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1 Gloria Patri

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.

2 Doxology

Praise God from whom
all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures
here below;
Praise Him above,
ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son and
Holy Ghost, Amen.

3 The Lord Bless You and Keep 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.

SUNDAY WORSHIP COMBINED SERVICE

Preparatory Hymn Allan Ang

Prelude Ruth Wong

Call to Worship Mark Heath/Joel Wong

*Hymn **HOP 30** O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

*Invocation/Gloria Patri¹

Responsive Reading Psalm 37:32-40

Hymn **HOP 51** Jesus, I Am Resting

Presentation of Tithes & Offerings

*Doxology²/Offertory Prayer

Scripture Reading Numbers 7:10-17, 89

Hymn **HOP 176** Nothing But the Blood

Pastoral Prayer/Message Pr Joseph Poon/Sonny Lim

Acceptable Worship

*Hymn **HOP 155** Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness

*Benediction/Threefold Amen

Announcements

*The Lord Bless You and Keep You³

*Congregation Standing

^{1&2} RHC Front Inner Cover

³ RHC Back Inner Cover

Theme for 2014: "SHEW FORTH THE PRAISES OF HIM WHO HATH CALLED YOU" (1 Peter 2:9b)



A Warm Welcome from BPCWA to one and all. May God richly bless you as you join us today in worshipping the Great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ. Please join us at Fellowship Tea after the Worship Service.

My dear readers,

1. “ World aflame ”

One must not be a warmonger. I’m merely a watchman – God’s watchman of the last days. Remember what our Lord said to the disciples? They had come to Him on the Mount of Olives with the question,

“Tell us ... what shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world?” (Matt 24:3-4).

Listen to what the Lord said in Matthew 24:6:

“And ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars: see that ye be not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet.”

We are to watch for wars and rumours of wars.

This is our priority.

Today’s international news is overshadowed by “*Sports News*” – mainly by news of World Cup football. Let’s put football aside for a moment, and let us focus on the current POLITICAL WORLD SCENE, then we shall not be side-tracked from things of greater urgency. Scan today’s (13.6.14) Straits Times and you will read of “*Territorial Disputes in China-Asean region*”, “*Civil War looming in IRAQ*”, “*Stability of Entire Middle-East under threat*”, and “*A Shrewd Strategist More Violent than Osama*” has appeared in the Middle East.

The Super Powers, China and the USA, and their allies are trading more cautiously, as it were, sparring warily and watching the situation before their next move. Reading between the lines, one cannot but see each side quietly but feverishly preparing for the inevitable – “*a conflict of no winners*”.

2. “ Today’s ‘shadow-boxers’ ”

For us, we try to keep informed, to fathom out the regional “*spats*” and disputes, which just now are a “*testing of the opponent’s strength and intentions*”. Whatever is in print does not always tell the whole story. But we must take everything with “*a grain of salt*”, bearing in mind that what we now see is but “*shadow boxing*”.

But do all with God-given wisdom, which means, always to keep God's Word, our infallible guide, in mind. Remember, the times in which we live are "*perilous times*" (2 Tim 3:1) of which the Apostle Paul forewarned of some 2,000 years ago. We are now in the "*perilous times*"!

Japanese and Chinese warplanes in "*close encounter*". On page A21 of today's papers, it is reported that the warplanes of both countries had twice been in "*near miss*" encounters in recent weeks.

Each side blamed the other for the "*near miss*" and the risk of hostilities "*accidentally*" breaking out, a case of "*war of words*" which led to something worse – the real thing.

On the surface, it appears to be a conflict between China and Japan. But looking beneath the surface we see Japan's ally, America, watching developments with closest vigilance and interest. It is an incident like this – the "*accidental happening*" which may lead to open conflict.

The part of the USA (America) dominating a future conflict may clearly be seen from Daniel's prophecy, if we read Daniel 7:7:

"After this I saw in the night visions, and behold a fourth beast, dreadful and terrible, and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron teeth: it devoured and brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with the feet of it: and it was diverse from all the beasts that were before it; and it had ten horns."

Daniel's fourth beast has been identified by most Bible scholars as the United States of America. We shall read more of this.

God bless all readers.

Yours sincerely in the Saviour's love,

Dr SH Tow

13 June 2014

ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRAISE & PETITION

- 1. Away:** Pr Joseph Poon will be departing for Singapore this afternoon and will return to Perth on Saturday the 28th of June. He will be attending the Gethsemane BPC Missionary Conference.
- 2. Lunch Fellowship:** Next Sunday after the Worship Service, please bring a dish to share. All are welcome.

