

COMING WEEK APPOINTMENTS (17 July – 23 August 2009)			LAST WEEK'S Collection (09/08/09)		
			EBENEZER		CGF
TUE (18/08/09)	7.00 pm 7.45 pm	CGF Dinner BS - The Life of Joseph L3 "Chief Butler & Chief Baker" Gen 40	<b>Attendance</b>	137	42
FRI (21/08/09)	7.00 pm 8.00 pm	Monash BS – I Samuel 14 Prayer Meeting/BS – Rev. Patrick Tan YAF: Video Changed into His Image	<b>Offerings</b>	\$1,994.95	\$367.20
SAT (22/08/09)	8.00 pm	CGF –Prayer Meeting	<b>Building Fund</b>	\$100	
SUN (23/08/09)	9.30 pm 9.45 am 10.15 am 10.30 am	Bible study Discussion Choir Practice Pre Worship Prayer Meeting Pre Worship Praise Ebenezer Worship: "Gospel Sunday – Pastor Yeo S.P.	<b>Desig – Monash</b>		\$210
	11.45 am 12.30 pm 2.30 pm 4.00 pm 6.00 pm	Sunday School Sunday Bible Class: Dr Patrick Tan Strabane: Dn. John Tann CGF - BBK CGF Worship: "No Confidence In The Flesh" – Phil 3:1-7– Pr. Lim Hai Seng CGF : Singing Group Practice	<b>I</b>		
			<b>Received To Date</b>		
			Internal Gift	298,065	
			Internal Loan	147,000	
			External Gift	419,477	
			External Loan	150,000	
			Art & Craft	846	
			Book Sales	1,644	
			Mission Fund YTD	3,450	
			Pew	12,890	
			Building Fund giving since 01/07/08 :	46,891	
			<b>Next Loan</b>	50,000	01 July 09
			<b>Repayment</b>	5,000	17 Aug 09
				100,000	31 Dec 09

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- 1. WARM WELCOME:** Welcome to all worshippers & friends. Please do stay back for fellowship tea.
- 2. BBK by Eld Meyale SBC:** Continuation of "The King is Coming" Topic "Second Coming of Christ" by Dr Patrick Tan. All welcome
- 3. EBENEZER PRAYER MEETING:** New series of 12 studies on the Paul's Pastoral Epistles entitled "Training of the Man of God". Begin 4 Sep.
- 4. CGF BIBLE STUDY:** Story of Joseph "Overcoming Life Challenges".
- 5. PRAYER FOCUS:**
  - a) HEALTH & HEALING:** Stephanie, Mildred, Thomas, Priscilla's mother, Anne's mother, Vicki's mother. Olivia Ong, Koh Choon Fong, Richard Turner, Alan Mouzon.
  - b) MISSIONS: Cambodia**–Life University: Rev David Koo (Sihanokville); Moses Han BPC & Glory BPC: Rev Stephen Choi (Phnom Penh), First BPC: Bro Chanthon & Siang Lai (Siem Reap). **Kenya** June Korir; Chan Pui Meng at Clinic of Life in Kiluani; **Surish Laos**, Rev Andrew Kam **Rangoon**, Roska Sihombing- **Batam**. Jess & Nirand **Chiangmai**.
- 6. ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING:** Sun 25 Oct. All dept of the church and CGF are requested to submit their Annual Reports (Jun 1 08 – Jul 1 09) to Clerk of Session, Dn Philip Soon by Sun 27 Sep.
- 7. EBENEZER 10<sup>TH</sup> 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. Our guest speaker is Eld Dr Lim Teck Chye of Life BP Church S'pore.
- 8. ANNIVERSARY LUNCH:** Registration is now open for Ebenezer's Anniversary lunch. Appreciate very much if you can please register early. Registration forms will be inserted in today's Bulletin.
- 9. CONGRATULATIONS:** To Benson and Masako Ong on the birth of their son Joshua on 11<sup>th</sup> August 2009. Both mother and child are well.
- 10. VISA APPLICATION** – Rev & Mrs. Okman Ki – UK visa, Rev & Mrs. Patrick Tan – extension of Australian visa.
- 11. 10<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY:** Baptisms adults & Infants, reaffirmation of faith and transfer of memberships. Adults need to attend BBK by Eld Meyale and Pr Lim Hai Seng.

