

Remembering Nick Wong

PHUKET - A Singaporean tourist was saved from drowning by lifeguards near Phuket on Saturday morning (Sept 28, 2019), Bangkok Post reported.

Mr Wong Yuen Khuen, 57, was swimming off Koh Hae, or Coral Island, in the southern Thai province when he struggled in the water, lifeguards rushed to his aid, brought him to the beach and performed cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR).



This report in the Straits Times may seem like just another piece of news but to JCC and the Multi-Media Ministry, this Singaporean is not just another statistics but our brother **Nick Wong**.

His love for travelling and landscape photography must have taken him to this scenic island in Southern Thailand.

For many years, Nick had been the de facto photographer for The Vine, taking photos of retreats, outings, events and of course the group photo below.



The earliest recollection I have of working with Nick is when he wrote an article, "My Nias Island Experience" in the July 2003 issue of The Vine. He then helped me with the photography in the Church Retreat in June 2004 at Port Dickson. His articles were few and far between. His next write up was about the JCC Photo Club which he was heading, in the Jan 2013 issue of The Vine. Then he again wrote about another visit to Nias in the May 2014 issue of The Vine.



It is very difficult to find a photo of a photographer because his place is always behind the camera.

Fortunately, here are a few photos where Nick is in the photo.

He is a very complex yet simple person. He runs a printing business at one time and in his latter days, he worked in the security field.

His last words to me, whether I wanted to buy his Canon camera body. I didn't accept his offer because I am a Nikon / Sony user.



Now he has gone home to be with Jesus. May he enjoy the beauty of Heaven's landscapes.



Surely the Lord's goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I

will dwell in the house of the Lord forever. - Psalm 23:6

Martin Cheah

The last pics we have of...



"Our God is the God from whom cometh salvation. God is the Lord by whom we escape death."
-Martin Luther.

He walked amongst us and now he walks with the angels.