

#### THE ANGLICAN DIOCESE OF SABAH

# The Church of The Good Shepherd

Weekend Worship Service: 24 November 2019



## **Message from Our Senior Priest**



Recently some of us attended 2 events in September & November 2019. The 1st event was C.O.A.C.H. Seminar in PJ, Selangor in September 2019. COACH's acronym stands for 'Come Out And Come Home' which addresses the issue of human sexuality & gender identity fluidity which is happening worldwide. The 2nd event was National Youth-At-

Risk Consultation in Miri, Sarawak in November 2019. This event was attended by 30 Christian NGOs & with participants from 20 different churches also.

Both events actually addressed issues which may affect God's Church either directly or indirectly. Upon reflection, one question surface: Is God's Church ready to face the onslaught of these realities affecting our societies & Christian community at large? To some degree, the Church has responded to some of those situations. However, the other side of the reality is that there are rooms where the Church needs to look at and find out what the Church can do.

The Miri Consultation was looking at the 4 areas of concern are: Socioeconomic, Mental Health, Addiction & Sexuality. At the end of the Consultation, there is one institution which stands out clearly & needs immediate attention & that is the Family. The outcome really speak out how important the Family institution is. Very interesting is how the Lord already highlighted this concern before the Consultation. It was through my conversation with one of our Pastors. The Lord convicted me at the said Consultation on the need to focus on the family. According to God's design of community, it depends on every individual family unit. This is one of the many reasons why the Devil attacks on the family so fiercely (see John 10.10a). Someone ever shared how a Satan worshipper prayed so that all families will be broken & destroyed. Today, we are seeing the effects. It is really overwhelming & heart breaking to find out how this is affecting our situation here in Sandakan. The statistics from the Children's Ministry shows that about 40% of the children are from broken homes or dysfunctional families. What do we make out of this information? First, we should be grateful that God's design for the family is clearly laid out in the Bible (see Deuteronomy 6.1-9)! Second, there is still hope because Jesus said in John 10.10b: "I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full."

With the above brief sharing, may I ask all of us at COGS to pray and seek the Lord to help us to see what He wants us to do according to the needs of our community in Sandakan. Bear in mind no single church can do it all. This calls for the whole Body of Christ to work together. Sharing of information, resources as well as manpower is necessary. Above all else, it is significant to see the Lord Himself is working through us as we extend God's Kingdom here in Sandakan (see Mark 16.20).

Canon James Lee

#### COGS Vision

To Be like Jesus (Rom 8.29) so to fulfill the Great Commission (Mat 28.18-20) by obeying the Great Commandment

(Mat 22.37-39) with the empowerment of the Holy Spirit (Acts 1.8) in Sandakan & beyond.

### **Worship Services**

Saturday:

7:30 pm (Hakka 1), Church

Sunday:

7:00am (Hakka 2), Church 9:30am (Eng), Church 9:30am (BM), Barrett Hall 2:30pm (Mandarin), Church

#### **Our Contact**

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#### **Our Team**

#### **BISHOP**

The Rt Revd Melter Jiki Tais

PRIEST IN-CHARGE Canon James TV Lee

#### PASTORAL ZONE

Revd Timithy Jerry Revd Chin Kah Jin Revd F C Chong Revd Albert Lintikan Ps Wong Hyen Tze Ps Chin Yock Len

#### ONES

Chi Adults - Canon James Lee
Eng Adult- Canon James Lee
BM Adults - Revd Timithy Jerry

#### MINISTRIES

Children Zone (Chi/Eng/BM)
- Ps Chin Yock Len

- Youth Zone (Chi/Eng/BM)
  - Ps Wong Hyen Tze

## **Collect for Today (Sunday next before Advent)**

Stir up, Lord, the wills of your faithful people, that they may produce abundantly the fruit of good works, and receive your abundant reward; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

### **MISSION SUNDAY**

An amount of RM540.00 was received last Sunday totalling RM5,972 todate. This is the last week for contribution. Thank you very much!

