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Perak District Superintendent

# The Season of Advent and What it Means for us Today.

Advent, a time of preparation for Christmas, comes from the Latin word 'adventus' meaning arrival or coming. The word, Advent, has taken a journey of its own, in meaning and usage. In the early Church, the word was used mainly for Christmas itself, the coming of Jesus, the Son of God, into the world. In the Middle Ages the meaning of Advent was extended to describe Jesus Christ's coming in three different ways: His birth at Bethlehem in the past; His second and future coming at the end of time; His present coming through grace into the hearts and souls of His people. Gradually, Advent, began to have a slightly different meaning and referred, as it does today, to the season of preparation for Christ's coming to humanity. And so Advent is the season we prepare to celebrate the past; we prepare to receive Christ into our lives in the present; and we prepare for the end of the world and the second coming of Christ, and fullness of the Kingdom of God.

Advent marks the beginning of the church year. It begins with the fourth Sunday before Christmas Day. It is part of the cycle of seasons that includes Christmas, and Epiphany, all are related to the coming of Jesus. This cycle is followed by Lent, Holy Week, Easter, and the long Pentecost season. The colour for Advent has traditionally been purple. Some churches have adopted blue for Advent. In practice, however, as churches increasingly incorporate the symbols and decorations of Christmas during Advent, more and more we see red, green, and gold appearing. The United Methodist Book of Worship upholds the traditional colour of purple for Advent, signifying penitence and royalty, but also allows blue, the colour of hope.<sup>1</sup>

Commonly accompanying the Advent Season in our Church Services are the Advent wreath and Advent candles. What are their meaning and origin?

The Advent wreath, four (or five) candles on a wreath of evergreen, is shaped in a perfect circle, representing God's infinite love, and are usually made of evergreen leaves, which represent the hope of eternal life in Jesus Christ. In some churches, four purple candles,

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one for each week in Advent, are used with one larger white candle in the middle as the Christ candle. Other churches prefer three purple or blue candles with one candle being rose or pink, to represent joy. The Advent wreath became popular in the

time of the Protestant reformer Martin Luther.

During each Sunday of the Advent season, a candle is lit. The four candles represent Hope, Love, Joy and Peace, and the fifth candle represents Christ's birth bringing light into the world. Each week as we light a candle, we focus on one of the four virtues Jesus brings us: Hope, Love, Joy and Peace. The fifth candle, the Christ candle, is lit on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day, reminding Christians that Jesus is the Light of the world.

Advent became part of the Liturgical calendar as a response to two issues regarding Christmas celebration in the early Church. The first is the debate concerning December 25th as the date to celebrate Christ' birth. The second is the Arian heresy, which denies the human nature of Christ.

In the early years of Christianity, December 25, began to be celebrated as the birthday of Christ. Celebrating Christ's birthday on December 25th in the early Church became a controversy, because the date December 25th had been observed in pre-Christian Rome as the day of the winter solstice, which is a pagan festival. St. John Chrysostom countered this debate and the objection to celebrating Christmas on December 25th, reminding Christians that Romans annals, tax accounts and census records clearly pinpoint the time when Joseph took Mary to Bethlehem during Quirinius' census. Furthermore, the chronology of St. Luke's gospel, which clarified the

dating of Christmas in December is determined by Zechariah making his offering on the Day of Atonement (in late September), and the conception of John the Baptist soon followed. The gospel of Luke tells us that six months later Mary

conceived (in late March) and nine months later Christ was born (in late December).<sup>2</sup>

Secondly, the controversy surrounding the Arian heresy (which denied the human nature of Christ) contributed to the increased emphasis on Christmas celebration. Bishops in the early Church exhort Christians to prepare their hearts for the celebration. The emphasis for celebrating Christ's birth reinforces Christ's human nature in the early Church. Sermons by Maximus of Turin (380-451) and Caesarius of Arles (470-543), among many others, called for observing a pre-Christmas time of preparation. St. Gregory of Tours (538-594) relates in his History of the Franks, that in 480, a predecessor had designated a period of preparation from St. Martins' Day, Nov. 11. For the next 500 years, the season of Advent was observed throughout the West.3 Today, many scholars agree that the origins of Advent can be traced back to the Church in France.

