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MATTHEW 28:19

MAKE DISCIPLES

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传扬福音 - 宣告信仰 - 转化生命



Senior Pastor's Message

With my warm greetings in the most precious name of our Lord Jesus Christ!

As we step into the month of June in 2022, the country is in the transition to endemic phase starting 1 April 2022. It is now slightly over two years since that first movement control order (MCO) that was imposed on 18 March 2020. Since then, Malaysians have been through different phases of lockdown to curb the spread of COVID-19. Health director-general Tan Sri Dr Noor Hisham Abdullah said during the transition phase to endemic, the community needed to learn to live with the Covid-19 virus in conditions that were least disruptive to daily life by adopting public health measures to protect themselves, their families and the community (The Star, 1 April 2022).

Before I proceed from here. I want to ask us a question: Do you see the covid-19 pandemic as an unnecessary interruption, that has had disrupted your plan and caused chaos in whatever you have set to do?

For all of us, our lives have had been disrupted in one way or another. This past two over years can be described as unprecedented, challenging, unnerving, filled with anxiety and uncertainly. All of us experienced disruption in one way of another, something that we never thought would happen.

Surely, we must show compassion for those suffering from covid-19. Truly, we identify with those in their grief over the loss of loved ones to covid-19. Certainly, feeding the poor, helping the elderly and the needy should be included in our response. But we must not think in purely humanistic terms; we must not leave God out of the picture. We must see the interruptions brought on by the pandemic from God's perspective. There are three lessons I want to share with us.

#1 Interruptions and Providence

The apostle Paul wrote in Philippians 1:14 that ‘because of my chains, most of the brothers and sisters have become confident in the Lord and dare all the more to proclaim the gospel without fear’ (NIV). We saw here that persecution become divine providence to fulfil God’s redemptive plan for the Gentiles. The Lord in His divine providence over-rule in the current pandemic and realign us to His purpose. I had written previously in the evening devotions that the covid-19 pandemic calls us to return to our fundamental faith – a faith that is costly, inconvenient and uncomfortable. Of course, discomfort is painful, to be sure, but is a clarifying gift. And in the fires of discomfort, my prayer is that the Spirit of God birthed across CBC a more resilient people, a purposeful durable church, and a renewed dependence on Jesus Christ, our only hope and comfort in life and death.

#2 Interruptions and Advancement

In the midst of the pandemic, the Lord called us to do His work in more innovative and creative ways, different from how we have been doing in the past. For CBC, 78% of salvation of 110 persons who committed their life to Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord in 2021, 85 persons came through the evangelism system of the Happiness Group. Who would has had done evangelism through the online platforms such as zoom, video call and even telephone calls if not for the pandemic that call for a different approach.

The apostle Paul shared the gospel creatively in the prison. He wrote in Philippians 1:12-13 - Now I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that what has happened to me has actually served to advance the gospel. As a result, it has become clear throughout the whole palace guard and to everyone else that I am in chains for Christ (NIV).

T.J. Bach, a missionary to Venezuela said, ‘If we are going to wait until every possible hindrance has been removed before we do a work for the Lord, we will never attempt to do anything.’

#3 Interruptions and Growth

The Lord in His providence through the pandemic has had opened our eyes to how we do church as we live in the midst of the covid-19 virus. Do we really want to go back to the way things were spiritually? Do we really want to go back to the way we do church in the past? Are we prioritizing the right things by examining the previous ways in which we allocated energy and resources? Have we re-evaluated the integrity of our church discipleship and the kind of fruit our approach to evangelism and mission has been producing? What if we re-commit with a fresh passion and new energy to creating vibrancy and communities in our churches that are sustainable not only in seasons of predictability and prosperity, but also in seasons of scarcity and uncertainty?

With that realization, we exhort CBC people to spend the time during the lockdown in increased solitude, increased intimacy in prayer and dependence on the Holy Spirit. For the pastors and leaders, we trust that the change of pace during the lockdown is a gift to us to slow down in the right ways to deepen our patience and increase our ministry longevity. In times like these, we also need to steward our people, especially the young generation, to grow deep roots onto the foundation of truth in our Lord Jesus Christ, so that their hearts have firm godly commitments and loyalty to our Lord as people set-apart to faithfully serve our Heavenly Father.

And CBC as a church provide morning devotions in English and Chinese languages, whether written, or over the online platforms, set up online church services, set up small prayer groups across the land and organize discipleship sessions. And practically, CBC and her community-based ministries fed the poor, the vulnerable and the diaspora communities through the pandemic.