### DIOCESAN CHILDREN'S CHI/ ENG WORSHIP CONFERENCE

Dates: 25 - 27 Nov 2019 Venue: COGS, Sandakan

24 Nov (Today): In view of the preparation work, which commences this afternoon for the above event, Mandarin Worship Service this afternoon is cancelled. We appreciate your prayers.



## KEENAGERS' CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

Date: 02 Dec 2019 (Mon)

Time: 9:30 am

**Venue: COGS Barrett Hall** 

Special attention:

- No breakfast will be served, instead, lunch will be served thereafter.
- All are encouraged to bring along an exchange gift worth RM10 of fruits only. No other goods are preferred.



# COGS CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

Date: 07 Dec 2019 (Sat)

Time: 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm Venue: Barrett Hall

Catering for children aged 4 - 12 years

Ticket: RM10 / child

Contact person: Ps Chin Yock Len

019-807-0781

### 2019 CHRISTMAS CAROLLING

Dates: 09 - 11 Dec 2019 Request forms are available on the sidesmen's table.

Contact person:

Ps Wong Hyen Tze (013-8837782)

## YOUTH CAMP (CHI/ENG)

Date: 19 - 20 Dec 2019 Venue: Wisma COGS Fees @ RM40/pax

Pastor In-charge: Ps Wong Hyen Tze

Catering for youth between ages 12 & 13.

Topic: "Character Development"

## **CHRISTMAS T-SHIRTS**

The seasonal T-shirts are now available for sale at COGS Resource Centre. Cost @ RM30.00 each. While stock lasts!!



## **SEKOLAH RENDAH VISI (SRV)**

has vacancies for teachers to teach English and Chinese; & a part-time music teacher for January 2020.

Requirements: those who are holding relevant degrees to send their resumes to visionprimarysdk@gmail.com.

2019	Time	Event / Venue
02/12 (Mon)	9:30 am	Keenagers' Christmas Celebration @ Barrett Hall
08/12 (Sun)	6:30 pm	SIC Christmas Celebration @ town padang
21/12 (Sat)	7:30 pm	Chi/Eng Youth Christmas Celebration @ Grace Hall
24/12 (Tue)	8:00 pm	Christmas Eve Celebration @ Vision School Hall, Sibuga
25/12 (Wed)	9:00 am	Christmas Day Service @ Vision School Hall, Sibuga

## **CHRISTMAS EVE (ENG/CHI/BM)**

Date: 24 Dec (Tuesday)

Time: 8:00 pm

Venue: Vision School Hall, Sibuga

- Please invite new friends by buying an invitation card @ RM10.00/pax
- Tickets are for sale after weekly church services.
- Invitation card is exchangeable for food from the food trucks.



# HEARTFELT SYMPATHY & CONDOLENCE to family members of :

- The late <u>Mdm Pang Phau Chin</u> at the age of 86, was called to the Lord peacefully on 08/11/2019.
- ♦ The late Mdm Hsieh Fui Ching at the age of 74 was called to eternal rest on 20/11/2019. Funeral Service will be conducted at COGS on Fri, 29/11/2019.

### • Pray for the sick:

Soh Lai Pok, Tang Hong Piau, Pang Min Chiew, Pun Chun Ming, Chang Kon Fatt, Sr Low Mooi Gaik, Eng Fook Kit, Chin Tshun Leong, Chan Mei Ngo, Tham Nyuk Mui, Emily Lau, Chang Suk Heng, Lai Nyuk Jin, Tai Nyuk Min.

