



THE LAVENDER BULLETIN

*And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another,
even as God in Christ forgave you. (Ephesians 4:32)*

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*Wishing all Chinese
members and friends
a Blessed New Year!*

CNY Fellowship

"3 House Visit"

Date : 27 February 2010 (Saturday)

(1) A New House

Time : 12 noon to 3pm (+Buffet Lunch)

Venue : Tat Chuen & Eileen's place ~ Tel : 6525 8191
(47 Richard's Place)

(2) A House Visited by Presidents and Prime Ministers

Time : 3.30pm to 6.30pm (+Cookies High Tea)

Venue : Kelvin and Hilda's place ~ Tel : 6250 3800
(81 Toa Payoh Lorong 4, #23-436)

(3) A House that is Probably Singapore's Biggest HDB Flat

Time : 7pm to 10pm (+Home-cooked Dinner)

Venue : Suay Hua's place ~ Tel : 6459 9201
(418 Ang Mo Kio Avenue 10, #06-1045)

Do remember to sign up!

COME WORSHIP WITH US !

Sunday – Worship: 9.30 am | Bible Class: 11.15 am
Wednesday – Midweek Service: 8.00 pm



The servants and followers of Jesus are instructed to be compassionate. We accept this trait based on biblical command, divine inference, and apostolic example. God's compassion is shown and described in Psalms 86:15, "But thou, O Lord, are a God full of compassion, and gracious, longsuffering, and plenteous in mercy and truth". Of special note are the fellow traits listed; graciousness, longsuffering, and mercy. Because of His compassion, God is compassionate (Psalm 145:8). Because of His compassionate nature God sent prophets and teachers to warn and encourage His people throughout the ages (2 Chronicles 36:15).

Compassion is also obvious in the life of Jesus. When He saw the multitudes, He "was moved with compassion for them" (Matthew 9:36). And in each incident where His compassion is mentioned, He "did" things to help the object of His compassion.

As Christians we are to submit to the Father as our pattern of behavior (1 Peter 1:16), and since His Son is to be formed in us (Galatians 4:19), it follows that we must be compassionate. Psalm 112:4 says it is the upright man that is "gracious, full of compassion and righteousness". Our ancient Hebrew brethren were commended for having "compassion on them that were in bonds" (Hebrews 10:34). God's prophet commanded God's people of old to "Execute true judgment, and show mercy and compassion every man to his brother" (Zechariah 7:9).

By command, divine inference and example we are encouraged to be people of compassion. Such is God's will and such we must do.

*Blessed is he who considers the poor;
The Lord will deliver him in time of trouble.*

*The Lord will preserve him and keep him alive,
And he will be blessed on the earth;
You will not deliver him to the will of his enemies. ~ Psalm 41:1-2*



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OUR OVER-ARCHING PURPOSE

Towards Non-Christians

To seek to establish a lasting relationship with God through the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Towards Self & Fellow Christians

To seek a continuous life-long enhancement and strengthening of our relationship with God through Jesus Christ our Lord.

OUR VISION

- A Christ-centered church
- A well-rounded spiritual growth of members
- A work programme encompassing all key areas of a church's mission
- A work programme with emphasis on evangelism
- A vibrant youth

OUR FUNDAMENTAL VALUES

- Christ on the throne in our lives
- Upholding the living Word of God through study and practice
- Love and respect for one another in mutual support

Qualifications of Elders

This is a faithful saying: If a man desires the position of a bishop, he desires a good work. A bishop then must be blameless, the husband of one wife, temperate, sober-minded, of good behavior, hospitable, able to teach; not given to wine, not violent, not greedy for money, but gentle, not quarrelsome, not covetous; one who rules his own house well, having his children in submission with all reverence (for if a man does not know how to rule his own house, how will he take care of the church of God?); not a novice, lest being puffed up with pride he fall into the same condemnation as the devil. Moreover he must have a good testimony among those who are outside, lest he fall into reproach and the snare of the devil.

1 Timothy 3:1-7

CONGREGATION UPDATES

A Warm Welcome

A warm welcome to all our visitors and brethren from other congregation. We thank you for being with us, and we hope to see you again soon.

Learning Khmer

For the benefit of those making trips to Cambodia (and others that may be interested), we have recently acquired a learning kit (the book "Colloquial Cambodian" that comes with CDs/audio tapes). If any members like to borrow the kit, simply approach Peter Low for assistance.



Prayer Request

- Our eldership initiative and our plans to move to a bigger premise.
- Spiritual growth of our new converts and those who are spiritually down.
- Speedy recovery of those who are sick, especially for Boon Quang who had an ankle operation a few weeks back.
- Traveling mercies and good health during this festive period.

Midweek Service

Please note that there will be **NO** Midweek Services this week.



Tea Break Preparation

21 Feb – Wendy Teo
28 Feb – Sharon Chew



UPCOMING EVENTS

CNY Fellowship: "3 House Visit"

Date : 27 February 2010 (Saturday)
(see front page for more details)

Eldership Forum

Date : 2 April 2010 (Good Friday)
Time : 8.15am to 5.00pm
Venue : Furama RiverFront Hotel
(405 Havelock Road)

Main Speaker : Wayne Barrier

Breakfast, lunch and 2 tea-breaks will be provided. For logistical purposes, please sign up early if you are planning to come.

Church Camp 2010

Date : 9 to 12 June 2010 (Wed to Sat)
Venue : Summerset Resort, Rompin
Details will be announced later, but do mark these dates in your calendar.

LAST WEEK'S NUMBERS

7 February 2010

Attendance : 80

Contribution : \$10,866.10

SERVING IN WORSHIP

	14 February 2010	21 February 2010
Song Leader	Joseph Ho	Ivan Ho
Preacher	Peter Low	Peter Low
<u>Ushers</u>		
Scripture Reader (OP)	Katheravan Ramasamy	Kelvin Chung
Lord's Supper I/C	Stephen Chang	Teo Cheng Heng
Lord's Supper Asst	Tan Tian Huat	Kevin Wee
Announcer (CP)	Sim Boon Quang	Roger Hiew
Premises Steward	Roy Low	Chang Chee Wee