Fasting has always been a central aspect of Advent observances The Western Church's liturgical emphasis throughout Advent is on repentance, watching, and waiting. Advent season is characterized by purple vestments (also used in Lent, the other penitential season). The rich tradition and origin of Advent impress upon us to prepare our hearts and minds to celebrate with joy the fact that God took our flesh upon Him, Christ our Saviour, and became man so that we might become partakers of His nature, growing in Christlikeness.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>UMC Discipleship Ministries, https://www.umcdiscipleship.org/resources/understanding-advent

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>John Chrysostom - Homily on the Date of Christmas, sections 1 and 2,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>However, the length and practices of Advent varied from place to place and time to time.



# On D6 Malaysia Conference 2018 by TRAC Delegates

A 2014 survey showed 85% of TRAC couples are at high risk for divorce. If the health of the home is foundational to Generational Discipleship, we are in trouble. The survey showed we do exercise faith individually but fall short in exercising faith with the next generation. We needed a D6 Conference to wake us up and do something (church and home) before we bleed the next generations. D6 2018 challenged us to think Generational Discipleship. D6 2019 (August 1-3) will help us move further in discipling the generations. Tim Kimmel of grace-based parenting will be our keynote speaker.

Dr. Herbert Tan Chairman of Family Ministries Malaysia Organizing Chairman for D6 Malaysia

Praise God and thanks to the organizers for D6 Conference which spoke to my heart. 10 years ago, I quitted my job, went to seminary to become a full time pastor because I saw a Great importance in family ministry. I do my own research, prepare materials for teaching in the church but the impact was minimal because many think that it is just another ministry, I do marriage and parenting counselling but they are just fire fighting. I have been praying that our churches and even the Conference be able to do something in this area and thank God for hearing prayers. I pray that more people be aware of the D6 movement, perhaps also the Chinese speaking churches as we need to bring the awareness to the whole of Malaysia.

Rev. Lim Chaw Leong
Associate Pastor, WMC Ipoh

Our generation bemoans a lack of continuity of the next generation into the church but we have not done anything substantially concrete about it nor has it entered our minds to 'do church differently.

D6 emphasised that biblically the family is the most important unit in raising up disciples while the church plays the supporting role. For too long, we have surrendered Christian education and discipleship to the church to our detriment.

D6 helps us refocus - to insist that parents must take up Christian leadership at home. They are their children's first teachers and role-models. The church supports them through pulpit teaching, Sunday school activities, youth activities and family-oriented programmes.

What I also like about D6 is the reminder to pastors and church leaders that it is not a prescribed programme or activity for your church. It is about biblical principles of discipling the next generation particularly through Deuteronomy 6. Instead we apply biblical principles into our church's situation.

As a pastor, I am persuaded to impress upon my church that parents have to take up Christian leadership, Christian mentoring and teaching at home. This is a paradigm shift for them.

I certainly want to encourage pastors, church leaders, parents and grandparents to attend the next D6 Conference. It will make a difference to our church.

Pastor Andrew Yeoh WMC Butterworth

D6 is an amazing conference which has given us practical advice on how to help families become better disciples of Jesus Christ. Some key learnings from D6:

- 1. Importance of intergenerational discipleship as a church. It has to be a culture and value of the entire church, requires a right key leader with a core group of leaders who have the value, vision and tenacity to chart the development. It begins with the leader of every home.
- 2. Family is at the heart of God's Kingdom Building. Parents are to be the primary disciple-makers of their children. They are first to be discipled to love God.
- 3. The Gospel is preeminent, qualitatively unique and essential in Family Life. A huge thank you to the speakers, organizers, helpers, volunteers for a wonderful conference.

#### **Damansara Utama Methodist Church**







Lighter moments

"D6 is a movement intentional about empowering parents, homes, marriages, leaders, and church to live out the story of Deuteronomy 6. This scripture paints a beautiful picture for the family and of God's heart for discipleship at home. The family is God's original small group. D6 provides resources to align the church and the home to accomplish God's design of generational discipleship.

