



#### ST. JOHN'S - ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH

(ANGLICAN)



#### **Our Mission**

To glorify God by fulfilling the Great Commandment (Mt 22:36-40) & the Great Commission (Mt 28:18-20) of our Lord Jesus Christ

Join us for our intergenerational services in English, Chinese and Tamil.



"Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." Matthew 11:28

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#### **Foreword**



#### MESSAGE FROM COMMISSIONER OF PRISONS

The work of the Singapore Prison Service cannot be done without our community partners, whose close collaboration help create an aftercare eco-system that provides ex-offenders the necessary support to facilitate their reintegration back to society. The Helping Hand is an important partner in this endeavour.

Since its founding in 1987, The Helping Hand has helped many rebuild their lives through the support, counsel and work opportunities it has provided through its programmes. Our first placement at The Helping Hand dates back to 1995. Since then, we have had more than 1300 ex-offenders go through its halfway house programme. Many have remained crime and drug-free over the years.

I congratulate The Helping Hand as it celebrates its  $33^{\rm rd}$  anniversary. We truly appreciate the excellent work it has done, and look forward to our continued partnership in the years ahead.

With warmest wishes,

#### **Desmond Chin Kim Tham**

Commissioner of Prisons

# Pentecost Methodist Church

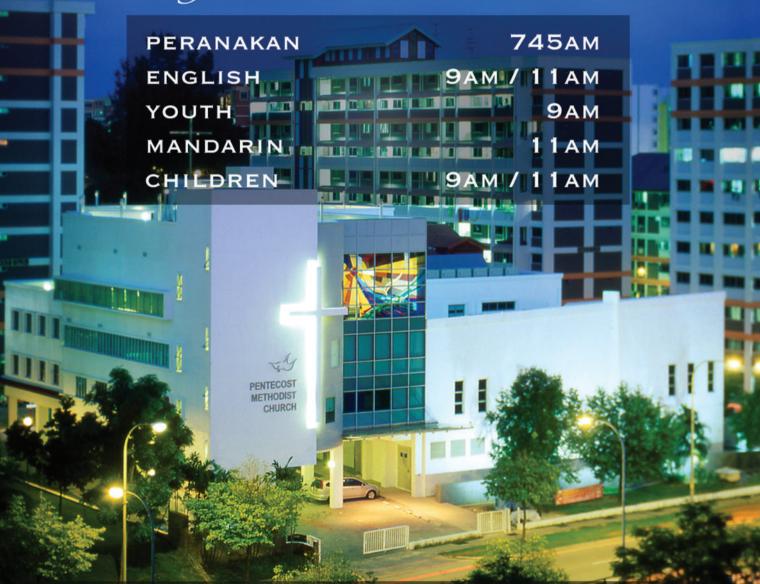
"WE ARE A PEOPLE OF POWER:

A HOUSE OF PRAYER, AN AUTHENTIC COMMUNITY,

AND JOYFUL WITNESSES

TO THE KINGDOM OF GOD HERE ON EARTH."

Join us at our services!



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#### Chairman's Message



**Rev. Dr. Yap Kim Sin** *Chairman* 

#### JESUS, THE CORNERSTONE

In Ephesians 2:19-20, the apostle Paul references the idea of Jesus as the Cornerstone: So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the **cornerstone**.

For the original audience who often built their own homes, Paul uses a helpful construction terminology to explain the priority of Jesus as the cornerstone of God's Church. The cornerstone is important because all other stones will be set in reference to it. It determines the direction of everything else in that building. This is what exactly Jesus is to the Church.

The Church is built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets and on the cornerstone of Jesus.

Jesus Christ, as the cornerstone, holds the church together. Without Him, the church collapses. Without His leading, the church will be out of line. He holds the church together and grounded her with the foundational teaching of the apostles and prophets.

Some hold the erroneous view the words of Jesus recorded in the four Gospels are more authoritative than the words of apostles such as Peter and Paul in their epistles. But we must not forget the apostles' writings have special authority. Authority equivalent to Christ's authority because when they speak in Scripture, they speak the words of the Saviour.

We, today, stand firmly not only on what God has revealed through His apostles and prophets, but also on Jesus as the cornerstone and what He accomplished through His death and resurrection.

In the ministry of The Helping Hand, the teaching of God's apostles and prophets recorded in the Bible is our foundation and Jesus Christ our cornerstone. We seek to model and teach what God has revealed to us in the Scriptures and submit ourselves to the authority and direction of Jesus. Without Him, we have no reason of existence. Without Him, we have no direction. Without Him, our labour is pointless. He holds us together and keeps us going. May the Lord help us to continue to direct all to Jesus, keeping in mind His encouragement to us in Matthew 11:28-30: Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.



Join us for Sunday Worship at 8 am and 10.30 am

#### **Our Vision & Mission**

A Spirit-filled people
and a
Spirit-filled church
reaching and impacting
the spiritually unresolved
here and beyond

Senior Pastor Rev Glen Lim



Elim Church

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**Richard Khalil**Executive Director

### Executive Director's Message

There is a famous quote from Heraclitus, a Greek philosopher, that says, "Change is the only constant in life".

While we can acknowledge that change is the only constant in life, as we too at The Helping Hand have experienced some major changes in 2019, we are also aware as believers that there is one thing that will never change and that is the Word of God and its promises.

The theme we have chosen for 2020 is "Christ Our Cornerstone". In biblical times, the cornerstone was the principal stone placed at the corner of the building. The cornerstone was usually one of the largest, the most solid, and the most carefully constructed of any in the building. This huge boulder forms the key stone of all the other stones in the foundation. From this cornerstone hinge all the others to each side and upward. The proper angle and placement of every stone depend on the cornerstone. This foundation stone is the most important in the whole building and ensures the building's longevity. At, The Helping Hand, we acknowledge that Christ is our Cornerstone and as long as we are building on this, we know that we can embrace any change confidently and positively.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank God for all our hardworking and dedicated staff. Without them, we will not be where we are today.

We also thank God for all our partnering churches, volunteers and donors who work tirelessly and give generously to us so that we can help our residents transform, through the love of Jesus Christ, into restored and hardworking individuals and re-integrate them back to society as stable and contributing citizens.

Finally, we thank God for bringing to us our new CEO, Mr Mervyn Lim. Mr Lim joined us in December 2019, and we trust that with him at the helm, The Helping Hand will grow from strength to strength and soar on to greater heights.

To God be the glory!









Tourney with Christ for life!

OUR WORSHIP SERVICES 我们的崇拜会

#### SUNDAY 星期日

上午9am to 10.45am

English Service 1 英语崇拜会 1 Chinese Service 1 中文崇拜会 1

#### 上午11.15am to 下午1pm

English Service 2 英语崇拜会 2 Chinese Service 2 中文崇拜会 2 Children's Service 儿童崇拜会 (Aged 4 - 11) (年龄4 - 11岁)

#### SATURDAY 星期六

下午4pm to 6.30pm

Youth Service 青少年崇拜会 (Aged 12 - 20) (年龄12 - 20岁)

#### WEDNESDAY 星期三

下午1.15pm to 3pm

Chinese Service 3 中文崇拜会 3



You are welcome to visit us! 我们随时欢迎您!

2 Hougang St 22, Bethesda Ground, S(538728)



#### **Our Panel of Advisors**

#### **Dr. Ernest Chew**

An Advisory Elder of Bethesda (Frankel Estate) Church, he also serves as Vice-Chairman of the Evangelical Fellowship of Singapore, Vice-President of the Bible Society of Singapore and the Fellowship of Evangelical Students, Vice-Chairman of St. Luke's Hospital, and a member, Singapore Bible College Board of Management.





#### **Professor Philip Lee**

He has been involved in our ministry since our inception in 1987. He is a retired Professor (Emeritus) of the Saw Swee Hock School of Public Health (NUS).

#### Rev. Dr. William Wan, JP., PhD.

Rev. Dr. William Wan, the General Secretary of the Singapore Kindness Movement, is also a lawyer, ordained minister, psychometric analyst and a Justice of the Peace. He serves on the board of several non-profit organizations including Chairman of Prison Fellowship Singapore and the Ethics Committee of the Farrer Park Hospital. He is also a co-founder of the Evangelical Fellowship of Singapore and the Lawyers' Christian Fellowship (now the Law Christian Fellowship).



A published author of several books, he writes regularly for the Straits Times and Today's Manager. In recognition of his many contributions to society, he has received numerous awards at home and abroad. More recently, he was the winner of the Active Ager Award in 2011 and the President's Volunteerism and Philanthropy Award for the Senior Individual Category for 2017.

Dr Wan lived and served in US and Canada for 25 years and has been involved in the Helping Hand since the 70s.



Pastor Quek at the age of 78 years is still deeply involved in helping substance abusers and traffickers as well as prisoners since 1979. This is the  $40^{\text{th}}$  year of this area of ministry. He still keeps in close touch especially with many of these brothers whose life and testimony is exemplary and a great encouragement to many.

Pastor Quek is currently Senior Pastor of Emmanuel Bible-Presbyterian Church and Pastor Emeritus of Zion Bishan Bible-Presbyterian Church. He is also the Founding Principal Emeritus of the Biblical Graduate School of Theology. He is actively doing mission and social work in Singapore and overseas. As Vice-President of the International Council of Christian Churches he works closely with many denominational churches to encourage them to hold fast to the Gospel of Christ (Gal. 1:7).

#### ANG MO KIO METHODIST CHURCH

To be a Methodist Family after God's Heart

#### OUR SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

**TRADITIONAL SERVICE 8am & 5pm**AMKMC Sanctuary 2

CONTEMPORARY-SIMULCAST SERVICE 10.30am AMKMC Sanctuary 2 and

AMK Hub Cinema Halls 4 & 5

#### WEEKLY SUNDAY MINISTRIES

1-2-3 MINISTRY, AGES 1-3 8am & 10.30am AMKMC, Rooms 2.3 – 2.4, Level 2 10.30am AMK Hub, Cinema Hall 1

ALL MIGHTY KIDS, AGES 4-10 8am & 10.30am Rooms 4.1 – 4.4, Level 4 10.30am AMK Hub, Cinema Hall 2

YOUTH FAMILY GROUPS 8am & 10.30am Level 4

YOUTH CELEBRATION 9.30am

King David/ King Solomon Rooms, Level 4





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#### **Our Governing Board**



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2020 SPRING 2 Mar – 22 May

Registration Closes: 31 Dec 2019 for applicants who require a visa

Registration Closes: 1 Feb 2020 for all other applications

**2020 AUTUMN** 31 Aug - 20 Nov Registration Opens: 1 Jan 2020

Registration Closes: 31 May 2020 for applicants who require a visa

Registration Closes: 1 Aug 2020 for all other applications

Email us for enquiries or visit our website at www.bcwales.org for more details.

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### Our Chaplain Department



From left to right: Moses Arulandu, Tan Jay Sie, Jason Gwee, Kelvin Chua.

### Our Social Work Department



#### From Left to Right

Gina Ang ( PIO Executive ) Raymond Choo ( Social Work Manager )
 Sophia Tan ( Snr Social Worker ) Koh JunWei ( Social Worker )
 Chan Toh Han ( Social Worker )

### **Our Operation** Department



**Standing** 

- Neo Ngee Guan (Operation) Lam Kheen Mun (Operation) Adam Kwan (Operation) Lim Jim Khern ( Kitchen ) Kumarakuru Arunasalam ( Operation ) Ivan Ho ( Night Supervisor ) Parthiban Arumugam (Operation )

#### Seated

 Foo Wee Lee ( Kitchen Supervisor ) Albert Ravi ( Operation ) Alvin Wong (Operation Manager) Tan Chin Nam (Operation) Shanmugam Ramaiya (Operation)

### Our Business Department



#### **BACK ROW**

Vincent Ong (Removal) Lee Hock Teck (Removal) Royston Campbell (Co-Ordinator)
 Kang Chee Keong (Removal) Kek Hock Soon (Removal) Tan Teck Meng (Removal)
 Tan Eng Seng (Removal) Robert De Souza (Surveyor) Tan Chee Keong (Removal)
 Miki Cher (Removal) Lian Cheng Kee (Removal) Ho Kee Par (Removal)

#### MIDDLE ROW

Richard Ng ( Co-Ordinator ) Goh Hock Lai ( Removal ) Ong Chong Lee ( Removal )
 Isaac Tan ( Removal ) Kenny Tan ( Removal ) Tommy Wong ( Removal ) Samuel Lim ( Removal )
 Justin Tan ( Removal ) Ang Teck Sing ( Co-ordinator ) John Siva ( Removal )
 David Hon ( Removal ) Steve Chen ( Removal ) Sivabalan ( Supervisor )

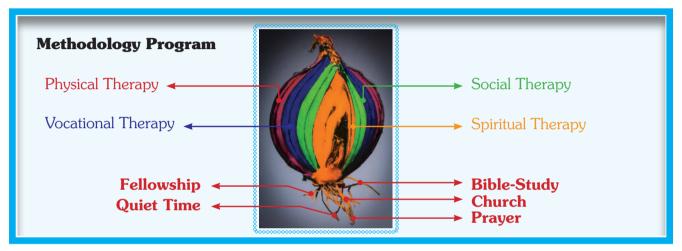
#### **FRONT ROW**

Chua Chiew Hai ( Gallery ) Lee Cheng Loh ( Gallery ) Maurice Tan ( Gallery )
 Kuang Kiong Lik ( Gallery ) Mrs Ranjit Kaur ( Business Manager ) Gary Chua ( Gallery )
 Benny Chua ( Supervisor ) Vincent Tay ( Gallery ) Jack Liew ( Gallery )

# Our Admin / HR / Accounts Department & Liaison & Training Department



From a humble place within an elite setting in Chancery Lane with about 30 residents, we are now at 819 Upper Serangoon Road, having the capacity to house 116 pax.





#### Spiritual Therapy

The ministry is based on the strong belief that spiritual rehabilitation can enable an ex-offender to be freed from the snare of their vices and be integrated into community and church to live a Godcentered life. Family devotion and Bible teaching are conducted





to help lay the foundation for them to be rooted in God's Word and to grow in Christian character. Through this therapy, our residents are encouraged to enter into a personal relationship with our Lord Jesus Christ to enjoy salvation and freedom that He wants to give us.

#### **Social Therapy**

Our residents, by virtue of their past indulgence in vices, tend to be anti-social by nature. The Helping Hand's social therapy helps the residents learn social and inter-personal skills in a conducive and







supportive environment. This therapy provides our residents a chance to develop new positive relationships. With a positive social circle of friends, they have a better chance of staying clean and away from their old habits. Years of addictions have caused them to wall themselves up and they find it hard to relate to normal people in a normal environment. The social therapy prepares them psychologically and helps tear down the hedges they have built around themselves.



#### **Vocational Therapy**

It is commonly known that most ex-offenders, during their stages of addiction and crime, treat work as taboo. So, in order to break this bondage and to keep the idle mind from unnecessary indulgent thoughts, work projects are implemented to keep them occupied and help them to become contributing members of society.











#### **Physical Therapy**

As the saying goes, "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy". Recreational activities are important to the physical body as Bible teaching is to the soul. The bodies once destroyed by drugs are now slowly restored through physical exercises. The body that is fit remains more mentally alert and active. The discipline involved in sports also helps to build character and teamwork. We organize soccer games, swimming outings, jogging and even pool tournaments for the less athletic amongst us, to encourage healthy lifestyles.



