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THIS AND THAT SIDE OF HEAVEN

**“O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?”
The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But
thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus
Christ. (1 Cor. 15:55-57, ESV)**

When I was thirteen years old, death suddenly became a fear factor for me. In the darkness of my room each night, I would stare at the ceiling wondering what it would be like if I went to sleep and did not wake up the next morning. Perhaps this mixed feeling of fear, despair, and uncertainty is common among people without hope for eternity. Paul's exclamation about Christ's victory over death in 1 Corinthians 15:55-57 is a fanfare for the hope of resurrection and eternal life in Christ. Actually, this is a cosmic mystery between the “completed” and the “yet to be.” On the human timeline, Christ's resurrection had nullified the curse of death (the “completed”), but the reality of eternal life had yet to come (the “yet to be”). While the Gospel assures us of eternal salvation, we will have to hold onto that blissful thought until the anticipated heaven finally comes true in the eternal future.

Yet, the Kingdom of God is a displayed reality when the Son of God came to the world, died, resurrected, ascended to the heavenly realm where He came, and promised to come again to fulfil God's plan of salvation. Thus, heaven is, in fact, a real deal even while we are waiting for the arrival of the New Heaven and New Earth (Rev. 21). As Rev. Yong Wai Yin (pastor of Wesley Seremban, Trustee of STM, a great friend) rightly put it in her sermon about two years ago (which I had the pleasure of hearing): we live now on this side of heaven in anticipation of the other. Of course, it might not feel exactly like heaven now, because we are “sojourners and exiles” in this world (1 Pet. 2:11) and we are not of this world (John 15:19).

I urge you, who claimed to love God and are called according to His purpose (Rom. 8:28), be aware that you are indeed living on this side of heaven; and on that glorious day, you will indeed cross over to the other side of heaven, as surely as God's love and kindness is towards the world (John 3:16) and as truly as Christ's victory is over sin and death (1 Cor. 15:57).



天堂的这一边和那一边

“死亡啊！你得胜的权势在哪里？死亡啊！你的毒刺在哪里？” 死亡的毒刺就是罪，罪的权势就是律法。感谢神，他使我们藉着我们的主耶稣基督得胜。（林前 15：55-57，和修本）

在我十三岁那年，我突然对死亡产生恐惧。每天晚上，在黑暗的房间里，我盯着天花板，想着如果我睡着后第二天没有醒过来会是什么感觉。也许这种惧怕、绝望、不踏实的复杂感觉在那些没有永恒盼望的人当中很常见。保罗在哥林多前书15章55-57节对基督战胜死亡的感叹是一首颂赞在基督里的复活和永生的欢庆曲。实际上，这是“已完成”和“尚未完成”之间的宇宙奥秘。在人类的时间线上，基督的复活已消除了死亡的诅咒（“已完成”），但永生的现实却尚未到来（“尚未完成”）。虽然福音向我们保证了永恒的救恩，然而我们必须保持这幸福的信念，耐心等候那预期的天堂最终将在永恒的未来变为现实。

即便如此，当神的儿子来到世上、受死、复活、升天回到他来自的天国、并应许会再来，实现神的拯救计划时，神的国度就成了一个显示出来的现实。因此，即使在等待新天新地的到来（启21）之时，天堂实际上是真实存在的。正如杨慧贤（译音）牧师（芙蓉卫理堂牧师、STM受托委员、我的好朋友）大约两年前在她的讲道中所说的（我有幸在场承教）：我们现在是生活在天堂的这一边，期待着另一边。现在的感觉固然可能不太像天堂，因为毕竟我们只是这世界的“客旅、寄居的”（彼前2:11），而事实上我们并不属于这个世界（约15:19）。

我实实在在地勉励你们这些自称爱上帝并按他旨意被召的人（罗8：28）：你们确实活在天堂的这一边；在那荣耀的日子里，你们将穿越到天堂的另一边。这事实就如上帝对世界的爱和仁慈（约3：16）一样确实，也如基督已经战胜罪恶和死亡（林前15：57）一样真实。

SYURGA DI SINI DAN DI SEBERANG

"Wahai Maut, di manakah kemenanganmu? Wahai Maut, di manakah sengatmu?" Sengat maut ialah dosa, manakala kuasa dosa ialah Taurat. Tetapi syukurlah kepada Allah yang telah memberi kita kemenangan melalui Tuhan kita Yesus Kristus. (1 Kor 15:55-57, AVB)

Ketika saya berumur tiga belas tahun, saya tiba-tiba berasa takut akan kematian. Setiap malam, dalam bilik saya yang gelap, saya memandang ke siling dan bertanya kepada diri sendiri bagaimana rasanya jika saya tidur dan tidak bangun keesokan harinya. Mungkin perasaan takut, kecewa, dan tidak pasti ini adalah biasa di kalangan orang yang tidak mempunyai harapan untuk hidup yang kekal. Dalam 1 Korintus 15:55-57, seruan Paulus tentang kemenangan Kristus atas kematian adalah sorakan yang meraikan harapan kebangkitan dan hidup yang kekal dalam Kristus. Sesungguhnya, ini adalah satu misteri kosmik di antara "yang sudah selesai" dan "yang belum lagi." Pada garisan masa manusia, kebangkitan Kristus telah membatalkan kutukan kematian ("yang sudah selesai") tetapi realiti hidup yang kekal masih belum nyata ("yang belum lagi"). Walaupun Injil memberi jaminan kepada kita tentang penyelamatan yang kekal, kita perlu berpegang kepada pemikiran yang membahagiakan ini sehingga syurga yang dinanti-nantikan akhirnya menjadi kenyataan pada suatu masa akan datang dan selama-lamanya.

Namun, Kerajaan Tuhan sudah pun menjadi realiti apabila Anak Tuhan datang ke dunia, mati, bangkit dari kematian, naik ke syurga iaitu tempat asal-Nya, dan berjanji akan kembali lagi untuk menyempurnakan rencana penyelamatan Tuhan. Sebab itu, syurga sebenarnya sudah menjadi nyata semasa kita menantikan Langit dan Bumi Baru (Why 21). Seperti yang dikatakan oleh Pdt Yong Wai Yin (Pastor Gereja Wesley Seremban, Pemegang Amanah STM, sahabat baik saya) dalam khutbahnya kira-kira dua tahun lalu (saya amat bertuah dapat mengikuti khutbah ini): kita hidup sekarang di syurga di sini, menantikan syurga di seberang. Tentu sekali, kita mungkin tidak berasa seperti syurga sekarang di sini, kerana kita adalah "orang asing dan pendatang" di dunia ini (1 Pet 2:11) dan kita bukan milik dunia ini (Yoh 15:19).

Saya ingin mendorong anda, yang menganggap diri sendiri sebagai orang yang mengasihi Tuhan dan yang dipanggil menurut rancangan-Nya (Rm 8:28): Sedarlah bahawa anda sebenarnya sedang hidup di syurga sekarang di sini, dan pada hari yang mulia itu, anda akan menyeberang ke syurga di seberang sana. Kenyataan ini adalah pasti, seperti kepastian kasih dan kebaikan Tuhan terhadap dunia (Yoh 3:16) dan kemenangan Kristus di atas dosa dan kematian (1 Kor 15:57).



Celebrating God's Greatness – STM's 45 Years of Grace-filled Journey



*Mr. Jacob Lee Chor Kok
Finance Committee Chairman,
STM Council Member*

Greetings of peace to STM Community!

On this auspicious occasion, we rejoice and celebrate 45 years of grace-filled journey at STM. It is a testament to God's unwavering faithfulness and provision throughout our endeavours.

From our modest beginnings in rented premises at Brickfields, Kuala Lumpur to our current serene campus in Seremban, every step of our growth and expansion has been guided by His divine providence. We are profoundly grateful for the foresight and collaborative efforts of the Anglican Diocese of West Malaysia, Evangelical Lutheran Church in Malaysia and Singapore, and the Methodist Church in Malaysia, which birthed STM and nurtured its development. Subsequently, the Presbyterian Church in Malaysia (GPM) became a member in 2004 and the Lutheran Church in Malaysia and Singapore (LCMS, renamed Lutheran Church in Malaysia in 2012) followed suit the following year. Their participation has further strengthened the establishment of STM over the years.

As we reflect on our journey, we acknowledge the tireless dedication of our founding fathers, past and present council members, faculty, staff members, students, sponsors, and donors. Together, we have witnessed increased enrolment, faculty expansion, and the enhancement of our facilities and infrastructure, all made possible by God's abundant blessings and the generosity of the community.

As a member of the STM council, it has been a privilege to serve and contribute to the mission of theological education. We recognise the vital role STM plays in equipping future pastors and lay leaders with sound doctrine and theology to serve the Church and society effectively.

Let us draw inspiration from Psalm 145:3, "Great is the LORD and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom," and take courage in Philippians 1:6, knowing that God, who initiated this good work in us, will bring it to fruition.

As we commemorate this milestone, let us reaffirm our commitment to glorify God in all that we do and to continue fulfilling our mission in Faith, Hope and Love.

To God be the glory, now and forever. Amen.





Celebrating God's Goodness



*The Rt Rev Datuk Ng Moon Hing
STM Alumni, Former STM Council President*

When I responded to God's call to full-time ministry, my pastor told me that you had to go to STM for training. I asked, "What is STM?" At the same time, there were two new entities existed in the nation, namely System Television Malaysia and Syarikat Telekom Malaysia – I asked which one? First, I have not heard of STM, and no one had graduated yet. All my peers then went to US, UK or Australia for their theological training. I was quite disappointed on one hand that I did not get to go overseas for training, but on the other hand, I was happy because the church sponsored me for my theological studies. I was told that being trained locally has a few advantages: first, you are right in the midst of the harvest fields and know first hand the challenges and nature of them; secondly, you get to learn about the local culture and politics first hand, as we had a course on Malaysian Society where we frequently had politicians and Ministers as our seminar or lecture speakers – YB Anwar Ibrahim, who was then a new Youth & Sport Minister, came to our campus and did a seminar in 1982; thirdly, we learnt about the theology of contextualisation and indigenisation and its application to our immediate situations – such as the Bank Rakyat scandal, Bank Bumiputra scandal, Tanjung 1 & 2 & 3 issues, Operasi Lallang, Operasi Memali, Maminco Tin scandal, etc.

