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COMMUNITY

Baptism and Transfer of Membership Exercise

On New Year's Day, we will welcome the following as new members of our church:

Baptism Candidates: Transfer of Membership:
1. Moe Yamamura 1. Ng Kah Thien William
2. Remelyn Gundran 2. Adam Lim
3. Amelita Reyes

Pastor On-Leave:

Pastor Paul will be on annual leave from 28–31 Dec and thereafter will be on 6 months unpaid leave until 30 June 2012. In his absence, Ps Luke will be the pastor providing pastoral oversight of the Youth ministry.

For Sale

NIV Timeline Button flap bonded leather Bibles for sale at \$20 each at the WIC. Normal price: \$45. Hurry! Stocks are limited.

There will be a sale of cookies and jelly sweets today and 25 Dec in the fellowship hall by a few children of our church. All funds raised will go to Project 2018. Please support their labor of love.

Evangelism pens are also available for sale at \$1 each at the WIC.

**MISSIONS CORNER****Batam Youth Missions Trip, 3-8 Jan 2012**

This trip will be led by Pastor Paul. Cost \$250. Those interested, please contact him. The closing date for the trip is **today**, 18 Dec.

April 2012 Missions Trip to Cebu City Philippines

Dates: 10–15 April 2012
Team Leader: Lennia Low
Theme: Training with Rob George on outdoor preaching/teaching. Missions exposure with the OM Cebu ministries.
Contact Cesar Balota (9782 4300) or Lennia Low (9639 0884).

PROJECT 2018 as at 30 Nov 2011

Original Building Fund	\$142,436
Blue Bag Collection	\$187,592
Transfer from General Fund	\$342,000
Balance	\$672,028

NOTE: In order to meet the needs of the Sinking Fund and payment of arrears, further transfer from the General Fund to the Project 2018 Account will be temporarily suspended.



HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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VISION STATEMENT

A loving community of disciples and servant-leaders

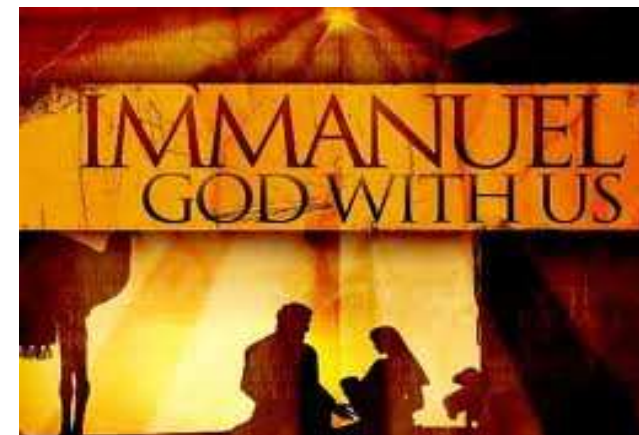
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The HOPE PC Bulletin

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SUNDAY

9.30am-10.30am

PRAYER MEETING
Room 309**11.00am-12.30pm**WORSHIP SERVICE
4th FloorPRAISE BABIES
Room 301NURSERY & KINDY
Room 311 & 304INTER -
GENERATIONAL
WORSHIP &
SUNDAY SCHOOL
1st to 3rd SundayCHILDREN
PRAISE-HOUSE
SERVICE
4th & 5th Sundays
2nd floor Choir Room**1:30pm—3:00pm**FILIPINO SERVICE
& BIBLE STUDY
Kabek Hall / Rm 309**3:00pm—4:30pm**FILIPINO
DISCIPLESHIP CLASSES
& FELLOWSHIP**WEDNESDAY**PRAYER MEETING
8.00pm-9.30pm
Room 305**SATURDAY**PRAYER MEETING
8.30am-10.00am
Room 313-315POWERHOUSE+
FELLOWSHIP &
CARE GROUPS
4.00pm-6.30pm
Kabek HallYOUTH RECREATION
6.30pm-8.00pm**'JESUS OUR IMMANUEL'****Matthew 1 : 18 - 25****Speaker: Edward David
(Logos Hope)**

Edward David is a Malaysian and he has 2 children. He has been with OM for 25 years, having lived on the Doulos for 14 years and the rest of the time in Mosbach, the Ship's HQ.

Currently he is the Project Director overseeing the Logos Hope visit to Malaysia and Singapore. He has been involved in leadership development with OM Int'l and a trainer in OM Leadership Development program - "The Leadership Matters Course (LMC)". If you wish to know more, the website is www.leadershipmatters.ws

God Did It! He is Still Doing It!

By Pastor Jingle

When God set in motion a plan to redeem a rotten human race destined to eternal damnation, He chose to work through the Hebrew culture. In this culture, He instituted the belief in one God vis a vis the prevailing beliefs in many gods, thus setting apart the Jews from its surrounding religious cultures.

This new monotheistic ("There is no other God but Yahweh") society was asked to live by the laws of Yahweh. Hence, the Ten Commandments would reveal to us that with obedience comes blessing and with disobedience, comes curses.