## Intercession:

- Pray for our world COLOMBIA Population: 52 million.
  - Economy: Rich in resources, oil, coal and cocaine.
  - Problem :
    - Rich drug lords supplying drugs and cocaine to the US and the world.
    - Murder, kidnapping and crime rates show significant increase in recent years.
- Pray for Malaysia PROTON
  - National and Proton to improve in production.
  - ♦ Price-wise to be competitive.
- Pray for our Diocese CHURCH OF OUR HOLY SAVIOUR, LABUAN.
  - Revd Nickson Chia and his team of staff.
  - For the outreach ministries to University students.
- Pray for our Parish AGAPE ZONE
  - ♦ AGAPE leaders and members.
  - The smooth running of this great event - DCWC at COGS commencing tomorrow.
  - prepartion for the Christmas festive season, and the carolling teams.
  - for students sitting for SPM & STPM exams (01—30 Nov 2019).

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Hakka 1 7.30pm	273 / 212	Children (BM)	64	Dis- covery Club	1
Hakka 2 7.00am	184 / 154	Children (Mawar)	36	ВВ	
Eng 9.30am	139 / 118	Children (Labuk- Chi)	74	(Jr &	-
BM 9.30am	253 / 217	Children (Labuk - Eng)	51	Snr)	
Mandarin 2.30pm	67 / 55	TOTAL	225	TOTAL	-
		BM Youth		Cell Gi Attend	
		Inspired Youth	31	Chi	ı
		Impact Youth	10	Eng	•
		Tadika COGS	132	ВМ	-
TOTAL	916 / 756	TOTAL	173	TOTAL	-



Theme : Go – Spreading God's !  Text : Acts 8.26-40; Mark 1.35-45
The initial of Jesus' ministry (see <i>Mark 1.16-34</i> ) was executed with God's authority according to God's destiny! It is significant to capture the main purpose of Jesus' mission: to reconnect! Although the power of God's Kingdom was demonstrated over sickness and demon-possession through Jesus' mission, yet the ultimate goal is still to call people to to God by Jesus! Jesus is very clear of His mission's objective (see <i>Mark 1.38-39</i> ) and that is the proclamation of! Let's learn how Jesus keeps focusing on the objective God's Kingdom as follow:-
1. Jesus (Mark 1.35-39)
2. Jesus (Mark 1.40-45)

rent Advent I (01/12/19)	Sunday before Advent (24/11/19)	Order of Service
	Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts (HfTC 413)	Introit Hymn
Steven Chung	Stephanie Chin	Greetings
	Timothy K B Wong	Praise & Worship
		Collect for Today
Romans 13: 11 - end Choo Peng Yeang	Acts 8: 26 - 40 Thien Lee Yee	Bible Reading
		Nicene Creed
Matthew 24: 36 - 44 Elizabeth Kho	Mark 1: 35 - 45 Steven Chung	Gospel Reading
	Go: Spreading God's Good News!	Message
Canon James Lee	Canon James Lee	
		Response Hymn
<b>Wesley Chang</b>	Shane Ho	Intercession
		Confession
nee Nothing, But the Blood (HOP 176)	I Gave My Life For Thee (HOP 397)	Offertory Hymn
nksgiving, Blessing & Dismissal	ion, Lord's Prayer, Thanksgiv	Holy Communi
My And Can It Be (HfTC 452)	There Is Sunshine In My Soul (HOP 345)	Thanksgiving Hymn
nother:	Serving One Another	
LOGOS 4 (Choo Peng Yeang)	LOGOS 3 (Ho Sui Loon)	Group Leader
on Mr & Mrs Vun Thau Fen Mr & Mrs Benjamin Chow	Mr & Mrs Ho Sui Loon Tommy Lim	Welcome Team
	Mr & Mrs Yuen Kat Ming Liew Vun Men, Ho En Han	Sidesmen
Eddio Wone	<b>Charles Chong</b>	Server
j Eddie Wong	Ho Sui Loon	Prayer Ministry
Ho Sui Loon Gina Chung	Mercy Chong	
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Ho Sui Loon Gina Chung Alice Chang ( C ) Loh Leong Len Ng Mr & Mrs Ho Sui Loon	Mercy Chong Rona Yuen ( C ) Yuen Kat Min, Emily Ng Lena Wong, Mark Mak	Offertory Count