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EVERYTHING NEW

Most people would probably read Revelation 21:5 to mean the act of God to establish the new heaven and new earth at the end of the universe. In my reflection, looking at the present active tense used in this verse, I have the impression that this verse reminds us that our God is always actively making everything new because every moment to Him is the present.

Unlike humans whose lives are confined in a temporal timeline from the past to the present and into the future, God transcends time. From Genesis until Revelation, from the creation until the new heaven and new earth, God's act of renewal is continuously active for time is a constant to Him.

When Jesus proclaimed: "The kingdom of God has come near" (Mark 1:15) to begin his ministry on earth, he implied the establishment of the kingdom of God amidst humans with His death and resurrection. We, who put our faith in Christ are a new creation in Him (2 Cor. 5:17). Through Christ, we have a new relationship with God as His children (John 1:12; Gal. 4:5). By the resurrection of Christ, we have a new hope for eternal life promised by God (1 Pet. 1:3).

He made everything new every step of the way for us, and He is still doing it everyday in our lives! Lent may be a season for us to reflect upon the suffering of Christ for us, but it could also be a time to remember the great new things that God had accomplished for us through the passion of His Son.

Behold, I am making everything new.

Revelation 21:5



一切都更新

看哪，我把一切都更新了。（启 21：5）

大多数人读到启示录21章5节时，会认为这是指神在宇宙的最后时刻建立新天新地的作为。但我注意到这节经文中使用的是现在式动词。因此，我寻思这节经文其实是在提醒我们一事实：我们的神总是积极地使一切更新，因为对祂来说，每一刻都是“现在”。

我们人类的生命被限制在从过去到现在和未来的时间线上。但是神不同，神超越时间的限制。从创世记到启示录，从创造到新天新地，对于这位看时间为恒定的神而言，祂更新的作为是持续不断的。

当耶稣开始祂在地上的事工时，祂宣告：“神的国临近了”（马可福音 1:15）。祂在暗示，通过祂的死和复活，神的国度将在人类当中建立。相信基督的人，在祂里面成为新造的人（林后 5:17）。透过基督，我们成为了神的儿女，与神建立新的关系（约 1:12；加 4:5）。借着基督的复活，我们对神所应许的永生有了新的盼望（彼前 1:3）。

神在我们生命中行新事，并且每天都在更新我们！大斋期可能是我们反思基督为我们受苦的节期，但它也是我们记住上帝通过他儿子的受苦，为我们成就伟大新事的季节。

SEGALANYA BAHARU

Kebanyakan orang yang membaca Wahyu 21:5 mungkin menganggap ini sebagai perihalan tindakan Tuhan untuk mendirikan langit baru dan bumi baru pada akhir zaman. Saya perhatikan bahawa ayat ini telah ditulis dalam bentuk kata aktif masa kini dan memahami ini sebagai satu peringatan kepada kita bahawa Tuhan kita sentiasa aktif menjadikan segala-galanya baharu kerana setiap saat bagi-Nya adalah masa kini.

Hidup manusia dibatasi masa dari dahulu hingga sekarang dan juga masa akan datang, tetapi Tuhan tidak dibatasi masa. Dari Kejadian hingga Wahyu, dari penciptaan hingga ke langit baru dan bumi baru, pekerjaan pembaharuan Tuhan terus aktif kerana bagi-Nya, masa adalah sesuatu yang tetap tidak berubah.

Lihatlah, Aku telah mencipta segalanya baru.

Wahyu 21: 5

Apabila Yesus mengumumkan: “Kerajaan Tuhan sudah dekat” (Markus 1:15) untuk memulakan pelayanan-Nya di bumi, ayat ini membawa maksud bahawa kerajaan Allah akan didirikan dalam kalangan dunia manusia melalui kematian dan kebangkitan-Nya. Kita yang meletakkan iman kita dalam Kristus adalah ciptaan baru di dalam-Nya (2 Kor 5:17). Melalui Kristus, kita mempunyai hubungan baru dengan Tuhan sebagai anak-anak Allah (Yoh 1:12; Gal 4:5). Dengan kebangkitan Kristus, kita mempunyai harapan baru untuk hidup kekal yang dijanjikan oleh Tuhan (1 Pet. 1:3).

Tuhan telah menjadikan segala-galanya baharu untuk kita, dan Dia masih berbuat demikian setiap hari dalam hidup kita! Musim Pra-Paskah (*Lent*) mungkin merupakan musim untuk kita merenungkan penderitaan Kristus demi kita, tetapi ia juga boleh menjadi masa untuk kita mengingati perkara-perkara baharu yang hebat yang telah Tuhan telah capai untuk kita melalui keseksaan Putera-Nya.



Pray For STM

Our Faculty

Pray for the faculty's continued unity, fidelity, and fruitfulness.

Growing Holistically In Christ

Rev. Dr. Chong Siaw Fung | STM Principal



MIND
BODY SPIRIT
SOUL

I joined STM as a full-time faculty in May 2020 and served as the principal in April 2021. The theme of STM then (“Growing as Christ’s Servants”) was very inspiring to me. The statement of identity as “Christ’s Servants” was most appropriate to describe this community which was meant to achieve the purpose of training and equipping God’s servants in His church. Eventually, this had driven me to realise that it is God’s desire that STM should be a “community of shepherds” during the Fast and Prayer Day of STM in 2021. We—students, staff, and faculty—are all called to serve one another here, to fulfill the calling to be shepherds to one another and for the community of God’s people. “Growing” depicts a continuous motion, reminding us that being “Christ’s Servants” is the ultimate objective for which we will constantly have to work on. While “Christ’s Servants” seemed to be a given identity for us, it is also a state that we will have to “grow” into.

Since then, it has been five years. As we begin this year, the theme of “renewal” and “transformation” came to my mind. “Christ’s Servants” should be perpetually transformed by the renewal of our minds. At the same time, my co-workers observed the need to encourage the community to focus on growth in all aspects—intellectual, personal, social, and spiritual. The theme “Growing Holistically in Christ” was adopted for the Annual Retreat at the beginning of the academic year. We are all urged, not to merely focus on the acquisition of academic knowledge, but also to strive towards continuous renewal and transformation in personal character, human relations, and spiritual formation. In February, the Faculty agreed to adopt “Growing Holistically in Christ” (“在基督里整全成长” “Bertumbuh Holistik Dalam Kristus” “கிறிஸ்துவில் முழுமையாக வளர்தல்”) as the theme for 2025-2029. “Growing” will remain the essential dynamic motion, but the “growing” should be holistic, so that “Christ’s servants” in STM will be equipped for works of service to serve and build up the body of Christ “until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ” (Eph. 4:12-13). All glory be to the Almighty God, and to Jesus Christ our Great Shepherd.

Lent, A Season of Renewal

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Lent is a season of spiritual renewal and reflection, much like the arrival of spring after the stillness of winter. Just as nature begins to awaken with new life, Lent provides Christians with an opportunity to reflect on the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. It's a time to remember His great sacrifice and renew our commitment to Him through prayer, fasting, and acts of penance. The 40 days of Lent, which mirror the 40 days Jesus spent fasting in the wilderness, offer us a chance to draw closer to God and deepen our relationship with Him. As we journey through Lent in 2025, we bring our lives before God, seeking spiritual renewal and a fresh perspective on our faith.

In today's fast-paced world, where everything seems to move at lightning speed—whether it's our internet (from 2G to 5G), fast food, faster cars, or even the ability to speed up videos on YouTube—it can be difficult to slow down. Yet, Lent calls us to do just that. It reminds us to pause, reflect, and intentionally quiet our minds and hearts. As Christians, we are encouraged to step away from the noise, busyness, and distractions of life, embracing moments of silence and waiting patiently on God. In a culture that constantly urges us to move faster, this intentional slowing down is a powerful act of faith, helping us realign our lives with God's will and fostering a deeper connection to His presence during this sacred season.

During this beautiful time, we are invited to reflect on our lives and faith journeys. It's an opportunity for self-examination and assessing the depth of our relationship with God. Have the events and encounters of the past year drawn us closer to Him? Or have we strayed from His presence? Now is the time to reflect and reconnect with God.

Below are a few prayer guides and suggestions for this season. They can help us reflect on all that God has done for us, give thanks for His encounters, and seek His guidance for the year ahead. Let us focus on renewing our relationship with God.

Prayer Guides for Renewal

As we want to pray for renewal, we look at different methods available for connecting with God. Some may be suitable for you, others may not, but give them a chance and try them out. With hopes that they can help you during your time with God.

1. Meditations

a. For Christians, meditation focuses on the presence and Word of God. We do not go into the emptiness of sitting idly, emptying our mind, and being in a state of blankness but rather, we fill our minds with the presence and the Word of God. For us, meditation is the ability to hear God's voice and obey His Words.

Psalms 46:10 – Be still and know that I am God.

b. Through meditation, we get to know Christ deeply and seek His guidance through His Words.

*Introduction: <https://www.gotquestions.org/Christian-meditation.html>
<https://www.gotquestions.org/biblical-meditation.html>

*How to do it: <https://www.gotquestions.org/meditate-on-Gods-Word.html>

c. For prayer during this season, you may prepare some verses that seeks renewal, especially those that can help us reconnect with God. (Some examples below;)

- i. Acts 3: 19 - Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord,
- ii. Psalm 145: 18 - The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.
- iii. Matthew 11: 28-30 - "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light."

d. Set aside time to pause from your everyday activities, and spend it specifically to connect with God. Use His Words to meditate. Seek God and ask Him where He wants you to be or what He wants you to do. After your session with God, give Him thanks for the wonderful and precious moments. You may also close the session with the Lord's Prayer.