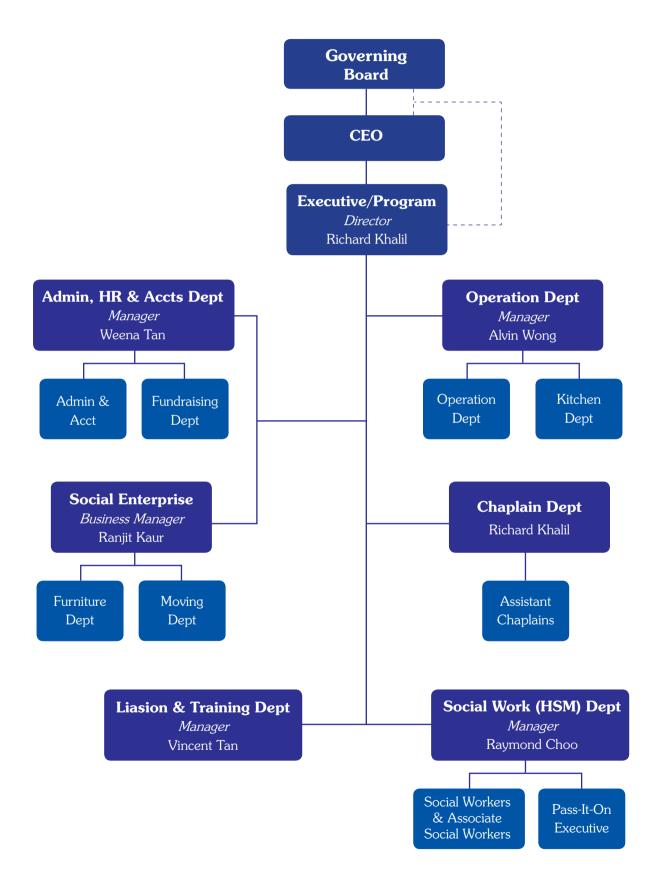








#### **Our Organization Chart**



#### **Our Calendar of Events 2020**

22 FEB 2020 33RD ANNIVERSARY THE HELPING HAND 5.30 PM

25 MARCH 2020 **CHARITY GOLF EVENT** ORCHID COUNTRY CLUB 10 AM - 9.30 PM

28 - 30 MARCH 2020 TG PINANG MISSION TRIP **TG PINANG** 

25 APRIL 2020 **FAMILY DAY** THE HELPING HAND 6 PM

27 JUNE 2020 **FAMILY DAY** (EVANGELISTIC) THE HELPING HAND 5.30 PM

5 - 8 JUL 2020 STAFF RETREAT-1ST BATCH

12 - 15 JULY 2020 STAFF RETREAT -2<sup>ND</sup> BATCH

Email:

12 SEPT 2020 **FAMILY DAY** THE HELPING HAND 6 PM

27 SEPT 2020 RIDE-TO-RESTORE THE HELPING HAND

12 DEC 2020 **CHRISTMAS FAMILY DAY** THE HELPING HAND 5.30 PM

The Helping Hand believes that the power of the Gospel of Jesus Christ can transform the total man and seeks the

Lord continually for monthly providence	e, financial and practical sup	port, through His people.	
☐ I would like to volunteer as a Bible	Teacher/Counsellor.		
☐ I would like to invite The Helping H	land for deputation in my Chu	urch/Organization.	
☐ I would like to visit The Helping Ha	nd with my Church/Organiza	ation.	
☐ I would like to be added to The Hel	ping Hand's Mailing List.		
☐ I would like to start receiving The F	Helping Hand's Newsletter.		
Full Name :		Gender : M/F	
Address :			
		Postcode :	
Date of Birth ( DD/MM/YY ):			

## so that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God [Colossians 1: 10]

好叫你们行事为人对得起主, 凡事蒙他喜悦,在一切善事上结果子, 渐渐的多知道神 [歌罗西书1:10]



#### It's all about Christ

Too many ministries are built on human personalities: as it was in the early church (1 Cor 3:4), so it is now.

In Matt 16:17-20, Jesus told Peter (Gk:Petros) whose name means Rock, that He will build His church on the rock (Gk:petra). There is a play on the word "rock" in Greek. The first is masculine and a name. The second is feminine and not a name.

The context is immediately after Peter's confession of his faith in Christ, the Son of the Living God. His declaration about the Person led to the Lord's declaration of His Purpose – to build His Church. Peter (Petros, masc.) was strong like a rock, but Jesus added that on this rock (petra, fem.) He would build His Church.

To build His Church (Ekklesia: the called-out ones) simply means that He will establish an assembly of people who will be "called out" to profess faith in Him. It is a ministry to call out an assembly of God's people for His service and glory.

How would Jesus build His Church on this "rock" (Petra)?

Clearly, there is a connection between Peter and the rock – his name and his confession. By this confession of his faith, Peter had risen to the height of his new calling and was worthy of his new name given by the Lord to him (John 1:42-Cephas is Aramaic for rock).

The question then is what is the rock upon which Jesus said He will build His church? Is it Peter's faith (subjective)? Or the truth (objective) which he confessed? Or Christ Himself?



I submit that it refers to Christ Himself for the following reasons:-

- a. Christ and not Peter is the rock in 1 Corinthians 10:4
- b. Christ is the foundation in 1 Corinthians 3:11
- c. Christ is the temple in "Destroy this temple" (John 2:19)
- d. The poetry of the Old Testament associates the idea of the rock with the greatness and steadfastness of God, not with that of a man (Deut 32:4; 32:18; 2 Sam 22:3; 23:3; Psa 18:2; 18:31; 18:46; Isa 17:10)

The rock on which the Church was to be built was Himself, in the mystery of that union of the divine and the human which had been the subject of Peter's confession. Had Peter himself been meant, we may add, the simpler form, "You are Peter, and on YOU, I will build My Church," would have been clearer and more natural.

The collocation suggests an implied contrast: "You are the Rock-Apostle; and yet not this rock will I build my church, but on the rock which is the Christ whom you confess".

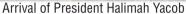
It seems best to understand that Jesus was praising Peter for his accurate statement about Him and was introducing His work of building the church on Himself (1 Cor. 3:11). If so, it behooves us NOT to build our ministries on any one person, no matter how talented or charismatic his personality.

The only way to build His Church or ministries is on Jesus Christ the Son of the Living God.

Rev. Dr. William Wan, PhD., JP. Adviser

### A Visit from The President of Singapore







Touring the premise

On 18 April 2019, we were honoured to have President Halimah Yacob come and visit The Helping Hand. Upon President Halimah's arrival, she was welcomed by our Governing Board members, our CEO and Executive Director. President Halimah was then ushered to a specially designated room, where our CEO presented our programmes and services. After the presentation, President Halimah had a dialogue session with four of The Helping Hand's staff who were exaddicts themselves. Through the dialogue, she was given insights as to how our guys got involved with drugs and the difficulties they faced trying to get out of their addiction. Although it was difficult getting out of their addiction, it was not impossible with the help of God, as shared by their life-changing testimonies. All they needed was a helping hand from God and His people.



A dialogue session with the President



Our friendly President



Our staff chatting with the President



Visiting the residents' dormitories



At the Pool Room



At the Gym



Visiting our Furniture Gallery



Taking an interest of the parrot

After the dialogue session, President Halimah was given a tour around The Helping Hand's premises. She was shown our dormitories where our residents stayed and our Removal & Furniture Department where we help our guys get back to a normal work routine as well as generate funds to sustain the needs of our ministry. President Halimah also saw our cosy garden where the staff and helpers tend to their plants, birds and fish.



Mingling with the kitchen staff

Many of us were touched by President Halimah's willingness to stop, listen and talk to our guys who were once considered social outcasts by society. President Halimah even went a step further when she entertained requests to have photographs taken with her. She really is a down-to-earth person who showed genuine concern for the work we are doing and the people we were helping. We thank God for the visit and it is truly a blessing for The Helping Hand to be included into the President's busy agenda. All Glory to God!



Visiting our make shift garden

### With Compliments



#### **Our Worship Services**

#### **SATURDAY**

At Wesley Methodist Church, 5 Fort Canning Road

- Youth Worship Service | 2.00pm
- The Saturday Service | 5.00pm

#### SUNDAY

At Wesley Methodist Church, 5 Fort Canning Road

- Traditional Services | 7.30am, 9.30am, 11.30am, 5.00pm
- Prayer & Praise Services | 9.30am, 11.30am
- Mandarin Service | 2.30pm

At The Cathay, 2 Handy Road

■ Wesley@Cathay | 9.30am

At YMCA, Studio 9

■ Filipino Service | 11.30am





#### Jesus is the Chief Cornerstone



Have you ever felt rejected, that you didn't belong or that there is no place for you? There are times we may feel all alone, that no one cares, that there is no hope for us. The good news is that God has a place

for each one of us, regardless of who we are or where we have been. Paul highlighted this truth when he wrote to the Ephesian church (2:19-21) about God building "a holy temple", which is the church, the family of God.

He reminded them that God's building, God's family, has a place for every kind of stone, including wayward ones. Though they had been outcasts in the past, they had become accepted by the grace of God into God's family. Paul wrote, "you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people and also members of his household" (Eph 2:19).

This is true for us too. The world may have seen us as the dregs of society but God sees every outcast who comes to him as a precious child of God, includes them in God's family and has a place and a plan for them. Like many at The Helping Hand, I used to be a wayward drop out and drug abuser but the Lord rescued me and with the support of God's family, gave me the opportunity to pick myself up, rise up

and become a pastor. And life has never been the same again.

He then went on to remind them that they should now take their direction from the Lord. The building being built needs to take its bearings from the cornerstone so the builders know where to lay the bricks. In the same way, as the church is being built up, Jesus is the chief cornerstone from which we take our direction. We used to follow our every impulse, whether it was about taking the next dose, venting our anger or some other thing but we cannot live like this anymore. We need to change, cultivate spiritual disciplines and allow the Lord to transform us and raise us up. And God will.

Though the future may not be clear for many of us, as we keep in step with the Lord and serve him, the Lord will guide us one step at a time and fulfil his wonderful plans for us. When I got saved, I remember I only had 2 pairs of trousers and shirts, with no money and no future. But after many years of following the Lord, God unfolded God's plans for me. I met a sweet young lady, got married and now have a family of three grown ups and living a life of purpose. I don't think I could have imagined this happening to me but it did, by the grace of God. The future may look dim but take your bearings from your chief cornerstone and in God's time, he will fulfil his plans and purposes for each one of us.

**Rev. Edmund de Souza** has been serving as a Methodist pastor since 1982. He is currently reengaged after retirement and serving at Wesley Methodist Church. He is married to Jessie, and a proud father of three: Stephen, Joel and Sarah.



Spice up the occasion

### 32<sup>nd</sup> Thanksgiving Anniversary Celebration

Anniversaries are occasions when one takes time to remember, to reflect and to rejoice. They help to keep us thankful, and not take things for granted which we are easily prone to do.



Our Speaker Bro. Jason Wong





Our Worship team



Testimony by Bro. Sivabalan



Testimony by Bro. Vincent Tay



Testimony by Bro. Miki Cher



Testimony by Bro. Kumarakuru

Looking at where The Helping Hand is today and remembering from where it was once was, we can only say that it is through the "enabling of God" that we are where we are today.

From operating in a small semidetached house that could only take in 20 - 30 people, we are now in this big 3 blocks sprawling area that can house 116 people comfortably. We are thankful that we can help more people hear the Word of God and have their lives transformed by the power of the gospel. We are thankful for our moving services which may have made its name now in the moving industry but when we first started out, it was with one rented truck and a motley crew of a few exdrug addicts. Today, by God's grace, we have 11 trucks and 60 people working there. And it is the same for our teakwood furniture business too: from a small humble beginning, God has enabled us to expand the business that now employs 15 people. We are thankful



A song presentation by THH's Family



Our alumni



Serve and not to be served

for the enabling of these two businesses which provide us with revenue to run the ministry and allows us to provide the staff and residents a reasonable salary for the honest hard work they do.

Our theme for this 32<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary is "God is Able" and right from our speaker, Mr Jason Wong, to the testimonies shared by our staff workers and the song presentation by the staff and residents, everything was designed to show that God is Able. He is able to transform lives that others considered useless, heal relationships that others have given up hope on, give purpose to lives that were devoid of any meaning and provide for all our needs.

Many of us here at The Helping Hand were once a mess but today, through God's enabling, we have become a message of hope.

To God Be the Glory.



Residents' enjoying their meal



Table for 10



Tables are slowly taken up



The joy of eating together



Our Leaders are hungry too



Pause for the camera



An ice-cream to end the evening



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# Familial Bond Dinner 2019 Queueing up for their food



Bro. Ricard Khalil giving a short exhortation



Bro. Kelvin and Jason leading the worship



Worshipping God before dining



20 odd years of friendship



Grab one first



Main attraction, Crabs

Researches have shown that people with strong family associations are generally healthier and stand a better chance in their recovery than those who have no close family associations or social network to support them. Families coming together help to remind them that they are not alone in their fight, and it encourages them in their path to move forward towards their recovery.

On 7 September 2019, The Helping Hand organized a "Familial Bond Dinner" to complement the above. All the residents were told to invite their family members for this night. The organising committee came out with a list of menu items and topping the list was 60 kg of large crabs. The kitchen guys were then put to the task of preparing a feast "fit for a king". Preparations begun as early as 0700hrs and by 1600hrs, all the tables and chairs were neatly arranged for the arrival of guests and food readied for a grand feasting.

Vehicle after vehicle started streaming into the grounds of The Helping Hand. The parking lots were almost full, and it was so encouraging to witness such a turn-out. The event started promptly at 1800hrs with Praise and Worship led by Bros Jason Gwee and Kelvin Chua, followed by an exaltation from our Executive Director, Bro Richard K on the importance of meeting up together, taken from Hebrews 10: 25.

Family support has always been an important aspect in our curriculum. It helps to keep the relapse rate down and prevent our guys from returning to prison. Those with close family ties stand a better chance than those without and evidence demonstrated that families are an important factor in reducing re-offending and supporting the welfare of a recovering addict. There's a need to rebuild those broken bonds and re-unify families.

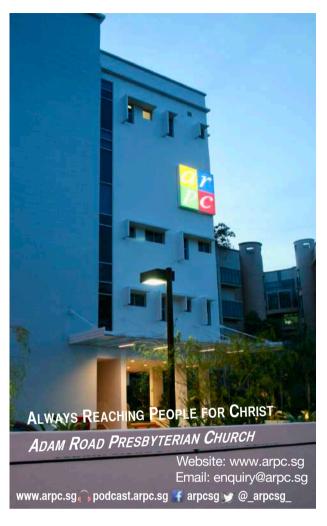
After the message, the residents and their loved ones, proceeded to the buffet table for a sumptuous spread laid out on chafing containers. The atmosphere of having the residents and their families eating together was truly encouraging. The entire kitchen area was packed with people eating, sharing laughter, and enjoying their meal. Many alumni also returned to join us for this occasion, and it made the evening more special. The meal ended with a round of old school ice-cream provided for by a guy riding a scooter with a sidecar. It was a fantastic time for all of us, but as with all good things, it must come to an end, and our night ended with the last of our guests leaving our premises at about 2100 hours.





With Compliments from Adam Road Presbyterian Church (ARPC)

We rejoice with The Helping Hand in the Lord's Work.



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- I Thessalonians 1:3

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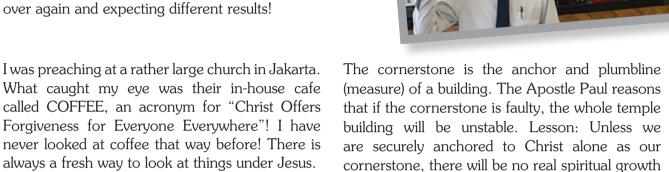
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#### **Service Times**

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### Christ our Cornerstone

2020 kicks off not simply a new year but a new decade! Yet, we need to ask what is so new about another year? They say that insanity is doing the same thing over and over again and expecting different results!



as God's people.

The Helping Hand exists to offer Jesus' forgiveness and a new start to some of the most hardened people.

Former drug addicts are, however, not more sinful that us. They are just more unfortunate to come from their troubled background or suffer from their bad choices to end up in a vicious circle of life that seems to dehumanise them forever.

From the first puff of a smoke or the first taste of "ice", drug addicts get deformed and seldom feel fully human again.

The story is told of a South African woman who stood in line for hours to vote in her country's first all-race elections in 1994. She is quoted as saying: "This is first time I have felt human." It was Nelson Mandela who set them free from the curse of apartheid which had dehumanised them.

The Lord Jesus Christ is greater than Gandhi of India, Martin Luther King of America and Mandela of South Africa. Why?

Jesus alone has done more to make us not just feel human but to be truly human.

Ephesians 2:19-21 declares Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone of a new redeemed human race which has been dehumanised by our sin and separation from God and from one another.

By his supreme sacrifice on the Cross, Jesus has set us free - not simply from temporal - but perpetual dehumanising sin.

When a parent selfishly traumatises a child, when a teenager selfishly berates a parent, when a spouse selfishly gives their hearts to someone else and when friends selfishly harass us on FB – our fragile hearts are harmed and dehumanised beyond repair.

We forget that God did not make us human in his image only to dehumanise one another beyond recognition.

