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BUILD UP A GLORIOUS CHURCH

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God once instructed Moses to build the tent of meeting as a meeting place for God and men. When it was completed, the glory of God filled the tabernacle (Ex 40: 34). The same happened when Solomon was building the temple, the glory of God filled the area when the ark of covenant was carried into the temple (1 King 8: 10 – 11).

In this end time, the later rain of the Holy Spirit descended establishing the true church which revived the faith of the apostolic era, building the ark of salvation to save all. We firmly believe that the Word of salvation will be proclaimed to the world, and all will prepare to receive the Lord’s second coming.
The church is the body of the Lord, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way. Through the church, He is to manifest His wisdom, power, authority, and glory. Furthermore, the glory of this temple will be greater than the former. The Word of Truth anticipates to prosper, and we hope all can be gathered in unity, and strive together to build up the glorious kingdom of God.

1. Proclaiming the Gospel with your might

“A large population is a king’s glory” (Prov 14: 28). The true church has been established for 80 years plus, and although the church is established in more than 40 countries, it is still incomparable to the size of this world. We must remember and think deeply of the Lord’s instructions, “Therefore go and make disciples of all nations”, “You will be my witness in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth”. Everyone should feel this sense of mission, beginning with individual evangelism, participating in various works relating to evangelism, and pray for this divine work persistently. May the Lord send his servants and open the gates to the gospel, guiding everyone to receive the Word. Whoever calls in the name of the Lord will be saved. If so, how, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? And how can they preach unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!” (Rom 10: 13 – 15)

2. Asking for the abundant grace of the Lord

The Lord Jesus came into the world in flesh, bringing abundant Word and grace. Our church was established by the Lord himself, which contains the full gospel, the abidance of the Holy Spirit, and the presence of God’s miracle to testify. We have all received the abundant grace of the Lord, and furthermore have experienced grace upon grace. Nevertheless there are still people who feel that the works of God is not as apparent as in the past. In actual fact, the Lord Jesus is a God that will never change; His wisdom, his power, and love will never change. Many a time it is due to the faithlessness of men and their indecent actions that have prevented their prayers from being effective. We should repent and be zealous. The Lord said “If you turn to me, I will turn to you”.

Recently I have been to various training meetings organised by the US Assembly and thus had longer time to pray. The feeling was truly very different. Although some
people may question should there be such a need, would this not be too much of a
formality? But at times when we feel weak, that is when we know we need the Lord,
and only the Lord can give us protection, enabling us to become strong. It is a beautiful
process, to experience the joy of having a close communication with God and
undergoing spiritual change. I hope that we can grow through praying and in our
ministry to the Lord. Even more so in terms of spiritual knowledge, we can all
experience the wisdom of God. In every good deed may we bear fruit to glorify God,
and we hope the grace and love of the Lord can always be with us.

“Blessed are those whose strength is in you, who have set their hearts on pilgrimage. As
they pass through the Valley of Baca, they make it a place of springs; the autumn rains
also cover it with pools.” (Ps 84: 5 – 6)

3. Pursuing after Holiness and Perfection

“Make every effort to live in peace with all men and to be holy; without holiness no one
will see the Lord” (Heb 12: 14). “To make her (church) holy, cleansing her by the
washing with water through the Word, and to present her to himself as a radiant church,
without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless.” (Eph 5: 26 –
27)

The blood of Jesus redeems us from the dominion of sin, not only has the blood blotted
away the sins of our past, more over at present, sin cannot reign over our hearts as king,
for we are no longer under the law. Hence we need to often correct ourselves through
the Word of God (Jam 1: 19 – 25), through the Spirit putting to death the lust of the
flesh, escape the temptation of the world; strive to elevate our spirituality and bear
spiritual fruit. Let us become blameless and honest. In this perverse world, let us also
be lights shining, manifesting the Word of life (Phil2: 15 – 16)

The true church will be like a holy bride whom has adorned herself waiting for the
wedding of the Lamb. Those that have received grace will wear robes of white fine
linen; this fine linen stands for the righteous acts of the saints (Rev 19: 7 – 8). They will
also be likened to Jerusalem coming down out of heaven, which have the glory of God,
shining in the city like a very precious jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal, and doors of
the gates are pearls. The street within the city is made of gold, likened to opulent glass.
The city does not need the sun or the moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it
light, and the lamb is its lamp. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the
earth will bring their splendor into it. On no day will its gates ever be shut, for there
will be no night there. The glory and honor of the nations will be brought into it. On each side of the river stood the tree of life, yielding its fruit every month, and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. God is to shine on them, and they will reign for ever and ever.

