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Called to be Anointed and
Faithful Stewards

Mothers, Our Living Legacies

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BY SENIOR PASTOR PRINCE GUNERATNAM

***The Scriptures tells us,
“The first man, Adam
became a living person.
But the last Adam –
that is, Christ – is a life-giving
Spirit. Adam, the first man,
was made from the dust
of the earth, while Christ,
the second man, came from
heaven. Earthly people are
like the earthly man,
and heavenly people are
like the heavenly man.”
(1 Corinthians 15:45, 47-48).***

The first Adam failed to be the man he was created to be. The Bible says, God created man to be a living soul, but man sinned by disobedience. To sin is to miss the mark. The penalty of sin is death. The world defines the first Adam by his physique, his strength, his material success and his status in society. The Bible describes the first Adam as wretched and perishing, *“And I know that nothing good lives in me, that is, in my sinful nature. I want to do what is right, but I can’t. I want to do*

what is good, but I don’t. I don’t want to do what is wrong, but I do it anyway. But if I do what I don’t want to do, I am not really the one doing wrong; it is sin living in me that does it. Oh, what a miserable person I am! Who will free me from this life that is dominated by sin and death?” (Romans 7:18-20, 24). The first Adam, because of his sinful nature is incapable of being a righteous man, pleasing to God. This man has life but lives by his carnal nature that leads to death even though he may have a form of godliness (2 Timothy 3:5).

The Bible compares the first man with Jesus Christ, the Second Adam, who came to redeem us. The Bible says, *“Do not let sin control the way you live; and do not give in to sinful desires. Do not let any part of your body become an instrument of evil to serve sin. Instead, give yourselves completely to God, for you were dead, but now you have new life. So use your whole body as an instrument to do what is right for the glory of God. Sin is no longer your master, for you no longer live under the requirements of the law. Instead, you live under the freedom of God’s grace”* (Romans 6:12-14). Those who are redeemed in Christ live the life God intended for them to live, living a positive and victorious life over their sinful nature and is pleasing to God.

Every man must decide who he belongs to, whether to the first Adam, who lives a sinful carnal lifestyle or the Second Adam, Jesus Christ, who has redeemed us from sin and death and lives by God’s grace through faith, a righteous life pleasing to God (Ephesians 2:8). The Bible gives us the differences between the first Adam and Second Adam.

1. THE REDEEMED MAN ACCEPTS HIS RESPONSIBILITY TO LIVE THE LIFE GOD INTENDED FOR HIM

The Bible gives us the account of the fall of the first man, Adam, *“The Lord God placed the man in the Garden of Eden to tend and watch*



over it. But the Lord God warned him, “You may freely eat the fruit of every tree in the garden— except the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. If you eat its fruit, you are sure to die” (Genesis 2:15-17). “The serpent was the shrewdest of all the wild animals the Lord God had made. One day he asked the woman, “Did God really say you must not eat the fruit from any of the trees in the garden?” “Of course we may eat fruit from the trees in the garden,” the woman replied. “It’s only the fruit from the tree in the middle of the garden that we are not allowed to eat. God said, ‘You must not eat it or even touch it; if you do, you will die.’” “You won’t die!” the serpent replied to the woman. “God knows that your eyes will be opened as soon as you eat it, and you will be like God, knowing both good and evil.” The woman was convinced. She saw that the tree was beautiful and its fruit looked delicious, and she wanted the wisdom it would give her. So she took some of the fruit and ate it. Then she gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it, too” (Genesis 3:1-6). Such temptations are common to man today, the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes and the pride of life. The first Adam failed to take responsibility and reject passivity in his role as a man and a husband. Adam failed in his responsibility to protect and support his wife at her time of need by exercising his God-given headship and leadership but chose to follow her in disobedience.

In contrast, the Second Adam, Jesus Christ, when tempted in the wilderness (Luke 4:1-13), He responded with the Word of God. Men in Christ know the Word of God and do the will of God. They understand their role and know their responsibilities. They are called to be the priest of their household, to know and teach the Word of God (1 Peter 2:9). They are to love, protect and provide for their families.

Paul says to those who are in Christ Jesus, “Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men. And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross” (Philippians 2:5-8 NKJV). Men who are in Christ are not passive to social and spiritual depravity but accept their responsibilities in living the life that God intended for them.

2. THE REDEEMED MAN IS A LEADER AND IS COURAGEOUS

The Bible says, “But I want you to know that the head of every man is Christ, the head of woman is man, and the head of Christ is God” (1 Corinthians 11:3 NKJV). Men are created to take leadership with courage. The first man Adam failed to be a courageous leader and the

head of his family when tempted. Instead, he allowed his wife to lead in what was specifically his role that resulted in the fall of the human race.

The Second Adam, Jesus Christ is our example (Luke 4:1-13):

- Jesus proved to be master over His passion when He refused to give in to the lust of the flesh when Satan requested Him to turn the stones to bread, since He was the Son of God, and the pride of life, when He was tempted to be given the kingdoms of this world if He would worship Satan.
- Jesus knew the Word of God. He said, *“Get behind Me, Satan! For it is written, You shall worship the Lord your God, and Him only you shall serve”* (Luke 4:8 NKJV). Jesus had the courage to confront Satan and not surrender like the first Adam.
- Jesus was humble. He came to serve. Jesus said, *“You shall not tempt the Lord your God... and Him only you shall serve”* (Luke 4:12, 8b NKJV).

Men’s responsibility is not merely to be the breadwinner of the family but to be a priest in



his home, a prophet of God to proclaim God’s Word and a king to rule godly in his home when a crisis takes place (Revelation 1:6). He is to teach the Word of God and give direction to his family, being a leader and head of the family to provide confidence and safety.

3. THE REDEEMED MAN LOOKS FORWARD WITH JOY TO HIS REWARD

God designed manhood to be liberating and rewarding. The responsibility of a man was never intended to be burdensome. Men in Christ do the will of God with joy. The Bible says, *“Therefore, we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnared us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God”* (Hebrews 12:1-2 NKJV). Doing the will of God gives us vision, purpose and fulfilment in life. The call to man as God intended is more than just carrying out responsibilities and making sacrifices. It is in principle a call to a life of freedom to live, love and serve God and our neighbour. Satan succeeded in deceiving the first Adam that rob God’s intended purpose for man to be real men after the Second Adam, Jesus Christ. However, the responsibility and choice lie with each one of us.