The Humble Beginning and the Growth

The first STM campus was in Brickfields in the compound of Zion Lutheran Church, Kuala Lumpur. It was a small building with a few accommodation rooms for ladies and men, a kitchen, a dining cum chapel room, a small office, and a small library, and two classrooms. The majority of the students stayed outside the campus in the flats of the Brickfield community, namely Tong Weng and Tong Soon flats. When I found out that each of us has a monthly pocket money of RM40.00, some of us were displeased, but I was very happy. I have never expected there will be monthly allowance of RM40.00. This monthly allowance was for our personal items – toothpaste, toothbrush, soap, soap powder, photocopying, writing papers, books, pens and Sunday offerings.



Brickfields (1979-1982)

The early STM communities were full of colours and challenges. Every day we gathered for worship at our Even-Song. Every week we have chore duties: cleaning the campus rooms, dining/chapel, kitchen, office, library, and gardening. Later, we learnt that our monthly allowance actually was the salary of the gardener and cleaners shared among the students. On many occasions, when there was no cook, we took turns to buy the grocery and do the cooking. The daily worship and chore duties carried on while we moved to the STM second campus in Sentul at the site of the present Wesley International School. The third campus was at Xavier's Hall in Petaling Jaya. The fourth campus is at the present site in Taman South East in Rahang, Seremban. Each campus is bigger than the previous with better facilities and a larger campus and more spacious for community interaction. The present site truly represents a tertiary campus. One of my favourite desires is to see students having a proper, conducive, and comfortable campus life throughout their tertiary education. A conducive education environment does certainly enhance good and balance relational and spiritual development; a safe environment creates healthy mental-physical-emotional building up; a comprehensive and sufficient resources environment provides good scholarship and academic achievement.



Sentul (1983-1990)

STM has certainly grown – in size, maturity, contributions and achievements. In the early years, there was only one programme i.e. BTh. We have seen the growth from full-time studies to Theological Education by Extension (TEE) to Masters and Doctoral programmes. However, STM must maintain its original aim, that is, to train and equip local church leaders and pastors to be disciples of Jesus Christ in their churches and with mission-emphasis beyond and in nation building. Amid challenges from within and without the churches, STM must maintain its calling to keep the faith in Jesus Christ biblically and guard its truth wholeheartedly without compromising its agenda to be witnesses and disciples in all nations.



1985 Graduating Class - Third Row, first on the left, is Bishop Ng Moon Hing

God's Faithfulness through STM's Journey of Provision

Right from the first day (6 January 1979), STM has been facing financial, lecturers, resources and facilities difficulties. Over these forty-five years, STM has seen God leading, guiding and providing sufficiently and abundantly. God has never failed STM, and He will continue to provide. At the end of each year, the STM administrative office will issue a letter informing the churches of its deficits. God has silently done His part by getting well-wishers and partners and churches to rise to the occasion. When we pray to Him for lecturers, He has never stopped supplying faithful people who loved to teach and train God's people. Similarly, concerning resources and facilities, He has again and again made sure we have sufficient and the best. Every lecturer, staff and students of STM must learn to see God's faithfulness in this investment which began more than half a century ago by our forefathers in faith. The churches then were smaller and with lesser resources when they first embarked on such a project, yet they stepped out by faith. In fact, all the early batch of students from the Brickfield campus have retired from the administration of church ministry. Today the batch from Sentul campus are slowly reaching their retiring era. Many of STM graduates have been the top-level church leaders and denominational leaders as well as Christian leaders for our nation and overseas.



Xavier Hall, Jalan Gasing, Petaling Jaya (1991-1997)

The Continuing Vision

The world today has changed much from half a century ago, thus the style of theological training too. Once our students were from the youth and young adult categories. Today more and more people from the adult category are responding to the call of God. They may not be so versatile to live on the campus full-time or leave their career. Many of them still need the finance to support their families, both for the young and the seniors. Therefore, they would need a different format of training in addition from the full-time or TEE mode. Today there is a new model of training which is considered as Mixed-Mode that is where they keep their career and serve in their own churches while studying one evening per week and crash courses a few times a year either in person or online. STM while maintaining full-time and TEE can at the same time consider the Mixed-Mode model. Our aim is to provide training and equipping the churches, the style is only secondary.

While our founding forefathers did not anticipate how STM will be in 45 years today looks like, similarly it would be difficult for us to anticipate how STM will be in the next 45 years. My desire is to see STM grow and to become a Christian University in Malaysia with branch campuses. Unless we have the vision, we will not see it. Unless we have the passion and the faith, we will not realise its potential. The rationale is that if we trust STM to teach and train the future leaders of our churches, can we not do the same to the leaders of our nation.

‘Our God is so big, so mighty that nothing my God cannot do’. I have never doubted God whenever STM has annual shortfall. When the idea of the new administration block was mooted in the STM Board, I was one of those with full support, because my God will surely provide. I relentlessly offered my assistance to see it through.



Prayer Labyrinth



New Building Extension



New Building Extension



I have one caution to make and a proposal for it: STM can disappear in seconds or like a mist if we do not take note of the following:

- 1.Be Steadfast – Guard the Faith in Jesus Christ as it was once delivered while providing training.***
- 2.Be Transformative – Oriented in mission and nation building while maintaining the quality of education.***
- 3.Be Motivated – Count the blessings God has done and will do for STM while trusting in God’s providence.***



校友分享：泰泽祷告生活

彭俊翔传道 | 2023 MDiv毕业生

在神学院求学的时候，我经常认为祷告根本是浪费时间，课业才是最重要，完成课业才是重中之重！由于不认为祷告是重要的，所以也不会刻意花时间祷告。即便有，祷告的内容经常会不知不觉地操控上主按照我的计划进行。就在去年到访泰泽以后，这样的思想被打破了，这趟旅程让我从自私与短浅的目光中回转。



笔者与属灵导师Fr. Jean-Marc

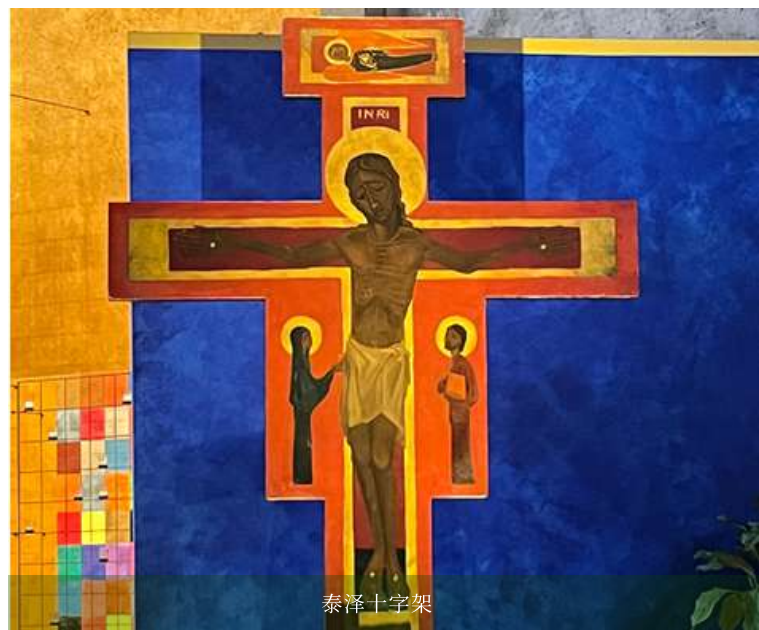
泰泽团体非常强调祷告生活，在神学院的时候，一周三场的崇拜会觉得太多。然而，在泰泽，一天会有三次祷告会，即便不情愿，也得出席。虽然是半强迫性，但却让我沉浸于祷告氛围中。每当祷告会开始，在一首接着另一首朗朗上口的诗歌中，内心的情绪完全得到平复，在全然静默中聆听上主的细语，默观挂在教堂周围的圣像，全身心投入在上主的临在中！

教会对于祷告的教导一般是向上主祈求、感恩、赞美等等。可是却忽略了祷告其实是双向的，我们经常无意识地剥夺了上主向我们说话的机会。如同与一位朋友交谈，每人都应有发言的权利。泰泽祷告最为特别的就是祷告会中的静默时刻，没有牧师或神父分享信息，只是简单地透过默观圣像、思想经文，让上主亲自与我们说话。在这静默的时刻，笔者深深体会到自己与上主的关系颠覆了，从盛气凌人转变为小鸟依人，不再命令上主，而是时刻寻求上主的心意。



泰泽共融祷告

当我摒弃一天三次祷告会太多的观念，全然地沉浸在祷告的氛围时，许多时候即使祷告会已经结束了，我还是觉得时间不够，想更多、更深地与上主亲近。一天三次的祷告会给我机会从忙碌和在乎的事情当中抽离出来，回到上主面前安静与感恩。我并不觉得泰泽祷告非常形式化，反而认为这是与上主亲近，再次连接的大好机会。



泰泽十字架

最后，当结束泰泽之旅以后，我才发现自己的生命已完全不能离开上主，甚至不敢想象自己的生命若失去了上主的同在会是怎样的生活？如今我已进入牧养的禾场，事工接踵而来，每一天都特别忙碌，然而即便再忙，笔者依然坚持每天抽出一小时进行泰泽祷告，让自己从忙碌中抽身，回到上主的怀抱中休息并支取力量。



象征友情的圣像

Celebrating God's Greatness

(Psalm 145:3)

45th STM Anniversary Celebration Dinner



13 April 2024 | Saturday



7.00 pm sharp



SJK (C) Choong Wen Hall
Bt 4 1/2 Jalan Klang Lama
Kuala Lumpur 58000



Scan QR code for booking of tables

<https://bit.ly/stm45anniversary>

Closing date: 31 March 2024

Dinner Table:

- RM30,000/ table
- RM20,000/ table
- RM10,000/ table
- RM5,000/ table
- RM2,000/ table

*Proceeds go to Building Extension Fund

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BENGKEL & PAMERAN ORANG ASAL/ASLI

 24 OGOS 2024

 8.30 PAGI

 KAMPUS STM,
SEREMBAN

**Simpan
Tarikh
Ini!**

Kenali Jiran Anda!
Lukas 10:29b

 **Penceritaan cerita suku
Orang Asal/Asli,
seni kraftangan
anyaman, melukis &
manik**

Dengan kerjasama:



COAC

Persatuan Dayak Seremban

OA Exhibition & Workshop

Orang Asli/Asal Exhibition and Workshop: planned to be held in conjunction with Merdeka Day 2024 carrying the theme of Luke 10: 29b "... who is my neighbour?" This exhibition/workshop is aimed at creating awareness for the indigenous ministry that many Christians want to be involved in but are unsure of how. Participants will be briefed on some facts about the indigenous people groups in Malaysia and the extent how the local city church can partner with them. There will be a demonstration of two teaching approaches to teach/disciple the indigenous church that will involve the participants. This will be conducted in various languages familiar to the participants.