2. Prayer Labyrinth

a. The Prayer Labyrinth offers a powerful way to slow down and disconnect from the busyness of daily life, providing an opportunity to reconnect with God. A walk through the labyrinth takes time, and it depends on how deeply we engage with it. This spiritual practice blends the physical act of walking with meditation, inviting you to reflect on a specific concern or area to seek God's guidance. Journaling your insights can help deepen your experience. To fully embrace this practice, it's essential to set aside dedicated time and intentionally disconnect from the distractions that often demand our attention, particularly our mobile phones.

b. Below is a general guide on how you can use the Prayer Labyrinth to pray for renewal: [Adapted and modified from the Prayer Labyrinth User Guide prepared by the late Rev. Dr. Wong Tik Wah]

*Introduction: <https://stm.edu.my/beritastm/2021/04/28/prayer-labyrinth-at-stm/>

*User Guide: <https://stm.edu.my/beritastm/2021/04/28/prayer-labyrinth-at-stm-user-guide/>

c. As we focus on Praying for renewal in this year, you may look for some verses relating to this and use it as your starting point.

d. Have a verse to start off (Here are some recommendations)

Isaiah 40:31 - but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.

Psalms 51:10 – Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me

e. Prepare on what you want to pray about and start off with a prayer for God's guidance as you move along the path inwards. After the journey, take time to record your experiences and insights received during the walk.

3. The Ignatian Examen/Examen Prayer

a. This is a prayer tool that helps us to find God in all things. It helps us to encounter God which then allows us to express gratitude for what He has for us. In the prayer, we need to do a self-examination and reflect on the item that we want to bring to God during this prayer.

b. Steps for the Examen Prayer are adapted and modified from the following:

- <https://www.ignatianspirituality.com/examen-prayer-for-the-year/>
- <https://www.jesuits.org/spirituality/the-ignatian-examen/>

c. It is encouraged that you find a comfortable and not so easily disturbed place that you can quieten yourself with (+/- at least 15 minutes)

d. For this season, try reflecting on the events that impacted you the most in the previous year, and run a self-check if that event drew you closer to God or made you stray away. Do this with a grateful heart and after examination, seek for God's reconciliation and ask for His wisdom to guide you on what to do next in this upcoming year.

4. Prayer Journaling

- a. Journaling allows us to see the progress of our prayer journey and reflect on our experiences.
- b. It is encouraged to practice journaling your prayer journey so that
 - i. You are aware of what your journey is like
 - ii. You can see your progress
 - iii. You can find a way to reflect and give thanks to God when you look back at this journey or when times are difficult

5. Prayer Partner / Prayer Group

- a. At times, we may also consider doing the prayers with a few close people. Have a prayer partner or prayer group (3 to 4 is recommended).

Matthew 18:20 - For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them.

- b. Generally, many people will prefer to pray in solitude or in their personal environments. At times, praying with a partner or in a small group can help us refresh our energy, as well as in supporting and encouraging each other through times of intercession. This is something you can try out if you have someone you are comfortable with that feels the same.

In summary, Lent is a season for spiritual renewal, offering Christians an opportunity to reflect on the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. It's also a time to re-examine our relationship with God. Lent encourages a slowing down progress in this fast-paced world to reconnect with God and deepening the relationship with Him through prayer, fasting, and penance. Practices like meditation on Scripture, the Prayer Labyrinth, the Ignatian Examen, prayer journaling, and praying with others help foster reflection and renewal, guiding believers to realign their faith and seek God's guidance for the year ahead. I pray and hope that this year, all of us will have a chance to do this and build a stronger bond with God and His calling for us.



The Weight of Renewal

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Renewal takes place when an individual turns back to God, leading to a profound personal transformation. Yet, this encounter and transformation is not merely personal—it is also communal. As people live alongside one another, conflicts arise, divisions deepen, and relationships fracture. The brokenness seen in the community is not just a collective issue but a reflection of the struggles each of us carries.

When we turn our eyes to the cross, bearing the bloodstains of our God, we see this struggle played out on a greater scale. Those who received God's law and witnessed His signs rejected and condemned Him. They were not strangers to God's covenant but had been entrusted with His word. They were scholars, spiritual leaders, teachers, and wise figures of the law. Yet, they failed to recognise the One who stood before them and preached what they should have known. In the face of their rejection, our Lord submitted Himself to the cross, bearing the weight of sin for the salvation of humanity. Through His sacrifice, the journey towards the renewal for God's purpose began.

Likewise, when we look at the community around us, we see the brokenness of our brothers and sisters. However, in light of Christ's sacrifice and the renewal it brings, we find hope. This hope begins with the realisation that humanity's renewal came at a great cost—through blood, sweat, and tears. It came through unmerited grace, love, and mercy, calling us to bear with one another. It was not ushered in by the sword of justice demanding perfection but by the higher call to reconciliation through forbearance.

When God gave us the chance to begin anew in Christ Jesus, the course of humanity was forever changed. His sacrifice lifted the burden of sin and opened the way for reconciliation with God and with one another. Just as Christ bore with those who rejected Him, we are called to bear with one another. We are called to extend grace where there is division, love where there is brokenness, and mercy where there is failure. Renewal is not a single event but a continuous act of faith—one that compels us to walk the path of Christ. In doing so, our struggle finds meaning in God's greater purpose and renewal is no longer a distant hope but an unfolding promise.

Aletheia Foong Kalai



从大斋节到十字架——谈谈被遗忘的春天

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谈到四旬节，记忆中的教会总披上素白装饰，圣坛布幔低垂，气氛沉重。那是信仰中一段特殊的日子，信徒们以禁食与祷告，默想生命的脆弱与罪的深重。然而，当我翻查“Lent”的根源，发现它源于古英语“lencten”，意为“春天”，来自“lengthen”（长的），指白天渐长的时节。冰雪消融，嫩芽破土，这自然复苏的意象本该充满喜悦，为何“lencten”的春天在历史长河中被人淡忘？从“lencten”的自然之春，到四旬节的灵性预备，再到十字架的救赎，我开始追溯这被遮蔽的春天。

以色列人的春天在尼散月，公历三至四月。逾越节纪念他们脱离埃及奴役，从法老苦役的寒冬迎来自由的春光，尼散月因此成为犹太历“月份之首”，这盼望穿越历史，指向更深的救赎。大斋节则是纪念耶稣降临，胜过旷野试探，为我们的罪死在十字架上。正如逾越节的羔羊预表救赎，祂是“神的羔羊”，用宝血洗净罪污。我们如奴隶，困于灵性寒冬，祂却将我们带回父神，使我们成为神的儿女。这不仅是自然春天的复苏，更是生命永恒春天的好消息。

从四旬节的严肃，到“lencten”的春光，再到尼散月的自由，最终在十字架上绽放，“春天”成为信仰的旅程。大斋节唤醒悔悟，逾越节点燃希望，基督的牺牲赐下新生。《加拉太书》5:1言：“基督释放了我们，叫我们得自由。”愿这自由如春风吹散寒冬，如花朵盛开心田。真正的春天不在田野，而在灵魂深处！

陈启恩



Bagaimanakah pelajaran dari Pra-Paskah dapat membentuk kehidupan peribadi, keluarga, dan masyarakat?

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Pembaharuan: Mencari Permulaan Baru dalam Tujuan Tuhan

Musim Pra-paskah, renungan rohani memberikan peluang yang indah untuk merenungkan makna pembaharuan dalam kehidupan kita. Ini adalah masa yang sesuai untuk kembali ke teras iman kita, mencari permulaan baru, dan memperbaharui komitmen terhadap tujuan Tuhan untuk diri, keluarga dan masyarakat.

Pembaharuan Peribadi

Pembaharuan bermula dari hati setiap individu. Dalam Mazmur 51:12, Daud berdoa, "Berilah aku hati yang murni, ya Allah, dan perbaharuilah roh yang teguh dalam diriku." Ayat ini mengingatkan kita bahawa pembaharuan yang benar hanya boleh berlaku melalui hubungan yang rapat dengan Tuhan. Musim Pra-paskah adalah waktu untuk berdoa, berpuasa, dan merenungkan firman Tuhan agar hati kita dapat diperbaharui. Melalui proses ini, kita dapat melepaskan beban dosa, tabiat buruk, dan kekecewaan masa lalu, sambil membuka diri kita untuk menerima cinta dan pengampunan-Nya.

Pembaharuan dalam Keluarga

Pembaharuan juga boleh membawa perubahan ketara kepada kehidupan keluarga. Sebagai institusi yang ditetapkan oleh Tuhan, keluarga adalah tempat di mana nilai-nilai Kristian diamalkan dan diterapkan. Dengan mengambil masa untuk berdoa bersama, mempelajari Alkitab, dan memaafkan satu sama lain, kita dapat memperbaharui hubungan keluarga. Dalam Kolose 3:13, kita diminta untuk "bersabarlah satu sama lain dan mengampuni satu sama lain jika seseorang menaruh dendam terhadap yang lain." Dengan pembaharuan ini, keluarga kita akan menjadi saksi hidup kasih Kristus.

