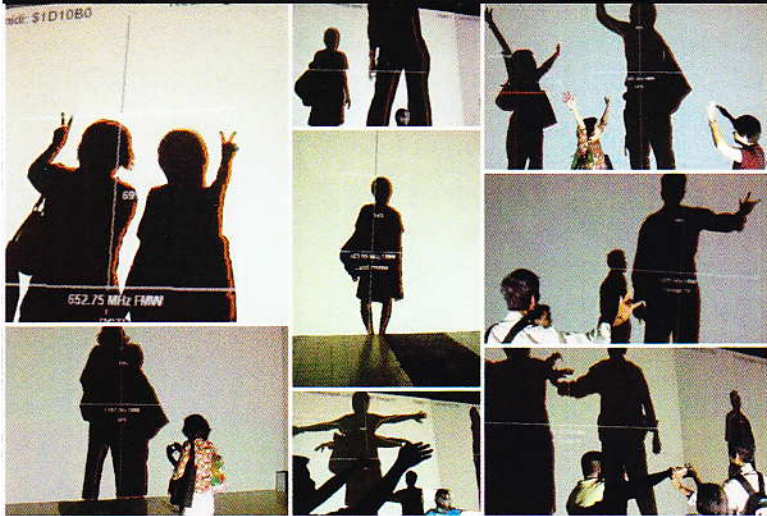


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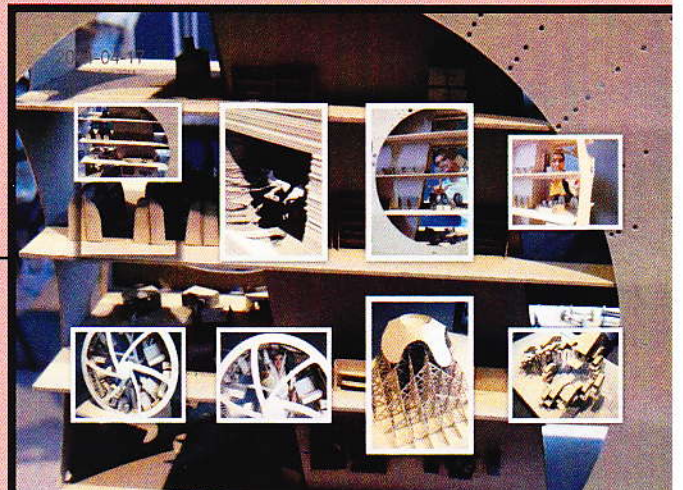


**Singapore Biennale at Old Airport**



A work that uses the shadows of gallery viewers to tune into different radio frequencies, translating human bodies into antennae.

Concerned with the relationship between desire and space, Michael Lee is particularly intrigued by how human aspiration may conceive and affect the architectural environment.



**Wishing all Fathers HAPPY FATHERS' DAY!!**



## **Parable of the Unmerciful Servant**

We find the Parable of the Unforgiving Servant only in Matthew 18:23-35. The apostle Peter suggested that seven times is as one should forgive another. Jesus reply was, "Not seven times but seventy times seven" Matthew 18:21-22. The context of this passage is Jesus teaching His disciples about the kingdom of heaven. We can take some very important principles from this parable and apply them to our lives today.

The servant, whom the Lord forgave him much, had owed ten thousand talents. This is equivalent to several millions of dollars today. However, he was unwilling to forgive another servant who owed him a hundred denarii. A denarii was a day's wage and was worth approximately sixteen cents. Therefore, compared to what he was forgiven, this was a very small amount. The principle here is, "the one who was forgiven much, should be grateful enough to forgive others." In other words, this principle of forgiveness is that grace to forgive.

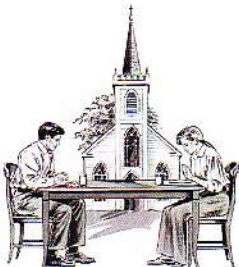
The disciple is not to count the number of times he forgive. Rather, as the parable teaches, he is to forgive as often as needed. Therefore, in the Parable of the Unforgiving / Unmerciful / Unjust servant, Jesus is teaching His disciples that we must not put a limit on forgiving others as we can never repay the amount God has forgiven us. The first servant had been forgiven so he then should have forgiven the other. Therefore, when someone offends or sins against us, we should be willing to forgive them, from a heart of gratitude with the understanding that we ourselves are a debtor too.



**Patrick Ong**

## **Thanksgiving & Prayer Request**

**Pray for Mee Hoe's courage and faith In God.  
Pray for travel mercy for Jim and Farida to USA.  
Pray for Johannes' new job.  
Pray for the coming Church Camp.**



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