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外婆在一次的露天佈道會中, 見主耶穌的福音説:「如果肚子 的孩子能平安出生,我就要相信 耶穌.」真的!孩子果然平安出生 以前臨盆每胎嬰兒都夭折的,孩子 後又被牛踏沒死. 眞奇妙! 這一切都是 超過所求所望.

母親是故李約蘭, 人人稱呼爲李護士. 每 次學校開學, 她爲六個孩子的學費傷腦筋來 祈禱. 每次過不多久就有人來買她的貨物, 就有錢繳交學費了. 我們的葯房也沒有因生 活費用而吃光, 孩子們也都栽培撫養長大. 感謝主!

母親每早晨都有固定的時間和地方靈修. 然後才給工人分配工作.晚間有家庭禮拜, 先是開始唱一首聖詩,讀幾節聖經,然後稍 爲解釋祈禱結束後,才可以睡覺.我們每主 日都穿清潔的衣服及帶錢去奉獻.她又帶領 鄰舍們來信主, 使他們都成 爲忠實的信徒, 一代傳一 代, 已有二、三代了. 她幫 助貧困的人, 用金錢、約 物、愛心關心等等. 母親除 了看世界局勢新聞版和信 心版報紙及醫學常識書, 從來 沒有看過其他書籍和小說, 沒 有去逛百貨店或看電影. 她喜



歡做工,且是做到死才止息.直到如今我們這 些孩子還是都住在她所蓋的房屋.

有一次,我從家門口騎腳踏車,沒有注意 到路中有一輛大貨車停著.那路是一直斜下 去的,我來不及煞車,又不懂把車子轉回來, 就眼看著一直撞下去.幸好我把身體及頭低 下去, 免得撞著,好久才起來.母親看到了 就說:「我以爲你死了」.沒有,主救我免 死.感謝主!有句話:「家中有虔敬的母親, 這家就不再貧窮.」

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- 三月二十日 舉行建基中學畢業感恩禮拜. 由王 志強牧師講道.
- 三月二十日 吳聲言兄弟與王麗莉姊妹結婚.恭 喜!
- 三月廿七日-舉行"復活節主日",會後預備簡單 的早餐一同分享.
- 三月廿七日-舉行聖洗禮,為王啓示,蔡愛玲,林芳 南,何智龍,Marie Antonette Chan施洗.
- 四月四至九日-舉行青年夏令會,主題為24/7-Walking With Christ In The Details of Life,由王志強牧師與傅羅仁兄弟爲講 員.
- 四月十一至十五日-舉行兒童夏令營,主題爲 Heaven's League - Winning For Jesus
- 四月十八至三十日-舉行主日學教師訓練班,由蔡 眞如博士主講.
- 五月八日-舉行"母親節主日",由英文查經班預備 禮物贈送母親們.

五月九日-田漢民兄弟蒙主恩召,榮歸天國.

- 五月十二至十四日-舉行"崇拜的心"音樂研討會.
- 五月廿二日-舉行"華福主日",由陳安立牧師證道.
- 六月十九日-舉行"父親節主日",由職業團契贈送 禮物予父親們.
- 六月廿六日-舉行嬰孩奉獻禮,將廖裕豐,黃麗詩, 薛恩仁,陳美婷四位小孩獻予主前.
- 六月廿七至廿八日-舉行"末世講座,"由Dr. John Ecob 主講

- Mar 13 Church 89<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration with Rev. Johnny Limchesing speaking on Growing In Christ
- Mar 20 PCGS Baccalaureate Service with Rev. Albert Ong speaking on An Example To Follow
- Mar 20 Wedding ceremony of Bro. Lydale Joshua P. Chua and Sis. Michelle L. Po

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- Mar 27 Special Sunrise Resurrection Worship Service followed by simple breakfast
- Mar 27 Baptismal service for Kelsey Jensyn Cho Ong, Virginia C. Uy, Mark Oliver Lim, Terence Navera, Marie Antonette Chan
- Apr 4-9 Summer Youth Conference at MGC with Rev. Albert Ong and Bro. Lorenzo Castro speaking on the theme, "24/7 - Walking With Christ In The Details of Life"
- Apr 11-15 DVBS at PCGS with the theme, "Heaven's League - Winning For Jesus"
- Apr 18-30 Sunday School Teachers Training by Dr. Jane Chuaunsu
- May 8 Mother's Day with tokens of appreciation to all mothers present from the English Bible Study Group
- May 9 Bro. Benjamin Chan went to be with our Lord
- May 12-14 "Heart of Worship" music seminar, training and workshop by Bro. Anthony Chan of Joyful Noise Express (jnX)
- May 22 CCOWE Sunday with Rev. Philip Ong as special speaker
- Jun 19 Father's Day with tokens of love from Young Professional's Fellowship
- Jun 26 Children's dedication of the following to the Lord: Sebastian Wyatt Y. Liao, Laurine Marie L.Lim, Brianne Madeline N. Sy, Princess Margareth G.Ting
- Jun 27-28 "Prophetic Seminar" by Dr. John R. Ecob

### A Family After God's Heart Rev. Albert Ong

A little girl came home from school crying. Surprised, her mother came, hugged her and asked what happened? She sobbed and said, "I envy my classmates because they have many dads and moms. During weekends, my classmates visit them and they come home with lots of goodies. Mom, how come I only have one?" The mother was silenced, not knowing what to say to her little girl. This story sounds cute, right? This is how Satan tears families apart. Moral values of our children are distorted with what they see in other people's lives, TV, and other propagandas. The sad thing is that the church is not spared from it. We see people with smiling faces coming to church and yet their homes are breaking apart. What will happen to their children? What kind of families will they raise for themselves?

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Every couple dreams of a "Beautiful Family". That is a very ideal dream but how to make one's dream come true is the big question. What really is a "Beautiful Family"? Or if I am to say it, "A Family After God's Heart". Psalm 133 gives us a beautiful picture of family,

"How good and pleasant it is when brothers live together in unity!

It is like precious oil poured on the head, running down on the beard, running down on Aaron's beard, down upon the collar of his robes.

It is as if the dew of Hermon were falling on Mount Zion. For there the Lord bestows his blessing even life forevermore."

Unity in the family is what makes a family beautiful. When there is unity, the anointing of the Lord through the Holy Spirit is poured upon that family. Verse three "...For there the Lord bestows his blessing,..." Blessing upon blessing will be experienced by those families who truly seek the Lord. Though some blessings come in disguise, in the end you will still see that it was indeed God's good purpose that brought them.

The New Testament gives us many verses that talks about "one another". Just to mention some: members of one another (Rom. 12:5), devoted to one another (Rom. 12:10), honor one another (Rom. 12: 10), be of the same mind with one another (Rom. 15:5), accept one another (Rom. 15:7). The sum of all these is to love one another. Loving one another will result to unity. When you love other members in the family, your concern is no longer of yourself but the welfare of your family members. When that happens, unity will be achieved. I know some of you may say, "If other members in my family are not willing to cooperate, or if my wife does not want to, what can I do?" Well, that is exactly the test of the love you have for them. Remember, love is patient... Indeed, it is not easy and this is where the Lord comes in. I don't mean that you will only need the Lord during times of trouble, but this is the best time to experience God in a real and personal way! Trust Him! He is always there. Only God can transform a troubled family into a family after God's heart.

Unity in the family must start with the husband and

Joshua 24: 15

wife. Husbands and wives, have у 0 u acknowledged that only Jesus Christ can transform you to be the kind of husband or wife that you should be? Do you still remember the vow you made before God on your wedding day? In case you have forgotten about it, here is a classic form to remind you of the vow you made:



I, \_\_\_\_\_, take you \_\_\_\_\_, to be my wedded wife/ husband, to have and to hold from this day forward, for better or for worse, for richer or for poorer, in sickness and in health, to cherish, and according to God's holy plan, I give you my love, till death do us part.

I really pray and ask God to move your hearts, husband and wife, as you read this vow. No further explanation is needed. You made that vow and God expects you to keep it. Can you see how beautiful marriage and family will be if we just keep our promises both to God and to our spouse? Your children will reap the blessings as a result of your faithfulness to God and your spouse.

I really thank God for His faithfulness and mercy to my family. My family is not perfect and it never will be, but it is comforting to know that in every experience we have as a family, God is always there watching over us. I do my best to set a good example to my family, teaching my children the precepts of the Lord, then I let God do the rest. Sounds simple and I tell you, God will be honored if you allow Him to be the focus of your family. Serving the Lord as a family is just the natural result of a God-focused family, a family after God's heart. God bless you and your family.



箴言22:6 「教養孩童,使他走當行的道, 就是到老也不偏離.」

從五月至八月,本教會的主題將注重於 "我與家人之間的關係."本人跟外子有機會 能夠參加5月19日至21日亞洲夫婦家庭中心於 Grande Island, Subic Bay 所舉辦之家庭退修 營.再次讓我思想到本教會的主題,並檢討我 與我的家人之間的關係.

「家庭是於夫婦開始,而家庭的愛卻是 起於丈夫與妻子.」相信好多人都會同意這兩 句話.起初神創造天地,又照著自己的形像造 男造女,並賜福給他們,要他們生養眾多,遍 滿地面,治理這地…(創世記1:27-28).這就 是神看爲好的家庭之開始.而家庭如果要有愛 與溫暖,卻要從做父母的開始.

箴言22:6很清楚的告訴我們做父母的責 任,對孩子我們不但要"教",也要"養". "教"和"養"是兩個同等重要的責任,其結 果是何等有價值,就如經上所說的「…就是到 老,他也不偏離.」

中國人的所謂"胎教"這兩字就是當胎 兒還在母親的肚子裡. 做父母的就當開始教導 他. 如對他們說說話, 唱唱歌, 讀些故事給他 們聽. 甚至母親懷孕的情緒與食慾或多或少將 影響到將來孩子的性情,做父母的,當孩子還 小的時候,我們教導他們,引導他們,糾正他 們. 漸漸長大後, 我們就成爲他們的朋友, 與 他們談心,在一起玩,當他們成年後,我們就 給他們適當的勸告與指導. 而當他們能夠獨立 自立之時,我們就學做他們的孩子,讓他們照 顧我們, 使他們有反哺的機會, 這就是所謂肉 身上的教導. 屬靈方面, 我們要讓他們扎根於 神的話語來結果,從小就帶領他們一起讀經禱 告,使他們打好深入的屬靈根基,讓他們的根 基建立於元首基督,我們自己做個好榜樣,幫 助他們信服基督,使他們藉著信仰得到屬靈的 智慧, 能分辨是非. 鼓勵他們多事奉, 多奉獻, 多幫助他人, 教他們不但只顧眼前的事, 更重 要的是要 有遠見, 擴闊他們的 視野. 使他們懂得如何 面對挫折、接受 務美

失敗.就如中國人常說的「失敗爲成功之母」.但我們做基督是更爲有福的,因經上說:「我靠著那加給我力量的,凡事都能作.」(腓立比書4:13)

「養」也是我們做父母的一個很重要的責任. 不但要三餐讓孩子們得溫飽, 更重要的要付出時間與他們在一起, 聽聽他們的事情, 對有益之事加以鼓勵, 因"時間就是愛". 愛孩子就須給他們時間, 這也使彼此之間能更了解對方, 並可避免許多不必要的誤會與代溝. 能讓孩子心靈得慰藉與鼓舞, 深知父母是愛他們的, 明白他們. 「養」不但只在「食」方面滿足他們, 更重要的是要栽培他們, 使他們長大後有一技之長, 方能獨立.

