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What is Missions Sunday? 27th November 2022



On the 27th of this month, the Household of Faith will conduct our 5th Missions Sunday. Missions has been a key pillar of the church because it was the way the New Testament church started.

Jesus gave us His last great commission in Matthew 28:18-20 - Jesus came to them and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to me in heaven and on earth.

Therefore go, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I commanded you. Behold, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen.

After that, Jesus ascended to heaven with His apostles watching, and angels confirming in Acts 1:8-11 - But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you.

You will be witnesses to me in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the uttermost parts of the earth." When he had said these things, as they were looking, he was taken up, and a cloud received him out of their sight. While they were looking steadfastly into the sky as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white clothing, who also said, "You men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into the sky? This Jesus, who was received up from you into the sky will come back in the same

way as you saw him going into the sky."

This is exactly what the church did on the day it was established in Acts 2:40-47 - With many other words he testified, and exhorted them, saying, "Save yourselves from this crooked generation!" Then those who gladly received his word were baptized. There were added that day about three thousand souls. They continued steadfastly in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and prayer. Fear came on every soul, and many wonders and signs were done through the apostles.

All who believed were together, and had all things in common. They sold their possessions and goods, and distributed them to all, according as anyone had need. Day by day, continuing steadfastly with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread at home, they took their food with gladness and singleness of heart, praising God, and having favor with all the people. The Lord added to the assembly day by day those who were being saved.

Let us think about how well we are living the Great Commission as we prepare for Missions Sunday.



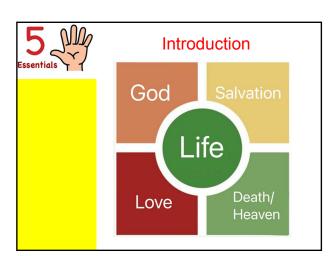
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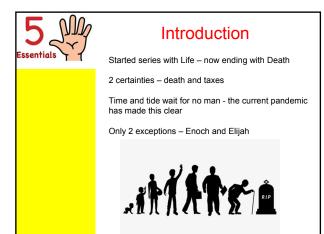


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New 5-lesson Series Lesson 5: Death







Introduction

After death, what?





1 We are Eternal

Introduction

Matthew 10:28

And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell.

1 Corinthians 15:54

When the perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written: "Death is swallowed up in victory."

Mark 9:44

'where their worm doesn't die, and the fire is not quenched.'



1 We are Eternal

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WE DWELL IN A BODY.
WE HAVE A SOUL.
WE WILL LIVE
ETERNALLY AS A
SPIRIT.

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2 Avoid Hell

Matthew 25:46

Then they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life.

Matthew 13:50

and throw them into the blazing furnace, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life maimed than with two hands to go into hell, where the fire never goes out.



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3 Heaven for All

1 We are Eternal 2 Avoid Hell

Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. In my Father's house are

many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also.

John 14:1

Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again."

Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in
the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I
am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die



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4 Made for Heaven

Titus 3:3-7

For we ourselves were once foolish, disobedient, led astray...But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us...so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life

Philippians 3:20-21

But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself



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5 The Way to Heaven

Ephesians 2:8-10

For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, that no one would boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared before that we would walk in them.

Romans 5:17

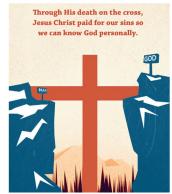
For if by the trespass of the one, death reigned through the one; so much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one, Jesus Christ.

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Conclusion

Romans 12:1-2

Therefore I urge you, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service.

Don't be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what is the good, well-pleasing, and perfect will of God.

He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?



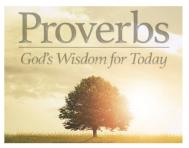
Conclusion

Live each day as if Christ died yesterday (passionate faith), Rose this morning (vibrant faith), is Returning tonight (hopeful faith)





Call to Worship Scripture Reading Opening Prayer Congregational Singing Communion & Giving Exhortation Invitation Announcements Closing Prayer



New Series Proverbs 9:9 Give instruction to a wise man, and he will be yet wiser



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2022 Missions Sunday Theme:

How well are You living the Great Commission?



