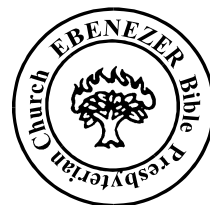


COMING WEEK APPOINTMENTS (05 Oct – 11 Oct 2009)			LAST WEEK'S Collection (27/09/09)		
			EBENEZER		CGF
TUE (06/10/09)	7.00 pm 7.45 pm	CGF Dinner BS - The Life of Joseph L10 "Days Of Pilgrimage" Gen 47	<b>Attendance</b>	109	36
FRI (09/10/09)	7.00 pm 8.00 pm	Monash BS – I Samuel 25 Prayer Meeting/BS - "Fight The Good Fight Of Faith" 1 Tim 6:12 Rev. P.Tan	<b>Offerings</b>	\$1,155.20	\$491.55
SAT (10/10/09)	8.00 pm 6.00 pm	YAF: Changed into His Image - Video CGF – Facilitators Meeting	<b>Desig. Monash</b>		\$630
SUN (11/10/09)	7.45 pm 9.30 am 9.45 am 10.15 am 10.30 am	CGF - Prayer Meeting Choir Practice Pre Worship Prayer Meeting Pre Worship Praise	<b>Received To Date</b>		
	11.45 am 12.30 pm 1.30 pm 2.30 pm 4.00 pm 6.00 pm	Ebenezer Worship – "Power Of God To Save"(LS) Romans 1:16 – Rev. P. Tan Sunday School Sun. Bible Class: "Final Destiny of Man" Dutch Care Ministry – Chris Rudalski. Strabane: Elder Meyale CGF Worship: "Increasing Knowledge-Increasing Sorrow" – LK 1:18 Dn. P. Soon CGF - BBK CGF : Singing Group Practice	Internal Gift	300,892	
			Internal Loan	142,000	
			External Gift	421,894	
			External Loan	100,000	
			Art & Craft	846	
			Book Sales	1,644	
			Mission Fund YTD	3,450	
			Pew	14,540	
			Building Fund giving since 01/07/08 :	49,718	
			<b>Next Loan Repayment</b>	100,000	31 Dec 09

ANNOUNCEMENTS		10 <sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY GREETINGS
<p><b>1. WARM WELCOME:</b> To all guests &amp; friends to our 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Special welcome to Eld Dr Lim Teck Chye and Mrs Siriwan Lim from Life BP Church.</p> <p><b>2. BBK Eld Meyale &amp; SBC:</b> Next Sun at 12.30 pm continue "The King Is Coming" Lesson 13 on "End Of The Millennium." Rev P Tan teaching.</p> <p><b>3. LORD'S SUPPER:</b> For Ebenezer will be served next Lord's Day.</p> <p><b>4. Acts 4:12 Committee:</b> This initiative is undertaken by conservative pastors led by Dr Dallas Clarnette to raise an awareness among Victorian Churches of the Parliament of World Religions meeting in Melbourne Dec 3-6 2009.</p> <p><b>5. PRAYER FOCUS:</b></p> <p>a) <b>HEALTH &amp; HEALING:</b> Stephanie, Mildred, Thomas, Priscilla's mother, Anne's mother, Vicky's mother. Olivia Ong, Koh Choon Fong, Richard Turner, Alan Mouzon, Ps Sid Bell, Eld William Seah. b) <b>MISSIONS: Cambodia</b> Life University: Rev David Koo (Sihanokville); Moses Han BPC &amp; Glory BPC: Rev Stephen Choi (Phnom Penh), First BPC: Chanthon &amp; Siang Lai (Siem Reap). Barnabas &amp; Lekema of Poipet; <b>Kenya</b> June Korir, Chan Pui Meng at Clinic of Life in Kiluani; <b>Surish Laos</b>, Rev Andrew Kam Yangon, Ev Roska Sihombing &amp; Pr Efendi Ginting - <b>Batam</b>. Rev Nirand &amp; Jess Chiangmai.</p> <p><b>6. ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING:</b> Sun Oct 25. All members are requested to attend. <b>BY ELECTION:</b> Dn Khoo Yew Hock requested leave of absence from the Session. Members of Ebenezer are asked to elect Chew Hou Lian as deacon. Eld Loke Tat Luen is appointed election commissioner.</p> <p><b>7. PULPIT MESSAGES FOR OCT-DEC 2009:</b> Ebenezer "The Justified Lives By Faith" In Romans. City Gospel F' ship "Making Life Meaningful" in Ecclesiastes.</p> <p><b>8. BAPTISM:</b> Today the following will receive adult baptism: Michelle Hardi; and Lionel Leong Chia Thye. For Dec 2009: Patrick Ha; and Winson Yu. For Jan 17 2010 at Evangel BPC KL: Shashi Karunanathy. For baptism in their home churches in S'pore: Ci Han Lee &amp; Sarah Wong (all completed BBK).</p> <p><b>9. AUSTRALIA ORIENTATION DAY:</b> Spore – Sat Jan 9 2010 at Life BPC. Sp: Eld Dr Chin Hoon Chor. Coordinator: Dr Joseph Lo. Kuala Lumpur – Sat Jan 16 2010 at Evangel BPC. Sp: Eld Dr Lim Yew Cheng. Coordinator : Ms Teng Yu Yuet. Returning students to contact Keene Chen &amp; Kee Rongshen.</p> <p><b>10. BATAM MISSIONS TRIP:</b> Jan 20-24 (Wed-Sun) 2010 at Life Batam Mission. School programme by Pr Lim Hai Seng; Med/Den by Dr Joseph Lo &amp; Church by Ps Patrick Tan. Those interested see Jean Liu of CGF.</p>		<p>Dear Pastor Patrick Tan &amp; Brethren at Ebenezer B-P Church, Warmest Greetings in the precious name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ..</p> <p>Congratulations and God's richest blessings on the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Ebenezer B-P Church. We praise the Lord and rejoice with you on this special occasion.</p> <p>May God continue to bless and keep you and use you mightily for His glory.</p> <p>Edward and Leah Paaue (Perth WA) Numbers 6:24-26</p> <p>Greetings in the Precious Name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.</p> <p>Hope B-P Church rejoices with you all on your 10 Anniversary Celebration on October 4, 2009.</p> <p>Enclosed is our love gift of A\$1000.00 for this occasion.</p> <p>We also pray that both our churches will continue to maintain a close relationship with each other just as we had done so in the past.</p> <p>May God bless you all richly and abundantly.</p> <p>Dn Yaw Chiew Tan Church Treasurer (Adelaide SA).</p> <p>Herald B-P Church congregation conveys our heartiest congratulations to you all on the very special occasion of the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Ebenezer B-P Church. Our good Lord has blessed Ebenezer in establishing, developing and growing the Church. Indeed in this decade many souls have been brought into His holy kingdom through the teaching &amp; preaching of the Church. We also rejoice with you all in the new Church building where the service and celebrations are held.</p> <p>Rev Dr Bob Phee. Pastor (Singapore) 1 Cor 15:58</p>

