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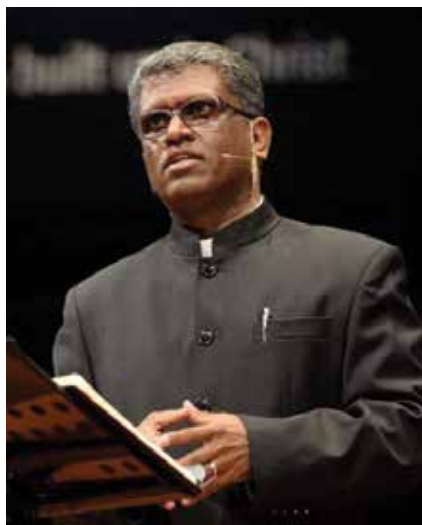
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Rev Dr T. Jeyakumar
President, TRAC

In this Special Edition of the Berita TRAC which is issued in view of the 40th Session TRAC that was concluded recently, I wish to begin by reminiscing about our origins and reflect on and how the Lord has led us thus far.

The Christian presence in Malaysia dates back possibly to the 7th Century with the Nestorians settling in the North Western part of the peninsula. However, the Portuguese occupation of Malacca in 1511 brought a wider Christian influence.¹

The Methodist work began in Singapore and Malaysia in 1885, with the arrival of William F. Oldham and James M. Thoburn in Singapore on February 8, 1885. In 1888, the Methodist work in the peninsula, with the adjacent territory and islands in which the Malay language was spoken, became a Mission under the administration of the Missionary Society and separated from the South India Conference. The work of the Methodist Mission grew linguistically in English, Tamil, Chinese, and Malay, and geographically up the peninsula.

The Methodist Church in Malaysia was constituted on December 4, 1976 by the component Annual Conferences. The First Session of the Trinity Annual Conference (TRAC) was held in Kuala Lumpur on December 1-3, 1976. Rev. Denis C. Dutton was elected President of TRAC. The Conference began with 26 churches and 4228 members, who were served by 18 Pastors.

By 1980, the figures had risen to 27 churches, 4817 members, 22 Ordained Pastors and 6 Approved Supply Pastors. In 1988, there were 32 churches with a membership of 6521 members and 35 Elders, Deacons, Diaconal Ministers, and Ministers-on-Trial. Today, we have 43 churches, 2 Preaching Points, 48 Pastors, and 13 retired Elders and retired Supply Pastors, and 2 retired Diaconal Ministers.

From having been predominantly English speaking, we now have 28 non-English speaking worship services in our Conference. We also have Persidangan Misi Sengoi Methodist under our care with ministries in 60 villages, 49 chapels, a membership of 4415 members, 27 Elders, Deacons and Guru Injil. It is hoped that by the end of the year 2020, PMSM can be a Provisional Annual Conference.

¹ Goh, Robbie B H., *Sparks of Grace: The Story of Methodism in Asia*, (Singapore: The Methodist Church in Malaysia, 2003) p. 111.

We have indeed come a long way by the grace of God. We are still short of Pastors. Nevertheless, we continue to look into church growth and the setting up of preaching points. But that aside, I believe it is important for us to continue to be a Church that stresses holy living, and base our teachings on the authentic and inerrant word of God. When we continue to seek after God and be the Church that He wants us to be, then only will we be a church that is useful to God. We are not here to impress anyone, but we do need to impact everyone and make a difference in this nation, especially in these crucial times we live in. Our ministry is not one of entertainment but rather a ministry of teaching and preaching that is geared towards the transformation of lives. Our benchmark for success is not bigger buildings and more property. It is the people, our parishioners. Our benchmark for success is more people who genuinely seek after God and live for Him faithfully; people who know what true commitment is and are willing to dedicate their lives for the work and ministry that God has called them to. We, as a Church, need to continue to labour to this end.

In this Special Edition, I wish to thank those who have led our Conference in the past and those who are labouring hard to see this Conference move forward. I thank God for choosing me to be in a leadership position in TRAC as we celebrate our 40th Anniversary. All that we do now has been by the grace of God and by standing on the shoulders of those who have laboured on before us. Lest we become proud of numbers and achievements, let me share with you something I recently read. It is said that the first four years after the seed of the Chinese bamboo is planted, we will not see much of the bamboo except perhaps for a tiny shoot. Although it seems as though no growth is taking place, a massive growth is taking place underneath the dirt: A very great root structure is spreading deep and wide underground. Then, in the fifth year, with its structure and foundation in place, the

Chinese bamboo tree grows up to eighty feet! Church growth is like that of the Chinese bamboo tree. If there have been some years in the past, where it appears as if nothing was happening, the truth is, the Conference at that point in time was deepening its roots. Now, in our fortieth year as a Conference, we benefit from all that hidden growth.