Then, a full "immersion" into the mission field where an exhibition will present pictures, crafts, and other handiworks that carry various significance of the indigenous culture, and everything will be conducted in the Bahasa Malaysia language. Participants will also have the opportunity to listen to indigenous storytelling – a unique form of oral tradition where cultural/religious observances and moral lessons are transferred from one generation to the next. There will also be two workshops to select for participants to experience a "hands-on" encounter in indigenous arts/drawing and beads/leaves weaving.

The event will conclude with an indigenous-styled lunch.



Minggu Orientasi & Retret Tahunan

Melangkah ke dalam tahun baru 2024, saya telah menjadi seorang pelajar di Seminari Theoloji Malaysia (STM). Ini merupakan satu berkat dan juga cabaran bagi saya yang berasal dari Sabah dan datang ke tanah Semenanjung untuk meneruskan pengajian dalam bidang teologi. Minggu pertama saya di STM adalah Minggu Orientasi dan Retret Tahunan. Program ini banyak membantu saya dalam menyesuaikan diri dalam memulakan lembaran kehidupan saya di tempat yang baharu. Aktiviti dan program yang diadakan banyak membantu saya mempersiapkan diri untuk beradaptasi dengan persekitaran yang baharu dan belajar bagaimana untuk berinteraksi dengan individu lain yang baharu saya kenali.



Ketua Exco Pelajar, Deborah memberi pengumuman

Sepanjang Minggu Orientasi dan Retret Tahunan STM, pengisian beberapa program dan aktiviti memberi saya pangalaman baharu bagaimana untuk beradaptasi dengan cara hidup berkomuniti di kampus STM. Meski pun saya masih baru di STM banyak aktiviti orientasi yang memberi saya pengetahuan dan pangalaman baharu iaitu bagaimana berinteraksi dengan para pelajar, dan staf secara efektif. Beberapa aktiviti yang dianjurkan juga memberi pengalaman baharu tentang disiplin diri, tanggungjawab dan kewajiban yang harus dilakukan sepanjang berada di kampus. Kami juga dibawa melawat mengelilingi kawasan kampus dan juga dibawa masuk ke dalam perpustakaan STM supaya kami dapat membiasakan diri dengan kawasan-kawasan tertentu.



Pengetua STM Rev. Dr. Chong Siaw Fung memberi ucapan

Program yang dimuatkan ketika Minggu Orientasi dan Retreat Tahunan STM sangat memberkati saya serta memberi saya gambaran tentang gaya hidup kerohanian di kampus. Kami juga dinasihatkan untuk selalu bersiap sedia sepanjang masa kerana kami pasti akan berhadapan dengan banyak cabaran secara fizikal, mental dan rohani sepanjang pengajian di kampus, dan kami juga didorong untuk tidak putus asa dan jangan pernah salah untuk mencari haluan. Selepas melalui Minggu Orientasi dan Retreat Tahunan STM, saya berharap supaya saya akan mengalami pembentukan rohani yang berterusan, selama saya belajar di STM.



Dekan Pelajar Rev. Dr. Jimmy Chong memimpin dalam perjamuan suci

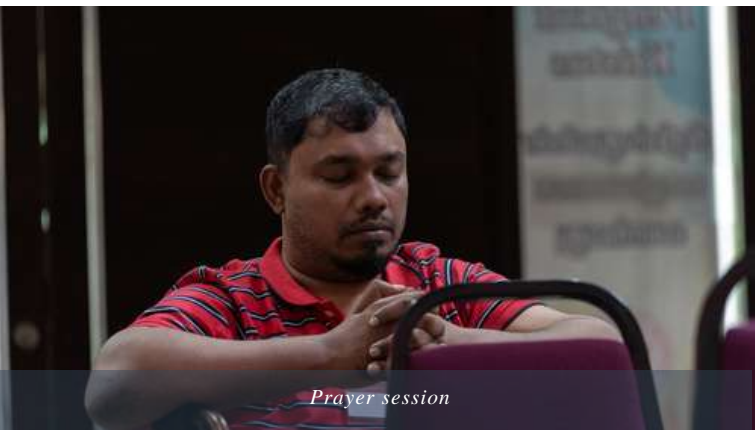


*Jackson bin Osug
Year 1 Student - MDiv*



Orientation & Annual Retreat

When I first stepped into STM, my heart was filled with excitement. However, I was actually extremely anxious! I felt tired, stressed, worried, and troubled because I was not sure if I would be accepted here as a man with disabilities. But during the orientation week, I felt the warmest feeling one could ever feel. From the friends I have made to the faculty members and staff, who always without fail would ask if “everything is ok?” and “if you need anything, please ask!”.



Prayer session

The care shown by each individual here showed me God’s love. The retreat was so amazing, especially meeting my seniors and receiving supportive words from them when we met. I felt at home in my cozy room with my cousin brothers, talking and sharing words of wisdom. They were great help when it came to my studies, teaching me not to stress but to “do your best and let God do the rest.”



Pastor Yew Kuan Yee sharing with the students

I would like to say that each and every preacher’s sharing was a reminder to me, as it relates to what I am supposed to be doing and not doing in STM. Certain sermons were and an answer to my prayers, and I thank God for that too.

I am thankful to those who have helped me, being supportive, understanding, encouraging, caring, and above all, sharing the love God has poured into their hearts with me.



*Sebastian A/L Michael Jebaraj
Year 1 Student - BTh*



Getting to know each other

Growing as Christ's Servant
tumbuh sebagai Pengikut Kristus
成长为基督的仆人





迎新周

经过多年的挣扎与感动，如今我终于来到神学院，准备接下来几年的装备。在我的印象中，神学院是一个很严肃的地方。但在院长介绍讲师团的时候，讲师们都很风趣的介绍自己，这让我打破了原本的印象，原来讲师们也并非如那般地严肃。

在迎新周期间，我们做了LPI性格测验。我第一次听闻这个测验，这于我真的是新鲜事，列出的26种性格相当多样化，了解每种性格的细节，同时也让我可以更了解身边的这群朋友。学生会还为我们预备了一个特别环节，是让所有新生、学生委员和讲师们一起去打保龄球，在互动之中，可以迅速地加深彼此之间的关系。



师生一起打保龄球

在一次的讲道中，张晓枫院长说了一句话，让我印象深刻。他说，毕竟神学院是许多人汇聚的地方，我们大家都是有罪的人，难免会有摩擦的时候，但因着神召集了我们，想必有神要我们学习的功课。



小组游戏

除此之外，透过全体学生的运动和游戏，新生和学长姐们组成群组，所有同学一起玩乐。虽然这些活动让我身体疲累，但这样的团契和互动，让我觉得群体生活很和睦，盼望接下来的几年能够和大家有更多的交流。



LPI性格测验

愿神亲自带领和塑造我接下来几年在神学院的生活和装备，好叫我能成为合神心意的器皿，为祂成就美事。



萧觉伟 | 第一年生 - BD



Cultural & Freshie Night



The First Year Students

I am honored to share my experience of the event. Firstly, the Cultural & Freshie Night was a great and exciting event. The fellowship and unity among lecturers, staff, and students during the community dinner brought joy to me. Not to be missed, I must give credit to STM's canteen operator Aunty Ramayee for her cooking because it was delicious and boosted our motivation to kick-start the night.



The emcees for the Cultural & Freshie Night

In conclusion, the Cultural & Freshie Night was fun, and I believe it helped to alleviate stress and anxiety for lecturers, staff, and students as we enter a hectic time filled with academics, field education, and other responsibilities.



*Arven Raj A/L Puvanaswaran
Second Year Student-BTh*



Drama performance by 4th Year Students

Furthermore, as the event continued in the MPH, the warm welcome given by the seniors was an unforgettable memory, as I felt I was a part of the STM family. The dance performances, games, and especially the drama of Joseph and Mary, with Yagavan playing the role of the angel Gabriel, provided extraordinary entertainment that had us laughing non-stop. I was happy to see the love and harmony among students as we wore clothes representing different races and cultures. The most striking outfits were the Arab attire and the Sari.



Parody of STM student life

Different or Same?

As Principal Dr. Chong’s brief speech delivered at the Cultural Night still echoes in my mind, the diverse and dynamic party has refreshed my understanding of Malaysia as a country rich in culture.

At the party, we dressed ourselves in Sari, Batik, Baju Panjang, traditional Han costumes, Pakaian orang asli, and etc., which sparked my eyes with the colourful and beautiful scenes of brothers and sisters with their unique cultural backgrounds. Along with the fancy ethnic clothing came the typical Malay, Indian and Chinese cuisine. For the first time, I tried Indian dishes and desserts, which tasted quite different from Chinese food. The most impressive part of the gathering to me is the Ushering Dance performed by Indian brothers. I could feel their passion and enthusiasm in presenting this vigorous dance. This is also my first time seeing modern Indian dance, which is like a combination of hip-hop and Indian elements. The following performances were also very fantastic and funny, leaving a lot laughter and warmth in my heart.

