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SUNDAY COMBINED WORSHIP SERVICE

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.

Preparatory Hymn

Jason Tey

Prelude

Lydia Pui

Call to Worship

Elder James Wong/Kong Vui Yip

*Hymn

HOP 1 O Worship the King

*Invocation/Gloria Patri 1

Responsive Reading

Psalm 74:1-11

Hymn

HOP 384 Love Lifted Me

Presentation of Tithes & Offerings

*Doxology 2/Offertory Prayer

Scripture Reading

Numbers 28:11-17, 29:39-40

Hymn

HOP 286 Surely Goodness and Mercy

Pastoral Prayer/Message

Rev Joseph Poon/Yew Jinn Chieng

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.

Remembering God's Goodness

*Hymn

HOP 396 Give of Your Best to the Master

*Benediction/Threefold Amen

Announcements

*The Lord Bless You and Keep You 3

*Congregation Standing



Theme for 2015: "WALK WORTHY OF THE LORD UNTO ALL PLEASING" (Colossians 1:10)

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WORDS FROM OUR FOUNDING PASTOR

My dear readers,

1. An Example of the believers

How good is the God we adore! Truly His goodness is over all His works. He has crowned our lives with His goodness (Ps 65:11). To Him be all the glory and praise.

As we ponder God's love and salvation grace, may we resolve to do greater things for Him, to draw more men to the Saviour. In our testimony and witness, may we be *"an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity"* (1 Tim 4:12).

"Let others see Jesus in us."

2. Living a consecrated life (Romans 12:1-3)

We are saved to live differently from the world. We are to live a *"Consecrated Life."* This means simply a life of separation unto God, set apart, wholly given to Him for His use.

We see this as part of God's overall Salvation Plan for us (Rom 8:30):

- Predestinated us
- Called us
- Justified us
- Glorified us

But after we are justified – and before we are glorified – we need to live a life worthy of our Salvation, i.e. a Consecrated life.

3. Ten rules for pure and godly living

Let me give you ten rules for a consecrated life.

- I. Thou shalt not commit adultery (Exod 20:14).
- II. Whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery ... in his heart (Matt 5:28).
- III. Flee fornication (1 Cor 6:18).
- IV. Choose to suffer affliction with God's people ...rather than enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season (Heb 11:25).
- V. The lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes is not of the Father but is of the world (1 John 2:16).
- VI. Your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost ... ye are not your own ... therefore glorify God in your body (1 Cor 6:19, 20).
- VII. Thou art his (*Potiphar's*) wife: how then can I do this great wickedness, and sin against God? (Gen 39:9).
- VIII. Whoso committeth adultery with a woman ... destroyeth his own soul (Pro 6:32).
- IX. Whatsoever things are pure ... think on these things (Phil 4:8).
- X. It is good for a man not to touch a woman (1 Cor 7:1).

4. Lessons learnt from Grandfather

I was six when I was sent to live with Grandfather. When I first set eyes on Grandfather, he was like Abraham to me, a venerable gentleman of threescore years and ten.

To Grandfather, the Lord came first in everything. He loved the holy Sabbath Day. To him it was truly "*... a delight, the holy of the Lord, honourable,*" a day on

which nothing of the world must intrude: no newspapers, no careless speech, no games or sport (Isa 58:13). From Grandfather we learnt to honour the Lord on His Day. Was Grandfather unduly strict? I say, no, it was merely an expression of his devotion for God and the things of God.

He was strict on feminine modesty. Sleeves for girls and ladies were a must, at least half length if not full length sleeves for a respectable and God-honouring cover. Sleeveless women were not seen among his congregation. *“Christians must avoid all appearance of evil, and not follow the fashion of the world.”*

Whenever Grandfather spoke with women, he would look at the floor. I wondered, *was he shy?* I asked him the reason and his answer was plain and simple: *“Be careful of the lust of the eyes.”* In later years I understood. In the Sermon on the Mount, these words came from our Lord’s own lips: *“Whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart”* (Matt 5:28). Grandfather’s saintliness was not soon forgotten.

Prayer with Grandfather morning and evening was our daily blessing. His motto for us was, **“No prayer, no school.”** If the fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge and wisdom (Prov 1:7; Ps 111:10), then surely prayer before hurrying off to school makes good sense. Family Worship at 8 o’clock was our nightly blessing when all the family gathered for Grandfather’s scripture lesson and prayer. He would pray for each of the grandchildren, seeking God’s blessings on each one, near and far.

My three years with him left an impression which has become part of me: my thinking, my way of life, and my value system. During the three years, Grandfather imparted to me, by example and precept, the elements of godly living, just as the Word of God says in Proverbs 22:6: *“Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.”*

God bless all readers.

