



BIBLE-PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF W.A.

For the Testimony and Glory of Jesus Christ

February 19th, 2017

SUNDAY COMBINED WORSHIP SERVICE

1 The Lord Is in His Holy Temple

The Lord is in His holy temple, The Lord is in His holy temple: Let all the earth keep silence, Let all the earth keep silence before Him Keep silence, keep silence before Him. Amen.

2 Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost, As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

3 Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

4 The Lord Bless You and Keep You

The Lord bless you and keep you; The Lord lift His countenance upon you, and give you peace, and give you peace, The Lord make His face to shine upon you, And be gracious unto you, be gracious, The Lord be gracious, gracious unto you. Amen.



Prelude/Preparatory Hymn Karen Ee/Allan Ang

The Lord Is in His Holy Temple **1**

Call to Worship Dn Michael Lee/Kong Vui Yip

*Hymn **HOP 8** Now Thank We All Our God

*Invocation/Gloria Patri **2**

Responsive Reading Psalm 119:113-120

Hymn **HOP 205** Blessed Assurance

Presentation of Tithes & Offerings

*Doxology **3**/Offertory Prayer

Scripture Reading 1 Corinthians 15:1-4

Hymn **HOP 278** Sweet Hour of Prayer

Pastoral Prayer/Message Pastor Joseph Poon/Sonny Lim

What is the Gospel?

*Hymn **HOP 140** Amazing Grace

*Benediction/Threefold Amen

Announcements

*The Lord Bless You and Keep You **4**

*Congregation Standing

THEME FOR 2017:

“... STAND FAST IN ONE SPIRIT, WITH ONE MIND STRIVING TOGETHER FOR THE FAITH OF THE GOSPEL” (Philippians 1:27)

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PASTORAL LETTER

Dear BPCWAians, I would like to give you all an update on a work BPCWA has chosen to support after prayerful consideration by the Session. This is the Literature Ministry work of First Bible-Presbyterian Church in Myanmar. The aim is to provide sound Christian literature in the Chin language, thus building up believers in our most holy Faith. Compromise and false movements spares no country. This is hence a critical work to increase awareness of false teachings, defend the Scriptures, while stirring believers to love and serve the Lord. The approach is to produce, print, and distribute Christian materials in Myanmar and beyond. BPCWA supports this work through Bethel BPC (Melbourne). We have recently contributed to the purchase of a photostating machine and will support fixed ongoing monthly running costs. The following are some edited excerpts from Rev Biak's report.

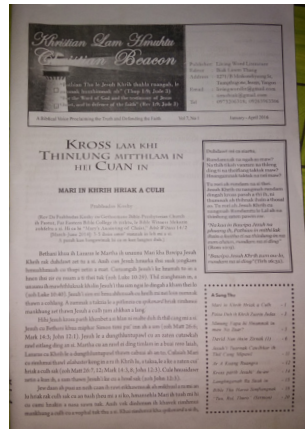


Yours in our Lord's service

Pastor

Preparations and Planned Publications. The first book planned to be published is the Westminster Confession of Faith in Chin language. Chin is one of the many dialects of Myanmar spoken by Chin people. The Westminster Confession of Faith in the form adopted by the Bible-Presbyterian Churches has been translated into Chin by Rev Biak, and the translation has been checked by the editorial board. The work is in progress as to its cover design and layout. In this regard, we thank

God that there is a brother from Bethel BPC, who is willing to render help. On a regular basis, by God’s grace, Myanmar RPG (once every three months), “Christian Beacon” a periodical in Chin language (once every four months), and the bulletins of First and Bethel BPC will be printed too. As for future publications, the editorial board is committed to writing and translating good and reliable Christian materials. Thus, the publications will include those books, pamphlets, tracts and materials which are deemed good and faithful by the editorial board. A priority will be given to those books and materials in our BP tradition, as far as we can obtain permission for translation. The translation will be, God willing, into Chin as well as Burmese, which is the official language of the country.



Editorial Board. An editorial board has been formed to oversee the entire work. As such, the board is responsible for writing and selecting the materials for translation, as well as checking, proof-reading, and supervising the publication process and distribution. No writing or translation will be published unless it first goes through the board’s editorial scrutiny and approval. The editorial board consists of 6 persons, all from First and Bethel (Dagon) BPCs: Editor – Rev Biak Lawm Thang; assistant editor – Pr Lal Lian Uk; publishing and circulation managers – bros Tai Sut Thang and Tial Hre Mang; board members – bros Van Bawi Hu and Van Thawng Hup.

Distribution. The distribution of materials printed will be under the oversight of the board. Particularly in charge will be the publishing and circulation managers. If, by God’s grace, the planned publications become a reality, they will be freely distributed not only within the church but also outside the church, as wide as possible, not only in Myanmar but also overseas. Free-will offerings and love gifts from readers, however, will be welcomed in order to meet the cost of printing and distribution as well as for the upkeep, at least partially, of the ministry.



Special Thanks. On behalf of the churches here, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Pastor, Session, and members of BPCWA for your prayer and financial support for this literature ministry. Please continue to pray that the Lord will help us to be faithful and effective witness in this area of ministry, proclaiming His saving truths to near and far, for the glorious salvation of souls and the building up of the body of believers. *“For the Word of God and for the testimony of Jesus Christ, and in defence of the faith”* (Rev 1:9; Jude 3).