Pembaharuan dalam Masyarakat

Komuniti yang diperbaharui boleh menjadi alat yang berkuasa untuk mengisytiharkan kerajaan Tuhan di dunia ini. Yesaya 58:6-7 mengajarkan bahawa puasa yang berkenan kepada Tuhan melibatkan tindakan keadilan seperti membebaskan orang yang tertindas, memberi makan kepada orang yang lapar, dan menyediakan tempat tinggal bagi mereka yang memerlukan. Melalui semangat ini, Musim Puasa menggalakkan kita untuk terlibat dalam perkhidmatan kepada masyarakat, terutamanya kepada mereka yang terpinggir. Dengan menjadi garam dan terang di dunia (Matius 5:13-16), kita boleh membawa harapan dan pembaharuan kepada orang-orang di sekeliling kita. Musim Pra-paskah mengingatkan kita bahawa Tuhan adalah sumber pembaharuan sejati. Dengan membuka hati kita kepada-Nya, kita boleh mengalami perubahan yang membawa makna baharu kepada kehidupan peribadi, keluarga dan masyarakat kita. Marilah kita menggunakan masa ini untuk merenung, berkembang, dan melangkah ke hadapan dalam tujuan Tuhan, supaya hidup kita menjadi kesaksian akan kasih dan kuasa-Nya.

Amin.



Aidih Jamil

FUN FACTS OF LENT SEASON

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LENT IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO COLLECTIVELY CONTEMPLATE THE SUFFERING, DEATH, AND RESURRECTION OF JESUS IN OUR PERSONAL LIVES AND PREPARE FOR EASTER. LENT BEGINS SIX WEEKS BEFORE EASTER ON ASH WEDNESDAY AND LASTS 40 DAYS UNTIL GOOD FRIDAY.



ASHES

In the Old Testament, ashes represent death and sorrow for sins (Jer 6:26; 25:34; Dan 9:3; Jonah 3:6,10). Our bodies are made of dust (Gen 2:7), and we return to “dust and ashes” after death (Gen 18:17).

THE LITURGICAL COLOUR: PURPLE

It symbolises mourning, suffering, humility, regret, and the willingness to do penance, particularly fasting based on Jesus’ Passion, when the soldiers clothed him in a purple cloak and tortured him (Mark 15:17–20; John 19:2–3).





PRAYING HANDS

Represent prayer to strengthen one's relationship with God and in so doing, to turn away from sin.

THE SYMBOL OF 40 DAYS

40 symbolises tests and trials. 40 days and 40 nights when Noah was in the Ark; Moses lived in Egypt for 40 years; in Midian, he served God for 40 years; and the Israelites spent 40 years in the wilderness before being delivered from slavery. Jesus also fasted 40 days and 40 nights in the desert in preparation for his public ministry (Matthew 4).



LENT PRAYER

Merciful Lord, grant Your people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow You, the only God; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

FUN FACTS OF EASTER

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A JOURNEY WITH JESUS FROM PALM SUNDAY TO EASTER SUNDAY

Palm branches

Holy Week (Passion Week) begins on Palm Sunday, the Sunday before Easter. Palm branches remind us of when Jesus went to Jerusalem riding on a donkey (Mark 11:1-11, Mat 21:1-11, Luke 19:28-44 & John 12:12-19).



Foot washing

The church practices foot washing on Maundy Thursday during Holy Week, as exemplified by Jesus. In John 13:14, Jesus washed his disciples' feet during the Last Supper, symbolising humility, service, and the importance of Christians serving one another.



PALM SUNDAY

GOOD FRIDAY

1 JOHN 1:10

The crucifixion of Jesus Christ who died for our sins.

OTHER NAMES FOR GOOD FRIDAY

1. Good Friday of the Passion of the Lord
2. Holy Friday
3. Great Friday



THE GOOD FRIDAY MESSAGE

A message of love. Jesus himself said, "Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends" (John 15:13).

JOHN THE POWERFUL WITNESS

There is only one disciple at the crucifixion of Jesus: the "disciple whom Jesus loved"—the apostle John (John 19:26-27).

JESUS' AGE WHEN HE DIED ON THE CROSS

He died at the age of 33 on Friday.

EASTER SUNDAY

Easter Sunday

The resurrection of Jesus Christ after the third day (Matthew 28:6, Mark 16:6, Luke 24:5-6 John 20:9). Jesus Christ has defeated death and given us the assurance of salvation through faith in Him (Romans 6:4).



Lord God, You loved this world so much that You gave Your one and only Son, so that we might be called Your children too. Lord, help us to live each day in the gladness and grace of Easter Sunday, every day. Give us hearts full of thankfulness for Your sacrifice.

EASTER PRAYER

My Journey of Faith and Obedience

Joshua A/L Dason David | First Year Student (BD)

I am Joshua, the youngest of two siblings. I live with my grandmother, mother, and sister under the same roof. From a young age, I have often received prophecies about having a ministerial calling on my life. I began praying about these prophecies, asking God to speak to me directly rather than through others. Aware of my character flaws, I prayed earnestly, seeking confirmation of whether God had truly called me to His work.

The year 2013 was particularly significant. During a weekly church prayer meeting, I felt a transformation in my spirit and began to pray fervently. Words started flowing into my mind, and I knew God was working within me. A few months later, I attended a youth service at a Tamil Methodist Church. The preacher spoke briefly about the "Born Again Experience" and encouraged everyone to pray early in the morning. Without hesitation, the following morning, I prayed about what had been shared and asked God to speak to me. As I worshipped, His presence filled my room, and miraculously, He enabled me to worship fluently in Tamil—something I had struggled with since childhood. It was refreshing and invigorating, and I could sense God transforming my negative thoughts. As months passed, through consistent prayer and Bible reading, I began to hear His voice more clearly.

The senior pastor at the time advised me to pursue higher education before fully committing to ministry. God prepared me during my time in Kuantan, teaching me to rely on Him through life's challenges and Sunday sermons at church. He provided me opportunities to overcome my anxiety and gave me the courage to speak in front of others. In 2023, I challenged myself to participate in the Growth Group at my local church, despite my fear of preaching and making mistakes. However, with God's guidance and the support of the Local church pastors, I successfully completed one year leading the Growth Group.

Knowing I was called to serve in His Kingdom, I began praying for a direction after completing my internship. I sought to know when the right time would come to step forward and fully commit to His calling. That same year, a deep burden on my heart affirmed that the time had arrived. God cleared my mind and emboldened me to take steps of faith toward fulfilling His will.

I am now a registered student at Seminari Theoloji Malaysia. Over the past three months, I have witnessed God's faithfulness in this new journey. Many thoughts flooded my mind—how I would cope with various challenges, what I would do if something happened to my family, and how I could support them. But engaging with other students and participating in discussions, both in and out of class, has helped calm my overthinking. The STM community has been a great source of support for me, playing an indirect yet crucial role in shaping me during this season of my life. To God be all the glory.

Joshua A/L Dason David



Panggilan Ku Ke STM

Elijah Victor Anak Doding | Tahun 1 (BTh)



“Apabila periuk yang sedang dibuatnya itu kurang sempurna, dia membentuknya semula sehingga menjadi periuk lain yang sesuai dengan kehendaknya.”

Yeremia 18:4

Saya telah mendengar tentang STM pertama kalinya melalui bapa saya sendiri, di mana beliau menimbal ilmu teologi. Pada 24 tahun lepas, setelah bersara dari Grup Gerak Khas sebagai Pegawai Waran II, beliau telah melayani di Christ Church Malacca dan seterusnya gereja mengutus beliau ke STM untuk mendalami teologi.

Iman saya mula bertumbuh semasa saya masih kanak-kanak di gereja saya, iaitu Christ Church Malacca. Pada masa itu, Assistant Bishop Datuk Dr. Sadayandy Batumalai mengajar beberapa orang remaja yang mengambil subjek Bible Knowledge di gereja kami. Kelas ini diadakan setiap minggu selepas kebaktian Bahasa Inggeris. Saya tidak pernah terlepas kelas Bible Knowledge dan saya sentiasa akan duduk di bahagian belakang tanpa mengganggu mereka yang mengambil subjek tersebut. Setiap kali Bishop Batumalai mengajar dan bertanya soalan kepada mereka, saya akan menumpukan sepenuh perhatian walaupun saya tidak memahaminya.

Dari zaman kanak-kanak sehinggalah zaman kolej, nama STM tidak dapat disenyapkan di telinga saya. Sepanjang saya menyertai aktiviti remaja di peringkat Diocese of West Malaysia, khususnya bahagian Lembaga Bahasa Malaysia & Orang Asal, banyak pihak akan bertanya, "bilakah kamu akan menjadi paderi?". Situasi ini, membuat saya merasa agak janggal. Saban tahun, terdapat beberapa kali saya mengabaikan panggilan Tuhan dan sering mengikuti kehendak sendiri.



Pelajar tahun 1 dari Borneo

Tuhan tidak pernah berhenti untuk memanggil saya sehingga saya memberikan jawapan. Panggilan itu tidak terus membawa saya ke STM. Sebaliknya, perjalanan bengkok-bengkok ini telah membentuk saya. Ibu bapa saya jatuh sakit yang begitu teruk sekali dan orang sekeliling tidak menghulurkan bantuan. Perasaan putus asa telah menyelubungi saya. Semasa bapa saya menjalani pembedahan jantung, saya meluangkan masa di gereja sambil merenungkan permasalahan ini. Tiba-tiba ada suara berbicara berulang kali, "Diam, ketahui Akulah TUHAN". Saya mencari suara itu kerana ingin tahu siapa yang sedang bercakap dengan saya kerana tiada sesiapa pun yang berada dalam gereja itu. Akhirnya, saya menemui suara itu berada di mazbah.

