



5th December 2021

HoF 4th Annual Missions Sunday



Next Sunday, members of the Household of Faith, Singapore will be given an opportunity to partner God in the quest of Missions. All members should have received a Missions envelope in the mail. You can use it to participate in this year's Mission Sunday.

We are planning to assist brother Winston Bolt and the Batam Bible College in securing two semi-detached houses, offered to them by a family member at US\$35,000.

All are invited to join in. As always, we are looking for cheerful givers who will participate freely.

"Let each man give according as he has determined in his heart; not grudgingly, or under compulsion; for God loves a cheerful giver." - 2 Corinthians 9:7.

These are difficult times, but the Bible encourages us in 2 Timothy 4:2 to *preach the word; be urgent in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, and exhort, with all patience and teaching.*

Hence our theme this year is "Missions in the Midst of a Pandemic".

If you cannot give, we ask for your prayers on behalf of missions. Missions Sunday 2021 is just 2 weeks away. May God touch our hearts to reach out like we did last year, for the sake of souls.



Household of Faith 2021 Missions Sunday Contribution

Name _____

Amount _____

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Missions 2021

Distracted by the pandemic

More than 5 million deaths

Reason to stay focused

December 12th is HOF's Missions Sunday

Take time this week to pray



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Jesus was a Person of Mission

Introduction

At a young age - Luke 2:49 *He said to them, "Why were you looking for me? Didn't you know that I must be in my Father's house?"*

In His ministry - Matthew 20:28 *Even as the Son of Man came not to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."*

Right to the end - Luke 22:42 *"Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me. Nevertheless, not my will, but yours, be done."*



Jesus: Man of Mission

Paul was a Person of Mission

1 Timothy 1:15 *The saying is faithful and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief.*

1 Corinthians 15:9-10 *For I am the least of the apostles, who is not worthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the assembly of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am. His grace which was bestowed on me was not futile, but I worked more than all of them; yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me.*



Jesus: Man of Mission

Paul: Man of Mission

Every Christian is to be a Person of Mission

Luke 9:59-60 *He said to another, "Follow me!" But he said, "Lord, allow me first to go and bury my father." But Jesus said to him, "Leave the dead to bury their own dead, but you go and announce the Kingdom of God."*

2 Timothy 2:4 *No soldier on service entangles himself in the affairs of life, that he may please him who enrolled him as a soldier.*

Mark 16:15 *He said to them, "Go into all the world, and preach the Gospel to the whole creation."*



Jesus: Man of Mission

Paul: Man of Mission


Every Christian is to be a Person of Mission

Some can Go

Across the street

Or into all the world

Romans 10:14-15 *How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? How will they believe in him whom they have not heard? How will they hear without a preacher? And how will they preach unless they are sent? As it is written: "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the Gospel of peace, Who bring glad tidings of good things!"*



Jesus: Man of Mission

Paul: Man of Mission

Every Christian is to be a Person of Mission


Some can Go

Most can Give

We all can help in Missions

Acts 13:2-3 *As they served the Lord and fasted, the Holy Spirit said, "Separate Barnabas and Saul for me, for the work to which I have called them." Then, when they had fasted and prayed and laid their hands on them, they sent them away.*

2 Corinthians 11:7-8 *Or did I commit a sin in humbling myself that you might be exalted, because I preached to you God's Gospel free of charge? I robbed other assemblies, taking wages from them that I might serve you.*



Jesus: Man of Mission

Paul: Man of Mission

Every Christian is to be a Person of Mission


Some can Go

Most can Give

All can Pray

Ephesians 6:12 *For our wrestling is not against flesh and blood, but against the principalities, against the powers, against the world's rulers of the darkness of this age, and against the spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places.*

2 Thessalonians 3:1 *Finally, brothers, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may spread rapidly and be glorified, even as also with you*



Jesus: Man of Mission

Paul: Man of Mission

Every Christian is to be a Person of Mission

Some can Go

Most can Give

All Can Pray

Conclusion

Next week another opportunity for Missions

Receive request from Batam to help secure a place for their staff and visiting students

We can start praying

Next week we can give (12-12)

Also think of making a trip when restrictions relaxed



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Let's do what is good toward all men, and especially toward those who are of the household of the faith - Galatians 6:10

12th December 2021



MISSIONS
IN THE MIDST OF A
PANDEMIC

Today is our 4th Annual Missions Sunday

Missions is one of the key foundations of the Household of Faith. On our first year, we hosted a Missions Retreat with participants from China, Malaysia and Indonesia.

