

» CHURCH STAFF RECRUITMENT

Executive (Finance)

This role is required to perform financial accounting responsibilities such as weekly cash receipt recording for Sunday tithing and other income types, monthly bank reconciliation and monitoring cashflow balance. He/She will also coordinate the cash collection process during events. Prior relevant experience is preferred.

Center Administration cum Mobilisation, East Centre

This role will lead and oversee operational aspects of the East Centre. It includes mobilising people in various areas such as centre administration, weekly services requirements, facilities set-up and coordination, Finance and IT-related matters. This role also serves as the overall coordinator in mobilising the lay congregation. He/She will work very closely with the ministry heads on recruitment, selection, redeployment and renewal matters.

Applicants should either be a church or CG member, with a heart to answer God's call in their lives in furthering Covenant EFC's mission.

For more information, visit <http://www.cefc.org.sg/index.php/about-us/recruitment>
Email your resume to hr@cefc.org.sg by 11 Dec.

» BAPTISM CLASS

Register at the Information Counter today.

Date: 11 Dec (Sun)

Time: 1.00pm–3.30pm

Venue: WDL Centre

» DISCOVERY WEEKEND

Courting couples, would you like to further develop your relationship for God's glory?

Choose *one* Saturday (8.30am–5pm) from next year's Discovery Weekend dates:

14 Jan, 22 Apr, 15 Jul and 14 Oct.

» NEW LIFE STAFF RECRUITMENT

Turn your passion into your career by serving with New Life Community Services through the following positions:

- **Corporate Communications Executive** (must have graphic design skills)
- **Childcare Teachers** (English)
- **Social Workers or Counsellors for Reformatory Training Centre (RTC)**
- **Youth Programme Coordinators**

Download the application form at www.newlife.org.sg and email to hr@newlife.org.sg
For more information, call 6760 0533.

*For other announcements,
please download the
"Covenant EFC" mobile app.*

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Is Your Soul Refreshed or Thirsting?

BY: PS ADRIAN CHAN, INTEGRATED EQUIPPING

In his book *Renovation of the Heart*, the late Dallas Willard wrote:

"The soul is the deepest and the most vital part of the person as a whole. Our soul is like an inner stream of water, which gives strength, direction, and harmony to every other element of our life. When that stream is as it should be, we are constantly refreshed and exuberant in all we do, because our soul itself is then profusely rooted in the vastness of God and his kingdom..."

Many of us in this fast-paced life are not even aware of how dry our soul can be. We've given out so much — to our children, spouse, extended family, work or studies. Our soul is panting for times of refreshing, reflecting and renewing. Over this weekend and the next, hundreds of Covenanters will be at the Breakthrough Weekend for such times of reinvigoration and breakthroughs. If you know of someone who is or will be at the Breakthrough Weekend, will you please pray for him/her? What will you pray for? Senior Pastor Tan Kay Kiong taught a helpful acrostic S.O.U.L. to guide our prayer and action in tending the garden of our soul:

S – Sins I hide
O – Obstacles I fear
U – Unchecked emotions
I express
L – Lies I believe

We can pray for sins to be exposed and forgiven. For obstacles to be overcome with faith and God's mighty power. For emotions to be checked and steered by the Holy Spirit. For self-deceptions to be torn down and replaced with truth.

Perhaps you can't go for this year's Breakthrough Weekend. But you can still take time, perhaps for a Saturday at the park for solitude, reflection and looking ahead to 2017. Years back, I had to persistently ask a friend in the teaching sector to stop, pray and reflect. This was because year in and year out, cohort in and cohort out, my friend kept going and was in danger of drying up and burning out. I was glad that my friend eventually took time to centre down to seek God, reflect, and chart the next steps. Years after, I could see how that time-out made a huge positive difference. Praise to our unfailing God!

What about you? Will you too take time for soul-care?



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AUTHENTIC
DISCIPLESHIP
& INTENTIONAL
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OF A CERTAIN KIND

VALUES

GRACE
GROWTH
GODLINESS

SERMON OUTLINE



Taking Enemy Fire

Scripture: **EPHESIANS 6:16** Sermon: **PAUL SHI**

Introduction

A. Take Up the Shield of Faith (v.16a)

“In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith...”

B. Put Out the Darts of Fire (v.16b)

“with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one.”

Conclusion

Next Week's Sermon Speakers:

4 Dec **REV EDMUND CHAN** (BPJ, WDL & EAST)

LAST WEEK'S SERMON SUMMARY



Love as Jesus Loves

Scripture: **MATTHEW 9:36** // Sermon: **PS EDMUND WONG**

Introduction

God did not intend for the Church to simply be a container, but a channel of His unconditional and sacrificial love that creates ripples of change in the community!

In Order to Love the Community as Jesus Loves, We Must:

A. See as Jesus Sees

- a. There was something far more crucial about the crowds that Jesus saw, besides their need for healing and deliverance. If not, He would not have gone up the mountain when they came to be healed and delivered (cf. Matt 5:1)!
- b. “Sheep without shepherd” – to the sheep, the shepherd is everything. Without whom, sheep are totally defenceless and directionless. They have no defence mechanism against wild animals and can only see up to their nose. Jesus saw that the greatest enemy that the crowds could not defeat was sin and death. Therefore He had to go to the cross, be raised to life, and show the crowds that He was the way.
- c. Verses 37–38 – Harvest without enough workers. During harvest time, everyone in the family was involved, because they had a narrow window of time. If they do not harvest fast enough, the crops would rot and be destroyed. It was all hands on deck for an urgent task!
- d. Focus: Stories of New Life beneficiaries. Encourage them and let them know that the Church (not just New Life) is behind them. Take the “Take That Step” challenge.

B. Feel as Jesus Feels

- a. Cf. Matthew 14:14, 15:32, 18:27, 20:34 – Compassion was a common emotion for Jesus when He ministered to the crowds. But compassion does not merely mean sympathy.
- b. Literally, the bowels (where ancients believe was the seat of emotions and passions) were stirred. When Jesus was with the crowds, He has massive stomach cramps because His heart was bursting for them! The challenge of our fast-paced, modern life — we live with tunnel vision and cannot see beyond our own little world and needs.
- c. Verse 35 - What kept Jesus' compassion going? He was already ministering to the crowds, when the compassion started stirring again. Principle: Don't wait for the feelings to arrive before serving others. Get into the thick of it first, and your feelings will catch up.
- d. Focus: Some need to be motivated before they are mobilised. Others needs to be mobilised before they are motivated (Stuart Briscoe). Sign up to serve with New Life first. The feelings will come!

Conclusion

Jesus saw the tears and heard the cries of the needy. He got His hands dirty and stretched them on the cross for their sake. He now calls us, the Church, to open our eyes, hear their cries, and go love them in His name!