That is why Jesus saving us from sin is the most humanising act. When we live under Jesus' Lordship, we become truly free and full from all the fake highs we get, not merely from drugs, but more so from our addiction to self-pleasing. Only Jesus can transfer us from a world of self-glory to a world of God's glory. May Jesus always be the cornerstone of everyone in Helping Hand – from the Board, to the staff to the men in recovery. We desperately need him as the anchor of our lives to grow beautifully as the people of God.

Rev. Dr. Christopher Chia, Senior Pastor of Adam Road Presbyterian Church





A Mercedes Benz C190 up for grabs





golfer

After months of preparations, on 23 July 2019, The 9th Helping Hand Charity Golf 2019 took off at the Orchid Country Club. Over the last 8 years, we have witnessed countless individuals participating on a regular basis to support causes they believe in, as well as for the positive effect it has on their own lives. All came not only for a game of golf but for a charitable cause.

The registration counter opened at 1000hrs and streams of participants, started trickling in. A strong feeling of excitement was in the air as golfers began registering and golfing terminology was at the core of their conversations.

This year's event attracted 116 participants who were all ready to tee-off at 1315hrs. However, darkened skies and distant thunder caused the game to be put on hold.



Aiming for the Hole-in-one



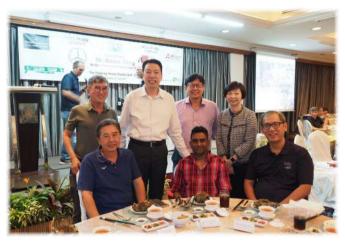
\$50,000 for the Par-3 Hole

Moans and groans were heard when the PA system announced that the tournament will be temporary suspended until further notice. There was apprehension that the event might be withdrawn. The golfers headed off to the Vanda Terrace to await clearance from the Club Management and finally, at 1430hrs, clearance was given, and the game got underway. Despite the occasional drizzle, the tournament proceeded on with much camaraderie and excitement. As the sky began to darken at 1900 hours, the last flight of golfers returned to the clubhouse in the coolness of the evening.

After refreshing themselves, the participants headed to the Emerald Suite for an 8-Course Dinner, specially catered for them. The Guest-of-Honour for the evening was Mr Melvin Yong, MP for Tanjong Pagar GRC. Our Vice-Chairman Mr Tan Teik Seng, officially welcomed our Guest-of-Honour and the dinner got underway. Midway, one of our staff, Mr John Siva, gave a testimony on how miraculously his life was transformed when he surrendered all to the Lord Jesus Christ.

During the dinner, a raffle draw was conducted, and prizes were awarded to the winners of the tournament. We want to thank God for the sumptuous dinner and wonderful time of fellowship.

The Helping Hand would take this opportunity to thank God for the 116 golfers who came to support us and the \$67,050 that was raised. We thank AVA Insurance Brokers Pte Ltd for sponsoring the Hole-in-One prize of \$50,000, cash at two par-3 holes and Daimler South East Asia Pte Ltd, who sponsored a Mercedes C190 at two other par-3 holes. We also thank all the other sponsors who contributed in making this a successful endeavour for us.



Our G.O.H. Mr Melvin Wong, MP Tanjong Pagar GRC



A token of appreciation to our G.O.H



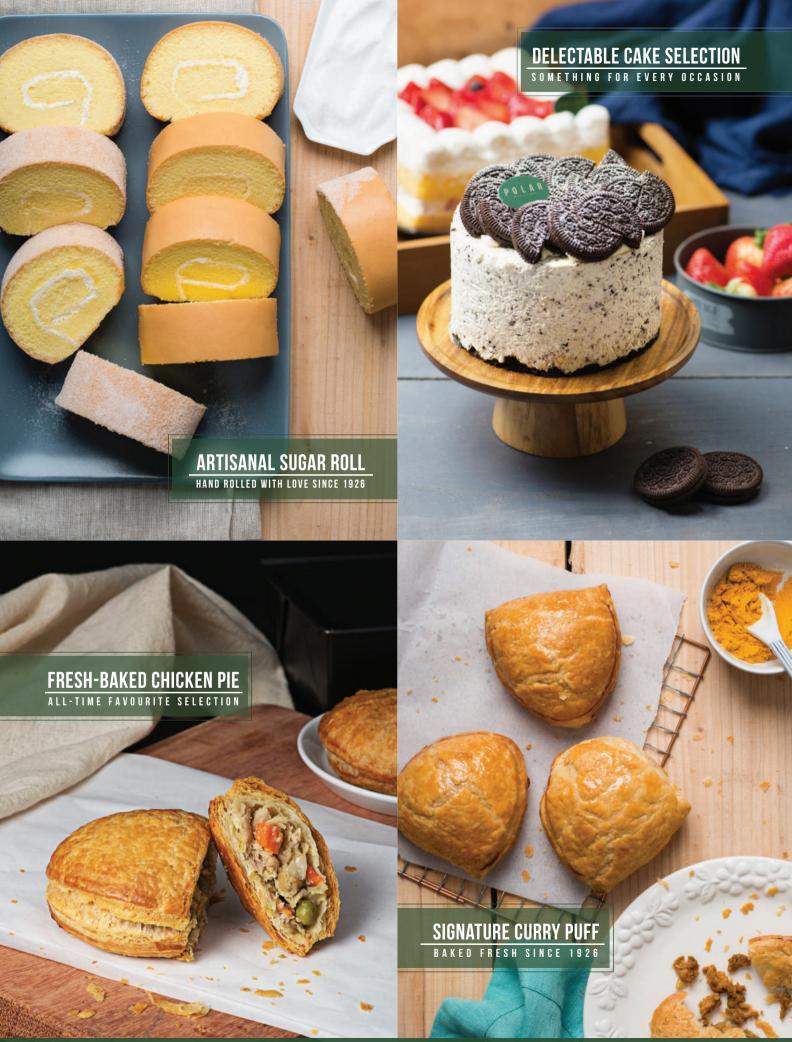
Recipient from the Raffle Draw



Winner of the 9th Charity Golf 2019



Waiting in anticipation



## Yellow Ribbon Celebrating Second Chances **Awards** Ceremony 2019

God often uses the very weak and unlikely instruments for the beginning and carrying on of a good work. There is no such thing as a person too washed-up or too insignificant to fulfil the Great Commission as commanded in Acts 1:8. Just like the Samaritan woman recorded in John 4:39, many who walk through the gates of The Helping Hand, having tasted the goodness and saving grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, left and became an effective witness for the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

At the "Yellow Ribbon Celebrating Second Chances Awards Ceremony" on 12th October 2019, two of our staff members and seven of our alumni were awarded the Yellow Ribbon Celebrating Second Chances Awards 2019. The award recognizes the success of the ex-offenders in persistently living their new lives, free of drug and crime and becoming contributing members of society after their release from prison. These awardees also stand out as positive role-models and great encouragers to other ex-offenders who are still in the process of gaining acceptance from their families and society. We are thankful to God that two of our alumni received the highest award which is the Outstanding Achievement Award for remaining crime and drug free for more than fifteen years.

## Highest honour for drug offender turned social worker

After almost a decade behind bars, stay at halfway house helped turn his life around





Kelvin Quak receiving the Outstanding Acheivement Award together with his family.



Jonathan Tan receiving his Award



Linus Kok receiving his Award

Our hope and prayer are for our brothers to continue to let their light shine before others so that people may see their good deeds and give glory to our Father in heaven. We also trust that God will bless, guide, and sustain all our brothers in their life-long recovery journey.



## Staff Retreat to Tioman Island 2019











A Retreat is not just a holiday but an opportunity for us to spend time with God basking in the beauty of His creation, away from the hustle and bustle of urbanised Singapore.

In July 2019, 52 of us in 2 batches made our way to idyllic Tioman Island, a densely forested island surrounded by numerous coral reefs popular for scuba diving and snorkelling spot for our Annual Staff Retreat. The two batches compromising 26 people each, left in the early hours of the morning to embark on a coach ride that took us through a  $3\frac{1}{2}$  hours journey to Tanjung Gemok Ferry Terminal and then another  $2\frac{1}{2}$  hours boat journey to Tioman Island.

In Singapore, where people are used to fast pace living, many would dread a  $3\frac{1}{2}$  hours winding coach ride followed by another  $2\frac{1}{2}$  hours bumpy boat ride but many amongst us who had never been out of Singapore, chose to stay awake to capture all sights that breezed past their eyes.

We arrived at the island at 1330hrs and checked into Paya Beach and Diving Resort. We were all given keys to our respective rooms. We thank the resort for providing spacious bedrooms with comfortable large beds and a great air-conditioning system.







The next four days were to be an adventure of wonderful pleasures. Everyone looked forward to snorkelling and gazing at the beauty of the undersea life, trekking and scooting around the picturesque island on an All-Terrain vehicle, making footprints in the sand against a backdrop of a beautiful sunset, or swimming in the newly renovated in-door pool. It was truly a fantastic time of enjoying the beauty of God's creation.

Quiet-time and devotions were conducted amidst the sound of the roaring waves and within sight of the majestic tropical forest. The theme of our retreat was "God is Able" and we spent time studying and meditating on how God is able can keep us from falling and turning our past into a purpose.

We enjoyed the A la carte buffet meals prepared by the resort's restaurant that catered to the different nationalities staying at the resort.

All good things soon came to an end and on the morning before our departure back to Singapore, we gathered at the meeting room to offer our praise and thanksgiving to God for the four marvellous days spent on the island. Although the retreat came to an end, the special memories we have of it, will last a lifetime.







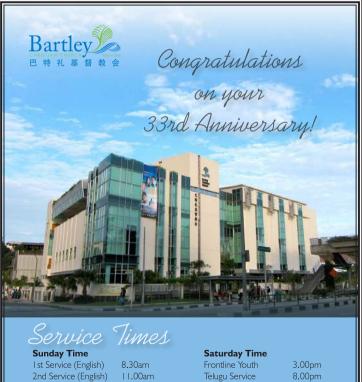












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## Christ himself was rejected

Life is full of contradictions. It is often said "the most dangerous place is the safest place to hide" or "the more you learn, the more you realise how little you know". If there is any contradiction in the Bible, it is found here in Matthew 21:42 "The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone…", quoted from Psalm 118:22. In the Greek, the word 'cornerstone' is literally the "chief/head corner" — not just any corner, but the chief and the head! How can what is rejected be the most important one of all?

The analogy is taken from how in construction the one corner of a building on which are inscribed the information of the whole building, and therefore refers to something which is of great importance, on which everything else depends on.

#### This little analogy tells me three things.

Firstly, the one who was rejected by the Jews in their pursuit and worship of God, has become the most important, most foundational, and most critical revelation of who God is and how we are to worship Him! It is only through Jesus Christ that we can truly know God, and be fully reconciled back to God. He is the cornerstone not only of the faith, but also the whole of life, because it is only through him that life makes sense and finds its ultimate destiny.

Secondly, it seems that what is inscribed upon the cornerstone of a building is the starting and completion dates of construction and other details of the architect and owner. If the building represents our lives, then it can also be said that Christ has his imprint upon our lives – that he is our architect and owner, that he knows our 'starting date' (birth) and our 'completion date' (death). Psalms 139:13-16 affirms how each one of us are "fearfully and wonderfully made" by him and how he already knows "every one of them, the days that were formed for me, when as yet there was none of them." – it speaks of a Creator who created us with love and care, and knows what will happen to each of us and our choices in life (whether for good or for bad), and still accepts us and died for us!

Thirdly, Christ himself was rejected. Scripture tells us that "we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses..." (Heb 4:15) but one who understands what we go through in life. This is because he lived life not in a protected bubble, but to the most extreme of temptations, betrayal and suffering – being rejected so that he can reconcile us back to God. So if you too are rejected, it's not because you are less worthy of others, but that you have a higher calling from God to fulfil his purpose – "good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them." (Eph 2:10).

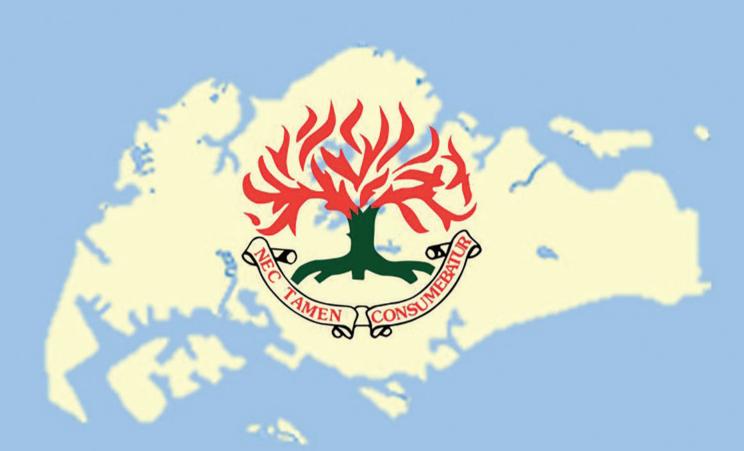
So let Christ be the cornerstone of your life, acknowledge his Lordship and take your alignment from him as you build your lives. To God be the glory!



**Revd Alvin Toh** currently serves as Curate at St. John's - St. Margaret's Church with the Anglican Church. Before being ordained an Anglican priest, he received Christ and grew up in a Presbyterian Church, found his home in a Baptist Church where he was married, grew under the pulpit ministry of an Independent Church and discipled through Campus Crusade for Christ, before he received God's call into the pastorate. He has been in full-time ministry since 2005 after being trained at Singapore Bible College and receiving his M.Div in Pastoral Ministry. Prior to that, he was working in the banking sector for about 7 years. He is married to his university sweetheart Felicia and they have 3 delightful children in their teens, Dylan, Dawn and Dionne.

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哈巴谷书 2:14

For the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.

Habakkuk 2:14

## 我是活石

石头的用途很多。小石头在一个信靠耶和华的牧童手里可以轻易的击败让人畏惧的巨人。原本只是用来装水的石缸,却变成了婚宴上盛满美酒的神迹佳话。第一次见面就用给人取外号叫'石头',不但改变了那个人的命定,也改变了这世界。耶稣在磐石上所建立的教会历经两千年仍然屹立不倒!

基督是活石,我们也是。基督虽然被众人遗弃,可是改变不了他是活石的事实,而且是房角的头块石头。这石头也许真的把很多人给绊倒了,也使人跌倒;因为他却揭露了我们人性的软弱。可是当我们选择依靠耶稣时,他可以成为我们生命的房角石,信心的磐石。我们也可以击败生命中的巨人,盛满神的恩典奇迹,锁住神赐予我不一样的命定。

我们是活石,是可以选择的。同样是石头,你要成为自己生命的绊脚石,还是信心的垫脚石,又或者是让耶稣基督成为你生命的房角石?只要我们是耶稣手中的石头,我们就是那有能力改变生命的活石。

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## 根基立在磐石上

凡到我这里来,听见我的话就去行的,我要告诉你们他像什么人。他像一个人盖房子,深深的挖地,把根基安在磐石上。到发大水的时候,水冲那房子,房子总不能摇动,因为根基立在磐石上。惟有听见不去行的,就像一个人在土地上盖房子,没有根基;水一冲,随即倒塌了,并且那房子坏得很大。(路加6:47-49)

要在土地平面上盖房子,只要钉一钉木头,不须要立根基便可以把房子给盖起来。相比之下,要在磐石上盖房子,就得先凿石,深深挖地,把根基安在磐石上才能建造房子。这过程极辛苦又费时间。为什么耶稣说聪明人会把房子的根基立在磐石上?略知以色列的地理和气候,晓得以色列的夏天是很干旱的,连河流都会干涸;可到了冬天,雨水十分充沛,本来是干地的地方,一下子就成了江河。因此,到了风雨肆虐,河水泛滥的季节,在土地上建的房子就会被洪水冲走;而在磐石上建房子的主人就会高枕无忧,因为他建造房子的时候深谋远虑,结果能够高瞻远瞩。

磐石代表了什么呢?保罗在哥林多前书3:10-11节阐释这个磐石、根基就是基督,是神所立的根基。将生命完全扎根在基督里的人,根基必定牢固。想像房子就是你的生命,风暴就好像是发生在你身上那些不好的事情。因为房子有好根基,当有无法掌控的事情发生时,你就能生存。

在我们信仰的历程中,神未曾应许天色常蓝,人生的路途花香常漫。神未曾应许常晴无雨,常乐无苦,常安无虑。生命的风暴也许不是火灾或豪雨,但是发生时也一样让我们难于招架。你与家人或许不能和谐共处; 你认识的亲友可能生病,受伤,甚至死亡;又可能你觉得被他人排斥。上帝了解我们的光景,祂愿意拯救我们,给我们盼望,做我们人生生命坚固的磐石。祂应许听了祂的话就去行的,就拥有基督的生命,祂就愿意做我们牢固的根基,陪伴我们面对各种惊涛骇浪。