ANNOUNCEMENTS, PRAISE & PETITION

1. **Men's Fellowship and Ladies' Fellowship** will be held tonight in Church starting with dinner at 6 pm. The Men's Fellowship will start at 7 pm upstairs with Pastor Joseph with the message entitled "David: Honourable Above Others". The Ladies' Fellowship will be downstairs, commencing at 7 pm with Sister Sharon speaking on "Mother of Zebedee's Children: Succumbing to Selfishness". Come and learn God's model for Christian men and Christian women. Chinese translation will be available as everyone is welcome.
2. **University Orientation Day (O'Day) Outreach:** Starts this Friday, 24th February, at The University of Western Australia (UWA)! This outreach is to invite students to BPCWA for our meetings, help them get orientated to Perth and to share the gospel with them. Transport from church will depart at 8:30 am. Help is needed and if you are free anytime between 9 am and 3:30 pm, do come and help by coming to the BPCWA stall at James Oval, UWA. Please contact Kenny Chia 0425 568 918 for more information about UWA O'Day.
3. **Adelphe Bible Study:** The next meeting will be held on Sunday 26th February, 3.30 pm at church. All ladies are welcome and encouraged to join us in learning about becoming a woman of grace.
4. **Transport Ministry:** In preparation to welcome new students to our church, there is a need for more drivers to transport them to and fro our regular church meetings and various student-welcome activities. If you are able to help drive the students during this peak period, please approach Eugene Leong or Allan Ang.

5. **Lunch Fellowship:** Will be held next Sunday after the worship service. Please bring a dish to share. Do stay back to get to know each other, visitors and new students in our midst. All are welcome.

6. **Thanksgiving and Prayer Items:**

- Thank God for the fellowship and time of spiritual edification at the Mandarin Care Group meeting yesterday.
- Thank God for His strengthening of husbands and wives in BPCWA. May families continue to be built up to serve and glorify Him.
- Pray for the unity and steadfastness of BPCWA to strive together for the faith of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.
- Pray for the building up of the saints and a blessed time of fellowship at tonight's Men's Fellowship and Ladies' Fellowship meetings.
- Pray for the planning and execution of the University Outreach activities, that they will be used by God to draw students to learn more about God at BPCWA.
- Pray for many to continue to serve in the transport ministry so that students and those in need of transport can come to church to learn about God and grow in their faith.
- Pray for worshipers to join the Church Family Camp, and that their leave applications will be approved.

SERVICE DUTY	19/2 COMBINED	26/2 COMBINED - Fellowship Lunch
Speaker/Interpreter	Pastor Joseph Poon/Sonny Lim	Pastor Joseph Poon/Kong Vui Yip
Worship Leader/Interpreter	Dn Michael Lee/Kong Vui Yip	Dn Joel Wong/Sonny Lim
Preparatory Hymn	Allan Ang	Kenny Tan
Musician(s)	Karen Ee	Winnie Lim
Welcomers (Foyer)	Jonathan Woo, Bonnie Woo, Mark Heath	Alex Luu, Grace Luu, Lee Lian Yong
Offering Stewards *To Help Count Offering	*Yi Choong Liew, *Jonathan Woo Caleb Cheng, Pei Shion Chai Allan Ang, Dn Adrian Cheng	*Alex Luu, *Kenny Tan, Claude Yiu Edward Ee, Dn Adrian Cheng, Dn Stephen Chia
Ushers (Sanctuary)	Yi Choong Liew, Ellainne Cheng, Lilian Cheo	Edward Ee, Yi Jye Chieng, Yi Mey Tan
P.A. System	Albert Ho	Caleb Cheng
Kitchen Duties	Yung Tsing Mew, Valerie Wan, Julia Chia Christine Chia	Yi Min Chieng, Yi Jye Chieng Ilhoa Ramachandran, Lee Lian Yong Yi San Chieng
Transport	Allan Ang (0433 032 709) / Eugene Leong (0401 155 386)	

Nursing Home Ministry

Subiaco	Kenny Tan (Hannah Th'ng)	Edward Ee (Hannah Th'ng)
South Perth	Hall A: Allan Ang Hall B: Mark Heath	Hall A: Kenny Tan Hall B: Caleb Cheng
Berrington	Kenny Tan (Hannah Th'ng)	Edward Ee (Hannah Th'ng)
Bull Creek	Mark Heath	Kenny Tan

APPOINTMENTS OF THE WEEK

Tuesday	21/2	10:00 am	Mandarin Bible Study
		7:30 pm	Prayer Meeting: Pastor Joseph Poon/Dn Joel Wong, Dn Adrian Cheng, Ellainne Cheng
Wednesday	22/2	7:30 pm	Far Eastern Bible College Online Courses: Systematic Theology (Anthropology)
Friday	24/2	7:30 pm	Fellowship Meeting: Regen/Youth 180°/CYAF/CYPG
Sunday	26/2	8:30 am	Pre-Service Prayer Meeting
		9:00 am	English & Mandarin Sunday School/English Basic Bible Knowledge Class
		10:00 am	Sunday Combined Worship Service
		12:00 pm	Choir
		12:30 pm	Church Van Depart
		12:45 pm	Teens Q & A
		2:00 pm	Nursing Home: Concorde – 25 Anstey Street, South Perth Onslow Gardens – 39 Hamersley Road, Subiaco
		3:30 pm	Nursing Home: Berrington, Subiaco – 45 Bishop St, Jolimont Bull Creek – RAAFA Memorial Estate, 2 Bull Creek Drive, Bull Creek WA 6149 Adelphe Bible Study

ATTENDANCE & OFFERINGS (12/2)

Attendance: 197 (Combined-162; JSS-35); Prayer Meeting: 66

Offerings in Total: \$6557.85; General Fund: \$6557.85 (#4185-Library-\$20.00; #4186-\$87.00; #4187-\$409.00; #4188-\$143.00)

SHORTER CATECHISM: What is required in the fourth commandment? The fourth commandment requireth the keeping holy to God such set times as he hath appointed in his Word; expressly one whole day in seven, to be a holy Sabbath to himself. (Exodus 31:13, 16-17)