「活到老,學到老」這句話最適合用於 做父母的.我們沒有人一生下來就會做父母, 仍是一天天的學習.就如孩子五歲時,我們就 學做五歲孩子的父母.孩子到了六歲,我們也 就學做六歲孩子的父母.所以當孩子一天天的 長大,我們也跟著一天天的學習爲人父,爲人 母,一直的學,且學到老.但是,當我們是以 神的原則教養他們,相信我們所付出的心血必 定值得,因"就是到老,孩子也不偏離."這

也可説是我們 留給孩子們最 好的產業,

們妹個庭家會只祂家祂位能督是的福我原,福希兄建化神,家們則必聽我了的建神庭遵建能我她一家了了。



## STAYING HEALTHY Rev. Wee Un Hock

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Today, people are very conscious about their health. People willingly spend money on expensive gym membership, take supplements and vitamins and enjoy south beach diet. Why so? It is because we want to stay healthy and fit.

Are we also concerned with our souls by feeding it properly to stay spiritually in shape and be on the right track?

Here are some ways to stay spiritually fit.

### 1. READ GOD'S WORDS

Eating nutritional food is of great importance. Moreover, we take vitamins to supplement other nutrients our bodies need. In the same way, our souls need spiritual feeding and the best way to stay spiritually in shape is to read God's Words daily. 1Peter 2:2 says, "Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation."

Not only should we stay fit but we have to grow as well. The Word of God helps us grow spiritually. Reading His Words daily strengthens our faith and renews our souls. Moreover, we should read Christian books as supplements in order to complete the nutrients to our souls.

### 2. TALK TO GOD

Reading God's Word will ircrease our knowledge and bring us to a better understanding of God, and in turn of make us love Him more. Prayers help us build an intimate relationship with God. Therefore, we should make it a habit to communicate with God regularly.

We live in a stressful world and life becomes more complicated. It seems that we don't have time for each other anymore. The best way to release our pair is by communicating to God in prayer. Our heavenly Father has a big heart and He listens to all our requests. We should be confident to come to Him and release our sorrow.

Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need (Hebrew 4:16)

### 3. FIND a CHURCH

Faith can be strengthened by having a personal relationship with God and at the same time, we need people to support and encourage us physically. The best way to get such support is through a church.

We must belong to a church so that our faith will continue to have nourishment from one another and be strengthened.

Acts 2:42 says, "they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer." So let us come to church to nourish and be nourished.

### 4. BE ACTIVE IN SERVICE

We should attend church services and participate ir serving our Almighty God. Working for the Lord is good nowishment, putting and applying what we have learned to prartice. Don't be spectators but rather be participants in the work of the Lord.

One of the most important service we can do for the Lord is to reach out by telling others about Christ.

John 12:26 says, "Whoever serves me must follow me; and where I am, my servant also will be. My Father will honor the one who serves me."

Therefore, let us stay spiritually healthy by developing intimate relationship with the Lord and fellow believers; and let us render our services for the expansion of His kingdom.

我如何述説主救我靈魂呢? 是主感動了我 的心,所以我才能拿起筆來,寫我這幾年的苦難 生活和如何接受主,但不知從何寫起.

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我已經四十二歲,而且是八個孩子的母親. 我的丈夫比我大七歲.我有七個女兒和一個男兒. 感謝主賜給我一個大家庭.在1985年我們結婚建 立家庭.1986年的五月我誕生了一個好可愛的女 嬰孩.那時候我們是和我的家翁姑住在一起.當 時我們在州府有一個小生意.從那個小店賺了不 少金錢.不超過一年,我們買了一輛貨車.從宿 務市買米糧和一些雜貨到州府賣,生意不錯.在 州府我們買沙石和椰干到宿務市賣.在三年的時 閒,我們的貨車已經共有五輛.總説起來,我們 過著不憂愁的生活.孩子們有女佣人照顧,吃的 是好奶粉,穿的是名牌的衣服.

在1992年,我們在宿務市買了一塊地皮, 建築一棟七百萬元的房屋和買了兩部新型的汽 車,我們的孩子在宿務聖心女校讀書,那時我們 也跟銀行借錢蓋房屋和擴展生意,但過度的開費 和擴展,使我沒有一秒來喘氣,那時我們認爲有 力量還銀行的債。不料家姑病倒、且病得很厲害、 出出入入都是醫院. 後來她變成植物人, 在醫院和家裡有三個特別護士照顧, 醫生和藥費都非常貴,我的第六女兒 也是出入醫院,所以我們欠的銀行貸款 没有辨法還,不但是這樣,有時候要向 朋友借高利息,借錢加上債務,使我感到 没有信心,更加重我的荷負. 州府生意繼 續做,但本錢越做越少,因爲全部的費用 是由州府生意供給,一年後,家姑過逝,我 以爲她過逝之後,我欠銀行的債務可以慢慢 清還,眞是很難測,就像風浪一樣,一波沒平一 波又起. 家姑過逝四個月之後, 家翁也病倒了. 他病了五年,也有特別護士照顧,我沒有照顧家 翁姑、因爲在打理生意,所以得雇用護士,外子 因爲家翁和女兒在宿務市,所以他在宿務沒有回 州府幫忙我做生意. 當時生意比以前波動, 我的 苦難也開始了. 我向朋友借了不少錢, 全部是比 銀行高得很多的高利息. 但没有想到賺錢少,而 開費大利息也大.

那時我還沒信主,我也不明白耶穌是我個 人救主.我只是個一半信的天主教徒,我沒有信 主.我常常跟自己說:「我常用長途電話跟上帝 說話,但是沒有回答.」天上眞的有上帝嗎? 為 甚麼主不救我呢? 給我一切煩腦的事不知如何解 決.為了逃債我常常不在店打理,有很多人要找我 討債.告上法庭的朋友也很多.我們的房屋抵押銀 行,欠賬也到期,想賣房屋沒有人買.如 果有人

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要買, 價錢很便宜, 不夠還銀行的債. 外子脾氣很壞, 他常常說: 「你欠人的債,你自己還,不要連累我們.」我聽了很傷心,眞是有苦不知對 誰說.有一天,外子用一枝手鎗瞄對我 的頭,他要用鎗打死我,之後再用鎗打 死我們的孩子,最後他自己要自殺. 馬甚 麼要連累孩子呢?這不是他們的錯. 有時 候我自己想要自殺,這想法常常在我腦裡 6

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洪郭萌苗

但主憐憫我,安排我跟陳淑瓊姊認識 她是我哥哥朋友的表姊, 是她幫我買房屋. 一切困難說給她聽,她與我祈禱,傳福音給我. 但是我還是不明白,她請我參加每星期三晚在宿 務基督教會的祈禱會、首先我很害羞、我看不起 自己,我很落魄,當晚我們所吟的詩歌使我感動 淚涕相流. 這是主給我的安慰嗎? 這是主來救我 嗎? 我是屬於上帝的女兒嗎? 所有的問題都出現 在腦裡. 從那時刻起, 我每星期三都來宿務市參 加祈禱會,然後在星期四回州府去,我已經習慣 了每天早上祈禱上帝, 將一切不愉快和苦難事交 托上帝,告訴給主聽,有一天,我的鄰居來告訴 我説警察要捉我,因爲有人控告我.當時我好害 怕, 不知道怎樣辦, 我從州府回宿務市的家去逃 債,我不能回去州府,所以我哥哥的朋友介紹我 在一華僑宗親會做秘書,我立刻答應,從那時起, 我没有回州府了, 跟我的家人共渡艱苦的生活.

我想這全都是上帝的旨意, 給我 每星期天的機會來參加成人主日學和 主日崇拜會. 上帝給我的神蹟很多, 在 2002年的一天, 我丈夫的朋友打電話來 跟我們說:「在這裡法庭有人告狀你們, 要沒收所屬於你們的東西.」就是我們 全部的財產. 他是法官的秘書, 他提醒我 們去預防. 後來我就跟那告我們的人講 理, 他答應給我們機會來每個月還債. 眞

一是奇妙,如果是在別的法官手裡,後果不堪設想.我們房子的抵押雖然已經到期,不但沒有還利息,到現在我們還繼續居住.這是上帝的神蹟.詩篇91:15-16:「你若求告我,我就應允你,你在急難中,我要與你同在.我要搭救你,使你尊責.我要使你足享長壽.將我的救恩顧明給你.」我只有用信心祈禱上帝.

我在2001年洗禮信主,我已經不是從前那 經不起苦練、常常悲哀、沒有快樂的我,是主創 新了我.然後,我慢慢的傳福音給我那三個大女 兒.起初她們不肯接受主爲她們個人的救主,因 爲她們的乾媽是天主教徒(跟我們一起住).她說 如果聽你們媽媽的話,你們家的不幸會一連串來, 所以她們聽了很害怕.感謝主!在2002年的四月, 她們已洗禮信主了.我八個兒女每星期天都參加 主日學,她們認識了我們在天上的父.只有我丈 夫現在還沒有接受主,但願有一天他會自己親近 我們的上帝.

### CYF Youth Committee

"Remember your Creator in the days of your youth before the days of trouble come and the years approach when you will say 'I find no pleasure in them'" [Eccl. 12:1]

People who volunteered to invest their time, energy, and material resources for Christian youth work may find this verse to be a great motivator. As they love and desire to serve our Master and Creator, it gives them great joy to see children and young people grow in favor with God and men.