The theme of our 5th Missions Sunday is a personal one every member should reflect on: how well are you living the Great Commission?

After His ressurection, Jesus entrusted His apostles with His last great commission in Matthew 28:18-20 - Jesus came to them and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to me in heaven and on earth.

Therefore go, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I commanded you. Behold, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen.

When we started the Household of Faith, one of the pillars the new congregation was built on, was missions. On the first Missions Sunday, we conducted a retreat and invited representatives from Indonesia, China and West Malaysia to speak. Below is a photo taken at the retreat on Good Friday of 2018.



Having heard from men who have made sacrifices to spread the gospel, ask yourself "how well am I living the Great Commission?"

- 1. The Great Commission begins at home Acts 1:8 "You will be witnesses to me in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the uttermost parts of the earth." Are we praying for our family and extended relations?
- 2. We can reach out and make friends for Jesus intentionally. Look around in your work, school, neighbourhood. Even people you interact with at shops and malls. Look out for those who need comfort and a faith.
- 3. Once a year, the Household of Faith devotes the entire Sunday's contribution to overseas missions. All of us can increase our giving on Missions Sunday to assist in ministries that are not as blessed as we are.

If you have not picked up the Missions Sunday envelope, be sure to do it tonight. Put it with your daily devotional guide, Power for Today and pray for missions every day until 27th November - our 5th annual Missions Sunday.

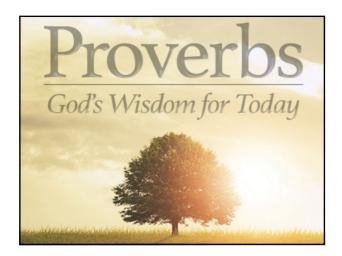


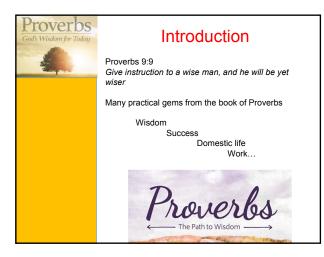
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Start series with the topic of Wisdom

Will comment on 7 verses from Proverbs

So much in life depends on wisdom - Proverbs 6:10-11 A little sleep, a little slumber, A little folding of the hands to sleep: So your poverty will come as a robber, And your scarcity as an armed man.

Do not need to be rich or gifted - many rags to riches stories





Solomon Asks for Wisdom

1 Kings 3:1-28

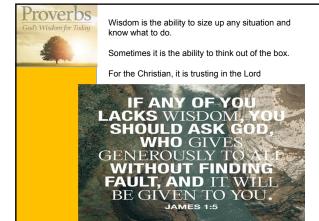
Solomon showed wisdom by asking for wisdom

You can lose your wealth

You can lose your health

You can lose your loved ones

But no one can take away your wisdom



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1. Be Open

Proverbs 18:1
A man who isolates himself seeks his own desires; he rages against all wise judgment.

Nobody knows everything

We need to learn from one another – even by observing children

When you think

you know everything and do not welcome the opinions of others...

Next verse is true: Proverbs 18:2 A fool hath no delight in understanding, But only that his heart may reveal itself.



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Give due consideration – you may learn something





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2. Get Understanding

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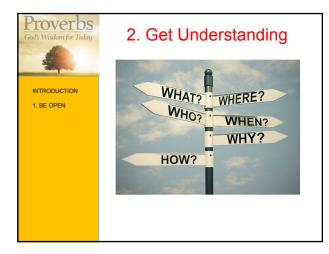
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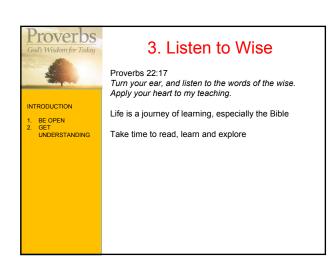
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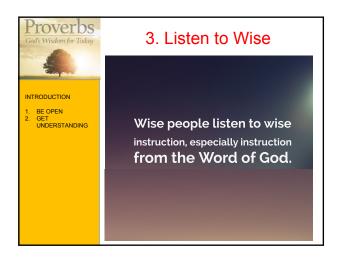
Take time to understand yourself, your family and

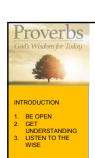
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4. Think Carefully

Proverbs 15:28
The heart of the righteous weighs answers, But the mouth of the wicked gushes out evil.