Perjalanan bengkok-bengkok selama 7 tahun ini tidak dapat difahami langsung. Akan tetapi ada beberapa hal yang telah mengajar saya, iaitu:

- 1) Tuhan ialah Hakim Yang Adil
- 2) Kasih-Nya kekal abadi
- 3) Dia berdaulat atas segala sesuatu

Sebelum saya menimba ilmu di STM, saya telah menjalani pembedahan tulang belakang sebanyak 2 kali dalam sehari kerana terdapat kemalangan dari pembedahan yang pertama.

Proses kemasukkan ke STM bukanlah kemahuan yang saya inginkan. Walau bagaimanapun, setelah 2 bulan berada di STM, saya memperolehi pembelajaran bukan setakat daripada pendidikan sahaja tetapi juga kebolehan bertutur selain Bahasa Malaysia. Perkara inilah yang mendorong saya untuk terus mendekati masyarakat yang tidak sama kaum dengan saya.



回应神的呼召，踏上装备之路

彭圣文 | 第一年生 (BD)

2024年11月，我收到神学院的录取通知。面对这个重要的决定，我不禁犹豫了。然而，神是慈爱信实的神，祂知道我需要一个一再被坚定，祂垂听了我的祷告。在我尚未回复神学院之前，祂已为我预备了我所需要的经济支持。看到神的作为，我再也没有藉口和理由不回应神的呼召了，就这样，今年我踏入位于芙蓉的马来西亚神学院（STM），展开四年全时间的装备旅程。

从职场到校园，我的生活经历了一百八十度的转变，但我很快就适应了。老师和学长们都很体谅与友善，而且每来到神学院就好像回到家一样。这里环境清幽，犹如世外桃源，完善的设施也提供了优良的学习环境。神学院的生活丰富多彩——学生团契所举办的各类活动，让我迅速地融入这属灵大家庭，彼此照应，互相帮助。在属灵塑造方面，每个学生都会被安排加入一个教牧小组，由牧者或老师聆听组员的心声，关怀学生的需要。此外，学院定期举办崇拜，透过不同宗派的敬拜形式，让我们体验多元的崇拜礼仪。

在师资方面，STM的讲师经验丰富、学术造诣深厚，学生从中受益匪浅。以教授希腊文的刘聪赐老师为例，她深入浅出的教学，让我很快就掌握了希腊文。这些年来，STM在学术上的成就有目共睹，培育许多来自不同领域、不同阶层、不同教育背景及不同宗派的杰出人才，装备他们成为福音使者，进入禾场，传扬福音，牧养主的羊。我深感荣幸能在STM接受装备。

如果你也听到神的呼召，赶紧回应神吧！来马来西亚神学院，接受装备，成为神国的精兵，完成上帝的使命！愿一切的荣耀都归给我们的上帝！

彭圣文



参加常年退修会



中文部第一年生

神学教育的使命与挑战：

专访马来西亚基督教卫理公会华

采访员：余安妮 | 通讯与拓展部执行员

1) 请简述您和马来西亚神学院(STM)的关系，包括您在神学院的角色及对您的个人与服事的影响。

我是马来西亚神学院的校友，分别于1992年至1996年在八打灵再也“方济楼”的院址全时间就读道学学士，后来再次于1999年以部分时间的方式在芙蓉校院修读教牧学硕士。在萧帝佑牧师担任院长时期，我也曾经教导过一门“文化使命”的科目。直到2022年成为卫理公会华人年议会的代会长，次年成为正式会长，就这样成为STM的董事之一。因着这样的角色，我希望可以差遣和培育更多有素质、负担和使命的牧者，把他们装备起来，将来也可以成为神学院的储备讲师或是讲师去栽培全方位的学生。

2) 当年在怎样的情况下，促使您来到STM就读？

当年回应神的呼召欲接受神学装备，在顺服年会安排的过程中，我获得年会牧职部的举荐，并被差派到马来西亚神学院就读。

3) 谈谈当年您在STM，其中一件令您印象深刻的事情。

在我就读神学期间，我们需要出去实习一年。后来，我回到神学院完成最后两年的学习，这段时间过得特别充实。当时除了修读多科神学课程，还要写论文，生活非常忙碌。然而，因为有了实习的经历培养起牧养的情怀。虽然当时我仍是一名神学生，但上帝让我有机会在周末的实习教会中参与教会发展。不仅教导神学课程，几乎每周都要讲道，并协助教会拟定十年发展计划。后来我更看到上帝如何带领此教会成长，印证当年的10年计划是合神心意的。

此外，当我在神学院最后一年的时候，深深经历了何谓祷告的生命。在一次参加清福堂的祷告会之后，让我领悟到祷告的重要性。自此，我每天都会到神学院定时与其他神学生一同参加晨祷会。这一晨祷会的传统后来也在神学院中得以延续。



马来西亚神学院于八打灵再也“方济楼”院址



马来西亚神学院芙蓉校院



廖牧师（后排右三）与同届毕业生

回应呼召，活出生命影响力—— 人年议会会长廖克民牧师



1996年，廖牧师毕业于马来西亚神学院，获道学学士。



廖牧师（后排右三）和其他同学



廖牧师于马来西亚神学院就读时的群体合照



廖牧师（前排右一）参加1996年的毕业晚宴

4) 如今您在卫理公会华人年议会（CAC）担任会长一职，CAC每年都支持几位学生接受神学装备，预备全职服事。您认为神学院的角色应该如何扩展，除了神学知识的培养，还可以在哪些方面帮助学生更好地衔接毕业后的牧养工作？

我期待神学生在神学院里可以得到全方位的培训。神学生除了会做学问，他们更要懂得“做人”。透过属灵生命的操练，神学生能够被栽培，具备生命的领导力和行政的能力。另外，神学生也可以在神学院得到技术性的训练，比如对财务管理的技能、透过辅导建立信徒。在知识学问普及化的时代，神学院能够提供给神学生的培育是与时俱进的，这将帮助神学生在毕业之后更好地牧养教会。

5) 您认为如今神学教育面对最大的挑战有哪些？

我们可以如何让学生把所学的神学知识实践出来，带给他人生命的触动。如今神学教育普及化，这是一件可喜可贺的现象，但是神学教育普及化的挑战就是有些人接受神学教育的培育不是为了牧养的需要，没有牧养的呼召和使命感，读神学只是要为了拿一个学位，获取一张文凭而已。然而，许多信徒对读神学的人依然会有特别的期待。若一个毕业于神学的人没有参与牧养或服侍，生命不结果子也没有见证，这样的人不但没有为教会带来祝福，反倒成为人们话题的焦点。如今我们处在人人都可以读神学的世代，我们面对最大的挑战就是我们所提供的神学教育将会培育出怎样的人？

6) 对于这些回应神呼召、投入神学装备的学弟学妹，您最想对他们说什么？在他们准备投入全职服事时，您认为有哪些属灵提醒或鼓励？

对我的学弟学妹们，我要提醒他们不要遗忘初心，要紧记呼召的感动。在服侍的过程中，要学效耶稣的榜样，对人要有慈心和怜悯的心，对服侍要怀有热忱，并始终保持对事奉的感动与动力。

Menyatakan Kemuliaan Tuhan

Darrez Dyaz Anak Charlie | Tahun 1 - BTh

Pada 7 hingga 9 Mac 2025, Jabatan Bahasa Malaysia STM telah mengadakan Jerayawara (roadshow) ke Johor Bahru. Program ini telah disertai oleh 10 orang ahli kumpulan. Kami bertolak dari STM ke Johor Bahru pada jam 3.30 petang, selepas pertemuan komuniti STM selesai. Lebih kurang jam 6.00 petang, kami tiba di tempat penginapan, iaitu sebuah rumah berdekatan dengan kawasan Danga Bay. Setibanya kami di rumah penginapan, kami disambut mesra oleh beberapa jemaah dari gereja KBM Presbyterian di Johor Bahru. Satu hal yang menarik bagi saya adalah majoriti jemaah yang datang adalah orang-orang dari Sabah dan Sarawak yang bekerja di sana dan apa yang mengembirakan saya adalah, ramai jemaah mereka boleh bertutur dalam Bahasa Iban dari Sarawak, iaitu Bahasa suku saya sendiri.



Berjumpa dengan paderi Gereja Good Shepherd, Pasir Gudang, Rev. Benammie

Pada 8 Mac 2025, kami telah dibahagikan kepada beberapa kumpulan dan melayani dipelbagai gereja di sana. Saya, Nathanael dan Malcolm telah ditugaskan untuk melayani di gereja Anglikan iaitu Gereja Good Shepherd, Pasir Gudang. Di sana kami berjumpa dengan paderi yang bertugas, iaitu Rev. Benammie yang juga merupakan alumni STM. Semasa kebaktian BM saya ditugaskan untuk menyampaikan kesaksian saya dalam menceburi bidang pelayanan dan pembelajaran sepenuh masa di STM. Perkongsian kesaksian ini bertujuan untuk mengalakkan jemaah di sana khususnya kepada orang-orang yang dipanggil Tuhan untuk melayani sepenuh masa.



