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God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God. And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away."

What can we learn from this passage about Heaven? Firstly, Heaven is God's dwelling place, now ready and waiting for God's people! We, who have been saved from the condemnation and penalty of sin, who have been washed, made pure and clean by the blood of the Lamb will be welcomed into the very presence and company of God. It will be a sweet fellowship, unspeakably warm and affectionate as "*between Father and sons.*"

The second great fact is: all the old corruption, curse and sorrow of a fallen world will be a thing of the past, never to trouble us again. Sorrow, death, pain and crying will be banished once and for all from Heaven.

What else do I know about Heaven? It will be a new experience, beyond imagination, to discover the beauty, purity, unspeakable joys of being in the presence of the Lord Jesus, angelic hosts, and the thrill of meeting loved ones, fellow believers of former days with whom I had laboured in the Gospel, and also the thrill of meeting the saints of old whose names and exploits adorn the pages of Scripture.

It is totally beyond our present limited imagination to forecast or to appreciate what the new Jerusalem, the City of God, will be like – the streets of gold, the buildings of precious stones, the river of "*water of life,*" the throne of God and the amazing tree of life which bears twelve manner of fruits, a different one each month!

Truly, Heaven will be a brand new and most exciting experience with totally unimaginable surprises, prepared for them who love God! There, the holy Kingdom of God will be beyond the reach of corruptions, violence,

pain, sorrows and travails of earth woes: all these former things will be no more – all because our Lord Jesus did His great work of redemption and restoration, paying the price with His own precious life blood on Calvary's cross.

In Heaven, all the redeemed shall be forever singing with the angelic hosts the praises of the Lamb of God, our blessed Lord Jesus Christ. That Heaven is just a breath away.

3. "But I don't need to go to Heaven"

Some reader may believe that "*death ends it all*" and there is no need to bother about the "*after-life.*" Maybe that is what you think. May I urge you to think again. The hard fact is: death is not the end, only a new chapter of experience. Never forget: we all came on to the world stage without our consent or knowledge, and at the appointed time we are taken out, again without our consent or knowledge, to face judgment. In the case of those who are not admitted to God's Heaven, they will be sent, again without their consent, for trial at the "*Great White Throne*" (Rev 20:11-15). And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire "*... and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever*" (Rev 20:10).

Some will say, "*But that's not fair. After all, God is love and surely He will not want anyone to suffer that way.*" This is not for us to say, but God. He says to you and all who read: "*For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life*" (Jn 3:16). For God is "*...not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance*" (2 Pet 3:9), and life.

Final advice to someone waiting to believe: "*Jesus patiently awaits your turning to God, and He will surely save you! Come today, don't delay!*"

*Faithfully in the Lord
Dr SH Tow, Sr Pastor*



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(2 Tim 3:1)

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LORD'S DAY, 11 Jul 2010

PANDAN NEWS WEEKLY

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SUNSET GOSPEL BIBLE FELLOWSHIP

Theme: The Jewish People In History and Prophecy

11 Jul (6 pm)

18 Jul (6 pm)

Topic:

Abraham - Man of Faith

The Covenant

Preacher:

Dr Jeffrey Khoo

Dr Jeffrey Khoo

Worship Leader:

Preacher Ko Linggang

Preacher Lek Aik Wee

My dear readers,

1. A Country called Heaven

Heaven is a country I have never seen, but nevertheless it is a real place, no less real than Singapore, the island state which I call home. My interest in Heaven dates back to the day in 1935, when I heard the preacher Dr John Sung ask the question to a congregation of perhaps a thousand, "*Who among you, having heard the story of the rich man and Lazarus, would like to receive Jesus as your Saviour, to be cleansed of your sins and be given a place in Heaven?*"

With many others, I raised my hand, and prayed to receive Jesus as my Saviour. It was a prayer from my heart and since then my faith in Jesus has grown stronger over the years as I serve Him, my Lord and Master, knowing that I have a place in Heaven, prepared for those who believe.

Time has flown by: I am now in my ninth decade, physically declining with the ravage of years. My help-meet of 56 years recently was called Home to Jesus, and I am increasingly conscious, my call cannot be far away. But I can face the future with the full assurance that while the "*... outward man*

perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day" (2 Cor 4:16). So like Paul the Apostle, I am "*... willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord*" (2 Cor 5:8).

Indeed, oftentimes I pray the Lord to call for me, for with father, mother, wife and many other loved ones gone ahead to the heavenly home, I have a growing "*desire to depart, and to be with Christ; which is far better*" (Phil 1:23). At times my spirit is so moved and uplifted I can truly say I am "*... willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord.*" For then, Heaven will, at last, have begun, and my hope come true.