Memory Verse: 1 Peter 1:15 "But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation."



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1 Samuel 7:12  
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ORDER OF WORSHIP		
	10.30 am (Ebenezer) – 10 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Service	4.00 pm (City Gospel Fellowship)(LS)
Pre Worship Praise	Chris Rudalski /Jia Hui Teo (p),Yvonne(o) Ensemble	Han Jie Soh
Prelude	Jia Hu iTeo(p) Yvonne Yeap (o) Ensemble	Jia Hui Teo
Flowers	Mrs. Sue Edward	
<i>The Lord Is in His Holy Temple</i>		
Call to Worship	Choir	Paul Yeo
Opening Hymn	Rejoice – The Lord Is King!	1 – O Worship The King
Invocation	Rev. Patrick Tan	Paul Yeo
Gloria Patri	<i>Glory Be To The Father</i>	
Baptism	<i>O Happy Day!</i>	
Hymn	317 – The Solid Rock	
Responsive Reading	Psalm 24 (Unison)	Proverbs 3:1-13
Tithes / Offering	Be Thou My Vision (Ensemble) D. Leong/Vincent Tai/Thomas/John/William /Huey	403 – Count Your Blessings Wei Yong Lee/Kee Zhi Wong
Doxology	<i>Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	
Scripture Reading	1 Peter 1: 13-25	Luke 9:18-27
Preparatory Hymn	Tye Kim Khiat	Wei Yong Lee
Pastoral Prayer	Joyful Joyful We Adore Thee	446 – Lord, Speak To Me
Sermon	Rev. Patrick Tan	Rev. Patrick Tan
	"Pursuit of Piety" Elder Lim Teck Chye	"Dedication To Discipleship" Elder Lim Teck Chye
Closing Hymn	Give Of Your Best To The Master	388 – O For A Closer Walk With God
Benediction	Rev. Patrick Tan	Rev. Patrick Tan
Praise Service/Photo	Dr. Stephen Lim	
Postlude	<i>The Lord Bless You &amp; Keep You</i>	
**Next Week's Roster	11/10/2009 Ebenezer @ 10.30am (LS)	City Gospel Fellowship (CGF) @ 4 pm
Speaker	Rev. Patrick Tan	Dn. Philip Soon
Pre Worship Praise	Paul Yeo/Trish Yeo (p)	Shu Lin Teo
Worship Leader	Chew Hou Lian	Paul Soon
Scripture Reader	John Tann	Keene Chen
Musicians	Carol Raw(p)/Hannah Chia(o); Teo Hui Ern, Keene (f)	Han Jie Soh
Ushers	Paul Yeo/John Tann/Joel Tan/Jock Campbell	Keene Chen/Rong Sheng Lee
Flowers	Rita Soon	
Fellowship Tea	Serene Sum/Serene Yam	Wai Ye Kan/Wei Lin Gan

## 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,

This week we carry two articles from Christian News of great interest to us.