Bersama pemimpin Gereja Good Shepherd, Pasir Gudang, Johor

Saya amat tertarik dengan semangat dan respon positif mereka yang ingin tahu tentang program di STM. Saya percaya bahawa Tuhan bekerja dan menyentuh atma mereka demi kemuliaan Allah. Usaha melalui jerayawara ini, menyedarkan saya bahawa betapa pentingnya untuk kita terus menyatakan karya-Nya yang agung, dan menarik lebih banyak jiwa untuk bekerja di dalam ladang-Nya yang maha agung.

Selepas perkongsian itu, beberapa orang datang bertanya tentang program di STM. Malah, kami juga sempat berbual dengan seorang dari jemaah mereka yang berpotensi menjadi pelajar sepenuh masa STM yang akan dihantar oleh pihak gereja ke STM suatu hari kelak. Selepas pelayanan, kami menerima pelbagai respon yang positif dan mesej-mesej berbentuk motivasi dan dorongan daripada jemaah di gereja itu. Tambahan pula, jemaah dari gereja itu kebanyakannya berbangsa Iban, menyebabkan suasana di situ terasa seperti di kampung halaman sendiri di Sarawak.

Saya berdoa semoga dengan usaha ini, lagi banyak jiwa disedarkan oleh Allah dan memberikan diri untuk kemuliaan-Nya yang ilahi. Biarlah kasih Allah dinyatakan di pelbagai tempat, Amin!



Berkongsi kesaksian hidup kepada jemaah

Mengeratkan Lagi Hubungan Persahabatan

Grace Hung Yin Wai | Tahun 1 - BTh

Saya amat bersyukur kepada Tuhan atas penyertaan dan perlindungan-Nya saya berpeluang menyertai Roadshow STM dari Jabatan Bahasa Malaysia ke Johor Bahru pada 7hb-9hb Mac 2025. Selama tiga hari dua malam di sana, kami dibahagikan kepada beberapa kumpulan dan melayani di gereja-gereja yang berlainan. Saya dan Dss. Dr. Tan Swee Bee yang merupakan ketua rombongan kami melayani dan mengikuti kebaktian di Gereja Hebron Presbyterian (KBM) yang digembalakan oleh Rev. Daud Lugun.



Bersama pemimpin KBM gereja Hebron Presbyterian

Kebaktian BM mereka adalah hari Sabtu pukul 8.00 malam, dan sebelum mula kebaktian, biasanya jemaah gereja ini akan membawa pelbagai jenis makanan yang dimasak dari rumah masing-masing untuk dimakan bersama di gereja. Kebiasaan ini dilakukan kerana setiap jemaah merasa itulah salah satu pelayanan yang membawa kesatuan kepada mereka walaupun mereka datang dari pelbagai suku dan bahasa. Kebaktian BM di Gereja Hebron Presbyterian dijalankan secara fizikal dan juga atas talian (Youtube). Semasa kebaktian berjalan pelayanan puji dan sembah dibawa oleh pemuda-pemudi gereja itu. Manakala perjamuan kudus dikendalikan oleh Rev. Daud Lugun, dan Dss. Dr. Tan Swee Bee yang berkhotbah pada malam tersebut. Didalam khutbah beliau, Dss. Dr. Tan Swee Bee sempat mendorong dan menggalakkan jemaah di gereja itu untuk datang belajar di STM. Selepas khutbah, saya diberi peluang untuk mengongsikan kesaksian dan pengalaman saya sebagai seorang pelajar di STM. Kemudian kami disambut dengan persembahan tarian yang menarik oleh pemuda-pemudi dan anak-anak sekolah minggu. Selepas kebaktian selesai, pemuda-pemudi disana berkerjasama mengemas, menyusun dan membersihkan kerusi, meja dan dapur sehinggalah semuanya siap dikemas, barulah mereka balik bersama ibu bapa mereka yang setia menunggu anak-anak mereka.



Bersama Pemimpin Gereja KBM Presbyterian Johor Bahru

Pada hari seterusnya, kami berkumpul di KBM Presbyterian Senai dan mengikut kebaktian pukul 10.30 pagi disana. Sama seperti di Gereja Hebron Presbyterian, Rev. Daud Lugun mengendalikan Perjamuan Kudus di sana. Khutbah disampaikan oleh saudari Rebecca Bujang yang merupakan pelajar tahun 2. Manakala saudara Vincent Mojuga yang menyampaikan kesaksian beliau sebagai pelajar tahun 3 di STM. Selesai kebaktian, kami disajikan dengan makanan tradisi yang dimasak oleh jemaah di sana.



Berkongsi kesaksian dan dorongan kepada jemaah gereja

Saya merasa gembira kerana melalui roadshow ini, persahabatan antara saya dan juga pelajar-pelajar lain dapat dieratkan lagi. Dalam roadshow ini juga saya dapat melihat kerjasama dan sikap toleransi diantara Jemaah disetiap kebaktian yang kami hadiri. Semoga Tuhan memberkati setiap gereja yang telah kami lawati dan semoga lawatan kami mengukuhkan lagi hubungan diantara gereja dan juga STM sendiri.



Pray For STM

Current Students

We are grateful to see another batch of new students this year. Please pray for their wisdom, humility, teachability and growth in grace.

Kuching Roadshow: A Journey of Faith, Fellowship, and Connection

Le Qiu Yi | Academic Officer (Centre of Postgraduate Studies)

On 13-16 February, the Postgraduate Team of STM embarked on a meaningful journey to Kuching, where we held a series of impactful events aimed at strengthening ties with our collaboration partners, engaging with alumni, and reaching out to the wider faith community by conducting a seminar on Bible and Theology. The Kuching Roadshow proved to be a momentous occasion that brought together people from alumni to pastors and students, all with a shared commitment to growing faith in Christ.

Visit to the House of Epiphany

Our roadshow began with a warm and fruitful meeting at the House of the Epiphany (HoE), where we were blessed to meet with Canon Alfred Damu, the Principal of HoE. His dedication to the institution and insightful vision for the future are truly inspiring. This visit served as an important reminder of the crucial role that institutions like HoE plays in shaping pastors and ministry leaders of tomorrow. We left the meeting with renewed hope for the ongoing success of HoE and a strengthened partnership.



Alumni Gathering: A Homecoming of Hearts

One of the most anticipated events of the Kuching Roadshow was the alumni gathering, where we welcomed 12 alumni of STM. During this heart-warming reunion, we filled with shared memories and engaged in meaningful conversations. While many alumni could not attend, those who came created a vibrant atmosphere of fellowship. To us, it is a testament to the lasting impact that our institutions had on their lives and their commitment to the Church and community.



Bible and Theology Seminar: Deepening Our Faith

The Bible and Theology Seminar was a highlight of the roadshow, attracting 61 attendees who came with open hearts and minds, eager to delve deeper into their faith. The seminar provided an opportunity for participants to explore key theological concepts, strengthen their understanding of the Scriptures, and engage in thoughtful discussions. Our Principal, Rev. Dr. Chong Siaw Fung delivered a session on “The Bible and Theology: Building a Wholistic Christian Belief,” and our Dean of Centre of Postgraduate Studies, Dr. Elaine Goh, spoke on “Wisdom Invites to a Life of Blessedness (Proverbs 3:13-18).” The energy in the room was palpable as participants shared their reflections and insights. The event reminded us of the importance of continual learning and spiritual growth.



Connecting with Local Churches

Our trip included meaningful connections with key figures from local churches, further strengthening the network of support within the Kuching region. We had the privilege of meeting with:

- The Very Revd. Kho Thong Meng, Canon of the Diocese of Kuching and the Dean of St. Thomas Church
- Rev. Lenita Tiong, District Superintendent of the English District
- Rev. Monica Siaw, District Superintendent of the Kuching East District
- Rev. Timothy Ling, District Superintendent of the Kuching West District

These conversations were rich with insights and opportunities for collaboration, as we continue to work together to fulfil the mission of the Church and serve the wider community.



Visit to Friends and Partners: A Gesture of Gratitude

The final part of our journey involved visiting friends and partners who are supporters of our mission. We intended to personally thank our donors for their unwavering support to STM. Their contributions have made a significant difference in the work we do, and we are deeply grateful for their support and partnership in advancing the shared vision.

Conclusion: A Roadshow of Connection and Impact

The Kuching Roadshow was more than just a series of events; it was a time of connection, reflection, and growth. We were blessed to engage with a wide range of individuals, each of whom plays an integral role in the ongoing mission of theological education. We look forward to build on these relationships, fostering a spirit of collaboration, and moving forward together in faith.



January to March - Our Guests



22-25 January - Study Visit by 11 participants from LWF Indonesia to Seminari Theoloji Malaysia.



10 March - A joint pastoral delegation from the Hong Kong Evangelical Free Church, Christian & Missionary Alliance, and the Baptist Church visited STM to learn about the seminary's theological education and engage in mutual exchange.



11 March - New Era University College (NEUC) visited STM Library.

The Acting Librarian of Seminari Theoloji Malaysia (STM), Mr. Chan Eik Kent, along with librarian Mr. Sakthivel and student Ting Chee En, welcomed a visiting team from the Southeast Asian Studies Department of New Era University College to STM's library.