I wish to pay tribute to the past and present Pastors and Diaconal Ministers, Lay and Associate Lay Leaders, Executive Board members, ministry workers, administrative staff, everyone in leadership in the local churches, and all members of our TRAC family, who have laboured sacrificially all these years. Your labour in the Lord is not in vain. To those who have served before us, we have found you to be faithful in all that the Lord has assigned you to do. Last but not least, for those of us who are still serving, may we continue to labour in the Lord and not lose hope. I echo the words of Steve Green in his song, "Find Us Faithful", *But as those who've gone before us, let us leave to those behind us, the heritage of faithfulness passed on through godly lives*. Truly, may all those who come behind us find us faithful!

"The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness." Lamentations 3:22-23, ESV.

Soli deo Gloria!

The best of all is GOD IS WITH US!

Blessings,

Rev. Dr. T. Jeyakumar

President

Trinity Annual Conference

The Methodist Church in Malaysia



Bishop Dr. Ong Hwai Teik
The Methodist Church in Malaysia

We thank the Lord for 40 years of existence as the Trinity Annual Conference, the Methodist Church in Malaysia. I am reminded of how significant “40” is in the Scriptures recently.

In 1 Kings 19, we read of how after a chapter of major victory over the false prophets and the spiritual forces of Baal, even an acknowledged man of God and a seasoned prophet, Elijah, needed renewing and rejuvenating.

God gave Elijah special strength and power to journey over 200 miles to Mt Sinai by the sustenance of bread and water He provided through the angel [1 Kings 19:8]. Elijah was **returning to a sacred place** – Mt Sinai, the place where God gave Moses the 10 Commandments, His laws which pointed to the way of living as a covenantal people that He had selected to be His own.

Elijah’s travels of 40 days and 40 nights recall Israel’s own wandering in the wilderness [Num. 14:33-34]. Before Elijah, in the past, Moses’ first sojourn on that same mountain was also 40 days and 40 nights [Exo. 24:18]. It was then that the key “beginning event” of the giving of the laws of God took place.

After Elijah, centuries later, was the Lord Jesus who was in the wilderness for 40 days and 40 nights [Matt 4:2] “to be tempted by the devil”. Then in a much later era, Almighty God would display to us the meeting together of Moses, Elijah and the Lord Jesus on a mountaintop [Luke 9:28-36].

As we celebrate this 40th Anniversary, we are once again reminded of the necessity and power of “**returning**” – to places and circumstances where we had met God. We cannot but be grateful as we “return to the sacred past” where we encountered and experienced the reality of the Almighty. As we do so, we are celebrating proofs of “the steadfast love of the Lord endures forever” - like the great recited praise of Psalm 136 in the Passover Feast, which sums up the entire salvation history recorded in the Old Testament.

It is also powerful because in “returning” - we receive a boost in the present as we acknowledge that like manna, we need God’s fresh supernatural enabling through the Holy Spirit. We should be jubilant over God-given victories of the past, but also realise the danger and limits of depending on stale memories to sustain us.

Elijah’s return to the sacred place of the past was in fact to personally meet face to face with the God Who is “the same yesterday, today and

forever” [Heb. 13:8]. The powerful recollections associated with Mt. Sinai will always be there – but Elijah was first meeting the reality and person of Almighty God, the cause and source of all precious and hallowed memories. In that way, an Elijah who was exhausted, depleted, defeated and cringing with fear under the threat of Queen Jezebel after a momentous challenge in defeating Baal’s 450 false prophets – was renewed, recharged and ready to serve God afresh in His instructions of anointing Elisha as his own successor, and Jehu as king.

So it is my prayer that as we make a journey of “returning to sacred places and memories” of the last 40 years, we shall both celebrate the substance of our recollections which are rooted in Him, and also yet again meet with God face to face in our celebrations - for His work in this generation.

On a more personal note, I recall with thanksgiving our past TRAC leaders both clergy and lay, women and men, young and old, who have served God and His people in the Trinity Annual Conference of the Methodist Church in Malaysia with great commitment and sacrifice. In my own generation of being an ordained minister in TRAC, I have had the joy, privilege and honour of serving with men of God who have “died on the saddle” – passing on in the midst of actively fulfilling their duties to God and His church in the offices they held.