Although we are dressed in different folk costumes, and raised up with different cuisine, speaking different mother tongue, and inheriting different ethnic character, we are same in receiving the blessings in this blessed “family”. It is His Grace that calls us to come together, to share our life and to tie us all together in this journey of knowing Him deeper and working our intimacy with Him out in the future.



Dancing ‘Sumazau’ together with the other students

All in all, I am deeply touched by both the gathering and Principal Dr. Chong’s citation from John 10:14-15, which will definitely turn into the most memorable life story when I look back on these years in STM in the future.



Liang Jie | First Year Student -MDiv



Lecturers and students dressed in multicultural outfit



STM Online Resources Training 线上资源训练

25 January 2024 ; 8:45AM-4:30PM

Moderators:

Mr P. Sakthivel (STM Coordinator Of Research Resources)

Mr Chan Eik Kent 曾毅坚 (STM Assistant Librarian 协理馆员)



STM Library Online Resources Training

During the Thaipusam public holiday on 25 January 2024, STM Library organised an Online Resources Training via Zoom for students, staff, lecturers and alumni. The purpose of the training was to introduce STM Library's online subscriptions and demonstrate how to effectively utilise these resources for research, writing and teaching. Over 90 persons registered for the training.

The training was conducted in two parts: the English sessions were moderated by Mr. P. Sakthivel (STM Coordinator for Research Resources), and the Chinese sessions by Mr. Chan Eik Kent (STM Assistant Librarian). The trainers from the various resource platforms comprised of Mr. Ryan Salas (Philippines) for EBSCO, Ms. Nurul Hanisah (Malaysia) for JSTOR, Ms. Taani Ford (Australia) for ProQuest E-book Central, Ms. Linda Ku (Taiwan) for Airiti Library, and Ms. Karly Hai (China) for CNKI.

All five sessions were very informative with clear guidance provided by the trainers on how to navigate the various platforms in order to access relevant resources, as well as to utilise the functions of each online platform effectively. On the whole, the sessions went well; the participants were engaged and keen to ask questions, which the trainers promptly answered.

The availability of STM Library's online resources provides wide and easy accessibility, both on- and off-campus, to thousands of e-books, journals, articles, etc. For more information on STM Library's online resources and access eligibility, please visit the STM Library website www.stm.edu.my/library.



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STM ONLINE RESOURCES TRAINING 线上资源训练 SCHEDULE 時程



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PART 1 ENGLISH RESOURCES (In English) Moderator: Mr P. Sakthivel (STM Coordinator of Research Resources) 8:45AM Opening of English Session and Introduction	12:30- 1:30PM Lunch Break
01 EBSCO Resources 9:00AM Mr Ryan Salas (Philippines), Training Specialist - Southeast Asia	PART 2 CHINESE RESOURCES (以中文进行) Moderator: Mr Chan Eik Kent 曾毅坚 (STM Assistant Librarian 协理馆员) 1:30PM Opening of Chinese Session and introduction
02 JSTOR 10:00AM Ms Nurul Hanisah (Malaysia), Regional Executive, Globe Publication Pte. Ltd.	04 Airiti Library 华艺线上图书馆 2:00PM Ms Linda Ku 顾依颖 (Taiwan), Product Manager 业务经理
03 PROQUEST Ebook Central 11:00AM Ms Taani Ford (Australia), Customer Education Trainer - Australia and New Zealand	05 CNKI 中国知网 3:00PM Ms Karly Hai 海一瓏 (China), Sales Manager 销售经理
12:00PM More information on other Resources	4:00PM More information on other Resources 其他线上资源的更多资讯
	4:30PM The End 结束

ATESEA Accreditation

Monica Jayasekara | Student Affairs Secretary

The Association of Theological Education in South East Asia (ATESEA) is an organization of Christian seminaries and other tertiary institutes of theology that acts as an accreditation agency for theological education in the South East Asian region. ATESEA accreditation visit aims to ensure that the theological schools under its umbrella maintain a high quality of theological education and their studies programmes fulfill the requirement for international recognition.



ATESEA accreditation team and STM management committee

STM received ATESEA accreditation visit recently from 28 to 31 January 2024. The accreditation team comprised the chairperson, Professor Yusak Setyawan from Indonesia, and the team members, Dr. Chanaporn Jaisaodee from Thailand, Dr. Judy Berinai from Kota Kinabalu and Ms. Megumi Flores from the Philippines. Our day to day operations from years 2018 to 2023 were screened through by the accreditation team. They went through reports from various departments, took a tour of our facilities, interviewed the key persons with regards to the academic and administrative operations as well as faculty members. They met students, past and present as well as met with some members of the Executive Committee.



ATESEA accreditation team with STM council members, research fellow and the faculty members

Despite the seriousness of the accreditation exercise, meaningful conversations and warm fellowships were fostered amongst the team and STM community. We indeed counted it a privilege to host the team during their short stay at STM. We are thankful to God for such a dedicated team of people in STM who labour to ensure that the high standards of theological education are upheld for the continued training of future pastors and workers in the ministry of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.



ATESEA accreditation team campus tour



Picnic Day

Aletheia Foong Kalai | Second Year Student - BD

The day began with a thrill of an alarm clock somewhere in the dorm, and soft sunlight filtered through my darkened room. The sun was barely up, yet the only thing on my mind was to hurry with the morning routine so I could gather with the rest on time. Today, we were going on a picnic. But it was not just any picnic, it was an adventure around Seremban and Port Dickson.



Rise and Shine for an Adventure of Unforgettable Memories

Bright and early at the meeting point, laughter peppered the air along with protests that it was too early. At the call of the student body president, the chatter died down for our briefing. Excitement buzzed amidst hushed whispers at the anticipation of spending an entire day with our steward groups. Furthermore, this time, the faculty joined in on the fun of the amazing “race”. Armed with a secret map and instructions to take photos at each stop, off we scattered and went in our designated cars.



Nothing says adventure like a trip to the old cemetery

The first checkpoint was at the old cemetery at St. Mark’s. Traipsing through overgrown weeds and tall grass in the early morning, most groups started their journey with several mosquito bites. However, the payoff was an intriguing group picture of an oddly clean marble tombstone at the back of the cemetery. Whatever that experience was, no one could deny that it was a curious one.



Fuelling up before the road

As morning drew on, bellies were hungry, and off we went for breakfast, taking many odds and ends of a food photo trying to creatively meet the requirements. Methods included using barely seen black mustard seeds. Whether it was an interesting re-enactment of Matthew 17:20-21, or a prank, it fulfilled the requirements of the breakfast photo opportunity.



Hilltop adventures at the peak of morning

At the peak of morning, many of us made it to Lukut Museum and hiked up the hill for a picturesque view of the area. The effort was gratifyingly rewarded with delicious, and more importantly, cold cendol at the next stop. And so, the day went on, with stop after stop. At the beach, beneath a huge tree for curry noodles and milk tea that bubbled over, and finally to our picnic site.



Students are showcasing a historical display



Like the hobbits, we too, enjoy a second breakfast

By the time most of us gathered at noon, God graced us with fine and windy weather. A sharp contrast to the humidity and heat of the morning. There we sat, and many of us rested before it was time for song and games. We played an old game that involved tackling students to the ground and hauling them out of the designated area. A game many of the boys seemed to be fond of. The other game we played was tug-of-war but with a twist. As the ground was laden with pine nuts, falling down was perilous, and many of us had fun tumbling over on each other. Nonetheless, with food, water, and skinned knees, laughter abounded the picnic site.



Students get to play with the lecturers

As the waves crashed against the rocks, and the wind blew through our hair, the day came to a soft end at 3pm. Exhaustion from the day's activities had started to settle in, and despite fellowship, many of us were eager for rest. With grateful hearts and minds, departure was swift and safe. Back at the seminary, I returned to my darkened room to find my roommate fast asleep already. Drifting off to sleep myself, I said a small prayer of gratitude, thankful that the community was kept safe and drawn ever closer in happiness and unity.



Let the games begin...



Kau sahabatku dan kau saudaraku, tiada yang dapat memisahkan kita



Visit by Wycliffe Group

Ps. Dr. Elaine Goh | Director of Centre for Bible Engagement

A group of 26 ministry workers from Wycliffe Malaysia visited STM on 26 Feb 2024 (Friday). They were given a special lecture on Bible Transmission by STM Research Fellow, Rev. Dr. Lim Kar Yong, and a tour of STM’s collection of archaeology replica. The event was coordinated by STM faculty and Director of Centre for Bible Engagement, Dr. Elaine Goh, who also brought together students of “Bible and Archaeology” to assist. Let us hear what STM students say.



Rev. Dr. Lim Kar Yong, lecturing on Bible transmission

“One aspect that contributed to a greater assurance to the Bible that we have is the methodology of transmission where Rev. Lim Kar Yong covers in detail the materials used for transmission of manuscript (e.g. type of writing surface, ink, quill), the estimated cost needed for hiring of scribes by benefactors, correctors to check for errors, and the careful and meticulous planning of utilisation of the space of each parchment or papyrus for the number of words that can fit in per line.”

(Wee Cheow Siang, MDiv Year 3)



Year 2 MDiv student, Chow Wee Lee, explaining the archeological replicas

“Armed with a papyrus sheet, a wooden pen, and ink, the task of copying an assigned Bible verse, John 3:16 in Greek, began...Imagine this was what the scribes in the ancient days had to go through to copy the Scriptures – what a great burden and responsibility they bore! Now the idea of ‘copies or copies’ made clearer sense to me – for the scribes dedicated their lives to copying copies of the Scriptures that were copied, for circulation. And so, the discovery of the Dead Sea Scroll was a great finding as it predates the earlier known biblical manuscripts.”