我鼓励你让神的话做你坚固的磐石,把生命深深扎根在神的话中,神会保守我们在 风雨中毅然站立,祂说的! 第三十三届援手之家周年记念

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## 生命的房角石

万锋生长在乩童的破碎家庭,从小就接触到灵界属灵的事情。若不是神的恩典,如今传讲的就不是使人与神恢复关系的福音。在全时间服侍主的当儿深刻体会,"若不是耶和华建造房屋,建造的人就枉然劳力;若不是耶和华看守城池,看守的人就枉然警醒。"(诗127:1)

2001和2002年间于神学院学习时,在牧师的鼓励下初次接触参与援手之家的事工,但换教会事奉后就无法继续参与。全时间服侍约十年后,回到神学院进修辅导学又再次参与援手之家的事工。神总不撇下我们也不丢弃我们(来13:5b) 一切的经历与献上。我们的每一点经历都能让神使用来建立我们周围的人。

从不同的事工中万锋认识到自己能力的不足,需要常常回到神的施恩座前寻求祂。 特别是在人与人之间的关系中,若受损害须要神的介入,通过不同的辅导与技巧的 善用,方可将不达神标准的关系恢复正常。当然最佳的效果,须要建基在基督耶稣 为那人的各人救主关系上。



感谢主,虽然我们都可能在事奉时,认 知知识的有限、在不同所当尽力的事务 上受挫,神确实在我们的这些挑战与软 弱中,显出祂的刚强与荣耀。只要我们有 耶稣基督为我们人生的房角石,常常灵 修祷告、查经、团契、敬拜,来经营建 造,我们就可活出真正自由的真我。

这三年从与学员进行,信仰为基础的辅导(Faith-based Counselling)到,每月两次小组跟进聚会(After Care Program),也看到成功找到真我 , 在主里得到自由的弟兄。无论我们人生中经历多少坎坷崎岖路,只要我们愿意回转定睛在基督耶稣,为我们生命的房角石,我们三一真神会使用我们生命中的每一分、每一秒,来见证荣耀祂的圣尊名。

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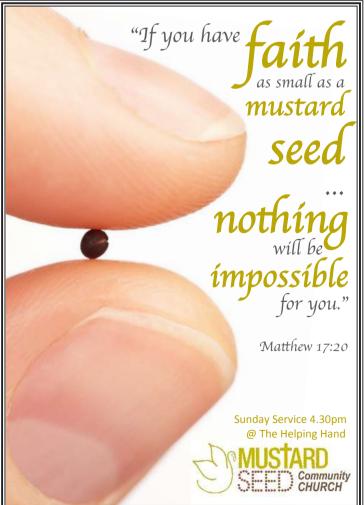
#### **Worship Time**

English Service 11am Chinese Service 9am

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#### Isa 28:16

So this is what the Sovereign LORD says: "See, I lay a stone in Zion, a tested stone, a precious cornerstone for a sure foundation; the one who relies on it will never be stricken with panic.

#### Ephesians 2:20

20 built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone.

Congratulation to The Helping Hand as you celebrate your  $33^{rd}$  Anniversary!

We thank and praise God for the marvelous ministry in The Helping Hand. It was founded in 1987 as a Christian half-way house for the rehabilitation of ex-drug addicts. It is greatly used by God as a refuge for many ex-drug addicts. Instead of feeling stricken panic, one will find peace when he encounters God; confessing Christ as his Savior here.

Living in this ever-changing world; a person faces many problems, challenges and difficulties. He is also easily led into confusing aimless direction. Therefore, it is definitely Good News to know that in this world, there is a strong foundation, where a person can stand firmly on. This foundation is found in none other than Christian faith: Christ being the chief cornerstone.

Being the chief cornerstone, Christ is the One whom we can find comfort, strength and assurance. Isaiah 28:16 – "one who relies on it will never be stricken panic." A person is stricken panic because he feels insecure and fearful. He does not trust anyone, even himself. He does not have anyone to turn to. He feels that he is constantly at risk. He needs Christ.

In biblical times, a cornerstone was used as the foundation and standard upon which a building

# Christ being the Chief Cornerstone

was constructed. Once in place, the rest of the building would conform to the angles and size of the cornerstone. In addition, if removed, the entire structure could collapse. Similarly, the transformation of one's life must be depended on the finished work of Jesus Christ, the Word of God and through the power of Holy Spirit. It is imperative to know that if Christ is removed from the centrality of life changing progress, the entire transformation could collapse.

Peter reminds us that Jesus is the Cornerstone for all believers. If we trust in him as our Savior, we will not be shamed. Jesus is our strength to make it through stressful times. He can provide peace when nothing else can. It's through his death on the cross that we are forgiven from our sins and that we can have a relationship with his Father in heaven, God.

Thank God that Redeemer Baptist Church has been partnering with The Helping Hand. Our cell group, Growth oikos, helps to provide a safe place and assimilate the overcomers into the community of faith for the Aftercare program. We seek to enable & empower them to embrace Christ as their foundation of faith. We have witnessed overcomers being transformed as they surrendered their lives to Christ. No longer seeking restlessly for other false security, they have finally found Christ, the cornerstone of their lives on whom they can build their lives upon. Providing a community of faith, we journey together with them, to grow into spiritual maturity.

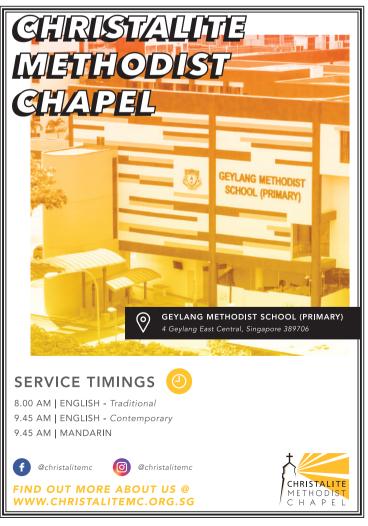
May God continue to use The Helping Hand mightily so that many more lives will be transformed as they acknowledge Christ as their Cornerstone! Glory to God! Amen.

#### Rev. Yap Kiat Hock

Senior Pastor Redeemer Baptist Church







## Our Maiden Trip to Tanjung Pinang

3 days were set aside from 23-25 March 2019 for a mission trip to Tanjung Pinang. This was a maiden trip for The Helping Hand and a team of 11 brothers led by our Executive Director, Richard Khalil, met at the Tanah Merah Ferry Terminal and took the 11:30 am ferry to Tanjung Pinang. The journey took 1 hour and 45 minutes and we arrived at the Tanjung Pinang Ferry Terminal (Bintan), tired after a bumpy ride and checked into CK Tanjung Pinang Hotel & Convention Centre.

After freshening ourselves, we headed for the Panti Asuhan (Christian Orphanage). We were surrounded by little ones, abandoned but not forsaken. The sight of these unfortunate ones, momentarily, reminded us of how fortunate we are. 2 groups of children presented song items and truly we are encouraged to see their joyful countenance. One of our brothers, Kuan Kiong Lik, shared his testimony about God's amazing love and we hope that we were able to encourage the children with this important truth.

The next morning, we worshipped at the Impact Community Ministries and had a good time of fellowshipping and interacting with the Indonesian brothers and sisters in Christ. Brother Richard shared a message from Matthew 11:28, we did a song presentation and another brother, Lam Kheen Mun, shared his testimony about how he has been transformed by God's amazing grace.

On the last day of our stay in Tanjung Pinang, we visited the Tanjung Pinang Prison. As we entered the prison grounds, we were firmly reminded of those days we were incarcerated and how thankful we are for our new-found freedom in Christ. Our prayer is that these prisoners will soon be set free from the bondages of sin. Brother Jason shared a message to encourage the brothers there.





















After the visitation, we made our way to the ferry terminal for another 1 hour and 45 minutes ride back to our homeland. Thank God for allowing us to share His love in this remote part of the world. We are indeed saved to serve.



Congratulations on your 33<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary!

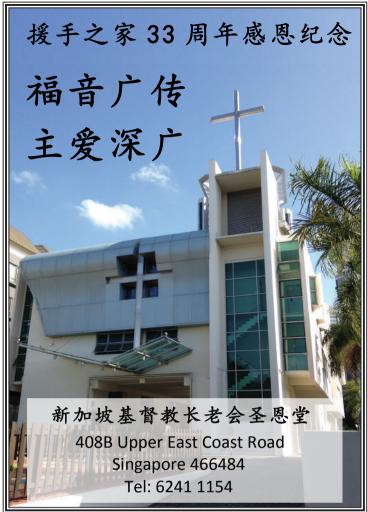


#### **Worship Time**

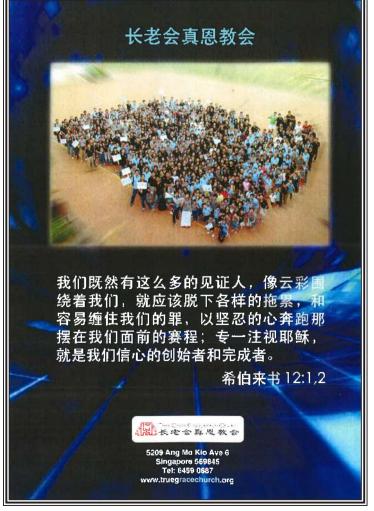
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# Christmas Family Day Celebration 2019

On a cold and rainy Saturday evening, 14 December 2019, The Helping Hand held its annual Christmas Family Day celebration. Despite the intermittent showers of rain, guests started trickling in and very soon, hardly any parking spaces were left.

The service started with our CEO, Mr Mervyn Lim giving the welcoming speech followed by an opening hymn "How Great Thou Art". Our worship team comprising Brothers Jason, Kelvin, Silas and Sister Gina took over the time and led us into a time of praise and worship.

Nelson Ho, our alumni, then shared his testimony on how Jesus Christ had miraculously transformed his life and given him new hope and purpose in life. Our prayer is that many who were present would have been encouraged by his testimony and would have made a personal decision to accept Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior.

A choir from Bethesda Bedok-Tampines Church then sang Christmas Carols both in English and Mandarin. Our speaker for this occasion was Pastor Caleb How from His Glorious Church who gave us an Evangelistic Christmas message taken from Matthew 1:18 - 23. Pastor Caleb shared about the true meaning of Christmas and how we should commemorate this festive occasion. He also reminded us the significance of Christ's birth and God's will for us.











For our finale, we had Ms Christina Ong who starred in Dick Lee's 1988 production of 'Beauty World' close us in songs.

After the service, our guests were treated to a catered buffet dinner. Dinner was not only about food but also about the sweet fellowship and interactions of our guys with their smiling family members around the dinner tables. After dinner, family members were invited up to the dormitories to see the living conditions of their loved ones staying at The Helping Hand.

Organizing this annual event has a threefold purpose for us. Firstly, it is to propagate the true meaning of Christmas. Secondly, it is to proclaim God's power in the transformation of broken lives and finally, it is to help in the reconciliation of broken relationships between our residents and their loved ones.

In closing, we would like to thank God and also our sponsors and volunteers from SCORE/ACRA, Polar Puffs & Cakes Pte Ltd, My Redeemer Fellowship, Make a Wish Foundation, and Mr Jenn Ong who contributed gifts and time to make this a blessed and meaningful Christmas for our guys.











## 聚会 | CHURCH 时间 | SERVICES

华语聚会 星期日 上午九时

华/粤语聚会 星期日 下午七时

English Service Sun 9.00am

Samuel Fellowship (Children) Sun 9.00am-10.30am

Children Sunday School Sun 11.00am-12.15pm

Discipleship Groups Sun 11.00am-12.15pm

Prayer Meeting Fri 7.30pm-8.30pm



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**Church Services:** 

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> Sunday: 11am service Sanctuary (level 2)

YOS: YOUTH MINISTRY

(for ages 12 – 19) Sunday, 9.00am – 1pm (English), Pavilion

CHILDREN MINISTRY

(Nursery – Primary 5) Sundays, 9.00am – 10.15am (English)

INDONESIAN LADIES FELLOWSHIP
Sundays, 9.00am – 10.15am (Bahasa Indonesian)

FILIPINO LADIES FELLOWSHIP

Sundays, 9.00am – 10.15am (English)

TAMIL FELLOWSHIP

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PALM GREEN (Seniors) FELLOWSHIP Wednesdays, 10.00am – 12.00pm (English)

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## Halfway House Service Model – Service Agreement Signing Ceremony





Signing of the agreement



Chatting with the Commissioner



Our CEO & ED having a dialogue with the Commissioner of Prisons



In October 2010, the Singapore Corporation of Rehabilitative Enterprises and Singapore Prison Service launched the Halfway House Service Model to provide a standardised way for halfway houses to meet fixed requirements and enhance the delivery of transitional care that better meet the needs of ex-offenders' re-integration to society. On 11 December 2019, at the Singapore Prisons' HQ, 8 Halfway Houses met to sign the Renewal Agreement for another 2 years with the Singapore Prison Service.

The Helping Hand was represented by our Chairman, Rev Yap Kim Sin, Hon Secretary Mr Erik Ang, CEO Mr Mervyn Lim, Executive Director Mr Richard Khalil, and Operation Manager Mr Alvin Wong. Mr Desmond Chin Kim Tham, Commissioner of Prisons, Singapore Prison Service, chaired the meeting.

There are four phases in this service model. In the first phase, staff from halfway houses will visit the inmate in prison to foster a relationship and come up with an individualised service plan for them. The second phase will begin when they undergo three months of rehabilitation programmes which includes therapeutic activities. In the third phase which runs for the remainder of their stay at the halfway house, they will enter their employment or education phase. The final phase is when they complete the program and leave the halfway house to transit back into society.

On our part, The Helping Hand will continue to build bridges of hope for ex-offenders with their families wherever possible and help them to be responsible and contributing members of society once again.









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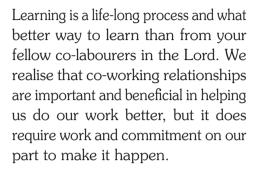


## Learning from our Co-workers in Malaysia and Taiwan













On 4 September 2019, 8 of our staff and volunteers left in 3 vehicles for Batu Pahat, a town in Johore for Bethany Rehabilitation Centre and He Ping Drug Rehabilitation Centre.





At both venues we had the opportunity to share our testimonies and the Word of God. We were able to share and learn from one another on how to cope with difficult situations faced by our staff and, in the process, get a better insight of the drug situation in Malaysia.



On 27 September 2019, one of our staff and a few of our volunteers left for 8 days to Taiwan and visited 6 Halfway Houses including 1 for the females, 1 Drug Rehabilitation Centre and 2 of their Prisons.

Besides the visitations, they also attended the Rehab Leaders Conference and the 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Operation Dawn (one of the Drug Rehabilitation Centres) at Grace Baptist Church.

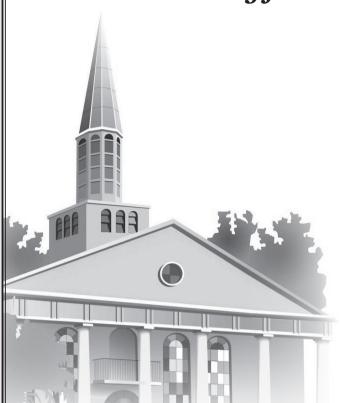
It was a good exposure and learning experience for our guys to see how the work was done in Taiwan. We believe that the more we can learn from one another, the better it will be for our ministries.





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8.00 am Worship I

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9.40 am Sunday School

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11.00 am Worship II

Children's Ministry Chinese Service

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4.00 pm Indonesian Service 6.00 pm Life Evening Service

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"How good and pleasant it is when brothers live together in unity!...It is as if the dew of Hermon were falling on Mount Zion. For there the Lord bestows His blessings, even life forevermore"

Psalm 133 :1, 3



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#### **Activities**

Lord's Day: 9.30 am – English & Mandarin

Worship Service

11.30 am - Sunday School &

Bible Class

**Tuesday**: 7.30 pm – Mainland Chinese

Fellowship

**Thursday**: 8.15 pm – Central Prayer Meeting

**Saturday**: 4.00 pm – Youth Fellowship

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## 11th Yellow Ribbon **Prison Run**

The Yellow Ribbon Project organised by CARE Network has three goals in mind.