But the Jews, with a history of stubbornness, complaining and disobedience turned away from God. In His grace, God always preserved a remnant among the Jews every time the latter were dealt with because of their disobedience.

He preserved a remnant because He entered into different covenants with Noah, Abraham, Moses and David. He swore to Noah never to destroy the earth through the flood. He promised Abraham that that he would be the father of all nations and his children would be as numerous as the stars. He promised Moses that Israel would be God's possession, a kingdom of priests, a holy nation. God would fight for Israel and treat her with grace and mercy. He told David that He would build His house on David's throne. David's own flesh and blood would occupy the throne and he would fulfill David's desire to build a house for God—a house that will reign forever. This was prophetic of Jesus' coming.

In Matthew 1:16, we see how God established Jesus' genealogy. Jesus' claim on David's throne depended on Joseph being His father. But Jesus was virgin-born. So, the Lord miraculously intervened to create Jesus' family and establish his claim to the Davidic throne.

In Jewish culture, a betrothal is considered a marriage. Only a divorce could invalidate such betrothal. This is consummated after one year when the "wife" lives with the "husband." Before Mary could come together with Joseph, the Lord supernaturally intervened through the Holy Spirit so that Mary conceived (1:18). When Joseph learned of this, he planned to divorce Mary quietly (1:19). But God intervened through a dream. He is to marry Mary. Joseph is the son of David (1:20b). God's son will be Joseph's son. He will legally name his son Jesus whose mission it is to save God's people from sins, i.e., Jesus will fully and permanently establish the Davidic Kingdom (1:21). Matthew says that Jesus' conception and birth fulfilled Old Testament prophecy about the Davidic Kingdom. (1:22-23).

Joseph obeyed and took Mary (1:24). Jesus became Joseph's son (1:25).

In Jesus, the kingdom has come. This kingdom will never end. We, as Christians and as the seed of Abraham, reign with Christ in this kingdom.

God did all these! God is continuing to do this not only because He loves us but because of His promise to build His kingdom forever.

Would you consider becoming a part of God's work in kingdom building? A simple way of doing this is to pray for someone you can invite for our Christmas service. Go the extra mile and make the invitation. Let God do the rest.

He did all these through the years, and He will continue to do it because of us and His name!

DEC 2011 AND JAN 2012 @ HOPE

25 Dec	<u>Christmas Day</u> Jesus Gives Abundant Life John 10:1-10	Rev Luke Thurai
1 Jan	<u>New Year's Day</u> God is in Control Matt 2:13-23	Rev Luke Thurai
8 Jan	Preparing the Way for the King Matt 3:1-12	Rev Leonard Wee
15 Jan	The Anointing of the King Matt 3:13-17	Ps Jingle Cortes
22 Jan	Pure Gold Fears no Fire Matt 4:1-11	Ps Jingle Cortes
29 Jan	Fishing, Jesus' Way Matt 4:12-25	Dr William Wan

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Evangelistic Christmas Day Celebration with World-renowned Music Artist, 25 Dec, 11am

Dr Enoch Fernando, a world-renowned music artist from the US who has twice been nominated for the Grammys, will be ministering to us through multi-media music on Christmas Day, 11am. His music is designed to uplift, encourage and bless. He has ministered in over 4,000 concerts in over 30 countries. Based out of southern California, Enoch is the son of the famous evangelist, Dr Manuel Fernando. He is a long-time member of Rick Warren's Saddleback Community Church. Start praying and invite your pre-believing friends to our Christmas evangelistic service! To know more about his music, visit www.enochmusic.com. Lunch fellowship follows after the service.



New Year's Day Service, 01 January 2012

As we welcome the new year on Sunday, 01 January, we will also celebrate Holy Communion as one family during the service. The service will start at 11:00am and will end at 1:00pm, and will include the Baptism and Transfer of Membership Exercise. After we welcome the new members of our family, we will have a lunch fellowship for everyone at the first floor fellowship hall. What a great way to start 2012!

Today's Worship Service

Rev Luke Thurai

Duty Pastor

James Kang

Worship Leader

Gayle Partin, Charmaine Goh, Ally Amir, Luke How, Theresa Kang, Lester Yong

Musicians & Singers

Eric Soo, Goh Jie-ren, Leong Woh Cheong, Noel Kang

AV Crew & Projectionist

Sunny Neo, Joy Khoo, Grace Chen, Karen Peng, Faith Ong

Ushers

Next Week:

Pastor Jingle

Duty Pastor

Matthew Ang

Worship Leader

John Chen, Timothy Chua, Matthew & Tim Teoh, Jeremy Low, Joevan Lim, Moe Yamamura

Musicians & Singers

Hendra Yanny, Freddie Goh, Cheryl Lim, Ian Soong, Trevor Teo, Raymond Yeo

AV Crew & Projectionist

Lian Tian Tse, Jason Toh, Priscilla Teo, Johnson Chua, Rebekah Ong

Ushers