Since parents are the major shapers of character, values, and behaviour, they need to be involved at home to reinforce the lessons from church. The children's spiritual development is not Church School alone. Instead, the church needs to help parents to learn and work with the church to disciple their children. This is the power of generational discipleship. Today, it starts at church and continues in the home. But one day, it will begin at home and overflow into the church. This is what D6 is all about!"

Choong Wai Kok Church School Superintendent WMC, Johore Bahru

- 1. The "Four C's of parenting" reminded us to play the right role wisely at different age stages of our kids. The wrong role at the wrong stage brings possibility in making prodigals. In godly parenting, working towards deepest level of conversations with our kids is crucial at scuba Level (Dr. Ron Hunter Jr) where parents can influence their kids in imparting their faith
- 2. In the context of "Nuclear Family", Grandparenting Discipleship reminds us grandparents are not merely babysitters but the source of light and salt for their grandchildren. They should play an active role in mentoring the faith of younger generation and rekindling the flame of the family altar.
- 3. Church ministries have been compartmentalized in general. The breakthrough and working on mobilizing the family member into family ministry is necessary.

Phang Siew Hong
Ministry Worker, WMC Ipoh

The Conference held from 2-3 August 2018 with keynote speaker, Ron Hunter Jr. Enlightened the challenges faced by Christians today. To love the Lord, keep His commandments and laws is not an easy task. The Christian home is the place where the children learn and practise the ways of God when they are emphasized in their homes. The parents will be seen as role models. The parents and grandparents need to be groomed in the knowledge of a good Christian lifestyle and practice and pass it on to their children.

The gathering of Christians from various churches was very encouraging to see. They will be able to take back to their churches so as to study and develop a system where the emphasis for the homes to become Christian nurturing places. When the family is strong in the Lord, the Church will be strong.

The Conference was well organized and well run. Kudos to the organizers, Trinity Methodist Church PJ as host and the church members as volunteers for a job well done for the Glory of God.

Ruth Balan

WMC Teluk Intan









Interactive times

The D6 Conference emphasized how all churches should take family ministry seriously and make it an integral part of the church. This means spiritually strengthening individual families in church and collectively seeing families arise and become stronger as the body of Christ. I am the product of a family (especially parents) that trusted in God and believed that the local church is the place for families to be united under the Headship of Jesus Christ.

The problem faced by many families is that they want to grow spiritually and be faithful to God but at many times are lost. There are also key transitioning points that need to be delicately traversed with much prayer and guidance analogous a ship passing through a narrow canal. These are vulnerable times where the enemy will attack. These transitions include leaving the home/home church (for studies & work opportunities), entering the workforce and entering married life.

Generally, if children and young adults have been taking their faith in Christ seriously, they should prevail in these passages of life. However, proper preparation (and asking the right questions in a loving manner) by more mature Christians is vital and necessary. Thus, the church needs to equip and strengthen all areas.

The work is thus cut out for pastors and leaders. Strengthening families is the main agenda. Strong families will in turn strengthen weaker families. The passing down of faith of one generation to the next rests upon our shoulders. Will we be faithful like Lois, Eunice and Timothy who passed down faith or be like King Solomon who succumbed to his foreign wives and built high places unto foreign gods?

But for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.

Rev Ashok Amarasingham
WMC Klang/District Superintendent- Central District 2

Many Christian parents are experiencing the pain of seeing their children drifting away from God and the church. To understand why this has happened, Dr. Ron Hunter Jr. Shared some reasons. The reasons I agree most are: worldly influences or peers, exposure to negative aspects of the church, faith is not modeled consistently at home and failure to make their faith their own. To save this situation, Dr. Hunter suggested more intentional shared moments with our children, whereby through the art of conversation we can instill Christian values and influence them for Christ. The life testimonies of not only the parents but also the members of the church are also important so that our children are not disillusioned as to what a Christian life should be. Of course we have to cover our children with much prayer so that they will have a vibrant personal relationship with Christ and make the right choices in their daily lives when tempted to think or do something that displeases God. Most churches have a vision and mission statement. Christian families can also set a vision and mission statement to keep each member of the family mindful of God.