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NEWS FROM INDIA:

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION WORK IN VANDIPERIYA, INDIA

Written by/ Grace Ho

Praise the Lord, a 2nd Religious Education Teacher Basic Training Course was held in Vandiperiya of Kerala state from the 14th to 20th of April. The Venue was in Dymock Church.

Dymock church has about 50 members. The church building is the largest among the churches in Vandiperiya. The church building is perched midway on a tea-shrub hill. It is surrounded by tea hills all around and is only accessible by jeep which winds “endlessly” around the narrow paths among the neatly manicured tea shrubs.

Every morning, the speakers convened for morning prayer and Bible reading at 6.30am for the Lord’s guidance before setting out on the one hour journey to Dymock church. It took another hour to travel back to the lodge after the last lesson for the day, at around 5pm.

The speakers and the topics taught were as follows:

B. Teaching Methodology – Sis Grace Ho
C. Educational Psychology – Dn John Vedavanam
D. Class Control – Dn John Vedavanam
E. Teachers Manual – Sis Grace Ho
F. Practical Work – Sis Grace Ho
G. *Children Songs and Activities* – Dns Lee Sew En

H. *Teaching Practice* - Dn John and Dn Philemon

The syllabus design was found suitable for the participants. As far as possible, the theoretical part was tailored to a more practical approach to help participants grasp the idea of the different types of teaching methodology. As for the Children Songs and Activities sessions, more than 10 children songs were taught and a great variety of art and crafts was taught to the Trainee Teachers.

**The Participants**

A total number of 22 Trainee Teachers participated in the course.

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The participants were attentive and interested. Among them were 5 mothers and 1 married brother. Their spirit of learning was admirable. Thank God. They were serious in their Teaching Practice and did fairly well despite the fact that it was their first time in teaching. Only one brother, Vijayan, has had some teaching experience with informal RE classes in the Dymock church. Praise God, 2 participants: Sis. Sujitha and Bro. Moses received the Holy Spirit during the Prayer Sessions.

**Accommodation and food**

Except for local Dymock participants, all other participants stayed in the Dymock church hall with mats laid on the floor. The newly built bathroom and toilet, partly assisted financially by Dorcas Love Mission of the Rehoboath Welfare Foundation of Taiwan served the occasion well.

Food was prepared by 2 brothers and a sister with 2 other assistants, in the make-shift kitchen beside the church building.

**Suggestions made**

1. As Vandiperiya is very far away from the India Theological Training Centre (ITTC) suggestions have been made to India Co-ordination Board to send Dn.
Philemon and Dn. John to assist the newly formed RE Units. They would be scheduled to visit the RE Units 2 or 3 months once until the teachers have gained a firm foundation in running the classes.

2. Additional assistance can come from the Preachers on their scheduled visits.

3. A Refresher Course may be conducted two years after they have started to operate the RE classes.

Look, how they enjoy singing the RE children songs!

Half of the sister-participants are young mothers! Praise the Lord. They are more permanent teachers.
Brothers and sisters in an activity-session

These tea-shrubs are just in front of the Dymock church. A tea-picker is gathering in the young tea leaves. Jeeps ply through these tea-hill paths in the background.
The participants and Dymock church members.

The members parading happily in front of the new bathroom and toilet.
(Thanks to DLM, RWF)

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NEWS FROM INDIA:
MEDICAL MISSION IN TAMIL NADU, INDIA

Written by/ Grace Ho
A Medical Evangelical Mission was held in the True Jesus Church in the Tamil Nadu State of India from the 28th of December 2006 to the 3rd of January 2007. The event was held in three places: Pammal, Ambattur and Chengalput.

The Medical Evangelical Mission Team comprised of 36 members in all. This includes 7 preachers, 7 ministers, 6 medical doctors, 1 pharmacist, 5 nurses, and 11 others (inclusive of evangelical personnel and EHVMT volunteers). The Mission was the combined effort of the Eastern Hemisphere Department of World Mission (EHDWM) under the International Assembly of the True Jesus Church (IA), the Medical Mission Team of Taiwan, the India Mission Committee (IMC of GA Malaysia) and the Co-ordination Board of India (CBI).

The objective of the Medical Mission is to catalyst the growth of the gospel outreach work in the 3 churches in Tamil Nadu state; the city of Chennai, in particular. The Medical Mission Team from Taiwan had gone through a long and difficult procedure with the relevant authorities before embarking on the trip to India. They even resorted to fasting and praying for a month before their departure. Because of their dedicated prayers, a smooth pass was granted for the medical equipment and supplies at the customs. They were fervently committed to their maiden trip to India and braved all the odds against them – the adversely different culture and lingua franca and the spicy and exotic foods so alien to their palate in a land thousands of kilometers away from their homeland! What could have prompted them but for their love for their brethren and for humanity and obedience to the teaching in the Holy Bible: *Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.* (Heb 13:16)

On the 26th morning, the IMC personnel and Volunteers left for India to do some preparation and organizing work for the MM.

