

A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear Fellow-Workers-in-Christ

The year 1989 and 1990 (first half year) saw some changes in JCC. The changes are in the areas of building, management and administration.

In June '89, we had finished renovating the Children's Centre's facilities and in September '89, we had the roof above the Sanctuary (worship hall) changed. Later, in April this year, we had the exterior walls repainted and pressure-washed. And recently, the Church office, Pastors' offices and the conference room were installed with air-conditioners. And there are more major renovations ahead of us.



During the combined council meeting in July, the council took a big step in making a very important decision for the Church. It was decided that for better Church growth and effective programming, we should split our treasury. With effect from July 1st 1990, each language section will be managing their own funds. And each section can now decide how they can best use their funds for their interest.

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SUPPORT YOUR NEWSLETTER

It is easy to start a newsletter, but difficult to maintain it. The editorial team requires a lot of support from all of you, in order to continue making this newsletter informative and interesting. If you have a poem, a testimony, a story, a joke, a puzzle or anything that is printable, share it with us. We welcome all contributions, even those from children.



If you have difficulty in writing, please approach any of the editorial team members, and we will be very glad to assist you. The editorial team comprises:

Pastor William Chang

Se Ping

Amy Saw

Martin Cheah

Joo See

Parents - you can also help by encouraging your children to take part in the contests which are featured regularly in our newsletter under the Children's Corner.

We earnestly solicit your contributions because we believe that "A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in pictures of silver" (Proverbs 25:11).

the Editor.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

AUGUST		Marriage Enrichment Course
	25	Film Show : Strong Willed Child
SEPTEMBER	1	Film Show : Shaping the Will Without Breaking the Spirit
	8	Film Show : Father Looks Back
	15	Film Show : Young Child
	22	Film Show : Adolescent
	29	Film Show : Heritage
OCTOBER		Bible Study on 1 Peter by Dr Ola Telluan
	13	Excursion/Outing

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With that major change the combined council also saw it fit that we should each have our own administration personnel. We may share the facilities but in administration we would be autonomous.

Personally, I believe that all these changes form a platform for our growth. Changes are good because with changes, come new opportunities and freshness. May I, as your humble pastor, encourage you to continue to support both the changes and the outcome of these changes too. May we, with good conscience, give ourselves, our time and possessions for the building of God's "Church". HE IS LORD.

Yours for Christ,
Pastor William Chang.

LOVE

Where love is, there God is.

To love is virtually to know; to know is not virtually to love.

Real friends are those who, when you've made a fool of yourself, don't feel that you've done a permanent job.

We may give without loving, but we cannot love without giving.

It also takes two to make up after a quarrel.

Faults are thick when love is thin.

Do not judge your friend until you stand in his place.

The door to human heart can be opened only from the inside.

Let us be the first to give a friendly sign, to nod first, smile first, speak first and - if such a thing is necessary - forgive first.

To handle yourself, use your head;

To handle others, use your heart.

The only safe and sure way to destroy an enemy is to make him your friend.

A foreigner is a friend I haven't met yet.

The only way to have a friend is to be one.

Love sees through a telescope - not a microscope.

Some people give and forgive; others get and forget.

A NOTE OF THANKS

from Chong Wong Mui

On 3rd May 1990, my mother suffered a sudden brain haemorrhage. Nine days later, while she was still in hospital waiting for a special x-ray called **angiogram** and an operation to be carried out, she suffered a second bleeding from the same weak spot. Seeing that the risks of performing the angiogram and the operation are of no significance when compared to the risks of a third bleeding, the doctors went ahead with the angiogram and operation. The angiogram was carried out on that afternoon and the operation was also successfully performed the next day. She is now recovering in hospital.

During this period of anxiety, we were very comforted by the fact that so many of our friends, including you in JCC, have been praying for us and my mother. Some of you have visited my mother in hospital and some have sent flowers. Many of you have enquired about her condition and have shown genuine concern. On behalf of my family, I would like to express our sincere gratitude for the love you have shown.

This crisis has also shaken me up. I have come to realise that I have been very slack in helping my family members to come to know Jesus Christ. Life is so unpredictable and anything can happen at any time. Let us therefore not wait till a crisis occurs before reaching out to others with the message of **Jesus Christ**.

angiogram - a photograph made by angiography, process of making X-ray photographs of blood vessels with a substance opaque to the rays

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Charles Wesley, 1707-1788

Rowland H. Prichard, 1811-1887

1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling Joy of heav'n, to earth come
2 Breathe, oh, breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it In - to ev - 'ry trou - bled
3 Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er; Let us all thy life re -
4 Fin - ish then thy new cre - a - tion, Pure and spot - less let us

down! Fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, All thy faith - ful
breast; Let us all in thee in - her - it; Let us find thy
ceive; Sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, Nev - er - more thy
be; Let us see thy great sal - va - tion Per - fect - ly re -

mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion,
prom - ised rest. Take a - way the love of sin - ning;
tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing,
stored in thee! Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry.

Pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; Vis - it us with
Al - pha and O - me - ga be; End of faith as
Serve thee as thy hosts a - bove. Pray, and praise thee
Till in heav'n we take our place, Till we cast our

thy sal - va - tion, En - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart,
its be - gin - ning. Set our hearts at lib - er - ty
with - out ceas - ing. Glo - ry in thy per - fect love,
crowns be - fore thee, Lost in won - der, love, and praise!

A SONG FOR YOU

Susannah Wesley loved her 10 surviving children (nine had died in infancy), and applied herself with vigor training them. Even Charles, the youngest, knew no slackening off of his mother's rules. Crying must be done silently, naughtiness astringently punished, kids to bed by eight, no snacking between meals, prayers morning and evening, or else. Without question, rules and routine governed the Wesley home. In this atmosphere Charles grew up, toiling always to please God but never sure he was succeeding.