- To create awareness of giving second chances to ex-offenders.
- To generate acceptance of ex-offenders and their families into the community.
- To inspire Community Action to support the rehabilitation and reintegration of ex-offenders.

On an early and beautiful September Sunday morning, a group of 12 staff and residents got ready for the Yellow Ribbon Run 2019.

The theme for this years' run "I Believe in YR Second Chances" brought the runners through historical and prison sites including Selarang Halfway House, Tanah Merah Prison, Lloyd Leas Community Supervision Centre, Changi Prison Wall and finally into the Changi Prison Complex. For many runners, it was a rare once in a life-time experience to be physically behind the prison walls. At the end of the run, a Rehabilitation Fair featuring live performances, food trucks and experiential exhibitions inspired by true stories of ex-offender's rehabilitation journeys awaited the runners.

The run was graced by Her Excellency President Halimah Binti Yacob and about 10,000 people participated in the event. The Yellow Ribbon Prison Run symbolises our commitment to giving ex-offenders a second chance. Every step taken on the Run represents a step towards hope and reconciliation.

We, at The Helping Hand, are truly thankful to know that there are so many people out there who are willing to give of their time and money to make this "I Believe in YR Second Chances" a real possibility for the ex-offenders.







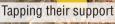
Waiting for the race to start

Warming up for the race



President Halimah Yacob flagged off the 10km & 5km runs









The run is well underway



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One Community - Youth Service (Wesley Hall, L4)
Covenant Kids N1-K2 (MGS ThinkTank Room, L2)
Covenant Kids P1-P6 (MGS Conference Room, L2)

11am TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE (Chapel, L3 & 4)
Covenant Kids All Ages (MGS ThinkTank Room, L2)

11.15am CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE (Auditorium, L1)

11.20am KOREAN-ENGLISH WORSHIP (WESLEY HALL, L4)
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Every year the Helping Hand will conduct training courses for our volunteers to help them be equipped for the work ahead of them.

On 12<sup>th</sup> October 2019, we organized a training session titled, "Managing Resistant Clients & Dealing with Family Issues". The in-house training session was held from 9.30 am – 3 pm and was well attended by fifty-five people. The trainer for the sessions was Michelle Cheong, an experienced trainer who has worked with ex-offenders and addicts since 2005. She is presently a Senior Case Manager and Supervisor with New Life Community Services. Some of the topics covered during the training were, The Addicts Mindset, Understanding Family Stressors and Coping Patterns, and Supporting & Responding to the Family Challenges. The feedback from our volunteers about the training was good and they really enjoyed and benefitted from the session.

We plan to organize more of such workshops and prayerfully through these training workshops, our volunteers will improve on the skill sets they already possess and be better able to help our clients and their families more effectively.











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#### **Church Worship Services**

English Service Mandarin Service Cantonese Service — Morning — Afternoon Bilingual Service Hokkien Service Filipino Service Myanmar Service China Ministry Teens for Christ — 1 <sup>st</sup> session — 2 <sup>nd</sup> session	Sun Sun Sun Sun Sat Sun Fri Sun Sun Sun Sun	8.30am 8.30am 8.30am 1.30pm 10.45am 4.00pm 10.45am 7.30pm 10.45am 5.00pm 7.00pm 8.30am 10.45am	Chapel Bethel Hall Galilee Hall Chapel Bethel Hall Bethel Hall Bethel Hall Galilee Hall Antioch Hall Antioch Hall Antioch Hall	英华产 双 福 菲缅中基	星星星星星星星星星星星星星期期期期期期期期期期期期期期期期期期期期期期期期期期	8.30am 8.30am 8.30am 1.30pm 10.45am 4.00pm 10.45am 7.30pm 10.45am 5.00pm 7.00pm 8.30am	会伯加加会伯伯伯加安加安安所特利利所特特特利提利提提利堂堂 利利利堂阿堂阿阿堂
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Youth Ministry (Mandarin)	Sat	5.30pm	Cana Hall	青少年团(华)		5.30pm	迦拿堂

#### SATURDAY

1:00PM - 3:00PM YOUTH MINISTRY

5:00PM - 7:00PM SATURDAY CELEBRATION SERVICE (ENG/MAND)

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9:00AM - 10:45AM ENGLISH SERVICE

MANDARIN SERVICE

10:30AM - 12:00PM FILIPINO MINISTRY

11:15AM - 12:45PM CANTONESE SERVICE

11:15AM - 1:00PM BILINGUAL SERVICE (ENG/MAND)

HOKKIEN SERVICE
POWER KIDZ CHURCH
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INDONESIAN FELLOWSHIP

7:30PM - 9:00PM MANDARIN NIGHT SERVICE (CHINA MINISTRY)





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A welcome message from Bro. Vincent Tan









## **Evangelistic-cum-Family** Night Dinner June 2019





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Evangelistic-cum-Family Night Dinner took place at The Helping Hand on 29 June 2019 with a good turn-out. The mission of The Helping Hand is to share God's love to people who need the Lord including the family members of the residents who come into our program. Brother Kelvin Chua and Sister Gina Ang led in the worship that truly magnified His Name, followed by a testimony from Brother John Siva on how God has miraculously transformed his life.

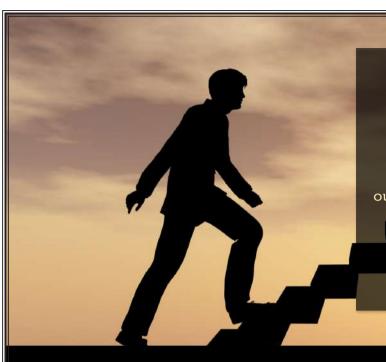
The pulpit was handed over to Rev Kwan Yew Weng, our invited Speaker, who spoke on Acts 9:1–9. The message was clearly delivered, and the speaker managed to captivate his listeners with his humorous delivery. It was so encouraging to see hands raised during the altar call. Indeed, heaven rejoices over any sinner who repents and turns to God.

The meeting ended with residents bringing their family

members around the premises showing them and their living quarters where they will be spending the next few months of their program. It is encouraging to see family members of residents come together because family support plays an important role in their recovery. We pray that through this gathering, we could pave the way towards the bonding of broken and mending relationships.

The guests were then treated to a sumptuous spread prepared by our very own kitchen staff. Sweetness is always welcomed by the tongue's taste buds and as such, an ice cream vendor was engaged to provide a sweet dessert for the night.

We thank God for such an occasion and for the many more to come. We pray that those who attended would have experience the love and grace of God and will respond positively according to God's perfect timing.



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#### SERVICE TIMES

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11:30 A M
4:00 P M

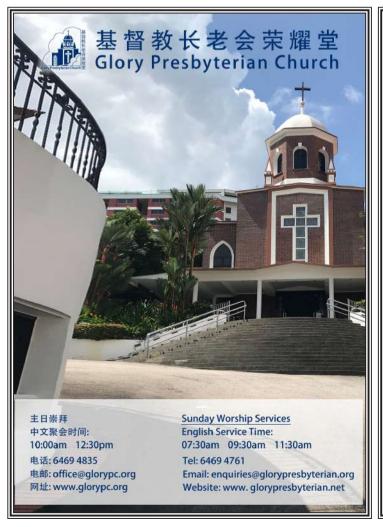
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We also hope and pray that as we conduct our deputations and share our ministry we can build up and strengthen the relationship between the churches and us. After all, we may be different parts of the body, but we all belong to the one body of Christ.

We hope by the grace of God, we will be invited by more churches to share the work that God is doing in the ministry of The Helping Hand.







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Statistics on Juveniles and Youth-at-Risk compiled by the Ministry of Social and Family Development from a 2017 Survey released by the Department of Statistics Singapore showed 141 Juveniles and Youth-at-Risk admitted to Youth Homes. There were also 85 cases of Youth Beyond Parental Control and 451 new probation cases.

Juveniles and Youth-at-Risk often face challenging circumstances and are proned to be influenced by their family, close friends and the environment. them Many of are susceptible to making wrong choices, not fully understanding the impact and consequences of those choices. This is where we come in by providing a helping hand to intervene and steer them away from further destruction.

On five different occasions. The Helping Hand was invited to conduct talks at Secondary Schools, Youth Outreach Programmes, and a Family Service Centre. The topics covered ranged from antidrugs and anti-gangs talks, to the struggles, pain, and stigma ex-offenders faced, and how drug abuse criminal activities and will eventually lead to the painful consequence of incarceration. We hope by sharing our experiences with them through these talks, we can help them to avoid repeating their mistakes.

We pray for more of these invitations so that we can impart our experiences to help these young people realize the consequences of drug abuse and crime, and prayerfully stay away from it.

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## It's time to put it all behind me

As I sat back and rewind four decades of my life, it's as if I was watching a movie. It's not fiction. It's not adapted. It's a life with close experiences with death and a life without meaning.

At 64, with such a long list of mistakes, many would have chosen to sink into oblivion but thankfully not me because it was then that I met my Lord, Jesus Christ, whom has given me a new perspective in life.

Abusing drugs and getting myself jailed on 12 occasions was the greatest tragedy of my life. Many opportunities were lost, and many relationships severed.

My parents passed on 23 years ago and being an only child, I led a life, strictly governed by my own intuition. In 1998, I sold the flat left behind by my mother for \$245,000 and smoked it all away on drugs. Within a few years, I was penniless and a pathetic living wreck.

I was rescued from sure death when I was arrested in 2013 and sentenced to 5 years imprisonment. With good behaviour, I was emplaced on a 6-months Community-based programme at The Helping Hand.

I came to the point of realization that I'm no longer young, and I got tired of my old life and wanted to put it all behind me.

During my 6 months programme, I got to know God better through the spiritual program and am learning to totally surrender my life to Him. With God's strength, I am now able to resist temptations to go back to my old ways. Upon completing my programme, I chose to stay on and serve in The Helping Hand.

In my free time during the day, I tend to my 4 songbirds which is a good and healthy way to pass my time. And later in the evening, I perform my duties as a night operation staff in the Ministry.

No more drugs for me. One thing I never ever want to do again after fighting so hard to beat this addiction, is to throw everything away and sink back into a life that will most likely lead me to jail or death.

"I have fought a good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith: Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for his appearing." - 2 Timothy 4:7-8 (NIV)

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## God will be that Anchor that will keep us from drifting

In 2015, I was approached by Jeffrey Chew to help facilitate bible study for the Chinese speaking residents. There was a lack of Mandarin bible study facilitators and he thought my Mandarin was good and there began my involvement in the bible study teaching at The Helping Hand.

Prior to coming to The Helping Hand, I had been to Changi Prison four times to fellowship with the brothers there and they were memorable and humbling experiences. I can recall vividly meeting a brother wearing a prosthetic leg during my first visit. He resorted to using a raffia string to tie up his worn-out prosthetic. I asked him what he was doing before he came to prison, he told me he was a tattoo artist but since becoming a Christian, he has stopped being a tattoo artist.

The second memorable session was during a worship session in humid condition and the brothers' worship offered to God that day will put many of us to shame. It was filled with gusto and power, the song was 信主的人真有福。

My first session at The Helping Hand was a bit tough as I needed to learn how to adapt to the different members of the group. Many of the brothers can read better than me and many have good knowledge about bible stories. It did make facilitating a challenge, but things improved over the years.

I lead my group with two fellow brothers, Joseph and Simon, and we agree that we are at The Helping Hand to sow seeds. Work is not easy but even if one seed sowed flourishes, heaven rejoices, and many lives will be impacted because of that one seed. That is how we continue to serve the Lord in this capacity. I want to thank Bros Joseph and Simon for their partnership in Christ and pray that our labour in the Lord will echo Paul's letter to the Thessalonians.

Thessalonians 1: 3 We remember before our God and Father your work produced by faith, your labour prompted by love, and your endurance inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.

Though I may have covered the bible study material a few times, each preparation always brings new revelation to share with fellow brothers. The Word of God is truly alive.

For the brothers reading this, I would like them to encourage us by continuing to participate in the session.

In Galatians 6: 6 Nevertheless, the one who receives instruction in the word should share all good things with their instructor. Paul encouraged the Galatians to do good to one another.

Life comes with pressure and worldly values. Only our faith and walk with God will be that anchor that will keep us from drifting. It is our group desire that fellow brothers will continue to endure this race to the end. Mark 13: 13. Everyone will hate you because of me, but the one who stands firm to the end will be saved.

John 3:16 For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. Here, "believes" may be a present tense, we should consider it to be a present continuous tense.

John 3:16 For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes (keeps on believing) in him shall not perish but have eternal life. So let's us continue to believe in Him, be faithful and holy till we see Him face to face.

Melvin Sim Bible Study Facilitator

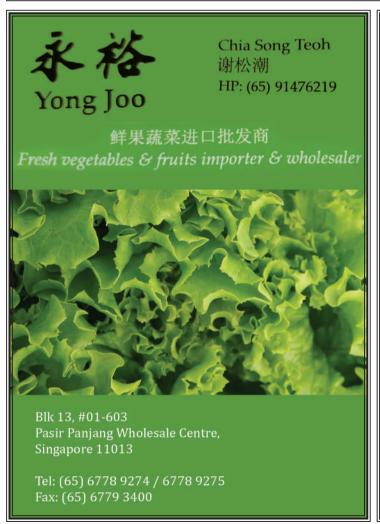
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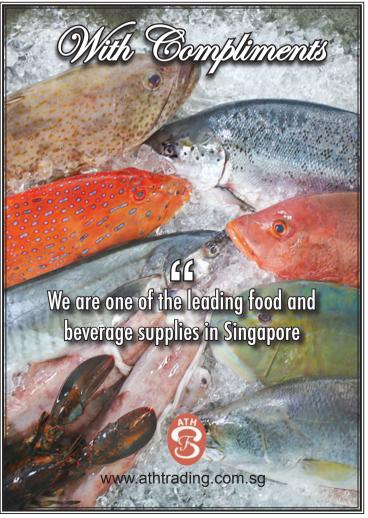
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## 直到那日

我出生在一个破碎的家庭,从小父母离异,是奶奶一手把我抚养带大。因缺乏母爱的关系,奶奶特别的疼爱我。小学没有毕业和调皮叛逆的我,《不是奶奶没有管教》、当时也认识了一些跟我有同样背景的孩子,成长中也染上了很多恶习。如:抽烟,喝酒和打架也因偷窃被判入少年感化院三年。

当时奶奶非常痛心地告诉我并希望我服刑后会好好的做人。 万万没有想到的是,在感化院里的我变本加厉,出狱后还学会了吸毒和拥毒。也因此,我断断续续的进出牢狱有十多年之久。在狱中,我听到了福音也接受了耶稣为我个人的救主。但是,因为心里没有信仰的根基,一出监狱的大门,时日不久我又重返老路。

感谢上帝的恩典让我能够到福音中心学习,其间也在其他福音机构呆上了好几回。 但是,这一次我真的完全降服在主面前,求祂帮助我突破以自我为中心的困锁,我 不再靠自己了,我要靠主。我终于在援手之家找到家的归宿,也感谢教会的教牧及 兄姐们对我的爱护并给予我机会与他们一同参与教会的服侍。

在此,我也谢谢中心的所有领袖们,让我有机会到印度尼西亚参与孤儿院,监狱及教会的短宣服事,见证上帝在我身上的奇妙作为。

我人生的上半场输得很惨,接下来的下半场我要完全的交托予上帝。深信圣经上所说,因为我知道我所信的是谁,也深信祂能保全我,直到那日见祂荣面。一切荣耀 归给上帝!

提后1: 12节

<mark>为这缘故,我也受这些苦</mark>难。然而我不以为耻。因为我知道我所信的是谁,也深信 <mark>他能保全我所交托他的,直到那日。</mark>

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## 心倍感恩

我的名字叫郑清荣今年63岁,是援手之家的同工。打从30岁开始,我就与毒品结下了不解之缘, 戒毒中心就这样成了我第二个家。

是圣经里的上帝,拯救了我走出这毒品的捆绑。在援手之家这20多年里的事奉日子里,每一天我都亲身经历了上帝的同在,保守与引领。感谢上帝通过中心的教导,让我找到了生命的源头和明白人活着真正的意义并到底是为了什么而活?最重要的就是能够认识到永恒的上帝,接受祂为我生命的主并以祂为乐直到永远。

在这服侍的道路上,上帝也赐给了我一位体贴的太太及乖巧可爱的女儿。此时回头一看我只能够说:是上帝的恩典,怜悯,更是祂的大能。

这些年来,我都会到监狱做每月两次的信仰分享并教导和辅导事工。这同时也提醒 我要时刻警醒,依靠恩主过得胜的生活。就如经上所说:从祂丰满的恩典里,我都 领受了,并且是恩上加恩,力上加力地伴谁着我的每一天。

#### 歌罗西书3章16节

当用各样的智慧,把基督的道理丰丰富富地存在心里,用诗章、颂词、灵歌彼此教导,互相劝诫,心被恩感歌颂神。

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2019年获准以志愿者身份到监狱内服侍。犹记12年前,一班爱主的援手之家的同工们到监狱里向我分享生命见证和传福音,如今我竟然也有机会和他们一起到监狱里服侍狱友!福音的薪火相传、源源不息!这是多么美丽的画面啊!我盼望有更多得救了的弟兄们看到这样的需要,一起加入志愿者的服侍团队,一起将福音广传领人归主,见证上主的荣耀!