(Chow Wei Lee, MDiv Year 2)



Writing John 3:16 in Greek on a papyrus paper



Year 1 MDiv student, John Raj, with his John 3:16 in Greek

“I want to express my gratitude to Dr. Elaine Goh for providing me with the chance to take part in this event. As students in “Bible and Archaeology,” we were tasked with giving presentation of archaeology discoveries to the Wycliffe Group. I have learned valuable lessons from this learning experience.”
 (John Raj Joseph, MDiv Year 1)



Dr. Elaine Goh received on behalf of STM a love gift from Wycliffe Malaysia

“Overall, I relished the Wycliffe learning experience. It has helped me to be a little bit more knowledgeable about the vast ocean of archaeological knowledge yet to be tapped. Above all, I am grateful to God for preserving His precious Bible for us over many generations through the scribes’ untiring and scrupulous efforts.”
 (Tan Ten Lee, GradDipCS Year 1)



Year 1 MDiv student, Liang Jie, practising before papyrus-writing

“This hands-on coursework has changed my learning experience. All of God’s disciples and servants throughout history have gathered teamwork for the greater good of God’s people.”
 (Liang Jie, MDiv, Year 1)



We hope that hands-on learning experiences like the above create excitements among STM visitors as well as students in the area of biblical studies. The faculty and the students welcome more visitors to learn about bible transmission together with us. Do keep an eye out for STM Open Day this year and the next!



Embracing Diversity, Fostering Unity: Cultivating Ministry Perspectives through Field Education Church Visits

Rev. Sophia Voon | Associate Director of Field Education

Field Education (FE) stands as a cornerstone in seminary education, seamlessly intertwining theological scholarship with practical ministry experiences. Throughout January and February, first-year seminarians embarked on a six-week transformative journey through meticulously organised church visits spanning various denominations. These visits served a dual purpose: introducing individuals to a rich tapestry of worship traditions and practices while fostering meaningful interactions with pastors from diverse backgrounds. This immersive experience served as a crucial milestone in their journey, aiding in their adaptation to the multifaceted tapestry of seminary life and the diverse landscape of Christian ministry.

Led by Rev. Jensey Mojuin and Rev. Sophia Voon, students from diverse backgrounds, including English, Malay, and Chinese tracks, embarked on these enlightening excursions. Their experiences were not just educational but transformative, as reflected in their poignant testimonials:

"The only word that comes to mind is excitement because I was able to witness various methods of worship and traditions," shared Denis Arputha Raj A/L Vadivelu, encapsulating the sense of enthusiasm experienced during the visits.

Liang Jie reflected on her first-time experience visiting churches of different denominations, remarking, "For the first time in my life, I have ever visited churches of different denominations, which makes me feel that although we have different ritual services, but we are ONE in Him."

Sebastian A/L Michael Jebaraj highlighted the importance of understanding and coping with different liturgies of other denominations, emphasising the value of cultural and denominational diversity within the Church.

Arven Raj A/L Puvanaswaran expressed his excitement and gratitude for the opportunity to learn from service and discussions with senior pastors, recognising the wealth of knowledge gained through these interactions.

John Raj Joseph shared his feeling of blessedness and appreciation for the programme, stating, "I feel really blessed to partake in this programme. In these few visitations, I have learned about various churches' worship order, and I'm very glad to know the different forms of worship."

Jackson bin Osug acknowledged the role of divine guidance in overcoming social barriers within congregations, underscoring the spiritual growth fostered by these experiences.

Tan Ten Lee expressed his gratitude for the enriching experience of the past two months of church visitation, which has broadened his understanding of diverse church origins, teachings, and practices, thereby enhancing his spiritual journey.

Likewise, Sean Aaron Fernandez found the experience insightful, greatly enriching his understanding of various denominations and diverse pastoral perspectives.

These testimonials reflect the profound impact of the church visitation programme, not only on individual participants but also on their collective journey towards a deeper understanding of Christian ministry and unity within diversity.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the churches and pastors who generously hosted us during these visits. Your dedication in sharing your church's liturgy, background, and practices, coupled with warm hospitality, has deeply impacted our seminarians' educational experience. Together, we are shaping future leaders equipped with a broader perspective and a deeper appreciation for the multifaceted tapestry of Christian ministry.

Pendidikan Lapangan: Meneroka Perspektif Pelayanan Melalui Lawatan Gereja

Rev. Jensey Bin Mojuin | Director of Field Education (BM)

Pada bulan Januari dan Februari, para pelajar tahun pertama telah mengambil bahagian dalam lawatan gereja yang teratur didorong oleh objektif yang pelbagai. Ini termasuklah memperkenalkan individu kepada spektrum tradisi penyembahan, meluaskan perspektif tentang amalan pelayanan, memupuk interaksi dengan pastor pelbagai denominasi, dan membantu dalam penyesuaian mereka dengan kehidupan di seminari.

Pelajar dari trek BM telah mengadakan lawatan yang merangkumi pelbagai denominasi bukan sahaja yang berada di sekitar Seremban, tetapi juga di Melaka dan Kuala Lumpur. Di bawah adalah refleksi daripada pelajar tentang pembelajaran yang mereka dapat dari lawatan tersebut:

“Kami mengucapkan jutaan terima kasih kepada gereja-gereja dan pastor-pastor yang telah menerima kami dengan baik. Dedikasi mereka dalam menerangkan liturgi, latar belakang, dan amalan gereja, ditambah dengan sesi soal jawab yang menarik serta layanan mesra semasa persekutuan, telah memperkaya pengalaman kami sebagai pelajar dari seminari.”



Lawatan gereja ke City Dicipleship Presbyterian Church, Subang Jaya

Pelajar bersaksi bahawa Pendidikan Lapangan “mendorong mereka lebih rendah hati belajar dan memperhatikan gereja-gereja denominasi yang berlainan daripada gereja mereka sendiri. Ia sangat memberi banyak input dan mengajar mereka mengetahui tentang aliran gereja yang berbeza. Mereka mengakui bahawa program lawatan sangat menarik sekali.”

Begitu juga “perkongsian para pastor di setiap gereja yang kami lawati telah benar-benar menambah nilai yang tiada tandingan kepada perjalanan kami meski itu persediaan pelayanan sekarang mahupun yang akan datang.”

Seorang pelajar berkata “saya akan menambahkan apa yang menjadi kekurangan di dalam gereja yang saya layani dari semua pengalaman saya dapat dalam lawatan ini.”

Akhir sekali, kami bersyukur dan memuji Tuhan sebab hanya dengan kasih dan rahmat-Nya maka kami berjaya menjalani dan seterusnya menyelesaikan program “lawatan gereja” yang sangat menarik dan bermanfaat ini. Kami adalah para pelajar yang sangat bertuah kerana berkesempatan berada dan belajar di STM. Terima kasih yang tidak terhingga kepada STM yang sudah menawarkan program ini untuk para pelajarnya menimba banyak pengalaman baharu.



Lawatan gereja ke Chinese Methodist Church, Seremban



Sesi soal dan jawab bersama pastor gereja SIB Nilai



农历新年前的礼拜，参观邻恩复兴教会（卓越）。当我们共同欣赏教会充满新年气氛的装饰，情不自禁地打卡留下这美好瞬间。

拥抱多元，培育合一：透过教会观摩 拓展事工视野

温晓芸牧师 | 副实习教育主任

实习教育（FE）是神学教育的基石，将学术和事工经验结合，实践与理论相辅相成。在一月和二月份，新生们参与了为期六周精心安排的教会观摩计划，涵盖了各个宗派的不同教会。教会观摩有着双重目的：一是向学生介绍多种崇拜传统和方式，二是与来自不同背景的牧者进行有意义的交流。这样的经历将成为新生们适应神学院生活并拓展多元视野的重要里程碑。

在Jensey Mojuin和温晓芸老师的指导下，来自不同背景（包括英语、马来语和华语）的学生一同踏上这段启迪人心的旅程。从学生的感言，我们可以看到他们的经历不仅具有教育意义，也具有变革性。

黄俊仕：“在参与教会观摩之前，我对各个宗派的主日崇拜存在一些误解。然而，这次体验让我意识到，教会之间的差异不仅仅表现在礼仪和形式上，更在于牧者如何引导会众与开展事工。尽管基督教分成不同的宗派，但我们应该保持和谐与包容。”

蔡志荣：“参与教会观摩为我提供了一个与他人建立关系的平台，同时也让我更加深刻地体会到教会的合一。”

蔡伟权：“在教会观摩中，我深刻领悟到教会的合一至关重要。在敬拜神的过程中，我学到了有许多方式，但最重要的是要用心灵和诚实来敬拜。”

赖秋菊：“首次参与教会观摩，体验了各种不同的崇拜风格和时长，这对我来说绝对是一次开阔眼界的经历。”

林益磐：“这次体验为我提供了一个很棒的学习平台。可以看到不同教会的强项。我认为要保持谦虚的心态，虚心向他人学习，而不是自以为是。我将这次体验视为向他人学习的机会。”

林以勒：“在观摩教会的过程中，上帝让我聚焦于牧者如何在教会中引导和传道。因为这正是我未来所要走的道路，我深知自己需要敏锐地观察和领悟牧者的言行举止。”

林正义：“这次经历拓宽了我的视野，使我能够理解各个宗派的不同观点和理念。我也意识到宗派的历史是如何演变和改进的。通过观摩，我有机会去感受和领悟不同文化之间的异同，并在其中寻求共通之处。”

詹詠平：“教会观摩让我能看见每个教会汇聚着爱主的牧者、传道、领袖和会众，共同敬拜赞美主，是一件主所喜悦的事。无论人数多少、年龄性别、礼仪繁简，甚至环境变幻，都不能阻止爱主的人来敬拜。愿我们都能做好身心灵的准备，整装待发、准时崇拜、彼此配合、真诚询问、分享学习、反思回应、舍己爱人和荣神益人。”

萧觉伟：“透过观摩教会和向牧者们询问，我深入了解了该宗派的运行模式，提出了许多问题并得到了满意的答案。我认为应该超越宗派框架，深入探讨各宗派的信仰特色和价值观，并以开放的心态吸取不同宗派教会的优点，以便将来在服侍时能够有所帮助。”

陈汉铭：“通过参与观摩不同宗派的教会，我有机会了解和体验它们不同的敬拜模式和流程，这让我受益匪浅。我能够学习各宗派的敬拜礼仪，取其长补其短，从而丰富我的敬拜经验和视野。”