Let us choose to be God’s intended men after the Second Adam, Jesus Christ, to live as victors over the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eye and the pride of life. The Bible says, *“I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me”* (Philippians 4:13 NKJV).

All Bible quotations are in the New Living Translation, unless otherwise indicated.

CALVARY CHURCH celebrates 50 YEARS

2018 MARKS THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY
OF CALVARY CHURCH.

IN CONJUNCTION WITH THIS SIGNIFICANT
MILESTONE, CALVARYNEWS WILL
BE FEATURING 50 TESTIMONIES
OF CALVARITES THROUGHOUT 2018.

BE BLESSED BY THESE TESTIMONIES...

ENCOURAGED TO STEP INTO THE UNKNOWN AND BELIEVE

I started attending Calvary Church in 2000, out of convenience, as I was attending part-time classes nearby on Sundays. Then my wife started attending as well, in 2004, and we were married here in 2005. What was meant to be a transient part of my life became a 15-year (and still counting) journey of my spiritual walk with God.

Since then, I have experienced many spiritual blessings. One of the greatest happened in 2016. During a Sunday Worship Service altar call, God impressed upon my heart His promises in Psalm 24. That encounter gave me the desire to venture into a new business model and develop a new product that was unheard of.

From an economic perspective, the timing could not be worse. Furthermore, there were additional family financial commitments. The thought of starting a new business felt like stepping out of my comfort zone into the unknown. With prayers, faith in God and encouragement I received from brothers and sisters in Christ, I took that step. Since then, God has never failed me and has directed every step.



Richard and his wife, Karen

In April 2017, I founded my company and through His divine provision and favour, I was awarded a government grant in August 2017 to fund my startup project. God also provided very talented people from India and the United Kingdom to help build my product. In less than 12 months since conceptualization, it is now commercially ready to be marketed. Glory to God!

Richard Chew

THE JOY OF SERVING AT CALVARY CHURCH!

I was saved in 1998 at Calvary Church, and since then, I have been nurtured through the Word of God. The leadership training and guidance provided has tremendously shaped who I am today and helped me serve effectively as a Women Life Group's Sectional Leader and Calvary Convention Centre (CCC) Fundraising Committee member.

I first got to know of Calvary Church's building project when I was a young Life Group leader at our Ampang Satellite Church. One afternoon, a group of us made a trip to the Bukit Jalil Recreation Park. Standing across the road, we stretched out our hands in prayer towards the site and that moment was the turning point for me as my special journey with CCC began. I caught the vision Calvary Church had, of building this mammoth edifice.



I want to specially thank God and our Church leadership for the faith, trust and opportunity given to serve in the CCC Fundraising Committee since 2005. When the building of CCC commenced, I was given opportunities to serve as chairperson for several major fundraising projects. I learned that serving God is not about my capability but my availability and obedience to serve when called.

Now, here we commune every week in this beautiful building through the Lord's grace and provision. All glory and honour to the Great and Mighty God we serve!

Veronica See

CALVARY'S IMPACT ON MY LIFE

Following my acceptance of Jesus Christ as my Lord and Saviour, I practically grew up in Calvary Church. Here, I was taught the essential disciplines of worship, diligent prayer, Bible study and dependence on the Holy Spirit to grow continuously in the Lord.

The School of Christian Growth and Asian Institute of Ministry programme provided me with a strong foundation for my ministry training. With the heartbeat of evangelism and missions ingrained to me, I eventually found my calling to full-time ministry as a pastor and went on to Bible schools (Bible College Malaysia and Regent College).



Rev. Deborah and her husband, Frederick

Calvary Church has given me guidance, support and even financial resources during my time of ministry in Canada. I thank the Lord for providing leaders at Calvary Church who are, among many other attributes, excellent role models of purpose with vision, faith, passion and love for Jesus.

My husband and I can truly call Calvary Church our spiritual home on earth. We are truly blessed to be Calvarites and are grateful for what the Lord has done in us and for us. We want to thank all our pastors and friends for their love and encouragement. We pray for the Lord's richest blessings and His mighty hand of anointing over the church. All glory be to God, now and forever!

Rev. Deborah Chien

(Pastor of Westside Pentecostal Church, Vancouver, Canada)

CALVARY CHURCH, MY PRECIOUS SPIRITUAL HOME

I first came to Calvary Church in the 1970's. A defining moment was in 1999, when I was accepted into the Asian Institute of Ministry (AIM). It was, for me, an introduction to the tremendous wealth of the Christian faith. I learnt about God, His Word, faith and the life transforming power of the Holy Spirit. Under the AIM student mission practicum, I went to the Philippines, Bangkok, and Sri Lanka. I experienced for the first time the potential of Christian missions.

After AIM, I signed up for a year's experience under the Living Sacrifice Programme. For 12 months, I was an AIM librarian and mission guide for AIM students. In that first year, the AIM library and church became like home. These were some of the happiest days of my life, and the library became a place of quiet.



I was also asked to teach at the School of Christian Growth (SCG) as part of my walk in Calvary Church. This was a startling assignment for me. How could I do this from a place of such theological ignorance? Since SCG leadership was persuasive, and I was after all a "Living Sacrifice", it was not something I could turn down. What a blessing it was teaching at SCG!

Writing this testimony has caused me to look back at how Calvary Church came to be my precious spiritual home. I continue to find opportunities for ministry, friendship and guidance. I am truly blessed.

Dolly Chye

CALVARY CHURCH AND I

Calvary Church is like a second home to me. I started my spiritual journey about 15 years ago at Calvary Church, Damansara Heights, where I accepted Christ as my personal Saviour. Since then, God has been with me at every step. He prepared and guided me from a new believer to being a Life Group leader. Calvary Church has provided me with many avenues to serve God and bear good fruits. I thank God and the Church for having me as part of God's family and Kingdom.



God is also unceasingly providing and meeting my needs. In 2016, I was called to be part of the organizing committee for Journey to Jerusalem 3 (J2J3). When I accepted the call, I was not even sure if my wife and I would be able to join the group to Jerusalem. In faith, I continued to serve Him and look upon Him for provision while the pastors encouraged and prayed for me. God is so good and amazing! He provided, and there we found ourselves in Jerusalem. Praise God and all Glory to Him.

