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POSSESSING OUR POSSESSIONS



...He will bring us into this land and give it to us,
'a land which flows with milk and honey.'

NUMBERS 14:8

2016 — POSSESSING OUR POSSESSIONS

The theme of the year, based on Obadiah 1:17, has set the tone for our church over the past 12 months. We encouraged one another to see challenges or “giants” as bread (ref.: Numbers 14:9), looking to the Lord, the One who loves us with His life, as our provider and overcomer who is bigger than any giant we face.

And as our congregation actively took hold of their possessions in Christ, we are privileged to hear their personal stories: heartwarming testimonies of salvation and restored relationships in their households, healing for themselves and their loved ones, as well as the Lord’s protection and help in overcoming their challenges.

We have also seen His blessings come to pass when we gathered together as a family in Christ: Encouraging accounts of lives impacted as we worshipped the Lord at our services or fellowshiped together at our care groups, ministry gatherings and camps.

Knowing that we are blessed and abundantly supplied through Christ, we are grateful that we can be a blessing to those around us in Singapore and in the region through various community and outreach efforts, and even to the ends of the world through our pastors’ preaching and our television broadcast.

As part of the family here in New Creation Church, you have a hand in all of this through your prayers, your service in the ministries, and your giving. Everyone counts, to the Lord and to us.

Join us as we recount what the Lord has done for us this year in this annual issue of *Solid Rock*. May your heart be warmed and your vision enlarged to see a BIG God who wants you to be strong in His love for you.

THE SOLID ROCK TEAM

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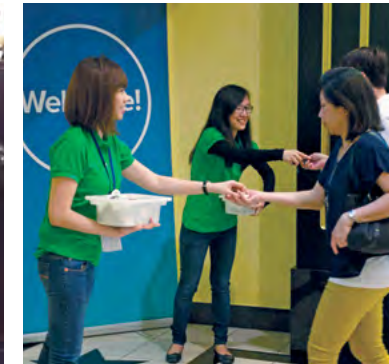
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HOUSE OF PRAISE!

Coming together and looking to the Lord with thanksgiving in our hearts

A look back over the past year at the special times of celebration as we remember and give thanks for God's blessings in our lives — the birth, death and resurrection of our Lord, fresh words of grace and hope for the year, peace over our home and nation, and the joy of seeing loved ones come to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ!





VISION SUNDAY

The first Sunday of the year on 3 January. Excitement abounded as Senior Pastor Joseph Prince unveiled the theme of the year for our church, 2016 — *Possessing Our Possessions*, and encouraged all to lay hold of God’s good promises for us because of what Jesus has accomplished on the cross.

Top: “Royal Colours” — a multimedia dance that depicts how Jesus came to break us out from the prison of sin, shame and fear to bring us into His righteousness and glorious light!

Right: Neon wristbands distributed before services and worn during worship to symbolise His light shining forth in us.



Below: Pastor Prince illustrating the theme of the year through a video presentation.

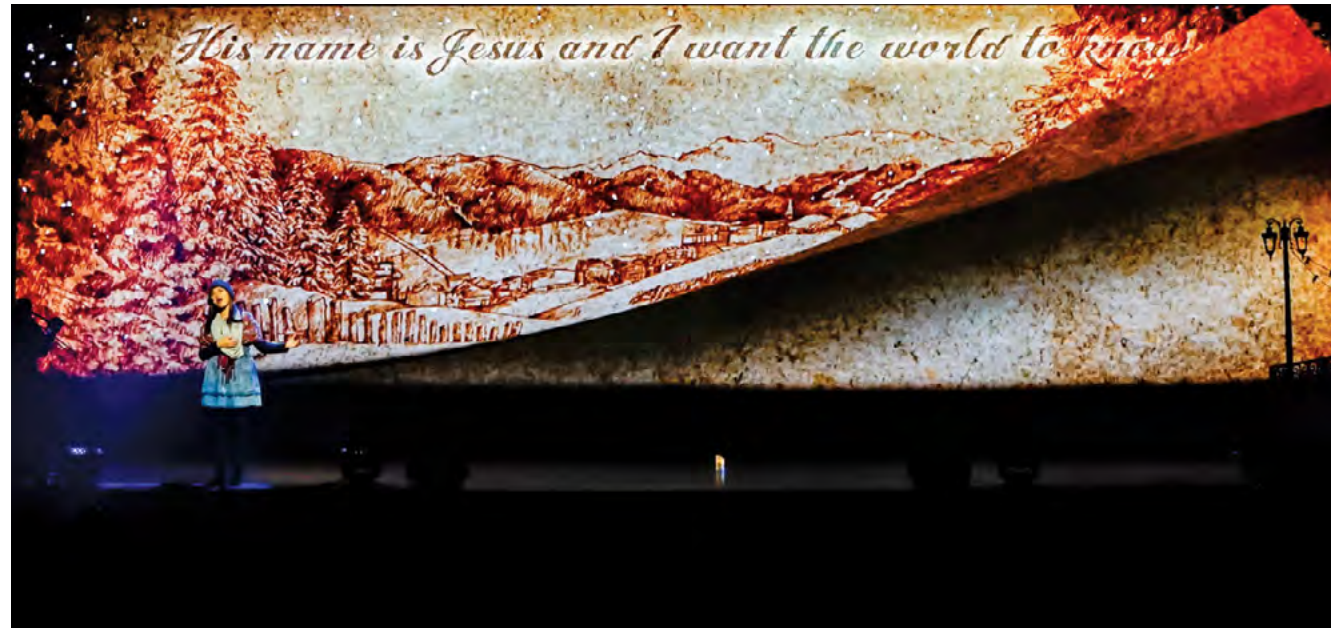


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Watch the theme of the year animation.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION SERVICES

Nothing warms the heart quite like Christmas where we celebrate our Saviour's birth with the timeless traditions of carolling, gift-giving and family gatherings. On Sunday, 20 December 2015, we came together to lift our voices in song and rejoice in the magnificent love of our heavenly Father as demonstrated through His greatest gift of all – the Lord Jesus Christ!



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Enjoy this stunning operatic presentation of "O Holy Night" at our Christmas celebration services.



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Facing page, centre:
A heartwarming rendition of "Let The Fire Burn", an original song by New Creation Worship.



Top: Pastor Prince unveiling the love of God afresh through the birth of Christ.



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A touching duet of our Saviour's magnificent love in English and Korean.





THANKSGIVING SUNDAY

As 2015 came to a close, we remembered and gave thanks for all that the Lord had done for us and through us that year, which was themed *The Year Of His Restoration*. That last service of the year was also the time for our annual highlight — Pastor Prince leading the congregation in prayer as we lifted up three personal prayer requests to the Lord.



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Snapshots of His grace in 2015: from anointed preaching and missions work to heartwarming and fun moments at our Sunday services.



CHINESE NEW YEAR CELEBRATIONS

Chinese New Year is a time for family reunion and unity. On Chinese New Year's eve, our church marked the occasion as one family in Christ.



Top: Our Chinese Ministry pastor, Mark Ng, delivering an uplifting message that pointed to Jesus as the key to effortless transformation.

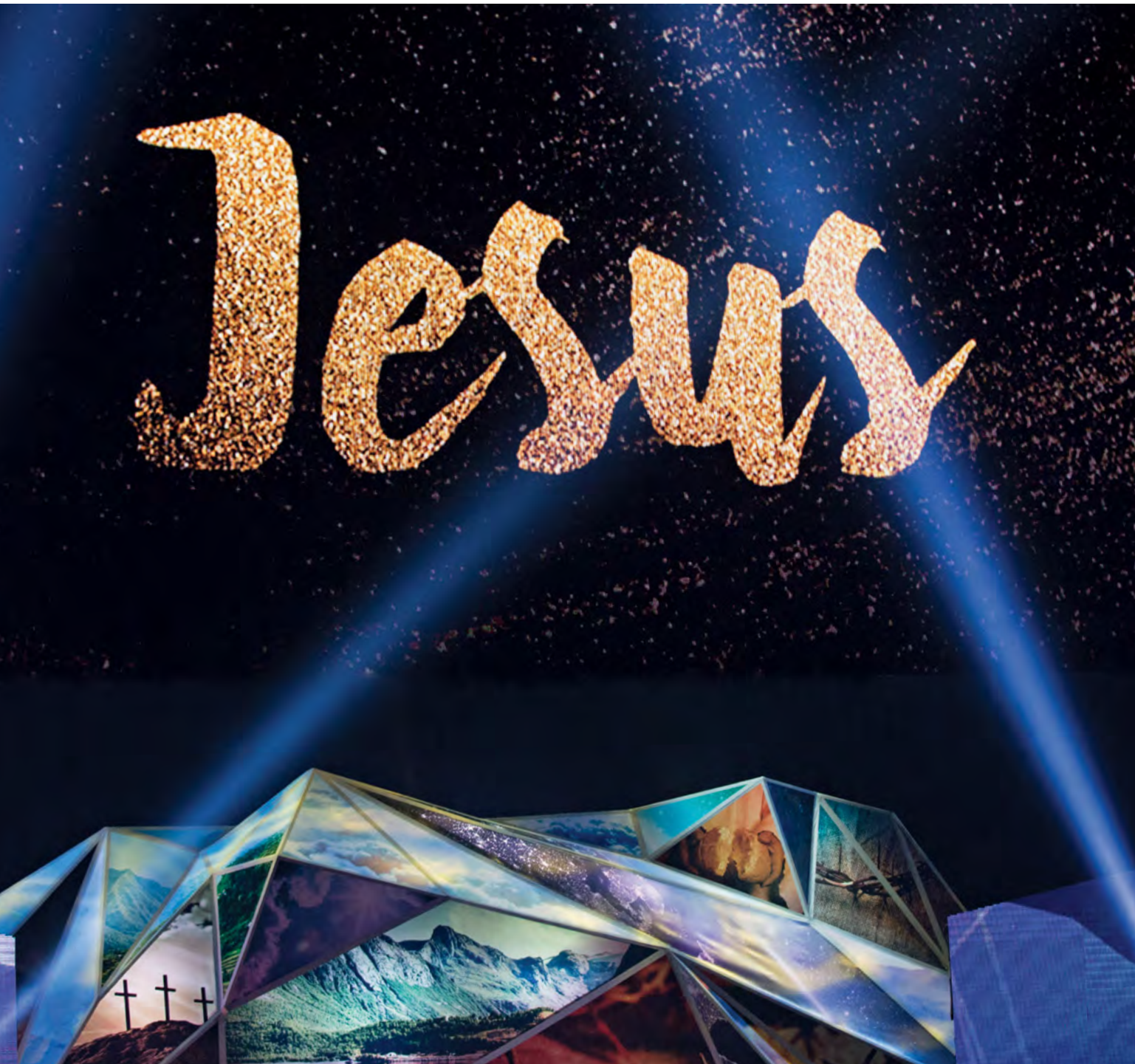


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Watch the Chinese music video, Sacrifice, by New Creation Worship.

RESURRECTION SUNDAY

Honouring the risen Christ, the Lord Almighty in us, the hope of glory, and remembering that our identity is found in Christ alone.



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Enjoy "Indeed He Is Risen (Ken Hu Kam)", a beautiful song in both English and Hebrew.



Right: Our services opened with an immersive 3D museum experience.



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Receive a greater revelation of Jesus' sacrificial love for you through "Hope Of Glory", an original song by New Creation Worship.



Left: Pastor Prince proclaiming the victory we have through the cross.



CELEBRATION SUNDAY

On Sunday, 8 May 2016, we appreciated the mothers with a practical gift, a song item and prayed a special blessing over their lives. We also celebrated Pastor Prince's birthday in advance to honour our senior pastor and show our appreciation for his leadership and ministry.



Top: Pastor Lawrence Lim pronouncing a prayer of blessing over all mums.



FATHER'S DAY

During our services on Father's Day on Sunday, 19 June 2016, we showed our love and honour for fathers with a special performance and prayer just for them. Each dad also picked up a gift from the church.



Top: Pastor Prince prayed for all fathers to be filled with God's wisdom and strength.



NATIONAL DAY CELEBRATION SERVICES

We are blessed to call Singapore home! Celebrating our country's 51st birthday on Sunday, 7 August 2016, we gave thanks to God for His blessings on our nation, and prayed for continued protection, peace, progress and unity in Singapore.



Top: Chairman Deacon Matthew Kang leading the congregation in the Singapore National Pledge.

Right: Pastor Lawrence Lim praying for Singapore and its leaders.



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Enjoy this beautiful song item, the prayer of our heart for Singapore!

MID-AUTUMN CELEBRATION:



It was a joyous time for all who attended the two sessions on 3 September 2016 as they enjoyed performances featuring popular Chinese songs and an upbeat dance item, and even took home traditional mooncakes. In all, 8,700 congregation members and their Chinese-speaking loved ones were at the event, some 200 people received Jesus Christ as their Lord and Saviour, and many more had God's Word of redemption sown in their hearts.