#### 罗马书 10:14-15

然而,人还没有信他,怎能求告他呢?没有听见他,怎能信他呢?没有人传扬,怎能听见呢?如果没有蒙差遣,怎能传扬呢?如经上所记:"那些传美事报喜讯的人,他们的脚踪多么美!"

过来人本身的经历就是最美好的见证。我曾堕落但至今我以脱离瘾君子那暗无天日的日子已经十余载了,要不是耶稣基督拯救了我,我仍然活在罪里,死在罪中! 祂是我们坚固的房角石,让我们天天紧紧跟随主,使我们的信仰屹立在耶稣基督这个宝贵的磐石之上。阿们!

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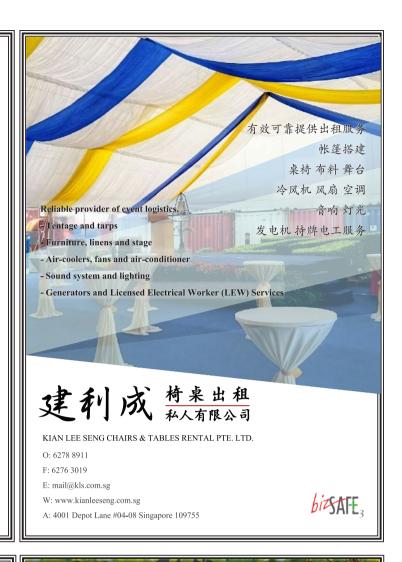
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2 Corinthians 9:8 And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may have an abundance for every good work. 1 Corinthians 15:58 Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord. **Rev Daniel Foo** Bethesda Bedok-Tampines The Helping Hand has been <sub>a valua</sub>ble partner of ISCOS for many years. Together we extend help to those who

We praise God for the good work that The Helping Hand has been doing in restoring lives over the last 33 years, trusting that "he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus" (Phil

Rev Edmund De Souza Wesley Methodist Church Congratulations on the 33<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary of The Helping Hand!

Praise God for His all sufficient and sustaining grace!

May the Lord continue to establish the work of your hands and bless the ministry of The Helping Hand so that many more will come to know the love of Christ and be transformed by His love and grace!

Rev Tan Mui Kiang Bethel Presbyterian Church

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Matthew 19: 26

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#### STATEMENT BY GOVERNING BOARD

In the opinion of the Governing Board,

- a) the financial statements are drawn up so as to present fairly, in all material respects, the state of affairs of The Helping Hand (the "Society") as at 31 December 2018, and the results, changes in funds and cash flows of the Society for the financial year then ended;
- at the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Society will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

The Governing Board, comprising the following, authorised the issue of these financial statements on

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#### Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of **The Helping Hand** (the "Society"), which comprise the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2018, and the statement of financial activities, statement of changes in funds and statement of cash flows of the Society for the financial year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements are properly drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Societies Act, Chapter 311 (the "Societies Act"), the Charities Act, Chapter 37 and other relevant regulations ("the Charities Act and Regulations") and Financial Reporting Standards in Singapore ("FRSs") so as to present fairly, in all material respects, the state of affairs of the Society as at 31 December 2018 and the results, changes in funds and cash flows of the Society for the financial year ended on that date.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with Singapore Standards on Auditing ("SSAs"). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Society in accordance with the Accounting and Corporate Regulatory ("ACRA") Code of Professional Conduct and Ethics for Public Accountants and Accounting Entities ("ACRA Code") together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Singapore, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the ACRA Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

#### Other Information

Management is responsible for other information. The other information comprises the Statement by Governing Board but does not include the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

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#### Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with the provisions of the Societies Act, the Charities Act and Regulations and FRSs, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Society's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Society or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Society's financial reporting process.

#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with SSAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with SSAs, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Society's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.

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#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements (Cont'd)

- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Society's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Society to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the
  disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in
  a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

#### Report on other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

In our opinion, the accounting and other records required by the Society have been properly kept in accordance with the provisions of the Societies Regulations enacted under the Societies Act, the Charities Act and Regulations.

During the course of our audit, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that during the financial year:

- (a) the Society has not used the donation moneys in accordance with its objectives as required under Regulation 11 of the Charities (Institutions of a Public Character) Regulations; and
- (b) the Society has not complied with the requirements of Regulation 15 of the Charities (Institutions of a Public Character) Regulations.

Fiducia LLP

Public Accountants and Chartered Accountants

Singapore,

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Partner-in-charge: PAB. No.:

Looi Chee Bin 01834

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#### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

		Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Fund	
	Note	General Fund S\$	Care and Share Matching Fund S\$	Total Funds S\$
INCOME		-	·	
Income from generating funds - Voluntary income - Activities for generating funds Income from charitable activities Other income Total income  EXPENDITURE Cost of charitable activities Governance and other administrative costs Total expenditure	4 4 4 4 5 5	1,661,334 34,346 3,457,282 93,349 5,246,311 2,537,222 2,528,468 5,065,690	3,479 0 0 0 3,479 3,912 90,578 94,490	1,664,813 34,346 3,457,282 93,349 5,249,790 2,541,134 2,619,046 5,160,180
Net income/(expenditure)		180,621	(91,011)	89,610
Reconciliation of funds Total funds brought forward		5,228,478	92,403	5,320,881
Total funds carried forward		5,409,099	1,392	5,410,491

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#### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

	Note	Unrestricted Fund General Fund S\$	Restricted Fund Care and Share Matching Fund S\$	Total Funds S\$
INCOME			<del>- ;</del>	<del>-</del> •
INCOME			,	
Income from generating funds - Voluntary income - Activities for generating funds Income from charitable activities Other income Total income  EXPENDITURE Cost of charitable activities Governance and other administrative costs Total expenditure	4 4 4 4 5 5	1,611,466 24,766 3,530,281 81,034 5,247,547 2,509,334 2,490,896 5,000,230	176,921 0 0 0 176,921 3,088 86,516 89,604	1,788,387 24,766 3,530,281 81,034 5,424,468 2,512,422 2,577,412 5,089,834
Net income		247,317	87,317	334,634
Reconciliation of funds Total funds brought forward		4,981,161	5,086	4,986,247
Total funds carried forward		5,228,478	92,403	5,320,881

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 DE	CEMBER 2018	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
	Note	2018 S\$	2017 S\$
ASSETS			-
Current assets Cash and cash equivalents Trade and other receivables Inventories	8 9 10	4,450,355 377,169 311,658 5,139,182	4,414,101 65,205 234,850 4,714,156
<b>Non-current assets</b> Property, plant and equipment	11.	1,573,906	1,015,652
Total assets		6,713,088	5,729,808
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities Other payables Deferred income Deferred grant	12 13 14	636,062 136,492 0 772,554	345,404 10,917 3,479 359,800
Non-current liabilities Deferred income	13	530,043	49,127
Total liabilities		1,302,597	408,927
NET ASSETS		5,410,491	5,320,881
FUNDS Unrestricted - General fund	15	5,409,099	5,228,478
Restricted - Care and Share Matching fund	15	1,392 5,410,491	92,403 5,320,881

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#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FUNDS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

	Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Fund	
2018	· General Fund S\$	Care and Share Matching Fund S\$	Total Funds S\$
2016	24	<b>5</b> \$	33
Balance at beginning of financial year	5,228,478	92,403	5,320,881
Net income / (expenditure)	180,621	(91,011)	89,610
Balance at end of financial year	5,409,099	1,392	5,410,491
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	Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Fund	
2017	General Fund S\$	Care and Share Matching Fund S\$	Total Funds S\$
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Net income	247,317_	87,317	334,634
Balance at end of financial year	5,228,478	92,403	5,320,881

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEA	AR ENDED	31 DECEMBER 2018	3
	Note	2018 S\$	2017 S\$
Cash flows from operating activities			
Net income		89,610	334,634
Adjustment for:			
- Amortisation of deferred income	13	(21,382)	(10,917)
- Depreciation	11	237,742	210,704
- Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment		0	(4,500)
- Finance lease interest		(40 541)	2,401
- Interest on fixed deposits - Interest on auto-saved accounts		(48,541)	(48,308) (232)
Operating cash flow before working capital changes		<u>(248)</u> 257,181	483,782
operating cash now before working capital changes		257,101	+05,762
Changes in working capital:			
- Inventories		(76,808)	72,449
- Trade and other receivables		(308,481)	58,538
- Other payables		915,052	(98,022)
Net cash generated from operating activities		786,944	516,747
Cash flows from investing activities			
Interest received		45,307	49,488
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment		0	4,500
Purchases of property, plant and equipment	11	(795,996)	(267,209)
Net cash used in investing activities		(750,689)	(213,221)
Cash flows from financing activity Payment of finance lease liabilities representing net cash			
used in financing activity		0	(23,210)
used in finalicing activity			(25,210)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		36,254	280,316
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of financial year		4,414,101	4,133,785
Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial year	8	4,450,355	4,414,101

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#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

These notes form an integral part of and should be read in conjunction with the accompanying financial statements.

#### 1. General information

The Helping Hand (the "Society") was registered on 03 August 1988 under the Societies Act, Chapter 311 and on 20 July 1989 under the Charities Act, Chapter 37. The sector administrator of the Society is Ministry of Social and Family Development.

The Society's registered office and principal place of business is at 819 Upper Serangoon Road, Singapore 534678.

The objective of the Society is to promote social concern in the community and to establish halfway house programmes based on Christian principles to help recovering addicts and ex-offenders rehabilitate and re-integrate into society.

The Society has been accorded an Institution of a Public Character ("IPC") status for the period from 01 January 2015 to 31 December 2017 and subsequently renewed from 1 January 2018 to 30 September 2020.

The Temporary Occupation Licence fee in respect of the premises occupied by the Society was paid to the Singapore Land Authority by Singapore Corporation of Rehabilitative Enterprises.

#### 2. Significant accounting policies

#### 2.1 Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Singapore Financial Reporting Standard ("FRS") under the historical cost convention, except as disclosed in the accounting policies below.

The preparation of these financial statements in conformity with FRS requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the Society's accounting policies. It also requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates and assumptions. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements are disclosed in Note 3.

These financial statements are presented in Singapore Dollar ("S\$"), which is the Society's functional currency.

#### Interpretations and amendments to published standards effective in 2018

On 1 January 2018, the Society adopted the new or amended FRS and Interpretations of FRS ("INT FRS") that are mandatory for application for the financial year. Changes to the Society's accounting policies have been made as required, in accordance with the transitional provisions in the respective FRS and INT FRS.

The adoption of these new or amended FRS and INT FRS did not result in substantial changes to the accounting policies of the Society and had no material effect on the amounts reported for the current or prior financial years except for the following:

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#### 2. Significant accounting policies (Cont'd)

#### 2.1 Basis of preparation (Cont'd)

#### Interpretations and amendments to published standards effective in 2018 (Cont'd)

(i) Adoption of FRS 115 Revenue from Contracts with Customers

The Society adopted FRS 115 using the modified retrospective method of adoption with the date of initial application of 1 January 2018. The changes arising from the adoption of FRS 115 have been applied retrospectively. There is no adjustment made to opening balance of retained earnings of the annual reporting period. Hence, there is no restatement made to the comparative information in the statement of financial position.

(ii) Adoption of FRS 109 Financial instruments - Impairment of financial assets

The Society has adopted FRS 109 which is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018 for the following financial assets:

- · Cash and bank deposits
- Trade and other receivables

The Society has not restated comparative information which continues to be reported under FRS 39 and the disclosure requirements of FRS 107 Financial Instruments: Disclosures relating to items within the scope of FRS 39. There is no adjustment made to opening balance of retained earnings of the annual reporting period that includes the date of initial application (i.e. 1 January 2018). Hence, there is no restatement made to the comparative information in the statement of financial position.

#### New or amended Standards and Interpretations effective after 1 January 2018

The Society has not adopted the following standards that have been issued but not yet effective:

Descriptions	Annual periods commencing on
FRS 116 Leases  Amendments to: - FRS 28 Investments in associates (Long term interests in associates and joint venture) - FRS 19 Employee benefits (Plan amendments, curtailment or settlement) - FRS 109 Financial Instruments (Prepayment features with negative compensation)	1 January 2019
Amendments to: - FRS 103 Business Combinations (Definition of a business)	1 January 2020
FRS 117 Insurance contracts	1 January 2021
FRS 110 Consolidated financial statement and FRS 28 Investment in associates and joint venture (Sale or contribution of assets between an investor and its associate or joint venture)	To be determined

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#### 2. Significant accounting policies (Cont'd)

#### 2.1 Basis of preparation (Cont'd)

#### New or amended Standards and Interpretations effective after 1 January 2018 (Cont'd)

Except for FRS 116, the management believe that the adoption of the other standards and interpretations do not have material impact on the financial statements in the period of the initial application. The nature of the impending changes in accounting policy on adoption of the FRS116 described below.

#### FRS 116 Leases

FRS 116 requires lessees to recognise most leases on balance sheets to reflect the rights to use the leased assets and the associated obligations for lease payments as well as the corresponding interest expense and depreciation charges. The standard includes two recognition exemptions for lessees - leases of 'low value' assets and short-term leases. The new standard is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019. The Society is currently assessing the impact of the new standard and plans to adopt the new standard on the required effective date. The Society expects the adoption of the new standard will result in increase in total assets and total liabilities, EBITDA

#### 2.2 Income recognition

Revenue is measured based on the consideration to which the Society expects to be entitled in exchange for transferring promised goods or services to a customer, excluding amounts collected on behalf of third parties.

Revenue is recognised when the Society satisfies a performance obligation by transferring a promised good or service to the customer, which is when the customer obtains control of the good or service. A performance obligation may be satisfied at a point in time. The amount of revenue recognised is the amount allocated to the satisfied performance obligation.

#### 2.1.1 Sale of goods

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised when the goods are delivered to the customer and all criteria for acceptance have been satisfied. The amount of revenue recognised is based on the estimated transaction price, which comprises the contractual price.

#### 2.1.2 Rendering of services - Contract revenue

Revenue from services is recognised upon rendering of services, in accordance with the relevant agreement.

#### 2.1.3 Donations

Donations are taken up and accrued as and when they are committed. Those uncommitted donations, income from charity events and all income except as listed below, are recognised on receipt basis. Donations-in-kind are recognised when the fair value of the assets received can be reasonably ascertained.

#### 2.2.4 Government grants

Grants from the government are recognised at their fair value where there is a reasonable assurance that the grant will be received and the Society will comply with all attached conditions. Government grants, relating to costs are deferred and recognised in the statement of financial activities over the period necessary to match them with the costs they are intended to compensate.

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#### 2. Significant accounting policies (Cont'd)

#### 2.2 Income recognition (Cont'd)

#### 2.2.5 Interest income

Interest income is recognised on a time-proportion basis using the effective interest method.

#### 2.3 Expenditure recognition

All expenditures are accounted for on accrual basis, aggregated under the respective areas. Direct costs are attributed to the activity where possible. Where costs are not wholly attributable to an activity, they are apportioned on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

- 2.3.1 Cost of charitable activities comprises all costs incurred in the pursuit of the charitable objects of the Society. The total costs of charitable activities are apportionment of overhead and shared costs.
- 2.3.2 Governance and other administrative costs include the costs of governance arrangement, which relate to the general running of the Society, providing governance infrastructure and ensuring public accountability. These costs include costs related to constitutional and statutory requirements and an apportionment of overhead and shared costs.

#### 2.4 Property, plant and equipment

#### 2.4.1 Measurement

All property, plant and equipment are initially recognised at cost and subsequently carried at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses.

The cost of an item of property, plant and equipment initially recognised includes its purchase price and any costs that are directly attributable to bringing the asset to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management.