Each year, we devote a Sunday in December to focus on Missions. Everyone is welcomed to participate, and indeed many gave freely, cheerfully and generously.

"Let each man give according as he has determined in his heart; not grudgingly, or under compulsion; for God loves a cheerful giver." - 2 Corinthians 9:7.

Today, we will celebrate the Missions Sunday for the 4th time, under the theme, "Missions in the Midst of a Pandemic".

The proceeds of our contribution today will be given to missions. We will help the

church and Bible school in Batam. Over the years, we have accumulated about \$35,000 in our Missions Fund.

If you are prepared, just deposit the 2021 Missions envelope in the blue contribution box at the entrance.

If you did not bring the Missions envelope that was mailed to you, pick one up from the cabinet at the entrance. Even if you did not bring your gift, just indicate the amount you have decided to contribute.

May God give us all a spirit of mission-mindedness and love for lost souls in the world.

Saturday 18th December at 10am

HoF Business Meeting


Last Sunday night I was told by brother Tan Beng Chuan that PPCOC will be rebuilding next year. Our last Sunday worship is 23rd January 2022 as they will be handing over the building to the contractors in February 2022.

We would like to invite members and supporters to come together at my office at PPCOC this Saturday, 18th December at 10am to brainstorm the future of the Household of Faith in regard to our registration and new meeting place.




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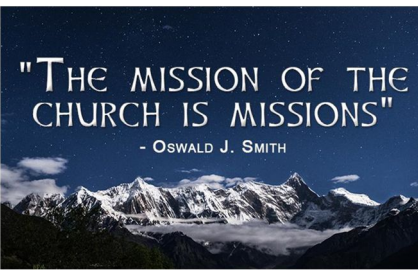




Introduction

- Today is our 5th Missions Sunday
- Second during the pandemic
- Many churches are affected
- Active membership has shrunk
- Focus has shifted inwards
- Many Mission churches are struggling





"THE MISSION OF THE CHURCH IS MISSIONS"

- OSWALD J. SMITH

Last Sunday's lesson

Jesus' last great commission - Mark 16:15
He said to them, "Go into all the world, and preach the Gospel to the whole creation."

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Matthew 24:37-41

As the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man.

For as in those days which were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark and they didn't know until the flood came, and took them all away, so will be the coming of the Son of Man.

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John 3:16-17 *For God so loved the world, that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish, but have eternal life. For God didn't send his Son into the world to judge the world, but that the world should be saved through him.*

John 17:4 *I glorified you on the earth. I have accomplished the work which you have given me to do.*

Galatians 3:28 *There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free man, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus.*

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"Every heart with Christ, a missionary; every heart without Christ, a mission field."

John 4:35 *Don't you say, 'There are yet four months until the harvest?' Behold, I tell you, lift up your eyes, and look at the fields, that they are white for harvest already.'*

Luke 10:2 *Then he said to them, "The harvest is indeed plentiful, but the laborers are few. Pray therefore to the Lord of the harvest, that he may send out laborers into his harvest."*

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Matthew 5:13 *You are the salt of the earth, but if the salt has lost its flavor, with what will it be salted? It is then good for nothing, but to be cast out and trodden under the feet of men.*

Matthew 5:16 *Even so, let your light shine before men; that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven.*

1 Peter 3:1 *In like manner, wives, be in subjection to your own husbands; so that, even if any don't obey the Word, they may be won by the behavior of their wives without a word*

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What Will You Do?