Right: Pastor Mark Ng preached on the Father's love in Hokkien, a message which was simultaneously translated into Mandarin by Pastor Christina Wee.

Below: The heartwarming song of redemption and hope in Christ, "祢是我家 (You Are My Home)", was specially written by New Creation Worship for this event. Kenn C (far right), a well-known music producer and songwriter, and a volunteer with our church's worship team, shared a moving testimony of how Jesus saved him and his marriage.



Top left: Xia Hui, a popular 1970s singer and a judge on Golden Age Talent Time, a local TV programme, sang a medley of familiar songs from yesteryear, including a touching duet with her son.



MOTHER RECEIVED JESUS!

I had been praying for my mother's salvation for a long time, and this seemed like the perfect opportunity to invite her to church. I was glad when she agreed to attend the event although I felt anxious on the day itself, wondering if she would be receptive. I committed it to the Lord, believing that He would do the work, and I was so happy that my mother raised her hand during the call for salvation and received Jesus as her Saviour! She was touched by the message of God's love and the testimonies of His goodness. We now go to church together. Praise God!

— CHRISTIAN CHEN



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Watch "祢是我家 (You Are My Home)".



YOUTH DAY

From enthusiastic greetings and energetic dances to humorous announcements, original songs and upbeat praise and worship, our youth ministry stepped up to take the lead before, during and after our services on Sunday, 3 July 2016!



Top: Flash mob with nifty footwork.



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Watch "139", an original composition by the youths from New Creation Worship!



CHILDREN'S DAY

We celebrated Children's Day in advance on Sunday, 2 October 2016, and congregation members at the English services were treated to a creative song presentation that featured a nine-year-old cellist and a 10-year-old singer. Meanwhile, the little ones at our children's ministry Rock Kidz had a blast learning about Jesus during lessons and took home Children's Day gifts. Rock Kidz also kicked off "Octoblessed", a month-long celebration packed with special fun-filled activities.





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Wherever you are at in life today, there is something I want you to grab hold of. For every lack and area of barrenness, because you are His beloved child, God has blessings of practical supply, protection, healing, and restoration that He wants you to take possession of and start walking in!

This has always been God's heart for His people. In the Old Testament, when the Lord delivered His people from slavery under Pharaoh and brought them out of Egypt, it was only the beginning of a wonderful plan He had for them. He didn't bring them out to walk in circles in the desert outside Egypt. No, He had a good land — a beautiful land flowing with milk and honey — He planned for them to walk into and to possess all the amazing blessings that He had prepared for them to enjoy with their families.

My friend, God doesn't want you just living outside of Egypt in the desert — saved but experiencing dryness and barrenness in many areas of your life. No, He wants you living *in* the promised land today. If you've been feeling like you've been wandering in a desert of some kind for a long time, I want you to know without a doubt that this is not what He wants you to settle for. Instead, your loving Father's desire for you is to settle *in* the promised land, where you are enjoying or truly possessing all that our Lord Jesus died to give you.

OUR LORD WANTS US POSSESSING OUR POSSESSIONS — THAT'S THE WORD THAT HE HAS GIVEN US FOR 2016!

Maybe you've been told that you have a chronic physical condition that you just have to live with. Maybe you're worried about your job or financial security because of things that have been

happening in your workplace or industry. Or perhaps you're discouraged over a losing battle with a bad habit or addiction. Maybe you're going through a difficult time with a family member and the relationship seems to be disintegrating right before your eyes.

Beloved, God wants you to know this today: No matter how hopeless the situation looks, His desire is not for you to settle in this place of dryness and struggle, but for you to know that His blessings of supply, healing, restoration, and victory are already yours in Christ, and for you to fully possess these blessings! This is why Jesus came and died on the cross to bear your sins. The Bible says it like this: *"I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly"* (John 10:10). As a child of God, your heavenly Father's purpose is for you to have an

abundant and fulfilling life, not a saved-to-keep-struggling life!

FROM DEBT TO DELIVERANCE

Let me encourage you with the testimony of a precious couple from Australia who have come to experience just this. For many years, Janice and her husband were barely getting by. In fact, they were swimming in so much debt that it almost destroyed their marriage. The crippling financial pressure they were under also caused Janice to have a medically certified nervous breakdown. In her email to my ministry, she shared:

We were trying to service a home loan, student loans, school fees, car payments, and living expenses on one wage. My husband was a full-time student, my daughter was in

school, and I was the only one who worked full-time. By the time I paid our weekly bills, we would only have about \$30 left. We were hundreds of thousands of dollars in debt with only a minimum wage income to fight off the creditors. It was like standing in a hurricane with only a rain hat to stay dry. In the natural, it was hopeless.

There were days we couldn't even send our daughter to school because we had no food for her lunch box. Every day, we lived in despair and emotional trauma. We dreaded each day because it was full of defeat. We tried every formula we knew — fasting, prayer meetings, serving, anything and everything. Although I had known God for over 30 years, deep in my heart, I was angry with Him for not rescuing us.





This precious couple cried out to the Lord for help. Then one day, some friends introduced the couple to my broadcast ministry and their lives began to turn around, slowly but surely. They kept listening to the preaching of the gospel of grace for months until the courage to trust God returned. They recorded my sermon broadcasts and watched them over and over again, hearing and hearing about how God loved them and was for them to succeed, not just to get by or to fail in life. The more they heard about and majored on God's love for them, the more they experienced demonstrations of His love. Janice shared with me:

We believed you when you said that God loves us through everything and in every way. We believed you when you told us how to see Jesus in the Bible. We believed you when you taught us how to apply the finished work of the cross in our lives.

Little by little through hearing about God's unconditional love for us, we opened our hearts back up and soon grabbed, with all our might, the revelation that our Father God loves us. We had been blaming God all this time,

Your loving Father's desire is for you to truly possess all that our Lord Jesus died to give you.

when all He wanted to do was set us free and show us His love and greatness.

We spent less time convincing God that we loved Him and spent more time telling our spirits that God loves us unconditionally. We began making decisions

out of God's approval for us, instead of our fear of Him if we got it wrong. How our lives have turned around!

Today, we are completely debt-free. We have no mortgage. We fully own our home. We fully own our car, motorbike, and truck. We don't owe any school fees. We totally own everything and have been blessed, so we can be a blessing to others. We have been given the opportunity to bless people, to feed people, to pay other children's school fees. God totally and completely turned our lives around!

What an incredible testimony of a couple going from wandering in the desert to possessing their possessions, to the point that they now have the means to bless others! I pray this praise report encourages you to believe that God indeed wants you living with abundance in the promised land.

REST TO POSSESS

You may be familiar with the story of the children of Israel on the brink of stepping into their promised land. Let's take a closer look at this account because it gives us insight not only into the possessions the Lord is challenging us to see and lay hold of in our own lives, but also how possessing our blessings happen.

First, I want you to see how the Bible describes the promised land as *"a **good and large** land...a land **flowing** with milk and honey"* (Exodus 3:8, emphasis mine). Doesn't that evoke images of largeness and abundance? The promised land had more room than they needed, with blessings in

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overflowing quantities! Beloved, God doesn't just give us the bare minimum to get by. No, He gives us exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think so that our cups run over (ref.: Ephesians 3:20; Psalm 23:5). And when our cups run over, like Janice and her husband, we are in a position to bless others.

Secondly, the Lord told the Israelites that they would find *"large and beautiful cities which you did not build, houses full of all good things, which you did not fill, hewn-out wells which you did not dig, vineyards and olive trees which you did not plant"* (Deuteronomy 6:10–11). Notice that the big, beautiful cities were *already* built, the houses were *already* fully furnished with the best, the wells were *already* dug, and the vineyards and olive trees were *already* planted. Someone else had already done all the hard work for them! What the Israelites were inheriting was a finished work.

What does this mean for us today? Beloved, the promised land that God has for you is a "land" of *rest*, where His blessings are freely given to you not through your self-effort, but the effort of another — His Son at Calvary. There is no backbreaking toiling, no striving to possess God's blessings. Why? Because Jesus at the cross has fully paid your sin debt, made you perfectly righteous before God, and qualified you to receive all of God's promises and blessings. This is why God's blessings are freely given to you with Jesus (ref.: Romans 8:32). Today, you only have to take God at His Word to possess and enjoy the blessings.

Now, let me show you something the Lord showed me. The name "Egypt" means "double distress."¹ The foods of Egypt — melons, leeks, garlics, onions — required backbreaking work to harvest since they were all on or in the ground. The promised land, in contrast, had figs, pomegranates, and grapes — foods that one just had to reach out to pick to eat. The Bible also tells us that the land was *"a land of hills and valleys, which drinks water from the rain of heaven"* (Deuteronomy 11:11). *God Himself* watered the hills and valleys of the land, and caused them to be fertile and verdant. In contrast, the land of Egypt, a picture of the world without Christ, had little rain and had to depend on water carried or redirected from the Nile River — again, backbreaking human effort!

My friend, when the Lord encourages us to believe that this will be a year where His people will possess their possessions, He's not saying it will happen as a result of your self-effort, your willpower, or your struggling to secure the breakthroughs you need. He's encouraging you to know and believe it's all about what He has already accomplished for you. It's about Him supplying your needs out of His abundant grace. And it's about you just *resting* in the finished work of our Lord Jesus and His love for you.

Beloved, what blessing do you need today? A job that puts more food on the table? Freedom from anxiety attacks or a secret addiction? Restoration of a failed relationship? If you've been wearing yourself out trying to change your negative situation, let this word bring peace, strength, and

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hope to your heart. See your blessing as already accomplished for you because of the finished work of Jesus. Possessing comes not by struggling but by resting.

TAKE GOD AT HIS WORD

The Bible tells us that “*we who have believed do enter that rest*” (Hebrews 4:3). Rest comes when we believe. We step into the promised land of rest and possess the blessings when we simply believe God. My friend, learn to take God at His Word. If you keep wondering if His promises are for you, you’ll end up wandering in the wilderness.

God had promised to give the Israelites the promised land and even to personally bring them in (ref.: Deuteronomy 6:10–11). Time and again, we see in the Scriptures His promise of having given them the land (emphasis mine):

- “*I have given you the land to possess*” (Numbers 33:53).
- “*Go up and possess the land which I have given you*” (Deuteronomy 9:23).
- “*I know that the Lord has given you the land*” (Joshua 2:9).
- “*I have given you a land for which you did not labour*” (Joshua 24:13).

God had already given them the land. It was theirs for the taking! But instead of taking God at His Word, they doubted Him. Instead of believing His promise and going up to possess the land, they decided to see for themselves if what God had said was indeed true and plausible. So they sent

Possessing comes not by struggling but by resting.

out 12 spies, one from each tribe, to check out the land (ref.: Deuteronomy 1:22). And the end result of their unbelief was 38 years of wandering in the desert.

Isn’t there a propensity for our human flesh to want to see physical proof before we believe God? But if God has spoken, why the need to prioritise human foresight, human advice, or human estimates? Can we see clearer and further than God? Many of us want to see the visible that is temporal, but God wants us to see the invisible that is eternal (ref.: 2 Corinthians 4:18). He wants us to trust Him, His goodness, His promises, and to walk by faith, even when we don’t see the tangible blessings yet.

Beloved, to possess your possessions, be quick to believe God when you hear His Word preached. Believe His promises — promises of divine health, divine provision, divine protection, divine peace, family blessings, and much more. Be like Janice and her husband: “*We believed... God loves us through everything and in every way. We believed you when you told us how to see Jesus in the Bible. We believed you when you*



taught us how to apply the finished work of the cross in our lives" (emphasis mine). Don't send out the spies to validate God's promises. Don't start reading this and that report, deferring to this and that person's "expert opinion", until you are confused and consumed, and paralysed with fear! Take God at His Word and you won't experience distractions and delays in entering the promised land and possessing your possessions.

SEE YOUR GIANTS AS BREAD

In their 40 days of scouting the land, all 12 spies saw a land truly flowing with milk and honey, and huge grapes. But they also saw large, well-fortified cities, and the giant inhabitants — the Amalekites, the Hittites, the Jebusites, the Amorites, and the Canaanites (ref.: Numbers 13:27–29).

Terrified by what they saw, 10 of the spies gave a very dismal report to their brethren:

"We went to the land where you sent us. It truly flows with milk and honey...Nevertheless the people who dwell in the land are strong; the cities are fortified and very large; moreover we saw the descendants of Anak there...We are not able to go up against the people, for they are stronger than we...The land through which we have gone as spies is a land that devours its inhabitants, and all the people whom we saw in it are men of great stature. There we saw the giants...and we were like grasshoppers in our own sight, and so we were in their sight" (Numbers 13:27–28, 31–33).