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Under the umbrella of Christian Youth Fellowship (CYF) are the Elementary CYF, High School CYF, College CYF and the Young Professionals Fellowship. Different age groups have different physical, social, and emotional needs, yet all of us have one common spiritual need, and that is to repent from sin. We need to have a Savior to redeem us from eternal death or be separated from God our Maker.

Last year, the Elementary CYF discussed several virtues like patience, honesty, and humility. Bible studies and varied activities were used to illustrate each virtue. This year, the leaders decided to let the children understand more clearly the God they believe in and the beautiful gift of Salvation.

For the High School level, the 'Purpose Driven Life' small group discussion

was the highlight of last year's program. It had a great impact on many teen-agers' outlook on life and God Himself. All glory to God. Other programs were Bible study, testimony sharing. panel discussion, and group dynamics of different monthly themes. Furthermore, the long practices for the play "King Ahren" culminated last November in celebration of the 56h CYF anniversary.

The college group had the 'Purpose Driven Life' discussion early last year and started using the in-depth study of the New Testament Ephesians chapters 1 to 3 which focused mainly on the Foundation of our relationship with Christ. This year, their theme is "People blends---how to relate to the body of Christ for God's glory".

As for the Young Professionals fellowship, many have volunteered to help minister to the younger brothers and sisters in Christ. Last year, they started to "equip themselves for God's ministry". This year, they have decided to continue with the theme and at the same time secure the faith of the regular members; encourage them to bring in more friends and perhaps later, start a discipleship program.

The Youth committee has approved the joint fellowship of the High School, College, and Young Professionals groups once in every two months starting last year to enhance fellowship with different age groups and encourage older Christians to help the younger ones grow in their faith in Christ.

May the Lord be pleased with our work and continue to bestow His wisdom and Spiritual guidance in each endeavor for His name's sake. God bless you.

初月

人對時光流失的感受、有如遊騎四方:

(一)少年時, 像騾背看花. 步履節奏輕盈, 泰然自在但姗姗遲慢, 沒有衝擊力.

(二)壯年時是駿馬加鞭, 有沖刺潛力, 奔放和疾馳.

(三)老年似騎駑逐步山坡, 蹒跚艱難, 不愼有人仰馬翻之危.

一般家庭至少有雨份日曆以定歲時節候的方法.以太陽爲標準稱爲陽曆或西曆,以月 亮爲標準的叫陰曆或農曆.這本曆書標記每天時間的飄逝與消失.有時也用來預定生活或工 作活動,交際日期支配的瀏覽或備忘錄.

如果你受邀於某月某日喜慶壽宴,或參加重要會議抑特別聚會.而桌案或壁上沒有日曆.或 配合有日曆之嶄新式手機,可參究那天是星期幾?與其他的約會是否有抵觸?是否能成行? 遲疑躊 躇不決, 會使你厭煩與納悶, 你必定急要找一份日曆來查閱一下,是嗎?下面特分享一份學習簡單, 使用容易的心算日曆. 可在任何地方、場合派上場應用,免得你再受困擾.這種玲瓏日曆,當你懂 得它的祕訣,便可運用自如.

方法及操練:

(勺)將每星期七天按下列次序從第一編到第七.即星期一為第一天;星期二,第二天;星期三,第三天;星期四,第四天;星期五,第五天;星期六,第六天;星期日,第七天.不可改換.
 (欠)每年的十二個月,每月有固定的常數(或恆數)每年的常數和別的年份常數不同,不可調

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將上面十二個月常數默念牢記在心中備用.

(П) 運用法:將要詢問的日子,如十一月廿四日,即24加上該月份的常數(十一月份的常數 是1),其和是24加1等於25.

(℃)將上述的和25減去七的最大倍數:(即七,十四,廿一,廿八與卌五)25減去21,其差是4.
答案為一週第四日是星期四.

例一:有恩爱伉儷,結婚紀念日是六月三十日.請問是星期幾? 六月的常数是2. 三十日爲 30加上2得32,减掉7的最大倍数28,其差是4,那天是星期四.

例二:今年十月十日是星期幾?十月的常数是5.十日10加上5常数,其和15,减去7的最大倍数14,存下1,答案是星期一.

例三:今年八月三日是星期幾?八月的常数是().三日3加(),其和是3.此数小於7,不必减7的 倍数.3就是答案,即星期三.

例四:今年的聖誕是週幾?十二月份的常數3. 聖誕日是25,加上3,其和是28. 巧是7的倍數, 所得答案是星期日.

例五:今年九月十八日是禮拜幾?九月的常數是3,加18,其和21.此數減去21(7的倍數)答案 是零,那天是週日.

當你掌握了「心算巧曆」的底細,會感覺輕易有趣,又可操鍊思惟和腦力.

該及流光的奔逝, 會聯想到生命的局限. 詩篇90篇10節: 「人的壽命是七十歲, 強壯可到八 十. 而人所矜誇也不過是勞苦愁煩.」要不然只是一幅空白的畫布, 沒有圖案或花草人物的畫景, 也沒有色彩的點染. 最後會被塵封在牆壁的角落. 有句話說: 「久入芝蘭之室, 不開其香.」我們在塵世深受神的眷顧, 恩待與庇佑, 有時遲鈍

有句話說:「久入芝闌之室,不開其香.」我們在塵世深受神的春願, 恩待興庇佑, 有時遲鈍得無感覺, 更 該不上回饋. 對神大大的虧欠. 當我們一息尚存, 應及時趕做主的工. 馬太福 19節:「所以你們要去, 使萬民作我的門徒, 奉父、子、聖靈的名給他 們施洗. 凡我所吩咐你們的, 都教訓他們遵守, 我就常與你們同在, 直到世界的末了.」這是主在世的最後訓詞, 也是我們應遵受的命令, 以盡我們的責任來博取祂的喜悦.

# YOUTH CAMP 2005 - FOUR THUMBS UP!

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Over the years, I had joined seven church camps but this camp was definitely different from those other camps. This year's theme was "24/7-Walking with Christ in the Details of Life". We learned how to use our lives for Jesus in everything that we do through special ways. Allow me to share some of our activities to explain why.

First, our day would start with "Morning Watch" wherein the camp working committee and the counselors would wake up early in the morning to worship and pray for the Spirit to work through the day's activities and speakers. God sure does answer prayers! We saw clearly how God's hands moved and

inspired us. He even provided us with perfect weather throughout the camp duration - it was not too hot, giving us the chance to play in the fields and walk around with friends during our free time.

Also, during Praise & Worship, we were able to hear first-hand "God-Encounters" from fellow campers as to how God intervened, comforted and saved them. Hearing these strengthened our faith in our real and living God even more.

In this camp, we were blessed to have our very own Rev. Albert Ong & Bro. Lorenzo Castro to be our main camp speakers. They expounded on the theme very clearly and vividly. Maybe one big factor is because both of them are very much involved in our youth group and therefore, they know our needs.

Aside from the morning and evening sermons, we had the chance to listen to special speakers on different topics. We had "*Knowing* 





This topic tackled on the different personalities of people and the need to accept others as they are because God created all of us uniquely and each one of us has a role to play. Instead of the usual "Love,

Courtship, Marriage" topic, we had another interesting session entitled "Men are like Waffles, Women are like Spaghetti" shared to us by Rev. & Mrs. Gonzalo Millamena Jr. Here, we learned the differences between a man and woman and why they act the way they do. This topic is a very big help to us in understanding not only our future life-partner but also our family, friends, workplace and ministry. The last of these special sessions is entitled "You've Got Manners?" by Dea. Livian Garcia. This tackled on eye-opening etiquettes and manners on how to dine, how to introduce a person, how to be respectful to our elders, etc. - all these reminded us on how to behave especially when we are called the salt and light of this world.

There were also some activities that we did not expect to do in this camp. One early morning, some of us woke up to go to the public market to buy ingredients needed for lunch.

That whole GospelLight

morning was spent preparing food and actual cooking. We even had a contest for that! Through this, not only did we learn to market and cook, but also to cooperate, to appreciate those who prepared food for us, and above all to give thanks to the Provider who never fails to supply our daily needs. Another activity that we had was Wall Painting. Not only did we have the chance to paint and stimulate our creativity but we also learned how to be clean, resourceful and to enjoy the



fellowship of fellow brothers and sisters in Christ. Do you want to see our work of art? We painted the walls of Mandaue Gospel Center for you to see. We also had the chance to use our talents during the "Christ-Circle Quest". We learned to use our gifts for God's glory and at the same time this activity reminded us of our theme through the presentations. We give praise and honor to our Giver, the ultimate source of these gifts. During one of the nights, we watched a secular film on the spirit world. In that film, we realized that bad spirits still do exist in this world and all the more we come to appreciate the presence of our Protector who always protects us from harm.

We also had the chance to be little missionaries by supporting financially the Operation Mobilization Philippines (OMP). We had two simple meals and through that, we saved 50php per person per meal, so we were able to give a total of 10,000php to OMP. We learned that in our little way, we can be a blessing and help to those who are in need. The feeling was great!



We usually had group devotions but for just one morning, we were asked to have personal devotions. We chose a place in the big area of MGC ground and all of us experienced very intimate quiet time with our God.

Camps are never without fun. Aside from the games, all of us on certain days in the camp wore mismatched and flashy attires. Those who were extremely mismatched and flashy were crowned Mr. & Ms. Baduy and Mr. & Ms. Hayag respectively.

Normally, the last night of the camp is the testimonial night. But this time, the organizers decided to invite some people from our church to share their "God-Stories". We learned from Auntie Lili Gothong, Ahia Lydale Chua, Achi JJ Su and our very own Loreto how God proved His existence in their lives in spite of the many struggles they went through. We admire all of them because they faithfully live their lives for the glory of God. It's all about Him and never about us. It's His story! I believe that life still goes on and that they will still go through difficult times in their lives but one thing is certain - God will remain faithful to them and also to us. Other campers also shared their "God-Stories" that night around the camp fire.

To all the camp working committee, four thumbs up! Why? The two are mine, and since I'm sure that God was indeed pleased and honored, the other two are His. Let's again remind ourselves to walk with Christ in every detail of our lives - 24/7.



## ACTS 16:31

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I came from a non-Christian family, and like many Chinese families, our beliefs were a mixture of Catholicism, Buddhism and Taoism.