I recall with thanksgiving and wonder, the way He has graciously and sovereignly prepared and placed a feeble servant of His, like me, to serve as the TRAC President under traumatic and tumultuous circumstances in 2001 when we lost our then TRAC President, Rev Hwa Chien, and our Conference Secretary, Mr Ong Tit Hoe. This had happened within a few days of each other in November, near to our 26th TRAC Session! I remain grateful to our congregations and members who readily stood in the gap with their fervent intercessions for the Lord to take us through that critical point for TRAC.

I recall with thanksgiving and wonder, the way He enabled different but divinely gifted people to work together in increasing unity and synergy, as we sought the greater glory of God even though at times we were like “a team of rivals”! The Lord then birthed new initiatives like the Jeremiah School, the TRAC Prayer Retreats and Intercessors’ School, the Institute for Christian Ministry [ICM], publications on devotion and worship liturgies, breakthroughs in the work of mission overseas, and evangelism and social ministries for the migrant communities in Malaysia, aiding the Persidangan Missi Sengoi Methodist to pursue the theme of *Berdikari 2020*, the establishment of the Millenium Ministry Fund and the building of the extension in the TRAC HQ, and others.

I recall with thanksgiving and wonder, the Lord’s work of shaping and deepening Scriptural Christianity yet again in TRAC so that we as God’s people called Methodists were renewed to love, value and apply - the Bible, prayer, worship, instructions, service in the church and in the world; learning to be enfolding in fellowship as a Body of Christ and reaching out in life, word and deed in proclaiming the Gospel, as we grapple with “Church and the State” issues in our own national context.

As I bring warmest greetings and felicitation to TRAC from the rest of our Methodist Family in Malaysia, may we together as Methodists, people called by God – “*Grow strong and deep inside, Standing with Christ’s Body nationwide, Giving God glory from every side*”.

“Give thanks to the God of heaven. His faithful love endures forever” [Psalm 136:26].

Bishop Dr. Ong Hwai Teik

The Methodist Church in Malaysia



Rev. Datuk Dr. Denis C. Dutton,
Bishop Emeritus,
The Methodist Church in Malaysia

Emme and I are happy to send our greetings in the name of Jesus Christ to all our brothers and sisters meeting in Session of the Trinity Annual Conference. We wish we could be present with you as you meet for another session.

As I recall the years when I too was a delegate to an earlier session of this Annual Conference, I must say that it was at these sessions that I learned much from the presentations made by the various committees and speakers. Each session of the Annual Conference was the highlight of the year. As each report was read and debated, I felt how blessed I was to be among the servants of God and hear what was done on behalf of all of us and for Jesus Christ.

Reading the regular reports presented by the President of the Conference, my heart was warmed by how much progress has been made in terms of the number of pastors we now have. I am especially happy to note that there are so many women who have joined the ranks of the ministerial members of this conference.

One of the most significant highlights is that your president has given such leadership that has moved the conference forward. The last year has been a very significant year for all of us.

Since I became a part of this august body, I have seen how this conference has morphed over the years since 1959. I have no doubt this is due to the hard work and sacrifices made by everyone.

May the Good Lord continue to bless each and everyone present.

Rev. Datuk Dr. Denis C. Dutton,
Bishop Emeritus,
The Methodist Church in Malaysia.

***“If we have love in our hearts; disagreement will do us no harm.
If we have NO love in our hearts; agreement will do us no good.”
Dr. James Leslie, the late Chaplain, Ohio Wesley University,
Delaware, Ohio.***

Message From The Conference Lay Leader

Datin Judy Chin

Praise God for every member and every person's contribution to the ministries of TRAC over 4 decades. Thank God for every person whose life, words and deeds bring honour to Christ and lead others to a knowledge of His love. Our gratitude to past and present Bishops and Presidents for their Spirit led vision and focus for The Methodist Church in Malaysia and TRAC. I thank God for varied strengths and abilities of the clergy and my predecessors who have led, motivated and mobilised the laity of TRAC towards the mission and vision of TRAC whether in church planting, leadership development, workplace evangelism, BM / Chinese / school / family and indigenous ministries, personal and corporate spiritual holiness, lifelong discipleship and of significance presently, relevant to TRAC's 2016 theme- to be a voice to the nation.

