

heed our Lord's warning in Luke 9:62 "No one, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God."

When we lose our calling, we lose becoming what God has planned us to be. That is why it is so important to know what God has called us to be.

Do you lose your calling when you lose your job? Do you lose your identity? Do you lose your sense of well-being? No. Calling involves different stages and experiences in life. Disruptions in our lives can be God's way of redirecting our path. It can be an important training ground for God to fulfill all aspects of His calling on our life. Trust in your God who says your calling is irrevocable and that all things come from Him.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE WELCOME all guests who have come to worship with us **this morning**. If this is your first visit, please fill in the Visitor Form so that we can keep in touch with you.

*We wish everyone a **BLESSED AND GLORIOUS NEW YEAR 2010**. May the Lord make His face to shine upon you and all your loved ones and may your year be filled with Joy and Peace.*

Worship Seminar 8 to 10 January 2010

Please register with Joyce by today.

PREPARING FOR THE NEW YEAR

What do we have in store for the new year 2010?

After much prayer and waiting on the Lord, we have proposed to work on the theme: "Equip God's people for the ministry".

In January, our sub-theme will be "**Equipped to Serve - Rediscovering our Purpose**". The weekly Sunday topics will be as follows:

- Jan 3 - **Jesus our Model for Service**
- Jan 10 - **Rediscovering our Purpose 1**
- Jan 17 - **Rediscovering our Purpose 2**
- Jan 24 - **The Preparation and the Right Attitude to Serve**
- Jan 31 - **Open - Evangelistic Meeting**

We have also invited various teachers and lecturers to help train us to be equipped for the ministry.



PLEASE REMEMBER TO TURN OFF YOUR MOBILE PHONES. THANK YOU

ADULT BIBLE CLASSES - 9.15AM-10.30AM.

We have invited Dr. Suraja Raman to do a seminar on "**The Gift of Teaching**" in 2010. The syllabus is as follows:
 "The Ministry of Teaching in Today's World"
 "The Teaching Learning Dynamics"
 "Creative Bible Teaching"
 "Issues of a Christian Nature"
 "Facing Challenges in the World."

These classes are open to all members, especially for those who wish to serve in the teaching ministry. Learn to teach the Word of God properly and creatively.

***Please register for these classes and commit yourselves to finishing the whole course.*

WATER BAPTISM

We will be conducting Baptism Classes for those seeking Water Baptism. Those who wish to be baptised should see Sister Chiew Eng or Brother Melvin. Children above seven years may also be baptised but must seek parental consent.

BODY LIFE

In the busyness of life, the church needs to be called back to **relationship**. We need to experience anew the "**one-another**" commands of Scripture. We need to get back to the basic purposes God established for His church, the Body of Christ.

Let us consider the importance of:

1. Church Unity

Are you tired of all the petty conflicts and church splits? Only when we learn to submit to one another and truly care for one another will we see unity in the church. Everybody cannot be doing what is right in their own eyes and looking out for their own needs when they are part of a team.

2. Church Growth

Body life produces a healthy environment in which people want to do their part, **using their spiritual gifts**. Ephesians 4:16 says that it is when everyone does their part that the church grows.

3. Church Attendance

When the Christian church functions as a body, people gain a sense of community or belonging. This generates a commitment. People actually begin to **WANT TO** go to church. The church is no longer about programs but about people.

PRAYER PAGE



1. Pray for Pastor Neville as he bring us this morning's first message of the year 2010. Pray that we will respond to the word of God, that we may be open to let the Holy Spirit minister to us.
2. Pray for our **Worship this morning**. Pray for those that will lead us in worship, for the **audio/visual support group**, and for the **ushers and greeters too**.
3. **Tan Tai Zen**, a member of the J.B. Church of God who is now working in Singapore, wants to give thanks to God for healing him of a dangerous viral infection. The doctors treating him informed him that there is no known medical treatment for it but his own natural body's immune system. He was having high fever for more than two weeks. Last Monday Tai Zen text us this message: "Thank you for praying for me. Thank God that my temperature remains at 36.7C since this morning. I am in the recovering state. **GOD HAS HEALED ME!**"
4. We have not received any news from **Susan Hardman or Cheryl Barton** but let us continue to keep them in our prayers.
5. Continue to uphold **Sister Alice** as she continues her chemo session. Pray that the therapy will work. Pray for God's grace and strength to be with her and **Sister Catherine** who is the main caregiver.
6. Continue to remember **Brother Ramesh** who will be going for surgery this month.
7. **We thank God** for the positive response from persons who have been approached to form the new leadership. Please continue to pray for the new pastoral team, that they will continue to walk closely with the Lord Jesus, Who Himself did not come to be served, but to serve. May God anoint each of them with His strength and His help, as He says in Isaiah 41:10: "So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand."

CHURCH OF GOD

Income and Expenditure Report

Month ending: December 2009

	Bldg.Fund	Gen.Fund	Missions	Total
Income	\$5,656.54	12,400.89	2,912.72	20,970.15
Expenditure		<u>-22,527.72</u>	<u>1,808.27</u>	<u>24,335.99</u>
Income/Exp	<u>\$5,656.54</u>	<u>\$(10,126.83)</u>	<u>\$1,104.45</u>	<u>\$(3,365.84)</u>