Matthew 6:33 says, "Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and live righteously, and he will give you everything you need."

Wong Yih Mun

CALLED TO BE ANOINTED AND FAITHFUL STEWARDS

BY GRACE TAM



Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam closing in prayer

On Monday night, 30 April 2018 and Tuesday morning, 1 May 2018, the leaders and ministry servers of Calvary Church gathered to attend the Church Summit, themed “The Position for Growth”.

The Summit began with a powerful message about the leader’s position as a servant and a steward. The distinction between a servant and a steward was highlighted and we were taught about our role as an ‘under-rower’ servant as well as a faithful steward who is required to manage the Lord’s household (1 Corinthians 4:1-2).

The following day, we delved into the paradigm of Kingdom order and the church’s position for

anointing. We learned about our different roles to equip and prepare others for ministry work (Ephesians 4:11-12). We were also blessed with the depiction that when oil flows down, it collects at the hem of the garment, the lowest point. Similarly, when we are at our lowest, this is where God’s anointing is concentrated (Psalm 133:1-3).

This Church Summit was indeed a wonderful experience for all who attended. The Word of God spoken to us and the time of fellowship in between sessions have both encouraged and refreshed us. We thank God for all that He has done and taught us during these two days.



A time of breakfast and hearty fellowship on Tuesday morning

Fellowshipping around the tables





Worshipping the Lord on Monday night



Bishop Dr. Kenneth Ulmer sharing inspiring messages



Associate Pastor Yong Chee Weng conducting a Q&A session with Bishop Ulmer



Attendees praying in groups of twos





Sister Petrina sharing an amusing story before her message



The five and six year old children expressing their love for their mothers through an action song "I Love You, Mom"

MOTHERS, OUR LIVING LEGACIES

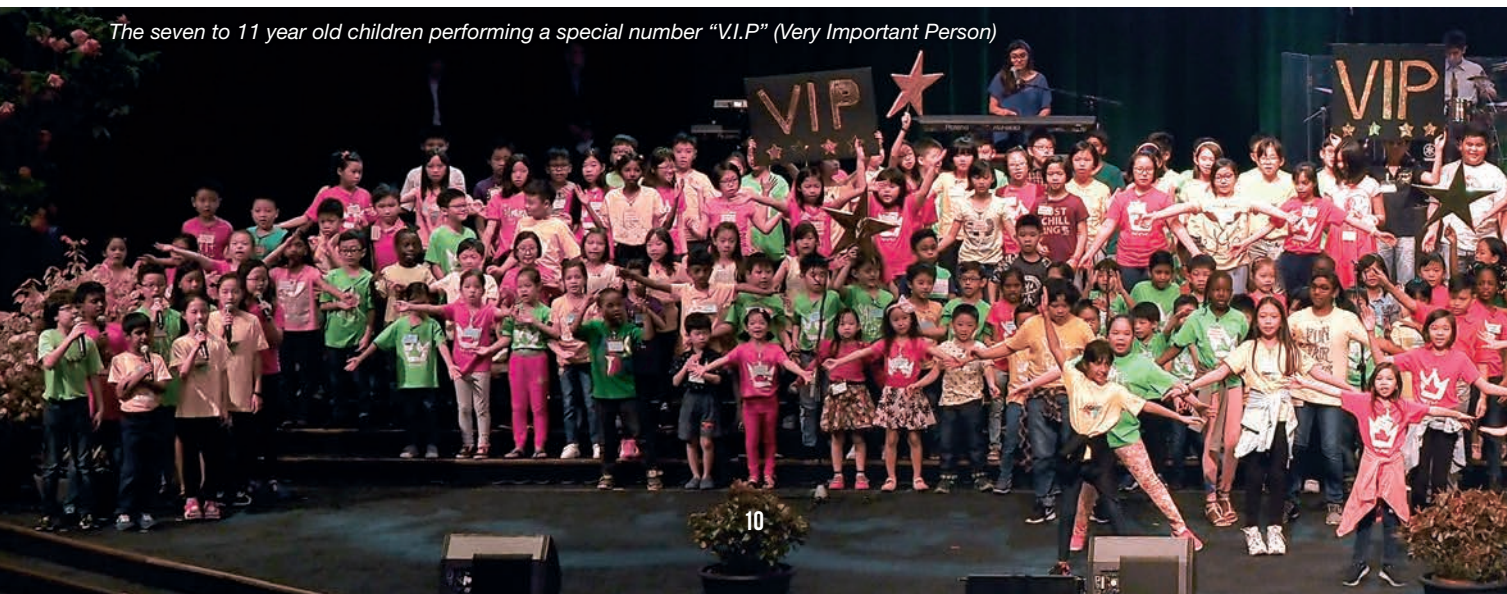
BY MELISSA SAMUEL

This particular Sunday morning, 13 May 2018, was filled with the glowing faces of mothers shining down upon their children as they were wished a loving "Blessed Mother's Day!" The entire congregation was delighted by the five and six year olds who declared through a special number that they L-O-V-E their mothers and the seven to 11 year old children who grooved about their mums who are VIPs. Each mother was presented with a hand-sewn notebook as a token of appreciation from the Church.

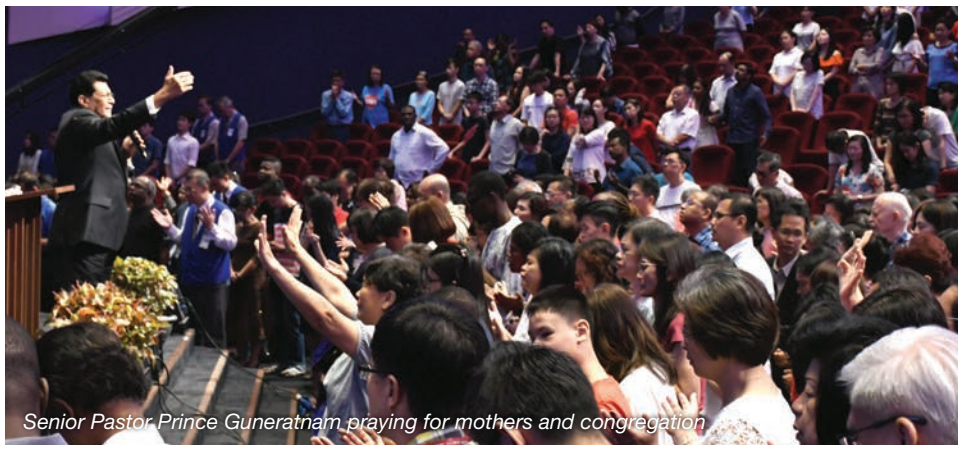
Senior Associate Pastor Petrina Guneratnam then brought the message on 'Legacy'. Legacies are rare and special, imparted over the course of a lifetime and a spiritual legacy is the most priceless gift a mother can pass on to her children.