The two remaining spies, Joshua and Caleb, because they had a different spirit — a spirit of faith — spoke otherwise: *"Let us go up at once and take possession, for we are well able to overcome it" (Numbers 13:30).* And despite rebuttals and fierce opposition, they continued, *"The land we passed through to spy out is an exceedingly good land. If the Lord delights in us, then He will bring us into this land and give it to us, 'a land which flows with milk and honey.' Only do not rebel against*

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the Lord, nor fear the people of the land, for they are our bread; their protection has departed from them, and the Lord is with us. Do not fear them" (Numbers 14:7–9).

All 12 spies saw the blessings of the land, as well as the challenges. But while the 10 and those who listened to them saw the challenges as insurmountable, Joshua and Caleb saw them as bread! What do you do with bread? You eat it! They didn't fear "the people of the land" (notice how they didn't use the word "giants" and just saw them as ordinary "people") and couldn't wait to go up and possess the land. What a bold spirit of faith!

Beloved, don't let your challenges stop you from possessing your possessions. If God has given you

His word about possessing your possessions, don't be like the 10 spies and keep saying, "Yes, but...Yes, but...Yes, but..." Have a different spirit from the sceptics, the complainers, and the doubters. Be like Joshua and Caleb — have a spirit of faith and see your giants as bread that will only feed and strengthen you. Because the Lord is with you, because He has already given you His promise and blessings, you are well able to overcome any challenge and possess the blessings!

MAJOR ON GOD'S LOVE

Pastor Prince, I would really like to be able to take God at His word, to see my giants as bread, and to have a spirit of faith like Joshua and Caleb, but it's hard given the circumstances.

My friend, let me encourage you by saying that having the faith to believe God's promises and to reach out to take hold of your blessings needn't be a struggle. Unconscious faith for your miracle comes effortlessly as you simply major on God's love for you.

Yes, the negative reports are out there. You'll hear them on television or radio, read about them in the morning papers, and see them posted on social media. But instead of majoring on the constant deluge of bad news, major on God's unfailing love for you. Don't fill your eyes, ears, and mind with what the latest reports are saying. Instead, anchor your heart to what His Word says about His unwavering love for you.

Joshua and Caleb didn't deny the existence of the huge walls or giants — that's not faith — but they didn't focus on them. From the way they spoke, you can see they were more conscious of the Lord's promise and His delight in them — "the Lord loves us. He will bring us safely into the land and give it to us" (Numbers 14:8, TLB, emphasis mine). That's real faith. When you see God as loving and gracious towards you, He sees that as faith.

BRINGING DOWN YOUR GIANTS

Let me share with you a testimony that bears out what I'm saying here. Roxy grew up with a giant in her life called asthma. As a result, she had to be careful about where she went and what she ate and did. Needless to say, she was sidelined

from many sports activities. She also became fearful whenever she suffered an asthma attack as she had heard stories of how people had died from such attacks. The doctors told her mother that if she continued to have asthma till the age of 16, she would have it for the rest of her life. By the time she was 18, she was still getting asthma attacks.

Roxy didn't just fear her asthma, she also had an ungodly fear towards the Lord, even though she loved Him and had been serving Him since a young age: "I thought that perhaps God was punishing me with asthma. But I would still pray and ask God to heal me. I was very confused!"

Roxy's focus on *her* love for the Lord didn't cause her to possess her healing, until she started to major on *God's* love for her. A move to

study overseas led her to encounter my ministry and hear the gospel of grace preached. Besides learning that God really loves her and wants her well, she also began to see her healing as a finished work — already paid for and secured by Jesus' blood. Armed with these powerful revelations, her giant didn't stand a chance! Roxy shared with me:

I listened to the gospel of grace for a few months and finally, it dawned on me that God loves me despite my wrong believing. And not only did He love me, but He also let His Son die for all my sins. It also dawned on me that Daddy God did not put asthma on me

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to punish me because His Son, Jesus, had already been punished on the cross for my sake and had taken my asthma away...

At first it wasn't easy — the enemy tried to instill fear in me by putting asthmatic symptoms on me and telling me that God had not healed me. But I kept declaring that "by Jesus' stripes I am healed". I did not deny the fact that the asthma was there, but I denied its right to hurt me. Just before I turned 22, I suddenly found myself completely free from the symptoms of asthma.

Today, I am a qualified fitness instructor. I am no longer deprived of being physically active because of asthma. During one of our

fitness training sessions, I even got to share my testimony. All glory and praise be unto our Lord Jesus!

My friend, the more you believe that the Lord loves you and you major on that instead of the negative reports, the more you will, like Roxy and Janice, experience in practical ways His love and blessings. Good things happen to people who believe God loves them. His perfect love drives out all fear and empowers you to boldly face and bring down your giants. So choose today to major on God's love and all the good He has done and wants to do for you and your family. That's how you'll have a spirit of faith to walk into the promised land and possess all that God has given you in Christ!

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Recommended resources:

- *Vision Sunday — Possessing Our Possessions*, 3 January 2016
- *Five Words To Live By — The Battle Is The Lord's*, 10 January 2016
- *Wisdom To Possess Your Possessions*, 17 January 2016

To obtain these resources, visit NCC Resource on service days, Rock Gifts & Book Centre (6694 3007, rockonline.sg), or www.josephprince.com.



FROM ISRAEL, WITH GRACE

After 2,000 years, the gospel is still being preached in the land that Jesus walked!

At the Grace 2016 Trinity Broadcasting Network (TBN) Israel tour, Senior Pastor Joseph Prince proclaimed the good news over three powerful sessions that not only blessed those there, but also the millions in homes around the world through TBN's global broadcast network.

SOUTHERN STEPS

It was here in Jerusalem where our Lord Jesus taught and where about 3,000 were saved after the apostle Peter preached on the Day of Pentecost. At this first session on 24 February 2016, Pastor Prince ministered in the Spirit and shared about Jesus' amazing love and grace for us as revealed in the Gospels.

Right: Congregation members from our church.



HEALED OF PAIN

A week before the trip, I began experiencing pain in my left hand. It got so painful that I did not have the strength to hold things steadily. During the Southern Steps session, even while I sometimes did not fully understand what Pastor Prince was saying, I received my healing when he began ministering in the Spirit! There was no more pain. Praise the Lord!

— CHAN FONG LIN
SINGAPORE
(FONG LIN ATTENDS THE CHINESE SERVICES IN OUR CHURCH)



Top: Pastor Prince and TBN Chairman Matt Crouch.



TZEMACH BEACH

The second session on 26 February 2016 was held by the shores of the Sea of Galilee. Pastor Prince shared about the many miracles that Jesus performed here — He walked on water, calmed the storm and gave the disciples an amazing catch of fish — and encouraged all to practise Jesus' love for them in their daily lives, just as the apostle John did.



Right: Pastor Prince with TBN hosts, Matt and Laurie Crouch.



Left: Our worship team presenting a rocking song item.



CAESAREA MARITIMA

The final session of the tour took place at Caesarea Maritima on 28 February 2016, where the first Gentiles, the centurion Cornelius and his household, were saved (ref.: Acts 10). After a time of praise and worship and ministering, Pastor Prince taught from the high priest's garments about how much God loves us and sees us as righteous in Christ.



MIRACULOUS HEALING FROM HAND, FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE

Onsite at the tour, a brother from the United States shared how in 2014, he and his wife were distraught because their son Michael was diagnosed with hand, foot and mouth disease. After putting his son to bed, he and his wife happened to watch Pastor Prince on television, and while preaching the Word, Pastor Prince mentioned that someone watching overseas has a son with hand, foot and mouth disease, and that the son was being healed.

"So I looked at my wife and we felt hope. We felt that our prayer had been answered. I ran upstairs...and I looked at him, and Michael didn't have any more bumps on him. He didn't have any more spots. They were completely gone. There was no denying the fact that we had a miraculous healing...glory to God."

— MICHAEL WAYNE BROCK
UNITED STATES



SCAN TO WATCH
(see page 2 for instructions)

Watch Michael share his testimony in person.



Above: Pastor Gabriel Tan (2nd from left) leading our creative and productions team in partaking of the Holy Communion before the session.



Top: Pastor Prince teaching on the high priest's garments with the help of Pastor K E Mathews.

Above: Sharing the testimonies of Messianic Jews.

Right: A soprano presentation of "Rejoice Greatly, O Daughter Of Zion" from Handel's Messiah.



HEALED FROM HIP MUSCLE WEAR AND TEAR

Ten years ago, I had a fall. The doctor found muscle wear and tear in my left hip, and there was nothing he could do about it. From that time onwards, I was not able to balance myself properly and would fall easily. Finally, I had to rely on a walking stick to move around and could not do a lot of things.

My back and hip hurt. When I mop the floor, I had to sit down or use the mop as a walking stick to prevent myself from falling. I was so afraid of falling down when I go to the toilet, I would use the wall as a support and sit down very slowly. I couldn't squat and it was very painful and difficult to stand up.

During the Grace 2016 Trinity Broadcasting Network Israel Tour, I had to rely on my walking stick and a wheelchair that my friends on the tour got for me. They took turns to wheel me around and one of them even carried me up the mountains.

When Pastor Prince was praying for healing for the people at the event at Caesarea Maritima, my friend encouraged me to stand up. So I did and we prayed together. I remember that



Pastor Prince told us to let go and not struggle. So I told myself to let go and said, "Lord, I believe You can heal me."

After the prayer, my friend told me to try walking without the walking stick and praise the Lord — I could walk and dance! Now, I am healed! Thank You, Jesus!

— TINA TAY
SINGAPORE

LOOKING TO THE LORD FOR PROTECTION

Our congregation members got to pre-order and receive Pastor Prince's latest book titled *The Prayer Of Protection – Living Fearlessly In Dangerous Times* before the worldwide launch. Based on the prayer of protection found in Psalm 91, the book focuses on how the believer can find safety and deliverance from the snares of the enemy.



Centre: Each pre-order came with a complimentary Prayer Of Protection art print with five designs to choose from.

LOCAL CHURCH, GLOBAL REACH

Delivering the gospel of grace into homes
around the world

Every week, through New Creation Church TV (NCC TV), we broadcast our church services — the worship sessions and sermons preached by Senior Pastor Joseph Prince — to millions around the world.

NCC TV

is now broadcast in

12 LANGUAGES

through 28

CHANNELS

& 143

SESSIONS PER WEEK

to

862

MILLION HOUSEHOLDS.

There are over

46

per cent

more potential viewers
compared to last year.

Through the
Grace Pastors Network,

we also bless

99

PASTORS

from 30 countries with grace-based
resources on a regular basis.

NCC TV BROADCAST BY REGION

- ▷ SOUTH AMERICA: Brazil
- ▷ EUROPE & MIDDLE EAST: Germany, the Netherlands, Iceland, Israel, Russia, the United Kingdom
- ▷ AFRICA: Kenya, South Africa, Uganda
- ▷ ASIA: China, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Japan, South Korea, Taiwan
- ▷ OCEANIA: Australia, New Zealand



IMPACTED BY GRACE

Testimonies from viewers whose lives have been blessed through NCC TV

HEALED THROUGH HOLY COMMUNION

I had been very ill and homebound for a long time. After watching Pastor Prince's sermon on TV, I began taking the Holy Communion at home. My body became stronger and I am now healed! The first time I went out of my house was to attend Sunday service at a church which has been impacted by the gospel of grace through Pastor Prince's ministry.

– THE WRITER HAS REQUESTED ANONYMITY
TAIWAN

DELIVERED FROM PORNOGRAPHY

I thank God for using Pastor Prince to help me rediscover the gospel truths in the Word. I have been freed from a lot of wrong doctrines and sin-consciousness since 2015. My pornography habit and short temper have melted away after believing that I'm the righteousness of God in Christ and that sin has no dominion over me. Grace has caused me to have a close and personal relationship with Daddy God.

– THE WRITER'S NAME HAS BEEN WITHHELD TO PROTECT HIS IDENTITY
KENYA

HAPPY TO HEAR GRACE PREACHED

While I have been feeding myself with Pastor Prince's resources in English, I am so grateful that there is now the opportunity to hear and watch Pastor Prince's messages dubbed in German. My mother is 80 years old and she lifts up her arms when she hears the songs from New Creation Worship. Also, she can now watch Pastor Prince preach in German. She is as radiant as a young girl. She is just so happy to hear about grace.

– CHRISTINE SCHULTZ
GERMANY

PAIN IS GONE!

For two years, I was in pain and couldn't sit for too long. But one night, as I heard Pastor Prince preach on God performing miracles by the hearing of faith on NCC TV, I believed that God would heal me. Now, I can sit for a long time and all the pain is gone!

– PAMELA MACAULAY
GREECE

FRESH REVELATION OF GRACE

I received Christ in 1977. Hearing Pastor Prince preach the gospel of grace in 2012 was the most wonderful thing that happened to me. It was like waking up after 35 years! I had never heard such a beautiful message and it was like being born again in His grace. I now walk around with a heart full of joy and my eyes are now opened to see God's grace in the Bible like never before. Thank you for bringing the Word to me.

