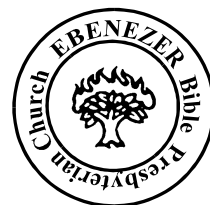


COMING WEEK APPOINTMENTS (13 July – 19 July 2009)			LAST WEEK'S Collection (05/07/09)		
			EBENEZER		CGF
TUE (14/07/09)	7.00 pm 7.45 pm	CGF Dinner BS - Summary of Your Life by Lo Su Shiang	Attendance Offerings Desig - CGF Desig - Pew Winter Camp Received To Date	122 \$2,048.60 \$50	26 \$268.15 \$420 \$300
FRI (17/07/09)	7.00 pm 8.00 pm	Monash BS – Recess Prayer Meeting/BS – Pr. Lim Hai Seng YAF: Bible Trivia	Internal Gift Internal Loan External Gift External Loan Art & Craft Book Sales Mission Fund YTD Pew Building Fund giving since 01/07/08:	295,460 147,000 419,477 150,000 846 1,644 3,450 11,620 44,286	
SAT (18/07/09)	8.00 pm	CGF –Prayer Meeting Bible study Discussion Choir Practice	Next Loan Repayment	50,000 100,000	01 July 09 31 Dec 09
SUN (19/07/09)	9.30 pm 9.45 am 10.15 am 10.30 am 11.45 am 12.30 pm 2.30 pm 4.00 pm 6.00 pm	Pre Worship Prayer Meeting Pre Worship Praise Ebenezer Worship: "Earth Keeps Silence" Hab 2:20 – Eduardo Morante Sunday School Video Presentation Dr Stephen Lim Strabane: Mohan Raw CGF Worship: "Stand fast in One Spirit" – Pr. Lim Hai Seng CGF : Singing Group Practice			
ANNOUNCEMENTS			<i>From Pulpit to Pew</i>		
<p>1. WARM WELCOME: Welcome to all worshippers & friends. Please do stay back for a time of tea fellowship.</p> <p>2. BBK & SBC: Christianity vs Atheism – a video presentation by Dn Stephen Lim</p> <p>3. CONDOLENCES: To Eric & Siew Leng Choong and family on the home going of Eric's mother on 2nd July 2009 in Malaysia. May our God of Comfort be their Comforter at this time of loss. Eric will be in Malaysia till end of July.</p> <p>4. EBENEZER PULPIT: Jul-Sep series of messages concentrates on the Minor Prophets Hab, Zeph & Hag under the theme "In Wrath Remember Mercy".</p> <p>5. CGF PULPIT: Jul-Sep will be a study on Philippians based on the theme "By Prayer and Supplication".</p> <p>6. PRAYER FOCUS:</p> <p>a) HEALTH & HEALING: Stephanie, Mildred, Thomas, Priscilla's mother, Anne's mother, Vicky's mother. Olivia Ong, Koh Choon Fong, Michael Yap, Alan Mouzon, Mrs. Victoria Lim b) MISSIONS: Cambodia–Life University & BPC: Rev David Koo (Sihanokville); Glory BPC: Rev Stephen Choi (Phnom Penh), First BPC: Bro Chanthon & Siang Lai (Siem Reap). Kenya – Samson & June Korir; Chan Pui Meng at Clinic of Life in Kiluani; Surish Laos, Andrew Kam Myanmar, Roska Choi-Sihombing- Batam. Jess & Nirand Chiangmai. TRAVEL: Koyori & Minami (Japan), Eric Choong & Vicky Leong (Malaysia) Pastor & Mrs. Tan (Singapore)</p> <p>7. ON VACATION: We remember our students who have returned home for the university break or away on holiday. Damien & Su Shiang back in Melbourne on semester break. We pray for a blessed time and journey mercies.</p> <p>9. QUIET TIME WITH GOD – The next quarter July-Sept 2009, Daily Manna is available on the table in the Foyer. Take a copy for your daily QT with God</p> <p>10. HOPE BPC VBS: Thank God for the safe return of Pr Lim Hai Seng from Adelaide where he conducted the Hope BPC Vacation Bible School from Jul 4-10. We pray the God will bless his ministry to the children.</p> <p>12. EBENEZER 10TH ANNIVERSARY: Planning Com: Ps Tan (Programme); Eld Meyale (Invitation); Eric Choong (PA & photography); Kitchen Com (Thanksgiving Lunch), Departments with items of praise see Ps Tan</p> <p>13. CGF SPECIAL MEETINGS: Thank you to Su Shiang: for her time at Ebenezer during the FEBC Term break, for conducting the seminars and Bible Studies. Pray for Su Shiang as she returns to Singapore on the 14th July 2009.</p> <p>14. PASTOR ISAAC ONG: Returned safely in Spore. He will be in Vancouver with his wife and daughter and speak at Vancouver BPC Bible Camp and VBS.</p> <p>15. PASTOR & MRS. TAN: Safe arrival in Singapore after 3 hrs delay at airport. Self quarantine for a week and officiated nephew's wedding at Life BP</p> <p>16. DRUMMOND ST – Thank God for new tenants to fill the vacant rooms. One tenant is wishing to share her room if you know of any girl interested.</p>			<p>HOLINESS OF GOD "Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy." 1 Peter 1:16.</p> <p>The Youth Winter Camp closed with a sense of God's presence. Testimonies from campers on the last day testify of a desire to live in "sanctification" and to allow the Spirit of Christ to change our lives to conform to the "image of God's Son" Rom 8:29. We stand in awe of His holiness and our own sinfulness. While our nature has been transformed, yet we realize that the process of transformation is progressing rather too slowly. Yet we rejoice that change has begun.</p> <p>Only God is holy. But this is a communicable attribute of God. He desires that His children be holy as He is holy.</p> <p>Who is Like unto God in His Holiness? In the Garden of Eden: Adam was naked. He was until he took of the forbidden fruit not hidden himself from God. As man's federal head, sin came upon all man and death by sin. Jesus died when He was "made sin" for us. 2 Cor 5:21. The second Adam saves sinners by His holiness.</p> <p>On Mount Sinai: Moses met the holy God when he saw a bush on fire but not consumed. He was on holy ground. He ascended the mount to receive the Lord's commandments. His face shone because he was in presence of God. We must dwell in God's presence to remain holy. His Word sanctifies the Christian. Jn 17:17.</p> <p>Before the Cross of Calvary: One thief receives forgiveness but the other condemned. There was instant entry into paradise. He was rendered righteous by the crucified Christ, the blood of Jesus made him clean. Heb 9:22' We shall never be righteous by keeping the law, but cleansed by the blood of Jesus, the Lamb of God</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Dr Patrick Tan</i></p> <p>Memory Verse: 1 Peter 5:7 "Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you."</p>		