Our plans may have changed for the moment, but that may be one of the best things to happen to us, to bring us in step with God's plan, which has not changed.

I want to draw your thought to the first evening devotion for 18 March 2020, which was the 1st day of the National Movement Control Order

(MCO) to curb the spread of the coronavirus. The Scripture text for that evening devotion was Colossians 1 ²⁷ To them God has chosen to make known among the Gentiles the glorious riches of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory (NIV).

To understand this verse, we must consider the context of Colossians 1, in particular and the book of Colossians, in general. In the Old Testament dispensation, a Gentile had to become a Jewish proselyte in order to share in the blessings of Israel. But in the new dispensation, both Jews and Gentiles alike are saved by grace through faith in Jesus Christ (Romans 10:12-13). The apostle Paul is explaining to the Colossian Christians the mystery that God is uniting both the Jews and Gentiles in the church (Ephesians 2:11-22).

Imagine how this Scripture text meant to new believers. Once they were outside the covenant of God, now they are members of His church, God's family. Once they were in the domain of darkness, now they are in the kingdom of God's marvellous light. Once they were not a people, now they are the people of God (1 Peter 2:9-10). Once they had no hope, but now they had a glorious hope because Christ lived within them. Christ in them, the hope of glory.

In the application part of that devotion on 18 March 2020, I urged all CBC people that in the midst of the lockdown, we have the time to reflect and recapture the excitement of our 'first love.' For many Christ followers, we may have taken our salvation for granted and in the midst of this covid-19 outbreak, we have had succumbed to the culture of fear, apprehension and self-preservation. Let's repent and renew our covenant of love with our Lord Jesus Christ and once again be stirred up in our heart to know the glorious hope because Christ lived within us.

And the devotion ended with a prayer for which I reprinted it here for us:

Abba Father, we lift up Your name, Yahweh-Elohim as 'God the Creator' over ourselves and over this nation. May we and our family and all Malaysian people profess and worship You as the One and Only Creator of the earth and heavens.

O LORD, we return to You this evening (18 March 2020), acknowledging our self-righteousness, our self-reliance and our idolatrous heart. Please forgive us as we renew our covenant of love with You, embrace You as Lord and restore to us the joy of our salvation. We declare that Christ in us is the hope of glory. And empower us to live as people of hope and to carry the message of hope in such time to other Malaysians.

O LORD, we plead Your mercy upon this land, and we implore Your grace to cleanse this land of covid-19, heal those who are infected with covid-19 and turn the hearts of the Malaysian people back to you.

Abba Father, we pray Your kingdom come to Malaysia, Your will be done right here in this land even as it is in heaven. In Jesus' most exalted name we pray. Amen.

In closing, I believe God has brought us to the kingdom for such a time as this. I believe this world-wide wake-up call is the opportunity of a lifetime. May we see the interruptions from God's perspective and continue to serve in the midst of interruptions wherever He has placed us through creative ways, even as we face increasing interruptions in the days to come.

May multitudes would turn to the Lord Jesus Christ and find, not only temporal help, but eternal salvation. Our Lord Jesus Christ reminds us: For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? (Mark 8:36). May we be empowered by the Holy Spirit to bring healing and salvation to others in such time (Acts 4:31). The Lord be praised!

CBC Preaching Schedule for June 2022

CBC Theme 2022: Go And Make Disciples (Matthew 28:19-20)

Key Verse: Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.

Date	Sermon Title	Scripture Passage	SEA Park 9am	Kota Damansara 9am	Puchong 10am	Subang 10am	Kota Kemuning 10am	Kinara 11am	Online Service 10am
Preaching sub-theme: The Disciple of Christ - A Fresh Perspective on Jesus from Hebrews									
5 Holy Communion	The Great I AM - I AM the True Vine	John 15:1-8	Pastor Gordon Shum Shi Wen	Pastor Yong Zhen Kheng	Elder Chan Chew Meng	Deacon Marcus Tan Cheng Tat	Senior Pastor Reynold Lim	Pastor Ivan Mohan	Pastor Yong Zhen Kheng
12	Only Jesus Transforms	Hebrews 8:1-13	Elder Tan Beng Teong	Reverend Erik Lai	Senior Pastor Reynold Lim	Elder Phua Cheng Khan	Pastor Malcolm Lloyd Atkinson	Pastor Ivan Mohan	Elder Phua Cheng Khan
19 Father's Day	Special Topic	Selected Scripture	Special Father's Day Video						
26	The Perfect Offering	Hebrews 9:11-15	Senior Pastor Reynold Lim	Pastor Malcolm Lloyd Atkinson	Elder Sr. Dr. Ong See Lian	Brother Soo Mun Keong	Elder Tan Beng Teong	Senior Pastor Reynold Lim	Elder Sr. Dr. Ong See Lian



