## **A Testimony of Ryden**

Lynnest was elated to have found out that she was pregnant. The joy was short-lived when she went for a regular check-up at 6 weeks and was told that the foetus had no heart-beat. The family was devastated. Her mother, Alice, who has been worshipping and serving in Jurong Christian Church (JCC) for many years, was heart-broken. She prayed and asked the Gynaecologist to give the situation another week or so before aborting the foetus.



The next two weeks were tormenting for the

family. Alice sought the Dialect Leadership team (DLT) for prayers and intercession on the situation. The day came when the follow-up check was done. The doctor found the heart-beat of the foetus!

I hear from many women about their stories and their lives that they risk when they were pregnant with their children. For Lynnest, it was also a close call for her when Ryden had to be delivered two months earlier and Ryden was born on Easter Day. Giving thanks to God!

This is the story of Ryden who is now 4 years old. Alice said she wanted to thank the DLT for the prayers with special thanks to Joo See who was always there for her with a listening ear.

Alice would also like to take this opportunity to thank Deacon Peter and his wife for their encouragement then. It has been a thanks-



giving wish that she has held in her heart for 4 years. Glory be to God, our Lord and Saviour!



"When he came near the place where the road goes down the Mount of Olives, the whole crowd of disciples began joyfully to praise God in loud voices for all the miracles they had seen. Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest! Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Jesus, Teacher, rebuke your disciples! I tell you, he replied, if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out." (Luke 19:37-40)

Alice had approached me on one of the Sundays to share her testimony after seeing Lily's sharing in the Vine. I was heartened to hear from her as it broke the silence of the prayers to have more JCC members write for The Vine or reach out to The Vine members to share their testimony by letting us help you write your story.

My apologies to Alice as it took a while for me to connect with her because of my hectic schedule. It was really a delight to be able to pen her story as an encouragement for all of us; giving thanks and praising God on His wonderful love! This love surpasses our understanding of the life He has for us. Amen.

May the thanks-giving from your heart sing the praises to God for His Almighty Love! Let your voice be heard! Thank you for this testimony, Alice!

On behalf of Alice, Joyce Tan