40 is a significant number in scriptures, known to many. God flooded the world through 40 days and nights of rain; the Israelites wandered in the wilderness for 40 years; Jesus fasted and was tempted for 40 days and nights; Israelites ate manna for 40 years and Jesus remained on earth for 40 days after His resurrection- just to name a few. These events signify God's judgement, provision, spiritual disciplines, hope and assurance. TRAC may have gone through similar experiences in the span of 40 years. In present turbulent times, let us continue with tenacity in anticipation of the rainbow at the end of the floods; the land of milk and honey after the wilderness; powerful ministries of preaching, teaching and healing resulting from fasting and prayers and in all circumstances, be thankful for God's Guidance, Providence and Faithfulness as in **Joshua 1:5-6**, "**.....I will be with you. I will not leave you or forsake you. Be strong and courageous....**"

We must wake up to the urgent responsibility of passing on the baton to the next generation of TRAC, reminding ourselves in these uncertain times from **Joshua 1:9** "**Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go**". As taught by Rev. Edmund Chan at Mentoring Lives Cell Group Ministry Conference 5, "**Leadership is a responsibility entrusted by God. Servanthood is a position which we all must adopt**". We serve those we mentor so as to reproduce servants as disciples of Jesus through role modeling

and building relationships. Let us invest our time, effort and resources to raise up the next generation of disciples for TRAC and God. As long as there is a generation who loves the Lord, there is hope.

Isaiah 40:31 "**... those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles, they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint**"

May God forgive us for evasion of our responsibilities, acts of faithlessness, anxieties that cripple our lives and the sense of hopelessness that hinders our growth and failure to love our neighbor as ourselves. We pray that God will continue to use us as a source of hope, joy and confidence through our Faith and by the power of His Spirit, enable us to be the beacon of His Light and channel of His Love to the community.

My prayer for TRAC is for the laity and clergy to be united always as a team for Christ, avoiding any divisions which may hinder the purposes we are called to fulfill; for churches to remain connectional to one another and to the larger family of The Methodist Church in Malaysia; be willing / available to mentor / disciple the next generation to grow TRAC in the coming years; be humble servant leaders of others; to avail ourselves to be the salt and light for Christ in nation building in the home, family, church, schools or marketplace and to be able to say "**I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith**" by being strong and courageous in these challenging times.

All Praise and Glory to God for all that TRAC was, is and will be!



Datin Judy Chin
Conference Lay Leader

Message From Immediate Past Conference Lay Leader Dr. Samuel Ong

I have been a Methodist Christian all my life, and have served in many different ministries – in worship and music, Christian education, youth and young adults work, camps and workshops as a speaker, as a lay leader, in church planting, in review of The Methodist Book of Discipline, setting up the Board of Christian Ministry – and at many different levels – at the grassroots in the local church, at the national level in TRAC, and in the wider Methodist Church of Malaysia. I thank God for the opportunities given, for the humble privilege and joy of serving Him, and in calling me to serve out of my comfort zone especially through people like the late Rev. Hwa Chien and Kim Guat and others. As TRAC celebrates forty years as a Conference I was asked to contribute a few words for this special edition of Berita TRAC.

The only constant in life is change, and our times they are a'changing. Changing at an ever-increasing pace and on a wider multitude of fronts. Take a bird's eye view of the scenario in Malaysia and what we are confronted with is mind-boggling. A widening racial divide, rise of religious extremism and Islamisation, political shenanigans and the abuse of the instruments of government, corruption and the perversion of justice, the widening gap between the rich and the poor, falling educational standards and language literacy, secularism and materialism, a restless youth, the missing young adults from our congregations, a loss of trust in authority, a lack of hope in a bright future here, an increasing ageing population with its attendant issues. And there are yet more. As followers of Jesus Christ how do we respond to all these? We cannot turn a blind eye. We cannot walk away. We cannot be paralysed by fear. We need to ask, "What would Jesus do? What does the Gospel have to say to all these?" And our answer must be, "Here we are, Lord, send us!"

Over the forty years of its life, TRAC has grown, has changed, and has adapted. I have seen it, and been a part of it. But the past is done. For the good we have done and the faithful service we have rendered to our God, we can be pleased. But our discipleship is not ended till He comes

again and ushers in a new heaven and a new earth. Till then, TRAC needs to be continually aware of and responsive to the needs of our times with the Gospel of Jesus Christ, in all its totality – dispelling darkness with Light, restoring Life from death, bringing wholesome Healing to the sick, and

giving Hope to the hopeless and lost. It's about Jesus Christ, and bringing Him and the power of the Gospel into individual lives, structures and society.