– THE WRITER HAS REQUESTED ANONYMITY
SOUTH AFRICA

FAMILY ON THE ROAD TO RECONCILIATION

When we joined a grace-based church, my grandfather was sad and worried. He thought that we were being misled. Recently, I was told that my grandfather had been watching Pastor Prince every morning on TV! And since he started watching the messages of grace, a miraculous reconciliation within our family also started. What seemed broken is now starting to heal. Where there is forgiveness, there will be healing. This is so cool!

– THE WRITER HAS REQUESTED ANONYMITY
THE NETHERLANDS

BEYOND THE BIG PICTURE

Pastor Gideon Lim shares the heart behind NCC TV.

NCC TV has expanded its reach since it began broadcast in 2014. What are your thoughts?

From our perspective as a local church, we are thankful that the Lord has opened up the opportunity for us to be involved in sharing the gospel on a global scale. If we just look at the numbers, it is easy to focus on how our broadcast reaches millions of households around the world. Yet, it is more about the impact of the gospel of grace on individuals, of lives being transformed through our Lord Jesus Christ. And we love it whenever we receive testimonies from people who share about how their lives have been impacted by the broadcasts and have been transformed to His glory.

What is one thing about the ministry of NCC TV that stands out to you?

In recording the testimonies we received, we are amazed at the number of viewers who heard the exact message that they needed to hear when they chanced upon our broadcasts. These "coincidences" are surely orchestrated by the Lord, and mark the beginning of a turnaround for these individuals, no matter how hopeless their situations seem. This year, we have seen very encouraging testimonies from areas such as Taiwan, India, the United Kingdom, Brazil and Africa.

What are some of the key highlights for you over the past year?

Through our partners, NCC TV is able to dub the messages into different languages, overcoming the language barriers to reach out to more parts of the world. This past year, we have launched Hindi programmes in India, German programmes in Germany and Japanese programmes in Japan. On a related note, during a recent trip to the Netherlands and Germany, we connected with key pastors, church leaders and influencers who have been impacted by the gospel of grace. Many of them are following our broadcasts daily and even encouraging their congregations to do likewise. It is simply amazing how God has opened the doors for the gospel of grace to impact the nations!

PREACHING THE GOSPEL ABROAD

With a heart to see lives blessed and transformed in the nations, our pastors have been proclaiming the good news of God's grace around the world, and reaching out to pastors and leaders impacted by Senior Pastor Joseph Prince's ministry.



March 2016
Pastor Lawrence Lim spoke at the Jesus Festival in Manila, which was attended by some 1,500 participants including 70 pastors from churches in the Philippines.

May 2016
At the Jesus Festival Malaysia in Kuala Lumpur, Pastor Lawrence ministered the Word to over 400 participants including 50 pastors.



July 2016
Pastor Mark Ng (left) and Pastor Louis Teng (below) were the main speakers at Grace Encounter Conference 2016 in Kuching, Malaysia, where they preached to over 200 participants. They also imparted grace-based leadership principles to pastors and leaders from a local church.



August/September 2016
Pastor Lawrence ministering the Word to more than 80 pastors and leaders at a conference in Tondo, the Philippines.

September 2016
Over two night sessions, Pastor Joash Siow shared grace-based teachings with local pastors and leaders while on a mission trip in Chiangmai, Thailand.



September 2016
Pastor Benjamin was in Hamburg, Germany to meet the pastors and leaders from churches there.



September 2016
Pastor Benjamin Lim connected with top pastors and leaders in the Netherlands who have been impacted by the gospel of grace.



September 2016
Pastor Benjamin also preached to the congregation at the Amersfoort campus of Young and Free Church in the Netherlands.



September 2016
On the same trip to Germany, Pastor Benjamin also shared the Word over two sessions at the Holy Spirit Night conference in Stuttgart, encouraging the people to encounter Jesus through the Word and receive His love for them.



But God
DEMONSTRATES
His own love
TOWARD US,
in that while
WE WERE STILL SINNERS,
Christ
DIED FOR US.

ROMANS 5:8

FILLED WITH GRACE

Worshipping Jesus with one accord in multiple venues

Every week, the church meets at various venues to receive the same anointed message from the pulpit, break bread together, worship as one with Christ-centric worship songs, and enjoy godly fellowship. We take a closer look at our English service venues and what makes them unique.

THE STAR PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE

Welcome to where the life-transforming gospel of grace is broadcast from every week. This venue is a blessed reminder of God's remarkable faithfulness to our church over the years.



REMINDER OF GOD'S GOODNESS

It is awesome serving in a venue that hosts visitors from around the world every week. As I fellowship with them and hear them share about how much they enjoy worshipping in this beautiful service venue, I'm reminded of God's goodness and provision to our church and in my own life as well.

– PAUL PHANG



Right: Pastor Henry Yeo praying for a congregation member at our Healing Room.



Top: There's often excitement at the foyer of the auditorium.

Above: Pastor Joseph Purcell (right) fellowshipping with the congregation.





MARINA BAY SANDS BALLROOMS

Ample car parking spaces? Check. Kids' play area? Check. Seats for relatives, loved ones, neighbours and friends? Check, check, check! The ballrooms at Marina Bay Sands are a family favourite as they house the English services, classes for all age groups in our children's ministry Rock Kidz, as well as the Chinese services for the young and young-at-heart.



Above: A high-five welcome for the little ones at our children's ministry!

Right: The congregation enjoying song presentations by New Creation Worship in between services.



RELAXED ATMOSPHERE

I enjoy attending services at Marina Bay Sands because of the awesome Rock Kidz venue! The congregation is also very relaxed and I love being able to connect with them. We also don't have to book seats for the morning services.

– BENJAMIN WONG

Top: Pastor K E Mathews getting to know the congregation at a Connect Point.

Centre: Pastor Ronald Koh praying for a congregation member.

Left: Pastor Mark Ng, our Chinese Ministry pastor, preaching at the Chinese services.



CINEMA VENUES

The cinema venues — Cathay Cineplex Causeway Point, GV Grand (Great World City), GV Yishun and Shaw Theatres Seletar — conveniently located in the heartlands of Singapore, offer both easy access to our congregation, as well as a warm, comfortable and cosy environment where members can fellowship and pray for each other.

Top: Praising the Lord at GV Yishun.

Right: Welcoming the congregation at Cathay Cineplex Causeway Point.



LIKE BEING WITH FAMILY

The Shaw Theatres Seletar venue has a family culture which encourages more interaction between members, creating a cosy, close-knit environment. It really makes a big church feel small.

— SIMON NEO

Top left: Smaller than The Star Performing Arts Centre and Marina Bay Sands Ballrooms, our cinema venues see warm, cosy fellowship. Pastor Wee Soo Teck (centre) is the venue pastor at GV Grand (Great World City).

Top right: Pastor Joash Siow connecting with the congregation at Shaw Theatres Seletar, which became available to us as a service venue in March.

Centre: Church life is brewing — literally. GV Grand (Great World City) has a Connect Point where the congregation can fellowship over complimentary coffee and tea.

POINTING CHILDREN TO JESUS!

We believe that every child will become secure and strong, and know that he is unique and significant as he grows in his relationship with Jesus. So our children's ministry Rock Kidz classes on Sundays are packed with fun and engaging programmes that point our kids to the Lord.



ACCEPTED AND IMPACTED

I just want to thank Rock Kidz and all the teachers for making a positive impact on my son Thaddaeus' life. He had previously been deemed hyperactive and difficult to handle and as a result, he often felt rejected. But we are so grateful that we found New Creation Church and a dynamic kids ministry that accepts Thaddaeus for who he is. The teachers at Rock Kidz are always so encouraging and reassuring, and it warms my heart to hear them tell me that Thaddaeus is in their prayers.

Thaddaeus always looks forward to Rock Kidz, and he loves to sing the songs about Jesus he learns from Rock Kidz at home.

– ESTHER
PARENT OF THADDAEUS, WHO ATTENDS THE FAITH KIDZ CLASS FOR CHILDREN WITH AUTISTIC SPECTRUM DISORDERS



SET FREE FROM FEAR

I don't have to be afraid anymore. I used to be scared because I heard rumours that made me fearful. But when I opened the Bible and read that the Lord is fighting my battles for me, I stopped being afraid.

– JOHANNA
FEARLESS! CLASS FOR PRIMARY 5 AND PRIMARY 6 STUDENTS



Top: Fun at camp.

Above: Lesson time means exciting Bible stories for our children.

Right: Enjoyable rides and games after class on a special Sunday of fun!

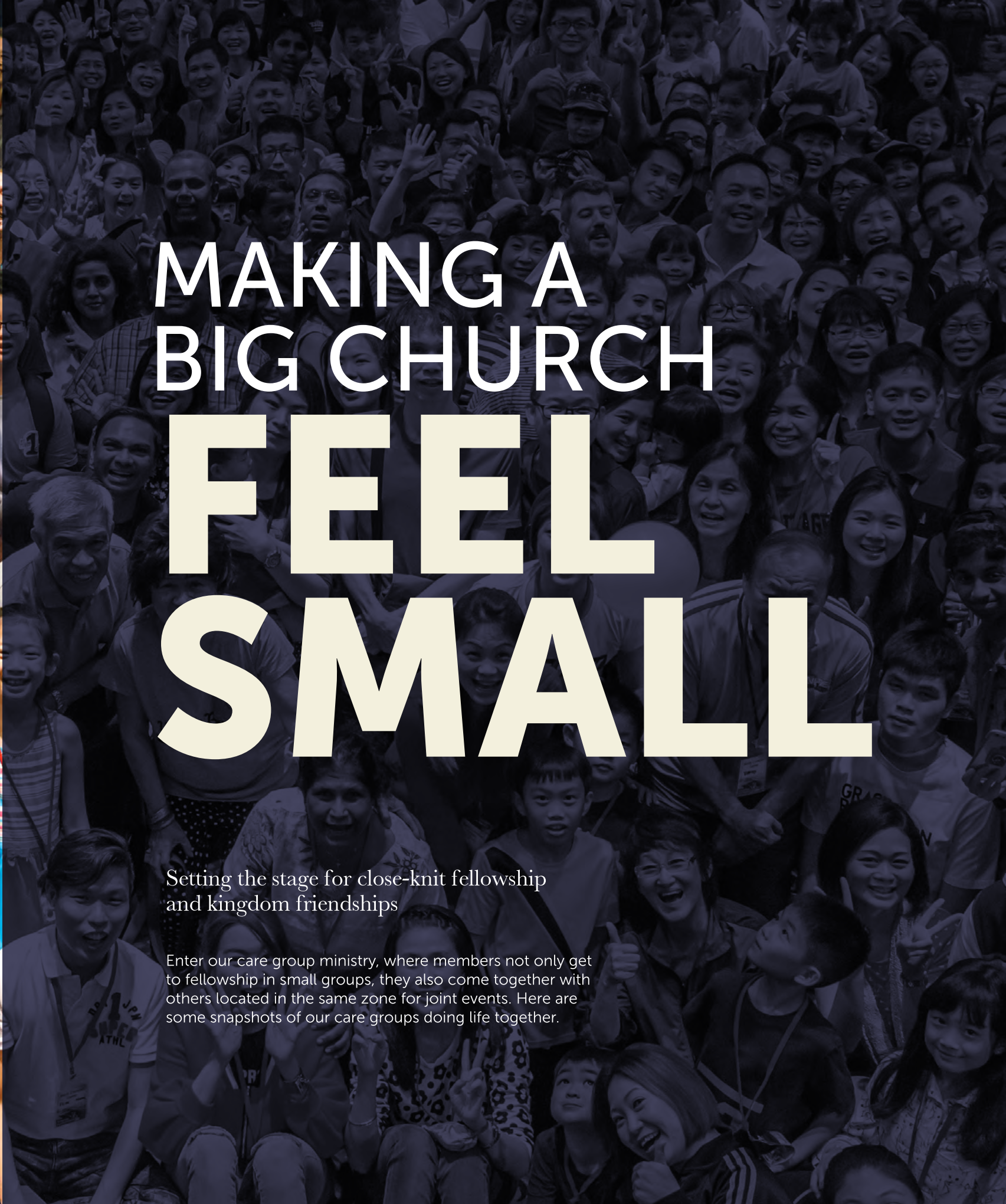




MAKING A BIG CHURCH FEEL SMALL

Setting the stage for close-knit fellowship
and kingdom friendships

Enter our care group ministry, where members not only get to fellowship in small groups, they also come together with others located in the same zone for joint events. Here are some snapshots of our care groups doing life together.





Top right: One care group even helped pick up litter along the beach as a community activity!

CARE GROUP MEETINGS

Where just two or three are gathered in Jesus' name, He is in the midst of them (ref.: Matthew 18:20). The small group setting is where our care group members enjoy warm fellowship, close sharing, heartfelt prayers for each other, and even outdoor fun, with Jesus at the centre of it all!