Often so quick to speak, especially when texting

So, then, my beloved brothers, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, and slow to anger

Wise people are thoughtful









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5. Walk with the Wise

who walks with wise men grows wise, But a panion of fools suffers harm.

are influenced by the people we hang out with

orinthians 15:33, not be deceived: 'Bad company corrupts good rals.'





5. Walk with the Wise



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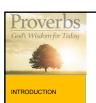
So as to turn your ear to wisdom, And apply your heart to understanding; Yes, if you call out for discernment, And lift up your voice for understanding

6. Pray for Wisdom

- Studying will make your knowledgeable; prayer will make you wise

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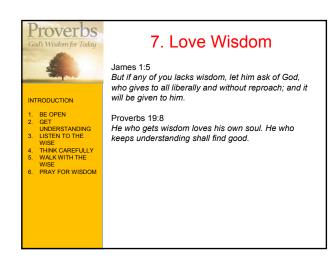
But if any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach; and it will be given to him.



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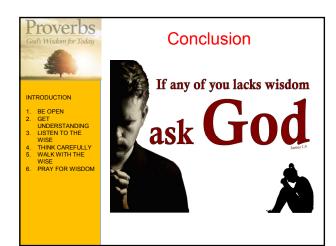
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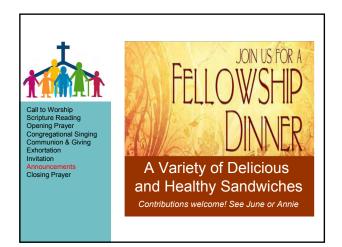












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Looking forward to 2023 by brother Henry.











14th November 2022

I am wondering how each of us have lived out the Great Commission during the past 11 months?

If you want to do better, especially before the end of the

Coming right up, this week is the our 5th Annual Missions year, you can!

Sunday on the 27th of November.

Brother Ong Kok Bin, long-time minister with the congregation at Seremban will be our guest speaker.

We are catering dinner so that we can stay behind and

enjoy the fellowship. Bring your family and friends. Be seeing you!

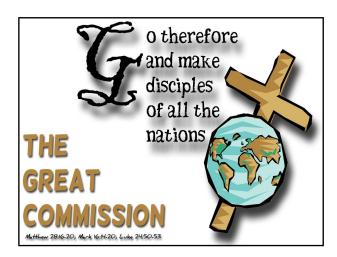
Your friend and minister, Henry Kong 93260669





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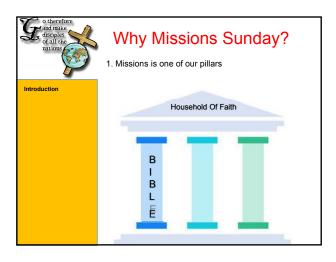
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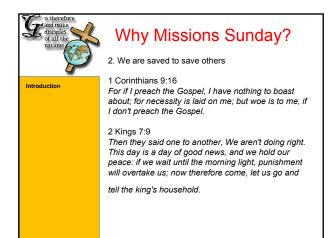














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Why Missions Sunday?

3. It was our Lord's last great commission

Last wishes of our loved ones are so important

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How to Live the Great Commission

1. The Great Commission begins at home

Acts 1:8 But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you. You will be witnesses to me in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the uttermost parts of the earth.

Are we praying for our family and extended relations?



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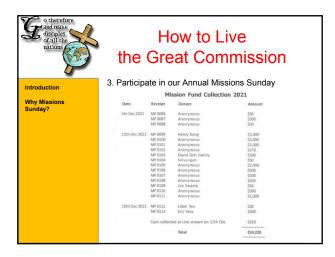
Why Missions

2. Missions is to reach out for Jesus

Locally – across the road at your work, school and neighborhood, people you interact with at shops and leisure

Overseas











What do we do with MF?

