

Three things in life that once gone,
never come back:
TIME, WORDS, OPPORTUNITY

Three things in life
that may never be lost:
PEACE, HOPE AND HONESTY

Three things in life
that are most valuable:
LOVE, SELF-CONFIDENCE, FRIENDS

Three things in life
that are never certain:
DREAMS, SUCCESS, FORTUNE

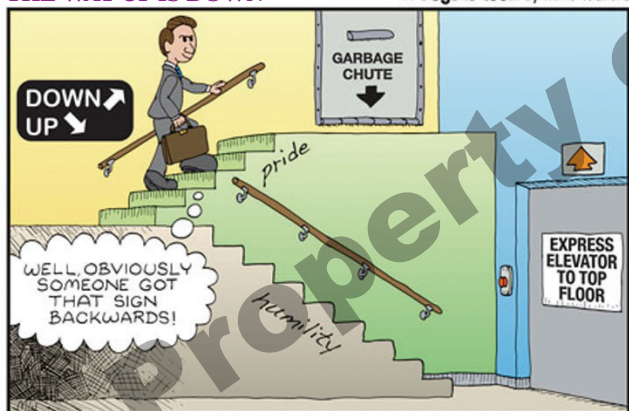
Three things in life
that make a man/woman:
HARD WORK, SINCERITY, COMMITMENT

Three things in life
that can destroy a man/woman:
ALCOHOL, PRIDE, ANGER

Three things in life
that are truly constant:
FATHER, SON, HOLY SPIRIT

THE WAY UP IS DOWN

A Joyful'toon by Mike Waters



For whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and whoever humbles himself will be exalted.
Matthew 23:12

Upcoming Events

1. CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE

Date : 25-12-08
Time : 10.30am to 12.30noon
Buffet lunch will be served after the Service.

2. WATER BAPTISM ON 25-12-08

Place : Punggol Beach
Please submit your application form to Sis Ching Ching by latest 14-12-08.

3. CO-WORKERS DINNER

Theme : A Shepherd's Heart
Date : 31-12-08
Time : 7.00pm to 10.00pm

4. USHER IN THE NEW YEAR 2009 IN PRAYER & PRAISE

Theme: Count Your Blessings
WatchNite Service 2008
Date : 31-12-08
Time : 10.30pm to 12.05am

Status of Feedback Survey Last Sunday

On behalf of the leadership, we thanks those who have filled up the survey form. If, for whatever reason you have not done it last sunday, kindly respond to the Feedback Survey form. Please raise your hand and the usher will give you a copy. Please return the filled-up form to Sis Ching Ching.

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Church of Sengkang

Is called by God to be **welcoming** and **prayerful** community filled with and led by the **HOLY SPIRIT**

THE SUNDAY TIMES 14th December 2008
SUNDAY SERVICES TIME: 10.30am to 12.30pm



D24 NIGHT EVANGELISTIC MEETING

THE GIFT ON CHRISTMAS EVE
Bring a friend to our
Drama & Dance
Evangelistic Meeting
Date: 24-12-08
Venue: Chapel
Time: 7.30pm - 9.30pm
Join us for a cocktail drink &
some snacks from 7.00pm.

**Rehearsal is on from
2.00pm to 4.00pm**



Message from Pastor David Kerk

What, then, Is Church of Sengkang?

It is now 10.15pm, Singapore time, December 6, 2008. In seven hours' time I will be off to Melbourne. Time flew by so quickly, with a twinkling in the eyes, Alethea Kerk will be back serving together with our fellow brethren in the music ministry.