BLESSED BY SUPPORT AND FELLOWSHIP

I have been in my care group for six years and am blessed to have made many wonderful kingdom friends. When I was hospitalised last year, twice in three months, many came to visit and pray with me and those who could not also sent prayers through our chat group. My care group leader was especially supportive and even made tonic drinks for my wife and I when she visited.

– JACKY NG
CARE GROUP MEMBER

ENCOURAGED, UPLIFTED

Our care group members have a wide age range, but we all enjoy the time of fellowship when we have dinner together before the meeting starts. We are often encouraged and uplifted when we hear testimonies of God's blessings, the unmerited, undeserved and unearned favour of God in the members' lives.

– SIMON AND JENNY HO
CARE GROUP HOSTS

CAMPING ON GOOD GROUND

Our care groups and volunteers got away from the daily hustle and bustle, and gathered together in their respective zones for camps where they worshipped the Lord together, were refreshed by the hearing of the Word, and enjoyed an extended time of fellowship and fun.



Top left: Care group members and servers from our North zone had a blessed time bonding and receiving the Word shared by Pastor Edwin Lim.

Top right: Pastor Joash Siow shared biblical principles for a blessed family life with our North East zone care groups and servers.

Above left: Our pastors and leaders sharing from the Word at a panel session at the East zone care groups and servers getaway.

Above right: Pastor Wee Soo Teck leading the Holy Communion at the Central zone care groups and servers camp.



SOAKING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

Praise and worship nights by zones!



I STILL DO!

It didn't matter whether they were married for a few years or a few decades, many couples in our church took time to renew their vows and rededicate their lives to each other. Above all, they reaffirmed the basis for their marriages — that the Lord Jesus is the One who holds them together.



Our pastors were on hand to officiate the occasions which were held at our service venues and camps for care group members and volunteers.



LIFE IN THE ZONE

A look at what's happening in our dynamic youth ministry

While diverse in age and life needs, the four youth groups — DARE, Arrow, Varsity and GenRev — in The Zone are where our youths come together to form kingdom friendships and encounter the Lord in a real and personal way.

TWO GROUPS, ONE LEGACY

It only takes a spark to light up the darkest of nights. It only takes a spark to ignite a revolution for Jesus in hearts. Legacy Camp 2016 in Bintan, Indonesia was a special time where secondary school students for DARE, and post-secondary school students (excluding university), and full-time national servicemen aged 17 to 23 from Arrow bonded over fun activities, were immersed in praise and worship and anointed preaching, and most of all, received a personal touch from the Lord.



HEALED FROM DRY SKIN AND BACK PAIN

Before Legacy Camp, I had redness and dry skin around my mouth that had lasted for two weeks. During the second day of the camp, I also started having back pain during praise and worship. I did not feel like worshipping God at all, but I continued praising Him anyway.

After the 10-minute break before the extended praise and worship session, my back pain was gone but the side of my body still hurt. By the time the session ended, ALL the pain was gone. After the camp, I discovered that the dry skin and the redness on my lips were gone too!

Now I am COMPLETELY healed of my back pain and the dryness of skin on my lips. Praise God!

– THE WRITER HAS REQUESTED ANONYMITY.

SET FREE FROM INSECURITIES

During the women's meeting at Legacy camp, we dealt with the issue of insecurity and learnt that many are insecure about something. God made everyone different so you don't need to live up to people's expectations. And even though we could be insecure about things like our appearance, weight, height, the way we do things, the way we say things, or something personal, knowing that God made us that way so that we can impact others who might have the same insecurities really set me free from mine!

– RUTH WONG
DARE



Top: Finale night at camp where youths gathered at the beach and held lighted candles – a beautiful reminder of how they are to shine forth His light into the world.

Above: Pastor Daniel Chong encouraging campers with the Word.



INJURED LEG HEALED DURING CAMP

I injured my leg on the first day and when Pastor Daniel prayed for healing during the first session, I felt a warm sensation on my leg. I felt that was the first stage of my healing as I could move my foot a little. During praise and worship, I couldn't stand up but continued to bathe in God's presence. My leg kept getting better after each and every service and by the end of the camp, I could walk unrestricted without the bandage!

– BEN-HANAN CHOONG
ARROW

Top: Pastor Gabriel Tan (centre) leading the men's meeting.

Left: Pastor Joseph Purcell ministering to the youths.

Above right: Pastor Lawrence Lim leading an open mike session which saw waves of youths take the microphone to pray over each other.

LIFE IN VARSITY

Varsity, also fondly known as "V" among the youths, caters to a generation of university students aged 17 to 27 who desire to be bold in their faith and to walk with the wisdom of the Lord. Here are some snapshots of life in Varsity as they come together for fun, fellowship, worship, prayer and sharing in the Word.



CULTIVATING HEARTS FOR JESUS

Meet Deacon Samuel Quek who was appointed to lead our university students this year.

How do you feel about this appointment?

Firstly, let me say what an honour and privilege it is to be a part of all that the Lord is doing in Varsity (V for short). When I first heard about the appointment, I must admit that it did really feel quite daunting. Feelings of inadequacy did set in, for Pastor Darren Sim has done such an amazing job in building the ministry.

But at the core of V, we believe in raising a generation who walks in unstoppable faith and irresistible wisdom. I just felt God putting it on my heart to personally own that — to embrace young David's "why-not-me" spirit where he believed that God could empower and use him to slay the giant, instead of a "why-me" spirit which is more conscious of us and our personal limitations, than of the mighty God in us. And that's really the vision and mission of V — to see youths believing that God can do wonderful things through them — things which are not limited by their weaknesses, but which are fueled by Him who lives in them.

Can you tell us something about yourself that most people don't know about?

My lovely wife Jillian and I live in a beautiful colonial-themed home, which we designed ourselves. We share it with two spunky dogs — Jubilee, a classic black dachshund, and Starlet, an irrepressible and ever-inquisitive beagle. When the doggies don't give us too much to do, we love Lego, great food, and catching movies.

Can you share with us a little bit about the Varsity ministry?

Varsity is unique in its being the last stage of school before our youths enter the workforce. It is also somewhat our last opportunity to leave an indelible mark on their lives regarding the Lord's heart and purpose for them before they are thrust into the working world.

As such, we hope to cultivate in our youths a heart for the person of Jesus, for building His house, and equip them for His amazing calling on their lives.

It is also a season of preparation where our youths are constantly told to figure out their purpose in life and take practical steps towards fulfilling it. But we tell them that God Himself has already given each of them a unique purpose. As they simply spend time in His presence, He'll unveil it to them. Plus, He will supply them all the strength, favour and wisdom needed to fulfill it.

And in a season where there's great emphasis on personal achievements — maintaining your own grade point average, doing internships in preparation for your own career, and more — we want to show our youths that they can still value the people in their lives and celebrate one another's uniqueness. Jesus was very busy in His three-and-a-half years of ministry on earth, but He always had time for people. We are always better together.

Don't get me wrong: Doing well in school and having a great career is awesome. But God doesn't want those things to be your sole pursuit, because as your Creator, He knows that only He can ultimately bring you true joy and fulfilment.



Own it

GENREV CAMP

One life, live it: Own the Word, own your blessings and be a blessing to others. On 6 September 2016, some 800 young working adults aged 17 to 35 from our GenRev youth group crossed the Causeway and headed to Malacca for a time of fellowship, feeding on God's Word and fun! Themed "Own it", the camp focused on how owning their identity in Christ is the key to receiving all of God's promises for them.



Above: Pastor Benjamin Lim encouraging the youths to have a hunger to see more of Jesus.

Right: Leaders at the women's meeting shared practical and biblical relationship advice.



Top left: Pastor Joseph Purcell challenging the youths to live the abundant life in Christ.

Top right: Pastor Vegard Oremo exhorting the youths to daily speak words of faith (ref.: 2 Corinthians 4:13) in their lives.





THAT THEY MIGHT SEE

Demonstrating the love of Jesus through good works

We are privileged to be God's channel of blessings to those around us. Through our outreach programmes and initiatives, we desire to demonstrate His unconditional love in a real and tangible way, loving people and impacting lives, one by one.

From January to October 2016,

1,652 volunteers participated in

91 LOCAL PROGRAMMES, blessing **3,099** people in our community.

From January to December 2016,

852 volunteers involved in

29 OVERSEAS PROGRAMMES helped

17,568 people.

This includes **TWO** MEDICAL MISSION TRIPS where we treated

4,290 people.

In addition, some

1,400 CHILDREN

were also nourished through our feeding programmes in

Cambodia, the Philippines and Myanmar this year.

Note: Numbers are tabulated by project. Volunteer numbers include those who serve in more than one project. The number of people helped may include those who benefited from more than one project.

FULL OF GLADNESS AND JOY

It was my first time visiting the elderly, and I wasn't sure what to expect or whether I would be able to communicate well with them. However, my heart was full of gladness to see how happy they were just fellowshiping with us and participating in the activities. The Lord also calmed my nerves when the elderly I spoke with could also speak my dialect! I feel so privileged to be able to be part of a ministry that brings joy to them.

– ANDREW YEO
OUTREACH MINISTRY

BLESSED TO SEE GOD WORK

We are thankful to witness God working mightily in the lives of the people we met. Previously, an 87-year-old lady we visited couldn't walk properly as she had a fall and was hospitalised. Now she looks cheerful, healthy and walks with ease. She told us that she now attends church, and would pray as she walks. She mentioned that others look at her in a strange way because of the sounds she makes. When she demonstrated it to us, we realised that she was filled with the Holy Spirit and praying in tongues! We also thank God and rejoice over another elderly who received Christ and was baptised this year.

– PANG HUI CHIN
OUTREACH MINISTRY

LOCAL OUTREACH

Almost every week, volunteers from our church go out into the local community to help the elderly, care for those with special needs, give to underprivileged families, reach out to foreign workers or even minister to ex-offenders. Here's a snapshot of the activities we've been involved in over the past year.



Top: Visiting the infirmed elderly in the wards at All Saints Home. We regularly conduct chapel services there as well.

Above left: Sprucing up the home of an underprivileged elderly.

Left: Spending time with the underprivileged elderly from seniors activity centres in Singapore.



Above: Arts and craft sessions for individuals with special needs in AWWA, a welfare organisation.

Left: A Chinese New Year outing to bring festive cheer to those with special needs.

Above right: Bringing chronically ill children from Club Rainbow for an activity-filled outing to the oceanarium.

LIGHT BEARER FOR HIS GLORY

It was a great pleasure and privilege to be able to share the joy of our Lord with families and individuals who may be struggling with personal challenges. When I see their faces light up as we connect with them, I feel that they must have had an encounter with Jesus.

– MAXKENT MULYADI
OUTREACH MINISTRY





Right: We helped 285 primary, secondary and special needs students from low-income families with their education.

Far right: Pastor Lawrence Lim helping a child with his new shoes as part of our Happy Feet programme to give new shoes and socks to underprivileged students.

Bottom: Pastor Louis Teng and the Chinese Ministry team ministering to the residents at a local halfway house.



Top left: Pastor K E Mathews (standing, right) shared words of encouragement with more than 250 foreign workers at a special party to appreciate them.

Above: Serving up specially-catered traditional Indian fare at the party.

Left: Bringing domestic workers from a local shelter out for a fun outing.

GIFT OF LOVE

Christmas is a season of giving and remembering the One who gave us His Son, the greatest gift of all. And for our church, the Gift Of Love outreach is a special time when we get to bless underprivileged families all across Singapore in the lead-up to Christmas.

Last year, we launched Gift Of Love GLOBAL (which stands for Giving Little Ones Blessings And Love), partnering with non-profit organisations and churches in Cambodia, Indonesia, Thailand and the Philippines to organise Christmas parties and share God's love with orphans and underprivileged children.

Here are some highlights from last year.



Above left: Chairman Deacon Matthew Kang and Singapore's Deputy Prime Minister Teo Chee Hean bringing gift packs and vouchers to the underprivileged.

Above: Member of Parliament Darryl David with Deacon Matthew at a community luncheon where gift packs were distributed.

Left: Deacon Matthew and Pastor Lawrence Lim were joined by Speaker of Parliament Halimah Yacob at a Gift Of Love lunch session.



Top: A Christmas party for 800 children who live in slums in the Philippines.

Above: Sharing the love of God with orphans and children living in slums in Batam, Indonesia.

Left: Gift packs of daily essentials given to underprivileged students in Thailand.



OVERSEAS MISSIONS

With a heart to reach out and help those in the region for Christ, our church volunteers regularly make trips to Thailand, Indonesia and Cambodia, often to the rural areas and at their own expense, to conduct Bible camps for children and visit underprivileged families.