1. **Celebration of John Calvin's 500<sup>th</sup> Birthday**

*by Michael Ireland*

Millions around the world are celebrating two birthdays: the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Calvin's birth, and the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Darwin's birth.

A thousand gathered in downtown Boston last week for the 500<sup>th</sup> birthday of John Calvin (July 10, 1509).

The conference emphasized both the theological and practical implications of the Reformation and John Calvin's influence on the institutions of family, church, and state, as well as the broader culture.

Doug Phillips, president of Vision Forum Ministries, said. "No two men of the millennium have done more to shape the thoughts of mankind or to affect the political and social destiny of nations than Calvin and Darwin — the former for great good; the latter for unimaginable evil. The reforms of Calvin resulted in the blossoming of Christendom. Darwin foreshadowed the darkness of modernity."

He added: "John Adams, an ardent patriot and our nation's second president, himself referred to Calvin as 'a vast genius.' The subsequent reforms that he and men such as Martin Luther and John Knox effected in the 16<sup>th</sup> century: tyranny was quashed, liberty was championed, and the West was radically transformed. The religious and civil liberties we enjoy today in America flow directly from their efforts."

John Calvin, a convert to Reformation Christianity born in Noyon, France, on July 10, 1509, is best known for his influence on the city of Geneva. It was there that he modeled many of the principles of liberty later embraced by America's Founders, including anti-statism, the belief in transcendent principles of law as the foundation of an ethical legal system, free market economics, decentralized authority, an educated citizenry as a safeguard against tyranny, and republican representative government which was accountable to the people and a higher law. (Source: *Christian News July 20, 2009*)

2. **"Already Gone"**

*by Robert Parrish*

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**Already Gone** - Why your kids will quit church and what you can do to stop it. By Ken Ham and Britt Beemer with Todd Hilliard.

"It is an authority issue. Compromising Genesis has contributed to the loss of biblical authority in our nation and helped open the door to the secularization of the culture.

Whether we like to admit it or not, many of our contemporary champions of the faith are actually undermining the authority of the Bible when they fail to defend what the Bible says about the age of the earth and the universe.

'Is the earth really millions of years old?' This is the big stumbling block. When you go to zoos or museums, you see the issue of millions of years discussed (on signs, in videos, etc.) much more than you see the topic of evolution itself. History books, television programs, movie makers...everybody assumes that the earth and the universe are millions and billions of years old, so they interpret all the facts through that preconceived mindset. Then, when the Bible says it happened in six days, they assume that the Bible is inaccurate, and that causes them to disbelieve the Bible more than any other single factor.

'Millions of years' is the beginning of a slippery slope that slides down a predictable hill. When this happens, the authority of Scripture is compromised, and the authenticity of the Church is degraded. Everywhere the epidemic of unbelief spreads.

If we are going to stop this unbelief, it needs to happen in the Church and in the home during the elementary, middle school, and high school years.

Do you believe in the authority of Scripture? Does your life demonstrate it? Ken Ham poses these questions to young adult Christians both in and out of mainstream churches, to pastors, Christian teachers, parents, churches, and educational institutions. **Already Gone** is concerned with the generation of Christians in their twenties, many of whom have left the church.

What about the parents, pastors, youth pastors, and Sunday school teachers who make up the older generation, the church establishment? Have they sold out God's teachings on the church for their beloved traditions? How much of what we think of when we hear "church" is actually biblical? Why is the most common accusation against the church that it is hypocritical? The church is losing young members so drastically that we need to radically reevaluate our practices and teachings.

Christians need to be equipped for apologetics from an early age, to guard against doubts and to answer inquiries from a godless culture. This, more than music or games or attractive activities, is the only way to be relevant to people living in the real world and desperate for answers." (End of excerpt)

3. **The End Time Battle rages**

Are you standing for the Lord? Or are you falling away and running with the god of this world? Can our Lord count on you? Let us act now and do what God's Word says about how we should train up our children and youths and lead them into the strait and narrow way. "Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong" (1 Cor 16:13).

*Lovingly in the Lord,*

*Dr SH Tow, Sr Pastor*