I will like to continue with where I left on 23/11/08. But I chose to respond what the Spirit has been speaking to us during the last 3 Sundays over *His preached Word*. In this message, I will like to continue where I left on message on 23/11/08. Each time I reflect what the Church of Christ is like, especially Church of Sengkang; I remember a very common bumper sticker says "*Christians aren't perfect - just forgiven.*"

(1) ONLY ONE RIGHT - Child of God

Down through church history, it has been often very consoling to know the true church is made up of people who have come to faith in Jesus Christ - those who are "believers" - John 1:12 says "*as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His Name.*" I am very grateful to God from this privilege to be given this **RIGHT** to become a child of God. A **TRUE BELIEVER** of Christ is marked by what he/she believes about himself/herself and Our Lord Jesus as his/her Personal Savior.

This truth has molded and kept me humbled. If there is one thing I tell myself, it is this truth "*dwelt in me there is nothing good except Sinner Saved by His Amazing Grace with Unconditional Love for me.*"

(2) ONLY ONE ATTITUDE - Rescued by God

We must continually remember that none of us have arrived. All of us are "on the road" healthy or unhealthy, and with more or less of a desire to experience the difference that the Holy Spirit wants to make our lives more like our Lord Jesus.

We have found forgiveness and a glorious hope in our Lord. At our best, we at Church of Sengkang are not super spiritual. We certainly are not super-deserving. We are simply **RESCUED** by our **LOVING SAVIOR**. When we are spiritually healthy, we need to display the **ATTITUDE** that apostle Paul's reminder to the church in Colosse - *Giving Thanks to the Father who has qualified us to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light. He has delivered us from the Power of Darkness and conveyed us into the Kingdom of the Son of His LOVE, in whom*

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we have Redemption through His blood, the Forgiveness of sins.
Read Colossians 1:12-14.

(3) ONE is ONLY GOOD in - Righteousness of God

It's inevitable that we may find bad experiences with the brethren a difficult obstacle to get over. We may also wonder whether we've been too bad to be forgiven. But none of us can afford to let the personal failure of others or ourselves ruin our future. Our Lord does not make offers on what others have or haven't done, but on what Christ Himself has done for us. Here again, **we (Church of Sengkang) are ONLY GOOD in the RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD**. Apostle Paul explained what Jesus did for us in these words: *GOD made HIM who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might BECOME the Righteousness of God in Him.* Read 2 Corinthians 5:21.

We ask ourselves therefore: What, then, Is Church of Sengkang? I can't say of any other believers in Christ. But my desire is pleading for our Lord to **discern the RIGHT** we ought to have **in serving HIM** in church of Sengkang. With this privilege of the **Only RIGHT of Being a Child of God**, we'll have **ONE ATTITUDE** of our simplicity in Christ. Now that we acknowledge God has **RESCUED**, it will keep us constantly Humble before God and our brethren. Finally, beloved we are **ONLY GOOD** through the Righteousness of God. On this understanding, let me refer to apostle John's words in John 15:16 "*You did not choose ME, but I (Christ) chose you, and appointed you...*". You are welcome to **SERVE** our Lord in Church of Sengkang. We don't need any record to **SERVE HIM**. There is no record that His disciples received any formal ordination to **SERVE HIM**. In short, **Church of Sengkang is a called to SERVE. We thank God for the 84% of our congregation is serving our Lord.** It's 5mins to midnight, Good nite my beloved. Do covet me with your daily prayers before our Lord.

Called to SERVE,

Pastor David Kerk

OUR COLLECTIONS

2 Corinthians 9:6: "*Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously.*"

October 08' Collections	: \$32,050.40
Last week's up to 7 th Dec 08	: \$ 5,151.00
Church Building Fund	: \$27,080.00

If you are making out a cheque, kindly mark
"Church of Sengkang Ltd".

Today's Sermon

Speaker: Sis Chionh Ma Ma

Title of Message: **Noah and his three sons – Shem, Ham and Japheth.**

Scripture Text : **Genesis 9, 10**

Main Points:

1. 1:1
1:2
1:3
2. 2:1
2:2
2:3
3. 3:1
3:2
3:3
4. 3:1
3:2
3:3

Reflection on this message:

The percentage is a generalization of what we retain.
Understanding and Remembering are better when we make notes.