READY TO RECEIVE IN CAMBODIA

I was blown away at how ready the children at the Bible camp were to receive Jesus. All the students raised their hands at the salvation call during the first session! We were all shocked. Were these young children impressionable? Maybe it will be different with the older children? The next day, we did the salvation call for the class with older students, and all the students also raised their hands and accepted the Lord! I was blown away. Though it's our first time, we were awed by the Lord's work among the children.

During a home visit, we noticed a lady who came to join the family we visited. We decided to share the gospel with her and she also accepted the Lord. Praise Jesus! The Lord has already prepared the hearts of the children and beneficiaries way before we go to their school and homes. Many times, we just need to step out of our comfort zone, open our mouths and share the gospel.

– PAMELA WEE
OUTREACH MINISTRY



Cambodia

Top: Primary school children learnt about Jesus the Good Shepherd at a Bible camp in Sihanoukville and received Him as their Saviour!

Above: Students in Sihanoukville picking up good hygiene habits through health education classes conducted by our volunteers.

Left: Our volunteers visited the homes of underprivileged children and prayed with their families.



Indonesia

Top: Shopping for daily necessities to bless underprivileged families in Batam.



**PRECIOUS SALVATIONS
IN THAILAND**

We praise God for the precious children saved through this mission trip, as well as for the 18 precious people who gave their lives to Jesus during the home visits. Thank You Jesus!

— BENJAMIN GOH
VARSITY YOUTH GROUP



Thailand

Top: Organising a carnival for the children during a Bible camp in Chiang Mai.

Above right: Extending practical help to a primary school in Chiang Mai by giving its walls a fresh coat of paint!

OVERSEAS MISSIONS: PROVIDING MEDICAL HELP

Since 2014, our volunteer medical teams have been making regular trips to set up temporary free clinics in rural Cambodia. This year, we helped set up a permanent free clinic there. We also brought the temporary free clinic to the Philippines where more than 2,400 people who live in the slums received free medical treatment. Apart from treating the poor, we are blessed to be able to minister to them as well and witness healing miracles, all to His glory!



Cambodia

Above: In addition to the medical mission trips, our church has started a free medical clinic based in a school for the children as well as the people living in the nearby slum community.

Above right: After she was prayed for, this deaf Cambodian girl (in red), whose grandmother had brought to the clinic, could hear clearly again. Praise the Lord!

Bottom left: Pastor Lawrence Lim praying for a Cambodian villager.

Bottom right: Treating a patient in Kampong Thom.



The Philippines

Above: At the free clinic, Pastor Lawrence shared the gospel with the patients before praying over them.

Left: In addition to providing treatment, our volunteer doctors also cheerfully dispensed health education advice.

Below left: Our team praying for patients who came.

Below right: Our church volunteers, along with volunteers from various partners, spent the morning packing medicines as well as goodie bags for distribution to all patients.



SCAN TO WATCH
(or see page 2 for instructions)

Be encouraged by this testimony of Jesus' healing touch and restoration.

OVERSEAS MISSIONS: FEEDING THE HUNGRY

Some 1,400 children living in the slums are receiving both physical and spiritual food through the work we do with our local partners in Cambodia, Myanmar and the Philippines.



Cambodia

Above: Our feeding programme in Sihanoukville helps the children of "Trash Mountain", a slum where families live among mounds of rubbish and many scavenge for a living.

Myanmar

Right: One of the meals for the feeding programme in Yangon is given on Fridays at a local church where the good news of Jesus Christ is shared with the children.



The Philippines

Above left: Volunteers from our church worked with the local partners to transport food from the kitchen to the children in the slums.

OVERSEAS MISSIONS: PROVIDING COMFORT AND RELIEF

We are glad to be able to give towards urgent relief efforts in the region, working with partners on the ground for the effective distribution of much-needed aid.



Japan

Working with Lifehouse Church in May, our giving of US\$10,000 (approximately S\$13,900) went towards the work of clearing housing rubble, buying ingredients for hot food, purchasing petrol for sending resources to the hardest-hit area, and resources and essential supplies distribution to the evacuation centre for earthquake victims.

Cambodia

In July, we worked with One-2-One Cambodia to quickly provide meals, clothing as well as shelter for the families in a slum after their homes were razed by fire.



China

In September, our church contributed \$20,000 to support the work of Amity Foundation, a Chinese non-governmental organisation, to provide relief supplies in Yunnan, where many have lost their homes and means of livelihood after widespread flooding in July.



COMMUNITY MATTERS

We are blessed to call Singapore home, and it is a privilege to join the community in showing our love and support for the nation.



Above left: A volunteer (in blue shirt) from our church at the Chingay parade.

Above right: At the Chingay annual street procession in February to celebrate the diverse cultures of Singapore, Chairman Deacon Matthew Kang (6th from left) presented a multilingual song with others on the Inter-Religious Organisation, Singapore float.

Centre: In May, Deacon Matthew received a plaque of appreciation from Mr Teo Ser Luck, Mayor of North East District, for the church's support of initiatives to help the underprivileged, the elderly and people with special needs.

Right: Over the past few years, our church has partnered with The New Charis Mission (TNCM), a local charity that seeks to help the disadvantaged and reintegrate ex-offenders and former drug addicts. Deacon Matthew (centre) was present at TNCM's 10th anniversary event where Dr Ng Eng Hen (left), Singapore's Minister for Defence, was the guest of honour.



Above left: Pastor Joash Siow (2nd from right) received a token of appreciation on behalf of our church from Mr Teo Chee Hean (far right), Deputy Prime Minister and Coordinating Minister for National Security, at the Punggol North Racial And Religious Harmony Street Parade Cum Carnival 2016 held in July.

Above right: Blessing residents in Punggol North with traditional ice cream in July to show our support for racial and religious harmony in Singapore.



Centre: In August, we joined other churches at a National Day Thanksgiving Service to pray for Singapore and give thanks to the Lord for the peace, progress and harmony in our nation.

Left: In September, for our contribution to the NTUC-U Care Fund which seeks to help low-income families and the elderly, Deacon Matthew (2nd from right) received an appreciation plaque on the church's behalf from Mr Chan Chun Sing (3rd from right), Secretary-General of the National Trade Union Congress (NTUC) and Minister in the Prime Minister's Office.

LOVING THE NATION OF ISRAEL

Israel is the land where our Lord Jesus walked on earth and healed many — the blind, the maimed and the sick — the place where He grew up, lived and was crucified. And as God's chosen people, Israel has a special place in His heart. To bless them and to let our congregation members experience the Bible land, we have brought thousands to Israel over the years. Here are some photos of Israel up-close during a trip this year.



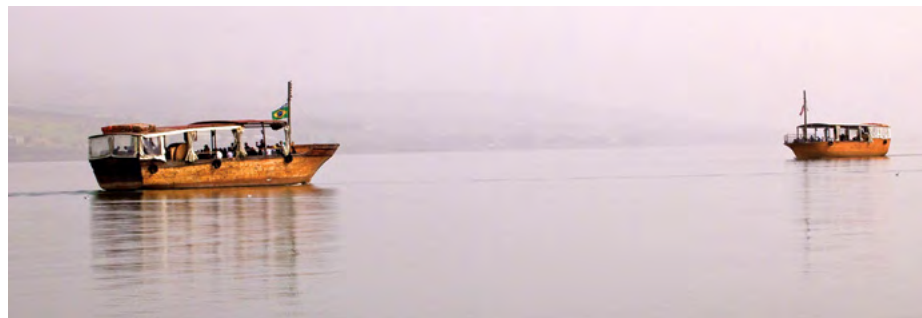
Above: The view from The Mount of Beatitudes where we believe that Jesus delivered the Sermon on the Mount.

Right: The Garden Tomb where we believe that the body of Jesus was laid and where He rose again after three days.

Below left: Pastor K E Mathews sharing on Mount Arbel overlooking the Sea of Galilee and from where Jesus saw His disciples straining against the wind on the boat and went to them (ref.: Mark 6:46-48).

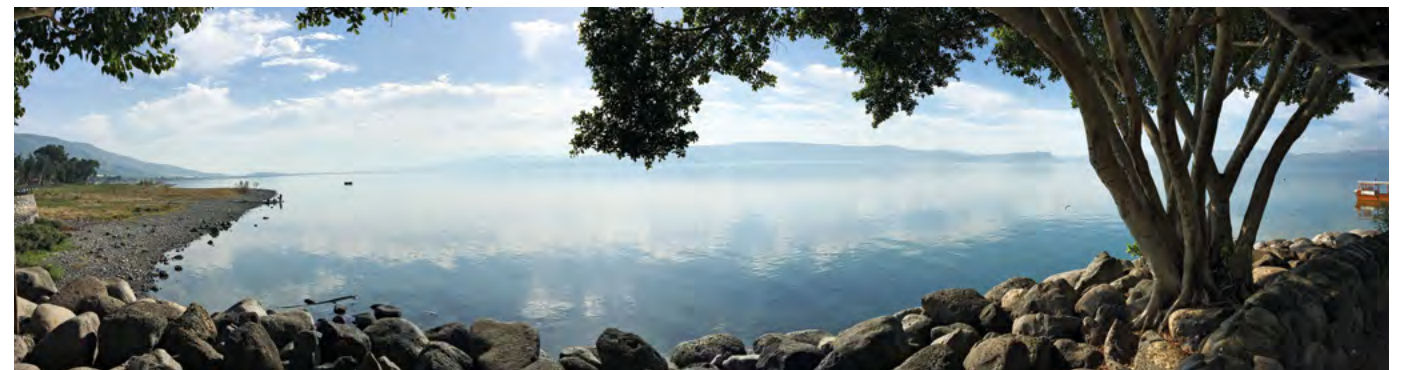
Below right: In March, our Senior Pastor Joseph Prince received the Friends of Zion International Relations Award from Israel's ninth president and former prime minister, Mr Shimon Peres, for the support and friendship shown to Israel. It was a great honour that was tinged with poignancy after Mr Peres passed away in September this year.

Bottom: The Sea of Galilee where Jesus performed many miracles, including the calming of the storm (ref.: Mark 4:35-41) and giving His disciples miraculous catches of fish (ref.: Luke 5:1-11, John 21:1-14).



Above: A panoramic view from Mount Arbel.

Bottom: The Western Wall in Jerusalem.



FRIENDS FROM ABROAD

We have been blessed by the ministry and fellowship of friends from around the world.



February 2016
Pastor Charles Nieman from Abundant Living Faith Centre, a non-denominational, multicultural church in El Paso, Texas in the United States, taught on Jesus being our Alpha and Omega when he was the guest speaker at our Sunday services.



March 2016
Pastor Erich Engler (back row, 2nd from left), Senior Pastor of Grace Family Church in Zurich, Switzerland and President of Grace Academy in Switzerland — which teaches strongly on the grace of God — with his team and students from Grace Academy at our Resurrection Sunday services. They were hosted by Pastor Lawrence Lim (back row, 1st from left) and Pastor Lim Lian Neo (front row, 4th from right).



April 2016
A number of pastors and leaders from Europe and South Africa who have been impacted by the ministry of our senior pastor visited our church.

- Standing (from left to right): Pastor Karsten Flierman (Young and Free Church, the Netherlands), Steve Van Kranenburg (Young and Free Church), Senior Pastor Marcel Gaasenbeek (Young and Free Church, the Netherlands), our Senior Pastor Joseph Prince, Senior Pastor Erich Engler (Grace Family Church, Switzerland) Senior Pastor Joshua McCauley (Redemption Church, South Africa), Senior Pastor Jostein Krogedal (Intro Church, Norway)
- Seated (from left to right): Marloes Flierman, Elly Van Kranenburg, Cody Gaasenbeek, Justin Prince, Wendy Prince, Susanne Engler, Pastor Tara McCauley

April 2016
Pastors Brenden (far right) and Jacqui Brown (2nd from right) from Hillsong Church, Australia with Pastor Lawrence (far left) and Pastor Lian (2nd from left) during their visit to our church. Pastor Brenden also conducted a leadership session for the creative and productions teams from our church and was the speaker at a combined youth service for our post-secondary school and university students, and full-time national servicemen.



June 2016
Pastor Johnny and Donna McGowan from Lakewood Church in Houston, Texas, together with Pastor Prince and Wendy at our services. Lakewood Church has one of the largest congregations in the United States.



June 2016
Pastor Bernard Lee, deputy senior pastor of Excel Point Community Church in Malaysia — which is rooted in the Word, knowing Jesus and the gospel of His grace — and his family at our Marina Bay Sands Ballrooms venue during their visit.



July 2016
Pastors and leaders from New Life Christian Center in the Philippines after a service in July. New Life Christian Center is a group of churches which desire to demonstrate God's love, grace and compassion to people.