When the first sermon was preached at the first Methodist gathering in Singapore on 7th February 1885, Dr. James Thorburn preached from **Zechariah 4:6**, "*Not by might, nor by power, but by My Spirit saith the Lord*". Today, this is an apt reminder for us as we face the challenges of our times. It's not about human power, programs and personalities. It's about the power of the Lord! And when and where the Spirit moves, nothing can stand in its path. As a Conference, we need to seek the Lord's face to know where and what He wants us to do. He will show us the how, and then it behooves us to cling on to Him and ride on the coattails of the power of His tidal waves.

"As bread that is broken, use our lives.

As wine that is poured out, a willing sacrifice.

Empower us Father to show the love of Christ.

As bread that is broken, use our lives."

Happy fortieth birthday anniversary TRAC!



Dr. Samuel Ong

40th Anniversary TRAC Leadership History

No	Year	Date	Venue	President	Bishop	Secretary	Lay Leader
1	1976	Dec 01-03	Kuala Lumpur	Denis C Dutton	C N Fang	Wong Onn Thau	
2	1977	Nov 25-29	Penang	Denis C Dutton	C N Fang	Wong Onn Thau	Chong Kwong Teik
3	1978	Nov 19-23	Melaka	Denis C Dutton	C N Fang	Wong Onn Thau	Chong Kwong Teik
4	1979	Nov 09-12	Port Dickson	Denis C Dutton	C N Fang	Wong Onn Thau	Lam Kok Hon
5	1980	Nov 20-24	Port Dickson	Denis C Dutton	C N Fang	Wong Onn Thau	Lam Kok Hon
6	1981	Nov 13-16	Kuantan	Ng Ee Lin*	C N Fang	Wong Onn Thau	Chee Chin Seang
7	1982	Nov 13-17	Penang	Denis C Dutton	C N Fang	Wong Onn Thau	Chee Chin Seang
8	1983	Nov 12-16	Teluk Intan	Denis C Dutton	C N Fang	Wong Onn Thau	Chee Chin Seang
9	1984	Nov 10-13	Johor Bahru	Denis C Dutton	C N Fang	Wong Onn Thau	Chee Chin Seang
10	1985	Nov 17-21	Kuala Lumpur	Denis C Dutton	C N Fang	Yu Chee Huat	Chee Chin Seang
11	1986	Nov 14-17	Penang	Denis C Dutton	C N Fang	Yu Chee Huat	Chee Chin Seang
12	1987	Nov 14-17	Ipoh	Denis C Dutton	C N Fang	Yu Chee Huat	Chee Chin Seang
13	1988	Nov 12-15	Melaka	Denis C Dutton	C N Fang	Yu Chee Huat	Chee Chin Seang
14	1989	Oct 28-31	Kuantan	Ng Ee Lin	Denis C Dutton	Ong Tit Hoe	Chee Chin Seang
15	1990	Oct 27-30	Kuala Lumpur	Ng Ee Lin	Denis C Dutton	Ong Tit Hoe	Chee Chin Seang
16	1991	Nov 02-05	Penang	Ng Ee Lin	Denis C Dutton	Ong Tit Hoe	Chee Chin Seang
17	1992	Nov 07-10	Port Dickson	Ng Ee Lin	Denis C Dutton	Ong Tit Hoe	Chee Chin Seang
18	1993	Oct 30-Nov 2	Port Dickson	Ng Ee Lin	Denis C Dutton	Ong Tit Hoe	Lim Toh Hoy
19	1994	Oct 29-Nov 1	Ipoh	Ng Ee Lin	Denis C Dutton	Ong Tit Hoe	Ting Cheh Sing
20	1995	Nov 11-14	Kuantan	Ng Ee Lin	Denis C Dutton	Ong Tit Hoe	Ting Cheh Sing
21	1996	Dec 03-06	Penang	Ng Ee Lin	Peter S C Chio	Ong Tit Hoe	Ting Cheh Sing
22	1997	Nov 29-Dec 2	Kuala Lumpur	Hwa Chien	Peter S C Chio	Ong Tit Hoe	Ting Cheh Sing
23	1998	Nov 27-30	Seremban	Hwa Chien	Peter S C Chio	Ong Tit Hoe	Ting Cheh Sing
24	1999	Nov 20-23	Sitiawan	Hwa Chien	Peter S C Chio	Ong Tit Hoe	Ting Cheh Sing
25	2000	Nov 18-21	Kuantan	Hwa Chien	Peter S C Chio	Ong Tit Hoe	Ting Cheh Sing
26	2001	Dec 01-04	Penang	Ong Hwa Teik	Peter S C Chio	Wong Onn Thau	Chan Kook Weng
27	2002	Nov 16-19	Kuala Lumpur	Ong Hwa Teik	Peter S C Chio	Wong Onn Thau	Chan Kook Weng
28	2003	Nov 22-25	Johor Bahru	Ong Hwa Teik	Peter S C Chio	Wong Onn Thau	Chan Kook Weng
29	2004	Nov 13-16	Ipoh	Ong Hwa Teik	Hwa Yung	Tung Kam Seng	Chan Kook Weng
30	2005	Nov 19-22	Kuala Lumpur	Ong Hwa Teik	Hwa Yung	Tung Kam Seng	Chan Kook Weng
31	2006	Nov 18-21	Kuantan	Ong Hwa Teik	Hwa Yung	Tung Kam Seng	Chan Kook Weng
32	2007	Nov 24-27	Penang	Ong Hwa Teik	Hwa Yung	Tung Kam Seng	Samuel Ong Boon Leng
33	2008	Nov 22-25	Petaling Jaya	Ong Hwa Teik	Hwa Yung	Tung Kam Seng	Samuel Ong Boon Leng
34	2009	Nov 21-24	Melaka	Ong Hwa Teik	Hwa Yung	T. Jeyakumar	Samuel Ong Boon Leng
35	2010	Nov 20-23	Ipoh	Ong Hwa Teik	Hwa Yung	T. Jeyakumar	Samuel Ong Boon Leng
36	2011	Nov 26-29	Kuala Lumpur	Ong Hwa Teik	Hwa Yung	T. Jeyakumar	Samuel Ong Boon Leng
37	2012	Dec 1-4	Kuantan	Ong Hwa Teik	Hwa Yung	T. Jeyakumar	Samuel Ong Boon Leng
38	2013	Nov 16-18	Port Dickson	T. Jeyakumar	Ong Hwa Teik	Yong Wai Yin	Judy Chin
39	2014	Nov 22-24	Port Dickson	T. Jeyakumar	Ong Hwa Teik	Yong Wai Yin	Judy Chin
40	2015	Dec 5-7	Port Dickson	T. Jeyakumar	Ong Hwa Teik	Yong Wai Yin	Judy Chin

