

ANNOUNCEMENTS For more information, please approach Gladys or Priscilla.

1. Corporate Prayer Meeting

13 November 2009, 8pm @ Honor Room

2. INTER-GENERATIONAL SERVICE (Tickets Are Out!)

29 November 2009, 10am @ Suntec Convention Hall.

For those who have reserved their tickets, please collect your tickets from the Admin Counter after Service TODAY!

3. Wise Discipleship Training (WDT) 2010

Registration for WDT 2010 is OPENED! Please proceed to the Admin Counter to register. Registration fee is \$40/person.

4. Filipino Cell

WAC is starting a small Filipino cell group. The aim is to provide pastoral care to them. They will meet on 1st and 3rd Sundays from 10:30am to 12pm at WCRC. We will start on 6 December.

For more information, please look for Rosalind Seck.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

November	13	(Fri)	Corporate Prayer Meeting
	15	(Sun)	WDT - Promotion
	22	(Sun)	Council Meeting
	29	(Sun)	Centenary Service @ Suntec Convention

Any announcements, articles or testimonies to share? Email Gladys @ wacoffice@livingstreams.org.sg

SHUTTLE BUS SERVICE

9.10AM	BOON LAY WAY - BOON LAY MRT (BUS STOP)
9.15AM	JURONG WEST ST 51 BLK 51 CARPARK
9.30AM	CLEMENTI MRT - BUS STOP TOWARDS CITY



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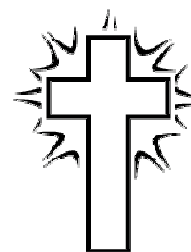
BISHOP: The Most Revd Dr John Chew
DEAN & VICAR: The Very Revd Kuan Kim Seng

ASSOCIATE VICAR: The Revd Canon Dr Louis Tay
PRIEST-IN-CHARGE: Revd Timothy Chow

08 November 2009

WHY WE SERIOUSLY NEED GET HUNGRY FOR THE RIGHT THINGS?

By Revd Timothy Chow



A common refrain of our day and age is: "I'm so busy!" Can you relate? We are all busy, but are we 'busy' with the Word of God? Eugene Patterson, translator of the MESSAGE version of the Bible, released a new book entitled, Eat This Book. In this book, he challenges us to 'get busy' with the Word of God like we never have before. Part of the impetus for this challenge comes from a portion of Isaiah 31:4 - *as a lion growls, a great lion over his prey*. The Hebrew word for 'growl' is *hagah*. Usually translated as 'meditate', this definition doesn't truly plumb the depths of the meaning of *hagah*. A better way to think of this word is to envision a dog stumbling across a savory bone. Anyone who has been around dogs knows the ensuing routine: the prance, a gambol, the proud tail wag - as the dog takes his new find to a private place and goes to work - salivating, gnawing, turning it over, licking it inside and out, unhurriedly lingering, softly growling throaty sounds of pleasure. It is a scene of utter enjoyment.

With this understanding, Hebrew scholars and rabbis used the same word *hagah* - to describe the kind of reading of the Word of God that is intended to reach to your soul. 'Meditate' was far too tame a translation for what was to be a teeth-tongue-and-stomach involving whole-body experience - tasting, mediating and savoring the sweet, mouth-watering, soul-energizing morsels of the Word of God. (Psalm 34:8 - *Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good*). The spirit of *hagah* was intended to describe one 'lost in his religion' - just as the lion was 'lost' in his prey and the dog was 'lost' in his bone.

West Coast Recreation Centre
No. 12 West Coast Walk

Sunday Services

10am - 12pm
English Service @ Auditorium
10am - 12pm
Mandarin Service @ Thanksgiving
10am - 12pm
Children In Action @ Honor

Saturday

3.30pm - 6.30pm
Destiny Impact (Youth) @ Honor

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EVERY MEMBER A FRUIT BEARING DISCIPLE

Listen to what the Psalmist says in Psalm 1:2 - *Instead you thrill to God's Word, you chew on Scripture day and night* (MSG). OUR goal this year has been to let the word of God slowly dissolve into our soul like a lozenge melting in my mouth. It has taken sacrifice - as sometimes it's has been easier to sleep in or stay up late watching one more re-run of a Phua Chu Kang episode. Yet as we have pushed through and drawn nearer to God and his Word, we have found that we have been more motivated to engage in the spiritual battle and been more resolute in our faith.

The call for all us as disciples is to thrill to God's Word in the spirit of 'hagah'. This is especially important because we live in a world where philosophically you can believe anything (so long as you do not claim it to be true), morally you can practice anything (so long as you do not claim it's a 'better' way), and religiously you can hold to anything (so long as you do not bring Christ into it). In this dangerous climate where we can be crushed under the weight of forces opposed to the Gospel of Christ, it is imperative that we be lost in our religion as we hagah - or chew on the soul-energizing morsels of the Word of God.

May the words of Psalm 19:7-14 motivate and spur us on to be committed to not just read the Word but to study the Word as well. You too "busy"? The correct question should be, "You hungry?"



Get hungry for God!

DUTY SCHEDULE

	Today 08th November (H.C)	Next Week 15th November
Chairperson	Tony Tay	Wong Seng Choon
Speaker	Revd Rusty Russell	Revd Timothy Chow
Worship Leader	Kelvin Koo	C.I.A
Music Team	Kahmun, Tony, Jonathan, Jimmy, James, Kevin, Scarlet, Eddy	Althea, Andy, Matthew, Sean
Projectionist	Violet	Rachel, Priscilla
Soundworks	Carol Elizabeth	Eric Sng, Hui Ling
H.C. Server	Raymond, Tony, Kevin	-
Intercessory Prayer	Susy Tan	Tony Tay
Scripture Reader	Annie Kat	Selena Tay

WISE DISCIPLINE-SHIP TRAINING

DATE	PROGRAM
13 November	Corporate Prayer Meeting
20 November	NO WDT

Cell groups are suspended till further notice due to WDT. For further enquiries, you may contact the Office at 63376104 ext 188/189 or email wacoffice@livingstreams.org.sg

MISSIONS

Missions Funds needed in 2009	:	\$20,000
Amount collected to date	:	\$14,796.50