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1 Samuel 7:12
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ORDER OF WORSHIP		
	10.30 am (Ebenezer)	4.00 pm (City Gospel Fellowship)
Pre Worship Praise	Paul Yeo /Trish Yeo (p)	Heidi Ho
Prelude	Samantha Raw(p) Yvonne Yeap (o) Hui En, Keene (f)	Han Jie Soh
Flowers	Mrs. Sue Edward	
<i>The Lord Is in His Holy Temple</i>		
Call to Worship	Dn. Yew Hock Khoo	Paul Soon
Opening Hymn	46 – A Mighty Fortress Is Our God	31 – Blessed Be the Name
Invocation	Dn. Yew Hock Khoo	Paul Soon
Gloria Patri	<i>Glory Be To The Father</i>	
Responsive Reading	Hebrew 10: 26-39	Psalms 84
Hymn	441 – Faith Is The Victory	400 – Every Moment Of Every Day
Tithes / Offering	383 – Make Me A Channel Of Blessings Paul Yeo/Jeffrey Leow/Jock Campbell/Chew Hou Lian	137 – Thanks To God Keene Chen
Doxology	<i>Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	
Scripture Reading	Habakkuk 2: 1-20 Jock Campbell	Philippians 1:12-20 Keene Chen
Preparatory Hymn	359 – My Faith Looks Up To Thee	359 – My Faith Looks Up To Thee
Family Prayer	Dn. Philip Soon	Dr. Stephen Lim
Sermon	"The Just Shall Live By Faith" Dn. Philip Soon	"Preach Christ In Contention" Dr. Stephen Lim
Closing Hymn	MH475 – Rejoice In The Lord	428 – I Have Decided To Follow Jesus
Benediction	Elder Edward Meyale	Dr. Stephen Lim
Postlude	<i>The Lord Bless You & Keep You</i>	
**Next Week's Roster	17/07/2009 Ebenezer @ 10.30am	City Gospel Fellowship (CGF) @ 4 pm
Speaker	Eduardo Morante	Pr. Hai Seng Lim
Pre Worship Praise	Stephen Lim /Lydia Chia (p)	William Ong
Worship Leader	Chew Hou Lian	Dn. John Tann
Scripture Reader	Dr. Peter Yong	Stuart Turner
Musicians	Trish Yeo(p)/Hannah Chia (o)/Hui Ern/Keene (f)	Rachel Soon
Ushers	John Tann/Robert Chua/Victor Ho/David Leong	Stuart Turner/Rodney chen
Flowers	Margarret Campbell	
Fellowship Tea	Finger Food – Bring a Dish	Heidi Ho/Jemima Xue