Lim Siew Yong WMC Teluk Intan I thank God for the opportunity to attend D6 Malaysia 2018 on 3-4 August, at Trinity Methodist Church, Petaling Jaya. This 2-day conference had given me an insight on how to live out the story of Deuteronomy 6, as an individual, in a family unit and church community.

Through this conference, I learned the important roles placed on each of us to build strong and healthy families and to disciple generation after generation. It is I who need to take the first step, and not wait for the person we think is more able or suitable to do whatever God had commanded and commissioned. Each of us has a role to play in these great tasks. In order to do that, we need to equip ourselves with the knowledge, which we can get from a conference like D6.

The diverse topics covered during the conference by aspiring speakers gave me a lot of useful information and sharing that are practical and surreal in our lives. The provoking thoughts and challenges put forward are good for self-reflection and assessment. The testimonies shared are testimonies of faith and hope in our Almighty God.

Much thoughts and effort must have been invested to make this conference impactful, thus I encourage everyone to go and experience it personally. Information from the conference may be shared but nothing feels like being there, enjoying the fellowship of Christ big family in His presence.

#### Mr. Nga Seong Huong Puchong Methodist Church

I feel so blessed and grateful that my husband and I have the opportunity to attend D6 Conference together. For us as a new parent, it was very helpful with all the meaningful information shared between speakers and parents alike.

During the first day itself, the sharing from the main speaker Dr. Ron Hunter entitled THE PROBLEM OF THE ONE EARED MICKEY MOUSE has caught our attention. Discipleship is not only about the study of scripture, join life-group, teaching ministry or any other event but it is a way of life. It should be the focus of learning about Christ-Like and Making Disciple Makers.

Dr. Ron H. shared about 1/168 Fractional Discipleship referring to only one hour per week of a child involving in ministry at church. It is not sufficient to put a strong foundation of Christ for the child. Parents need to involve in providing their child more of His teaching at home so that they can be raise as a God's disciple.

We were also educated on the growth as a church rather than focusing on individual ministry. Our ministries have been separated into different age group that it loses the focus of uniting each other in the church. Regardless of their age, they can still forge a good relationship and support each other as a family of Christ. (Aunty and Uncle, let's Wefie together after church!)

On the other hand, we were reminded of the role of grandparents to a child. Age is not a barrier for any grandparents to influence a child on God's words. In fact, it still lingers in my mind of how my grandparents brought me up when I was young! We can start educating our child about God's Salvation and God's Word even in their toddler age.... (As we were inspired by Dr. Herbert Tan's testimony about his two children were accepted Christ during age 3).

Next year, we sincerely hope that the church members can join us in attending D6 conference!

### Jarod Kok and Ruth Boh Puchong Methodist Church



D6 Speakers, organizing committee and volunteers - D6 Boleh!



#### **Deuteronomy 6:7**

"Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up"

When my wife and I heard about the D6 Conference, we were curious and so we signed up. The 2 days were indeed a blessing. All the plenary and general session helped us understand how God works through churches and families to disciple generation after generation so that the people of God may live long in the land given to them to live in.

Ron Hunter Jr shared on how the American churches have lost generations over the span of 50 years because there was no emphasis on helping the next generation in loving God.

Inter-generational worship is so crucial in the church. We used to think that every ministry in the church is on their own. From Sunday school to the MSF, we thought they were on their own focusing on their own needs. However D6 helped us see that we all are part of the family ministry and each of us plays a role in discipling generations to come.

We're glad that TMCPJ decided to have a One Worship family service every Sunday. It brings the young and old together and it bonds us in worshipping God as a family. Everyone in the church is a family hence we call each other brothers and sisters. The D6 is a good platform in which we can seek to explore further ways of bringing the church, family and home together in partnership in loving God.

To God be the glory forever and ever.

