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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 Joel YY Wong

Prelude Ruth Wong

Call to Worship Elder James Wong/Andy Yu

*Hymn **HOP 21** Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

*Invocation/Gloria Patri¹

Responsive Reading Psalm 44:9-26

Hymn **HOP 285** He Leadeth Me

Presentation of Tithes & Offerings

*Doxology²/Offertory Prayer

Scripture Reading Numbers 11:31-35

Hymn **HOP 254** Nearer, Still Nearer

Pastoral Prayer/Message Pr Joseph Poon/Yew Jinn Chieng

Beware of Lusts

*Hymn **HOP 309** Yield Not to Temptation

*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. God's Judgment for disobedient mankind coming

Mankind's first rebellion was punished by a global flood sent by God. The account is recorded in Genesis chapters 6, 7 and 8.

In Genesis chapter 9 verse 11, the Lord Creator promised by the **rainbow covenant**:

“And I will establish my covenant with you, neither shall all flesh be cut off any more by the waters of a flood; neither shall there any more be a flood to destroy the earth ... I do set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be for a token of a covenant between me and the earth.” (Gen 9:11 and 13)

never again to destroy the earth with a flood of water.

God's testimony is backed by the rainbow covenant to all mankind, that a global flood will not be repeated.

For all these thousands of years, despite man's rebellious conduct towards our Creator God, a global flood has not been repeated, for our God is a promise keeping God.

This, however, does not mean that God will not punish a rebellious mankind at all. The Apostle Peter tells us that our Creator God shall, without doubt, punish a rebellious world, just as He had punished rebellious angels and rebellious mankind: no more with water (as promised), but with fire, as He had destroyed the rebellious cities Sodom and Gomorrhah, not with water but with fire (2 Pet 2:6).

Further elucidation of God's punishment prepared for disobedient and rebellious mankind is given in Peter's second epistle chapter 3, verse 7:

“But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men.”

But some two thousand years have passed since the epistle of Peter was written. Does this mean that God has forgotten? Not at all! says the Apostle Peter, who goes on to explain why God seems to do nothing.

“The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance”(2 Pet 3:9).

How shall the coming destruction be like? In 2 Peter 3:10, the Apostle describes the coming destruction as somewhat similar to what a “*solar flare*” from the sun striking our Planet Earth.

Mr Ashley Dale of the Department of Aerospace Engineering of Bristol University, England, warned that a violet solar storm could hit our Planet with devastating effect – a report of a similar occurrence was in 1859 (155 years ago). Mr Dale, currently working at Bristol University, said that it is “*only a matter of time*” before a solar storm strikes our Planet, similar to what happened in 1859, when some people thought it was the end of the world! (Such “solar flares” are capable of wreaking unimaginable damage to our Planet and our Planet is vulnerable! This is a real danger and no “scare-mongering.” But such a terrifying event is real, not imaginary.)

2. Dictated over the telephone (19 August 2014)

Dear members,

I am not sure whether I will be discharged soon, but I am taking a rest. The prostate gland is said to be enlarged which is causing all the trouble (retention of urine). At the same time, I have an indwelling catheter so there is no obstruction. Whether surgery is required or not remains to be seen. Keep praying. Strictly no visiting please. God bless.

Yours faithfully in the Saviour’s Service,

Dr SH Tow

ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRAISE & PETITION

- 1. Mandarin Family Care Group Meeting:** will be held tonight at the home of Sister Yi San Chieng. Address: **69 Lansdowne Entrance, Canning Vale**. Dinner is at 6:30pm, please bring a dish to share. The meeting will start at 7:30pm and there will be a program for the children running concurrently. We warmly welcome Mandarin speaking brethren and families with children to come and join us to study God's Word.
- 2. September 30in30:** started in our Church in 2005 and this year will be the 10th outreach. Every participant is given 30 Gospel tracts to prayerfully give out to 30 people during the 30 days of September. As each evangelism encounter is recorded, you will be able to see how the outreach is progressing at www.sept30in30.com. If you are like the 51 participants already registered and want help obeying the Great Commission in Matthew 28:19-20, please register in the Fellowship Hall after service to receive a starter pack next Sunday.
- 3. Lunch Fellowship:** next Sunday after the Worship Service. Please bring a dish to share, all are welcome.
- 4. BPCWA Mandarin Family Camp:** Registration closes today. It has been 4 years since we have had our last Mandarin Family Camp. We encourage you to come and not miss this opportunity! Please register with Sister Camilia or Sister Yi San after the Worship Service today. For those who have registered, payment can be made in cash, cheque or electronic transfer to church account. Name of Account: BPCWA, BSB: 016268, Account No. 47848319.
- 5. Mandarin Gospel Rally:** To coincide with Sept30in30, a Mandarin Gospel Rally has been organised on Friday the 12th of September. Invitation cards are available on the foyer table. Please invite as many friends, family members and those people you meet during September 30in30 to come and listen to the gospel message entitled, "Who Holds Your Life?" Please pray for the gospel rally speaker Elder James Wong.