Prof. Ng Yean Leng (Dean, Faculty of Arts and Social Science), Prof. Lee Kam Hing (Vice Chancellor), Dr. Pek Wee Chuen (HOD, Department of Southeast Asian Studies) along with PhD students Dolly Ong, Sin Ka Wai, Ching Jin Yih, and Master student Chay Qin Wen, explored the library's collections and historical archives. This visit provided them with fresh perspectives for their research in local and ethnic studies.

18 March - Youths from Semenyih Tamil Methodist Church with their church pastor, Ps. Ebenezer Muniswaran A/L Nagarajan visited STM. Standing on the left, Rev. Joseph Yesupatham (Director of Tamil TEE) and on the right, Mr. Adam Sathiya Jeevan (Assistant Manager, Works and Development).



January to March - Visits & Collaborations



15 January - Visit to Malaysia Campus Crusade for Christ (MCCC) to discuss possibility of collaboration in theological training and education.

From left to right: Koh Pay Shen (The Director of Leadership Development & Human Resources), Mr. Jason Teong (STM Trainee Officer), Rev. Dr. Chong Siaw Fung (STM Principal), and Dr. Tan Sin Guan (National Director of MCCC).



21 January - Visit to Fellowship of Evangelical Students (FES) to discuss possibility of theological training collaboration.

From right to left: David Ho (General Secretary), Rayneld Edam (Assistant General Secretary), Yong Yuong Eng (Theological Formation Coordinator), Rev. Dr. Chong Siaw Fung (STM Principal) and Jason Teong (STM Trainee Officer).



2 March - STM Principal, Rev. Dr. Chong Siaw Fung (R1) attended the 140th Anniversary Celebration of the Methodist Church in Malaysia (MCM) at Damansara Utama Methodist Church (DUMC) with Elder Steven Fung, the former STM Council member (L1), and Mr. Daniel Khoo, the MCM General Conference Secretary (L2).



8 March - Dss. Dr. Tan Swee Bee and Grace Hung Yin Wai (STM student year 1) with the leaders and church members of Hebron Presbyterian Church (KBM) Johor Bahru during the BM department roadshow to Johor Bahru. Dss. Dr. Tan Swee Bee shared a sermon and Grace shared her testimony as a first-year student at STM.



8 March - Malcom Bonnyface anak David Henggi (STM final-year student) (R2), Darrez Dyaz (STM year 1 student) (R1), and Nathanael anak Ugil (STM year 1 student) (L1) with the leaders of Good Shepherd Church, Pasir Gudang, during the BM department roadshow to Johor Bahru.

January to March - Visits & Collaborations



8 March - Pr. Ngallinah Binti Osinjiu (STM staff) (R3), Ms. Delaila Singa (STM staff) (R4), and Ms. Rebecca Bujang (STM student year 2) (R1). Pr. Ngallinah shared a sermon and Ms. Delaila Singa shared about STM at Unity Presbyterian Church (KBM) during the BM department roadshow to Johor Bahru.



8 March - Mr. Vincent Bin Mojuga (STM student year 3) (L1), Mr. Aidih Jamil (STM student Year 2) (M), and Pr. Entering Wong (R). Mr. Vincent shared a sermon and Mr. Aidih Jamil shared about STM at Hosana Presbyterian Church Kulai, Johor (KBM) during the BM department roadshow to Johor Bahru.



9 March - STM's BM department roadshow to Johor Bahru visited Gereja Presbyterian Senai (KBM). Ms. Rebecca Bujang (STM student year 2) (Front-L1) shared a sermon and Ms. Delaila Singa (STM staff) (Front-R4) shared about STM.



11 March - Rev. Dr. Chong Siaw Fung (R4) was elected as ATESEA Board Member during the election. Dr. Kenneth Tsang of Lutheran Theological Seminary, Hong Kong (L1) as the new Chairman and Dr. Edwin Tay of Trinity Theological College, Singapore (L2) was elected as the Vice-Chairman.



11 March - Rev. Dr. Chong Siaw Fung (STM Principal) with the Malaysian participants at the ATESEA Biennial General Assembly at Iloilo, Philippines.

L-R: Rev. Dr. Chong Siaw Fung (STM Principal), Rev. Dr. Calvin Chong (Vice-Principal of Sabah Theological Seminary), Rev. Dr. Khoo Ho Peng (Principal of Methodist Theological School, Sib), Dr. Judy Berinai (ATESEA Board Member, Dean of Studies of Sabah Theological Seminary).

January to March - Visits & Collaborations



9 March - Rev. Dr. Jimmy Chong Chuin Min preached on STM Sunday at Johor Bahru Holy Light Presbyterian Church.



9 March - Rev. Dr. Chong Siaw Fung preached on STM Sunday at Serdang CMC.



9 March - Ps. Kelly Oon having lunch fellowship with the pastor and fellow members of Our Saviour's Church Salak South after preaching on the STM Sunday service.



15 March - Rev. Dr. Chong Siaw Fung preached at Kulai Tabernacle of Christ during STM Night.



16 March - The Southern Institute of Theology in collaboration with STM was launched by Rev. Dr. Chong Siaw Fung at the Skudai Tabernacle of Christ



20 March - MOU signing between STM and the Diocese of West Malaysia (DWM) for the Master of Theology (MTh) in Anglicanism.

January to March - Visits & Collaborations



23 March - Rev. Dr. Jimmy Chong Chuin Min preached on STM Sunday at Semenyih CMC.



25 March - STM Principal Rev. Dr. Chong Siaw Fung preached at the General Conference of Gereja Presbyterian Malaysia (GPM), with STM Dean of Studies Rev. Daniel Ng serving as his translator.

23-26 March - ATESEA Accreditation Team to Adventist International Institute of Advanced Studies (AIAS) in the Philippines.

L-R: Rev. Dr. Jozef Hehanussa (Duta Wacana Christian University, Indonesia), Ms. Christabel Wong (Seminari Teoloji Malaysia), Rev. Dr. Saw Augurlion (Myanmar Institute of Theology), and Rev. Dr. Ben Ngaya-an (St. Andrew's Theological Seminary, Philippines).



Pray For STM

Our Staff



We are grateful for the Lord's provision in bringing new staff to our seminary. Please pray for the staff's continued unity, fidelity, and fruitfulness.

Heartiest Congratulations



*Rev. Emmanuel Nickson (2023
alumnus) and Ms. Vivian Rynta
were married on 18 January 2025.*

*Rev. Alvin Tan Wei Jianh (2018
alumnus) and Ms. Abby Lai Mei Yee
married on 22 February 2025.*



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Reunite with old friends, relive cherished memories, and create new ones! Stay tuned—exciting details coming soon!

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Mon - Wed

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2025

Introducing New Faculty-in-Development 2025

As we begin an exciting new academic year, we are delighted to welcome our new faculty-in-development to the STM community.



Pr. Ngallinah Bt Osinjiu - New Faculty-in-Development
Role: BM TEE Academic Assistant, Assistant Warden
Qualification: BD (STM, 2022), MA (MBTS), MTh (in progress)
Area of Studies: Practical Theology
Denomination: Protestant Church in Sabah (Lutheran)

Pr. Rolina Jaslin Steven - New Faculty-in-Development
Role: Media Assistant
Qualification - BD (STM, 2022), MA (MBTS), MTh (in progress)
Area of Studies: Practical Theology
Denomination: Protestant Church in Sabah (Lutheran)



New Staff Members

We also warmly welcome the following new staff members to the STM community:



Ms. Nancy Selvaraju
serving as the
Principal's Secretary,
effective March 1,
2025.

Ms. Edwina Ann
Micheal serving as
Academic Assistant,
effective January 6,
2025.



Mr. Jason Teong Jia
Xin serving as Trainee
Officer (1 year
contract), effective
January 1, 2025.

Ms. Stella Lim Hui Sze
serving as Library
Assistant, effective
January 1, 2025.



We look forward to their contributions and pray for God's blessings upon their journey with us!

RECRUITMENT

We are inviting Christian servant leaders who are proactive, hardworking, adaptable, and team players with good interpersonal skills to apply for the following positions:



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- Degree holder.
- Aged 45 and above.
- 5 years and above in the same or similar capacity, with hands-on experience.

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- Oversee end-to-end and ensure smooth operations, working closely with the Assistant Managers in the area of Finance, HR, Admin, Communications, Maintenance & Development, IT, Media, etc.
- Handle financial planning, strategies and analysis, budget, and reports to the Board and Committees.
- Work closely with the Principal, Treasurer and other departments especially head of departments.
- Liaise with auditors, government bodies, etc.

2. Registrar

Requirements

- Proficiency in English, Chinese and Bahasa Malaysia (both written and spoken).
- Possess strong administrative skills and an eye for details.
- Degree holder, preferably in theological studies.
- Working experience of 5 years and above, preferably in an education setting.

Job Descriptions

- Assist the Dean of Studies and Assistant Dean of Studies (Planning & Operation) to act as the custodian and administrator in curriculum management - including course naming, assigning course codes, documentation of course descriptions / programme details, and so on.
- Lead, direct, and mobilise the Academic Office staff in handling all academic related matters.

If you view this as an opportunity to serve the Lord and His people, we invite you to email your application and resume accompanied by a photograph image to manager@stm2.edu.my.