3. We also respond to requests for assistance

Crises, disasters, special programs eg pantry outreach in Philippines





Introduction

How to Live the Great Commission?

What do we do with MF?

Conclusion

- 1. Examine how you have lived the Great Commission this year
- Pray for our 5th Annual Missions Sunday
 Members
 Missionaries
 Contribution
- 3. Determine to glorify God in your Missions Sunday





Call to Worship
Scripture Reading
Opening Prayer
Congregational Singing
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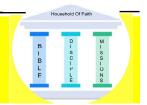
Bring the Whole Family!

Stay back for catered dinner



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Missions Sunday: Not Just One Day Each Year



Today the Household of Faith conducts our 5th Annual Missions Sunday. For many members, it is time to take out the cheque book and make a generous missions gift. As good as this is, Missions Sunday must not slide into becoming simply an annual affair.

Once a year, the church earmarks a day where our contributions are dedicated to missions. Members and supporters are informed and many give sacrificially.

We usually invite a guest speaker, and this year we are honoured to have brother Ong Kok Bin from Australia. Brother Kok Bin and his wife, sister Esther have devoted their lives ministering to the churches of Christ in Kuala Lumper and Seremban in West Malaysia.

Each Missions Sunday, the church also enjoys a catered buffet together as we anticipate more visitors than usual and to give our cooks a break and occasion to mingle with visitors.

Once a month, everyone is encouraged to have a heart for missions. Take time at least once a month to keep up with missions around the world.

The Christian Chronicle (see back page) monthly eNewsletter for the churches of Christ is a good place to start. It is an award-

winning newspaper with a good coverage of churches, universities and individuals relating to the churches of Christ. There is a search option you can use to look for news in Singapore or any country of your choice.

Once a week, we come together for worship and to contribute to the work of the church. It would be a good plan to set aside part of your gifts for missions.

This is an especially good discipline for parents to train youths and children who are not already earning an income but getting an allowance. A dollar a week can accumulate to over \$50 in a year.

Once a day, to live the Great Commission, each member can start a prayer list and pray for missionaries, preachers and members outside Singapore. For example, there are several heartwarming stories reported in the Christian Chronicle about the church in Ukraine. These Christians are holding on to their faith in spite of the war inflicted by Russia. Eventually, the best thing we can do is to pray.



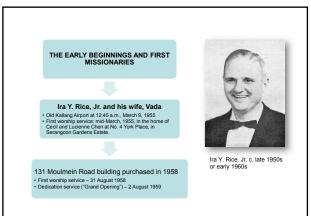
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TAKEN JUST PRIOR to our first overseas departure, this photo shows what our family was like at the time. We had only four children then-Ramona, age 7; Lynette, 5; Renee, 3; and Ira III, not yet 2. Note my hand on Ira's arm to keep him from squirming while the picture was made.



FIRST LORD'S DAY SERVICE of the Church of Christ, in Singapore, was conducted mid-March, 1955, in the home of Cecil and Lucienne Chen at No. 4 York Place, in Serangoon Gardens Estate. Photo

FIRST CONVERTS

- Lye Hong Meng
- Charlie Ng Fock Lam
- · Henry Tan Siak Siang
- Tan Keng Koon
- · Samuel Miao



THE EARLY BEGINNINGS AND FIRST MISSIONARIES



Leroy Harbin & Fannie (Moulmein Road, Feb 1961-April 62; Queenstown, July 1964-67)

- "MILLION FOR THE BILLION" Campaign in the States (Aug 59 – Nov 60)
- Rices, Harbins, and Hogans road tour of Europe, Middle East and India
- Harbins arrived in Singapore sometime in February
- 1961 but left Moulmein Road abruptly on 15 April 1962 came back in 1964 and with some 15-20 members from Moulmein Road, planted a church in Queenstown that later became Pasir Panjang

Queenstown Henry & Nat Kong (1966 - 2017)



Of the "Three splendid young men" that Harbin mentioned, one of them was Henry Kong. He was one of the first graduates of the Malaysia Christian College set up by Pence Dacus at Moulmein Road. Harbin reported:

"Brother Henry Kong, one of our twenty-year-old preacher trainees, who after graduation from Malaysia Christian College studied daily with me for more than a year of our Perpetual Gospel Meetings, is working with the congregation and baptized two more during the first four weeks after our departure for America."