#### Raymond Lim Trinity Methodist Church Petaling Jaya

We thank God for the partnership with Family Ministries Malaysia to bring the D6 movement to the shores of Malaysia. TRAC Board of Laity is privileged to be coorganizer of the first D6 Malaysia Conference 2018, themed "Generational Discipleship", which addresses problems faced by our churches in the missing younger generations of young adults and children. "Family ministry is not an option " - Rev. Moses Tey. Family discipleship is one of the solutions to unchurched young people. Discipleship begins at home!

Out of total of 485 registrants, 327 were Methodists with 221 delegates from TRAC, comprising key leaders from the clergy and laity, across the nation. Let the awareness be developed into action in local churches so that necessary changes in doing family ministry can happen. Let us heed the 8 steps leading to change shared by Ron Hunter Jr.

- Establish a sense of Urgency
- Involve as many leaders as possible
- Inform leaders of scripture about family ministry
- · Form and commuicate a Church & Home strategy
- Set parents up for success
- Lead pastor involved and cast vision from pulpit
- · Let expectations be known
- · Do not let new staff change the strategy

Let change begin and sustain. D6 movement is here to stay with annual D6 Malaysia Conferences in the pipeline. The emphasis on Family Ministry continues with General Conference Laity Convention 2019 themed "Family after God's Own Heart" from 19-21 July 2019 at Port Dickson Methodist Centre and D6 Malaysia Conference 2019 at Full Gospel Assembly, Kuchai Lama. Watch out for updates.

Judy Chin Conference Lay Leader D6 organizing committee member





Praise & worship



# Dedication of Chapel in Tenau, Slim River on 31st May, 2018

















# Cip Cip Nungor! (Moving forward!)

### Anilraj Verdamanickam on behalf of the Sengoi Holiday Study Camp 2017







That was the theme of the Sengoi Children Holiday Study Camp 2017. We even had a theme song for Cip Cip Nungor (sung to the tune of the children's hymn "Hip Hip Hooray Join the Praise Parade"). The kids seemed to love songs. They were so amused and entertained with some of our "action" songs. We even saw a group of them practising the actions to the song "Who Is the King of the Jungle" during their free time. I am certain if they remember nothing of what we had taught them during lesson time or during the motivational talks, they would have at least remembered that song.

I was skeptical about how much we can do over a 4-day camp. How much can we teach? How can we motivate them? Will they understand? Will they be interested? Will they even bother coming? As the camp progressed it seemed as if God was looking at me shaking his head (probably amused) saying "Oh you of little faith!" Allow me to share with you my experience on this faith journey.

The Sengoi Study Camp 2017 almost did not materialize. We were having difficulties finding a church to take lead or to helm the organizing committee. God in his own miraculous ways, prompted a group of people from Kampar Wesley to take it on. There were some rumblings "..Why Kampar, we are a small church, so few people.....". But Kampar Wesley it was. Praise God!

When the committee got down to work, we were not sure where our funds would come from. We were not sure if we could handle this on our own with the limited manpower. Again, God blessed us with funds from various churches and friends and in fact we even have excess funds for future camps. And the helpers? There was a team of almost 20 of them. They came from different parts of the country, some even from outside Malaysia. We didn't quite know each other. But it didn't matter. We just got down to work and served with such joy. Praise God!

As we waited for the students to register, the registrations were merely trickling in. Response was slow partly because the kampungs were notified rather late. As late as September 2017 we merely had 20 students. When the registrations were closed in early November 2017, we finally had 59 students! All glory to HIM!



### Sengoi Holiday Study Camp 2017













2017 also marked the first time that we held the Sengoi Holiday Study Camp outside the Persidangan Misi Sengoi's premises. The camp was held at the Westlake International School Kampar. Initially, the change in premises did not sit too well with the Sengoi brethren. However with lots of prayer (and assurance) they agreed. It was a good experience for the kids as they had the opportunity to enjoy the facilities of an international school. Westlake International School Kampar has agreed to allow us to host the 2018 camp at their premises should there be one this year. Again, Praise God indeed!