2. What is Heaven like?

Our only authentic source of information on Heaven is from the record of God's Word, as it is written "*...Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him*" (1 Cor 2:9).

What are "*the things which God hath prepared for them that love him*"? We quote from Revelation 21:3,4: "*And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of*

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**A very warm welcome to visitors and friends in the name of
our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ**

	Edgar Teo, Thian Guan, Joseph Lok, Andrew Chiang, SKY, Chee Weng, Kim Hai, Wei Jun	Mark Woo, John Fong, Victor Wong, Ernest Chan, Mark Gossage, Kok Keong
SGBF Singspiration	Dn Chia Chung Seng	Elder Chew Chong Kiat
SGBF Ushers	Steven Lee, Joe Chan, Heng Wee, Timothy Tan, Kwok Weng, Mark Gossage	Dn Ko, Timothy Tan, Nam Moon, Joe Chan, Toh Kern, Ray Tan
SGBF Greeters	Truth BPC	Yap Wai Ho & family
SGBF Welcomers / Dinner Coupon Sales	Samuel & Irene Tham	Randal Chow & family
SGBF Kitchen Duty	Truth BPC	Dn Ko, Timothy Tan

Activities for the week (12 - 17 Jul)

Tuesday	8.15 pm	PRAYER MEETING i/c Preacher Ko Lingkan
Friday	1.30 pm	GOLDEN YEARS CARE GROUP BIBLE STUDY in the home of Mrs Evelyn Ong. Add: 682 Choa Chu Kang Crescent, #11-526. Tel: 67654456. Friends of Pandan and volunteers are welcome
Saturday	2.30 pm	CMC (Calvary Mission to Children)
	5.00 -8.30 pm	YOUTH FELLOWSHIP: Cryroom, 3rd level Sanctuary Showing Love to Non-Christians Pr Ko Lingkan <i>Come join us for our prayer meeting at 5.00 pm</i>
	6.30 pm	ADULTS FELLOWSHIP MEETING - 3rd level Sanctuary Psalms: A Soothing Balm for the Soul Pr Lek Aik Wee <i>A fellowship dinner follows the meeting. All are welcome!</i>
	7.00 - 9.00 pm	MYANMAR FELLOWSHIP: Room #04-05

HOME News & Announcements

- Last Week's LOVE GIFTS TO DESIGNATED FUNDS: \$18,106.30**
Ajin Thu- Pontianak 50 = \$50; **Ann Clements & Family** 20, 20, 20, 50 = \$110; **Baraka BP Church** 200, 500, 50, 50 = \$800; **Bethel DC - Chiang Rai** 100, 200, 500, 50, 200, 50, 50 = \$1,150; **Bible College East Africa, Kenya** 50 = \$50; **Bible College East Africa, Tanzania** 7 = \$7; **Chee Khuen Wah, Rev** 100, 50 = \$150; **Chew Chong Beng** 50 = \$50; **Dignadice Rev (Police & Army Ministry)** 100, 50, 50 = \$200; **Eben Yoon, Rev** 50, 100 = \$150; **FEBC** 2000, 200, 10, 50, 50, 200, 50, 200, 50, 50, 30, 20, 50, 10, 300, 20, 100, 100, 25, 1000, 150, 20, 1000 = \$5,685; **FEBC - Lawsuit** 1000, 1700, 10, 500 = \$3,210; **FEBC - New Premises** 1000 = \$1,000; **FEBC - Anya** 50 = \$50; **FEBC - Clement** 50 = \$50; **FEBC - Fransisca** 50 =

THURSDAY LADIES FELLOWSHIP MEETING

THEME: STUDYING FROM 1ST CORINTHIANS

Date: 22 July, Thurs, 1.30-4.00 pm
Place: #02-14, Lounge (left of Tabernacle Bookroom)
Subject: Put Away that Little Leaven
Speaker: Rev Dr Quek Suan Yew

"But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin." 1 Jn 1:7

All ladies are welcome to come and join us in fellowship

**AF 1 day Durian Tour to Segamat on the 24 July (Sat). Shopping at JB.
Dinner included. S\$58.00 per person. Registration opens today!**