* Presiding Elder

Persidangan Misi Sengoi Methodist Konferansi Ke 26/2015 Di Pusat Kampar, 3-5 November 2015



Ps. Denni being ordained Deacon

TRAC Appointments For The Year 2016

EASTERN DISTRICT

District Superintendent: Rev Woo Kit Sang

Wesley MC Kuala Lipis	Rev Bernard Yogaraj, Pastor
Wesley MC Raub	Rev Bernard Yogaraj, Pastor
Christ MC Bentong	Rev Eric Hue, Pastor
Wesley MC Kuantan	Rev Woo Kit Sang, Pastor
	Rev Eric Hue, Assistant Pastor

NORTHERN DISTRICT

District Superintendent: Rev Paul Christie

Wesley MC Alor Setar	Rev Lim Chaw Leong
Wesley MC Sg Petani	No Conference Appointment
Wesley MC Kulim	Rev Joshua Chia, Pastor
Wesley MC Butterworth	Ps Andrew Yeoh, Part-time Pastor
Wesley MC Parit Buntar	Rev Joshua Chia, Pastor
Trinity MC Penang	Rev Yong Wai Yin, Pastor
Wesley MC Penang	Rev Paul Christie, Pastor
	Rev Wong Mun Wah, Assistant Pastor

PERAK DISTRICT

District Superintendent: Rev Joshua Khong

Wesley MC Taiping	Rev Joshua Khong, Pastor
	Rev John Baru, Assistant Pastor
Wesley MC Sitiawan	Rev Victor Leong Chik Seng, Pastor
	Ps Pangiran Baru, Assistant Pastor
Wesley MC Teluk Intan	Rev Christopher Rao, Pastor
Canning Garden MC Ipoh	Rev Thomas Chin, Pastor
	Rev Yu Chiew Song, Associate Pastor
	Rev Richard Leow, Associate Pastor
Grace MC Ipoh	Rev Elaine Low, Pastor
	Rev Lucy Lee, Associate Pastor
Wesley MC Ipoh	Rev Dr Timothy Ong, Pastor
	Ps William Por, Assistant Pastor
	Ps Peter Ong, Assistant Pastor
Living Faith MC Ipoh	Rev Dr Timothy Ong, Pastor
	Ps Peter Ong, Assistant Pastor
Bercham MC Ipoh	Rev Lucy Lee, Pastor
	Rev Elaine Low, Assistant Pastor
Wesley MC Kampar	Rev Gaurri Maniam, Pastor