Dismantlement, removal or restoration costs are included as part of the cost of property, plant and equipment if the obligation for dismantlement, removal and restoration is included as a consequence of acquiring or using the property, plant and equipment.

#### 2.4.2 Depreciation

Depreciation on property, plant and equipment is calculated using the straight-line method to allocate their depreciable amounts over their estimated useful lives as follows:

	Useful lives
Computer equipment	3 years
Electrical equipment	3 years
Furniture and fittings	5 years
Motor vehicles	5-10 years
Office equipment	3 years
Renovation	5 years

The residual values, estimated useful lives and depreciation method of property, plant and equipment are reviewed, and adjusted as appropriate, at each statement of financial position date. The effects of any revision are recognised in the statement of financial activities in the financial year in which the changes arise.

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#### 2. Significant accounting policies (Cont'd)

#### 2.4 Property, plant and equipment (Cont'd)

#### 2.4.3 Subsequent expenditure

Subsequent expenditure relating to property, plant and equipment that have already been recognised is added to the carrying amount of the asset only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Society and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. Other subsequent expenditure is recognised as repair and maintenance expenses in statement of financial activities during the financial year in which it is incurred.

#### 2.4.4 Disposal

On disposal of an item of property, plant and equipment, the difference between the net disposals proceeds and its carrying amount is taken to the statement of financial activities.

#### 2.5 Impairment of non-financial assets

Property, plant and equipment are tested for impairment whenever there is any objective evidence or indication that these assets may be impaired.

For the purpose of impairment testing of assets, recoverable amount (i.e. the higher of the fair value less cost to sell and the value-in-use) is determined on an individual asset basis unless the asset does not generate cash flows that are largely independent of those from other assets. If this is the case, the recoverable amount is determined for the cash-generating unit (CGU) to which the asset belongs.

If the recoverable amount of the asset or (CGU) is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset is reduced to its recoverable amount.

The difference between the carrying amount and recoverable amount is recognised as an impairment loss in statement of financial activities.

An impairment loss for an asset is reversed if, there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the assets' recoverable amount since the last impairment loss was recognised. The carrying amount of an asset is increased to its revised recoverable amount, provided that this amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined (net of depreciation) had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset in prior years.

A reversal of impairment loss for an asset is recognised in the statement of financial activities.

#### 2.6 Financial assets

2.6.1 The accounting for financial assets before 1 January 2018 under FRS 39 are as follows:

Cash and bank deposits Other receivables

Cash and bank balances, and other receivables are initially recognised at fair values plus transaction costs and subsequently carried at amortised cost using effective interest method, less accumulated impairment losses.

The Society assesses at each reporting date whether there is objective evidence that a financial asset or a group of financial assets is impaired and recognises an allowance for impairment when such evidence exists. Significant financial difficulties of the debtor, probability that the debtor will enter bankruptcy and default or significant delay in payments are objective evidence that these financial assets are impaired.

The carrying amount of these assets is reduced through the use of an impairment allowance account, which is calculated as the difference between the carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows, discounted at the original effective interest rate.

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#### 2. Significant accounting policies (Cont'd)

#### 2.6 Financial assets (Cont'd)

2.6.2 The accounting for financial assets from 1 January 2018 under FRS 109 are as follows:

The Society classifies its financial assets into the following measurement categories:

- · Amortised costs;
- Fair value through comprehensive income (FVOCI); and
- Fair value through profit or loss (FVPL)

The classification of debt instruments depends on the Society's business model for managing the financial assets as well as the contractual terms of the cash flows of the financial assets.

Financial assets with embedded derivatives are considered in their entirety when determining whether their cash flows are solely payment of principal and interest.

The Society reclassifies debt instruments when and only when its business model for managing those assets changes.

#### (i) At initial recognition

At initial recognition, the Society measures a financial asset at its fair value plus, in the case of a financial asset not at fair value through profit or loss, transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition of the financial assets. Transaction costs of financial assets carried at fair value through profit or loss are expensed in statement of financial activities.

#### (ii) At subsequent measurement

#### Debt instrument

Debt instruments of the Society mainly comprise of cash and bank deposits, and trade and other receivables.

There are three prescribed subsequent measurement categories, depending on the Society's business model in managing the assets and the cash flow characteristic of the assets. The Society managed these groups of financial assets by collecting the contractual cash flow and these cash flows represent solely payment of principal and interest. Accordingly, these groups of financial assets are measured at amortised cost subsequent to initial recognition.

A gain or loss on a debt investment that is subsequently measured at amortised cost and is not part of a hedging relationship is recognised in statement of financial activities when the asset is derecognised or impaired. Interest income from these financial assets is recognised using the effective interest rate method.

The Society assesses on forward looking basis the expected credit losses associated with its debt instruments carried at amortised cost.

For trade receivable, the Society applied the simplified approach permitted by the FRS 109, which requires expected lifetime losses to be recognised from initial recognition of the receivables.

For cash and bank deposits and other receivables, the general 3 stage approach is applied. Credit loss allowance is based on 12-month expected credit loss if there is no significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition of the assets. If there is a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition, lifetime expected credit loss will be calculated and recognised.

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#### 2. Significant accounting policies (Cont'd)

#### 2.7 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits with financial institutions that are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

#### 2.8 Inventories

Inventories are carried at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is determined using the weighted average basis. The cost of inventories comprises other direct costs. Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business less the estimated costs of completion and applicable variable selling expenses.

#### 2.9 Other payables

Other payables represent liabilities for goods and services provided to the Society prior to the end of financial year which are unpaid. They are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less (or in the normal operating cycle of the business if longer). Otherwise, they are presented as non-current liabilities.

Other payables are initially recognised at fair value, and subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

#### 2.10 Provisions for other liabilities and charges

Provisions for other liabilities and charges are recognised when the Society has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events, it is more likely than not that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation and the amount has been reliably estimated.

#### 2.11 Fair value estimation of financial assets and liabilities

The carrying amounts of current financial assets and liabilities, carried at amortised cost, are assumed to approximate their fair values due to their short-term nature.

#### 2.12 Funds

Fund balances restricted by outside sources are so indicated and are distinguished from unrestricted funds allocated to specific purposes, if any, by action of the Governing Board. Externally restricted funds may only be utilised in accordance with the purposes for which they are established. The Governing Board retains full control over the use of unrestricted funds for any of the Society's purposes.

#### 2.13 Operating Leases

Leases of assets in which a significant portion of the risks and rewards of ownership are retained by the lessor are classified as operating leases. Payments made under operating leases (net of any incentives received from the lessor) are taken to the statement of financial activities on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease. When an operating lease is terminated before the lease period has expired, any payment required to be made to the lessor by way of penalty is recognised as an expense in the period in which termination takes place.

Rental on operating lease is charged to statement of financial activities. Contingent rents are recognised as an expense in the statement of financial activities in the financial year in which they are incurred.

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#### 2. Significant accounting policies (Cont'd)

#### 2.14 Employee compensation

#### Defined contribution plans

Defined contribution plans are post-employment benefit plans under which the Society pays fixed contributions into separate entities such as the Central Provident Fund ("CPF"), on a mandatory, contractual or voluntary basis. The Society has no further payment obligations once the contributions have been paid. The Society's contribution to defined contribution plans are recognised as employee compensation expense when they are due.

#### Employee leave entitlement

Employee entitlements to annual leave are recognised when they accrue to employees. A provision is made for the estimated liability for annual leave as a result of services rendered by employees up to the statement of financial position date.

#### 2.15 Currency translation

Transactions denominated in a currency other than Singapore Dollar ('foreign currency") are translated into Singapore Dollar using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. Currency translation gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation at the closing rate at the statement of financial position date of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in the statement of financial activities.

#### 3. Critical accounting estimates, assumptions and judgments

Estimates, assumptions and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

#### Critical accounting estimates and assumptions

The Society makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results. The estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are discussed below.

Estimated useful lives of property, plant and equipment

The Society reviews annually the estimated useful lives of property, plant and equipment based on factors such as operating plans and strategies, expected level of usage and future technological developments. It is possible that future results of operations could be materially affected by changes in these estimates brought about by changes in the factors mentioned. The carrying amount of property, plant and equipment and the depreciation charge for the year are disclosed in Note 11.

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#### 3. Critical accounting estimates, assumptions and judgments (Cont'd)

#### Critical judgments in applying the entity's accounting policies

The key assumptions concerning the future and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the statement of financial position date, that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year, are discussed below.

#### Valuation of inventories

At each statement of financial position date, the management assess whether there is any objective evidence that certain inventories are stated at cost which are above their net realisable value. If so, these inventories are written down to their net realisable value. To determine whether there is such objective evidence, the management considers factors such as customer preferences and customer purchasing trends. Management assessment is performed periodically to ensure that inventories are fairly stated. The carrying amount of inventories is disclosed in Note 10.

#### Government grants

Government grants to meet operating expenses are recognised as income in the statement of financial activities on the accrual basis in the financial year these operating expenses were incurred and there is reasonable assurance that the Society will comply with the conditions attached to it. For certain grants, the government agencies reserve the right to withdraw, withhold or reduce the amount of any funds approved but not yet disbursed or to call for the refund of all funds which have been disbursed to the Society if the conditions are not met.

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4.	Income

2018		Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Fund Care and Share	Total funds
•	Note	General Fund	Matching Fund	
Valuatans income		S\$	S\$	S\$
Voluntary income Donations				
- Tax exempt		330,392	0	330,392
- Non-tax exempt		70,328	0	70,328
Government and other grants		1,260,614	3,479	1,264,093
		1,661,334	3,479	1,664,813
Activities for generating funds			÷	
- Annual magazine		34,346	0	34,346
Income from charitable activities		4 644 705	•	1 641 705
- General work projects		1,641,705	0	1,641,705
<ul> <li>Sale of furniture, vases, gallery items and fishing tackle</li> </ul>		1,738,077	. 0	1,738,077
- Services rendered		77,500	0	77,500
Services rendered		3,457,282		3,457,282
Other income				
- Amortisation of deferred income	13	21,382	0	21,382
- Interest on auto-saved accounts		248	0	248
- Interest on fixed deposits		48,541	0	48,541
- Others		23,178_	0	23,178
		93,349	0	93,349
		E 246 244	2.472	E 240 700
Total income		5,246,311	<u>3,479</u>	5,249,790

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#### 4. Income (Cont'd)

2017	Note	Unrestricted Fund  General Fund S\$	Restricted Fund Care and Share Matching Fund S\$	Total funds S\$
Voluntary income	More	54	24	<b>5</b> #
Donations				
- Tax exempt		370,261	0	370,261
- Non-tax exempt		57,530	0	57,530
Government and other grants		1,183,675	176,921	1,360,596
		1,611,466	176,921_	1,788,387
Activities for generating funds - Annual magazine		24,766	0	24,766
Income from charitable activities			,	
- General work projects - Sale of furniture, vases, gallery items		1,560,244	0	1,560,244
and fishing tackle		1,892,037	0	1,892,037
- Services rendered		78,000	0	78,000
		3,530,281	- 0	3,530,281
Other income		-		
<ul> <li>Amortisation of deferred income</li> <li>Gain on disposal of property, plant</li> </ul>	13	10,917	0	10,917
and equipment		4,500	-0	4,500
<ul> <li>Interest on auto-saved accounts</li> </ul>		232	0	232
- Interest on fixed deposits		48,308	0	48,308
- Others		17,077	0_	17,077
		81,034	0	81,034
Total income		5,247,547	176,921	5,424,468

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#### 5. Expenditure

2018		Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Fund Care and	
			Share	Total funds
		General Fund	Matching Fund	Turius
	Note	S\$	S\$	S\$
Cost of charitable activities				
- Advertisement		29,474	Ó	29,474
<ul> <li>Containers transport and freight</li> </ul>		46,423	0	46,423
- Cost of furniture, vases, gallery items and				
fishing tackle		789,843	0	789,843
- Cost of general work projects		145,622	0	145,622
- Overseas shipping fee		10,436	0	10,436
Rental fees for tentage     Staff costs	6	31,051 1,484,373	0 3,912	31,051 1,488,285
- Stati Costs	O	2,537,222	3,912	2,541,134
		2,337,222	3,912	2,341,134
Governance and other administrative costs				
Accounting services		24,000	0	24,000
Audit fee		7,490	0	7,490
Bank charges		19,500	0	19,500
Banners-Fundraising event		390	. 0	390
Computers		0	14,784	14,784
Condolences and gifts		900	0	900
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	11	215,559	22,183	237,742
Dues and subscriptions		16,705	0	16,705
Donation		1,750	0	1,750
Equipment General expenses		788	466 0	1,254
GST expensed off		18,632 11,098	0	18,632 11,098
Hosting of meals		32,944	0	32,944
Other expenses		45,542	0	45,542
Postage		1,722	ŏ	1,722
Printing and stationery		14,016	ő	14,016
Rental of equipment		6,653	Ō	6,653
Repairs and maintenance		87,783	0	87,783
Small value items expenses off		6,838	0	6,838
Speakers' honorarium		14,870	0	14,870
Staff costs	6	1,482,830	19 <b>,</b> 075	1,501,905
Telecommunication		23,633	0	23,633
Travelling and transport expenses		1,140	0	1,140
Upkeep of kitchen		232,990	5,566	238,556
Upkeep of motor vehicles		215,237	0	215,237
Upkeep of pet		1,509	0 20 E04	1,509
Utilities		43,949	28,504	72,453
		2,528,468	90,578	2,619,046
		•		
Total expenditure		5,065,690	94,490	5,160,180

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# 5. Expenditure (Cont'd)

	•	•		
2017		Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Fund	
			Care and	
			Share	Total
			Matching	funds
		General Fund	Fund	
	Note	S\$	S\$	S\$
Cost of charitable activities				
- Advertisement		15,492	0	15,492
- Containers transport and freight		38,978	Ō	38,978
- Cost of furniture, vases, gallery items and		•		,
fishing tackle		799,920	0	799,920
- Cost of general work projects		125,207	0	125,207
- GST expense off		5,871	0	5,871
- Inventory adjustment		(26)	0	(26)
- Overseas shipping fee		9,672	0	9,672
- Rental fees for tentage		15,410	0	15,410
- Speakers' honorarium		11,930	0	11,930
- Staff costs	6	1,486,880	3,088	1,489,968
		2,509,334	3,088	2,512,422
Governance and other administrative costs		22.220	0	22 270
Accounting services		23,370	- 0	23,370
Audit fee		7,490	. 0	7,490
Bank charges		29,646	0	29,646
Banners-Fundraising event		390	0	390
Computers		0	4,554 0	4,554
Condolences and gifts	11	2,215	7,483	2,215
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment Donation	ΤŢ	203,221 3,200	7,463	210,704 3,200
Dues and subscriptions		15,675	0	15,675
Equipment		607	2,036	2,643
General expenses		57,074	2,030	57,074
Hire purchase interest		2,401	0	2,401
Hosting of meals		83,137	0	83,137
Other expenses		44,261	0	44,261
Postage		1,954	0	1,954
Printing and stationery		20,606	0	20,606
Rental of equipment		6,653	0	6,653
Repairs and maintenance		54,611	0	54,611
Small value items expenses off		4,183	ő	4,183
Staff costs	6	1,409,913	42,212	1,452,125
Telecommunication	•	26,204	72,212	26,204
Travelling and transport expenses		3,518	Ö	3,518
Upkeep of kitchen		231,112	1,727	232,839
Upkeep of motor vehicles		226,279	0	226,279
Upkeep of pet		1,649	ő	1,649
Utilities		31,527	28,504	60,031
-		2,490,896	86,516	2,577,412
Total expenditure		5,000,230	89,604	5,089,834
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# 6. Staff cost

Included in the expenses expended are the following staff costs:

2018	Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Fund	
Note	General Fund	Care and Share Matching Fund S\$	Total funds S\$
CPF and SDF contributions Residents costs Staff incentive Staff insurance Staff medical expenses Staff salaries and bonus Staff training expenses Staff uniforms Staff unutilised leave Staff welfare/benefits	278,741 470,466 80,325 59,823 17,868 1,967,041 990 377 30,602 60,970 2,967,203	0 9,639 0 0 0 0 13,348 0 0 0	278,741 480,105 80,325 59,823 17,868 1,967,041 14,338 377 30,602 60,970 2,990,190
The staff costs were allocated as follows:  Cost of charitable activities Administration  5	1,484,373 1,482,830 2,967,203	3,912 19,075 22,987	1,488,285 1,501,905 2,990,190
2017	Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Fund	
Note	General Fund S\$	Care and Share Matching Fund S\$	Total funds S\$
CPF and SDF contributions Membership fee Residents costs Staff incentive Staff insurance Staff medical expenses Staff salaries and bonus Staff training expenses Staff uniforms Staff welfare/benefits	290,212 380 452,016 61,240 43,486 22,088 1,995,945 227 1,309 29,890 2,896,793	0 0 4,089 0 0 0 41,211 0 0 45,300	290,212 380 456,105 61,240 43,486 22,088 1,995,945 41,438 1,309 29,890 2,942,093
The staff costs were allocated as follows:  Cost of charitable activities Administration  5	1,486,880 1,409,913 2,896,793	3,088 42,212 45,300	1,489,968 1,452,125 2,942,093

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#### 7. Income tax

The Society is a registered charity under the Charities Act and is exempted from income tax under Section 13 of the Income Tax Act.

