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Grace to you and Peace from God

Our Mission:

“Passion for Christ, Heart for the Lost”

(Phil. 1 : 21; Matt. 28 : 18—20)

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Pre-Worship Hymns	639, <i>“Beautiful Saviour”</i>	Sis Chea Ruei Jean & Dn Jeremy Hor
Prelude		
Silent Meditation		
Call to Worship		Dn John Chen
Opening Hymn	78 <i>“Strong in Salvation”</i>	
<i>*Gloria Patri</i>		
Hymn	<i>“The Perfect Wisdom of Our God”</i>	
Responsive Reading	Ecclesiastes 8:12-17	
Offerings		
<i>**Doxology</i>		
Scripture Reading	Genesis 42:36	
Hymn	108 <i>“My Father Planned It All”</i>	
Pastoral Prayer		
Message	“ALL THESE THINGS ARE AGAINST ME”	REV TAN ENG BOO
Closing Hymn	<i>“Beautiful Saviour”</i>	
Benediction		
Threefold Amen		
Welcome & Announcements		

* Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Ghost, As it was in the
beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, Amen

** Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

**REPORT ON THE IPOH CHILDREN
SPONSORED FOR KINDERGARTEN
EDUCATION 2018**

By Sis Boon Jin

1. Nishanthi

●School: She's learning well. Has improved in her spelling and Mathematics. Also hearing her trying to speak English more. Weak in Malay subject though. Good attendance.

●Home: Parents now have stable income. Supportive of Nishanthi's education. Family (except father who has to work) turned up for most of the school's function such as sports day and end of year graduation for Year 2s.

2. Kuberan

●School: Missed school a number of times due to family issues. On the whole, the teacher commented that he is a fast-learner. He attends the Friday Christian class and likes to sing the Christian songs taught to them. Weak in reading. Have been meeting him at least once to do some reading whenever I'm in Ipoh.

●Home: Kuberan's parents abandoned him when he was a baby. Now living with foster mother. While foster mother is supportive of his education, efforts to wake up early have been a problem for the family. Also foster father is abusive. At one stage, they had to sought temporary shelter to avoid the father. And because the shelter

is far from school, Kuberan was not able to attend school for about a month.

3. Kevin

●School: Visibly much happier now. Smiling a lot more than the year before. Learning fairly well. Weak in most subjects. Missed school for some days at the beginning of the year due to family issues.

●Home: His father passed away a few years ago. Mother was unable to cope with the situation and left him in the care of his grandmother. His grandmother was down with ill-health and was unable to bring him to school. The church, which is chaplain to the kindergarten, has stepped in to resolve the situation and Kevin's attendance is now regular.

4. Divyya

●School: Joined the school late but is able to catch up. Missed school a few days because of family issues.

●Home: Father got a stable job (driving lorry) but it means out of state most of the time. Estranged mother about a month back came to try and take her away from the father. Divyya has to live with her grandmother's friend for some time and did not want to disclose the location for fear of the mother coming after her. However, Divyya's grandmother took the responsibility to inform the kindergarten principal.

Then if anyone says to you, ‘Look, here is the Christ!’ or ‘There he is!’ do not believe it. For false christs and false prophets will arise and perform great signs and wonders, so as to lead astray, if possible, even the elect

(Matthew 24:23 – 24 ESV)

Some years ago I read in a missions report that many Christian cult groups have risen in China, deceiving people there including sincere Christians. Moreover, it was also reported that there is a serious lack of trained Bible teachers to equip believers in China to discern truth from error. The seriousness of this problem began to hit me when I went to Beijing in June with my wife, Lisa to hold wedding lunch and dinners for my in-laws and friends there.

A few months before our wedding, one of Lisa’s cousins unknowingly encountered a cult group. They offered free theological and Bible classes. Given theological classes are not readily available in China, their offer sounded attractive. Moreover, this cousin found the people there to be very passionate about their faith and she began to attend their classes.

It was only after she shared what she had been learning that Lisa noticed something amiss about their teachings. Lisa then investigated the teachings of this group and found out this group is affiliated with a South Korean Christian cult – Shincheonji (new heaven and earth), abbreviated as SCJ. Some of the main teachings of SCJ include:

- ⤴ Denial of the doctrine of the Trinity.
- ⤴ Its founder – Lee Man-hee is the promised Counsellor not the Holy Spirit.

