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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 Winnie Lim

Call to Worship Robert Wong/Yew Jinn Chieng

*Hymn **HOP 28** I sing the Mighty power of God

*Invocation/Gloria Patri¹

Responsive Reading Psalm 43:1-5

Hymn **HOP 378** My Saviour's Love

Presentation of Tithes & Offerings

*Doxology²/Offertory Prayer

Scripture Reading Numbers 11:1-10

Hymn **HOP 262** Teach Me Thy Way, O Lord

Pastoral Prayer/Message Pr Joseph Poon/Andy Yu

God Deals With Complaints

*Hymn **HOP 263** Thou My Everlasting Portion

*Benediction/Threefold Amen

Announcements

*The Lord Bless You and Keep You³

¹Congregation Standing

¹& ²RHC Front Inner Cover

³RHC 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. 100th Anniversary of World War I

Precisely 100 years ago this morning hostilities sparking World War I began in Europe, Straits Times “*Europe Correspondent*” Jonathan Eyal wrote (page A18, ST 28 July 2014). He captioned his article with the question, “*Will history repeat itself?*”

What do you think? Remember, man’s history is one of war!

Somewhere or other somebody is at war with somebody else. World War II is said to have cost some 100 million lives! And yet has man learnt his lesson? The present indication is World War III is coming! **It’s only a matter of time.**

Look at God’s Word in **Matthew 24:3-7:**

*“And as he sat upon the mount of Olives, the disciples came unto him privately, saying, Tell us, when shall these things be? and what shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world? And Jesus answered and said unto them, Take heed that no man deceive you. For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many. 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. **For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom:** and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places.”*

(Emphasis in bold added by me - Ed)

2. World War III

Everywhere you turn your eyes, the view tells of “*war on the way.*” On the front page of Straits Times 28 July 2014, headlines announced:

“China holding military drills in disputed seas! Bigger than usual exercises in East and South China Seas raise tensions. **Beijing:** China is holding military drills across the East and South China Seas that may further disrupt air travel and add to tensions with neighbours in our regional territorial disputes.”

These developments are definitely not good for peace. Remember, China is the “*sleeping giant*” of Asia and as “*World Superpower No. 2*”, its gestures are far from “*peaceful*” or “*friendly.*” Neighbours feel very disturbed by

Chinese military exercises, with hostile repercussions from neighbours, in particular Japan and Taiwan.

And accidents may happen any time, which may provoke retaliatory action.

Further afield, the Middle East is a tinder-box ready to ignite any time, with hostilities breaking out between Israel and its Arab neighbours, all “*itching for action*” – to strike at Israel.

And the shooting down of MH17 (Malaysian Airlines System) with the hostile party concealing its identity is causing widespread concern and suspicion.

Observing the developments is World Superpower (Daniel’s 4th Beast with 10 horns):

“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. I considered the horns, and, behold, there came up among them another little horn, before whom there were three of the first horns plucked up by the roots: and, behold, in this horn were eyes like the eyes of man, and a mouth speaking great things” (Dan 7:7-8).

– uncrowned King of the world; waiting for the right moment to strike!

Don’t forget America’s “*Superpower Status*” and as yet untested weaponry (“*kept under wraps*”). America’s secret weaponry is described by Daniel in his prophecy in Daniel 7. America’s power is only superseded and overruled by the “*Ancient of days*” (Dan 7:13) and the “*most High*” (Dan 7:27).

The world has yet to see a demonstration of the full “*Super Power*” status of America (USA) – e.g. unmanned aircraft (drones), pilotless military aircraft.

These developments point to the soon return of our Lord Jesus Christ. His “*Second Coming*” will be the salvation of the world, and the end of history, as we know it! So much for now.

3. Letter from Bethlehem: Pastor Danny Awad writes from Baraka BP Church

Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Lord Jesus Christ,

We send you greetings from Bethlehem.

Dear Partners in the ministry, you all know the situation and war in Gaza that has been raging since three weeks ago. Many were killed up to this moment.

Many children and many are left without family or home. This situation affects our place too. In “West Bank”, many problems in our area affect our life style. Due to this situation, we decided to cancel our church conference, supposed to be August 4-6, 2014. Please pray for justice and peace in our Land as both Arabs and Jews need Jesus Christ. Pray for safety and protection for the believers in the Land, pray for wisdom for our Church as we share Jesus Christ with our people that He is the only Hope for this situation.

We continue at Baraka BP Church, faithfully serving the Lord in this very difficult time in Bethlehem and in the Shepherds’ Fields churches, as well as at our church outreach ministry at Baraka Educational Center and the Nursery too. We have 20 kids who join our nursery and daycare center. We thank the Lord for this ministry as most of the kids are Muslims and it is a good way to share the Lord and gospel with them.

We encourage you to continue praying and supporting Baraka Ministry in this very difficult time especially in our mercy ministry for the poor and for the refugees too.

Any gifts will be much appreciated. (Gifts will be forwarded to Baraka BP Church by True Life BPC who is in charge – Dr Tow).

