



BIBLE-PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF W.A.

For the Testimony and Glory of Jesus Christ

September 25th, 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

Winnie Lim

Call to Worship

Elder James Wong/Dn Joel Wong

*Hymn

HOP 46 Our Great Saviour

*Invocation/Gloria Patri 1

Responsive Reading

Psalm 113

Hymn

HOP 219 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

Presentation of Tithes & Offerings

*Doxology 2/Offertory Prayer

Scripture Reading

1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Hymn

HOP 244 More Like the Master

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.

What Are Spiritual Gifts?

*Hymn

HOP 398 All To Jesus I Surrender

*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,

(Excerpt from Building Firm Foundations, Dr SH Tow)

1. “YOU NAME IT, I HAVE IT”

DR GEORGE TRUETT, a minister of the Gospel, was entertained on one occasion in the home of a Texas oil tycoon. After dinner the man took him up to the roof-garden and proudly showed off his possessions.

Pointing toward the north he said, “Doctor, see all those oil derricks dotting that vast expanse of land? That’s all mine. They call it black gold. I came to this country 25 years ago penniless. Now I own everything as far as eye can see in that direction.”

Then he turned to the east and pointed to the luxuriant fields of grain. “See that, doctor? They call it yellow gold. Yes, all the golden grain, that’s mine.” Next, he turned to the south, and pointed to huge herds of cattle and contented cows. “Everything as far as you can see in that direction is mine.”

Finally, turning to the west, he pointed to a great virgin forest covering the hillside. “See that, doctor? It’s all mine, everything that you see, in this direction, that direction, that direction, and this direction, it’s all mine.”

Dr. Truett gently laid a hand on the tycoon’s shoulder, pointed to heaven and said, “My friend, look up there as far as your eyes can see. How much do you own in that direction?” The man dropped his head, paused a while, and said, “I never thought of that.”

Dear reader, how much of this world’s goods do you own? No matter how much or how little, it is certain you can carry nothing out. He who lays up treasure for himself on earth is not rich toward God. What are you doing to prepare for the in-avoidable day of departure? Do not say, “I’m still young. Let me think of it another day.”

God's word says, *"Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away"* (James 4:14). Plan today for your tomorrow with God. Lay up treasures in heaven, not on earth. Be rich toward God!

There Is A City

(City Bright)

There is a city bright,
Closed are its gates to sin;
Naught that defileth,
Naught that defileth,
Can ever enter in!

How can one lay up treasure in heaven?

Lord, teach me to set my affection on things above and not on things below.

2. "TILL WE MEET, GOOD-NIGHT!"

FOR 40 YEARS Jim had followed the Saviour. He lived each day with a steadfast hope in God's promise of a home in Heaven. He firmly believed, "To be absent in the body is to be present with the Lord." One day sickness struck and soon the time came for him to depart. To his family he said, "I'm going to be with the Lord. Sorrow not, my beloved."

To his dear wife he said, "Dearest, Good-night. We shall meet again ... in the morning!" To his daughters he said, "Dearest, Good-night. Our separation is only for a while. In the morning we'll meet again. Good-night!" Then the dying man turned to his son and with tears in his eyes said, "Good-bye, my son! Good-bye!"

At this the son was astonished, and asked, "Dad, why did you say Good-bye to me and Good-night to Mum and my sisters?"

"Well, son, through the years you have re-jected Christ. Believers and unbelievers go their separate ways after death. Unbelievers who die in sin

are in hell, eternally separated from God and from their loved ones who die in the Lord.”

The dying father’s words pierced the son’s heart. God’s Spirit brought deep conviction of sin and the young man repented. In tears he said, “Dad, here and now I receive Christ as my personal Saviour. I believe He died for me and for-gives my sins. So, till we meet in heaven, Dad, Good-night!”

Dear reader, Heaven is not just an empty hope. It is a place, a city, a country. How do we know? We have the promise of the One who reigns there. Its beauty, peace and splendour are beyond description. *“But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death”* (Rev 21:8).

Heaven is for those whose names are written in the Lamb’s book of life. Is your name written there?

Beyond The Sunset

(Virgil P Brock)

Beyond the sunset,
O blissful morning,
When with our Saviour
heav’n is begun.
Earth’s toiling ended,
O glorious dawning;
Beyond the sunset,
when day is done!

How can your name be written in the Lamb’s book of life?

There shall be no night there.

God bless all readers.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRAISE & PETITION

- 1. Lunch Fellowship:** Everyone is welcome to join after the worship service today.
- 2. Congratulations:** Thank God for the gift of a baby son, Jamie, to Brother Jason and Sister Chen Shi Tey. Both mother and baby are doing well.
- 3. City Evangelism:** Will be held today starting at 2 pm in church and ending at 5 pm with testimonies. If you would like to grow in your courage to evangelise, come and join this outreach today.
- 4. Holy Communion:** has been postponed to the 9th of October due to Reverend Joseph Poon's preaching engagement at the Bethel BPC's 30th Anniversary from 26th of September - 3rd of October.
- 5. Busy Bee:** There will be a busy Bee this Saturday, 1 October. Please meet in Church at 9 am. We thank God for this opportunity of serving our God by caring for His house. Lunch will be provided.
- 6. Sunday School Family Day Outing:** On the last week of the school holidays we have planned a family day for the Sunday School children at Piney Lakes Park in Winthrop on Saturday the 8th of October from 9:30 am - 12 pm. We encourage all parents, Sunday School children and teachers to join in this annual outing. Invitations are in the foyer. Please let Sister Hui Ling know if your family is able to come for catering purposes.
- 7. Annual Congregational Meeting:** Members please take note that the ACM will be held on Sunday the 16th of October shortly after the Worship Service at the Main Sanctuary. At the ACM, an election for the church Pastor will be conducted. Please obtain a copy of the agenda and ACM reports from Dn Adrian next Sunday.
- 8. September 30in30:** As September ends this week, we encourage participants and those in our Church to continue bringing gospel tracts with them wherever they go and *"be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear"* (1 Peter 3:15b).