- ⤴ Believers must completely understand the Book of Revelation and Jesus’ parables to enter the kingdom.
- ⤴ Only their founder can correctly interpret the Bible.
- ⤴ Their founder has a messianic role in the end-times .

Upon the realization of the errors of the group, her cousin stopped her involvement with them. Given that she is young in the faith, I wasn’t surprised at her lack of discernment concerning the teachings of this cult. But what surprised me was that before she shared with Lisa about this group, she actually had consulted with one of my in-laws who is actually a full-time ministry staff and a church leader. But this in-law (who is not seminary trained) did not sense anything wrong with their teachings. Instead she shared with me that as long as the teachings “sounded similar” to them, she thought it was fine!

The reality of the aforementioned report then hit me hard and I felt the burden concerning the plight of Christians there over their lack of theologically trained leaders and also discernment from falsehood.

Prayer requests:

- ⤴ Please pray for Christians in China that God will raise up more teachers and leaders who love Him and are theologically trained to properly teach and guide the flock there.
- ⤴ Pray also for us here in Singapore to be on guard and not take God’s Word for granted. South Korean Christian cults have entered into many of parts of the world including Singapore.

Preacher Wun-Long

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

WED	Prayer Meeting	8.00 p.m.
SAT	Adult Fellowship (Last Saturday of every month)	5.30 p.m.
SUN	Worship Service	9.30 a.m.
	Junior Worship	9.30 a.m.
	Bible Class	11.30 a.m.

Last Week's Collections

Offerings	\$ 1,779.50
Tithes	\$ 2,880.00
Building Fund	\$ 527.30

APPOINTMENTS

Prayer Meeting — Wednesday

No PM on 8 Aug:

Dn James Chen takes devotion on 15 Aug.

Worship Service Next Sunday-19 Aug:

Speaker:	Bro Lim Chien Chong
Chairman:	Eld Victor Goh
Pianist:	Bro Adrian Teo
Organist:	Sis Joanna Hor

Ushers

This Week: Dn Daniel Tan/Bro Richard Tan
Sis Naomi Neoh

Next Week: Bro Allan Lim/Dr Tan Teck Shi
Sis Evonne Tee

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This Week : Bro Nathanael Goh/Sis Sarah Goh
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Junior Worship (7-10 years old)

This Week: Dn Lee Chang Loong
Next Week: Sis Goh Jee Eng

Pre-Primary Worship (3-6 years old)

This Week: Sis Chea Ee Wen
Next Week: Sis Lim Sue San

Flowers and Refreshment

This Week: Sis Lynna Seah
Next Week: Sis Chea Ee Wen (floral)
Bro John Chia (Refresh)

Refreshment Duty

This Week: Dn Daniel Tan & Tabitha
Next Week: Sis Mildred Chan/Sis Naomi Neoh

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kindly turn off your mobile phones or put them on silent mode!

***“The Lord is in His holy temple:
let all the earth keep silence before Him.”***

Pastor speaks and serves the Lord's Supper in the Mandarin Service this morning at 11.30am. His Bible class is cancel.

Wednesday Prayer Meeting resumes on 15 Aug at 8.00 pm in church.

Adult Fellowship on Sat. 25 Aug at 5.30 pm in church. Pastor Alby Yip will speak on *“Troubles Pastors Face in Church.”*

Staff on leave – Sis Chew Gim from 22-26 August.

Pray for the Children's Ministry:

- That our regular church children will draw close to God daily and be a good testimony for Him at home and in school;
- That children who are now undergoing follow-up to be strengthened in their relationship with God and also to be a good testimony for the Lord at home and in school;
- **Children's Holiday Club** on Wed. 12 Sep. Pray for teachers and helpers as they finalised the lessons. Invites to be distributed one week before the actual event;
- **2018 Vacation Bible School** from 28-30 Nov. Pray for program preparations and for members to be willing to come on board to serve.

Pray for Bro Chien Chong who will be preaching next Sun 19 Aug.

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