Yours faithfully in the Saviour’s Service,

Dr SH Tow

ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRAISE & PETITION

- 1. Mandarin Choir:** resumes today at 12pm. Please be punctual.
- 2. Church Combined Fellowship:** “Doctrine of the Holy Spirit” starting this Friday 7:30pm (15/8, 22/8 and 5/9). There is often confusion about the Holy Spirit’s work, function, and operation in the believer’s life. It is important for believers to have a Biblical and clear understanding. All are welcome.
- 3. Men’s Fellowship and Ladies’ Fellowship:** will be held next Sunday the 17/8 starting at 6pm with dinner in the fellowship hall. At 7:15pm, men will meet upstairs with Preacher Joseph speaking on “Men of Conviction”. Ladies will meet downstairs with Sister Sharon to continue the series, “Are You a Virtuous Woman?” We encourage all to attend.

- 4. Mandarin Gospel Rally:** will be held on Friday the 12th of September. Start inviting your unbelieving family and friends who are Mandarin speaking to come and hear the gospel. The Message is entitled, “Who holds your life?” Please keep the gospel rally in your prayers and for the speaker, Elder James Wong.
- 5. BPCWA Mandarin Family Camp:** Registration is now open! Please register with Sister Camilia Sin and Yi San Chieng in the fellowship hall after the worship service today. Please see the bulletin insert today for an introduction to the camp speaker, Rev Peter Wong.
- 6. Reminders:** Please return the completed nomination forms for Election to the Session to Elder James Wong and ACM reports to Dn Adrian Cheng by Sunday the 17th of August.
- 7. Thank God for:**
 - His merciful kindness is great toward us: and the truth of the LORD endureth for ever. Praise ye the LORD. (Psalm 117:2)
 - Physical and spiritual protection throughout the week.
- 8. To Pray for:**
 - Church combined fellowship this Friday and the speaker, Preacher Joseph Poon.
 - Men’s Fellowship and Ladies’ Fellowship next Sunday.
 - Mandarin Gospel Rally on Friday the 12th of September: for friends and family members who are not yet saved and the speaker Elder James Wong.
 - BPCWA Mandarin Family Camp, the camp committee members to have wisdom to organise the camp program, the children’s program and the camp speaker Rev Peter Wong. Pray that all who understands Mandarin would come to the camp to learn God's Word
 - Those who are physically sick and unwell and those who are undergoing medical treatment. May God's ever presence be with them during this difficult time.
 - Security and safety in and around the church.

Service Duty	(10/8) Combined	(17/8) Combined
Speaker	Pr Joseph Poon/Andy Yu	Pr Joseph Poon/Kong Vui Yip
Worship Leader	Robert Wong/Yew Jinn Chieng	Dn Adrian Cheng/Joel Wong
Prep Hymns	Allan Ang	Kenny Tan
Musician	Winnie Lim	Sharon Poon
Welcomers	Eddie Foo, Carol Wee, Albert Ho	Barry Palm, Juanita Palm, Lily Liow
Offering Stewards ☆ To Help Count Offering	☆ Eddie Foo, ☆ Albert Ho, Allan Ang, Joel Wong, Adrian Ng, Allen Liew	☆ Barry Palm, ☆ Kenny Tan, Edward Ee, Alex Luu, Eugene Leong, Dn Michael Lee
Ushers	Joel Wong, Audrey Liow	Edward Ee, Grace Cheo
P.A. System	Caleb Cheng	Albert Ho
Kitchen Duties	Lee Fung Fong, Andy Ho, Barry Palm, Christine Chia, Margaret Ng	Lilian Yong, Julia Sun, Edward Ee, Lily Liow, Mew Yung Tsing
JSS Singspiration	Valerie Wan/Terry Chong	Esther Yiu/Joel Wong
Toddler Class Assistant	Yi Jye Chieng/An Ning	Mary Ling/Victoria Lew
Van Drivers	Eugene Leong (0401155386) / Allan Ang (0433032709)	

Old Folks' Home Ministry		
Subiaco	Edward Ee (Karen Ee)	Pr Joseph Poon (Sharon Poon)
South Perth	Hall A: Caleb Cheng Hall B: Andy Yu	Hall A: Mark Heath Hall B: Barry Palm
Bayswater	Barry Palm	Elder James Wong

APPOINTMENTS OF THE WEEK

Tuesday	12/8	7:30pm	Prayer Meeting: Hosea Pr Joseph Poon/Joel Wong, Caleb Cheng, Ruth Wong
Wednesday	13/8	7:30pm	FEBC Night Class: Calvin's Institute I
Friday	15/8	10:00am	English Mother Bible Study Group
		7:30pm	Church Combined Fellowship: Doctrine of the Holy Spirit
Sunday	17/8	8.30am	Pre-Service Prayer Meeting
		9:00am	English & Mandarin Sunday School/ English & Mandarin Basic Bible Knowledge Class
		10:00am	Combined Sunday Worship Service
		12:00pm	Mandarin Choir
		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
7:15pm	Men's Fellowship and Ladies' Fellowship		

ATTENDANCE & OFFERINGS (3/8)

Attendance: 222 (Combined-192; JSS-30); Prayer Meeting: 57

Offerings in Total: \$5391.75

General Fund: \$5391.75 (#3815-\$248)

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

SHORTER CATECHISM: What benefits do they that are effectually called partake of in this life? They that are effectually called do in this life partake of justification, adoption, and sanctification, and the several benefits which in this life do either accompany or flow from them (Romans 8:30; 1 Corinthians 1:30; 1 Corinthians 6:11; Ephesians 1:5).