On the 27th evening, the Medical Team from Taiwan arrived. Everyone lodged at the ITTC (India Theological Training Centre).

On the 28th morning, the entire MM entourage left for Pammal in a bus and with a lorry-load of medical equipment and supplies to prepare the premises for the MM work in the Pammal church building.

On 29th morning, after the 5.30am. prayer-service, the entourage left for MM work in Pammal. The clinics were held open from 9am. to 9.30pm. The Evangelical Service ran from 7.30pm to9.30pm. A total of 354 patients came to seek medical and dental help. It was past mid-night by the time the entourage arrived back at the ITTC.
On the 30th morning, after the morning prayer-service at 6.45a.m. the clinics were opened from 9 a.m. to 5p.m. at the ITTC premises. At about 9.30 a.m. the Councillor for Ambattur came to officiate the opening of the MM. The MM work stopped at 5p.m. and everyone joined the Ambattur church members to attend the Sabbath worship. A total of 177 patients turned up for medical and dental treatment. The Music Evangelical Service was held from 7.30pm to 9.30pm.

On the 31st morning after the 7.30 a.m. morning prayer-service, the clinics were held open for the 2nd day at the ITTC premises, from 9a.m. to 5p.m. A total of 346 patients came for medical and dental treatment. At 7.45p.m. the Ambattur church held its 2007 New Year Night Service-cum-Musical Hymnal Fellowship. Praise the Lord, both the foreign and local members enjoyed each others’ presentation and spiritual fellowship in the Lord. The New Year Service began at 11.50 p.m. Preacher Chen Zhing-Rong of GA Taiwan was invited to give a sermon to usher in the New Year. The service ended at 2.00a.m. on 1st Jan 2007. After the service, everyone was filled with joy, and wished each other with New Year greetings and words of blessings, though the eye-lids were heavy with lack of sleep!

For the foreign members, the New Year Service was indeed a memorable event of a life time! It was a cross-culture New Year Service in a foreign land. They intensely felt a part of the big family of God in the global church of the True Jesus Church albeit the different skin complexion and language and cultural barrier. In Christ Jesus, such is no barrier at all!

On the 1st of Jan morning, after the 8 a.m. morning prayer-service and breakfast, the entourage left ITTC for Chengalput. On the way, they stopped to rest at a tourist site, St Thomas Mount and arrived in Chengalput in time for lunch before checking into a Lodge. They left for Chengalput church premises around late afternoon. At 7.30p.m. there was a Music Hymnal Evangelical after which dinner was served and all returned to the Lodge for the night.

On the 2nd of Jan morning, the entourage gathered for a prayer at 7.30a.m. before starting out on the MM work in Chengalput church. The clinics were held open from 9a.m. to 6p.m. Several patients still kept coming after the clinics were closed. After packing up, the MM members joined the Evangelical Service from 7.30pm to 9.30p.m. After dinner, the entourage left Chengaput church at about 11p.m. reaching ITTC at the wee hour of the morning of 1a.m.
On the 3rd of Jan morning, a meeting was held to review and to set visions for the Medical Mission done in India. The meeting stretched from 9a.m. to 4p.m. The medical service offered consisted of Internal Medicine (Thoracis Specialist, Pediatrician, Oncologist, and Family Medicine), ENT Specialist, three Dental Specialists and a Pharmacist. Among the three churches, a total of 1,258 patients came to seek treatment and were given spiritual counseling by our preachers. The Medical Mission aimed to bring relief to the physical sufferings of the patients and more importantly, to bring the gospel truth and the salvation grace of our Lord Jesus Christ to them.

The highlight of the meeting was the presentation of the patients’ Medical Record (with Personal Particulars) by the Taiwan GA Evangelical Dept Head, Pr Chen Zhing Rong to the Director of the EHDWM, Dn Joshua Phoong with the fervent hope that the CBI will make all efforts to visit all the patients and to follow up with their concern for the physical and spiritual well-being of the patients.

What is most touching in the meeting about their zeal for the Medical Evangelical Mission is that, the Taiwan Medical Team members have committed themselves to praying for 2 months for the Lords’ guidance to help the CBI preachers, ministers and church workers in the all-important follow-up work. Whether the Medical Evangelical Mission will bear fruit will depend on the result of the follow-up work.

(Before the IMC Chairman and Director of the EHDWM left India, meetings on follow-up work were held in the three churches and a time chart has been drawn up for follow-up work for the first 6 months. Prayers for the MM follow-up work in India from all concerned members are most welcome. All glory be to our Lord Jesus Christ.)

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