9. Baptisms, Affirmation of faith and Membership Transfers (30th Oct):
Please complete the application form with a short personal testimony and submit to Dn Adrian by next Sunday the 2nd of October.

10. Young Adults Summer Camp (27 Nov-1 Dec): Registration opens today!
Please collect a copy of the registration form from the Fellowship Hall after the Worship Service. For more information visit www.bpcwa.org.au/summercamp or speak to Brother Caleb Cheng.

11. Thanksgiving and Prayer Items:

- Thank God for a blessed Mandarin Family Care Group Meeting last Sunday.
- Thank God for the Mandarin Gospel Rally last Friday.
- Pray for the unbelievers who have heard the gospel that they may come and believe in the Lord Jesus.
- Pray for spiritual and physical protection at City Evangelism this afternoon.
- Pray for various programs planned for October.
- Pray for Rev Joseph and Sister Sharon Poon's ministry at Bethel BPC in the coming week.
- Pray for the completion on the compilation, design and publication of the church 30th thanksgiving magazine.
- Pray for the planning and preparation of the Young Adults Summer Camp.
- Please continue to pray for the church's general maintenance works.
- 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 those who may be afflicted silently, whether physically or spiritually.
- Pray for those who are searching for a job, for God's protection and grace to be with the brethren who are working away from home and to those who are travelling or visiting families overseas.
- Pray for Uncle Bernie, and those who are sick, physical and spiritual safety in and around the church and in the homes of worshippers.

SERVICE DUTY	25/9 COMBINED - Lunch Fellowship	2/10 COMBINED
Speaker/Interpreter	Rev Joseph Poon/Kong Vui Yip	Elder James Wong/Sonny Lim
Worship Leader/Interpreter	Elder James Wong/Dn Joel Wong	Mark Heath/Kong Vui Yip
Prep Hymns	Jason Tey	Claude Yiu
Musician(s)	Winnie Lim	Lydia Pui
Welcomers (Foyer)	Terry Chong, Lydia Chong, Julia Chia	Jonathan Woo, Bonnie Woo, Lee Lian Yong
Offering Stewards *To Help Count Offering	*Terry Chong, *Caleb Cheng, Jason Tey Pei Shion Chai, Dn Michael Lee Dn Stephen Chia	*Jonathan Woo, *Claude Yiu, Kenny Chia Yan Wei, Kenny Tan, Dn Stephen Chia
Ushers (Sanctuary)	Caleb Cheng, Rowena Cheng, Yi Mey Tan	Kenny Chia, Yi San Chieng, Ruth Wong
P.A. System	Kenny Chia	Yi Choong Liew
Kitchen Duties	Yi Min Chieng, Yi San Chieng, Lily Liow, Shuin Ning Jong	Yi San Chieng, Margaret Ng, Christine Chia Ming Ming Th'ng, Mable Soon
Toddler Class Assistant	Ellainne Cheng/Yi Mey Tan	Shirlyn Lee/Lee Lee Yong
Transport	Eugene Leong (0401 155 386) / Allan Ang (0433 032 709)	

Old Folks' Home Ministry		
Subiaco	Kenny Tan (Ruth Wong)	Kenny Tan (Hannah Th'ng)
South Perth	Hall A: Caleb Cheng Hall B: Allan Ang	Hall A: Caleb Cheng Hall B: Mark Heath
Berrington	Allan Ang	Kenny Tan
Bullcreek		Mark Heath

APPOINTMENTS OF THE WEEK			
Monday	26/9	2:30 pm	Mandarin Basic Bible Knowledge Class
Tuesday	27/9	10:00 am	Mandarin Bible Study
		7:30 pm	Prayer Meeting: Mark Heath/Dn Joel Wong, Dn Adrian Cheng, Angeline Yong
Wednesday	28/9	7:30 pm	Far Eastern Bible College Online Courses: Daniel
Friday	30/9	7:30 pm	Fellowship Meeting: Regen/Youth 180°/CYAF/CYPG
Saturday	1/10	9:00 am	Busy Bee
Sunday	2/10	8:30 am	Pre-Service Prayer Meeting
		9:00 am	English & Mandarin (Recess) Sunday School/English Basic Bible Knowledge Class
		10:00 am	Sunday Combined Worship Service
		12:00 pm	Mandarin Choir
		12:15 pm	Church Van Depart
		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 RAAFA Retirement Village: Benningfield Road, Bullcreek

ATTENDANCE & OFFERINGS (18/9)

Attendance: 203 (Combined-179; JSS-24); Prayer Meeting: 64
Offerings in Total: \$6825.55; General Fund: \$6825.55 (#4101-Library-\$20.00; #4102-\$121.00; #4103-\$295.20)

SHORTER CATECHISM: What benefits do believers receive from Christ at death? The souls of believers are at their death made perfect in holiness, (Heb 12:23) and do immediately pass into glory; (Luk 23:43; 2 Cor 5:6-8; Phil 1:23) and their bodies, being still united to Christ, (1 Thess 4:14) do rest in their graves, till the resurrection. (Dan 12:2; John 5:28-29; Acts 24:15)