So, what did we achieve over the 4 days period? The devotions, lessons, group activities, games, motivation sessions went on smoothly. I am certain we have planted the seeds. We'll now just let God do His part. We're still praying for



the children as we remember them in the Lord. On our part, we learned to depend on Him all the time. It's not about what we can do.

We look forward to many more Sengoi Holiday Study Camps. The Sengoi Camp 2017 would not have been a success without your support and for that we would like to thank all of you. If you are keen to know more about the Sengoi Holiday Study Camp or are moved to support this Ministry, please contact our church office at wmckampar@yahoo.com.



## TRAC Appointments For The Year 2019

### **EASTERN DISTRICT**

**District Superintendent: Rev Thomas Chin** 

| Wesley MC Kuala Lipis | Rev Bernard Yogaraj, Pastor-in-Charge |
|-----------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Wesley MC Raub        | Rev Bernard Yogaraj, Pastor-in-Charge |
| Wesley MC Kuantan     | Rev Eric Hue, Pastor-in-Charge        |
| Christ MC Bentong     | Rev Bernard Yogaraj, Pastor-in-Charge |

#### **NORTHERN DISTRICT**

**District Superintendent: Rev Ronald Yap** 

| Wesley MC Alor Star    | Rev Aaron Ng, Pastor-in-Charge               |
|------------------------|--|
| Wesley MC Sg Petani    | Ps Andrew Yeoh, Pastor-in-Charge (part-time) |
| Wesley MC Kulim        | Rev Joshua Chia, Pastor-in-Charge            |
| Wesley MC Butterworth  | Ps Andrew Yeoh, Pastor-in-Charge (part-time) |
| Wesley MC Parit Buntar | Rev Joshua Chia, Pastor-in-Charge            |
| Trinity MC Penang      | Rev Ronald Yap, Pastor-in-Charge             |
| Wesley MC Penang       | Rev Ting Moy Hong, Pastor-in-Charge          |
|                        | Rev Wong Mun Wah, Associate Pastor           |

### **PERAK DISTRICT**

**District Superintendent: Rev Joshua Khong** 

| Wesley MC Taiping     | Rev Joshua Khong, Pastor-in-Charge<br>Rev John Baru, Assistant Pastor |
|-----------------------|---|
| Wesley MC Sitiawan    | Rev Victor Leong Chick Seng, Pastor-in-Charge                         |
| Wesley MC Teluk Intan | Rev Christopher Rao, Pastor-in-Charge                                 |
| Wesley MC Ipoh        | Rev Dr Timothy Ong, Pastor-in-Charge                                  |
|                       | Rev Lim Chaw Leong, Associate Pastor                                  |
| Canning Garden MC     | Rev Dr Andrew Tan, Pastor-in-Charge                                   |
|                       | Rev Yu Chiew Song, Associate Pastor                                   |
|                       | Rev Richard Leow, Associate Pastor                                    |
| Grace MC Pasir Putih  | Ps Wong Chun Mun, Pastor-in-Charge                                    |
| Living Faith MC       | Rev Lim Chaw Leong, Pastor-in-Charge                                  |
| Wesley MC Kampar      | Rev Elaine Low, Pastor-in-Charge                                      |
| Bercham MC            | Rev Dr Timothy Ong, Pastor-in-Charge                                  |
|                       | Rev Anna Ng, Assistant Pastor   |

#### **CENTRAL DISTRICT 1**

**District Superintendent: Rev Andrew Lim** 

| Whispering Hope MC     | Ps James Ong, Pastor-in-Charge                   |
|------------------------|--|
| Wesley MC Kepong       | Rev Henry Yong, Pastor-in-Charge                 |
| Living Stone MC        | Rev Lucy Lee, Pastor-in-Charge                   |
| Faith MC Cheras        | Ps William Kwong, Pastor-in-Charge               |
| Christ MC Ampang       | Rev Tan Chew Mae, Pastor-in-Charge               |
| Grace MC Sentul        | Rev Koe Swee Kee, Pastor-in-Charge               |
| Wesley MC Kuala Lumpur | Rev Ricky Ho & Rev Andrew Lim, Pastors-in-Charge |
|                        | Rev Eric Tan, Assistant Pastor                   |
|                        | Ps Jonathan Chan, Assistant Pastor               |
| Trinity MC Sg Buloh    | Rev Buell Abraham, Pastor-in-Charge              |