邓杰豪：“通过参与观摩不同教会，我深入了解了其他教派的崇拜方式，学到多种不同的敬拜形式，这次经历重新塑造我的崇拜观念，强调敬拜上帝的重要性。参加教会观摩活动还让我领略到不同教会和宗派的礼仪、建筑、文化和氛围。最重要的是，我们应该相互尊重和接纳，因为我们都在敬拜同一位上帝。”

陈启恩：“教会观摩让我重新审视教会的定位。每个教会都有独特特色，注重不同方面，如社区服务、礼仪、教导信徒以及青少年工作和教会扩展。这引发了我对教会意义的思考，特别是在即将开始牧会之际。我一直在探索教会的角色和发展方向，尽管未找到答案，但对未来充满了期待。”

黄志权：“神的教会虽然有不同派别，但我们在主里是合一的，因为我们都承认信徒信经，相信三位一体的主。我祈求主赐予我更大的包容心，让我能接纳主内不同的宗派，努力实现主耶稣为我们祷告的合一。”

叶文薇：“帮助我真诚地了解大家的不同，从中寻找共同之处。有机会了解各种宗派的传统和运作模式，让我能够更加敞开学习和包容。”



感谢邻复兴教会（卓越）慷慨提供早午餐，促进温馨的交流。

张爱薇：“主的家是无比广大的，拓展了我对神国度的视野。尽管教会各异，但却呈现出同样的景象：就是弟兄姐妹各按其职委身侍奉，形成了同心合一的美景。各位牧者、领袖们分享的经历虽似经验之谈，但背后的历程却是不易的。最重要的是怀有爱神爱人之心，谦卑服侍，与主同行。感谢学院和实习教育负责老师，没有你们，我将无机会在六周内参观不同教会。”

以上这些感言反映了教会观摩计划对神学生在走向更多元化和更深层次的基督教事工之旅带来的深远影响。

在观摩期间慷慨接待我们的教会和牧者，我们衷心地表示感激。你们在分享教会礼仪、背景和崇拜方式的同时，热情好客地款待我们，丰富了神学生的学习体验。我们共同塑造和装备神学生，使他们成为未来教会领袖，拥有广阔的视野和对多元化基督教事工的深刻欣赏。



爱恩社区教会的牧师与神学生分享教会的礼仪和事工，还包括问答环节。



STM Mini Bookfair

Annie Yee | Senior Communications Officer

A mini book fair was held at the STM student lounge on 21 Feb 2024, running from 9 am to 4 pm. Eight local participating bookstores took part in this book fair. They were Bridge Communications, Canaanland, CCL Publications, Gladsounds, Sufes, Watchman Resources, Wawasan Penabur, and Worldwide Bible Society. A diverse selection of books were available for purchase in English, Chinese, and Bahasa Malaysia. Whether anyone was seeking textbooks, novels, reference materials, spiritual readings or souvenirs, there was something for everyone at this event.

As the new semester has just commenced, it was the perfect time for students to find essential books for their academic journey. It was also a good opportunity for anyone interested to enrich their reading collection and support local bookstores.



STM BM Roadshow

Immanuel Patrus | Tahun 2 - BTh



Bersama Pastor Tai Kuan Soon dan Rev. Guok Shu Yau

Saya berterima kasih kepada Pastor Tai Kuan Soon kerana telah membawa kami ke Gereja Methodist Cina Kuantan, Pahang. Pengalaman ini amat berharga bagi saya kerana dapat belajar, melihat dan mendengar sendiri dari hamba Tuhan yang melayani di gereja itu Rev. Guok Shu Yau, dimana dia menjelaskan bagaimana pelayanan beliau di sana dan menceritakan sejarah bagaimana gereja itu ditubuhkan. Sebagai pelajar yang berlainan denominasi, pengalaman ini sangat membuka pola fikiran saya dan melalui lawatan ini saya juga sangat diberkati.



Berdoa bagi orang sakit

Pada hari terakhir lawatan, kumpulan kami sempat melawat perkampungan orang asli di sekitar Tasik Chini. Saya sangat terharu melihat keadaan mereka di sana. Namun perkara yang membuatkan saya bersukacita adalah kumpulan kami berpeluang mendoakan beberapa ahli keluarga di kampung itu. Tiada perkara yang lebih indah selain mendoakan mereka.



Mengongsikan kesaksian hidup

Saya bersyukur kepada Tuhan kerana diberikan peluang untuk mengongsikan kebaikan dan pekerjaan Tuhan dalam hidup saya di Gereja Sidang Jemaat Kristus Bersatu Kampung Ulu Gumum (gereja orang asli).



Melawat dan berdoa untuk keluarga Orang Asli



Bersama Pastor Fadhil

January to March - Visits & Collaborations



7 January 2024 – Church visit to Luther House Chapel with STM's BM lecturers and students.

14 January 2024 – Rev. Daniel Ng sharing at Bahau CMC on STM Sunday.



21 January 2024 – STM Sunday at Merlimau CMC. Rev. Daniel Ng and STM MDiv final year student, Nicholas Chan Choon Yeh, sharing about the community life in STM.

22 January 2024 - World Religions class visiting a Hindu Temple led by Rev. Dr. Albert Walters.



29 January 2024 - STM representatives, Rev. Dr. Jimmy Chong and Ms. Annie Yee, attended the 7th Negeri Sembilan Chinese New Year Pastoral Thanksgiving Reunion held at One Destiny Restaurant, Seremban.



January to March - Visits & Collaborations

31 January-3 February 2024 - Rev. Dr. Jimmy Chong (STM Dean of Student) was assigned to join the ATESEA accreditation team to visit Sabah Theological Seminary (STS).

The accreditation team was led by Prof. Dr. Yusak Setyawan (R2-from Universitas Kristen Satya Wacana), with team members Rev Dr. Oan Jaisaodee (R1-from McGilvary College of Divinity, Payap University), Ms. Megumi Flores (L1-Library Director at Leslie Hardinge Library of Adventist International Institute of Advanced Studies), and Rev. Dr. Jimmy Chong (L2-from STM).



1-2 February 2024- ATESEA Accreditation Team visit to Methodist Theological School(MTS), Sibul.

Standing, MTS Sibul Faculty and Staff (L-R):
 Rev. Dr. Wong Teck Suk, Ms. Lau Sie Bing,
 Ms. Ling Pik Chih, Rev. Hoo Sing Hang,
 Rev. Paul Ting Huat Ung, Rev. Dr Khoo Ho Peng,
 Rev. Dr. Thomas Lau Sie Ngiu,
 Rev. Dr. Ling Tung Kiing, Rev. Dr. Lu Chen Tiong,
 Rev. Dr. Francis Wong King Sing.

Seated, ATESEA Accreditation Team (L-R):
 Ms. Christabel Wong (Malaysia),
 Dr. Eleazar S. Fernandez (Philippines),
 Dr. Ester Pudjo Widiastih (Indonesia),
 Dr. Wiriya Tipvarakankoon (Thailand).

Photo credit to MTS, Sibul



17 February 2024 – Rev. Joseph Yesupatham and Mr. Adam Sathiya Jeevan, promoting Tamil TEE to the Southern District churches of Tamil Annual Conference at Malacca Tamil Methodist Church.



25 February 2024 – Rev. Dr. Jimmy Chong sharing at Tampin CMC on STM Sunday.



8-9 March 2024 – Rev. Dr. Chong Siaw Fung conducted a Leadership Workshop at Butterworth CMC.

January to March - Visits & Collaborations

8-9 March 2024 – Rev. Dr. Chong Siaw Fung conducted a Bible Seminar at Butterworth CMC.



8-18 March 2024 – Rev. Dr. Jimmy Chong teaching at Logos Academy for Ministry and Mission (LAMM), Australia. Photo taken with the students and The Bishop of CMCA, Rev. Milton Nee (front row L2), at Chinese Methodist Church in Australia (CMCA).



17 March 2024 - Rev. Daniel Ng sharing at Mambau CMC on STM Sunday.



14-16 March 2024 - STM Roadshow (BM Department) at Kuantan CMC.

January to March - Our Guests



16 Jan 2024 – Visitors from Asbury Theological Seminary, Kentucky, USA.

From left to right: Dr. Emilio Alvarez (Associate Provost of Lifelong Learning), Dr. Chong Siaw Fung (STM Principal), Dr. Gregg A. Okesson (Provost and Senior Vice President of Academic Affairs).



28-31 January 2024- ATESEA Accreditation Team visited STM. From the left to the right: Rev. Prof. Dr Yusak Setyawan (from Indonesia), Rev. Dr. Oan Jaisaodee (from Thailand), Dr. Judy Berinai (from STS, Malaysia), Ms. Megumi Flores (from Philippines).



22 February 2024 - Rev. Alex Awad (3rd from the left), the Professor and Dean of Students at Bethlehem Bible College in Palestine, spoke on “The Palestinian Church in the Gaza War” at STM.



23 February 2024 - Wycliffe Bible Translation visited STM for a lecture on NT manuscript transmission by Rev. Dr. Lim Kar Yong.



6 March 2024 – Dr. Sam Tsang, a distinguished NT Scholar from the US, spoke on “Politics of Matthew, Mark, Luke and Acts” 《被误解的福音书政治》 at STM.