**Memory Verse: Luke 19:10.** "For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost."

From Pulpit to Pew

**ANOTHER GOSPEL**

"I marvel that you are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ unto another gospel."  
*Galatians 1:6*

I remember J Gresham Machen. He left Princeton to found Westminster for the purity of the gospel and the reformed faith. While he founded the Orthodox Presbyterian Church, his disciple Carl MacIntyre founded the Bible Presbyterian Church. We owe to these theological giants a gospel debt. We are of the Reformation and Reformed faith. Westminster bore the flag of Reformed Christianity. Machen's chief imperative is to safeguard the gospel. His clarion call is to defend the truth and trust-worthiness of the Bible. Today we need a new Reformation as ecumenism is rigorously promoted by the World Parliament of Religions meeting in Melbourne in December 2009.

**Passionate For the Truth of the Gospel Acts 4:12**

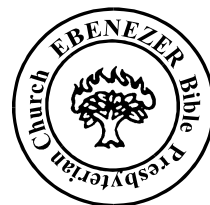
**Neither salvation in any other:** Do all religions lead man to God? Man in futility seeks to find God. Job 11:7. In the gospel God seeks to find man. Thus no man can offer true salvation except when God Himself comes to earth to offer.

**None other name under heaven:** Jesus bears a unique name "Emmanuel" God with us. Mt 1:23. God promised a Saviour to save mankind. He sent His only begotten Son. Jesus came to restore our relationship with God. Jn 1:12

**Whereby we must be saved:** Who can save sinful man? Only Jesus saves, because He is God. His propitiatory death on the cross on our behalf sufficiently satisfies the justice of God. The sinner is thus reconciled to God his Creator. Rom 8:1. There is then none other gospel.

We stand for the old time faith and Christian gospel.

Dr Patrick Tan



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"Hitherto hath the LORD helped us."  
1 Samuel 7:12  
Supervisory & Senior Pastor  
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# EBENEZER WEEKLY

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ORDER OF WORSHIP		
	10.30 am (Ebenezer)	4.00 pm (City Gospel Fellowship)
Pre Worship Praise	Stephen Lim /Carol Raw(p)	Yoke Teng Chionh
Prelude	Carol Raw(p) Hannah Chia (o) Hui En, Keene (f)	Keene Chen
Flowers	Christy Chew	
<i>The Lord Is in His Holy Temple</i>		
Call to Worship	Chew Hou Lian	Pr. Lim Hai Seng
Opening Hymn	30 – ALL Creatures Of Our God & King	55 – Our Great Savior
Invocation	Chew Hou Lian	Pr. Lim Hai Seng
Gloria Patri	<i>Glory Be To The Father</i>	
Responsive Reading	Psalm 85:1-13	Isaiah 53:1-7
Hymn	237 – Revive Us Again	MH371 – A Passion For Thee
Tithes / Offering	515 – How Marvelous His Love Chia KL/Robert Chua/Victor Ho/David Leong	136 – Come, Ye Thankful People, Come Stuart Turner/William Ong
Doxology	<i>Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	
Scripture Reading	Zephaniah 2:1-15 Vincent Tai	Philippians 2:19-30 Stuart Turner
Preparatory Hymn	276 – Have You Any Room For Jesus	56 – Jesus The Very Thought Of Thee
Pastoral Prayer	Rev. Patrick Tan	Rev. Patrick Tan
Sermon	"Moab Shall Be As Sodom" Rev. Patrick Tan	"Sick Nigh Unto Death" Dr. Stephen Lim
Closing Hymn	462 – We've A Story To Tell	MH 143 – I Stand Amazed In The Presence
Benediction	Rev. Patrick Tan	Rev. Patrick Tan
Postlude	<i>The Lord Bless You &amp; Keep You</i>	
<b>**Next Week's Roster</b>	<b>23/08/2009 Ebenezer @ 10.30am</b>	<b>City Gospel Fellowship (CGF) @ 4 pm</b>
Speaker	Pastor S.P. Yeo	Pr. Lim Hai Seng
Pre Worship Praise	Mohan Raw/Judith Lim (p)	Keene Chen
Worship Leader	Pr. Lim Hai Seng	Dn. John Tann
Scripture Reader	John Tann	Rong Sheng kee
Musicians	Judith Lim(p)/Asha Meyale (o)/Hui Ern/Keene (f)	Yvonne Yeap
Ushers	Nick Lindenburg/Mohan Raw/Richard Ang/Jock Campbell	Rong Sheng Kee/Rodney Chen
Flowers	Amelia Tann	
Fellowship Tea	Kathy Tye/Margaret Campbell/Janet Jean	Agnes Koh/Han Jie Soh

**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,

### 1. How do we approve of a Bible Version?

It is not by *"how good most of the text reads,"* for even if 99 per cent appears to be *"perfect"* yet the remaining one per cent may hide some serious defect or corruption. Our adversary the devil *"...is a liar, and the father of it"* (John 8:44) and he is ever at work through unfaithful translators and editors to inject error into portions of Scripture, whether by adding or taking away and thus corrupt God's Word (Rev 22:18, 19).