She shared about people who have left us physically, but their legacy remains. Sister Petrina expanded on two starkly different mothers in the Bible – one who sought revenge and passed that sentiment to her daughter (Mark 6:17-28) while the other left a legacy of great faith (Matthew 15:22-28). The latter legacy was then elaborated to show us that faith cries out for mercy, hopes, crosses barriers, is humble and most importantly, triumphs!

She quoted a wonderful truth that 'faith does not deny the reality of our difficulties but declares the power of God in the midst of our difficulties'. Indeed, it was an encouraging message for all of us to pass down legacies that are genuine, demonstrating the power, love and wisdom of God.



The seven to 11 year old children performing a special number "V.I.P" (Very Important Person)



Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam praying for mothers and congregation



Joyful mothers receiving their gifts



ADAM KEDUA — YESUS KRISTUS

OLEH PENDITA KANAN PRINCE GUNERATNAM

Alkitab memberitahu kita, “...Manusia pertama, Adam menjadi makhluk yang hidup”, tetapi Adam yang akhir – iaitu, Kristus adalah roh yang menghidupkan. Adam, manusia pertama berasal dari debu tanah dan bersifat jasmani, sementara Kristus, manusia kedua berasal dari sorga. Makhluk-makhluk alamiah sama dengan dia yang berasal dari debu tanah dan makhluk-makhluk sorgawi sama dengan Dia yang berasal dari sorga (1 Korintus 15:45, 47-48).

Adam pertama gagal untuk menjadi manusia yang direncanakan dari ciptaan Tuhan. Alkitab berkata, Tuhan mencipta manusia untuk menjadi satu jiwa yang hidup, tetapi manusia berdosa kerana ketidaktaatannya. Berdosa bermakna pelanggaran. Hukuman dosa adalah maut. Dunia mendefinisikan Adam pertama dengan fisiknya, kekuatannya, kejayaan kebendaannya dan statusnya di masyarakat. Alkitab menggambarkan Adam pertama sebagai orang yang celaka dan binasa, “Sebab aku tahu, bahwa di dalam aku, yaitu di dalam aku sebagai manusia, tidak ada sesuatu yang baik. Sebab kehendak memang ada di dalam aku, tetapi bukan hal berbuat apa yang baik. Sebab bukan apa yang aku kehendaki, yaitu yang baik, yang aku perbuat, melainkan apa yang tidak aku kehendaki, yaitu yang jahat, yang aku perbuat. Jadi jika aku berbuat apa yang tidak aku kehendaki, maka bukan lagi aku yang memperbuatnya, tetapi dosa yang diam di dalam aku. Aku, manusia celaka! Siapakah yang akan melepaskan aku dari tubuh maut ini?” (Roma 7:18-20, 24). Adam pertama, kerana sifatnya yang berdosa tidak mampu menjadi manusia yang saleh, menyenangkan Tuhan. Manusia ini memiliki kehidupan namun hidup dengan sifat kedagingannya yang mengarah pada kematian meskipun ia mungkin memiliki bentuk kesalehan (2 Timotius 3: 5).

Alkitab membandingkan manusia pertama dengan Yesus Kristus, Adam Kedua, yang datang untuk menebus kita. Alkitab berkata, “Sebab itu hendaklah dosa jangan berkuasa lagi di dalam tubuhmu yang fana, supaya kamu jangan lagi menuruti keinginannya. Dan janganlah kamu menyerahkan anggota-anggota tubuhmu kepada dosa untuk dipakai sebagai senjata kelaliman, tetapi serahkanlah dirimu kepada Tuhan sebagai orang-orang, yang dahulu mati, tetapi yang sekarang hidup. Dan serahkanlah anggota-anggota tubuhmu kepada Tuhan untuk menjadi senjata-senjata kebenaran. Sebab kamu tidak akan dikuasai lagi oleh dosa, karena kamu tidak berada di bawah hukum Taurat, tetapi di bawah kasih karunia” (Roma 6:12-14). Mereka yang ditebus di dalam Kristus menjalani kehidupan yang Tuhan inginkan bagi mereka untuk hidup, menjalani kehidupan yang positif dan berkemenangan atas sifat dosa mereka dan menyenangkan bagi Tuhan.

Setiap orang harus memutuskan siapa empunya dirinya, sama ada kepada Adam pertama, yang menjalani gaya hidup kedagingan yang berdosa atau Adam Kedua, Yesus Kristus, yang telah menebus kita dari dosa dan kematian dan hidup oleh kasih karunia Tuhan melalui iman, kehidupan yang saleh yang menyenangkan bagi Tuhan (Efesus 2: 8). Alkitab memberi kita perbezaan antara Adam pertama dan Adam Kedua.

1. MANUSIA YANG DITEBUS MENERIMA TANGGUNGJAWABNYA UNTUK HIDUP KEHIDUPAN YANG TUHAN YANG MAKSUDKAN BAGINYA

Alkitab memberi kita kisah tentang jatuhnya manusia pertama, Adam, “TUHAN Tuhan mengambil manusia itu dan menempatkannya dalam taman Eden untuk mengusahakan dan memelihara taman itu. Lalu TUHAN Tuhan memberi perintah ini kepada manusia: “Semua pohon dalam taman ini boleh kau makan buahnya dengan bebas, tetapi pohon pengetahuan tentang yang baik dan yang jahat itu, janganlah kau makan buahnya, sebab pada hari engkau memakannya, pastilah engkau mati”” (Kejadian 2:15-17). “Adapun ular ialah yang paling cerdik dari segala binatang di darat yang dijadikan oleh TUHAN Tuhan. Ular itu berkata kepada perempuan itu: “Tentulah Tuhan berfirman: Semua pohon dalam taman ini jangan kamu makan buahnya, bukan?” Lalu sahut perempuan itu kepada ular itu: “Buah pohon-pohonan dalam taman ini boleh kami makan, tetapi tentang buah pohon yang ada di tengah-tengah taman, Tuhan berfirman: ‘Jangan kamu makan ataupun raba buah itu, nanti kamu mati.’” Tetapi ular itu berkata kepada perempuan itu: “Sekali-kali kamu tidak akan mati, tetapi Tuhan mengetahui, bahwa pada waktu kamu memakannya matamu



