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Holding forth the word of life

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Sunday School Promotion Primary Department

This year, our church theme is “**Towards a Growing and Fruit-bearing Christian Life**”. As Christian parents, we are all reminded from God’s word in Proverbs 22:6 which says, “**Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it.**” May I encourage all parents to heed God’s word and bring your children to join us each week for a time of learning from the Word of God.

We thank God for providing a team of 20 dedicated and caring teachers to teach the children God’s word. Each Lord’s Day, these teachers and children meet at 9.30 am sharp at the Greek & Hebrew Room. We begin with a time of singspiration before the children go to their respective classes, according to their age groups, for Bible lessons. Through the Bible lessons, the children learn how to be more Christ-like and good testimonies for Him.

Other than Sunday School classes each week, the Department has also involved itself in overseas missions. Last December, a team of 18 teachers and their family members organized a Christmas programme, which included songs and games, for the children in Batam, Indonesia. We were much blessed to have been able to minister to the brethren there, and to share the joy and hope of Christmas with them through a short skit. We thank God for the fruitful time spent interacting with the children through games as well as art and craft. The teachers themselves also

enjoyed the fellowship one with another throughout the trip.

Another special programme that the Department had last year was the annual Christmas gathering with the Junior Department. Children from both departments, together with their parents, gathered for a time of fellowship and fun through games and food. There was also a short message by Brother Arthur Wong, which reminded everyone of the gift of Christ our Saviour during Christmas. It was also a time where teachers and parents could get to know one another better, in an informal setting.

Once again, I would like to encourage you, if you do have children aged 18 months to 8 years old, to bring them to the Sunday School so that we can abide God’s words in Deuteronomy 6:7 which says, “**And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.**”

We look forward to seeing your children with us!

Iris Loe
Superintendent – Primary Department



Batam Church—Group Photo



Batam church—Happy children with their craftwork.

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Pre-Nursery (18 months-3 years old) – FEK Room 1

Teachers: Rhoda Lim, Tan Ling Ling, Koh Cheng Yeen, Joy Wong, Eunice Yeo and Heidi Ho



Nursery & Kindergarten 1 (4 years & 5 years old) – FEK Room 3

Teachers: Elsie Lim, Tan Tok Ling and Eunice Koh



Kindergarten 2 (6 years old) – Cry Room Kitchen

Teachers : Irene Ong & Wun Hoon Wah



Primary 1 (7 years old) – FEK Room 4

Primary 1 Class : Yeo Cheng Hiong, Carolyn Khoo & Anthea Koh



Primary 2 (8 years old) – Greek & Hebrew Room

Primary 2 Class : Christina Toh & Theresa Lim

Primary Department

***B**elow is the testimony of Sister Rhoda Lim who teaches the Pre-Nursery class:*

O**ur Church theme for 2008 is **Towards a Growing and Fruit-bearing Christian life.

A**t one glance, this theme may seem to have no bearing nor relevance for the youngest Sunday School class in Life Church, which is the Pre-Nursery Class catering to **little toddlers aged between one-and-a-half to three years old.

***B**ut on second thought, this theme is after all a good challenge to both teachers and parents alike who teach/have children in the Pre-Nursery Class. As we see the little ones grow in stature, it should also be our heart's desire and prayer that they likewise grow in wisdom in the Lord.*

***E**very Lord's Day from **9.30am to 10.30am in FEK Classroom 1**, the Pre-Nursery Class begins with 10-15 minutes of singspiration. Then, we have another 10-15 minutes of Bible story-telling. Finally, the children can take as long as they like for the handwork which serves to reinforce the Bible story they have just heard.*

***O**ver the years, the Pre-Nursery Sunday School teachers can testify that Jesus truly loves the little children. This is because we have seen and been encouraged by the marvellous ways the Lord has blessed the songs and Bible stories to the little children, as we witnessed how they improved in their behaviour.*

***F**or the first-timers, they will cling on tightly to their parents/caregivers and would cry even if the latter is out of sight just for a while. Once they get more familiar with the classroom setting and the teachers and their fellow Sunday School friends, they would freely help themselves during the Sunday School class by walking freely around and about the classroom.*

***B**ut by and by, these children would be able to settle down and participate earnestly in the singspiration, and then pay keen attention during the story-telling time. It's really a heartwarming encouragement when these children begin to repeat the prayers — on their own accord — after the teachers. Moreover, praise the Lord when parents shared with us that their children prayed before meals at home without being told or prompted, and one child even insisted on coming to Sunday School when she was not well — she told her parents that she wanted to sing praises to Jesus and hear the Bible story in Sunday School.*

***T**hen, apart from the little ones, "unintended" fruits of deeper fellowship and closer ties have been borne among the sisters (among teachers and between teachers and the mothers). Throughout the week, SMSes and emails were exchanged to encourage one another in the Lord and to bear one another's prayer burdens. As a result, we really delight in meeting one another on the Lord's Day as we catch up on what has transpired during the week and to update one another on new prayer requests.*

***I**f you have children in this age group of 1.5-3 years, we urge you to bring them to the Pre-Nursery Sunday School and share with us the joy of watching them grow up — both physically and in their love for Jesus.*



Primary Department Song Item

Oh How I Love Jesus

There is a name I love to hear,
I love to sing its worth;
It sounds like music in mine ear,
The sweetest name on earth.

Chorus:

Oh how I love Jesus,
Oh how I love Jesus,
Oh how I love Jesus,
Because He first loved me.

It tells me of a Saviour's love,
Who died to set me free;
It tells of His precious blood,
The sinner's perfect plea.

Seek Ye First The Kingdom of God

Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His
righteousness.
And all these things shall be added unto you
Al-le-lu, al-le-lu-ia

Ask and it shall be given unto you,
Seek and ye shall find,
Knock and the door shall be opened unto
you
Al-le-lu, al-le-lu-ia



Matthew 6:33

“But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you.”

Testimony

Ruth Koh - Primary 2

My name is Ruth and I am in Primary 2. I started attending Sunday School in the Pre-nursery class when I was two years old.

I like Sunday School because I love to learn the songs. I also like the Bible stories that talk about David & Moses. I learn to understand the meaning behind the stories. The character virtues I come across are being faithful, truthful and not to be envious.

It is fun to listen to the stories and I also like doing the craftwork there. I also get to remember memory verses.

I like Sunday School. I hope you can bring your children to come and join us.