

SU/FES
PRAISE & PRAYER LETTER
January-February 2013

FOCUSSING ON SCRIPTURE UNION

January

1. “Blessed New Year!” **Lue Jun Yi** and a group of students are presently in Jakarta for Scripture Union East & West Asia International Students’ Camp (ISC). Pray for the students to have a meaningful time of learning and interacting with youth from other countries in the camp. More importantly, pray for the students to experience God in their lives through this camp.

2. Please pray for **Daniel Koo** and **Lue Jun Yi** as they work together to produce a SCF training module.

3. **Collene Lee** thanks God for the year ahead, a year she believes will be exciting as she looks forward to serving in church and in SU! Please pray for her as she prepares to serve in the various ministries she’s involved in.

4. **Lue Jun Yi** and a group of ISC students return from Jakarta today. Pray for this group of students to apply what they have learned from the camp. May this camp challenge them to think of getting involved in mission and fulltime ministry in the future.

5. **Lue Jun Yi** will take some time off after a packed November and December 2012. Pray for good rest and that he will be recharged as he looks forward to the year 2013.

6. **Esther Lee:** “I want to give our Lord all the honor and praise for being a faithful and good God throughout the year 2012. As I step in to year 2013, may the Lord continue to grant me the strength and passion to serve Him. Please pray that God would use me to be salt and light for Him and brave enough to share the gospel with unsaved ones.”

7. The Myanmar Community School in Subang Jaya will start the new term. **Elaine Liew** will be teaching Mathematics for Grade 3 students. Please pray for wisdom and enablement to teach as well as help the students.
8. **Richard** is planning to visit churches to promote SU Bible-Reading materials. Please pray that churches in the south will open their doors for him to promote Bible-reading. He will also offer the Bible-Reading Seminar to the churches. Pray for good response from the churches.
9. **Richard** is revising some of the Bible-Reading Seminar materials for this year. Pray for wisdom to understand the needs of Christians today as he revises the contents of the seminar.
10. **Jason Lai:** "Praise God for His goodness and faithfulness. I have been serving in Scripture Union for 3 years. Continue to keep me in prayer as I serve in Scripture Union in 2013."
11. **Lue Jun Yi** will be traveling to Cameron Highlands today. He is helping out with the Residential Bible School (RBS) organized by the Inter-Brethren Assemblies Youth Development as a mission team supervisor. Pray for protection from the Lord as he travels over the weekend to attend the mission team briefing with the students.
12. Please pray for **Bryan Lim** as he takes on additional job responsibilities in SU this year.
- 13.** Praise God that the **translators of the Bible Knowledge Postal Bible Quiz** for the Chinese, Malay and Iban languages have completed and handed in their translations. Please pray that the translator for the Tamil language will complete the translation by the end of the month.
14. **Chris Cheah:** "I want to thank God for his grace upholding me in year 2012. There were many things to look into. It was like tending many cooking pots with all of them not done yet and needing attention. Some pots had just started, others were further along the way but all not yet completed. This year I pray for a greater reliance on God's enabling for my work, a greater focus on the right things, and a deeper experience of the Spirit and the Word."

15. After a three-month break, we are having our **first staff meeting of the New Year** today. Pray for a renewed mind, body and spirit to implement the plans and projects each ministry department has set out. Pray too for a greater bonding as fellow workers in the ministry of Scripture Union.

16. **Daniel Koo:** “This January will be the last month I serve in SU as Field staff. Thank God for these wonderful years ministering to people of various ages through SU ministries, and my growth in many areas of life. I also like to thank you for all your consistent prayers and support for SU. Pray for me as I move on to church work later in Ipoh and continue to partner with SU in ministries. May the Lord bless you all! ”

17. **Edwin Khoo:** “Praise God for His comforting Words "My grace is sufficient for you" upon me daily. May He refresh my desire and focus in SU ministry.”

18. Please pray for the staff of the **Youth Ministry Department** as they begin their visits and minister to SCFs with the commencement of the new school year. Remember especially the SCFs that are currently unofficial and applying to make their SCFs official in their respective schools.

19. Please pray for **Collene Lee** as she finalizes the draft guidelines on short-term internship with SU. Do pray that the Lord will bring to SU people who may be keen to be interns, and be exposed to the nature and work of full-time ministry.”

20. Please pray that God will guide the **Bible Knowledge Postal Bible Quiz team** as they meet early this month to pick the questions for this year’s quiz.

21. We continue to ask the Lord to **provide the right persons**, in His time, for the various positions in the Children, Youth, Camping and Bible Reading ministries. Pray that God’s call may be heeded and His children will respond to serve His mission.

22. Please pray for **Elsie** as she works together with the artist to illustrate the revised version of Bible Bytes 5

23. Plans are now underway for a **Children's Ministry Leadership Institute** that would fill the advanced training needs of a number of global children's movement. Please pray for the people involved as they work together on sharing the vision and choosing the directions that would bring this to a reality.
24. **SU South Korea:** "Pray for the children and youth camps in Jan/Feb. 2013. There will be about 10 camps nationwide. We wish all the attendees to learn to read their Bible and accept Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior personally."
25. **Edwin Khoo:** "Pray for good health, strength and good time management as I juggle my role in my family, work and church."
26. The youth group at **Collene Lee's** church will be going on class retreats this weekend. Do pray for a blessed time of learning and fellowship.
27. Please pray for **SU and the MCSC (Malayan Christian Schools' Council)** as they work together on matters concerning the SPM Bible Knowledge paper.
28. **Chai Siew Meng** thanks the Lord for this new year and the challenges ahead. Please pray for him for strength and guidance as he continues to serve in Scripture Union.
29. We thank God for the unity of the **admin team** consisting of Chia Pek Heong, Esther Lee and Chai Siew Meng. Please continue to pray for wisdom and joy as they carry out their respective duties.
30. **Chris Cheah:** "Without God's enabling and power **our programs** cannot have the impact and deeper ministry in the hearts of the people we serve. Pray that we learn to rely on His Spirit's leading and wisdom."
31. **Lue Jun Yi** will be supervising a group of students from RBS for their mission week to Melaka today. Pray for safety as they travel and a meaningful time of serving the local church together.