SPIRITUAL FRIENDSHIP	THEOLOGY OF MARRIAGE, SINGLENESS, OFFSPRING AND FAMILY	HEALING & DELIVERANCE	PARABLES	GOD'S MISSION IN OLD TESTAMENT
(ELECTIVE)	(ELECTIVE)	(ELECTIVE)	(ELECTIVE)	(ELECTIVE)
Date: Mar 14-16, 19-20 (Online)	Date: Jun 14-15, 17-18 (Online)	Date: July 4-6, 11-12, 18-20 (Online)	Date: Aug 22-25 ; Sep 5-8 (Online)	Date: Oct 12-13, 19-20, 26-27 (Online)
Time: Thu - Sat 9.30am - 5.00pm Tue - Wed 7.30pm - 10:30pm	Time: Fri - Sat 9.00am - 5.00pm Mon - Tue 9.00am - 5.00pm	Time: Thu - Fri 7.30pm - 10.30pm Sat 9.00am - 12.00pm	Time: Thu - Fri 7.30pm - 10:30pm Sat - Sun 7.30pm - 10:30pm	Time: Sat 9.00am - 12.00pm Sun 2.00pm - 5.00pm
Lecturer: Rev Dr Tan Soo Inn	Lecturer: Dr Barry Danylak	Lecturer: The Rt Rev Dr Steven Abbarow	Lecturer: Rev Dr Lim Kar Yong	Lecturer: Dr Peter Lau

2024

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 2024 POSTGRADUATE STUDIES MODULES 研究院课程	MMin 教牧神学 PASTORAL THEOLOGY	MMin / DMin 教会的宣教使命与落实 THE MISSION OF THE CHURCH AND ITS IMPLEMENTATION	MMin / DMin 后现代神学对教牧学的影响与启迪 THE IMPACT & INSPIRATION OF POSTMODERN THEOLOGY ON PASTORAL STUDIES
	(CORE) 必修科	(CORE) 必修科	(ELECTIVE) 选修科
日期 Date: 4月30日 5月2-3日 5月7-9日	日期 Date: 8月5-9日	日期 Date: 10月28-31日 11月1日	
时间 Time: (9.30am-12.30pm)	时间 Time: (9.00am-12.00pm) (1.30pm- 4.30pm)	时间 Time: (9.30am-12.30pm)	
讲师 Lecturer: 黄伟仁牧师 Rev Daniel Ng Wee Jin	讲师 Lecturer: 蔡家存博士 Dr Chuah Chia Choon	讲师 Lecturer: 张俊明牧师博士 Rev Dr Jimmy Chong	

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POSTGRADUATE SEMINAR 2024

BLOCK YOUR CALENDAR!

PostGraduate Seminar 1
Date : 1 Mar 2024 (Fri)

PostGraduate Seminar 2
Date : 20 Sept 2024 (Fri)

Time : 2-3.30pm (Chinese)
3.30-5pm (English)

Further details and zoom link will be sent via email and/or WhatsApp.



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English TEE Upcoming Class

*3 CREDIT HOURS
(ELECTIVE)



MALAYSIA CHURCH HISTORY

This course seeks to explore the origin and development of the Christian Churches in Malaysia examining selected denominational histories of the various denominations (e.g. the Anglicans and Methodists among others) within the social, political and cultural context of Malaysia. The responses of the local churches towards autonomy from their mission societies, their witness and outreach will also be examined against the broader canvas of the historical processes within and without the country that impinge on the life and work of the Malaysian Church.



Selected examples of how the mission bodies and their local churches responded to the socio- economic and political realities of the country will also be discussed. In addition, there will be a thematic study on Christian mission and the state in Sarawak and a biographical study of a Christian personality.

• • The Lecturer – Rev Dr Tan Jin Huat

- • Rev Dr Tan Jin Huat, an Anglican minister and formerly
- • Academic Dean at Seminari Theoloji Malaysia, has been
- • teaching New Testament, Homiletics, and Malaysian
- • Church History. He studied theology at Trinity College, Bristol, London School of Theology (BA), University of Aberdeen (MTh) and the Oxford Center for Mission Studies (PhD). He is author of a few publications which include 'Preacher, Prepare Yourself', 'Brookes, The British and Christianity in Sarawak' and 'Planting an Indigenous Church: The Case of the BEM.'



ONLINE CLASS: ZOOM PLATFORM

 Apr 25-27; May 2-4 & 9-11
 Thu 7.30pm - 10.30pm
 Fri 7.30pm - 10.30pm
 Sat 9.00am - 1.00pm

RM300 Audit
 RM450 Credit (Undergraduate)
 RM500 Credit (Graduate)

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English TEE Upcoming Class

*3 CREDIT HOURS
(CORE)



INTRODUCTION TO OLD TESTAMENT

This Course is an introduction to the 39 books of the Old Testament in order for the students to understand and appreciate their historical contexts, authors, theological themes and significances and the role of divine inspiration and authority.

1. *To understand the contents of the Old Testament and its historical and theological framework.*
2. *To examine the major themes in the Old Testament.*
3. *To be aware of issues of debate in Old Testament study and the basic issues of Old Testament interpretation.*
4. *To appreciate the relationship between the Old and the New Testament.*
5. *To reflect on the usefulness of the Old Testament in daily living and in ministry.*
6. *To recognize various literary genres of the Old Testament. This includes an awareness of the vast differences between ancient cultural forms and the modern world.*

The Lecturer – Dr Siew Woh

Siew Woh is currently retired and now residing in Sydney. He used to work in the marketplace for 24 years before he became a pastor for about 20 years. He is happily married to Tan Suan Guat and has two sons and three grand children.



ONLINE CLASS: ZOOM PLATFORM

 Apr 4-6, 11-13 & 18-20
 Thu 7.30pm - 10.30pm
 Fri 7.30pm - 10.30pm
 Sat 10.00am - 1.00pm

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English TEE Upcoming Class

Venue:
Luther Centre
(Petaling Jaya)

Jointly Organised with AOIC & BCM



THEOLOGY OF MARRIAGE, SINGLENES, OFFSPRING & FAMILY

3 Cr Hours
(Elective)

This course explores the theological dimensions of marriage, singleness, offspring and family from the perspective of the redemptive-historical storyline of the biblical text and the subsequent Christian theological tradition. The course engages contemporary theological questions and challenges around the definition and purpose of marriage, the purpose, place and validity of singleness, issues related to sexuality and identity, biblical visions for biological and spiritual family, and the different perspectives on divorce and remarriage. The focus will be on developing a compelling biblical-theological worldview for to effectively engage contemporary challenges on marriage and family faced by pastors and Christian leaders.

The Lecturer – Rev Dr Barry N. Danylak

Barry Danylak, was raised in Wheaton, Illinois and grew up attending the Wheaton Bible Church. In 1991 he began attending College Church in Wheaton and joined the leadership and teaching team of the single adult Sunday School class. After completing an M.A. in Biblical Exegesis at Wheaton College, he had the opportunity to pursue a PhD. on 1 Corinthians 7 with the University of Cambridge. Currently, he serves as the Community Pastor for the Single Adult Ministries at Centre Street Church in Calgary, Alberta, and as an adjunct professor of theology at Rocky Mountain College in Calgary.



BLENDDED CLASS: ONLINE AND PHYSICAL

 Jun 14-15 & 17-18
 Fri & Sat; Mon & Tue
9.00am-5.00pm

Closing Date:
June 7

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RM450 Credit (Undergraduate)
RM500 Credit (Graduate)
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旧约导论

“旧约导论”课程是研读旧约圣经背景的课程，着重的是经文背后的世界 (The World Behind the Text)，而旧约导览着重纵览旧约的经文 (The World of the Text)。本课程因此聚焦于探讨旧约的背景课题，包括——旧约正典的来源与形成，古代近东地区的文明，旧约与考古学，古代以色列社会历史，希伯来思想世界，旧约宗教的发展和第二圣殿期的挑战等等。学生将会认识一些具有争议性的课题，如旧约书卷的作者课题，还有旧约与古代近东的宗教思想之关联。

日期：3-5/5、10-12/5
星期五~7PM-10PM
星期六~9AM-1PM, 2PM-6PM
星期天~2:30PM-5:30PM



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PROGRAM TEE BM

PENDIDIKAN KRISTIAN



TERAS UNTUK BCM

Tarikh: 14-16 & 21-23 Jun 2024

Lokasi: Gereja Methodist Cina Kampar
5, Jalan Kuala Dipang (Jln Naga Emas),
31900 Kampar.

Pautan Pendaftaran: http://tiny.cc/BMTEE2024_PK

Tarikh Akhir Pendaftaran: 3 Jun 2024

Rangka Kursus:

- Memahami tujuan pendidikan Kristian.
- Mengenal pasti kaedah-kaedah yang terbaik dan berfaedah untuk pendidikan Kristian dalam konteks pelayanan sendiri.
- Mengiktiraf keluarga sebagai pusat pendidikan Kristian daripada seluruh Alkitab.
- Mengulangi keutamaan wahyu Alkitabiah dalam proses mendidik.
- Mengkaji contoh Yesus sebagai seorang guru, jurulatih dan pemimpin.
- Memberi penekanan kepada peranan dinamik Roh Kudus dalam pengajaran dan pembelajaran.
- Respon kepada Amanat Agung dengan mengimbangkan penginjilan dan kemajuan rohani.
- Memberi perhatian kepada pendidikan untuk pertumbuhan rohani yang
- Menghasilkan murid-murid matang.

Mengenai Pensyarah, Rev Reekha Malajang

Beliau melayani di Luther Seminary PCS sebagai tenaga pengajar dalam bidang Pendidikan Agama Kristian (PAK), Dekan Pelajar dan Penaung Perpustakaan. Beliau memiliki Master Ministry, (STS), Master Teologi ,(STT GKE) dan Ijazah Sarjana Muda Teologi, (STS). Beliau juga pernah melayani di kalangan Orang Asal.

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தமிழ் தியியி செய்திகள்

கிறிஸ்துவின் நாமத்தில் வாழ்த்துகள்!

எஸ்.டி.எம். செய்தித்தாளின் வழி உங்களை சந்திப்பதில் மிக்க மகிழ்ச்சியடைகிறோம். தமிழ் தியியி ன் திட்டங்களையும் புதிய செய்திகளையும் பகிர்ந்துகொள்வதில் மிக்க மகிழ்ச்சி. தமிழ் தியியி மீதான உங்களின் அசைக்கமுடியாத அர்ப்பணிப்புக்கு எங்களின் மனமார்ந்த நன்றிகளைத் தெரிவித்துக்கொள்கிறோம்.

2024 ஆம் ஆண்டில் எஸ்.டி.எம் கல்லூரியில் ஐந்து வகுப்புகள் நடைபெறுகின்றன.