akan terbuka, dan kamu akan menjadi seperti Tuhan, tahu tentang yang baik dan yang jahat.” Perempuan itu melihat, bahwa buah pohon itu baik untuk dimakan dan sedap kelihatannya, lagipula pohon itu menarik hati karena memberi pengertian. Lalu ia mengambil dari buahnya dan dimakannya dan diberikannya juga kepada suaminya yang bersama-sama dengan dia, dan suaminya pun memakannya (Kejadian 3:1-6). Percobaan-percobaan seperti itu biasa bagi manusia hari ini, nafsu daging, nafsu mata dan keangkuhan hidup. Adam pertama gagal untuk mengambil tanggung jawab dan menolak kepasifan dalam peranannya sebagai seorang lelaki dan seorang suami. Adam gagal dalam tanggungjawabnya untuk melindungi dan menyokong isterinya pada saat diperlukan dengan melatih kepemimpinan dan kepemimpinan yang diberikan oleh Tuhan, tetapi memilih untuk mengikuti isterinya dalam ketidaktaatan.

Sebaliknya, Adam yang Kedua, Yesus Kristus, ketika dicobai di padang belantara (Lukas 4:1-13), Dia menanggapi Firman Tuhan. Lelaki dalam Kristus tahu Firman Tuhan dan melakukan kehendak Tuhan. Mereka memahami peranan mereka dan mengetahui tanggungjawab mereka. Mereka dipanggil untuk menjadi imam rumah tangga mereka, untuk mengetahui dan mengajar Firman Tuhan (1 Petrus 2:9). Mereka harus mencintai, melindungi dan menyediakan untuk keluarga mereka.

Paulus berkata kepada mereka yang ada di dalam Kristus Yesus, “Hendaklah kamu dalam hidupmu bersama, menaruh pikiran dan perasaan yang

terdapat juga dalam Kristus Yesus, yang walaupun dalam rupa Tuhan, tidak menganggap kesetaraan dengan Tuhan itu sebagai milik yang harus dipertahankan, melainkan telah mengosongkan diri-Nya sendiri, dan mengambil rupa seorang hamba, dan menjadi sama dengan manusia. Dan dalam keadaan sebagai manusia, Ia telah merendahkan diri-Nya dan taat sampai mati, bahkan sampai mati di kayu salib” (Filipi 2:5-8). Orang yang ada di dalam Kristus tidak pasif terhadap kemusnahan sosial dan rohani tetapi menerima tanggung jawab mereka dalam menjalani kehidupan yang Tuhan inginkan bagi mereka.

2. MANUSIA YANG DITEBUS ADALAH SEORANG PEMIMPIN DAN BERSIFAT TABAH

Alkitab berkata, “Tetapi aku mau, supaya kamu mengetahui hal ini, yaitu Kepala dari tiap-tiap laki-laki ialah Kristus, kepala dari perempuan ialah laki-laki dan Kepala dari Kristus ialah Tuhan” (1 Korintus 11:3). Lelaki diciptakan untuk mengambil kepemimpinan dengan keberanian. Manusia pertama Adam gagal menjadi pemimpin yang berani dan kepala keluarganya ketika dicobai. Sebaliknya, ia membiarkan isterinya memimpin dalam apa yang secara khusus adalah perannya yang mengakibatkan jatuhnya umat manusia.

Adam Kedua, Yesus Kristus adalah teladan kita (Lukas 4:1-13):

- Yesus terbukti berkuasa atas nafsuNya ketika Dia menolak penyerahan pada keinginan daging ketika Setan meminta Dia untuk mengubah batu menjadi roti, kerana Dia adalah Anak Tuhan, dan juga kerana keangkikan hidup, ketika Ia dicobai untuk diberikan kerajaan di dunia ini jika Dia menyembah Setan.
- Yesus tahu Firman Tuhan. Dia berkata, “Jauhkan diri kau, Iblis! Ada tertulis: Engkau harus menyembah Tuhan, Tuhanmu, dan hanya kepada Dia sajalah engkau berbakti!” (Lukas 4:8). Yesus memiliki ketabahan untuk menghadapi Setan dan tidak menyerah seperti Adam pertama.
- Yesus rendah hati. Dia datang untuk melayani. Yesus berkata, “Ada firman: Jangan engkau mencobai Tuhan, Tuhanmu!... hanya kepada Dia sajalah engkau berbakti!” (Lukas 4:12, 8).

Tanggung jawab manusia bukan hanya untuk menjadi mencari nafkah keluarga tetapi untuk

menjadi seorang imam di rumahnya, seorang nabi Tuhan untuk memberitakan Firman Tuhan dan seorang raja untuk memerintah dengan saleh di rumahnya ketika krisis terjadi (Wahyu 1:6). Dia harus mengajarkan Firman Tuhan dan memberi panduan kepada keluarganya, menjadi pemimpin dan kepala keluarga untuk memberikan keyakinan dan keselamatan.

3. MANUSIA YANG DITEBUS MEMANDANG KE HADAPAN DENGAN SUKACITA UNTUK GANJARANNYA

Tuhan merancang kedewasaan untuk membebaskan dan memberi ganjaran. Tanggung jawab seorang lelaki tidak pernah dimaksudkan untuk membebaskan. Manusia di dalam Kristus melakukan kehendak Tuhan dengan sukacita. Alkitab berkata, “Karena kita mempunyai banyak saksi, bagaikan awan yang mengelilingi kita, marilah kita menanggalkan semua beban dan dosa yang begitu merintanginya, dan berlomba dengan tekun dalam perlombaan yang diwajibkan bagi kita. Marilah kita melakukannya dengan mata yang tertuju kepada Yesus, yang memimpin kita dalam iman, dan yang membawa iman kita itu kepada kesempurnaan, yang dengan mengabaikan kehinaan tekun memikul salib ganti sukacita yang disediakan bagi Dia, yang sekarang duduk di sebelah kanan takhta Tuhan” (Ibrani 12:1-2). Melakukan kehendak Tuhan memberi kita visi, tujuan, dan kepuasan dalam hidup. Panggilan kepada manusia seperti yang dimaksudkan Tuhan lebih dari sekadar melaksanakan tanggung-jawab dan membuat pengorbanan. Pada prinsipnya panggilan untuk hidup kebebasan untuk hidup, mengasihi dan melayani Tuhan dan sesama kita. Setan berhasil menipu Adam pertama yang merompak tujuan yang dimaksudkan Tuhan bagi manusia untuk menjadi manusia sejati setelah Adam Kedua, Yesus Kristus. Namun, tanggung jawab dan pilihan ada pada kita masing-masing.