牧邻浸信教会 COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH

We are a Cell Church which is / 我们是细胞小组教会，以下述为重

- Bible - based
- Christ - centered
- Spirit - filled
- Family - focused
- Mission - involved
- 圣经为根基
- 基督为中心
- 被圣灵充满
- 家庭为焦点
- 投身于宣教

Our Vision / 教会异象

A passionate community of Christ's disciples committed to the Greatest Commandment fulfilling the Great Commission.

建立一个热切委身於大诫命以完成大使命的基督门徒群体。

Our Core Values / 我们的核心价值观

- Loving God wholeheartedly
- Loving people practically
- Living a Spirit - empowered life
- 全心爱神
- 实际爱人
- 活出大有圣灵能力的生命

English Celebrations

SEA Park	9.00am (Sunday)
Subang	10.00am (Sunday)
Puchong	10.00am (Sunday)
Kota Damansara	9.00am (Sunday)
Kota Kemuning	10.00am (Sunday)
Sibu	7.00pm (Saturday)

英文堂会

东南亚花园	早上 9时	(星期日)
首邦	早上10时	(星期日)
蒲种	早上10时	(星期日)
哥打白沙罗	早上 9时	(星期日)
甘文宁镇	早上10时	(星期日)
诗巫	下午 7时	(星期六)

Tamil Celebrations

Kinrara	11.00am (Sunday)
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淡米尔堂会

金銮镇	早上11时 (星期日)
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Chinese Celebrations

SEA Park, Mandarin	11.30am (Sunday)
SEA Park, Cantonese	10.00am (Sunday-Online Only)
Puchong, Mandarin	10.00am (Sunday)
Kota Damansara, Mandarin	11.30am (Sunday)
Jenjarom, Mandarin	10.00am (Sunday)
Jenjarom, Hokkien	11.30am (Sunday)

中文堂会

东南亚花园	华语堂	早上11时30分	(星期日)
东南亚花园	粤语堂	早上10时	(星期日线上)
蒲种	华语堂	早上10时	(星期日)
哥打白沙罗	华语堂	早上11时30分	(星期日)
仁嘉隆	华语堂	早上10时	(星期日)
仁嘉隆	福建堂	早上11时30分	(星期日)

TOUCH Community Centre 关爱社区中心
124 & 126 Jalan SS2/6, 47300 Petaling Jaya, Selangor.

CBC Local Churches 各堂会地址

SEA Park (English, Mandarin, Cantonese) / 东南亚花园 (英, 中, 粵)
107 & 109 Jalan SS2/6, 47300 Petaling Jaya.

Subang (English) / 首邦 (英)
1 & 3 Jalan USJ 3C/3, 47600 Subang Jaya.

Puchong (English) / 蒲种 (英)
20 Jalan PPU 3A, Pusat Teknologi Sinar Puchong, 47150 Puchong.

Puchong (Mandarin) / 蒲种 (中)
4F-04 IOI Business Park, No. 1, Persiaran Puchong Jaya Selatan, Bandar Puchong Jaya, 47100 Puchong.

Kota Damansara (English, Mandarin) / 哥打白沙罗 (英, 中)
26 & 28 Jalan PJU 5/16, Dataran Sunway, 47810 Kota Damansara.

CBC Kota Kemuning (English) / 甘文宁镇 (英)
2-1C Jalan Anggerik Vanilla Q31/Q, Seksyen 31, Kota Kemuning, 40460 Shah Alam.

CBC Kinrara (Tamil) / 金銮镇 (淡)
25-1 Jalan DU2/1, Bandar Kinrara 6, Puchong, 47180 Puchong.

CBC Jenjarom (Mandarin) / 仁嘉隆 (中)
11 Jalan Bacang 17, Taman Seri Jarom, 42600 Jenjarom.

Sibu, Sarawak (English) / 沙撈越诗巫 (英)
Covenant CBC / 圣约牧邻浸信教会
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