Back in China, our Thai Kong (great grandfather) was a Taoist medium with prophetic abilities. One day as he was walking by the village river, he saw a vision. He saw an apparition of a boat and from this boat came out people wearing black clothes; they were throwing what appeared to be black seeds all over the place. After that vision, our Thai Kong warned his fellow villagers of an impending disaster but the villagers just laughed him off. Their laughter turned to fear when days later an epidemic struck the village. People were dving of an unknown illness, the only manifestation of which was dark spots on their bodies. From then on our Thai Kong was a respected figure in their community. Of course, our Thai Kong's supernatural abilities didn't come from God but from... who else. Our Thai Kong was an active leader of their Buddhist and Taoist temple. These events happened around a century ago. Right from the start, our family was rooted into idolatry!

Back here in Cebu, our Amah (grandmother) was a very devoted Buddhist and at times, also worshipped the Taoist gods. Our family and our

family business were committed to the care of Buddhist gods. We have no choice but to follow our Amah, being the "mother" of our big family (because in Chinese family we put our elders at high esteem). Our Amah had to consult the temple for every major decision we made. From human standpoint, our family was doomed to idolatry and darkness. Although our grandparents were very good people, still they were deep into idolatry. When I was a child, I was really scared to go to my Amah's house because their gods looked so mean (red face, big stomach, long beard and to top it all, they all carried very big swords!!)

While our family was deep into idolatry and unknown to us, our Amah's younger sister who had converted into Christian faith had been constantly praying for our family, even praying for each of us by name. (by name, mind you, we are a big clan!) Praise God! Her prayers were answered. God finally stepped into the picture and began a series of miracles in our family. In February, 1984, my Ahia (elder brother), who was the eldest among cousins (3rd generation members of the family), accepted Christ as his Lord and Savior. He was converted to the evangelical faith. This was quite unexpected because my Ahia was a very devoted catholic; in fact, he was a staunch Marian devotee. But because of a testimony of a cousin's friend and definitely by God's grace and the power of the Holy Spirit, my Ahia boldly made this step of faith by converting into evangelical faith.

At first, our parent's took my Ahia's conversion lightly. They thought he was just going through a period of confusion as a teenager. Before my Ahia's conversion, our elders would even joke that my Ahia would become a priest someday because he was very "religious". When I was young, I collected Ninja Turtles action figures but my Ahia's collection were religious icons! (That's how religious he was!) So when my Ahia was converted to Christianity,

> my parents didn't mind because they thought eventually he will go back to Catholicism. But the Lord's work couldn't be stopped! Actually, He had just begun! Later that year (1984), my Atsi (elder sister) and an uncle (my dad's younger brother, 2nd

generation family member) also accepted Christ! The three of them were baptized in January, 1985 at Cebu Christian Gospel.

Unfortunately, my uncle backslid a few years after his baptism but my Ahia and Atsi kept the faith. By this time, both of them were undergoing persecution from our elders because of their faith. I even heard that my dad was very mad when he found out that my Ahia was baptized! (Imagine two young souls trapped in a very big idolatrous family!!) My Ahia joined Bethany Church while my Atsi joined The Living Christian Church. Both of them would constantly pray for the salvation of the rest of the family. My Ahia in particular would constantly claim the words in Acts 16:31, "Believe in the Lord Jesus

Christ and you will be saved - you and your household." The second wave of revival came to our family in the early 90's (between 1991 and 1994) when cousin after cousin (6 to be exact) came to the Lord. My own turn came in August of '97. Indeed, the Lord changed my life and I was never the same! After more than a decade of my Ahia's fervent prayers, my dad and mom (2nd generation family member) came to know Christ in 1988, a year after I was saved! This was quite unexpected especially with my dad for he is a tough man (in other words "kara-an bugoy") and he doesn't care much about religion. But I believe there is no amount of force in existence that could refuse the Lord. He got through my dad and in the year 1999, my mom and dad were baptized.

In the year 1999-2001, the Lord once again moved mightily in our family. Many more of our cousins received Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior, particularly the younger ones. Moreover, my uncle who backslid recommitted his life to Christ and even up to now, the Lord is using him as a channel of blessing to other people's lives! But a greater miracle was yet to come......

In January of 2001, my Amah was diagnosed with cancer. Her doctor told us that her time was short. This news burdened all Christian cousins because we knew that if she's going to die without Christ, she would be going to hell. In fact, one of my cousins had a dream that she saw my Amah in hell, suffering and agonizing. You see, we cousins were very attached to our Amah even though we had been converted to Christian faith and my Amah was a devoted Buddhist. My Amah was a very polite and kind hearted woman. When she found out that we had been converted to evangelical faith, she respected our decisions and this made us respect her even more. So when her doctor told us the news, we were all very sad. My Amah was a hardcore Buddhist all her life. The gospel was shared to her many times but she would repeatedly decline and refuse it! I can still remember we prayed extra hard for her from January to November, 2001. We felt that there was a fierce spiritual battle going on for her soul. The enemy didn't give up easily either, even to my Amah's final days.

> We prayed really hard during those times... really hard! In October of 2001, by God's sovereign grace (This testimony we

and immeasurable mercy, after years of refusing the gospel, my Amah finally prayed the sinner's prayer. A greater confirmation came to us in November of 2001 when she was already at her death bed; she surrendered to the lordship of our Lord Jesus Christ. In fact the very last words she uttered before she fell into coma was "CHU YA SO" (Lord Jesus!) ..... Days after, she was called back home by her new Lord and Savior. We were all sad because we will surely miss her but deep inside our hearts we were rejoicing because we didn't lose the battle. Our Lord Jesus won it for us!

In early 2002, it was my Angkong's (grandfather's) turn. He, too, prayed the sinner's prayer. He was 82 years old! God is indeed amazing!

Today, the Christians in our family outnumber the non-Christians. Except for two young cousins, all 3<sup>rd</sup> generation members of our big family are believers in Christ! What really amazes me is that God's grace can not be stopped. From 3<sup>rd</sup> generation of our clan, it climbed up to the 2<sup>nd</sup> generation even up to the 1<sup>st</sup> generation. My family worships in different local churches, some in Bethany, some in The Living Christian Church, and others are in Word of Life, Maranatha, Cebu Christian Gospel Center, and Cebu Gospel Church.

Only God could have made all these possible. Who would have even thought that a big idolatrous family like ours would come to Christ? But God in His sovereign grace and mercy chose to reveal Himself to us. We are conducting weekly Bible study in some of our business establishments. It has become a harvest ground of the Lord! He claimed ownership of our business, too! Weeks ago,

e i g h t of our employees had been baptized. God is indeed amazing!!!! I just want to give back all the glory and honor t o G O D ! THANK YOU L O R D JESUS!!!



(This testimony was shared during "God-Stories" session of the Youth Camp 2005.)

## MY BUS RIDE Jennifer Jane P. Su

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I was a child who had everything. My parents would larish us with love and attention. We were a deeply religious family. I had everything I ever needed and wanted. You might say that mine was a perfect life. Teenage years came, I started looking for something more, something I thought could make me "happy". So, I started rebelling. It was ironic because when I decided to do the things I wanted in my life, I didn't realize that what I was doing was hurting my family. I didn't see it as a rebellion but more of a teenager's whim.

I read somewhere that life is like a bus ride. You choose the bus that would take you to your destination. There are many buses and all of them promise to take you to "happiness". There are buses that are bound for possession, some for pleasure...I, on the other hand, chose to get on board the bus called "party and friends". I did a lot of things on this ride that I now regretted for oftentimes I heard my conscience warning but I never listened. I allowed the party noises to drown it allout.

After years of riding on this bus full of people laughing and carousing, enjoying the non-stop party, I realized something. I learned that the noise had to be really loud to drown out the emptiness I was really feeling inside. The ride now seemed different to me. It felt long and endless just like when you're in a long, dark tunnel wondering when you will ever get out. In the midst of it all, God

(This testimony was shared during "God-Stories" session of the Youth Camp 2005.)

was there because He had already singled me out to be saved. All that time when I ignored Him and never asked help from Him, He was calling me, tapping me on my shoulders. Ijust didn't listen...

I thank the Lord for His hand of discipline was hard on me. He loved me so much that when His gentle tapping didn't get my attention, He decided to hit me with a hammer...and it must have been one big hammer because it turned my life around. One special Christmas night... I prayed. I prayed like I never prayed before and it felt so good. I realized that forgiveness has always been a part of our Lord's loving nature. From that moment on, my life started to change and it must have been a big change because my parents, sisters and friends all noticed the change in me.

My bus ride is not over yet. The good part is that now I'm on the right bus. I know my destination and I can't wait to get there, but in the mean time...I'm hoping to give some people a ride along the way, a beautiful ride on "God's bus".



# REMEMBERING A SIMPLE MAN, MY DAD

As I sit here tonight going thru our family album, I can't help but shed a tear as I come across a picture of my Dad (Chua Bon Chit) in his 80<sup>s</sup> - strong, healthy, slim & smiling in his jogging outfit. This is the way I will always remember him. He had been a jogger formore than half of his life.

18 years ago, he joined a marathon called "Head Start" that started jogging from Consolacion proper to Fuente Osmeña rotunda. He was the oldest jogger in the marathon but was just as robust & full of energy as the rest of the joggers. However, a day came when upon reaching the Barracks area, his stomach ached and he had to stop. Mom called me the next day. I rushed to see him and brought him to the doctor. His skin and eyes had turned yellow. It was then I first realized that my Dad could get really sick.

My father who had always been my solid "Rock", one who gave me strength & guidance all my life, was after all, a fallible man. He needed to be operated on immediately as he had stones in his gallbladder. Well, to make the long story short, my Dad did survive the operation and spent the next 18 years of his life simply and contentedly until God called him home last July 4, 2004.

I miss my dad very much especially when I look at family pictures. As the only daughter left in the Philippines with my other two older sisters living in Canada & a brother living in Australia, I made it a point to visit my Dad everyday while he was still alive. We would sit & talk & laugh at all the juicy little news I told him and he loved to hear them, especially news about my siblings and his grandchildren whom my Dad personally took care of for 8 years before my brother and his family left for Australia.

Such was the simple joy of the simple man, my Dad. He was an artist at heart. He would practice his Chinese calligraphy (Mo-Pit) whenever he had time. He also loved to cook, to travel & to read books especially the Holy Bible during the last few years of his life.

He was not a demanding person, never asked for much, not even during his final days. He never complained about pain and even consoled us when we cried at the knowledge that he had

> cancer. He was not afraid of death & would tell us, "This is the path

everyone has to take someday." He was prepared to face his Creator & God took himouickly & painlessly. His illness lasted only 2 months.