# CENTRAL DISTRICT 2 District Superintendent: Rev Ashok Amarasingham

| Damansara Utama MC | Ps Chris Kam, Pastor-in-Charge Ps Mike Ngui, Associate Pastor Ps Tan Moy How, Associate Pastor Ps Kelvin Yong, Associate Pastor Ps Jonathan Yeoh, Associate Pastor Ps Gilbert Tan, Associate Pastor Ps Alex Tan, Associate Pastor Ps Eddy Marson, Associate Pastor Ps S. Ravindren, Associate Pastor Ps Sam Krishnan, Associate Pastor Ps Christopher Manivannan, Assistant Pastor (Part-time) Ps Cheah Seuk Poh, Assistant Pastor (Part-time) |
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| Wesley MC Klang    | Rev Ashok Amarasingham, Pastor-in-Charge   |
| Living Hope MC     | Rev Gaurri Maniam, Pastor-in-Charge  |
| Subang MC          | Ps Robert Khaw, Pastor-in-Charge   |
| SSMC               | Rev Dr Ng Swee Ming, Pastor-in-Charge  |
|                    | Rev Dr Ng Kok Moi, Associate Pastor  |
| Life MC Puchong    | Rev Chang Choy Quin, Pastor-in-Charge  |
| Trinity MC PJ      | Rev Paul S. Christie, Pastor-in-Charge   |
|                    | Rev Joshua Hong, Associate Pastor  |
|                    | Ps Lewis Loke, Assistant Pastor  |
| Emmanuel MC        | Rev Thomas Chin, Pastor-in-Charge  |

### SOUTHERN DISTRICT

### District Superintendent: Rev Joshua Hong

| Rev Yong Wai Yin, Pastor-in-Charge |
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| Rev Yong Wai Yin, Pastor-in-Charge |
| Rev Teoh Lee Yng, Pastor-in-Charge |
| Rev Danny Chiew, Assistant Pastor  |
| Rev Teoh Lee Yng, Pastor-in-Charge |
| Rev Danny Chiew, Assistant Pastor  |
| Rev Woo Kit Sang, Pastor           |
| Rev Shearn Sya, Pastor             |
| Rev Lester Lim, Assistant Pastor   |
| Rev Shearn Sya, Pastor             |
| Ps Lester Lim, Assistant Pastor    |
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### **Special Appointments**

| PMSM Superintendent                 | Rev Bah Saha           |  |  |  |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------|--|--|--|
| Seniors Ministry Director           | Rev Hwa Jen            |  |  |  |
| Seniors Ministry Associate Director | Rev David Loo          |  |  |  |
| Prayer Coordinator                  | Ps Robert Khaw         |  |  |  |
| National Youth Director             | Ps James Ong           |  |  |  |
| Council of Churches in Malaysia     | Rev Dr Hermen Shastri* |  |  |  |

(\*with Bishop's consent)