1. Some can **go** as Missionaries
2. Most can **give** to Missions
3. All can **pray** for Mission churches

2 Corinthians 9:7
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2021 Missions Appeal

Brother Winston Bolt for Batam Bible College



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19th December 2021

A New Beginning...

Registration Update



Ever since the Household of Faith was started, we intended to get registered as soon as our attendance reached 50. On our third year, the target was within reach, but the pandemic prevented us from coming together and returning to the Metropolitan YMCA.

We have then started live streaming, first from the home of the Poons, then at the Launchpad and most recently at my office at PPCOC.

I have now been informed by brother Tan Beng Chuan that PPCOC will commence its rebuilding in February next year and that the Household of Faith's last worship at PP will be at the end of January.

The Lord has taken care of us during the pandemic, and has guided us during this time of change.

Here are some changes down the road:

The first change is obviously a new place to meet. We are looking at a few options, favouring a location near an MRT station. This must be done by February 2022.

Before the pandemic, it was a simple and straightforward procedure to rent a meeting place. Since then, landlords are required to check the registration of churches before they can rent out their premises. So the second change is the registration of the Household of Faith.

We have been updating in Fidelity the status of our registration, and I will be doing yet another update next week - this time in person after the worship next week.

At this point of time, we have not submitted any documents, but will do so in January, after the update session next Sunday.

We look forward to the new year and whatever new changes that the Lord may see fit to bless us.

Changes may be difficult and challenging, but can also be exciting when we trust the Lord and respond to His promptings.



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Few things in life are certain

As safe as houses, money in the bank etc

Romans 3:4 *May it never be! Yes, let God be found true, but every man a liar. As it is written, "That you might be justified in your words, And might prevail when you come into judgment."*

2 Peter 1:5-7 *Yes, and for this very cause adding on your part all diligence, in your faith supply moral excellence; and in moral excellence, knowledge; and in knowledge, self-control; and in self-control patience; and in patience godliness; and in godliness brotherly affection; and in brotherly affection, love.*

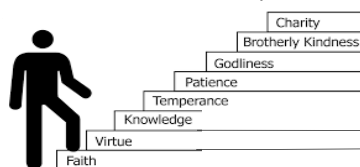


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2 Peter 1:1-4

- Grace to you and peace be multiplied
- all things that pertain to life and godliness
- precious and exceedingly great promises
- partakers of the divine nature
- escaped from the corruption that is in the world

2 Peter 1:5-7 *Yes, and for this very cause*





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Moral Excellence

- **The quality of doing what is right and avoiding what is wrong. virtue**, goodness - moral excellence or praiseworthiness; "there is much good to be found in people"

When someone is mean to you....Be kind in return, or pay it forward to someone else. God told us in His word, to be kind to one another.

Ephesians 4:32 *And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving each other, just as God also in Christ forgave you.*

Be generous. Give your money, your time, your love, your life. 1 Peter 2:21 *For to this you were called, because Christ also suffered for us, leaving you an example, that you should follow his steps.*



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Knowledge

Hosea 4:6 *My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge. Because you have rejected knowledge, I will also reject you.*

Philippians 1:9-10 *This I pray, that your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge and all discernment; so that you may approve the things that are excellent; that you may be sincere and without offense to the day of Christ.*

Philippians 3:8 *Yes most assuredly, and I count all things to be loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus, my Lord, for whom I suffered the loss of all things, and count them nothing but refuse, that I may gain Christ.*



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Self-control

Romans 7:18-19 *For I know that in me, that is, in my flesh, dwells no good thing. For desire is present with me, but I don't find it doing that which is good. For the good which I desire, I don't do; but the evil which I don't desire, that I practice.*

Titus 2:11-12 *For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all men, instructing us to the intent that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we would live soberly, righteously, and godly in this present world*



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Patience

Give me patience, and give it to me now!