CENTRAL DISTRICT 1

District Superintendent: Rev Ricky Ho

Wesley MC Kuala Lumpur	Rev Ricky Ho, Pastor Rev Tan Chew Mae, Assistant Pastor Ps Eric Tan, Assistant Pastor
Wesley MC Kepong	Ps Koe Swee Kee, Pastor
Living Stone MC PJ	Ps Aaron Ng, Pastor
Faith MC Cheras	Rev Buell Abraham, Pastor
Christ MC Ampang	Rev Shearn Sya, Pastor
Grace MC Sentul	No Conference Appointment
Whispering Hope MC KL	Rev Dr Andrew Tan, Pastor
Trinity MC Sg Buloh	Ps Soh Tian Soo, Part Time Pastor

CENTRAL DISTRICT 2

District Superintendent: Rev Ashok Amarasingham

Living Hope MC Shah Alam	Ps Teoh Lee Yng, Pastor
Wesley MC Klang	Rev Ashok Amarasingham, Pastor
Subang MC PJ	Ps Robert Khaw, Pastor
DUMC PJ	Ps Chris Kam, Pastor Ps Mike Ngui, Asst Pastor Ps Margaret Loy, Asst Pastor Ps Kelvin Yong, Asst Pastor Ps Jonathan Yeoh, Asst Pastor Ps Tan Moy How, Asst Pastor Ps Cheah Seuk Poh, Asst Pastor
SSMC PJ	Rev Dr Ng Swee Ming, Pastor Ps Dr Ng Kok Moi, Assistant Pastor
Life MC Puchong	No Conference Appointment
Trinity MC PJ	Rev Ting Moy Hong, Pastor Rev Buell Abraham, Associate Pastor Ps Aaron Ng, Assistant Pastor
Emmanuel MC PJ	Rev Dr Andrew Tan, Pastor Ps Anna Ng, Assistant Pastor

SOUTHERN DISTRICT
District Superintendent: Rev Joshua Hong

Taman Ujong MC Seremban	Rev Ronald Yap, Pastor
Wesley MC Seremban	Rev Ronald Yap, Pastor
Taman Asean MC Melaka	Rev Andrew Lim, Pastor
Wesley MC Melaka	Rev Andrew Lim, Pastor Rev Danny Chiew, Assistant Pastor
Wesley MC Segamat Johor	Rev Henry Yong, Pastor
Nusajaya MC Johor	Rev Joshua Hong, Pastor
Wesley MC JB	Rev Joshua Hong, Pastor Ps Lester Lim, Part-time Assistant Pastor

Special Appointments

Prayer Director	Rev Dr T Jeyakumar
Part-time Seniors Ministry Director	Rev Hwa Jen
Part-time Seniors Ministry Associate Director	Rev David Loo
National Youth Director	Ps Chang Choy Quin
PMSM Superintendent	Rev Bah Saha
Part-time Director of Evangelism & Discipleship, PMSM	Rev Richard Leow
Part-time Coordinator to SWTC	Rev Bernard Yogaraj
Rev Dr Hermen Shastri	Seconded to CCM*
Rev Dr Anthony Loke	Seconded to STM*

(* with Bishop's consent)