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曾毅坚 | 代理馆长



“书籍各有其命运。”——瓦特·班雅明
(Walter Benjamin)
“太初有道。”——约翰福音1:1

我是一名图书管理员，服务于一所神学图书馆。每当朋友问起我的职业，我的回答总是让对方感到惊讶。许多人对图书管理员的刻板印象是安静、无趣甚至是单调的，但事实上，这份工作需要极为广泛的知识与技能，涵盖管理、研究与教育等多个层面。作为一个相对冷门的专门领域，图书馆常被认为与大众的日常生活距离遥远，而神学是一个既陌生又深奥的学科，这也使得朋友们对我的选择感到惊讶。

神学图书馆通常隶属于神学院或基督教大学，为神学研究及教育提供专属资源。作为神学研究的重要支柱，神学图书馆在学术与灵性探索中扮演着不可或缺的角色。神学图书馆提供的馆藏资源涵盖多样化的领域，包括圣经研究、教会历史、系统神学、牧养学及宣教学等多元主题，不仅是神学学生、研究人员及宗教领袖的知识宝库，更是引导他们深入思考和探讨神学核心问题的平台。

图书馆学讲求理论与实务并重，注重细节管理及持续学习精神。图书管理员的工作远不止于柜台的借还操作，而是涵盖馆藏发展、数字化转型等多方面职责。例如，除了追踪借阅记录、管理逾期和损坏书籍外，还需协助读者快速定位馆藏资源，并提升他们在电子书籍、期刊和在线数据库中的使用体验。挑选图书馆资源（印刷和数位）则按照所设定的选择标准、收藏优先级和图书馆的整体目标框架进行。随着数字化时代的来临，神学图书馆的角色也正在转型。图书管理员不仅需要敏锐地捕捉技术与需求的变化，还需将知识、资源与技术有效结合，创新服务模式，满足新时代读者的期待。

图书管理员通常需要具备图书馆学或资讯科学的学士或硕士学位，以掌握图书馆管理、馆藏管理、编目与分类、信息检索及数字资源管理等核心能力。同时，神学图书馆的特殊性也要求具备神学或宗教研究的背景知识。

以我个人为例，我于2016年自台湾中原大学宗教研究所取得硕士学位。这是一所基督教大学，虽然名义上是宗教研究所，但实际专注于基督教神学与哲学研究。2018年，我加入马来西亚神学院图书馆，承蒙院方信任与推荐，我有幸获得东南亚神学教育协会（ATESEA）的资助，在菲律宾中央大学进修图书与资讯科学（神学图书专业）硕士课程。

“书籍各有其命运”是班雅明用于描述其藏书的名言，用至图书馆似乎同样成立，也很有意思。图书馆总被认为是理性和文明的避难所、读书和沉思的知识圣地。亚历山大图书馆是非常典型的例子，能够展现图书馆如何在历史中承载文化与知识的命运。作为古代世界最大的知识集散地之一，它是当时的科学、哲学和文化的核心，保存了大量珍贵的手稿和知识。但是，它的命运最终由多种因素决定，包括政治动荡、火灾以及历史的变迁。亚历山大图书馆的毁灭，常被视为文明的巨大损失，也成为后世对文化保存和传承的警惕。在不同时代，图书馆的使命、地位和形式都有所不同。比如，现代的数字图书馆显示了从物质性书籍到虚拟知识的转变，这不仅改变了知识保存的方式，也改变了人们的阅读和学习方式。

以神学图书馆专业作为志业（Vocation），不仅是一种学术的选择，更是一种对信仰和灵性的探索。因为神学图书馆不仅在于承载知识与思想，更在于其作为信仰与智慧交汇点的角色。约翰福音以“太初有道……”开篇，象征着知识的领受，真理的光辉和启示。正如书籍有其命运，图书馆的命运也在于不断为追寻智慧与真理的人们打开大门。身为一名神学图书管理员，肩负的不只是守护知识的职责，也愿成为信仰与真理的桥梁。

Embracing Theological Librarianship as a Vocation

Chan Eik Kent | Staff (Acting Librarian)



"Books have their own destiny."

-Walter Benjamin

"In the beginning was the Word."

-John 1:1

I am a librarian serving a theological library. Whenever a friend asks me about my profession, my answer always surprises them. Many people stereotype librarians as quiet, boring, or even monotonous, but in reality, the job requires a wide range of knowledge and skills, including management, research, and education.

Theological libraries are often affiliated with seminaries or Christian universities and provide exclusive resources for theological research and education. As an important pillar of theological research, theological libraries play an indispensable role in academic and spiritual inquiry. A theological library provides a repository of knowledge for theology students, researchers, and religious leaders, as well as a platform for them to think deeply about and discuss core theological issues, covering a wide range of topics, including biblical studies, church history, systematic theology, pastoral studies, and missiology.

Librarianship emphasises both theory and practice, and pays attention to detail management and the spirit of continuous learning. A librarian's job goes far beyond borrowing and returning reading materials at the counter, but also covers a wide range of responsibilities such as collection development and digital transformation. For example, in addition to tracking borrowing records and managing overdue and damaged books, you need to help patrons quickly locate their holdings and improve their experience in e-books, journals, and online databases. Library resources (print and digital) are selected in accordance with the selection criteria, collection priorities and the overall goal framework of the library. With the advent of the digital age, the role of theological libraries is also changing. Librarians not only need to be sensitive to changes in technology and needs, but also need to effectively combine knowledge, resources, and technology to innovate service models to meet the expectations of readers in the new era.

Librarians typically need a bachelor's or master's degree in library science or information science to master core competencies in library management, collection management, cataloguing and classification, information retrieval, and digital resource management. At the same time, the peculiarities of theological libraries also require background knowledge of theological or religious studies.

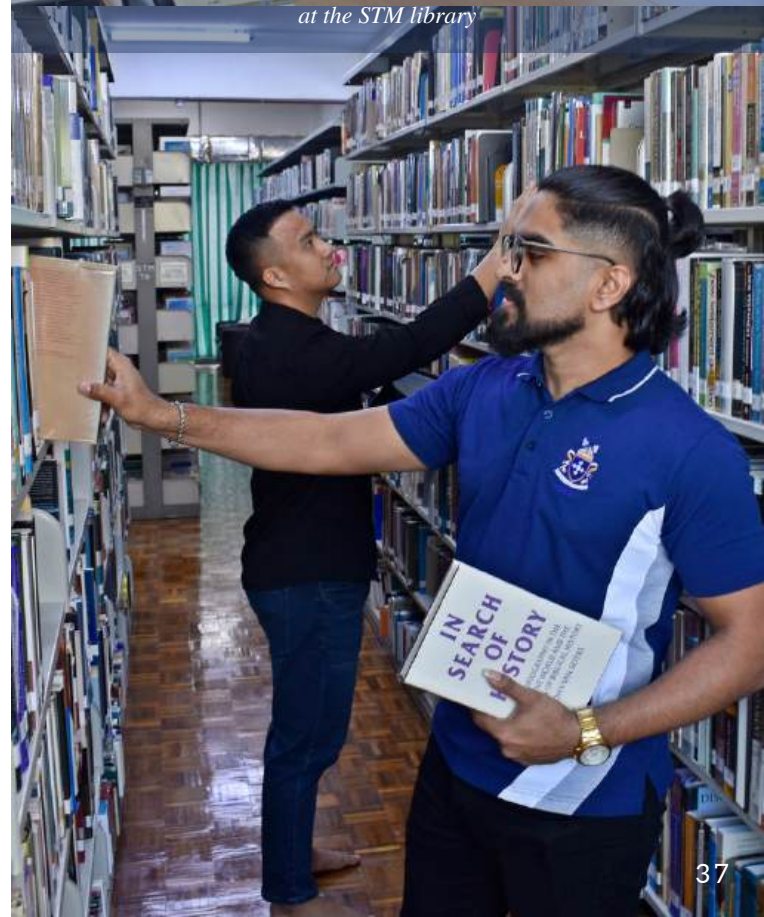
For example, I received my master's degree from the Graduate School of Religion at Chung Yuan University in Taiwan in 2016. It is a Christian university that, although nominally a religious research institute, actually focuses on the study of Christian theology and philosophy. In 2018, I joined the STM Library, and thanks to the trust and recommendation of the seminary, I was fortunate to receive a grant from the Association for Theological Education in Southeast Asia (ATESEA) to pursue a master's degree in Library and Information Science (With Specialisation in Theological Librarianship) at the Central Philippine University, where I received the degree in 2024.

“Books have their own destiny” is a phrase Walter Benjamin used to describe his collection of books, and applying this to libraries seems equally valid and intriguing. Libraries are often regarded as sanctuaries of rationality and civilisation, sacred spaces for reading and reflection. The Library of Alexandria serves as a quintessential example, illustrating how libraries can carry the destinies of culture and knowledge throughout history. As one of the largest centers of knowledge in the ancient world, it was a hub for science, philosophy, and culture, preserving countless invaluable manuscripts and knowledge. However, its destiny was ultimately determined by a variety of factors, including political turmoil, fires, and historical changes. The destruction of the Library of Alexandria is often viewed as a significant loss to civilisation, serving as a cautionary tale for later generations regarding the preservation and transmission of culture. Across different eras, the mission, status, and form of libraries have evolved. For instance, modern digital libraries demonstrate the transition from physical books to virtual knowledge, transforming not only the way knowledge is preserved but also how people read and learn.

Pursuing theological librarianship as a vocation is not merely an academic choice but also an exploration of faith and spirituality. Theological libraries are not only about preserving knowledge and ideas but also serve as crossroads where faith and wisdom meet. The Gospel of John begins with “In the beginning was the Word,” symbolising the reception of knowledge, the brilliance of truth, and the light of revelation. Just as books have their own destinies, the destiny of a library lies in continually opening its doors to those in search of wisdom and truth. As a theological librarian, the responsibility extends beyond safeguarding knowledge, it also serves as a bridge that connects faith and truth.