\$50; **FEBC - Karen Lee** 50 = \$50; **FEBC - Paul/Popeye** 10, 50 = \$60; **Febiabn/Jeremy Siregar** 50 = \$50; **Golden Years** 50 = \$50; **Hilltop** 200, 102, 5, 51 = \$358; **Hilltop Student** 50, 100, 200 = \$350; **John & Eunice Tan** 100 = \$100; **Jordan** 200, 150, 42, 200, 20, 50, 50, 200 = \$912; **Lek Aik Wee, Pr** 10, 25, 10, 100 = \$145; **Lim Wee Chian, Eric** 50, 50 = \$100; **Ling S I, Mrs - Medical Fees** 500, 200 = \$700; **Ling Soon Ing, Pr** 100, 50 = \$150; **Pang Kok Hiong Rev** 100, 20, 20, 200, 12 = \$352; **Peter Yoksan, Pr** 50, 20, 100, 500, 50, 50 = \$770; **Pontianak Kalimantan** 50, 50, 50, 10 = \$160; **Quek Suan Yew, Rev (Dr)** 160, 50 = \$210; **RPG - English/Chinese** 50, 100, 50, 50 = \$250; **Saipan/China** 50, 100, 50, 200, 25, 50, 50, 2.30 = \$527.30; **Tow SH, Dr** 50 = \$50

Building Extension (Cost \$2.1 Million) - Collection todate: \$1,892,158.99

Last week: 20, 50, 500, 1000, 0.20, 1, 1.01, 5, 20, 10, 10, 10, 20, 50, 100, 100, 62, 40, 150, 50, 172, 150, 300, 50, 50, 250, 50, 50 = **Total:** \$3,271.21

DESIGNATED LOVE GIFT ENVELOPES are available at RPG Rack.

- REV & MRS QUEK SUAN YEW** are in Australia to minister to the brethren in Sydney BPC at their Winter Camp Church Anniversary. Please uphold them in prayer. They return on 18 Jul.
- PREACHER LEK AIK WEE** is preaching at Gethsemane Filipino Service this afternoon. Please uphold him in prayer.
- LENTOR RESIDENCE** - the Teens will be ministering at Lentor Residence today. Others who wish to minister as well are most welcome. Bus leaves church at 1.45pm under the charge of Woan Jiun, and returns to church by 5pm.
- MONTHLY TEENS RETREAT** will be held next Lord's Day, 18 Jul in the home of Luke Han. Address: 136 Hillview Ave. Topic: Serving Christ Together. Speaker: Sis Joanne. Bus will leave church at 1.45pm sharp.
- THE CAMP MESSAGES FOR THE COMBINED FAMILY CAMP 2010** are now available on www.pandancamp.com/Messages/.
- NEW MEMBERS' NIGHT** - all newly baptized/reaffirmed/transferred members on 4 July are requested to attend the new members' night on Sat 17 July from 6.30pm to 8pm in the fellowship hall. Session members and a representative from each ministry are also requested to attend to meet our new members.
- CALVARY PANDAN KINDERGARTEN** is looking for a full-time English teacher to teach Nursery or K1 classes from mid-June/early July 2010. Academic & professional requirements are : * 5 GCE O level passes including a B4 in English / * Diploma in Early Childhood Teaching. Some teaching experience in a preschool setting would be advantageous. Please call Lilian at 65603884 for an interview or email your CV to cpk@calvarypandan.org

BASIC THEOLOGY FOR EVERYONE BY FEBC

Evening classes commences on 19 Jul @ 7.30 pm

Venue: 9A Gilstead Road

The Book of Second Kings by Rev Dr Quek Suan Yew commences on Monday 19 Jul
The Book of Second Corinthians by Rev Dr Jeffrey Khoo commences on Thursday 22 Jul
Forms are available from Tabernacle Books and Tract Rack at Lobby

This NOTICE applies to

**THE AREA OUTSIDE THE SANCTUARY
ON GROUND FLOOR & LEVEL TWO**

*The LORD is in his holy temple:
let all the earth keep silence before him.*

Habakkuk 2:20

- This note is lovingly written to you and all who come to the LORD's House to **PLEASE KEEP SILENCE OUTSIDE THE SANCTUARY AREA** on His holy day. **CHILDREN, PLEASE NOTE!**
- Please consider:
 1. This is the LORD'S HOLY DAY.
 2. THERE MAY BE WORSHIPPERS INSIDE THE SANCTUARY.
 3. CHILDREN, DO NOT PLAY CATCHING.
 4. Let us respect GOD'S HOUSE
 GOD'S PEOPLE
 ON THE LORD'S DAY.
- **THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.
GOD BLESS YOU!**

- Board of Elders
Calvary Pandan BP Church
(English & Mandarin)

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