

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING OF MULTITUDES

Calling all Zone Mentors, CG Leaders, Assistant CG Leaders and Ministry Leaders! Join the Senior Pastor's Office Team as they share the spiritual burdens and plans for 2018 at the Gathering of Multitudes (GOM).

Date: 1 Oct (Sun)

Time: 2:30pm – 5.00pm

Venue: BPJ Centre Main Sanctuary

SHORT-TERM MISSIONS TRIPS

CG members, go for Short-term Missions (STM) trip and bless the nations!

Surabaya on 23-27 Nov

Outreach to a slum community by teaching English, and ministry to believers in CGs. Suitable for families with kids aged 5 years old and above. Estimated cost: \$600 (including airfare)

Jakarta on 11-14 Dec

Inspire teachers and volunteers in their outreach to M community by teaching English. Suitable for educators with a passion to reach out, Sunbeam disciplinarians, WEB Spiders, etc. Estimated cost: \$600 (including airfare)

Myanmar on 16-20 Dec

Support local church in their Christmas outreach. Suitable for families with children. Estimated cost: \$400 (excluding airfare)

Trippers must be attending CG regularly, and committed to attend STM trainings and team meetings. For more information, email aili.tay@cefc.org.sg

MEMBERSHIP CLASS

Membership Class is happening this Sat, 16 Sep, 9am to 4pm at ACKCentre. Register at the Information Counter.

BREAKTHROUGH WEEKENDS

Breakthrough Weekends (BTW) are coming! **Early bird registration for CG members starts next week.** Registration will be done online through Voyager. Journey together with your CG-mates as you intentionally set aside extended time to be with God and a community of believers, in order to return to the basics of life in Christ.

Men's BTW on 17-19 Nov. Email menbtw@cefc.org.sg for enquiries.

Women's BTW on 24 -26 Nov. Email womenbtw@cefc.org.sg for enquiries.

Marriage BTW on 24 to 26 Nov. Email marriagebtw@cefc.org.sg for enquiries.

IDMC INSTITUTE INTRO SESSION

IDMC Institute One-Year Internship Programme provides a good opportunity for you to sense God's leading in your life for the marketplace, full-time ministry or missions. Come to the **Intro Session on Thu, 14 Sep from 7.15pm to 9.30pm at ACKCentre** to find out more. Sign up at <http://cefc.ch/idmci-intro-session>

SERVE IN NEW LIFE

P.A.N.D.A Champs, a character-based mentoring programme for 7 to 10-year-olds, needs 10 mentors. If you love children and have a heart to mentor them, sign up to serve! **Schedule:** 21 Nov – 14 Dec, every Tue and Thu, 9am – 1pm (includes one hour of briefing and debriefing) at BPJ Centre.

Training will be provided on Thu, 19 Oct, 7.30pm to 9.30pm at BPJ Centre Level 3.

To sign up or enquire, email volunteer@newlife.org.sg or call Jason Lee at 9635 1135 / Lewis Woo at 9634 9457.

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ONE CHURCH MULTIPLE CENTRES:

BPJ Centre: 8.30am, 10.30am & 12.30pm ■ WDL Centre: 8.30am & 10.30am ■ East Centre: 10.00am (Pre-service prayer: 9.30am)

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VISIBLE VALUES

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- Stewardship
- Balance
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WOODLANDS CENTRE, 10 SEP 2017

SERVICE LEADER: PS IVAN HO ■ WORSHIP LEADER: BENJAMIN AND SHARON TAN

Celebrating Our 39th Church Anniversary

REV TAN KAY KIONG AND REV TONY YEO, SENIOR PASTORS

Last week, we celebrated our 39th Church Anniversary. We also held our 23rd Intentional Disciple Making Church (IDMC) Conference with a record registration of 5,288 delegates. What a joyous time of learning and celebration! Thank you Lord!

This year's IDMC Conference theme was "Rekindling Your Spiritual Passion". This is complemented by three workshops with real life testimonies on how we overcome our spiritual retardants, keep fresh in the ministry and live an intentional life. We are thankful that 1,300 Covenanters attended as part of their discipleship journey. 500 of them served valiantly in various leadership and support roles. We are also grateful that there were delegates from 18 nations and over 300 churches. We had a great time rekindling relationships and strategising our IDMC mission with 548 of our missions partners from Asia and Evangelical Free Church (EFC) America. Many delegates shared how they were deeply

impacted by God's Word and embraced by His love. To God be the glory!