All these fond memories of my father are now forever treasured in my heart as they were captured in these snapshots. I am consoled by the knowledge that he is now without pain and is in the hand of our Creator.

I am forever grateful to the Brother's & Sister's Fellowship (Hia Ti Hoi & Tsi Be Hoi) of Cebu Gospel Church for making my Dad's last years of earthly life happy & meaningful as my father renewed & deepened his relationship with God thru their examples & support.

How my Dad's face would lightup in eager anticipation a day before their weekly "Tam-Hong" (visitation) at my home during his last year. The fellowship was the source of his strength during his illness.

I was so touched and amazed at their kindness and sincere love that I myself have learned to appreciate the word of God even after my father's death and have become a Gospel Christian, having been baptized last March 27<sup>th</sup> of this year.

I thank all of you, Brother's and Sister's Fellowship members and especially Pastor Albert Ong, for guiding my Mom, my brother Harry & me along this path as we try to make our own way without our beloved father.

The Bible is now my constant companion & comfort and

I would like to end this short tribute to my Dad with one of my favorite passage -John 11:25, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live; even though he dies." This verse reminds me that God Almighty is in control of my life. We don't have to fear death and I look forward to the day I will see my beloved father again!



# 人生下半場

感謝主使我参加於2005年 6月1至4日在馬來西亞沙巴州亞底市 所舉辦的第二屆世界華人姊妹宣 次會.其主題為"點燃宣教心",共 有來自全球22個國家的850多名華人教 个後表參與. 今屆參加人數比前屆增加 200人. 參加者有年齡高達92歲的丁媽媽, 也 有年輕25歲的吳姊妹. 我們再次看到神的工 作, 沒有國籍之分, 也沒有年齡的限制, 願 神興起更多人踏上「宣教」之路.

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「宣教」乃是主給我們身爲基督徒的 大使命,是天國的大事工,我們不能不做. 正如使徒保羅説的,這責任已經交託我們, 我們不去工作,我們就有禍了.

2004年12月26日所發生的大地震及大 海嘯,震憾了全世界,也喚醒了一般仍然對 「宣教」沉睡的基督徒.耶穌基督已經把末 世的情況警告我們,現今的情況不正是這樣 嗎?要作這已交托我們的"使命"工作,絕 對不能再延遲了.我們覺得現在時間過得很 快,何時才2004年12月(年尾)現在是2005年 6月了(年中).哎呀!時間很短了,應該趁著 現在有機會,把握事奉神.有一位牧師有一



作坊時間裡帶領我們繞了一圈人生下半場. 沒有"慢"與"老",只有"樂"與"笑". 她以輕鬆活潑的手法,全新的給我們詮譯了 "退休"二字.

洪師母引用了舊約聖經人物-撒母耳, 來成爲我們退休後可學效的一個模範. 在撒 母耳一生的事奉中,他都謹守耶和華給他安 排的崗位,既是到老到死,撒母耳也爲主全 然擺上. 她強調:

(一) 人生下半場是一生最高峰頂點:"夕陽 無限好,因爲近黃昏."對於她所說的這句現 代名言,在場每一位姊妹無不拍手叫好,實 在說得太棒了!"There is a will, there is a way."她鼓勵大家在退休後可學習一些東 西,不要認爲自己"年老"不可能----,越 學習就越有能力活力.

(二)人生下半場的角色最精彩重要:人生下半場如一台戲,結局是最重要也是高潮所在,而女人的生活是最多姿多彩的.很多時候我們要搞清楚,在這人生下半場中我們並不是沒份參演,而是我們的角色改變了而已.因此,我們實在要看重與珍惜這齣由我們自己來擔任主角的大結局.

(三)人生下半場多元化宣教事工:退休後 我們仍可透過各種方式與途徑來參與宣教. 比如:探訪宣教士,組織代禱網,參加醫療 佈道等等.撒母耳在年紀老邁時,仍然不停 止的為以色列民禱告.

洪師母問了一些非常有趣,更是我們 平日沒思考過的問題.例如:幾歲算老?幾 歲退休才是最好?如果神要使我們生病,妳 會選擇甚麼病?以讓我們有一短短的時間彼 此交流分享,整個聚會就在這歡笑與愉快的 氣氛下結束.

## A New Level of Worship Joybells Gospel Team

Sounds a little too spiritual to you? Well, let me tell you this. This is what God has impressed upon us during the 3-day workshop organized by our church's Sacred Music Committee. This workshop was a workshop for worship leaders, instrumentalists, worship team members (such as the worship leaders' back-ups), choir members and practically everything that has to do with these two words... music and worship.

The team that conducted the 3-day workshop was called JNX, or Joyful Noise Express. This is a ministry led by Anthony Chan, a brother in Christ residing in the United States. His team members for this workshop were... Isabela Chan (Anthony's wife), Daniel Chang, Bob Medcalf and Benjie Chan. They conducted workshops on guitars, bass guitars, drums, keyboards,

vocals and worship leading. Anthony led the workshop on keyboards, Dan on guitar, Bob on drums, and Benjie on bass guitar. It was really amazing to see so many young people participated in these workshops.

To us, the most significant thing God has impressed upon us in this workshop was to take worship onto a new level. Huh? A new level you say? YUP, it is but don't worry though for what we are about to share with you is not some deep spiritual theory. So what is it then? Well, God is calling us to....

### WORSHIP HIM TOGETHER AS A CHURCH.

Let me repeat that once more...

### GOD IS CALLING ALL OF US TO WORSHIP HIM TOGETHER AS A CHURCH.

After hearing that, you might be thinking... "Aw shucks, that's sooo obvious. Are we not doing that in church every Sunday?" Well, there's something much deeper than that. Fact is, a church is a congregation of worshippers, and these worshippers come from different walks of life. There, you will find young and old people, middle-aged people, widows and widowers, people from broken families, people from well-to-do families, and the list goes on. These people come from different backgrounds and each individual has his/her own distinct personality and character. Some of us might even find other people (in our church) repulsive. Correct? I, for one, am guilty of that.

But God calls us to go beyond that. To go beyond the walls of personal comfort, to go beyond the walls of security and to go beyond the walls of arguments. This is not something new to us. The church of Corinth during Paul's time was also experiencing the same thing. It was one of Paul's reasons to write his letters to this church.

Let me share with you what Paul wrote in 1 Corinthians 1:26-31...

<sup>26</sup>Brothers, think of what you were when you were called. Not many of you were wise by human standards; not many were influential; not many were of noble birth. <sup>27</sup>But GOD chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; GOD chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong. <sup>28</sup>He chose the lowly things of this world and the despised things and the things that are not - to nullify the things that are, <sup>29</sup> so that no one may boast before HIM. <sup>30</sup>It is because of HIM that you are in

Christ Jesus, who has become for us wisdom from GOD - that is, our righteousness, holiness and redemption. <sup>31</sup>Therefore, as it is written: "Let him who boasts boast in the Lord."

LET HIM WHO BOASTS BOAST IN THE LORD.



My dear brothers and sisters, God is calling us to lay aside our differences and to ...more on page 18



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在聖靈裡的福

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有一個十二歲的柬埔寨的兒童名 叫Lem Cheong. 他對他們家庭的宗教信 仰發生疑問. 因爲他的家庭教導如果要 得到神的指示, 要到寺廟去抽籤, 然後 問和尚怎樣解釋. 但是這種做法並不能滿 足他心裡的空虛.

有一天,他就問一個是他叔父的和尚,他 的祈禱是否得到答案.他的叔父承認沒有得到答 案.不久他問一位基督徒,上帝是不是聽他的禱 告.那基督徒向他講了很多禱告蒙上帝垂聽的見 證.從那天開始,他大受感動,就接受耶穌做他 個人的救主.從那天開始,祈禱成爲他生活的一 部分.

我們基督徒禱告,不但是生活的一部分, 而且應該成爲我們生活中的好習慣.在弗6:11-17所講於屬靈的爭戰應穿戴上帝所賜全副的軍 裝.祈禱雖無被提爲軍裝的一部分,但禱告在屬 靈爭戰的重要卻是無可否認的!

弗6:18, "靠著聖靈隨時多方禱告, 祈求 並要在此儆醒不倦爲聖徒祈求." 靠著聖靈隨時 多方禱告, 英譯NIV是and pray in the Spirit on all occasions. Pray in the Spirit 就是在聖靈 裡的禱告. 甚麼是「在聖靈裡的禱告」?

一. 是有聖靈幫助的祈禱

羅8:26説, "况且我們的軟弱有聖 靈幫助,我們本不曉得當怎樣禱告,只是 聖靈親自用説不出的歎息替我們禱告." 我們遇到極困難的問題時,心裡紛亂,手 忙腳亂,雖然知道應向主祈求,但卻不知 道要怎樣禱告.當我們軟

弱的時,聖靈就在我們 的身邊幫助我們. 祂 親自用說不出的歎息 爲我們禱告.

> 二. 是照著上帝 旨意的祈祷

 不出來的歎息, 沒有出聲, 但上帝知道祂 的一切心思意念.因爲聖靈是照著上帝的 旨意代求.基督徒如果在聖靈裡禱告也就 是照著上帝的旨意祈禱,這禱告必蒙垂 聽, 大有果效, 大得益處.

三. 是隨時多方的祈禱

當我們靠著聖靈禱告的時候, 聖靈 就會感動你隨時深入祈求. 無論是在臥 房、在辦公、在料理家務、在路上駕車, 在任何地方都可隨時隨地與主交通. 聖靈 也會幫助我們, 使我們心懷閣大有遠見, 不單爲自己祈求, 而是多方面地爲很多的 事項禱告. 爲他人禱告、爲教會的事工禱 告、爲世界禱告, 以基督的心爲心, 爲失 喪的靈魂禱告, 隨時多方的禱告.

四. 是儆醒不倦的祈祷

在馬太26:36-44記載了主耶穌在 未被出賣前帶著彼得、雅各、約翰到容 西馬尼園去禱告. 叫他們和祂一同做醒. 不久, 主來到門徒那裡, 看見他們睡著了, 就對彼得說:「怎麼樣, 你們不能同我做 醒片時麼? 總要做醒禱告, 免得入了迷惑; 你們心靈固然願意, 肉體卻軟弱. ;

在聖靈裡的禱告應該儆醒不倦,免 致入了迷惑.世界的迷惑很多.金錢的迷 惑、肉體得迷惑、眼目的迷惑、惡魔的 引誘試探等等.在禱告的時應集中心思意 念,不要心懷二意,只向天父上帝懇求.