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Our students are discussing on the books they have chosen

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PROGRAMME REQUIREMENTS

This advanced postgraduate programme is offered on a cohort basis, taught in English.

A good first theological degree (BD/MDiv or its equivalent) is required.

Each MTh module will include:

- ♦ 20-25 hours of lectures (online or hybrid)
- ♦ 10-15 hours of seminar and presentations
- ♦ Reading of at least 2,000 pages
- ♦ A research paper of 5,000 words

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Pastoral Care in Mental Health 3 cr hours

Online Class : Zoom Platform

Date : May 8-10, 15-17 & 22-24

Time : Thu & Fri 7.30pm - 10.30pm; Sat 9.00am-12.00pm

Course Description

This course examines the role of pastoral care in supporting individuals with mental health challenges, focusing on spiritual guidance, emotional support, and ethical approaches in diverse contexts. It explores both practical and theological implications for understanding and responding to complex mental health issues. By the end of the course, students will gain a deeper understanding of the relationship between mental health and spirituality, develop skills in crisis intervention and pastoral counseling, and learn to recognize ethical boundaries in mental health care.

Bishop Steven Abbarow, the Bishop of the Diocese of West Malaysia, has a BEcons (University of Malaysia, 1985), an MDiv (Seminari Theoloji Malaysia, 1989), a MTheol (South East Asia Graduate School of Theology, 2002), and a DMin (Perkins Divinity School of Southern Methodist University, 2016). He is a certified Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) Supervisor and serves on the Inter-Anglican Standing Commission on Unity, Faith, and Order (IASCUFO) as well as the Global South Fellowship of Anglicans (GSFA).



The Lecturer

- The Rt Rev Dr Steven Abbarow



With Guest Lecturer

- Prof Dr Xavier Vincent Pereira

Professor Dr Xavier Vincent Pereira is a medical doctor (MBBS), psychiatrist, and internationally certified psychotherapist. He is a Professor of Psychiatry at Perdana University (since December 2024) and an Adjunct Professor at Taylor's University School of Medicine, where he previously led the Discipline of Psychiatry. Certified in Interpersonal Psychotherapy (IPT) since 2006, he later qualified as an IPT supervisor (2011) and trainer (2013) through the IPT Institute, USA. He is also the founding chair of the Catholic Counsellors and Therapists of Malaysia.



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CLOSING DATE : Apr 30, 2025



Church & Personal Financial Literacy 3 cr hours

Hybrid Class : @STM Campus & Zoom Platform

Date : Jun - Sept (TBA on the actual dates)

Time : Thu 7.30pm - 10.30pm

Course Description

This course provides a comprehensive introduction to financial literacy, emphasizing both personal financial management and church stewardship guided by biblical principles. The personal finance segment covers foundational concepts such as budgeting, saving, debt management, and basic investing, aimed at helping participants build a robust financial foundation. In the church finance segment, participants will explore financial reporting, budgeting, income and expense management, and risk mitigation. The course also covers project funding, stewardship, and the importance of financial transparency and accountability, equipping participants to develop sustainable financial strategies that advance church missions and community outreach. Through engaging lectures and hands-on activities, participants will enhance their financial management skills and gain the tools needed to lead their congregations.

The Lecturer

- Rev Christopher Toh

Rev. Christopher Toh is an ordained minister of The Methodist Church in Malaysia, as well as a chartered secretary and chartered governance professional. Before answering his call to full-time pastoral ministry, he spent 30 years in various senior business roles, including management consulting and business advisory. With extensive experience in corporate training and business coaching, he has helped numerous corporate companies and entrepreneurs transform their businesses. He had also served as an adjunct lecturer at both private and international universities for many years.



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CLOSING DATE : May 14, 2025





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TEE BM: Kursus Misi Kristian - Seremban

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Kursus Misi Kristian ini ditawarkan sebagai satu tinjauan dan pengantar kepada pemahaman misi Kristian. Kursus ini dilaksanakan selama dua hujung minggu dalam dua sesi, iaitu pada 22 Februari hingga 23 Februari dan juga pada 1 Mac hingga 2 Mac 2025 di kampus STM Seremban. Seramai 8 orang pelajar yang hadir untuk kursus ini.

Melalui kursus ini para pelajar telah memahami bidang-bidang yang berkaitan dengan pelaksanaan kajian misi dan misiologi dalam pelayanan Kristian. Objektif utama yang menjadi harapan dalam kursus ini adalah supaya setiap pelajar dapat memahami kepentingan misi dalam pelayanan Gereja dan mengkaji unsur-unsur serta bidang misi dalam pelayanan Kristian. Selain itu pelajar juga telah diberi gambaran ringkas dan menyeluruh tentang disiplin misiologi.



Kursus ini diajar oleh pensyarah yang tidak asing lagi dalam pelayanan misi iaitu Dss. Dr. Tan Swee Bee. Semasa kursus berlangsung, para pelajar didedahkan dan dilatih untuk merancang program dalam memperkenalkan pelayanan misi kepada gereja tempatan. Setiap pelajar juga diberi peluang untuk memberi pandangan dan perspektif mereka sebagai seorang pelayan gereja. Para pelajar juga sempat berkongsi cadangan mereka mengenai pemuridan dalam jemaat, serta mengenai program misi yang mereka telah rancangkan sesuai dengan pelatihan yang mereka terima selepas mengikuti kursus ini (Roma 10:14-15). Diakhir kursus ini para pelajar yang terdiri daripada pelayan gereja, pemimpin dan penginjil turut memperolehi input baru yang boleh mereka laksanakan dalam pelayanan mereka dimasa depan.





TEE BM: Kursus Misi Kristian - Kampar

Pr. Ngallinah Osinjiu | Staf TEE BM & Dss. Dr. Tan Swee Bee | Fakulti STM

Pada dua hujung minggu yang lalu iaitu 14 hingga 16 Mac dan 21 hingga 23 Mac 2025, kursus Misi Kristian ini dilaksanakan secara fizikal di Kampar Chinese Methodist Church, Perak pada minggu yang pertama dan atas talian (ZOOM) pada minggu yang kedua. Seramai 10 orang pelajar yang mendaftar mengikuti kursus ini. Tujuan kursus ini dilaksanakan di Kampar adalah untuk memudahkan para pelajar yang menetap jauh dari Kampus STM Seremban untuk hadir.

Kursus ini membantu dan membimbing para pelajar terutama pelajar matang yang berstatus Pastor dan pemimpin gereja untuk memahami skop-skop yang terlibat dalam pelaksanaan kajian misi dan misiologi dalam pelayanan Kristian. Satu kelebihan bagi para pelajar di sana, kerana mereka adalah pemimpin dan Pastor yang terlibat dalam pelayanan misi di gereja mereka. Selepas melalui kursus ini, mereka mendapat gambaran ringkas dan menyeluruh mengenai disiplin misiologi.

Sama seperti kursus Misi Kristian di kampus STM Seremban yang lalu, kursus ini dibimbing oleh pensyarah yang sama iaitu Dss. Dr. Tan Swee Bee, beliau mempunyai panggilan dan pengalaman dalam bidang misi ini. Konsep kursus ini mendedahkan dan melatih para pelajar untuk merancang program pelayanan misi di dalam gereja tempatan mengikut keperluan dan konteks gereja tersebut. Setiap pelajar juga saling memberkati dengan memberi cadangan pemuridan serta menceritakan pengalaman misi yang mereka lalui dalam pelayanan di dalam kelas Misi Kristian ini. Bukan hanya ilmu pengetahuan sahaja yang mereka perolehi melalui kursus ini tetapi juga persekutuan erat yang dibentuk, dan hubungan “keluarga Kerajaan Allah” dapat diperkukuhkan.



Tamil TEE Programme



September 2024, Christian Social Ministries - Lecturer: Rev. Dr. Joseph Komar



January 2025, Study on the Book of the Gospels - Lecturer: Rev. Dr. Johnson Ashok Kumar



January 2025, Homiletics I - Lecturer: Rev. Joseph Yesupatham

FINANCIAL UPDATES

2025 Budget



RM	
Income	1,758,300
Other Income	3,640,100
Total Income	5,398,400
Less Expenses	
Academic expenses	2,900,300
Charitable expenses	341,100
Administration expenses	1,111,300
Other operating expenses	856,450
Total Expenses	5,209,150
Surplus/(Deficit) of income over expenditure	189,250

As we step into 2025, we continue to trust in God's greatness and grace in granting us abundance through our valued Friends, Partners and Donors as well as Students, Member Churches and other supporting Churches.

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- ✨ *STM Admin and Finance Manager, Ms. Vernie Woo, whose father Mr. Ah Soo @ Woo Sai Kow has found eternal rest in the Lord on January 22, 2025.*
- ✨ *STM alumni, Rev. Thomas Chin Shen Loong and Mrs. Hu Siew Yi, whose mother in-law and mother, Mdm. Ling Hie Huong, went home to be with the Lord on February 12, 2025.*
- ✨ *STM Senior Communications Officer, Ms. Annie Yee, whose father Mr. Yee Chu Hoo has found solace with the Lord on February 15, 2025.*

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Isaiah 26:3

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