- (1) யோவான் புத்தகம் – ஜனவரி – 18-20
- (2) திருமணம் மற்றும் பாலியல் – மார்ச் 7-9
- (3) குடும்பம், குழந்தைகள் மற்றும் இளைஞர்கள் மார்ச் 14-16
- (4) பன்மை சமூகத்தின் நற்செய்தி – ஜூலை 4-6
- (5) கிறிஸ்துவ சமூகப் பணிகள் செப்டம்பர் 5-7

மற்றும் குறுகிய கால பயணமாக மியன்மார் மிஷன் பயணம் மே-10-14,2024 ஆகியவை எங்களின் திட்டங்களில் உள்ளன. இந்தப் பயணத்தின்வழியாக புலம்பெயர்ந்தோருக்குள் கிறிஸ்துவத்தின் வளர்ச்சியைப் புரிந்துகொள்வதற்கும், புத்தமதத்தினரின் மத்தியில் சவால்களைச் சந்திக்கும் கிறிஸ்துவர்களை மாணவர்கள் ஆராய்வதற்கும் பயனுள்ளதாக அமையும். நிறைவாக உள்ளூர் சபைகளுக்குள் பயனுள்ள ஊழியம் செய்யவும், தேவனுக்கு அர்ப்பணிக்கப்பட்ட சேவை செய்யவும் எளிய மக்களுக்கு கல்வியைத்தரவும் தமிழ் தியியி வழியாக மீண்டும் நாங்கள் உறுதியளிக்கிறோம். தமிழில் இறையியல் கல்வியைத்தொடர உங்களின் சபை ஊழியர்களை தொடர்ந்து எஸ்.டி.எம் தமிழ் தியியிக்கு அனுப்புமாறு சபை தலைமைப் போதகர்களைக் அன்போடு கேட்டுக்கொள்கிறோம்.

நீங்கள் அளித்துவரும் ஆதரவுக்கும் தொடர்ந்து நீங்கள் எங்களோடு இணைந்து அளித்துவரும் அனைத்து பொருளாதார நிதியுதவிகளுக்கும் நன்றி கூறுகிறோம். மனமார்ந்த ஈஸ்டர் வாழ்த்துகள்.

என்றும் கிறிஸ்துவின் ஊழியத்தில் அருள்திரு. ஜோசப் யேசுபாதம் ஒருங்கிணைப்பாளர் தமிழ் தியியி – எஸ்.டி.எம்., சிரம்பான்,



Rev. Joseph Yesupatham
Tamil TEE Programme Coordinator

Introducing New Full-Time Faculty Members and New Faculty-in-Development 2024

As we embark on the promising journey of a new academic year, it is with great pleasure we welcome new full-time faculty members and new Faculty-in-Development who are joining our STM community.



Dr. Tan Ee Yan (陈以欣博士)

- Role: Assistant Director of Centre for Bible Engagement; Alumni Relations Officer
- Faculty Role: English Department Faculty
- Qualifications: MDiv (TTC, 2014); MA (Theological Studies) (Princeton, 2014); PhD (Lutheran Seminary, 2023)
- Denomination: Lutheran Church in Malaysia
- Area of Studies: Old Testament



Pr. Kelly Oon Pek Kim (温碧琴传道)

- Role: Assistant Dean of Studies (Planning & Operation)
- Faculty Role: Chinese Department Faculty
- Qualifications: B. Business Administration (Hons) (UUM, 2012); MDiv (STM/ATESEA, 2019); Master of Theology in Old Testament (STM/ATESEA) Candidate
- Denomination: Methodist
- Area of Studies: Old Testament



Rev. Joseph Yesupatham - New Faculty-in-Development

- Role: Tamil TEE Programme Coordinator
- Responsibility: Coordinating and promoting the Tamil TEE Programme
- Qualifications: BTh (STM, 1999), MTh (in progress)
- Denomination: Methodist
- Area of Expertise: Pastoral Theology



Mr. Timothy Yee - Faculty-in-Development with Expanded Responsibilities

- New Role: Assistant Director of English TEE
- Responsibility: Assisting the English TEE Director in promoting the English TEE Programme
- Qualifications: MDiv (STM, 2022), MTh (in progress)
- Denomination: AOG
- Area of Expertise: New Testament

Continued Exciting News! Welcoming New Roles for Our Faculty Members and Research Fellow

This new year also brings forth delightful announcements from our faculty team. Please join us in extending warm congratulations to our faculty members and Research Fellow, who have assumed new and empowering roles.



Pr. Dr. Elaine Goh Wei Fun 吴慧芬传道 (博士)

- New Role: Dean of Centre of Postgraduate Studies (2024-2027); Director of Centre for Bible Engagement (2024-2027) ;
- Faculty Role: English & Chinese Departments Faculty
- Qualifications: B (Hons) Mass Communication (USM, 1995); MDiv (STM/SEAGST, 2000); Master of Theology in Old Testament (Princeton, 2007); DTheol (SEAGST/ATU, 2013)
- Denomination: Methodist, Chinese Annual Conference
- Area of Studies: Old Testament

Dr. Elaine Goh was honoured with the Outstanding Mentor Award 2023 from the Society of Biblical Literature (SBL) on November 20, 2023.



Rev Daniel Ng Wee Jin 黄伟仁牧师

- New Role: Dean of Studies (2024-2027)
- Faculty Role: English, Chinese & BM Departments Faculty
- Qualifications: Bachelor of Engineering (Civil) (UTM, 2003); MDiv (STM/ATESEA, 2008); MTh (Princeton, 2017)
- Denomination: Presbyterian, Gereja Presbyterian Malaysia
- Area of Studies: Pastoral Studies



Rev. Jensey Bin Mojuin

- New Role: Assistant Director of BM TEE; Director of Centre for Religion & Society; Director of Field Education (BM)
- Faculty Role: BM Department Faculty
- Qualifications: Bachelor of Theology (Seminari Teologi Sabah (STS), 1997); Master of Theology (STS/SEAGST, 2005)
- Denomination: The Protestant Church in Sabah (PCS)
- Area of Studies: Asian Religion (Islamic Studies)



Dr. Law Choon Sii 刘聪赐博士

- New Role: Associate Dean of Centre of Postgraduate Studies
- Faculty Role: Chinese Department Faculty
- Qualifications: Biomedical Science (Hon Class II – Upper Division) (UM, 1999); MDiv (TTC, 2006); MTheol (STM/SEAGST, 2008); DTheol (ATU, 2015)
- Denomination: Methodist
- Area of Studies: New Testament



Rev. Dr. Lim Kar Yong 林家扬牧师 (博士)

- New Role: Research Fellow
- Qualifications: B. Surveying (Property Management) (Hons) (UTM, 1991); BA in Bible/Theology (ICI University, 1997); MA in New Testament (Summa cum Laude) (Gordon-Conwell, 2000); PhD (University of Wales, 2007)
- Denomination: Anglican
- Area of Studies: New Testament

Rev. Dr. Lim Kar Yong, who has been a valuable part of STM since 2007, is embarking on a new chapter as the Director of the recently established Diocesan Theological Education Department of the Anglican Diocese of West Malaysia.

While transitioning to this pivotal role, we are delighted to announce that Rev. Dr. Lim will continue to play an integral part in our academic journey as a Research Fellow at STM. His dedication and expertise will undoubtedly enrich our scholarly community.

The above mentioned faculty members and research fellow, their unwavering dedication to theological education and leadership has been invaluable to STM. We are confident that their new roles will bring even more positive impact to our seminary.

Let's celebrate these milestones together as we eagerly anticipate a year filled with growth, collaboration, and academic excellence!

Staff Movement

We welcome the following staff serving in their respective positions:



Rev. Sophia Voon

- New Role: Associate Director for Field Education
- Responsibilities: To liaise with churches to nurture students in the field.



Sushantine AP Chandrasekaran, Rebecca as the new Academic Assistant, effective February 1, 2024, assisting the Assistant Dean of Studies for the English Department's In-campus Programme.

Urgent Recruitment

Urgent Recruitment: Assistant Manager (Corporate Services)

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- Minimum Experience: At least 5 years in the same or similar capacity.

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- Oversee end-to-end and ensure smooth operations together with team members and other departments.
- Handle financial planning and analysis, budget, reports to the Board and Committees.
- Liaise with company secretary, auditor, government bodies, etc.



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Heartiest Congratulations

Pastor Jovan Tan Shi Xian (2023 STM alumnus) and Ms. Tina Lew Mei Ting were married on 2 December 2023.



Rev. Allan Selvadas (2022 STM alumnus) and Ms. Melinda were married on 27 January 2024.



Rev. Immanuel Moses (2020 STM alumnus) and Ms. Kirubashini were married on 10 February 2024.



Financial Updates

This year, 2024 marks STM's 45th year, and we are celebrating God's Greatness towards STM throughout these years and trusting in HIS greatness in the coming years.

Through HIM, we have been continuously receiving support from our faithful STM Friends & Partners, as well as donors who remember STM; from our ever-supportive council, sub-committees, faculty, staff, and students. Through all this encouraging support, we are thankful and grateful to our Great and Mighty God, and also to you, our valuable supporters.

As for the coming days and years, we continue to trust in HIS greatness, HIS goodness, and HIS ever-flowing providence.

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Total Income	4,289,600
Expenses	RM
Academic	2,680,976
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Condolences 慰唁

STM extends our deepest sympathy and condolences to the family of:



STM alumnus Jeffrey Chan Cheow Nam, who passed away on December 5, 2023.



STM student Vincent Bin Mojuga, whose father, Mr. Ds Mojuga Tukung, went home to be with the Lord on December 28, 2023.



STM alumnus Yoong Yee Seng, whose mother inlaw, Tan Siew Eng, found solace with the Lord on January 9, 2024.



STM Council Member Caldwell David Joseph, who went home to be with the Lord on January 13, 2024.



STM staff Mr. Chan Hon Yee, whose father, Mr. Chan Siak Fatt, passed away on February 17, 2024.



The Rt. Rev. Datuk Ng Moon Hing, the former STM Council President, and Datin Ding Siew Lan, the STM alumna. We mourn the passing of his father inlaw and her father, Mr. Ding Hua Ming, who found solace with the Lord on March 9, 2024.

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