在1892年, John Hyde 從紐約市搭了一艘 輪船去印度.他的目的是對未曾聽過主耶穌的人 傳福音.經過了廿年,他得了一個綽號叫"祈禱 的Hyde".因爲他常用很長的時間爲未信的人 之救恩祈禱,爲著基督徒靈性的復興代禱.

有一次,他對一位靈性冷淡的牧師很反 感,他就爲這事來祈禱.他說: "天父阿! 禰知 道靈性冷淡臨到…"時,就好像有一個指頭放 在他的嘴唇,阻止他說出那牧師的名.他很驚惶 地體會到自己在判斷他人,隨即向主認罪,決定 不看人的短處,轉而注意到這位牧師的優點,爲 這些優點來感謝上帝.以後John Hyde知道這位 牧師的靈命得到奮興.

在我們的祈禱生活中,也應學習看他人的 長處,不用禱告的時間來攻擊人、來罵人、來論 斷人.祈禱無論是公禱、私禱應當榮神益人.



As musicians, we always try to learn new techniques and refine our skills; that's why we attend as much workshops as possible. We were indeed very privileged when a team of highly-qualified musicians who call themselves the Joyful Noise Xpress, led by team founder Anthony Chan, volunteered to come to Cebu and train our musically-inclined brethren on May 12-14, 2005.

The Joyful Noise Xpress (jnX) is a non-denominational and cross-cultural non-profit ministry based in the United States serving churches all over the world. It was founded by Anthony Chan with his wife Isabella and their two good friends who shared the same vision for music and worship ministry. For their Philippine ministry, three of the jnX team members (namely Bobby Medcalf, Daniel Chang, and Benjie Chan) joined Anthony and Isabella.

The three-day music seminar kicked off with a specialized instruments class during the morning session, which focused on



"Heart of Worship". Team leader Anthony Chan led the talks which addressed the main focus of worship God - be it in singing, preaching, and even during offertory.

Aside from learning to play the instruments, Jok also provided insights on Team Dynamics on the third day. Anthony Chan stressed that "in order to sound good, listening and being sensitive to each other is essential - from the back-up singers to the sound technicians."

A singing technique workshop capped off the music seminar. Volunteers gamely sampled different genres of songs as Anthony gave useful tips on how to sound better according to the type of songs sung.

"We feel very spoiled (our stay in Cebu) and if God permits, we hope to come back soon," Anthony remarked. Music committee chairperson Elizabeth Oh was also very glad with the turnout of the seminar. "The workshops were very much appreciated and people craved for more," Elizabeth commented. "I hope the ultimate purpose of their desire to learn more about music is to improve their services to the Lord," she added.

With the numerous positive feedbacks the music committee received, the committee will definitely find ways and means to bring them back soon!

...continued from page 16 (A New Level of Worship) care for one another. To care for our elderly brothers and sisters, and to look after our younger brothers and sisters in Christ. That is what God has challenged us through this workshop. There are different fellowships in a church but we serve and love one God. It is also my dream to someday see a fellowship of young and old serving our Lord together. To someday be able to worship together without being worried or flustered by ideals of people. To just worship together. Wouldn't that be great? So I challenge you now, as you have read this. Let us all boast in our Lord, together.

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## **PCGS Family on to a Spiritual Retreat**

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Rosemarie S. Castro

Each summer, before a new school year begins, teachers and staff would all be pouring their brain energies into planning and preparing for new challenges ahead of them. This school year is no exception. Last June 2-4. 2005, about 55 teachers and staff went on a three-day, two-night retreat at the El Salvador Beach Resort, Danao City. It was a time to refresh, to relax, and to recharge.

Indeed, those three days got the best from us. During ice-breaking or bonding sessions when everyone had loosened up, we seemed to forget that we were teachers and staff and acted more like elementary pupils during recess period. Food was abundant and the rooms were comfortable. Sunrise and sunset were such beautiful sights to behold that one could only gaze in awe and marvel at the Creator of all these.

This year's theme was "Expanding Your View: Seeing the World God's Way". The YWAM (Youth with a Mission) team helped in facilitating our small groups as we discussed spiritual lessons in a more personal and deeper level. Our main speaker was Rev. Douglas Sharpe of the YWAM team.

The team discussed three main points:

1. God, the Unshakable Foundation (based on Isaiah 40). The eternal truth is that God lovingly controls and cares for this world and its destiny. In this passage, we encounter the power, the wisdom, and most of all, the heart of our amazing God, and how these characteristics are expressed in His dealings with the world. Take time to worship God and His faithfulness to His creation. Tell Him about your difficult circumstances, put them into His hands and ask for help in trusting that He will take care of them. GOD IS IN CONTROL!!

2. Lies or truth? (based on Rom. 1:18-32; 12:1-2) Sometimes, we wonder why some people who have known God would later reject Him. Sin and the devil destroy relationships and some people blame God for that. That's sad. There may be areas in your life that God wants to challenge your way of thinking that would bring about a change in lifestyle. Ask the Lord to show you how He sees your behavior and how it makes Him feel. Ask Him to let you see what your attitude should be, to change your heart, and to help you face and accept His truth in this area in your life. BE TRANSFORMED BY THE RENEWING OF YOUR MIND.



The Fullness of His plan 3. (based on Colossians 1:9-29) God had created a good world for His own pleasure. People's sin has spoiled it, but God is now fixing it through the work of Jesus Christ. "to reconcile to Himself all things". Jesus is at the center of God's plan in restoring the world and its people to Himself. Thank God for Jesus and for what He did for us. Ask God to show you how to play your part in bringing redemption and reconciliation to the whole of God's creation. GOD IS FIXING ALL THAT'S BROKEN IN OUR WORLD.



regarding the retreat - how the Lord has spoken to them.

Working in an educational institution means investing one's life in shaping and molding young lives with the challenge of bringing the students to the center of God's will, thus reaching their fullest potentials for self-improvement, the good of society, and most of all, for the glory of our Maker. "Lord, teach me to see the world as You see it!" May this be our prayer as we truly follow and obey the one true God.

### Rose Marie Castro Guidance Counselor



The retreat last summer was truly a pleasant experience for me because I never expected things would turn out so great! The activities given were taken seriously as healthy competitions which somehow brought out hidden talents and the long-forgotten passions of the teachers. We didn't exactly give fabulous presentations, but the reconciled hearts and renewed spirits brought about by those experiences were far more valuable than any presentation. These and many more made this retreativery meaningful to me.

> Ms. Blesilgen Navarro Jeacher, Elementary Dept.

> > When I first heard that there was going to be a retreat for all the teachers and

staff, I was hesitant to join. I thought, "I am a new teacher. I can't imagine what it's like to be spending three days and two nights together with strangers." The thought alone already made me uncomfortable. That's exactly what happened during the first day. I felt very uneasy and had a lot of hesitations, fearing that I might be "out of place" or be misunderstood. I tried comforting myself by thinking that "I'm here to focus on God." God gave me the surprise of my life when on the second day I discovered that my new colleagues can be fun-to-be-with.

I'm thankful that God gave me time to enjoy the sweetness of His presence. Yes, "what a fellowship, what a joy divine," to just sit in His presence and listen to His words that gave me encouragement. Also, I am thankful for the experience of sharing with my co-teachers and staff. To God be the glory!

#### Ms. Faith Malvar Jeacher, Elementary Dept.

It was indeed a wonderful treat for me as a new member of the PCGS family, to bond and to share spiritual lessons with my colleagues. The retreat gave me the opportunity to enjoy and to commune with God. Moreover, the retreat also touched my life inspired me to accept the challenges that would come my way as I begin a new chapter of my career with PCGS. The theme, "Expanding Your View: Seeing the World God's Way," challenged me to see the path through which God is leading me. Right now, this path is leading me to the PCGS family which I believe, is a path for the good of my career and the strengthening of my relationship with God.

> Ms. Myra Monteclar Faculty, High School Dept.



W.W.J.D., *What would Jesus do*? This popular acronym on a popular bracelet came immediately to my mind when I read

the theme for this year's retreat. The theme challenged me to see the world God's way and to think and respond to situations God's way.

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"Lord, teach me to see the world as you see it!" is a simple prayer that God revealed to me in a very special way. It changed the way I pray. This revelation emphasized that God's perspective is far greater than my eyes could see. I am so blessed with this prayer.

God is truly the Unshakable Foundation. My own life bears witness 100% without a doubt that, He *is* the immovable foundation.... and I shall not be moved. Yes, He is all we need if we want to enjoy our journey in life. This revelation also made me realized that I am so blessed to be one of His precious children. He is the same yesterday, today and forevermore. He is in control of everything for He is the source of everything. Nothing and no one compares with God's stubborn love.

In every event in our lives, God will always speak and show us the way to His kingdom through His chosen children. I praise God for the PCGS administration for giving us this wonderful experience. The school's effort to give teachers a retreat every year made me realized that this institution is really in serious business with God. In my heart and mind, it is planted that this school is a good ground to plant seed that brings life. May God continue to give me strength and wisdom to do the ordinary work in extraordinary ways for His Glory!

### Mrs. Loreben Abaquita Faculty, High School Dept.



Joining the retreat was not an accident. It was the will of the Lord for me to be there. That was my first time to

join a retreat wherein I do not know anyone. I was a complete stranger when I joined the retreat. But by the grace of God, I managed to quickly relate and be a part of the family. Thank God for the teachers and staff - for their heart warming attitudes and very cool spirits. I was so touched by the messages of Rev. Sharpe. Glory to God... he was truly Spirit-filled and anointed. "GOP IS IN CONTROL", ISAIATI 40:29-30...... those were very heartwarming verses. Furthermore, the <u>5 THINGS - PEACE PLAN</u> gave me many insights in dealing with people who have caused pain and trouble in my life. God is also teaching me to "WAIT," to be patient, persevere and not to QUIT even if tribulations are coming my way. As the saying goes, "God did not promise us a smooth sailing journey, but the promises us safe landing."

It was a very nice retreat. It strengthened me spiritually, emotionally and professionally. It made me a better person for I realized that in God's perspective, I am special. I am forever thankful to God for this opportunity.

#### Miss Miah R. Cabarrubias Faculty, High School Dept.

God is in control. These are the words that struck me during our retreat at El Salvador. How then could I doubt God's plan for my life?

My first work after college was heaven sent. I didn't have to go through nerve-wracking interviews, send a number of application letters or even go through the agomy of joining job fairs.