Mari kita memilih untuk menjadi manusia yang dimaksudkan Tuhan seperti Adam Kedua, Yesus Kristus untuk hidup sebagai pemenang atas keinginan daging, keinginan mata dan keangkuhan hidup. Alkitab berkata, “Segala perkara dapat kutanggung di dalam Dia yang memberi kekuatan kepadaku” (Filipi 4:13).

Semua petikan Alkitab adalah dari terjemahan Bahasa Indonesia.

第二个亚当 — 耶稣基督

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圣经告诉我们：「首先的人亚当成了有生命的人；末后的亚当成了赐生命的灵。第一个人是出于地，是属于尘土；第二个人是出于天。那属尘土的怎样，凡属尘土的也都怎样；属天的怎样，凡属天的也都怎样。」(林前15:45, 47-48)

第一个亚当没能成为他被造的那个人。圣经上说，神造人成为一个有灵的活人，但是人因不顺服而犯罪。犯罪就是不中目标。罪的刑罚是死亡。世界是以他的体格、他的力量、物质的成功和他在社会中的地位来定义第一个亚当。圣经将第一个亚当描述为可怜无助和必死，「我也知道，住在我里面的，就是我肉体之中，没有善。因为立志为善由得我，只是行出来由不得我。我所愿意的善，我不去做；我所不愿意的恶，我反而去做。如果我去做我不愿意做的，就不是我做的，而是住在我里面的罪做的。我真苦啊！谁能救我脱离这必死的身體呢？」(罗7:18-20, 24)。第一个亚当，因为他有罪的本性，不能成为义人，为神所喜悦。这个人有生命，但他随从肉体来生活，结果就是死亡，尽管他可能有敬虔的外貌(提后3:5)。

圣经将第一个人与耶稣基督，第二个亚当作比较，后者来为要救赎我们。圣经上说：「所以，不要让罪在你们必死的身上掌权，使你们顺从身体的私欲。也不要将你们的肢体献给罪作不义的工具，倒要像从死人中活着的人，把自己献给神，并把你们的肢体献给神作义的工具。罪必不能作你们的主，因你们不在律法之下，而是在恩典之下」(罗6:12-14)。那些在基督里被救赎的人，过着神想要他们过的生活，过着一种积极的、胜利的生活，胜过了他们的罪恶本性，并且讨神喜悦。

每个人都必须决定他属于谁，是否属于第一个亚当，他过着一个罪恶属肉体的生活方式，还是属于第二个亚当，耶稣基督，他把我们从罪恶和死亡中救赎出来，并靠神的恩典藉著信心过一个公义的生活，是神所喜悦的(弗2:8)。圣经给了我们第一个亚当和第二个亚当之间的区别。

1. 蒙救赎的人接受他的责任去过神为他预备的生活

圣经给我们讲述了第一个人，亚当的堕落，「耶和華神把那人安置在伊甸園，让他耕耘看管。耶和華神吩咐那人说：“園中各样樹上所出的，你可以隨意吃，只是知善惡的樹所出的，你不可吃，因为你吃它的日子必定死！”」（创2:15-17）。「耶和華神所造的，惟有蛇比田野一切的走兽更狡猾。蛇对女人说：“神岂是真说，你们不可吃園中任何樹上所出的吗？”女人对蛇说：“園中樹上的果子，我們都可以吃；只是園子中間那棵樹的果子，神曾说：“你们不可吃，也不可摸，免得你们死。””蛇对女人说：“你们不一定死；因为神知道，你们吃的日子眼睛就开了，你们就像神一样知道善惡。”于是女人见那棵樹好作食物，又悦人的眼目，那樹令人喜爱，能使人有智慧，她就摘下果子吃了，又给了与她一起的丈夫，他也吃了」（创3:1-6）。这种试探在今天的人类中很常见，好比肉体的情欲，眼目的情欲和今生的骄傲。第一个亚当没有承担责任，拒绝被动地扮演一个男人和丈夫角色。亚当没有尽到保护和支持他的妻子的责任，在她有需要的时候通过行使神赋予他作头的和领导的能力，但却选择跟随她的不顺从。

与之相比，第二个亚当，耶穌基督，当在旷野被试探的时候(路4:1-13)，他用神的话来回应。在基督里的男人知道神的话，并遵行神的旨意。他们明白自己的角色，也知道自己的责任。他们被召在自己的家里作祭司，要认识 and 教导神的话(彼前2:9)。他们要爱、保护和供养他们的家庭。

保罗对那些在基督耶穌里的人说：「你们当以基督耶穌的心为心：他本有神形像，却不坚持自己与神同等；反倒虚己，取了奴仆的形像，成为人的样式；既有人的样子，就谦卑自己，存心顺服，以至于死，且死在十字架上」（腓2:5-8）。在基督里的人，不是被动地面对社会和灵性上的堕落，而是接受他们的责任，过神定意为他们预备的生活。

2. 蒙救赎的人是领袖，是勇敢的

圣经上说：「但是我要你们知道：基督是男人的头；男人是女人的头；神是基督的头」（林前11:3）。人被造就就是要勇敢地领导。第一个人亚当，当被试探时，没能成为一个勇敢的领袖和他家的头。相反地，他允许他的妻子扮演他的角色发挥领导作用，从而导致了人类的堕落。

第二个亚当，耶穌基督是我们的榜样(路4:1-13)

- 耶穌被证明他征服了欲望，当撒旦要求耶穌把石头变成面包因他是神的儿子，耶穌拒绝向肉体的情欲屈服。当耶穌被试探，如果愿意敬拜撒旦他将得到天下万国，他胜过了今生的骄傲。