Galatians 6:9 *And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up.*

Romans 12:12 *Rejoice in hope, **be patient in tribulation**, be constant in prayer.*

Philippians 4:6 *Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.*

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Godliness

1 Timothy 4:8 *For while bodily training is of some value, godliness is of value in every way, as it holds promise for the present life and also for the life to come.*

2 Peter 3:11 *Since all these things are thus to be dissolved, what sort of people ought you to be in lives of holiness and godliness*

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Brotherly Affection

Romans 13:8 *Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law.*

John 13:35 *By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."*

John 13:34 *A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another.*

1 John 4:7 *Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God.*

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2 Peter 1:8-11
For if these things are yours and abound,

- *they make you to be not idle nor unfruitful*
- *For he who lacks these things is blind, seeing only what is near, having forgotten the cleansing from his old sins.*
- *Therefore, brothers, be more diligent to make your calling and election sure.*
- *For if you do these things, you will never stumble.*
- *For thus will be richly supplied to you the entrance into the eternal Kingdom of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.*



Registration Announcement



Tonight, we will hear from our minister the registration of the Household of Faith after worship. For over a year, he has been working with various ones, including two lawyers on the registration options available. Come for worship, and stay back a few minutes more to learn about the future of the Household of Faith.

Looking back, we sense that God works in mysterious ways. We see in Isaiah 55:9 that *as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts.*

So we joyfully submit to God's good pleasure as He leads us to green pastures during the pandemic. We will be blessed and protected if we will continue to trust Him and do His will.

MISSIONS SUNDAY CONTRIBUTION


Date	Receipt	Donor	Amount
5th Dec 2021	MF 0096	Anonymous	\$50
	MF 0097	Anonymous	\$500
	MF 0098	Anonymous	\$50
12th Dec 2021	MF 0099	Henry Kong	\$2,000
	MF 0100	Anonymous	\$5,000
	MF 0101	Anonymous	\$1,000
	MF 0102	Anonymous	\$170
	MF 0103	David Goh Family	\$100
	MF 0104	Selvarajah	\$50
	MF 0105	Anonymous	\$2,000
	MF 0106	Anonymous	\$500
	MF 0107	Anonymous	\$100
	MF 0108	Anonymous	\$420
	MF 0109	Joe Swamy	\$50
	MF 0110	Anonymous	\$500
	MF 0111	Anonymous	\$2,000

Cash collected at worship on 12th Dec \$210

Total \$14,700







Introduction

The pandemic continues


All kinds of interracial and domestic violence,

Many jobless, business failures,

Mental health issues,

Deaths...

What is there to be thankful for?




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1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 *Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.*

Psalms 65:11 *You crown the year with your bounty. Your carts overflow with abundance.*

Psalms 103:2 *Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits*


This year I am thankful for _____.



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Thankful


- Life
1 Timothy 6:7-8 *For we brought nothing into the world, and we certainly can't carry anything out. But having food and clothing, we will be content with that.*
- Health
3 John 1:2 *Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in all things and be healthy, even as your soul prospers.*
- Safety
Joshua 1:9 *Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."*



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- Family
Psalm 127:3-5 *Behold, children are a heritage from the Lord, the fruit of the womb a reward. Like arrows in the hand of a warrior are the children of one's youth. Blessed is the man who fills his quiver with them! He shall not be put to shame when he speaks with his enemies in the gate.*
- Friends
Proverbs 27:17 *Iron sharpens iron, and one man sharpens another.*
- Effective Government
Romans 13:3-6 *For rulers are not a terror to the good work, but to the evil... for he is a minister of God... For this reason you also pay taxes, for they are ministers of God's service, attending continually on this very thing.*



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Blessed

- God
 Isaiah 41:10 *Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.*
- Protection
 Hebrews 13:6 *So that with good courage we say, "The Lord is my helper. I will not fear. What can man do to me?"*
- Church
 Matthew 6:33 *But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.*



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Colossians 3:15-17
And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body.

And be thankful.

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God.

And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.



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



Plans for 2022