#### 8. Cash and cash equivalents

,	2018 S\$	2017 S\$
Cash and bank balances	676,416	985,015
Fixed deposits	3,773,939_	3,429,086
	4,450,355	4,414,101

Fixed deposits at the reporting date have an average maturity of 12 months (2017: 11 months) from the end of the financial year with weighted average effective interest rate of 1.73% (2017: 1.41%).

At the reporting date, the carrying amounts of cash and cash equivalents approximated their fair values.

#### 9. Trade and other receivables

	2018 S\$	2017 S\$
Trade receivables	15,947	24,099
Other receivables: - Outside parties - Deposits - Interest receivable - Prepayment	54,801 6,870 10,580 288,971 361,222	3,224 2,270 7,098 28,514 41,106
Total	377,169	65,205

Trade receivables are denominated in Singapore Dollar and are non-interest bearing with the average credit period of between 30 to 60 days (2017: 30 to 60 days).

At the reporting date, the carrying amounts of trade and other receivables approximated their fair values.

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10.	Inventories		
		2018 S\$	2017 S\$
	Furniture, vases and gallery items, at cost Fishing tackle, at cost	162,676 148,982	138,708 96,142
-	•	311,658	234,850

The cost of inventories recognised as an expense and included in 'cost of sales' amounted to \$\$789,843 (2017: \$\$799,920).

# 11. Property, plant and equipment

roperty, plant and equipment			
	Balance at beginning of year	Additions	Balance at end of year
	S\$	S\$	S\$
2018 At cost			
Computer equipment Electrical equipment Furniture & fittings Motor vehicles Office equipment Renovation	12,404 55,466 27,500 1,869,899 17,693 78,806	4,202 52,955 7,620 17,865 0 713,354	16,606 108,421 35,120 1,887,764 17,693 792,160
	2,061,768	795,996	2,857,764
Accumulated depreciation and impairment losses	Balance at beginning of year	Depreciation charge	Balance at end of Year
	S\$	S\$	S\$
Computer equipment Electrical equipment Furniture & fittings Motor vehicles Office equipment Renovation	12,103 38,185 26,139 929,410 7,443 32,836 1,046,116	1,001 20,065 1,119 182,359 5,548 27,650 237,742	13,104 58,250 27,258 1,111,769 12,991 60,486 1,283,858
Net book value	Balance at beginning of year S\$		Balance at end of Year S\$
Computer equipment Electrical equipment Furniture & fittings Motor vehicles Office equipment Renovation	301 17,281 1,361 940,489 10,250 45,970 1,015,652		3,502 50,171 7,862 775,995 4,702 731,674 1,573,906

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# 11. Property, plant and equipment (Cont'd)

	•			
	Balance at beginning of year S\$	Additions S\$	(Disposals) S\$	Balance at end of year S\$
2017 At cost				
Computer equipment Electrical equipment Furniture & fittings Motor vehicles Office equipment Renovation	12,404 48,116 27,500 1,703,822 10,781 78,806 1,881,429	0 7,350 0 252,947 6,912 0 267,209	0 0 0 (86,870) 0 0 (86,870)	12,404 55,466 27,500 1,869,899 17,693 78,806 2,061,768
Accumulated depreciation and impairment losses	Balance at beginning of year S\$	Depreciation charge S\$	(Disposals) S\$	Balance at end of Year S\$
Computer equipment Electrical equipment Furniture & fittings Motor vehicles Office equipment Renovation	9,961 26,207 25,377 842,013 1,649 17,075 922,282	2,142 11,978 762 174,267 5,794 15,761	(86,870) (86,870)	12,103 38,185 26,139 929,410 7,443 32,836 1,046,116
Net book value	Balance at beginning of year S\$			Balance at end of Year S\$
Computer equipment Electrical equipment Furniture & fittings Motor vehicles Office equipment Renovation	2,443 21,909 2,123 861,809 9,132 61,731 959,147		- -	301 17,281 1,361 940,489 10,250 45,970 1,015,652

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# 11. Property, plant and equipment (Cont'd)

The following property, plant and equipment were purchased through the Care and Share Matching Fund as disclosed in Note 15.

	Balance at beginning of year S\$	Additions S\$	Balance at end of year S\$
2018 At cost Computers Electrical equipment Motor vehicles	0 10,150 92,100 102,250	4,201 49,410 0 53,611	4,201 59,560 92,100 155,861
Accumulated depreciation	. Balance at beginning of year S\$	Depreciation charge S\$	Balance at end of Year S\$
Computers Electrical equipment Motor vehicles	0 4,922 4,925 9,847	700 12,273 9,210 22,183	700 17,195 14,135 32,030
Net book value	Balance at beginning of year S\$		Balance at end of Year S\$
Computers Electrical equipment Motor vehicles	0 5,228 87,175 92,403		3,501 42,365 77,965 123,831
	Balance at beginning of year S\$	Additions S\$	Balance at end of year S\$
2017 At cost Electrical equipment Motor vehicles	7,450 0 7,450	2,700 92,100 94,800	10,150 92,100 102,250
Accumulated depreciation	Balance at beginning of year S\$	Depreciation charge S\$	Balance at end of Year S\$
Electrical equipment Motor vehicles	2,364 0 2,364	2,558 4,925 7,483	4,922 4,925 9,847
Net book value	Balance at beginning of year S\$		Balance at end of Year S\$
Electrical equipment Motor vehicles	5,086 0 5,086	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	5,228 87,175 92,403

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12.	Other payables		
		2018 S\$	2017 S\$
	Other payables		•
	-Accruals	269,589	211,458
	-Deposits for water supply	0	5,500
	-Deposits received from customers	40,069	89,642
	-General	52	0
	-GST payables	40,234	38,804
	-Provision for unutilised leave	30,602	0
	-Subsidised advance rental	255,516	0
	•	636.062	345,404

At the reporting date, the carrying amounts of other payables approximated their fair values.

# 13. Deferred income

2018	Note	Motor Vehicle S\$	Cyclical Maintenance S\$	Total S\$
<b>Cost</b> Balance at beginning of financial year Addition Balance at end of financial year	-	109,172 0 109,172	0 627,873 627,873	109,172 627,873 737,045
Accumulated amortisation Beginning of financial year Amortisation for the year End of financial year	4 -	(49,128) (10,917) (60,045)	0 (10,465) (10,465)	(49,128) (21,382) (70,510)
Carrying amount at end of financial year Current Non-current	-	10,917 38,210 49,127	125,575 491,833 617,408	136,492 530,043 666,535

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# 13. Deferred income (Cont'd)

2017	Note	Motor Vehicle S\$	Total S\$
<b>Cost</b> Beginning and end of financial year		109,172	109,172
Accumulated amortisation Beginning of financial year Amortisation for the year End of financial year	4	(38,211) (10,917) (49,128)	(38,211) (10,917) (49,128)
Carrying amount at end of financial year Current Non-current		10,917 49,127 60,044	10,917 49,127 60,044

Deferred income are represented by a donation of motor vehicle, YN4062A in 2013 and cyclical maintenance fund granted by SCORE in 2017 in which SCORE will bear 90% of cyclical maintenance cost performed at the premise of Helping Hand.

# 14. Deferred grant

Companies	Note	2018 S\$	2017 S\$
Comprised: - Care and share matching grant	15	0	3,479
The deferred grants consist of the following:			
		2018 S\$	2017 S\$
Balance at beginning of the year - grant received Less utilisation Balance at end of the year		3,479 0 (3,479) 0	37,881 142,518 (176,920) 3,479

#### 15. Funds

Funds comprise of unrestricted and restricted fund.

# Unrestricted fund

This fund represents accumulated surplus and is for the purpose of meeting operating expenses incurred by the Society.

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#### 15. Funds (Cont'd)

# Restricted fund

Fund balances restricted by outside sources are indicated and are distinguished from unrestricted funds allocated to specific purposes, if any, by action of the management, Externally restricted funds may only be utilised in accordance with the purpose established by the source of such funds or through the terms of an appeal and are in contrast with unrestricted funds over which management retains full control to use in achieving any of its society purposes.

Restricted funds comprise:

#### Care and Share Matching Fund

Care and Share Grant is a grant from Ministry of Social and Family Development ("MSF"), based on qualifying donations, to develop the charitable society's capabilities and capacity in the provision of social services and programmes for its beneficiaries. The unused funds for projects that are withdrawn or terminated prematurely may be clawed back if the new proposed projects were not being approved by MSF.

The Care and Share Grant is restricted and is to be utilised for the following purposes:

#### (a) Capability building

# i. Organisational development:

Examples include engaging consultants or developing training in areas of strategic planning, business contingency planning, business process re-design, workplace health, research, improving organisation models to ensure financial viability and find raising capacity.

#### ii. Manpower development:

Examples include the awarding of scholarships to the Society's staff, manpower training, human resource management and development like leadership management, learning needs analysis for Society staff and talent development.

#### (b) Capacity building

Examples include the purchase of additional equipment to enhance social service delivery (E.g. wheelchairs), investment in technology (E.g. the purchase of electronic devices for staff to boost productivity so as to better serve the Society's beneficiaries) and physical infrastructure developments (e.g. renovation of the Society's premises, expansion of physical space).

(c) New programmes to meet emerging or unmet needs and enhancements/ expansion of existing services. Examples include inter-agency projects to meet specific needs in the community or enhanced services to provide more upstream intervention.

#### (d) Critical existing needs

Examples include the Society's recurring operating costs and costs that are crucial to the continued operations of the Society.

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# 15. Funds (Cont'd)

The net assets of the Care and Share Matching funds are as follows:

	Note	2018 S\$	2017 S\$
Total restricted fund		1,392	92,403
Represented by: Cash and bank balances Deferred Care and Share grant Property, plant and equipment	15 11	(122,439) 0 123,831 1,392	3,479 (3,479) 92,403 92,403

# 16. Operating lease commitments

At the reporting date, the Society has commitments for future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

	2018	2017
	S\$	S\$
Not later than one year	243,942	6,767
Later than one year but not later than five years	482,067	12,009

The above operating lease commitments are based on known rental rates as at the date of this report and do not include any revision in rates which may be determined by the lessor.

# 17. Related party transactions

The Society has significant related party transactions with a related party on terms agreed with the parties as follows:

	2018 S\$	2017 S\$
Insurance expenses paid to a company in which the Managing Director is also a board member	92,943	82,165

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# 17. Related party transactions (Cont'd)

Remuneration of key employees/executives

Key management personnel compensation for the financial year was as follows:

	2018 S\$	2017 S\$
Salaries, allowance and bonuses CPF and SDL contributions	387,650 50,000 437,650	363,368 49,920 413,288
	2018 No. of key management personnel	2017 No. of key management personnel
Remuneration band (S\$) S\$100,001 to S\$150,000 S\$50,001 to S\$100,000	1 4	1 4

The remuneration of key employees/executives is determined by the Governing Board.

#### 18. Conflict of interest

Committee members are required to disclose any interest that they may have, whether directly or indirectly, that the Society may enter into or in any organisations that the Society has dealings with or is considering dealing with; and any personal interest accruing to him as one of the Society's supplier, user of services or beneficiary. Should there be any potential conflict of interest, the affected Governing Board member may not vote on the issue that was the subject matter of the disclosure. Detailed minutes will be taken on the disclosure as well as the basis for arriving at the final decision in relation to the issue at stake.

# 19. Reserve position and policy

The Society's reserve position for financial year ended 31 December 2018 is as follows:

-		2018	2017	Increase/ (decrease)
		S\$'000	S\$'000	%
Α	Unrestricted Funds			
	Accumulated general funds	5,409	5,229	3%
В	Restricted or Designated Funds	•		
	Designated Funds	0	0	NA
	Restricted Funds	1	92	(99%)
С	Endowment Funds	0	0	NA
D	Total Funds	5,410	5,321	2%
E	Total Annual Operating Expenditure	5,160`	5,090	1%
	Ratio of Funds to Annual Operating Expenditure			
F	(A/E)	1.04	1.03	

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# 19. Reserve position and policy (Cont'd)

#### Reference:

- C. An endowment fund consists of assets, funds or properties, which are held in perpetuity, which produce annual income flow for a foundation to spend as grants.
- D. Total Funds include unrestricted, restricted / designated and endowment funds.
- E. Total Annual Operating Expenditure includes expenses related to Cost of Charitable Activities and Governance and Other Administrative Costs.

The Society is still in the midst of finalizing a reserve policy for the Society.

#### 20. Financial instruments

Financial instruments by category

The aggregate carrying amounts of loans and receivables, financial assets and financial liabilities at amortised costs are as follows:

	2018 S\$
Financial assets, at amortised cost Financial liability, at amortised cost	4,538,553 340,312
	2017 S\$
Loans and receivables Financial liability, at amortised cost	4,450,792 306,600

# 21. Financial risk management

The Society's activities expose it to minimal financial risks and overall risk management is determined and carried out by the Governing Board on an informal basis.

#### Credit risk

Credit risk refers to the risk that the counterparty will default on its contractual obligations resulting in a loss the Society. The Society's exposure to credit risk arises primarily from trade and other receivables. For other financial assets (including cash), the Society minimises credit risk by dealing exclusively with high credit rating counterparties.

The Society has adopted a policy of only dealing with creditworthy counterparties. The Society performs ongoing credit evaluation of its counterparties' financial condition and generally do not require a collateral.

The Society considers the probability of default upon initial recognition of asset and whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk on an ongoing basis throughout each reporting period.

The Society has determined the default event on a financial asset to be when internal and/or external information indicates that the financial asset is unlikely to be received, which could include default of contractual payments due for more than 60 days or there is significant difficulty of the counterparty.

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# 21. Financial risk management (Cont'd)

Credit risk (Cont'd)

To minimise credit risk, the Society has developed and maintained the Society's credit risk grading to categorise exposures according to their degree of risk of default. The credit rating information is supplied by publicly available financial information and the Society's own trading records to rate its major customers and other debtors. The Society considers available reasonable and supportive forward-looking information which includes the following indicators:

- Internal credit rating
- Actual or expected significant adverse changes in business, financial or economic conditions that are expected to cause a significant change to the debtor's ability to meet its obligations
- Significant increases in credit risk on other financial instruments of the same debtor
- Significant changes in the expected performance and behaviour of the debtor, including changes in the payment status of debtors in the group and changes in the operating results of the debtor.

Regardless of the analysis above, a significant increase in credit risk is presumed if a debtor is more than 30 days past due in making contractual payment.

The Society determined that its financial assets are credit-impaired when:

- There is significant difficulty of the debtor
- A breach of contract, such as a default or past due event
- It is becoming probable that the debtor will enter bankruptcy or other financial reorganisation
- There is a disappearance of an active market for that financial asset because of financial difficulty

The Society categorises a receivable for potential write-off when a debtor fails to make contractual payments more than 120 days past due. Financial assets are written off when there is evidence indicating that the debtor is in severe financial difficulty and the debtor has no realistic prospect of recovery.

The Society's current credit risk grading framework comprises the following categories:

Category of internal credit rating	Definition of category	Basis for recognition of expected credit losses (ECL)
1	Customers have a low risk of default and a strong capacity to meet contractual cash flows	12-month ECL
II	Amount is >30 days past due or there has been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition	Lifetime ECL – not credit-impaired
III	Amount is >60 days past due or there is evidence indicating the asset is credit-impaired (in default)	Lifetime ECL – credit-impaired
IV	There is evidence indicating that the debtor is in severe financial difficulty and the debtor has no realistic prospect of recovery	Amount is written off



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1	\$2,250	\$4,000		

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