- 耶穌知道神的话。他说：「撒但，退到我后边去！经上记着：“要拜主—你的神，惟独事奉他。”」耶穌有勇气面对撒旦，不像第一个亚当那样屈服。
- 耶穌很谦卑。他來是要服事人。耶穌说道：「不可试探主—你的神，惟独事奉他」（路4:12, 8）。

男人的责任不仅仅是养家糊口，而是在他家里作祭司，作神的先知传讲神的话语。当危机发生时，在家里作敬虔施行治理的君王(启1:6)。他要教导神的话语，并引导他的家庭，作为一个领导者和家庭的头，提供自信心和安全。

3. 蒙救赎的人满怀喜乐地期待着他的奖赏

神设计人是为自由和有奖赏的。人的责任从来都不是一种负累。在基督里的人以喜乐的心遵行神的旨意。圣经上说道：「所以，既然我们有这许多见证人如同云彩围绕着我们，就该卸下各样重担和紧紧缠累的罪，以坚忍的心奔那摆在我们前头的路程，仰望我们信心的创始成终者耶穌，他因那摆在前面的喜乐，轻看羞辱，忍受了十字架的苦难，如今已坐在神宝座的右边」（来12:1-2）。遵行神的旨意给我们生活有异象、目标和满足。神对人的呼召的心意不仅仅是履行职责和做出牺牲。在原则上是对自由生活的呼召，去生活，爱和事奉神和我们的邻居。撒旦成功地欺骗了第一个亚当，夺去神对人类的既定目的成为真正的人，效法第二个亚当耶穌基督。然而，责任和选择取决于我们每个人。

让我们选择成为合神心意的人效法第二个亚当，耶穌基督，以胜利者的身份生活，胜过肉体的欲望、眼目的欲望和今生的骄傲。圣经上说道：「我靠着那加给我力量的，凡事都能做」（腓4:13）。

以上经文是采用中文圣经和合本修订版。



Timothy Yee sharing an illustrated devotion

A REWARDING ROYAL RANGERS GRADUATION!

BY JASON TAN

When Royal Rangers reach the limit of a respective age group, they are promoted to the next age group in a formal ceremony known as the Royal Rangers Graduation.

The graduation ceremony on Sunday, 15 April 2018, was attended by rangers, commanders, parents, and guests, many of whom were invited through the recent

Easter Evangelistic Meetings and Royal Rangers Open Day earlier this year. They witnessed 107 rangers receiving their certificates of advancement.

The ceremony began with a special performance by the Expedition Rangers stunning the crowd with a unique, synchronized drum number. After worship, our chaplain, Timothy Yee, shared a devotion on being ambassadors for Christ.

A testimony was also shared by an Adventure Ranger, Siavash Sharifirad, about how God gave him strength to participate in the Mount Kinabalu expedition last year. The highlight of the event was the awarding of five Adventure Rangers who received the Bronze Medal of Achievement, namely Aaron Yeow, Elkanah Peter Khor, Hayley Wong, Jacob Gan and Yogeswari.

It was a wonderful time of recognizing and celebrating the rangers' physical and spiritual growth.



Ranger kid, Symphony Law, receiving her Achievement Medal



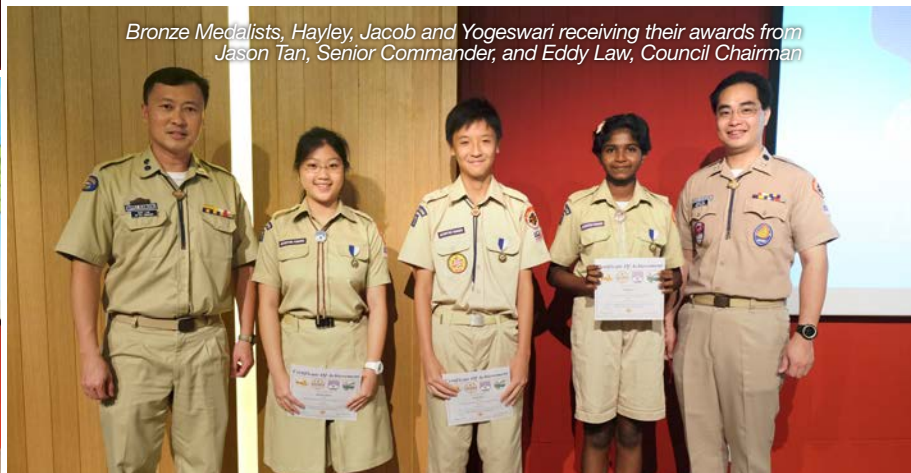
Expedition rangers performing a unique drum performance



Discovery ranger, Matthew Tan, receiving the Gold Eagle Award



Siavash sharing his testimony



Bronze Medalists, Hayley, Jacob and Yogeswari receiving their awards from Jason Tan, Senior Commander, and Eddy Law, Council Chairman



Fresh popcorn!



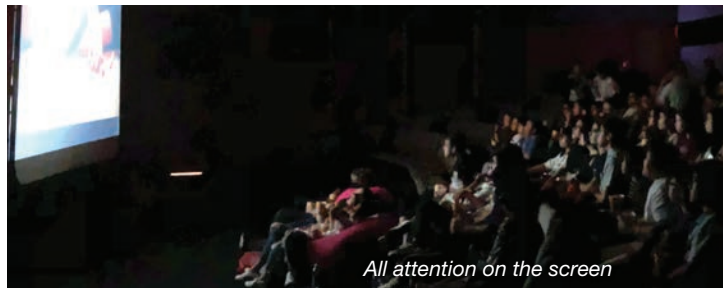
Fellowshipping with one another while waiting for the lights to dim

HANGING OUT AT THE MOVIE

BY TIMOTHY YEE

The smell of popcorn wafted along the corridor of Theatre 3 at Calvary Convention Centre while the youths with movie tickets in hand, waited for the doors to open. Sorry to disappoint, but no, a cinema is not opening here. On Sunday, 22 April 2018, a Combined Youth Fellowship themed 'Movie Time' was organised by the Royal Rangers, Missionettes and Calvary Youth.

A total of 165 youths watched the movie screened, "I'm Not Ashamed", which portrayed the life of Rachel Joy Scott, a survivor of the Columbine High School (USA) massacre in 1999. Youths were encouraged as they watched her real-life story in the form of an entertaining yet gripping movie, depicting how she stood firm for what she believed despite peer pressure, and her passion to share the transforming love of God.