What a joyous discovery then to hear that God does not demand anything from us, but simply encourages us to receive the forgiveness of sins and eternal life he offers us. When this dawned on Charles, he could not contain his joy. "Love divine, all loves excelling," he cried out.

The Lord heard Charles Wesley's cry. During a span of 50 years he wrote over 6000 hymns and sang the gospel into the hearts of people while his brother, John, preached. He died at age 81. A few nights before his death, he sang Isaac Watt's hymn, "I'll praise my Maker, while I've breath." He died with the words, "I'll praise... I'll praise," on his lips.

QUOTES

"Evangelize the
your neighbors."

Inevitable -
E. STANLEY JONES.

"God's problem is not finding
creative people, but obedient
people to carry out His ideas
(I Sam 15:10-23)
LOVE SANNY

PERSONAL TOUCH

by Joo See

It has been quite a long time since the last issue and during that time there were two weddings and a birth. Interestingly, the Church Camp was cancelled due to an unprecedented number of expectant ladies - at the last count, seven. In this issue, you will find out who the seven ladies are and their order of delivery.

First let's keep up to date about who has got hitched, so that you would not be surprised should one of these ladies suddenly showed up in a maternity dress.

Our first couple is Joanne and Alan, who got married in May. They were closely followed by Sherine and William, who got married in June. Both the couples had attended Pastor's Pre-Marital course. Pray that Pastor had prepared them well for the life ahead and also that God will bless them.

This next piece of news is old since by now most of you would have eaten the baby's full month cake. Anyway, congratu-lations to Michelle and Jim on the birth of their second son, Jerome. May God watch over him and guide him into the paths of righteousness.

When Pastor first announced that there were about seven pregnant ladies in the congregation, I am sure most of you wondered who they were. However, as the saying goes, time will tell, and in this case, it sure did. The seven ladies, in the order of their expected delivery dates, are:

Betsy Yee
Joo See
Nancy Lim
Grace
Laura Chang
Julie Kao
Beng Lay

Please continue to pray that God will keep them safe and grant them healthy children.

As stated in the previous issue, we would like to announce the birthdays of members and regular visitors. The birthday list for this quarter, April to July is as follows:

Happy Birthday

APRIL

- 7 YEE, BETSY
- 7 PHANG KIN SIONG
- 17 YEO SUNN LIANG, PETER
- 20 YEO, LILIAN
- 20 YEE JALIN, SABRINA

JULY

- 1 TAN HUI YAO, SAMUEL
- 2 LOW HAN CHUNG, FREDDIE
- 8 TAN, JOSHUA
- 9 GEORGE, ELSIE
- 9 SAW PEH ERN (SU PEIEN)
- 10 LEE, IVY
- 12 LEE MEI LENG, JANE
- 13 LIM, ESTHER
- 20 ONG SIEW HONG, MICHELLE
- 25 OW KOK WING
- 30 TAN HOCK CHIANG, JASON

MAY

- 1 CHEW, MATTHEW
- 7 YANG CHUHUI, GRACE
- 14 YOW SWEE KEE, JULIE
- 18 ANG JOO SEE
- 19 CHOW KOH KONG
- 28 TUANG HWEE PENG, GRACE
- 30 CHANG OI LIN, LISSA

JUNE

- 5 YEE, MARTIN
- 5 CHEAH HOCK SOON, MARTIN
- 7 TAN CHENG CHWEE, JAMES
- 8 YEO YIAK BOON, DOROTHY
- 14 CHOW KAI YIP, ANDREW
- 23 TAN CHOR HUANG, LUCY
- 27 TAN HOCK BENG, JONATHAN
- 28 LIN, MARY

JOKES

by BERNARD

BOY: SAY THREE LITTLE WORDS WHICH WOULD
MAKE ME FEEL LIKE I'M WALKING ON
AIR...

GIRL: GO HANG YOURSELF!

Lastly, the Church Camp has been cancelled due to reasons which we already know, namely the 'baby boom crisis'. However, a Telematch was organized on 3 June in its stead. There were lots of fun and games, ranging from an obstacle race to ice-hockey (in this country?). After the match, while some took a dip in the nearby pool, the rest played netball. Ever seen guys playing netball? On the whole, the Telematch was a success, and zillions of thanks goes to Peter and his cronies. Well, Peter, we hope to see another games day soon!

So, guys and gals, if you have missed out on these activities, do look out for the coming ones, and see you all there - whatever it may be!

He who lives only for himself runs a very small business.



Proverbs 11:24-25

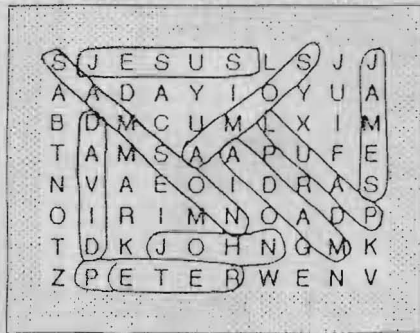
It is possible to give away and become richer! It is also possible to hold on too tightly and lose everything. Yes, the liberal man shall be rich! By watering others, he waters himself.

CONTEST RESULTS

The answers to last issue's Hidden Bible Characters Contest is shown below:

JESUS
SAMSON
DAVID
AMOS
ADAM

PAUL
JAMES
JOHN
PETER



There were no all correct entries, since none were received. So the prize is snowballed to this issue's Colouring Competition. Those of you who like colouring, please do not feel shy to submit your entry, who knows, you may be the next Leonardo, or Michelangelo, or Raphael or even Donatello, and I don't mean those Ninja Turtles.

COLOURING COMPETITION

Entries to be submitted to Martin Cheah by 31 August 1990



THE WOMAN AT THE WELL