| JANUARY   |                    |  | JULY      |         |  |
|-----------|--------------------|--|-----------|---------|--|
| 02-Feb 17 | Wed-Sun            | Jeremiah School  | 04-Oct 03 | Thu-Thu | The Journey  |
| 06        | Sat                | Epiphany Sunday  | 12-14     | Fri-Sun | Beginner's Retreat   |
| 12<br>25  | Sat<br>Fri         | 1st Ex Bd Planning Meeting Statistical Returns to be submitted by Churches | 16-18     | Tue-Thu | President's Retreat with Board of Ministry<br>Members                    |
| 25-27     | Fri-Sun            | A Moment in Time in Eternity Retreat                                       | 19-21     | Fri-Sun | GC Laity Convention  |
| 25 27     | TH Sun             | A Montent in time in Liennity netreat                                      | 19-21     | Fri-Sun | Youth Bible Project  |
| FEBRUARY  |                    |  | 25        | Thu     | Statistical Returns to be submitted by Churches                          |
| 22-24     | Fri-Sun            | Be Still and Know that I am God Retreat                                    | 26-29     | Fri-Mon | Journey Retreat  |
| 22 24     | Tir our            | (together with DUMC)   |           |         |  |
|           |                    | (together with beine)  | AUGUST    |         |  |
| MARCH     |                    |  | 01-03     | Thu-Sat | D6 Malaysia Conference 2019  |
| 02        | Sat                | OASIS @ WMC Kuantan  | 02-04     | Fri-Sun | Grace, Gravity & Growing Old Retreat<br>(in collaboration with TRAC MSF) |
| 06        | Wed                | Ash Wednesday  |           |         |  |
| 15-17     | Fri-Sun            | Spiritual Formation & Leadership Weekend                                   | SEPTEMBER |         |  |
| 04.07     | C Wad              | (SFL 1)  | 06-08     | Fri-Sun | Joint Board  |
| 24-27     | Sun-Wed<br>Thu-Sun | Youth Prayer Conference  | 08        | Sun     | 3rd Executive Board Meeting in PDMC                                      |
| 28-31     | inu-Sun            | Creative Arts (Ipoh Wesley)  | 14-16     | Sat-Mon | TRAC MW 44th Session   |
| APRIL     |                    |  | 27-29     | Fri-Sun | Spiritual Formation & Leadership Weekend<br>(SFL 2)                      |
| 02-04     | Tue-Thu            | GC Pastors' School   | 29-Oct 06 | Sun-Sun | 8-day Individually Directed Retreat                                      |
| 05-07     | Fri-Sun            | Forgiven to Forgive - Lent Retreat   | 25 00: 00 | oun oun | o day marvidually birected netreal                                       |
| 14        | Sun                | Palm Sunday  | OCTOBER   |         |  |
| 18        | Thu                | Maundy Thursday  | 08-11     | Tue-Fri | 28th MSF Annual Camp   |
| 19        | Fri                | Good Friday  | 18-20     | Fri-Sun | Reflecting on our year with God (Bilingual)                              |
| 21        | Sun                | Easter Sunday  | 23-24     | Tue-Thu | 30th PMSM Session  |
|           |                    |  |           |         |  |
| MAY       |                    |  | NOVEMBER  |         |  |
| 01        | Wed                | Youth Ministry Partners Retreat<br>- Perak District                        | 16-18     | Sat-Mon | 44th Session TRAC in PDMC  |
| 04        | Sat                | 2nd Executive Board Meeting - TRAC   | 17        | Sun     | 4th Executive Board Meeting in PDMC                                      |
| 10-12     | Fri-Sun            | Food for the Soul Retreat  |           |         | (substantive members only)   |
| 10 12     | ou                 | (in collaboration with TRAC BCE)   |           |         |  |
| 19        | Sun                | Aldersgate Sunday  | DECEMBER  | _       |  |
| 22        | Wed                | OASIS @WMC Kampar  | 01        | Sun     | 1st Sunday in Advent   |
| 18-22     | Fri-Wed            | ICM Walking with Jesus Retreat   | 11-15     | Wed-Sun | YLDP / Camp 18 Up  |
| 22        | Wed                | Youth Ministry Partners Retreat – Klang Valley                             | 25        | Wed -   | Christmas Day  |
| 30        | Thu                | Ascension Day  | 31        | Tue     | Watchnight Covenant Service  |
|           |                    |  |           |         |  |
| JUNE      |                    |  |           |         |  |
| 09        | Sun                | Pentecost Sunday   |           |         |  |
| 15        | Sat                | OASIS @ SSMC   |           |         |  |
| 18-20     | Tue-Thu            | Probationary Pastor's Retreat  |           |         |  |
| 25-29     | Tue-Sat            | 5-day Individually Directed Retreat  |           |         |  |
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