



BIBLE-PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF W.A.

For the Testimony and Glory of Jesus Christ

July 24th, 2016

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

Sharon Poon

Call to Worship

Dn Joel Wong/Sonny Lim

*Hymn

HOP 14 Come, Thou Almighty King

*Invocation/Gloria Patri 1

Responsive Reading

Psalm 107:10-22

Hymn

HOP 391 The Love of God

Presentation of Tithes & Offerings

*Doxology 2/Offertory Prayer

Scripture Reading

1 Corinthians 9:24-27

Hymn

HOP 123 Hover o'er Me, Holy Spirit

Pastoral Prayer/Message

Rev Joseph Poon/Kong Vui Yip

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.

There Is a Race To Run

*Hymn

HOP 306 Onward, Christian Soldiers

*Benediction/Threefold Amen

Announcements

*The Lord Bless You and Keep You 3

*Congregation Standing



Theme for 2016: "SANCTIFIED, AND MEET FOR THE MASTER'S USE" (2 Timothy 2:21)

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WORDS FROM OUR FOUNDING PASTOR

My dear readers,

“On building God’s House” - A John Sung Sermon (II)

(Dr SH Tow, Reformation Banner November-December 79)

Text: Haggai 1

I met a preacher, a clever business man. He loaned on high interest. He made plenty of money every month. He preached only twice a week. He was a rather big business man. But, alas! His eldest son died while studying at the university. His wife got very sick. His second son became a bandit, and was shot by the government. One day, he said to me in tears, “God does not bless me. I met with disasters on every hand. I have an awful time.” I replied, “Because you thought the temple could be left in ruins. You tried to amass a fortune but God didn’t bless. Even your body now is not the temple of God.” Beloved, how is your temple? When God blows upon it, it is gone. Because you don’t go up the mountain to bring wood.

Let me ask you: Some of you have been old-time Christians. Some, leaders of the church. Do you read your Bible everyday? Maybe, you’re too busy! But money is No. 1 and you praise the mighty dollar, and not the Lord. God cannot bless!

Verses 12-15. Praise the Lord! After Haggai’s sermon, the people were moved! They said, “We are undone.” God replied, “I am with you.” Now that the people realised how important the Temple was, they launched out to build it on the 24th day of the 6th month.”

Lose your life and find it!

Beloved, may God move you this morning to attain holiness, that God might delight in you. Whenever I speak on my own, God would chastise me. Once I yearned for home as I still do, even now, that five-year-old son of mine, who also yearned after me, wrote me a letter. But he did not know how. He only scratched on the paper at random. His mother translated these marks as being his yearning for Daddy and wanted me to come home. But I did not go home, and everyone at home was well. The moment I go home, however, everything went wrong. First week my wife fell ill, the second week my son. When I left home, without medicine, they all got well. God said, "You should go out. Don't think of yourself, but think of Me."

Once I visited Shansi at the invitation of a Westerner. That Western friend treated me very well. Every meal he fed me with eggs, rice-noodles, sweet potatoes, turnips, milk. Every day was the same. I got sick after this. I caught a cold. I could not sleep at night. I got worried. I was a guest. I did not dare tell him.

My companion secretly bought me some hot soup. He dared not let the host know lest he be offended. God said, "You regard yourself too highly." My sickness got worse. I had sleepless nights though I was a good sleeper. I worried if I had contracted tuberculosis. Because I worried, God made me worse.

I went to Ping Yan Prefecture and from there to Ping Ting. Everyone urged me to rest. I could not stand up. I had to be supported by two persons as I preached. I spoke only once a day. I knelt and prayed. God said, "You care too much about yourself." The next day, I preached twice instead of once, and prayed for the sick also. Thus, I got well again! The more we fear it, the

more we get it. The more we dis-regard death, the less it bothers us. The more we labour for God, the more we receive His help. The more we go up the mountain, the more wood we find.

Seek Spiritual Healing First

Many say to me, “Mr. Sung! We have headache, sore eyes, stomach -ache, ear ache, nose ache.” These people care not for their souls but for their bodies. God cannot bless them. If they come rather to hear the Word and not to get divine healing, their sickness would go away automatically. God cannot bless those who think only of their bodies.

I have a secret way of healing. Whenever I get sore throat or headache, I would preach the more, yes, until I get wet, sweating all over. Then I get well! When I lose my voice, I preach more times, not twice a day, but thrice. The more I preach, the more I keep my voice.

A Shanghai preacher’s daughter was bedridden three years. Her father consulted many doctors without avail. He came to see me. I said to her, “I give you a prescrip-tion.” She agreed. I said, “First, confess all your sins. Second, don’t be afraid of your sickness. Third, give your testimony.” She confes-sed her sins. I prayed for her. She was healed. She was on a milk diet. prescribed rice. Though she could not eat, I urged her to swallow it. After one week, she gained two pounds. When I visited Shanghai again this time, she was the proud mother of a child. When she saw me she said, “Praise the Lord!” So we must be concerned for the things of Gad, to obtain His blessing. The more we fear, the more we die! The more we dare to die, the more we live! (*The end*)

The Lord bless you and keep you.