In taking over the ministry reins from Harbin, Henry Kong became the first graduate of Malaysia Christian College, the precursor of Four Seas College, to go into full-time preaching in Singapore. He, himself, put the date as 1 May 1966 as "the day I started working full-time in the ministry".

But even before this, he was involved in the first mission work in Queenstown. He related how in 1963, some Christians from Moulmein Road began to do personal work in the "new satellite town of Queenstown and he was in that group of Moulmein Road personal workers.

SUBSEQUENT MISSIONARIES

Pence & Janis Dacus (pictured) Moulmein Road, Jan 64 – Nov 66

- established Malaysia Christian College, forerunner of Four Seas College
- edited and published New Testament Christianity, also wrote an Advanced Bible Course, which was edited further and became A Great Return to the Bible
- returned to Singapore for a short stint in the early 2000s





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Dave & Debbie Hogan (Moulmein Road, 1993present)

Tony & Karen Gross (AMK, 1990s)

Ron Oltmanns (Downtown, 1990s)

David & Peggy Lee (Moulmein Road, 1998-2000)

NOT FORGETTING...

FEMALE WORKERS THAT CAME AS CHURCH SECRETARIES

- Thelma Eubank (Moulmein Road, Kuala Lumpur, late 60s)
- Jayleta Glaze (Moulmein Road, late 60s)



Thelma Eubank at her office in Moulmein Road

CHURCHES ESTABLISHED BY LOCAL PREACHERS/MEMBERS

GEYLANG : 1963, Lye Hong Meng

LIM AH PIN : 1965 (Changi, Upper Serangoon), Tan Keng Koon

JURONG : 1974, Eddy Ee

PONGGOL: 1978, David Chew (NORTH-EAST, Andrew Ng)

ANG MO KIO : 1978, Richard Loh

Merged to bec CITIVISION DOWNTOWN

DOWNTOWN

CITY CHURCH (Bukit Panjang)

WOODLANDS : 1999, Richard Phang together with Shelly Byrant (Citivision)

NORTH-WEST: 1999, a group from Jurong

LAVENDER : 2000, Shrewsbury, later joined by a group from Lim Ah Pin

 HOUSEHOLD OF FAITH : 2017, Henry Kong EASTSIDE : 2019, a group from Lim Ah Pin

OTHER LOCAL PREACHERS



David Chew Eddy Ee Kwan Tai Choom Richard Loh Raybestor Loke Kon Pak Fook Matthew Tan Paul Tan Edwin Choy Andrew Ng Richard Chia Chang Chee Wee Danny Han

EVANGELISM (MAKING CONVERTS)

- Bible Correspondence Courses
- Gospel Meetings and Campaigns Personal Work Visitations, Film Strips
- Friendship Evangelism

On his association with Dale Carnegie, Rice also made this observation: "The first two years Sister Rice and I were in Singapore and Malaya, we baptized many people; however, most of them were right on rock bottom socially, educationally, financially and in every way. They were wonderful people, no doubt, before God; for God has chosen the poor in this world (to be) rich in faith. Yet if a way to reach those a little higher had not been opened unto us, I am quite sure the cause in Singapore should have been decades, not just years, getting on its own."

In We Can Evangelize, under photograph with legend "A GREAT DOOR AND EFFECTUAL IS OPENED UNTO ME".



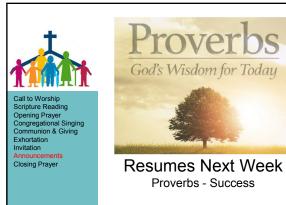
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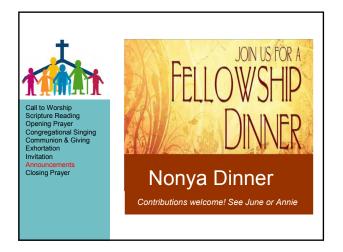
- Early potential preachers sent to the States (but Rice considered this a "lost cause" as only 6 out of 15 returned to work for the church)
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