All attention on the screen

Here are some testimonies from the attendees:

- "I was reminded that the time we have on earth will never be certain, but we can be certain of choosing to live out the love of Christ." - **Chelsea Chin**
- "The movie showed me the importance of having good Christian friends. I'm excited to sign up to be part of the Youth LG." - **Josephine Chong**
- "I invited two friends who are potential believers to the movie and I am grateful that they came and saw the transforming power of Christ in the life of Rachel Joy Scott and her friends." - **Faythe Chow**

Praise God for the work He is accomplishing in the lives of young people through the Youth Ministries of Calvary Church.



Youths munching on popcorn while waiting for the movie to start

JOIN THE ACTIVITIES OF OUR YOUTH MINISTRIES IN CALVARY CHURCH TODAY:

Royal Rangers – Sundays, 11.30am
at Calvary Convention Centre

Missionettes – Sundays, 11.30am
at Calvary Convention Centre

Calvary Youth

- **Teens Worship Experience (12-14 Years Old)** – Sundays, 9.00am at Calvary Convention Centre
- **Youth Fellowship (High School, College and University Students)** – Alternate Saturdays, 1.00pm at Calvary Damansara Heights
- **Youth Life Groups (LGs)** in various locations

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The rapt audience



Dr. Vincent highlighting the possible causes of depression

EMPOWERED TO HELP THOSE WITH DEPRESSION

BY PASTOR CAROL WELLER

On Saturday, 28 April 2018, Dimensions had its third monthly meeting at Calvary Convention Centre with a seminar on “Coping with Depression” that was open to both men and women. Dr. Vincent Wong, a consultant psychiatrist who sits on the board of Focus on the Family Malaysia, spoke on this vital topic to a 300-strong crowd.

He spoke on the common myths about mental illness and highlighted the symptoms as well as common causes of depression such as genetic makeup, family upbringing, biochemical imbalance, and stress, just to mention a few. Alcohol and substance abuse are also risk factors. He explained, however, that depression is rarely due to a single factor. The weakening of social support systems in society also plays a role in the increasing rate of



Associate Pastor Chan Lee Peng welcoming the seminar participants



Pastor Carol addressing attendees

depression. The World Health Organization statistics show that 800,000 people commit suicide every year and this was the second leading cause of death among young people ages 15 to 29.

Dr. Vincent also addressed ways in which the community and family can help depressed persons overcome the stigma of mental illness and cope with their condition. Besides seeking professional treatment and counselling, loving support from family and the church goes a long way in making a difference, as is being grounded in God’s Word, and being assured of one’s identity in Christ. With God, all things are possible – there is hope of recovery for the depressed as they find their worth, sense of purpose and meaning in God’s love and community care.



An opportunity for Q&A after Dr Vincent’s sharing



Associate Pastor Steven Kum concluding the seminar

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TESTIMONY

“ I was backslidden prior to attending the Christmas Service at Calvary Church last year. Since then, my faith has been reignited and I looked forward to attending church with a restored zeal.

There are still hurdles but I found support from the Prayer Tower and a book entitled 'Rising Above the Storms in My Life', written by Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam. God then affirmed my faith through the provision of a new ideal home for me.

I thank the intercessors at the Prayer Tower for their continual support as I grow stronger spiritually. ”

- Loh


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WATER BAPTISM

Congratulations to 31 Calvarites who followed Christ in water baptism on 14 April 2018 at the Saturday Worship Service at Calvary Damansara Heights. The Lord bless your step of obedience in your journey with Him.

If you have not been water baptised by immersion, make sure you do so in obedience to the Lord. You can call the church office at 03-8999 5532 ext 434 or see any of the Pastors.



Front Row (L-R):

Isaac Anbalagan, Lynette Yeoh, Isabel Chow Ke Yue, Ilias Chow Ke Yu, Togue Yallah Ausange Yessagne, Sia Ee Lise, Trisha a/p David, Savisha a/p David, K. Suguna Devi, Evelyn Wan

2nd Row (L-R):

Charlene Liew Yi-Jynn, Annie Wong Phui Chen, Christina Liew Yi-Lynn, Jordan Teow Jia Yuan, Poh Munn-Yinn, Chow Mun Yee, Grace Choy Seow

Har @ Sow Har, Jacqueline Chong Chiew Yan, Shelly Chan Aie Yeim, Elisha a/I David, David a/I Rathnasamy, Kan Kam Tak @ Kan Kum Tuck

3rd Row (L-R):

Puvaneswari Manickam, Adewole Adebisi, Anbalagan a/I Kovindasamy, Teh Boon Wee, Yeoh Lian Kuan, Sia Teong Heng, Nwajaku Victory O, Suzanne Bullied

Not in picture: Wesley Samson

WORSHIP SCHEDULE JUNE 2018

Saturday, 5.00pm Calvary Damansara Heights

- 02** Associate Pastor Peter Ong
Communion
- 09** Associate Pastor David Seah
- 16** Associate Pastor Timothy Ong
- 23** Associate Pastor Raymond Yong
Water Baptism
- 30** Associate Pastor Yong Chee Weng
Communion

Sunday, 9.00am Calvary Convention Centre

- 03** Senior Pastor Prince Guneratnam
Communion
- 10** Associate Pastor Peter Ong
Membership Intake
- 17** Associate Pastor Richard Yun
Father's Day
- 24** Guest Speaker

ACTIVITIES

CALVARY YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

Saturdays, 09 & 23 June 2018, 1.00pm
Calvary Damansara Heights
Topic: Faith Matters - A Book Study on Galatians

CHINESE FELLOWSHIP

Sunday, 24 June 2018, 11.30am
Theatrette 1, Calvary Convention Centre
Speaker: Rev. Stephen Ong Koon Hong

TAMIL MINISTRY FELLOWSHIP

Sunday, 24 June 2018, 11.30am
Room 12, Level 2, Calvary Convention Centre
Speaker: Associate Pastor Yong Chee Weng

We are starting a Tamil Ministry in Calvary Church! Our objective is to reach Tamil-speaking potential believers and build up Tamil-speaking believers who worship at Calvary Convention Centre. We welcome all Tamil-speakers to join us and to bring potential believers!

FATHER'S DAY SERVICE

Sunday, 17 June 2018
9.00am
Calvary Convention Centre
Speaker: Associate Pastor Richard Yun



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