6. Thank God for:

- Church Combined Fellowship last Friday.
- Men's Fellowship and Ladies' Fellowship last Sunday.
- Some of the senior brethren who have recovered from their recent illnesses.
- Many brethren who have signed up for September 30in30.
- Many brethren and families registered for Mandarin Family Camp.

7. To Pray for:

- Dr Tow to recover completely from his recent sickness.
- Mandarin Family Care Group Meeting tonight.
- Evangelical outreach of September 30in30. Pray for more brethren participating in the outreach and for those who receive the tracts to have receptive hearts to receive the gospel.
- Mandarin Gospel Rally and the speaker Elder James Wong.
- Preparation for BPCWA Mandarin Family Camp, committee members to have wisdom to plan for the camp programs. Pray for the camp speaker Rev. Peter Wong and children's program. Pray for all the campers to come with prepared hearts.
- ACM and Church Session Election on the 28th of September.
- The physically sick and unwell and those who are undergoing treatment. May they experience God's grace, comfort and strength during this difficult time.
- Security in and around the church.

Service Duty	(24/8) Combined	(31/8) Combined-Lunch Fellowship
Speaker	Pr Joseph Poon/Yew Jinn Chieng	Pr Joseph Poon/Sonny Lim
Worship Leader	Elder James Wong/Andy Yu	Mark Heath/Kong Vui Yip
Prep Hymns	Joel YY Wong	Jason Tey
Musician	Ruth Wong	Karen Ee
Welcomers	Terry Chong, Lydia Chong, Julia Sun	Dn Michael Lee, Irene Lee, Angeline Yong
Offering Stewards ☆ To Help Count Offering	☆ Terry Chong, ☆ Joel YY Wong, Allen Liew, Caleb Cheng, Yi Choong Liew, Kenny Chia	☆ Alex Luu, ☆ Eugene Leong, Kenny Tan, Jason Tey, Dn Michael Lee, Claude Yiu
Ushers	Caleb Cheng, Rowena Cheng	Claude Yiu, Esther Yiu
P.A. System	Joel Wong	Kenny Chia
Kitchen Duties	Allan Ang, Irene Yap, Lilian Cheo	Yi Min Chieng, Yi San Chieng, Victoria Lew
JSS Singspiration	Karen Ee/Yi Mey Chieng	Camilia Sin/Rowena Cheng
Toddler Class Assistant	Lydia Chong/Grace Luu	Ellainne Cheng/Lydia Chong
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: Allan Ang Hall B: Caleb Cheng	Hall A: Pr Joseph Poon Hall B: Jason Tey
Bayswater	Yew Jinn Chieng	Mark Heath

APPOINTMENTS OF THE WEEK

Tuesday	26/8	7:30pm	Prayer Meeting: Pr Joseph Poon/Kong Vui Yip, Allan Ang, Angeline Yong
Wednesday	27/8	7:30pm	FEBC Night Class: Calvin's Institute I
Friday	29/8	7:30pm	Fellowship Meeting: Regen/Youth 180°/CYAF/CYPG
Sunday	31/8	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

ATTENDANCE & OFFERINGS (17/8)

Attendance: 212 (Combined-184; JSS-28); Prayer Meeting: 61; Church Combined Fellowship: 103

Offerings in Total: \$9068.10

General Fund: \$9068.10

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

SHORTER CATECHISM: **What is adoption?** Adoption is an act of God's free grace, whereby we are received into the number, and have a right to all the privileges, of the sons of God (1 John 3:1).