Everything felt so right so I thought this must really be God's will for me. But months passed and things weren't even going half my expectations and I started asking God so many questions. Have You really called me to be a teacher? Have You really chosen this place for me? Were You really the One who sent me this work? Or was everything meant to be a disaster?

This made me spiritually siek and 9 needed God to heal me. The retreat was the perfect time. So with an open heart and mind, I listened to God and truly He never fails me and He never will. God gave me all the answers to my questions and He erased all my doubts. He told me to wait patiently and He reminded me once again of the purpose why He created me. He created me to teach, to learn, to lave, to inspire and to make a difference.

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記得幼時玩過光學的小耍貨- 萬花筒, 真 是很有趣味. 在光線透視下, 五彩繽紛, 變幻無 窮. 因此有人將它比喻愛情, 因它發射的光芒與 絢爛不亞於一般詩意的繪畫. 然而事物的美或醜 都有它的限制. 當萬花筒失掉了光輝, 就會是一 片的灰暗, 一絲美麗也看不到. 更可悲的, 如被 折開了, 只成三片玻璃, 及少許色彩的珠子、 盾或粹玻璃. 爱情的萬花筒也是三類東西來湊合, 需要有女性魅力色彩因素的珠子, 男人搭當強列 反應的鏡面和環境, 陪襯的光線等互相配合, 才 能發揮光耀奪目. 三缺其一就會冷落無筆.

<u>慕義和圍嬌</u>是一對自青梅竹馬長大、相愛而結合的夫妻,而且都是初戀後結合.<u>慕義</u>為人正直,意志軒昂,正義感很重,不畏屈勢利, 是能憐憫孤寡、孺弱的好律師.<u>圍嬌</u>卻是很重利 且好勝,喜逞強與有點固執.雨口子雖是夫妻, 意見卻陽奉陰違隨著流光飄逝,一度濃烈 的感情一直在降溫.一切的岐見齟齬、 爭端,累月積日不能化解,釀成來日 的風暴.終於不幸地橫掃在動盪中 的小家庭.

事情發生當時,<u>慕義</u>擔任一 位寡婦的律師,控告一個萬惡不 赦、專門魚肉社會一些六親無助 的人.案件對原告寡婦非常有利, 加以物證、人證俱在.而且訟師<u>墓</u> <u>義</u>和手下堅毅不留情,敗類注定必然 要失敗.為了扭轉逆勢和厄運,被告 使出元實的招致,用重金想通過<u>圍</u>續

勸説 | 丈夫放棄此案, 不料慕義是義重於 山,他做人的原則是不能爲情和錢搖撼,對不義 之財更無動於衷,他的決定倒觸怒了老婆,錯怪 及不满他太愚味軟弱,那有一大筆現款,可不費 吹毛之力,便可白白得到而竟拒絕,反而甘心樂 意願爲一個經濟拮据的新寡賣力?莫非瓜田李下, 老公有所染? 猜疑生忌妒, 醋意生忿怒, 一口氣 咬定自己推想是對的,心一橫就和這個被認爲太 無出息的丈夫一刀兩段仳离,就此勞燕分飛. 慕 義雖然贏了這使他犧牲沉重的官司,幫助了那個 極需要救助的孀婦,慕義卻決志遠离曾經是有朝 氣、喜樂,但後來使他心腸碎斷的是非之地,奔 向世界另一領域,開創新的人生,而圍嬌續在金 錢世界建造她的金字塔,陶醉在做女強人的夢. 幾年後,雖然她不可稱是登峰造極,尚能稱飛黃 騰達,多多少少有成就,在商界、社會上近似紅 人,個性也更跋扈。在經常出遊與商業考察,一 次她自泰 國轉往<u>狮</u>城,於機中 隣座邂逅一位衣冠 似大班的紳士,

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年齡約在知命

左右,因兩人都很健談,途中不乏 寞,下機時,這位紳士並自動幫她 下些手攜小行李,在檢查室,她倆還是 談吐風生,突然間,這位紳士臉一 露出不舒服,女強人關心問他有何事? 稱肚子痛、急須去洗手間。 並請求代保會 他手带的小皮箧,也不問女強人是否答應,使 將皮篋留下,轉身步向走廊通道去,幾分鐘過了 還不見紳士回來,而她的行李也開始受檢查. 她 不疑有詐, 索性連同那個皮筷呈上受檢查, 認為 那個紳士必會回來取他的行李,還會領她的人情. 她全部的旅行袋、皮箱、行李都順利過關、只有 那件受寄的皮箧,给她帶來極大麻煩,因内藏有 海洛因,雖然她堅持這皮箧是同機一個搭客臨時 寄交她, 据這紳士的自我介紹, 他姓伍, 是南洋 船務殷商. 這次是到日本、台灣, 取道馬來西

亞來星島觀光. 除以上幾點外, 其他的一 切她都不知道, 也沒有證據可證明她 的申辯. 星加坡的法律是森嚴也公 平. 對所有罪犯兇嫌的待遇是一視 同仁, 不論身份實賤, 貧富高低是 一樣款待. 這位一向驕矜, 好勝的 女人, 平生初嘗禁錮囹圄的味道. 此外, 尚面對上絞台的厄運, 因這 是星國法律的規定.

幾乎<u>狮</u>城聞名尖端的法學 家,能幹的律師們都受咨詢或受請 烏她辯護,以解救她免於一死.但一 般的意見,都認為取勝的機會很渺小.

在囚室等候高院自動復審時間的飄逝,似 乎蓄意缓慢. 一分一秒的流失, 像千針萬螫地刺 傷她的五臟六腑. 在她重金聘請法界的智囊圈, 及群訟師都束手無策,不能有效證明藏毒物皮箧 是別人交托給她,日曆一天一天被撕掉,刑期也 逐日挨近. 死亡的恐怖倒使一生驕傲成性的女強 人變得膽怯與脆弱,日子也過得很冷酷痛苦與難 受.她很想變成一隻小雀兒,在藍天自由飛翔, 然而幻想還是幻想, 直至一天, 教會探訪慰問團 到牢中播傳福音,她才領悟夫妻及人際應有的關 係與家庭中妻子的角色與責任,她也懺悔與深感 内疚不曾善待丈夫,不曉得珍惜重視外子的良 善、温存和包容, 她也深愧自己的人生也是一圈 糟.一直只爲自己的利益,不講理及蠻行,不懂 得和睦謙讓和人相處. 一連串的感慨湧上心頭, 使她不自主地嚎啕大哭,她也爲恥笑一度由律師 轉業爲牧師的丈夫而抱歉,當時她深以爲牧師比 律師更沒有前途,更沒有出息,現在她好像自醉 夢中清醒,深感她所扮演的人生是天大的糊塗, 對社會人群都沒有益處或貢獻, 對丈夫更是+足 (...下接第廿四頁)

紧的根本

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主耶穌將十條誠命分爲二部份.在 主耶穌將十條誠命分爲二部份.在 盡力、盡意愛主你的神,繼之説明 當愛人如己.是誠命的總網.在誠命中第 五條:「當孝敬父母,使你的日子在耶和華 你所賜你的地上得以長久.」(出 廿:12)這是第一條帶有應許的誠命.因而我們作 神的子民,當要時時省察内心,更要把内心裡面一 切不良思維的因素剷除掉.並以至誠的心遵行 「孝」道.

有個故事這樣說,張君在海外經營生意,忽然 接到電訊說他母親患病入醫院.於是他急速趕回 家鄉探望母親.當他母親病癒出院後,他須要返回 海外處理業務,然而他母親的身體還是很虚弱. 他放心不下,於是與他的堂嫂商酌,託付她代為照 顧他母親,並應許每月將匯款津貼他堂嫂.同時還 叮嚀他堂嫂要好好的照料他母親.他堂嫂.同時還 吃。就:「放心吧!我會照樣款待你母親,像我已故 婆婆一般.」卻不料他母親竟不斷地在抽噎.張君 感到莫名其妙,用疑惑眼光看著堂嫂,而他的堂嫂 便附在母親耳邊咕咕唧唧地說些甚麼,使他母親 破涕為笑,很滿意地接受他堂嫂照顧她.

張君感到一陣迷霧,趁著他堂嫂不在時向他母親追究因由.於是他母親向他透露說:「你不知道你堂嫂是個不孝的媳婦.當她婆婆在世時,視她如同外人,經常冷語諷刺她婆婆.她婆婆忍不住氣惱,竟憂郁而逝!」張君仍不解其中迷惘,追問她說:「那麼當時她附在你耳朵耳上說些甚麼?竟使你改變主意.」張母說:「後來她附在我耳邊對我說:要照料我如同照料她親女兒一般.」張君聞後很是氣憤:「豈有此理! 竟敢把我的母親如同她的女兒一般,我要與理論.」張母急的阻撓他說:「你不知道,她款待她女兒如同女皇一般,要甚麼便給甚麼.只有唯命是從,有這樣的待遇我怎 會不滿意!」張君感到茫然,誠然是啼笑皆非!

而今社會,倫序顛倒,層出不窮.有些人心被財 貨和名利蒙蔽,對待父母或公婆,眛著良知,極盡 吝嗇.雖然在大庭廣眾面前彬彬有禮,非常恭順, 其實盡是虛偽掩飾而已.雖然對父母很厭煩,但對 父母的產業卻是貪得無厭.對於孝道沒有純誠,對 其他親戚、朋友、業務夥伴更難分曉.

我國唐朝時代有位孝順的婦人,名叫唐雲釵. 眼看她婆婆-崔老太太,牙茜掉光了,不能吃飯.那 時候唐雲釵已有一個女兒,兩個兒子.她不忍眼看 婆婆將要餓死,忍著疼 爱幼子的心,每早起床 後就走到堂上,把自己 的奶餵給崔老太太,卻 用稀飯餵她的幼兒,崔 老太太因爲只吃人奶. 不吃米飯,所以身體一 直很健康,可是她的兒 子,因爲沒有奶吃,餓 得又黃又瘦.最後她只 好忍痛、將幼兒送給別 人撫養、自己專心餵婆 婆吃奶,過了幾年,崔 老太太忽然生起病來. 就召集家裡大人小孩, 然後向他們宣佈說:



「我一直受到媳婦的殷勤照顧,也沒有甚麼可以 報答她.但願子子孫孫的媳婦,一個個都像她孝敬 我一樣的孝順她,我心裡就很滿足了.」

從此以後,他們都把這件事當做家訓,世世代 代流傳下去.當唐雲銀的長子-山南長大成人,並 且考中狀元.當皇帝召見山南的時候,山南就把母 親怎樣孝順婆婆的事告訴了皇帝.於是皇帝就下 命令給唐雲銀立了一個牌坊,並且封她爲賢后夫 人.