JANUARY		
01	Fri	Public Holiday – New Year
03/1 - 28/2	Sun-Sun	Jeremiah School
04	Mon	School Term Begins
08	Fri	BOM Meeting
09	Sat	Executive Board Meeting
14	Thu	Birthday of Yang di-Pertuan Besar NS
15-17	Fri-Sun	ICM Art & Prayer Retreat
17	Sun	Birthday of Sultan of Kedah
24	Sun	Public Holiday - Thaipusam
FEBRUARY		
01-28	Fri-Sun	Cont. of Jeremiah School (CNY Break 4/2 – 13/2)
01	Mon	Federal Territory Day
08-09	Mon-Tue	Chinese New Year
10	Wed	Ash Wednesday
20	Sat	ICM-OLM2 (Part 1) – Northern District (TBC)
20-21	Sat-Sun	LPL – New Testament
28	Sun	Jeremiah School Graduation
MARCH		
11	Fri	Statistical Returns to be submitted by churches
11-13	Fri-Sun	ICM-SFL3 Weekend
12-20	Sat-Sun	1st Term Break
13-16	Sun-Wed	Youth Prayer Conference (JB)
19	Sat	ICM –OLM2 (Part 2) – Northern District (TBC)
20	Sun	Palm Sunday
23	Wed	Birthday of Sultan of Johor
24	Thu	Maundy Thursday
25	Fri	Good Friday
27	Sun	Easter Sunday
APRIL		
05-09	Tue-Sat	Pastor's School
12-16	Tue-Sat	ICM 5-Day Individually Directed Retreat
14-16	Thu-Sat	Missions Consultation 2016
15	Fri	City Day: Melaka
15-17	Fri-Sun	BOYW Retreat
22-25	Fri-Mon	ICM Journey Retreat
MAY		
01	Sun	Public Holiday-Labour Day
05	Thu	Public Holiday (Kedah, NS & Perlis)
05	Thu	Ascension Day
06	Fri	BOM Meeting
07	Sat	Executive Board Meeting
08	Sun	Mother's Day
13-15	Fri-Sun	Youth Ministry Partner's Retreat (N.D. & Perak.D.)
13-15	Fri-Sun	ICM Sunday School Sup/Leaders' Retreat
15	Sun	Pentecost Sunday
20-22	Fri-Sun	ICM Discernment Retreat
21	Sat	Public Holiday – Wesak Day
22	Sun	Aldersgate Sunday
28/5 - 12/6	Sat-Sun	Mid-Year Break
28/5 - 28/6	Sat-Tue	Penan Coaching Mission – Team 1
JUNE		
03-06	Fri-Mon	ICM Educators' Retreat
04	Sat	Birthday of DYMM Agong
06	Mon	State Hol (Johor, Melaka, Kedah)
17-19	Fri-Sun	ICM Movie Retreat (Human Rights)
19	Sun	Father's Day
22	Wed	Public Holiday-Nuzul Al-Quran
24-25	Fri-Sat	LPL - Mentoring
24-25	Fri-Sat	ICM Church History Series
24-26	Fri-Sun	Youth Ministry Partner's Retreat (Sel.D.,FT.D.,S.D.,E.D.)
25/6 - 26/7	Sat-Tue	Penan Coaching Mission – Team 2

JULY		
04-09	Mon-Sat	Social Concerns Week
10	Sun	Social Concern Sunday
06-07	Wed-Thu	Public Holiday – Hari Raya Puasa
07	Thu	City Day: Penang
09	Sat	Birthday of the Governor of Penang
10/7-7/8	Sun-Sun	Jeremiah Extension (Chefoo Centre)
13-16	Wed-Sat	Methodist Intercessors Training
AUGUST		
12	Fri	Statistical Returns to be submitted by churches
12-14	Fri-Sun	GC MW
12-14	Fri-Sun	LPL – Pastoral Care & Counselling
28	Sun	CCM Sunday
31	Wed	National Day
SEPTEMBER		
01-04	Thu-Sun	ICM Second Half of Life Retreat
09-11	Fri-Sun	Joint Board
11	Sun	Executive Board Meeting
12	Mon	Public Holiday - Hari Raya Haji
16	Fri	Malaysia Day
16-18	Fri-Sun	MW Annual Conference
10-18	Sat-Sun	2nd Term Break
20-23	Tue-Fri	GC (Sibu)
23-25	Fri-Sun	ICM-SFL4 Weekend
OCTOBER		
01-31	Sat-Mon	Senior Citizens/MSF Month
02	Sun	Public Holiday – Awal Muharam
08-09	Sat-Sun	ICM-OLM2 – Perak District
14	Fri	Birthday of the Yang Di-Pertua of Melaka
14-16	Fri-Sun	ICM Experiencing God Through the Lenses
15	Fri	City Day: Melaka
15-17	Fri-Sun	BOYW Retreat
22-25	Fri-Mon	ICM Journey Retreat
25-27	Tue-Thu	PMSM Conference
29	Sat	Public Holiday - Deepavali
NOVEMBER		
04-06	Fri-Sun	ICM Your Year with God Retreat
06	Sun	Hari Hol Almarhum Sultan Iskandar Johor
25	Fri	Ministerial Session
26-29	Sat-Tue	41st Session TRAC
26/11– 01/01/ 2017		Year End Break
27	Sun	Birthday of the Sultan of Perak
27	Sun	First Sunday in Advent
29	Tue	Executive Board Meeting
30/11- 6/12	Wed-Tue	National Youth Missions to Long Lamai
DECEMBER		
07-11	Wed-Sun	YLDP
09-11	Fri-Sun	BOYW - Parent's Track
11	Sun	Birthday of the Sultan of Selangor
12	Mon	Prophet Mohammad's Birthday
25	Sun	Christmas Day
31	Sat	Watch-night Covenant Service

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