Standing (from left to right): Crom Sy-wico with Jeremiah, Pastor Benjamin Lim, Pastor Mond de Armas (New Life Christian Center, Alabang), Pastor Prince, Pastor Jocel Evangelista (New Life Christian Center, Alabang), Pastor Alvin Dela Pena (Lead Pastor, New Life Christian Center — The Fort), Pastor Lawrence

Sitting (from left to right): Grace Sy-wico with Yohanna, Michelle de Guzman, Leigh de Armas, Wendy Prince, Pastor Mylene Evangelista, Pastor Michelle Dela Pena (Lead Pastor, New Life Christian Center — The Fort), Mimay Cruz



July 2016
Pastor Henry Yeo (2nd from left) hosted (from left to right) Pastor Loges, Pastor Rachel Koh and Pastor Frederick Thniah from Excel Point Community Church in Malaysia during their visit to our church office.



August 2016
Pastor Darlene Zschech, a prominent worship leader and singer-songwriter, and the worship team from Hope Unlimited Church in Australia, led us in praise and worship at our services. Pastor Darlene also encouraged many of our volunteers at a session for the creative team the next evening.



September 2016
Reverend Col Stringer, founder of Col Stringer Ministries, an internationally-renowned minister and a long-time friend of our church, spoke at our Sunday services where he taught how true humility is total dependence on God.



October 2016
Bob and Kathy Fitts from the United States were at our services to lead the congregation in praise and worship. Based in Hawaii, Bob and Kathy travel across the globe to lead worship and teach at schools, events, conferences and churches. They are like family to us.



FOR YOU, O LORD, WILL BLESS

the
RIGHTEOUS;

WITH FAVOUR YOU WILL

surround him
 AS WITH A

SHIELD.

PSALM 5:12



WITH
**HEARTS
 OF THANKSGIVING**

Senior Pastor Joseph Prince declared that 2016 would be a year of possessing our possessions. Just as Joshua and Caleb entered the promised land based on the Lord's goodness, we too can take hold of the blessings God has for us through the finished work of the Lord Jesus Christ on the cross.

May these testimonies encourage you and remind you of His promises to you in the days ahead. Be blessed!

SET FREE FROM 20-YEAR SMOKING ADDICTION

I have been a Christian since 2008. When I just got born again, I was so in love with Jesus. However, gradually I felt that I was not doing enough for God. I also had a detestable addiction to smoking for 20 years.

Back then, I was serving in the church choir and every time before and after my choir practice, I would hide outside the church to smoke. I felt like a hypocrite. I tried to quit smoking through nicotine patches, medication and my "iron will". But the more I tried to quit, the more I had the desire to smoke! Gradually, going to church became a duty, and I would skip church in exchange for sleep.

I knew this wasn't how I felt when I first got born again, so I prayed that God would lead me to fall in love with Him again. Then, a friend invited me to New Creation Church. During worship, I felt God's presence and love so strongly. And my prayer was answered when I heard Pastor Prince speak — I fell in love with Jesus all over again.

Even though I was already a Christian who had read the Bible, I did not fully understand it until Pastor Prince unveiled God's truth when he preached, and showed me God's love from the Scriptures.

Going to church became a joy and His Word became a necessity for me like food. Week after week, I grew in the revelation of God's great love for me. And as encouraged by Pastor Prince in his messages, I would confess that I am the righteousness of God in Christ even when I was smoking.

At first, I felt really stupid and hypocritical but I continued with my confession and asked God to take away all my desire to smoke. Over time, I grew to hate the taste and smell of cigarettes. I would smoke halfway and stop because it tasted funny. God took away all my desire to smoke!

It has been three years now since I stopped smoking. Praise God for truly all glory belongs to Him!

– CASEY TANG

LIVING LIFE WITHOUT ANXIETY ATTACKS

I have been a Christian since 2007 when I was 16. My knowledge of the Bible grew but I had many doubts and questions. The focus of what I was taught was always on my love for God, how much good I could do and how much I could shine God's light and be His testimony for others to see. I never truly understood Jesus' love for me.

From 2005 to 2007, I suffered from many unusual fears. Even singing the National Anthem in school would bring me such fear that I had to pinch myself till I was bruised to divert my attention.

In 2013, I suffered from compulsive exercise disorder. I experienced a drastic loss of weight over a few months, dropping from 45kg to 38kg. In the end, my menstruation cycle was affected and I continued to suffer from daily fears. I feared that I was not exercising enough and was fearful of losing the strength and muscles that I worked and trained so hard for.

I also counted calories. My mind was controlled by thoughts of what I should or should not eat, and cravings for food. I thought I was going mad. I could not control my thoughts at all or study properly for my university examinations as my mind was just filled with fearful thoughts about food.

Subsequently, I went on a binge and would eat large amounts of unhealthy food at night. In the morning, I would wake up with immense fear and guilt. I was so afraid that I would not be able to burn off the calories I had consumed the night before. I would run and exercise till I felt that my calories were all burnt up.

This cycle repeated for months. No amount of willpower could stop or put these fears under control. I prayed for God to deliver me from these fears.

I was under so much stress that I became suicidal. I hated myself and my life, and wondered why I had to suffer from this self-created problem. Many times, I would wander outside as I was so afraid of going home and starting the binge eating again.

It came to a point when praying did not seem to work and I gave up praying. I tried to seek professional help from the psychiatrist, psychologist and dietician. These failed and cost me a lot of money. I still continued to suffer from binge eating, excessive exercising and fears. I was always an unhappy Christian.

But ever since I came to New Creation Church in early 2015, Pastor Prince's messages shed light on the Bible passages which

I thought I knew, but didn't actually know in context. I listen to his sermons almost every day.

The following year in 2016, after Pastor Prince taught about the importance of Bible meditation, I started meditating on the Word, and it gave me unexplainable joy.

My perceptions and perspectives have changed. I view Christianity in a whole new and meaningful way, and have begun to understand how much Jesus actually loves me. Now, I understand why the gospel is the good news.

My eating and exercise habits have become more regular. Truly, Jesus has finished the work. As Jesus is healthy, so am I in this world.

I would declare aloud His promises when I start getting frightened. Through meditation and declaration, I no longer suffer from anxiety attacks.

Thank you Pastor Prince for preaching the gospel of grace. I have been set free in my mind, not by focusing on my problems and trying to get better, but by placing my focus on Jesus Christ and His truths.

– NICOLE LIANG JING YA

TUMOUR-FREE!

I underwent an operation to remove a fibroid more than 10 years ago. As a result, I had to go for yearly check-ups. During a particular visit, the doctor found a black patch in my womb. Feeling uneasy, she sent me for a second scan at a hospital one month later.

The results confirmed her suspicion. The black patch was indeed a cluster of cysts that had formed a tumour, also known as a neoplasm. The doctor wanted to perform an immediate operation as the tumour was quite big. She also did not want to take any chances as it might spread if it were cancerous.

The tumour sat on my ovary and I was given two options. The first option was to remove one side of my ovary together with the tumour and send it for a biopsy test. And if the tumour turned out to be malignant, the doctor would proceed to remove my entire womb. The alternative option was to simply remove the womb. I ended up choosing the first option as I still hoped for the best!

My operation was scheduled on 11 May 2016. My friend, who was concerned about me, invited me to New Creation Church on 8 May. Initially, I turned down the invitation as I felt that even if I attended the service, the message would not help my condition. But my friend persuaded me to attend. Out of obligation, I went along.

During worship, we started singing the song "In Whom I Can Trust" and I was moved by

BEFORE

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(Exclude Doctors' Professional Fees)

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AFTER

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Secondary :

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the Holy Spirit. Tears started to flow non-stop and at that moment, I told Jesus about my fear and asked Him to cure my diseases. I just surrendered myself to Him!

After the church service, I stopped having nightmares and was able to have a good sleep. I also felt at peace as I had trusted in Him.

On the eve of my operation, I had to drink three glasses of laxatives which I called "poison" water. During my last operation, it sent chills down my spine when I drank it. This time round, I prayed to God to make the "poison" water sweet before I took the drinks. Amazingly, they tasted sweet! I drank all three glasses with ease and I was stunned. Praise the Lord!

I went for my operation the next day at 9am and was back in my ward by about 2pm. At 9pm, the doctor informed me that I had no cancer as I had no tumour to begin with and she did not remove my ovary!

The tumour turned out to be fibroids which were common but non-threatening growths. Indeed, it was a miracle! Though puzzled, I was happy to know that I had no cancer and that my ovaries were intact! I think the doctor was as surprised as I was!

I believe that God had worked behind the scenes to turn my situation around. Our God is the true God! Praise the Lord! Amen!

- CENCI LIM

HEALED OF ECZEMA

I suffered from contact eczema on my right hand for the past 10 years. I visited doctors, dermatologists, and even underwent a series of tests at a skin centre. However, doctors could not explain why the eczema was only found on my right hand and not on other parts of my body. They said it was an incurable condition which could only be managed by applying moisturisers and steroids. I bought numerous skincare products but there was no improvement.

The eczema on my hand was bad. It was a vicious cycle that most people suffering from eczema would know: The area would itch, I would scratch, and the scratching would cause bleeding and dry skin, and the area would itch again.

Sometimes, the lesions on the skin would be so painful that I did not even want to wash my hand. This condition also made me self-conscious as the pus and blood that oozed out from the lesions on my hand were unsightly.

However, after attending New Creation Church for the last three years and partaking of the Holy Communion every week, my eczema got better and better.

Though it would still flare up sometimes, I continued to believe that by Jesus' stripes, I am healed.

On 28 January 2014, I was prompted by the Holy Spirit to create a photo album to chronicle God's healing of my eczema. At times, I didn't take any pictures because my skin did not seem to improve and I was discouraged.

Nevertheless, God is faithful to our prayers even when we are disheartened. His healing is not dependent on our faithfulness but on His unfailing love and grace.

As of 18 July 2016, I have not used any moisturising or steroid cream. Today, the skin on my right hand looks as good as new. A good friend who knew of my condition remarked that he could no longer tell my right hand from my left. I believe that Jesus has healed me. Hallelujah!

– KENNETH CSJ



NO LONGER AN ANGRY MUM

I used to struggle a lot with my temper towards my children, especially my eldest boy, in the area of his studies. During the run-up to exams, daily blow-ups were a fixture in our household.

After every incident, I would pray and ask God to change me. At that time, we were still relatively new to New Creation Church. I would still deal with sin the same way I was taught in the past. I would confess my sin to God, and ask for His forgiveness. Then, I would vow not to do it again.

I employed all kinds of strategies to try and stop losing my temper – by counting to 10, taking deep breaths, leaving the room, screaming into the pillow and beating up a pillow. I even made a poster for my children to wave in front of my face. It read, "Mummy, you are raising your voice! Please leave the room NOW to cool down!" None of these worked for long.

I spent a lot of time after each outburst wondering why God was not answering my prayer and changing me. This sense of failure added to the guilt and worries I had over the impact of my actions and my son's studies, and these led to even more anger outbursts. I dreaded the year my son had to take his Primary School Leaving Examinations (PSLE). I couldn't bear to think how I would turn out when I was already so out of control in a normal year.

Seven months into the PSLE year, it suddenly occurred to me that this year has been incredibly peaceful! I couldn't quite believe it. Even my children and husband all agreed that my temper has improved a lot this year.

The truth of the matter is, sometime in the middle of last year, my family was faced with new challenges that took my mind off my temper problem. The challenges were so overwhelming that I desperately sought Jesus in order to cope. I began to play Pastor Prince's sermons regularly in the car and also read regularly from three grace-based devotionals and the Psalms, and declared out loud that I am the righteousness of God in Christ whenever I felt fearful.

These constant reminders of Christ's finished work, His unceasing love and my unassailable position in Him have given me such peace, security and joy to face all the challenges. This deep peace even extended to the area of my son's studies. I have not used any of those strategies to control my temper this year because the things that used to rouse my anger so easily in the past no longer make me angry.

Because of the challenges, I had to return to work and had even less time to guide my boy in his studies. To counter my anxiety over this, we took to praying together in the car every morning when I sent

my children to school. We would start by reminding ourselves of what Jesus has done, and of our righteousness in Him. We would also remind ourselves that all the blessings Jesus deserves, we now receive because of His finished work and that His supply of grace is never-ending. Then, we would pray for God to give my son the desire to study and for God to empower him to act out this desire.

For Chinese, my son's weakest subject, we would remind ourselves that God created the Chinese language and that He is the best speaker and writer of it in the whole universe, and because He is with my son, he can draw from Him whenever he needs guidance. Praying daily really contributed to the peace I had over the exams.

It is very clear to me now that when I was preoccupied with my temper problem and trying by my efforts to overcome it, I was bound to fail. Victory only came when I was no longer focused on the problem, not even on trying to solve it, but focused instead on Jesus and His finished work. All glory be to God!

Thank you, Pastor Prince and New Creation Church, for teaching so clearly about God's grace.

– THE WRITER HAS REQUESTED ANONYMITY.



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Be encouraged by another testimony on household blessings.