Yours faithfully in the Saviour’s Service,

Dr SH Tow

ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRAISE & PETITION

1. **City Evangelism:** Next Sunday, the Church will be going to the city to share the gospel, while the prayer team will stay at Church to pray. If you would like to learn more about this outreach or sign up for evangelism or prayer, please see the Dn Adrian or one of the Evangelism Committee. Those that went last month have been signed up already, otherwise please add your name to the registration form in the foyer. 1 Corinthians 9:16 “For though I preach the gospel, I have nothing to glory of: for necessity is laid upon me; yea, woe is unto me, if I preach not the gospel!”
2. **Lunch Fellowship:** is on next Sunday after the worship service. Please bring a dish to share. All are welcome to join.
3. **Annual Congregational Meeting (ACM) :** will be held on the 16th October 2016 this year. Those that have been requested to write ministry reports, please submit your reports to Dn Adrian by Sunday, 14th August 2016.
4. **Thanksgiving and Prayer Items:**
 - Thank God for a blessed Mandarin Family Care Group Meeting and Senior’s Fellowship last week.
 - Thank God for seeing Sister Lisa Ho through her knee operation last Thursday. Please pray for her to have a speedy recovery.
 - Pray for the various fellowship groups activities on Fridays.
 - Pray that the Church Session would be faithful in their service to the Lord.
 - Pray for the city evangelism next Sunday and the brethren who will be participating either by going out to the city or in prayer.

- Pray for the new friends amongst us who are yet to believe. May they come to know Christ.
- Continue to pray for the design, translation and compilation of the 30th year thanksgiving magazine.
- Pray for the maintenance projects around the church, including the extension of the rear car park towards Jeremiah House, replacement of collapsing fences with colour-bond fences and a retaining-wall at the south-side of Jeremiah House.
- Pray for God's will and leading in re-starting the Mandarin Sunday Worship Service once a month.
- Pray for those who are sick and who may be struggling spiritually.
- Pray for God's protection and grace to be with the brethren who are working away from home and to those who are travelling.
- Pray for physical and spiritual safety in and around the church and in the homes of worshippers.

SERVICE DUTY	24/7 COMBINED	31/7 COMBINED - Lunch Fellowship
Speaker/Interpreter	Rev Joseph Poon/Kong Vui Yip	Rev Joseph Poon/Sonny Lim
Worship Leader/Interpreter	Dn Joel Wong/Sonny Lim	Dn Michael Lee/Dn Joel Wong
Prep Hymns	Jason Tey	Adrian Ng
Musician(s)	Sharon Poon	Winnie Lim
Welcomers	Terry Chong, Lydia Chong, Julia Sun	Alex Luu, Grace Luu, Yi San Chieng
Offering Stewards *To Help Count Offering	*Terry Chong, *Caleb Cheng, Jason Tey Yi Choong Liew, Pei Shion Chai Dn Stephen Chia	*Alex Luu, *Claude Yiu, Adrian Ng Eugene Leong, Eddie Foo Dn Stephen Chia
Ushers	Caleb Cheng, Rowena Cheng, Shie Tian Wong	Claude Yiu, Esther Yiu, Lee Lee Yong
P.A. System	Albert Ho	Kenny Chia
Kitchen Duties	Lilian Cheo, Irene Yap, Yi Jye Chieng Valerie Wan, Edward Ee	Lilian Yong, Victoria Lew, Mew Yung Tsing, Julia Sun Ilhoa Ramachandran
Toddler Class Assistant	Lee Lee Yong/Ka Yii Yip	Lee Lian Yong/Fiona Liew
Transport	Eugene Leong (0401 155 386) / Allan Ang (0433 032 709)	

Old Folks' Home Ministry

Subiaco	Mark Heath (Ruth Wong)	Rev Joseph Poon (Sharon Poon)
South Perth	Hall A: Jason Tey Hall B: Kenny Tan	Hall A: Allan Ang Hall B: Caleb Cheng
Berrington	Mark Heath	Rev Joseph Poon

APPOINTMENTS OF THE WEEK

Tuesday	26/7	7:30 pm	Prayer Meeting: Rev Joseph Poon/Kong Vui Yip, Kenny Tan, Yi Mey Tan
Wednesday	27/7	7:30 pm	Far Eastern Bible College Online Courses: Daniel
Friday	29/7	7:30 pm	Fellowship Meeting: Regen/Youth 180°/CYAF/CYPG
Sunday	31/7	8:30 am	Pre-Service Prayer Meeting
		9:00 am	English & Mandarin Sunday School/English Basic Bible Knowledge Class
		10:00 am	Sunday Combined Worship Service
		12:15 pm	Church Van Depart
		1:45 pm	City Evangelism
		2:00 pm	Nursing Home: Concorde – 25 Anstey Street, South Perth Onslow Gardens – 39 Hamersley Road, Subiaco
		3:30 pm	Nursing Home: Berrington, Subiaco – 45 Bishop St, Jolimont

ATTENDANCE & OFFERINGS (17/7)

Attendance: 195 (Combined-170; JSS-25); Prayer Meeting: 59

Offerings in Total: \$8566.85; General Fund: \$8566.85

(#4070-\$225.00; #4071-\$429.20; #4072-FEBC-\$1206.00; #4073-Library-\$25.00)

SHORTER CATECHISM: Wherein consisteth Christ's exaltation? Christ's exaltation consisteth in his rising again from the dead on the third day, (1 Corinthians 15:4) in ascending up into heaven, (Psalm 68:18; Acts 1:11; Ephesians 4:8) in sitting at the right hand (Psalm 110:1; Acts 2:33-34; Hebrews 1:3) of God the Father, and in coming to judge the world at the last day. (Matthew 16:27; Acts 17:31)