Yours faithfully in the Saviour’s Service,
Dr SH Tow

ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRAISE & PETITION

1. **Lunch Fellowship:** Today after the Worship Service. All are welcome to join.
2. **Mandarin Family Care Group Meeting:** Will be held tonight at the home of Sister Camilia Sin. Address: 3 Marra Way, South Lake. Elder James will be sharing. Dinner is at 6:30pm and the meeting starts at 7:30pm. Please bring a dish to share. All who understand Mandarin are welcome to study God's Word together and have warm fellowship with one another.
3. **Holy Communion:** Will be conducted next Sunday. Please prepare your heart to the Lord's Supper.
4. **BPCWA Family Camp | Theme: *Walk Worthy of the Lord***
Have you been walking worthy? Today will be your last opportunity to sign up for this year's Family Camp. Please visit our registration team in the fellowship hall to secure your place.
5. **Thanksgiving and Prayer Items:**
 - For all the brethren who have participated in the City Evangelism last Sunday. Pray for the non-believers who have heard the gospel and received the tracts that they will come to know our Saviour, Jesus Christ.
 - For Brother Yew Jinn who has completed his first semester in Bible College. Pray for his service over the next six weeks at church.
 - For BPCWA to be a church with a greater burden for evangelism and a greater vision for mission work.
 - Planning and preparation for the July family camp. Pray for the camp speakers and that the families and individuals will come with prepared hearts to learn God's Word. Pray for revival of individual's spiritual life after the camp.
 - Students who are preparing for the forthcoming examinations.
 - Re-building of Nehemiah Place and for the building committee to have wisdom and a clear direction to proceed with the project.
 - God's leading and timing in re-starting the Mandarin Worship Service once a month.
 - Those who are working away from home and travelling.
 - Safety and security in and around the church and homes of worshippers.

SERVICE DUTY	31/5 COMBINED - Lunch Fellowship	7/6 COMBINED - Holy Communion
Speaker/Interpreter	Rev Joseph Poon/Yew Jinn Chieng	Rev Joseph Poon/Yew Jinn Chieng
Worship Leader/Interpreter	Elder James Wong/Kong Vui Yip	Dn Michael Lee/Dn Joel Wong
Prep Hymns	Jason Tey	Claude Yiu
Musician(s)	Lydia Pui	Sharon Poon
Welcomers	Dn Michael Lee, Irene Lee, Lee Lee Yong	Jonathan Woo, Bonnie Woo, Bernie Clarke
Offering Stewards *To Help Count Offering	*Jason Tey, *Allen Liew, Alex Luu, Allan Ang, Eddie Foo, Dn Michael Lee	*Jonathan Woo, *Claude Yiu, Kenny Chia, Caleb Cheng, Kenny Tan, Alex Luu
Ushers	Allan Ang, Lilian Cheo, Li Xin Cheo	Kenny Chia, Ruth Wong, Yi San Chieng
P.A. System	Kenny Chia	Adrian Ng
Kitchen Duties	Lilian Cheo, Irene Yap, Yi Jye Chieng, Valerie Wan, Edward Ee	Lilian Yong, Victoria Lew, Mew Yung Tsing, Julia Sun
JSS Singpiration	Karen Ee/Yi Jye Chieng	Holy Communion
Toddler Class Assistant	Lilian Yong/Victoria Lew	Yi Mey Tan/An Ning
Transport	Eugene Leong (0401 155 386) / Allan Ang (0433 032 709)	
Old Folks' Home Ministry		
Subiaco	Edward Ee (Karen Ee)	Yew Jinn Chieng (Karen Ee)
South Perth	Hall A: Mark Heath Hall B: Caleb Cheng	Hall A: Allan Ang Hall B: Mark Heath
Bayswater	Yew Jinn Chieng	Kenny Tan

APPOINTMENTS OF THE WEEK			
Tuesday	2/6	7:30pm	Prayer Meeting: Rev Joseph Poon/Dn Joel Wong, Kenny Tan, Yi Mey Tan
Wednesday	3/6	7:30pm	FEBC: Names of God & Bible and Science
Friday	5/6	7:30pm	Fellowship Meeting: Regen/Youth 180°/CYAF/CYPG
Sunday	7/6	8:30am	Pre-Service Prayer Meeting
		9:00am	English & Mandarin Sunday School/English & Mandarin Basic Bible Knowledge Class
		10:00am	Sunday Combined Worship Service (Holy Communion)
		12:00pm	Mandarin Choir
		12:15pm	Church Van Depart
		2:00pm	Nursing Home: Concorde – 25 Anstey Street, South Perth Onslow Gardens – 39 Hamersley Road, Subiaco
		3:30pm	Nursing Home: Ben Ritcher Lodge – 480 Guildford Road, Bayswater

ATTENDANCE & OFFERINGS (24/5)

Attendance: 218 (Combined-187; JSS-31); Prayer Meeting: 55
 Offerings in Total: \$7446.00
 General Fund: \$7446.00 (#3905-\$191; #3906-Family Camp-\$2526)

SHORTER CATECHISM: Which is the eighth commandment? The eighth commandment is, *Thou shalt not steal* (Exo 20:15; Deu 5:19).