The 39th Anniversary Service also saw the largest attendance we ever had. There were 4,320 adults and 416 children in Sunbeam, a total of 4,736. Covenanters from the English, Mandarin and Dialect congregations filled the entire hall with praise, worship and thanksgiving to God. Leading the service, Senior Pastor Tan Kay Kiong reminded us of Covenant EFC's calling, vision and values. Senior Pastor Tony Yeo gave us a powerful and inspiring anniversary message entitled "One Life" from James 4:13-17. Indeed, we must all live this one life intentionally and faithfully. Make it count!

Brothers and sisters, let your one life and passion be rekindled for Jesus and His Kingdom. Corky Calhoun said that a journey only becomes a journey once you're clear about the destination, otherwise it's just aimless wandering. What journey are you on and where are you headed today? 40th Anniversary – here we come!

SERMON OUTLINE

Praise and Courage When We See!

SCRIPTURE: EZRA 7:27-28 ■ SERMON: REV TAN KAY KIONG

Introduction

A. Call to Praise When We See God's Hand (vv.27- 28a)

B. Courage to Act Because We Know God's Hand (v.28b)

Conclusion

NEXT WEEK'S SERMON SPEAKERS:
17 SEP - PS LIM KENG YEOW (BPJ), PS KIRK TAN (WDL) AND REV TONY YEO (EAST)

LAST WEEK'S SERMON SUMMARY

Make Your One Life Count

SCRIPTURE: JAMES 4:13-17 ■ SERMON: REV TONY YEO

Introduction

We give thanks and glory to God for His Grace, Goodness, Faithfulness, Favour, Love and Blessings upon Covenant EFC these past 39 years. For what we are about to receive, Lord make us truly thankful.

Two Passionate and Inspiring Ways to Make our One Life Count:

A. Live Intentionally: Your Life from God Is Brief! (vv.13-14)

“yet you do not know what tomorrow will bring. What is your life? For you are a mist that appears for a little time and then vanishes.” (v.14)

1. The tragedy of life is not that it ends so soon, but that we waited so long to begin it. – W. M. Lewis
2. The Bible has four descriptions of our one life: mist or vapor (Jas 4:14), grass or flowers (Psa103:15-16); shadow (Job 14:1-2) and wind (Psa 78:39).
3. Point: We **all** have **one life** to live. No exception! Illustrations: 1)Ten young men died in a US warship and merchant vessel collision in Singapore's territorial waters; 2)The death of my father in his 30s when I was only 6 years old.
4. Only one life, 'twill soon be past; only what's done for Christ will last. – C.T. Studd
5. Recognise that there are no guarantees for tomorrow. So live your life intentionally, wisely and carefully in the light of eternity.

B. Live Faithfully: Your Life Belongs to God! (vv.15-17)

“So whoever knows the right thing to do and fails to do it, for him it is sin.” (v.17)

1. Live humbly (vv.15-16). One life is given to us so that we can use it for Christ.
2. Live obediently (v.17). One life is given to us to obey what He tells us to do.
3. God wants your whole life! “... Give yourselves completely to God ...” (Rom 6:13)
To live Faithfully can be summarised and found in one word: Commit.
4. Application: Has God asked you to do something, but you have not done it?
Let's examine our hearts with these ten questions:
 1. Are you reading your Bible for information or for transformation?
 2. Is there anything in your life that God is consistently dealing with, which you are trying to ignore?
 3. Is there anyone you need to apologise to?
 4. Is there anyone you need to forgive?
 5. Is there a sin you need to confess and ask help for?
 6. Are you fully utilising the time, talents and treasure that God has blessed you with?
 7. Is God asking you to serve in some practical ways in the church?
 8. Are you allowing people or circumstances to steal the joy that Jesus promised?
 9. Who are the people in your life that God has placed around you for the purpose of sharing Christ?
 10. Have you surrendered your life to Christ, committing to do His will?The ultimate question: Will you live your one life to please God and make your it count?

Conclusion

Make Your One Life Count for God!