

» CHURCH STAFF RECRUITMENT

Executive (Finance)

This role is required to perform financial accounting responsibilities such as weekly cash receipt recording for Sunday tithing and other income types, monthly bank reconciliation and monitoring cashflow balance. He/She will also coordinate the cash collection process during events. Prior relevant experience is preferred.

Center Administration cum Mobilisation, East Centre

This role will lead and oversee operational aspects of the East Centre. It includes mobilising people in various areas such as centre administration, weekly services requirements, facilities set-up and coordination, Finance and IT-related matters. This role also serves as the overall coordinator in mobilising the lay congregation. He/She will work very closely with the ministry heads on recruitment, selection, redeployment and renewal matters.

Applicants should either be a church or CG member, with a heart to answer God's call in their lives in furthering Covenant EFC's mission.

For more information, visit <http://www.cefc.org.sg/index.php/about-us/recruitment>
Email your resume to hr@cefc.org.sg by 11 Dec.

» BAPTISM CLASS

Register at the Information Counter today.

Date: 11 Dec (Sun)

Time: 1.00pm–3.30pm

Venue: WDL Centre

» DISCOVERY WEEKEND

Courting couples, would you like to further develop your relationship for God's glory?

Choose *one* Saturday (8.30am–5pm) from next year's Discovery Weekend dates:

14 Jan, 22 Apr, 15 Jul and 14 Oct.

» NEW LIFE STAFF RECRUITMENT

Turn your passion into your career by serving with New Life Community Services through the following positions:

- **Corporate Communications Executive** (must have graphic design skills)
- **Childcare Teachers** (English)
- **Social Workers or Counsellors for Reformatory Training Centre (RTC)**
- **Youth Programme Coordinators**

Download the application form at www.newlife.org.sg and email to hr@newlife.org.sg
For more information, call 6760 0533.

*For other announcements,
please download the
"Covenant EFC" mobile app.*

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Is Your Soul Refreshed or Thirsting?

BY: PS ADRIAN CHAN, INTEGRATED EQUIPPING

In his book *Renovation of the Heart*, the late Dallas Willard wrote:

"The soul is the deepest and the most vital part of the person as a whole. Our soul is like an inner stream of water, which gives strength, direction, and harmony to every other element of our life. When that stream is as it should be, we are constantly refreshed and exuberant in all we do, because our soul itself is then profusely rooted in the vastness of God and his kingdom..."

Many of us in this fast-paced life are not even aware of how dry our soul can be. We've given out so much — to our children, spouse, extended family, work or studies. Our soul is panting for times of refreshing, reflecting and renewing. Over this weekend and the next, hundreds of Covenanters will be at the Breakthrough Weekend for such times of reinvigoration and breakthroughs. If you know of someone who is or will be at the Breakthrough Weekend, will you please pray for him/her? What will you pray for? Senior Pastor Tan Kay Kiong taught a helpful acrostic S.O.U.L. to guide our prayer and action in tending the garden of our soul:

S – Sins I hide
O – Obstacles I fear
U – Unchecked emotions
I express
L – Lies I believe

We can pray for sins to be exposed and forgiven. For obstacles to be overcome with faith and God's mighty power. For emotions to be checked and steered by the Holy Spirit. For self-deceptions to be torn down and replaced with truth.

Perhaps you can't go for this year's Breakthrough Weekend. But you can still take time, perhaps for a Saturday at the park for solitude, reflection and looking ahead to 2017. Years back, I had to persistently ask a friend in the teaching sector to stop, pray and reflect. This was because year in and year out, cohort in and cohort out, my friend kept going and was in danger of drying up and burning out. I was glad that my friend eventually took time to centre down to seek God, reflect, and chart the next steps. Years after, I could see how that time-out made a huge positive difference. Praise to our unfailing God!

What about you? Will you too take time for soul-care?



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DISCIPLESHIP
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OF A CERTAIN KIND

VALUES

GRACE
GROWTH
GODLINESS

SERMON OUTLINE



Taking Enemy Fire

Scripture: **EPHESIANS 6:16** Sermon: **PS LEE DA WIN**

Introduction

A. Take Up the Shield of Faith (v.16a)

“In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith...”

B. Put Out the Darts of Fire (v.16b)

“with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one.”

Conclusion

Next Week's Sermon Speakers:

4 Dec **REV EDMUND CHAN** (BPJ, WDL & EAST)

LAST WEEK'S SERMON SUMMARY



Love as Jesus Loves

Scripture: **MATTHEW 9:36** // Sermon: **PS ANDY LEW**

Introduction

Volunteerism and giving is on a downward trend in Singapore. We hope that the Church can set the example of compassion to the community.

Two Ways We Can Love the Community as Jesus Loves:

A. See as Jesus Sees

“When he saw the crowds...”

1. “Saw” is to look from the external to the internal. Jesus saw pictures in the crowd.
 - a. “The harassed and helpless” – literally “torn and thrown away”. Jesus saw the physical pain of the neglected and marginalised in the community: the sick, the poor, etc.
 - b. “Sheep without a shepherd” – Jesus saw the deeper spiritual lostness of the people. They lacked a shepherd and a leader in their lives. Jesus was the promised Shepherd (Eze 34:23).
 - c. “Harvest” (v.37) – Jesus saw many whose hearts were open to the true Shepherd.
2. Question: What prevents us from seeing as Jesus sees?
3. Let's take time to see the helpless and lost in our own community.

B. Feel as Jesus Feels

“...he had compassion on them”

1. Two significant observations on Jesus' compassion:
 - a. Compassion involves the heart. The Greek word for compassion literally means deep stomach-churning response to people's need. Jesus felt deeply for the people around Him throughout His ministry (Matt 14:14; 15:32; 20:34).
 - b. Compassion involves the hands. Jesus didn't just wait for feelings to well up. As he ministered, the compassion grew. Stuart Briscoe says: “Others need to be mobilised before they are motivated.” Don't wait till you feel it; do something first!
2. Personal testimony: Growing to have compassion for every nation, not just China.
3. Illus. Bringing Steady Reader's programme to the slums of Manila.
4. Application: How can we grow in our compassion?
 - a. Pray for the community — “ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore”. God is the “HR manager” and He will send the workers to the field.
 - b. Give to the community. Compassion cannot be cultivated from afar. Jesus was close to the harassed and helpless in the community. Give funds and become a volunteer.

Conclusion

At six years old, Kathy's mother was diagnosed with cervical cancer. The church paid the bill and cared for the family. Thirty years later, Kathy and her own children were drawn to the church because “It was that congregation that convinced me that there is a God and He loves me”.

When we love the community, the community will see and feel the love of Jesus!