- 3. BPCWA Family Camp:** 13-17 July. Speaker: Rev. (Dr) Quek Suan Yew from Calvary Pandan BPC, Singapore. Topic: “Ye Are a Chosen Generation”. Please complete payment for camp fees at the fellowship hall or to arrange electronic payment.
- 4. FEBC Online Courses:** Registration is now open for these courses. The courses being offered are Exodus (2 Credits), Calvin's Institutes (2 credits) and Bible and Science (1 credit). The cost is \$35 for the 1 unit, and \$75 for the 2 unit course. To register please fill out your details on the registration form, write down the course, and pass to Mark Heath.
- 5. Church Sanctuary Carpets:** Upstairs and downstairs sanctuary carpet has been cleaned during the week. Please assist to keep the carpets as clean as possible.
- 6. Thank God for:**
 - Over 100 people who have registered for the July family camp.
 - A blessed Mandarin Family Care Group Meeting held last Sunday evening.
 - Helping the university students with their examination throughout the week.
- 7. To Pray for:**
 - Spiritual and physical protection for all believers.
 - Pr Joseph Poon for his ministry in Gethsemane Missionary Conference this week and journey mercies to and from Singapore.
 - BPCWA July Family Camp planning, committee members, camp messages speaker Rev Quek, morning devotion speaker Pr Joseph, children program by Mrs Quek and the preparation of hearts for all campers.
 - BPCWA September Mandarin Family Camp from the 30th of September to 2nd of October.
 - Final week of university examination for students.
 - Those who are sick and unwell. May God give strength and comfort to them physically and spiritually.
 - The security and safety in and around the church.

Service Duty	(22/6) Combined	(29/6) Combined-Lunch Fellowship
Speaker	Pr Joseph Poon/Sonny Lim	Pr Joseph Poon/Andy Yu
Worship Leader	Mark Heath/Joel Wong	Dn Adrian Cheng/Kong Vui Yip
Prep Hymns	Allan Ang	Joel YY Wong
Musician	Ruth Wong	Lydia Pui
Welcomers	Terry Chong, Lydia Chong, Julia Sun	Dn Michael Lee, Irene Lee, Mark Heath
Offering Stewards ☆ To Help Count Offering	☆ Terry Chong, ☆ Allan Ang, Kenny Chia, Caleb Cheng, Yi Choong Liew, Dn Stephen Chia	☆ Dn Michael Lee, ☆ Joel YY Wong, Claude Yiu, Alex Luu, Eugene Leong, Mark Heath
Ushers	Caleb Cheng, Rowena Cheng	Angeline Yong, Ellainne Cheng
P.A. System	Adrian Ng	Joel Wong
Kitchen Duties	Lee Fung Fong, Andy Ho, Barry Palm, Christine Chia, Margaret Ng	Allan Ang, Irene Yap, Lilian Cheo
JSS Singspiration	Esther Yiu/Joel Wong	Karen Ee/Terry Chong
Toddler Class Assistant	Grace Luu/Lilian Yong	Lee Lee Yong/Ka Yii Yip
Van Drivers	Eugene Leong (0401155386) / Allan Ang (0433032709)	

Old Folks' Home Ministry		
Subiaco	Robert Wong (Karen Ee)	Edward Ee (Karen Ee)
South Perth	Hall A: Yew Jinn Chieng Hall B: Allan Ang	Hall A: Caleb Cheng Hall B: Mark Heath
Bayswater	Kenny Tan	Pr Joseph Poon

APPOINTMENTS OF THE WEEK

Tuesday	24/6	7:30pm	Prayer Meeting: Mark Heath/Andy Yu, Dn Adrian Cheng, Yi Mey Chieng
Wednesday	25/6	7:30pm	FEBC Recess Course: Theology of Giving
Friday	27/6	7:30pm	Fellowship Meeting: Regen/Youth 180°/CYAF/CYPG
Sunday	29/6	8.30am	Pre-Service Prayer Meeting
		9:00am	English & Mandarin Sunday School/ English & Mandarin Basic Bible Knowledge Class
		10:00am	Combined Sunday Worship Service
		12:15pm	Church Van Depart
		2:00pm	Concorde (Nursing Home) – 25 Anstey Street, South Perth Onslow Gardens (Nursing Home) – 39 Hamersley Road, Subiaco
		3:30pm	Ben Ritcher Lodge (Nursing Home) – 480 Guildford Road, Bayswater

ATTENDANCE & OFFERINGS (15/6)

Attendance: 189 (Combined-162; JSS-27); Prayer Meeting: 52

Offerings in Total: \$8901.75

General Fund: \$8901.75 (#3793-Library -\$20; #3794- \$670; #3795 -\$357.10)

Mission Fund: (10% of General Fund is set aside for missions)

SHORTER CATECHISM: How doth Christ execute the office of a priest?

Christ executeth the office of a priest, in His once offering up of Himself a sacrifice to satisfy divine justice (Isa 53; Acts 8:32-35; Heb 9:26-28; Heb 10:12), and reconcile us to God (Romans 5:10-11; 2 Cor 5:18; Col 1:21-22), and in making continual intercession for us (Romans 8:34; Heb 7:25; Heb 9:24).