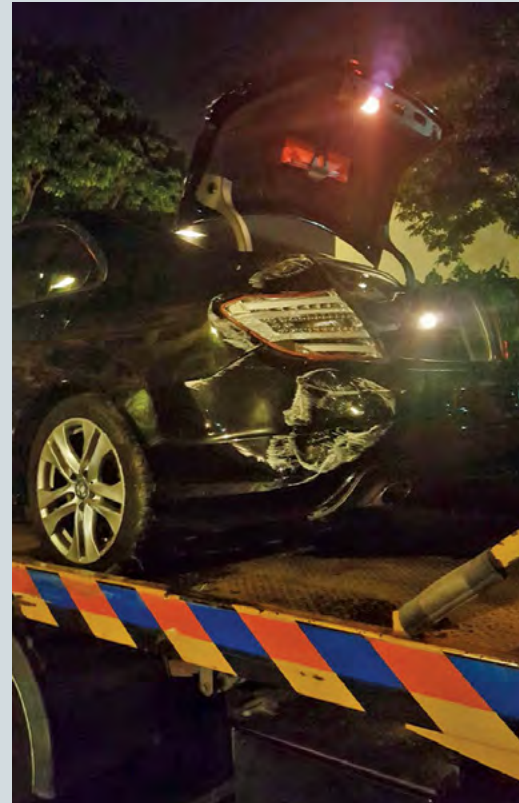
SON PROTECTED IN A CAR ACCIDENT

One night, as my son Justin and I returned from a cycling trip, I got out of the car to unload the bicycles. Our house is located on a steep slope, and before I knew it, the car with Justin inside started rolling backwards, out of control. Eventually, it went over a curb and almost ploughed into a neighbour's retaining wall, stopping inches from it, thanks to a tree which broke the impact.

The miracle was that Justin stepped out of the car completely unhurt. As a parent, looking at photos of the accident makes me go cold with fear, as so many things could have gone wrong, with disastrous consequences.

I truly understand and appreciate the psalm that Pastor Prince always preaches on — *"A thousand may fall at your side, and ten thousand at your right hand; but it shall not come near you...for He shall give His angels charge over you...In their hands they shall bear you up, lest you dash your foot against a stone."* (Psalm 91:7, 11-12) Praise be to God!

– JANET TAN



SCAN TO WATCH
(see page 2 for instructions)

View more testimonies of God's divine protection!

MUM MIRACULOUSLY HEALED FROM CANCER

In May 2016, my mum was diagnosed with cancer and had to go through two operations. The first one was to remove the tumour, and later on, to remove more tissues around the area as well as the lymph nodes.

When my husband and I went back to Germany to visit her in June 2016, she was supposed to start chemotherapy as a test showed that her cancer was highly aggressive. Fearful of the side effects of chemotherapy, she requested for another test to see if she could receive other forms of treatments.

During our stay in Germany, I prayed a lot with my mum, read Bible verses to her and shared testimonies with her. We got her to focus on God's goodness, love and good plans for us to be cancer-free and pain-free.

We assured her that God wants to heal, despite all the people she knew who had died of cancer, and told her to meditate on Psalm 91:7 — *"A thousand may fall at your side, and ten thousand at your right hand; but it shall not come near you."*

As my mum's mother, grandmother and aunt had died from cancer, we also reminded ourselves that Jesus has indeed broken any generational curse of cancer in our family. We partook of the Holy Communion using a German translation of Pastor Prince's book, *Health And Wholeness Through The Holy Communion*.

On 21 June, the doctor told us that based on my mum's test results, she no longer has cancer, there is a very low chance of recurrence and she does not need to go for chemotherapy.

This was naturally impossible as all her previous tests showed she had cancer. The doctor could not believe the result and even said that they must have taken the wrong sample. He then initiated another similar test and the result came back equally positive, proving that the earlier results were correct and God had indeed intervened!

We thank Jesus for this miracle!

– JOHANNA TOMBENG

THANK YOU **VOLUNTEERS!**

Our team of dedicated servers are the hands and feet that make the services at multiple locations happen – and count.

A typical Sunday service involves much planning, coordination and execution – from the set up of the service venues to the ushers who ensure our congregation and visitors have a pleasant church experience. Whether behind the scenes or at the frontlines, they serve with one heart and purpose – to glorify Jesus. What better way to appreciate our servers than to capture their love in action with photography and words from their hearts.

APPRECIATION FROM OUR VOLUNTEER CHAIRMAN

The Lord has blessed me and my family so much and it is my privilege and honour to be able to serve Him and the church. We love because He first loved us and we serve because He first served us. The impact of the gospel of grace is such that so many of our congregation members – some 9,000 of them – gladly give of their time and talents to serve in this house. I believe that their hearts of service spring from His abundance in their lives. Without our volunteers, we will not be able to run the many services and activities we have every week. I would like to express my deep appreciation to every volunteer. Thank you for faithfully serving the Lord and blessing His people!

– DEACON MATTHEW KANG



Top: Our ushers at Marina Bay Sands welcome congregation members with a smile.

Centre: Our Safety & Security ministry servers keep a watchful eye to help ensure a safe environment at our service venues.

Bottom: A photographer from the Communications ministry ready to capture our services in pictures.



Top: Media Resource ministry volunteers setting up at The Star Performing Arts Centre before the services begin.

Above: Our Sound ministry team members making sure all the audio settings are good for the service.

Left: Ambassadors from the Pastoral Services ministry, prominent in their green T-shirts, are always on hand to answer questions.

BLESSED TO WITNESS GOD AT WORK

What a privilege and blessing to be able to serve in the postnatal support team! It's been an ongoing journey where I'm learning that a heavy dependence on the Lord is the key to serving effectively. I'm blessed to witness firsthand what the Lord is doing in the lives of mothers, and to see His love and grace manifest in ways beyond my imagination!

– MAUREEN LUI
PASTORAL SERVICES MINISTRY

A PRIVILEGE AND BLESSING TO SERVE

Since I started serving in Rock Kidz, I have been greatly blessed. I have been experiencing increasing rest at work. And even though this is the PSLE (primary school leaving examinations) year for my firstborn, we are not anxious. I believe my children are blessed, and it is my privilege to serve!

– BERNICE KHOO
CHILDREN'S MINISTRY ROCK KIDZ



LOVED INTO SERVICE

I never imagined that I would ever serve in church. However, after attending New Creation Church for some time and hearing how much I am blessed and loved because of Jesus, my heart was so full with His love that I couldn't help but respond to the Safety & Security ministry recruitment. And now, serving has brought me great joy, especially when I see people drawn to Jesus.

– EH HTEE MU
SAFETY & SECURITY MINISTRY

GOD GIVES MUCH MORE!

I used to think that I was making a contribution to God's house for His glory when I serve. While that may be true, I have learnt that I am actually the main beneficiary of this God-given honour and opportunity, and that He is setting me up for growth and good success.

– HANS TAN
VISUAL ARTS MINISTRY



Top right: Servers from our Broadcast ministry all ready to capture what happens on stage for broadcast to the other service venues.

Right: Rock Kidz teachers sharing about Jesus with the children.

Facing page, top: The Logistics & Transport ministry servers are usually the first at our service venues, delivering loads of equipment.

Facing page, centre: Stylists from the Visual Arts ministry helping behind the scenes.

Facing page, bottom: The stagehands from the Visual Arts ministry setting up the stage paraphernalia.



RESTFUL AND SECURE IN HIS LOVE

We began serving this year and feel privileged to be a part of the Logistics & Transport ministry. We always look forward to serving and fellowshiping with our team members, and regularly uphold one another in prayer, share amazing testimonies, and timely words of encouragement through our group chats.

As we see and experience God's goodness and blessings in our lives and the lives of our family members, it has caused us to be more restful and conscious of Jesus, knowing we are His beloved and protected in His strong and loving arms.

– FRANCIS CHUA AND GLORIA CHEW
LOGISTICS & TRANSPORT MINISTRY

GROWTH THROUGH SERVING

Rock Kidz has been an avenue of growth for me in many ways as I have strengthened my walk with Him, fostered new friendships, increased my area of influence and even enhanced my parenting! It warms my heart greatly to know that I have a family within the church that I belong to, dear ones to have fun with and who will support me when I face challenges.

– ANNETTE LAM
CHILDREN'S MINISTRY ROCK KIDZ

A HOME AWAY FROM HOME

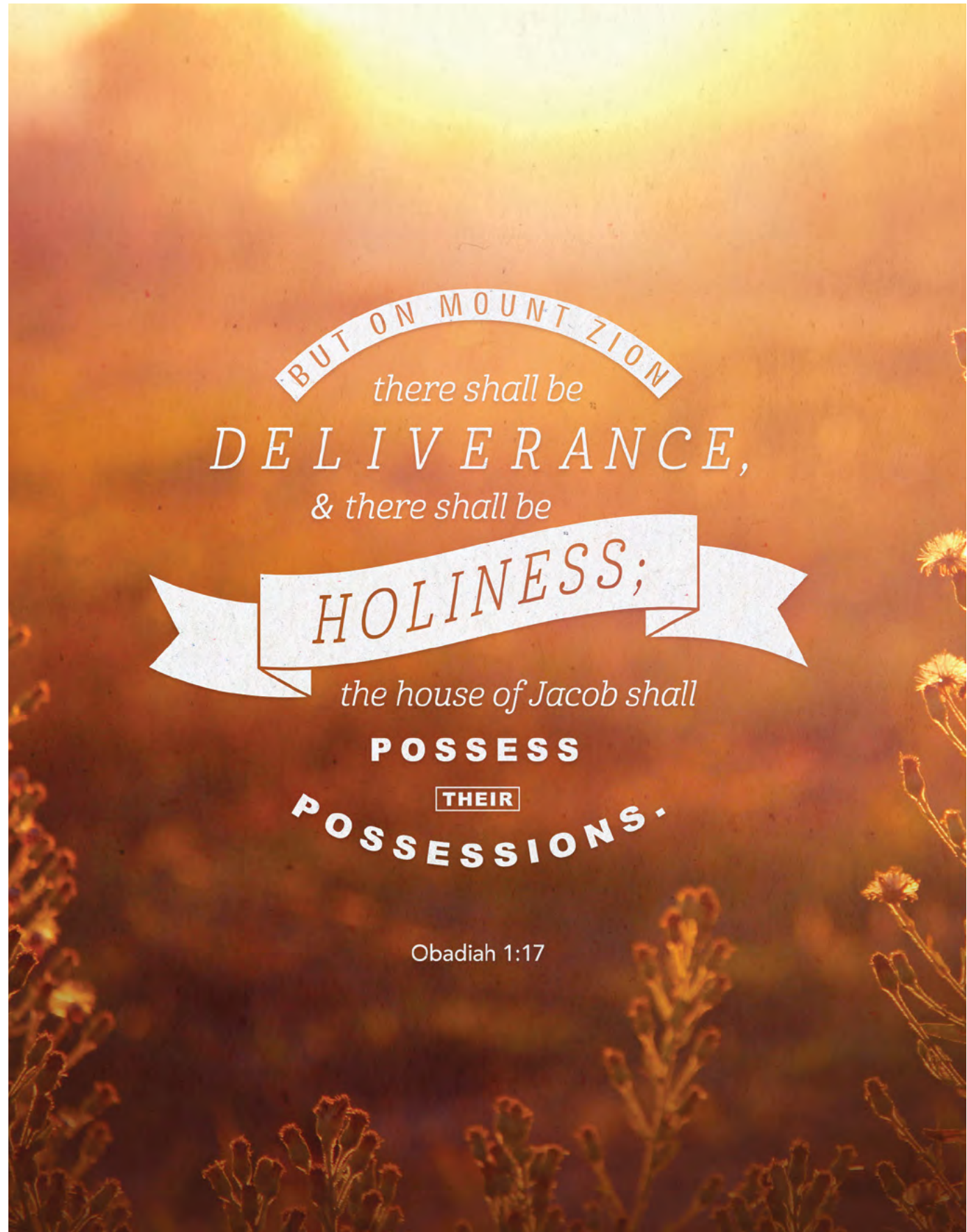
I am so blessed to be part of the Worship ministry. Being a foreigner based in Singapore, the ministry is like family to me, and I often find support to face my challenges in life through the prayers and supplications of my fellow brothers and sisters. Living life, building bonds and growing relationships through various activities, it is indeed a home away from home!

– JORDAN SICO
WORSHIP MINISTRY

REMINDED OF HIS UNFAILING LOVE

I am grateful for the opportunity to serve in the Pastoral Service ministry. I am particularly touched whenever I read the responses of people whose prayer requests have been answered. It serves as a reminder to me that God is a God of grace and that His love never fails!

– JUNE CHUA
PASTORAL SERVICES MINISTRY



BUT ON MOUNT ZION

there shall be

DELIVERANCE,

& there shall be

HOLINESS;

the house of Jacob shall

POSSESS

THEIR

POSSESSIONS.

Obadiah 1:17