俗語說:「求忠臣於孝子之門」.在現今的時代,雖然忠君的思想已經破除,但對於國家、社 會、朋友、以及其他業務上的關連,仍然要有忠 心.倘若作兒女的,對父母;或作兒媳的,對公婆沒 有孝心;他怎樣對所負責職務能忠心呢?假若在 他表面上看來很有忠心,那可能是騙局,是有不明 的企圖.在他的思想上、行爲上,難免會出現許多 的錯謬.

現將人際關係描述如下,互相勉勵:

一.對父母-兒女是上帝託付的、因此要尊重 兒女的人格、照著神的教訓和警戒養育 兒女!對兒女、或兒媳-孝敬父母或公 婆、在主裡聽父母或公婆.(弗六:4及 六:2)

二.對丈夫-敬重妻子、愛妻子、好像自己保 養願惜身體一樣;對妻子-敬重丈夫、凡 事順服丈夫、能同甘 共苦、維持家 庭過著和 諧及幸

福生活.(弗五:25及五:22)

- 三.對兄弟姊妹-彼此相愛、彼此互助.「看 哪,弟兄和睦同居,是何等的善,何等的美. 這好比貴重的油,浇在亞倫的頭上,流到鬍 鬚,又流到他們的衣襟.」(詩一三三:1-2)
- 四.對朋友-要有眞誠的情誼,忠實胸懷,切忌 互相欺詐.「要愛人如已」(太廿二:39)
- 五.對主人或上司-要尊重工人或下屬,不可傷 害人家的自尊心,因為神是每個人的主, 在地位上是平等的.不可仗勢威嚇、欺壓 他們,因爲知道他們和你們同有一位主在 天上,祂不偏待人.對工人或下屬-要懼怕 戰競、用誠實的心、聽從你們肉身的主 人,好像聽從基督一般....要像基督的僕 人、從心裡遵行神的旨意,因爲各人所行 的善事....都必按所行的得主的賞賜.(弗 六:5-9)

略述路得之美麗感人的故事.在伯利恆的一個 家庭中,以利米勒與妻拿俄米攜帶二子爲避餓荒, 投奔摩押地寄居.不過摩押人是拜偶像的. 十年後,以利米勒與兩個兒子都先後死了. 路得是拿俄米媳婦之一.

拿俄米對路得說:「看哪,你嫂子已經回她本國,回到她的神那裡去了、你 也跟著你嫂子回去罷.」路得說:「不 催我回去不跟隨你,你往那裡去,我也在 那裡去...你的國就是我的國,你的神說 是我的神...除非死能使你我相離.不然, 願耶和華重重的降罰與我.」(得一:13-17)

路得有崇高的觀念,追隨婆婆拿俄米同 返伯利恆,表顧出稀有的情分與孝心.她愛拿俄 米的國,爲神所選立的國,她愛拿俄米的家,爲神 所建立的家.且爲將來救主降臨的地.因此神特別 祝福她,成爲大衛王的曾祖母.

主耶穌吩咐信徒:「燈要點著放在燈台上」, 凡是身為主的信徒,有如點著燈,不但一家光亮, 達鄰含也被光照,得著良好的影響.

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(...上接第廿二頁"愛情的萬花筒")

刻薄,也虧欠神的隆恩.她渴望尚在世僅存不多時日中,仍能當面向老公表達内心的悔恨懺悔, 並請求他原諒與恕宥她的前非, 免死得不瞑目.

事情發生有時也很湊巧. 被妻子逐出的墓 義、離開是非之地後、在獅城進修神學後、做了 一間教會的神僕,他認爲新的工場較廣闊,能多 拯救無數失喪的靈魂,比之做律師只能有限爲少 数人申冤及打不平,感念一夜夫妻百年恩,<u>慕義</u> 带著一顆傷口未癒的心去見<u>凰矯</u>,二人内心都泛 起各不同沉痛情緒. 她憔悴目中無神,聲音低, 講話很吃力, 她懇切求老伴當她的律師, 即使不 能解脱罪状,好像吃刑前的告別飯,她也甘心. 满面淚痕,樣子很悽苦,也說得很傷感. 在情在 義,他不忍心推辭一個將要死的人之哀求,且有 一點,他肯定圓矯説的是實話,從他倆幾十年的 相處、她未曾撒過謊,而且相信鳥將死、其啼必 哀;人将亡,其言亦善,於是他決心重新「披 甲」爲前妻子在法庭上征戰. 他教導她要不停祈 禱,求主給他力量、亮光、聰明和智慧能尋到良 策去爭訟,另一方面,他請求教會人士同心爲這 件事合力祈禱,法庭批准他緊急的請願,給他短 短的三週時間尋找新證據,他記得歷代志下20章 20-23節、這裡記載當時約沙法的國面臨摩押 人、亞捫人、米烏尼人的聯合攻擊,他求告耶和 華而戰勝敵人.因「信靠神的必站得穩,也必亨 通. \_ 神的光也啓智他機巧地查尋有力新證據. 慕義也抓住時間去獅城機場借取圍嬌抵達那個 月裡、機場拍攝的錄影

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没有記錄甚麼日

期 時間與航班

所屬,所以得全部拿來映看,只希望有關的那一錄影帶尚保存完整. 機場的規則,錄影帶只保留 四個月,超期便擦掉. 但願情形是這樣,希望才 不會成泡影,此案才有可能的轉機.

由於期限很短暂與迫促、每分每秒鐘都必 需爭取. <u>慕義整</u>天聚精會神觀看一部又一部的錄 影带,甚至廢寢忘食,有時通宵達旦.燃眉之急, 他被折磨得精神疲憊睏乏,他總是沖杯熱濃茶飲 或弄個熱面巾抹面,以提神醒腦.然而這些物理 治療,有時也會失去振奮的功效,因他的確太疲 倦,而常在椅子上打瞌睡,當驚醒時,已錯過一 大半的影帶,必需重映,就在這種情況下,一個 寒夜三更,啓開矇矓眼,發現錄影帶不知幾時已 映完. 他自坐位站起来, 伸一下酸軟蜷曲的身體, 打個呵欠,數下熱面巾,再振作精神繼續看下去. 突然間,<u>慕義</u>失態從沙發跳起來,並嚷著「有救 了!」, 當時正播映妻子在等候時, 一個魁梧紳 士樣的男人把一件手提包給她的實貝鏡頭. 他漏 夜預備公文, 連同這匣有關鍵物質影帶和資料, 呈交檢察處來反駁,推翻控方的冤曲,在千斤一 髮時, 圍嬌的生命被揀回來.

神愛世人是無微不至, 祂改造驕矜跋扈的 人用心也是至苦. 有時用鞭打和其他的試煉給你 餒志、消沉、失意, 甚至可能絕望. 但當人能知 錯悔改, 神會使你枊暗花明又見一村, 重新得力, 重新做人.

這對夫妻愛情的萬花筒,曾經一度在陰暗 中消失它的光彩,幸在神的眞光照耀下重新發射 美麗奪目的光芒,哈利路啊! 25

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O Lord, O Lord I lift up to You My troubles, my pain all to You Please...help me in all I do Please...help give the glory earned to You. And I'll give the glory earned to You.

Thank you Lord...for answering me I know you love me cause you told me You're always there to listen and hear My troubles and pain I lift up in prayer.

I know you're there cause you answer prayers I love you Lord and you know it too Hear me...Lord these I lift to You My troubles and pain all to You.

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#### ACROSS

- Where Jesus, his mother, his brothers and disciples went after aneoding the wedding at Cana
- 9. He rebuilt Jericho at the cost of his two sons
- Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord' will \_\_\_\_ the kingdom of heaven, but only he who does the will of my Father
- 12. One of the seven chosen to help the 12 apostles (Acts 6:5)
- 14. Mother
- 15. Water in solid state
- 16. Inflame with love
- 18. Traveled hurriedly
- 20. Yes in Spanish 21. God he the
- 21. \_\_\_ God he the glory!
   23. Acorn, chestnut, hazelnut, etc.
- 25. Connecticut (abbr)
- 27. Ritardando (Music)
- 29. She and her family alone
- survived the fall of Jericho 31. U.S. supercraft that landed men
- on the moon

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- 32. Father in Tagalog
- 33. Having a sound, healthy mind
- 34. Book of maps 36. Ampere-Hour
- 37. A flower
- 38. Musical note

### DOWN

- He is the way, the truth and the life, no one comes to the Pather except through Him
- 2. Artificial Intelligence
- 3. He denied Jesus 3 times
- 4. High priest of Israel when
- Samuel was still a young boy 5. Gas used in advertisement lights
- 6. Father -in-law of Calaphas
- 7. Utah (abbr.)
- 8. A reminder
- 11. Seldom found
- 13. List of food
- 17. Daughter of Saul and first wife of David
- 19. Grows on the head of a deer
- 22. Sister-in-law of Ruth
- 24. Where Paul saw a vision of a man of Maccdonia (Acts 16)
- 26. Judah's daughter-in-law
- 28. Electrically charged particle
- 30. Fundamental part
- 31. King of Judah who is the father of Jehoshaphat
- 35. Musical note

Answers:





"I'd love to enter the land flowing with milk and honey, but I'm betase intolerant."

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### WHICH DISTURBS YOU MOST?

A soul in Hell... or a scratch in your car? Your missing the worship service... or missing a day's work?

- A sermon that's 10 minutes long... or lunch half hour late?
- A church not growing... or your garden not growing?
- Your Bible unopened... or your newspaper unread?
- The church work being neglected... or housework neglected? Missing a good Bible study.... or your favorite TV program?
- The millions who do not know Christ... or your inability to keep up with your neighbors.
- The cry of the multitude for bread... or your desire for another piece of German chocolate cake?
- Your tithes decreasing ... or your income decreasing?
- Your children late for Sunday School and Church...or late for school?

### Which really disturbs you most?

"LORD, disturb me and make me reflect on the more significant things in life. Remind me that people are more important than things, and Your Word the most important of all. As You guide me let me choose to do Your will and follow what is right. Leave me not to walk alone. May Your wisdom guide me as ever, for I dare not trust my own. What will I gain if going my own way I'd miss Your great plan for me? Break my will to match Yours, Lord, so that I may be one with You in everything I choose to think and do."



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