In our examination of the NKJV, we find that God's Name and God's Word have been tampered with by unfaithful men.

### 2. NKJV translators disregard God's Name

Examination of the **NKJV** text reveals the translators' wanton **disregard** for God's Name. Based on the Logos Research Systems:

1. The word "LORD" is omitted 56 times.
2. The word "GOD" is omitted 51 times.
3. The word "JEHOVAH" is altogether missing.

**God's Word is precious to every filial child.** To the Psalmist, God's Word is better than *"thousands of gold and silver"* (Psalm 119:72), and he says, *"my heart standeth in awe of thy word"* (Psalm 119:161) *"for thou hast magnified thy word above all thy name"* (Psalm 138:2).

**UNFAITHFUL NKJV TRANSLATORS DISHONOUR GOD'S WORD.** In their so-called *"fifth revision"* of the King James Bible, the revisers brought in about 100,000 word changes, which include the following:

1. The word "heaven" is omitted 48 times.
2. The word "hell" is omitted 22 times.
3. The word "blood" is omitted 18 times.
4. The word "repent" is omitted 11 times.
5. The word "new testament" is omitted altogether.
6. The word "damnation" is omitted altogether.
7. The word "devils" is omitted altogether.

**Question:** By what authority do these revisers take away the precious words from God's Holy Book? God says, *"Ye shall not add unto the word ... neither shall ye diminish aught from it ..."* (Deuteronomy 4:2).

Our Lord Jesus Christ, the Second Person of the Holy Trinity, deserves worship and honour from every true believer. This, however, the **NKJV** translators do not, as shown below:

	REFERENCE	KJB	NKJV
1.	Matthew 18:26	Lord	Sir
2.	Matthew 20:20	worshipping him	bowing down
3.	Matthew 8:19	Master	Teacher
4.	Matthew 19:16	Good Master	Good Teacher

### REFERENCE

### KJB

### NKJV

5.	Matthew 22:16	Master	Teacher
6.	Matthew 23:8	Master	Teacher
7.	Matthew 23:10	Master	Teacher
8.	Acts 3:13	Son Jesus	Servant Jesus

### 3. NKJV translators undermine God's Word with deadly "Footnotes"

A prominent feature of the NKJV is the addition of **extensive textual footnotes (in certain editions) which constantly cast doubt on the Scripture text and call into question the authenticity of many passages.** What purpose do these "footnotes" serve? For an answer we quote from the **NKJV** editors:

*"It was the editors' conviction that the use of footnotes would encourage further enquiry by readers. They also recognized that it was easier for the average reader to delete something he or she felt was not properly a part of the text, than to insert a word or phrase which had been left out by the revisers."* [The New Kings James Bible, 1982, "The History of the King James Bible," p 1235]

**What are the NKJV editors saying? Simply this:** The footnotes were inserted to encourage the average reader to take up his own editorial scalpel and excise any part which he felt was not properly a part of the text. **The NKJV editors have laid God's Word on the chopping block of human intellect for anyone who feels like it to chop off anything he does not like!**

### 4. Pro-Gay bias of NKJV translators

In the **NKJV**, the words **"sodomite"** or **"sodomites"** are rendered **"perverted one"** or **"perverted persons"** in these OT passages: Deuteronomy 23:17; 1 Kings 14:24; 15:12; 22:46; 2 Kings 23:7).

**Question:** Why did they *"wrest"* the *"scriptures"*?

**Answer:** God's Word supplies the answer in **2 Peter 2:3:** *"And through covetousness shall they with feigned words make merchandise of you."*

**Thomas Nelson Publishers** is the biggest Bible publisher in the world. It has made God's Word into a commodity, another item of merchandise to enrich the book people.

To **tap the gay market**, the revisers / publisher have made the **NKJV "gay-friendly,"** removing the offensive word **"sodomite."** **NKJV** is a top money spinner. **"There're big bucks in Bible business!"**

**Conclusion:**

**Having reviewed briefly the text, one is left in no doubt that the NKJV is a counterfeit, not a true "King James" Bible.**

*Lovingly in the Lord,*

*Dr SH Tow, Sr Pastor*