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Li Nanxing Outreach



Brother Martin Writes

Two major activities took place in June. First was the Retreat at Pulau Springs and then the Li Nanxing Outreach immediately following the week after. When we have big events, The Vine will be overwhelmed with testimonies and sharings that some of the articles have to be carried forward to the next issue.

Then in July, we will have another major event, the 50th Anniversary celebrations. With this event and the overflow from June, I foresee that I do not have to work too hard to come up with something to write to fill up The Vine next issue either. You may realize that when you write for The Vine, you are making my work easier. Please send in your articles; there are many good and encouraging stories that I have no access to.

A funny thing happened to me at the Retreat. I videoed the 2nd day's message on a new micro SD card which I bought online. When I came back to Singapore, I found that the SD card was corrupted and the entire 2nd day's message was lost. I started to imagine that God did not want the 2nd day's message about "Speaking in Tongues" to be shared with the rest of JCC. Some time later, one of the church's PA Tech requested me to get a bigger capacity thumbdrive to record the Sunday sermons. I bought the thumbdrive and found inside that there was a free 1-year's subscription to a data recovery program.

I tried the program on the corrupted SD card; and lo and behold, the data was recovered. However, the data was recovered in like 2-minute fragments and so I am now trying to stitch the 500 plus files back together. With all the media flowing at me from all the events, I am flooded and need time to restore to basic conditions again.

Besides media, there is also the upcoming Cambodia Missions Trips to prepare and publicize. The optimum number of people each trip is 20 persons. The 1st trip in mid-October is a Children's Camp and the 2nd trip in early-December is a Children's Christmas Party and Outreach. If God is calling you to be one of the twenty, please register your interest with Julian Chong Yew Moi, HOM, Missions. The earlier the better as airfares cost cheaper now than later.

The takeaway from the Retreat, "If you don't use the talents God gave you, what will you say to Him when you meet Him?"

Martin Cheah