THE LORD IS IN HIS HOLY TEMPLE

The Lord is in His Holy Temple (x2)
Let all the earth keep silence
Let all the earth keep silence before Him
Keep silence, keep silence before Him. Amen.
DOXOLOGY
Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

GLORY BE TO THE FATHER, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost, As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. World without end. Amen, Amen.

THE LORD BLESS YOU
The Lord bless you and keep you,
The Lord lift His countenance upon you
And give you peace and give you peace.
The Lord make His face to shine upon You
And be gracious unto you, be gracious;
The Lord be gracious, gracious unto you. Amen.

My dear readers,

Dr Whitcomb's "Intelligent Designer" - Part 6

Intelligent Design theorists insist that they want Darwinian evolutionism to disappear and truth to prevail in the academic and scientific world.

They believe this can and must be done without any appeal to the Word of God. "In contrast to traditional creationism, the ID proposal relates only to a designer, without identifying the designer or specifying whether the designer is natural or supernatural." Furthermore, "Intelligent design is not anti-evolution" (H. Wayne House, ed., "Intelligent Design 101" [Grand Rapids: Kregel Publishing, 2008], pp. 212, 175). But note the infinite difference between the IDM strategy and God's plan: their strategy collapses in the presence of human depravity, while His plan includes a perfect solution to this problem, and will therefore succeed. That is why God can assure us that when His Kingdom comes, "the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea" (Isa. 11:9).

At last, everything in creation will be seen in the light of God's perspectives and all forms of evolutionary and materialistic thinking will be totally removed from the world. But only God can accomplish this, and it will be done exclusively through His Son, the Messiah of Israel, the King of Kings and the Lord of Lords. These are some of His qualifications: "The spirit of the LORD shall rest upon Him (the Messiah), the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD" (Isa. 11:2).

All other "gods" or "designers" have failed and will fail. As God announced to Jeremiah, "The gods that have not made the heavens and the earth, even they shall perish from the earth, and from under these heavens" (Jer. 10:11).

To qualify as the true God, and worthy of worship, one must have created the entire universe! That narrows the competition to one Person - Jesus Christ, God's Son. As God continued to explain to Jeremiah, "He hath made the earth by His power, He hath established the world by His wisdom, and hath stretched out the heavens by His discretion" (Jer. 10:12).

But how do we know that this Creator is Christ, the Messiah of Israel? The New Testament is crystal clear on His identity. "For by Him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by Him, and for Him: And He is before all things, and by Him all things consist... that in all things He might have the preeminence. For it pleased the Father that in Him should all fulness dwell" (Col1:16-19).

The apostle John, speaking of "the Word...made flesh," confirmed: "All things were made by Him; and without Him was not anything made that was made" (John 1: 14, 3; cf. Heb. 1:2).

But many Old Testament passages predicted that Christ our Creator would be "despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief" (Isa. 53:3; cf. Ps. 22:11-18, Zech. 12:10). This is exactly what happened when He came to earth and presented Himself as the Savior of the world. His claims and His gracious offer of the Kingdom were rejected, and He was crucified. But God the Father honored His Son, and "hath highly exalted Him, and given Him a name which is above every name: That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father" (Phil. 2:9-11).

Thus, ultimate truth cannot prevail in homes, schools or governments until Christ returns. Until that day, God warns us: "Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ. For in Him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily. And ye are complete in Him, which is the head of all principality and power" (Col. 2:8-10).

*Lovingly in the Lord,
Dr SH Tow, Sr Pastor
(in Penang)*