February

1. Please pray for safe journey for people traveling during the **Chinese New Year** holidays. Pray too that we eat healthy and stay healthy and have a good time of fellowship with family members and friends.
2. **SU Vietnam:** "Please pray for the preparation of Spring training that will take place in the middle of February."
3. The ladies' ministry at the church where **Collene Lee** worships, will be having a special event to celebrate Chinese New Year. Non-Christian friends will be invited. Do pray that they'll have an encounter with the Lord Jesus in the midst of the fun and fellowship.
4. **Lue Jun Yi's** involvement with the RBS mission team ends today. Thank God for the opportunity to serve the local church in Melaka.
5. **Council meeting.** Pray for the Council members as they give their time and attention to the mission of SUPM. May the Lord sustain them in their own work and ministry in their local church. Pray for God's wisdom and guidance in their roles in the Council.
6. Please uphold **Chai Siew Meng** in prayer as he juggles between work and family life. Pray for him and his wife for wisdom as they bring up Hannah.
7. Pray for **Chai Siew Meng's parents** who are having health problems. Please pray for patience as he and his sister take care of them.
8. **Jason Lai** will be traveling back to Ipoh for reunion with his family during the Chinese New Year holidays. Pray for safe journey and a great time of visiting relatives.
9. Please pray for the **Bible Knowledge Postal Bible Quiz Co-ordinators** as they encourage the quiz participants to study the Bible text given to them and monitor their progress.

- 10.** Please pray that God will give **Elsie** creativity, clarity of mind and strength for her eyes as she continues to revise the Bible Bytes series.
11. The deadline to register for the **Bible Knowledge Postal Bible Quiz** is February 28th. Please pray that those who plan to register their centres will do so before the deadline.
12. SU is working with TCF, MCSC and NECF, to encourage **more School Christian Fellowships (SCF)** to be set up. Pray for more teachers, students, parents and churches to take up the challenge to help form and sustain CFs in our schools that there may be a greater Christian presence and witness amongst the students.
13. Please pray that God will provide a stay-in campsite manager to lead the **SUFES campsite** operations and to reach out to the Orang Asli staff.
14. Please pray that more **advisors of CFs in schools and youth leaders of YFs** in Churches will register their centres to participate in the Bible Knowledge Postal Bible Quiz.
15. **Elaine Liew** will travel to Singapore to spend time with her sister and her family during the Chinese New Year season and return on 18 Feb. Please pray for safe journey and a good time of sharing with family members.
16. **Elsie** takes public transport (train and bus) to work and back. Please pray that the 'Lord will guard her going out and her coming in'.
- 17. Esther Lee:** "Please pray for regular subscribers of our **imported Bible Reading Notes** that their love and passion for the Lord will continue to grow as they read His words. Pray too for those who have yet to renew their subscription that they will remember to send in their forms."
18. **SU South Korea:** "We expect about 200 people to register for the annual Bible Reading training program. Please pray that God's grace will be upon the staff in the preparation and effective running of the program."

19. **Richard and his wife Yoke May** are looking forward to the visit of their son Simon and wife Susanna from Australia. Simon is on 2-weeks leave. Pray that the family will have a meaningful reunion together. This is Susanna's first visit to Malaysia.

20. **Chris Cheah:** "Thank God for the individuals and churches that uphold our ministry by their prayers and contributions. Their support and partnership allows SU to serve the children, youths and churches. Pray that the Lord will bless them in His grace and goodness."

21. Many Christian teachers are now at the point of retiring from teaching. Please pray that Christian young people whom God is calling into the **teaching profession** will heed His call and choose to be trained as teachers.

22. Please pray that God will work in the mind and hearts of young readers of the **Vineyard Magazine** that they may know Him and love Him more.

23. **Elaine Liew** will be helping out with the Chinese New Year outreach program with her church's Street Ministry Team. Please pray for the team as they share and serve the people and that there will be good response to the seeds sown. Pray for changed lives and hope for those who are hopeless.

24. **Lue Jun Yi:** "Today is Full Time Worker's Day in my church, the Shah Alam Gospel Centre. Thank God for His faithfulness for the past three years I've been involved in Scripture Union's ministry. Pray for me that I will continue to seek His will and as He leads me, I will heed His call. God is good!"

25. Please pray for God's protection and providence for **Jimmy Wang and family** as Jimmy is recovering from an illness.

26. **Edwin Khoo:** "Praise God that I am able to share the joy of witnessing my grandpa's baptism at Hospital Kampar."

27. **Chris Cheah:** “Thank God for the many volunteers who help us in our camps and activities, without whom we would not be able to run these programs. Pray that their experience will be part of their own equipping to serve the Lord, and that they will continue to help. Pray too for more volunteers to take up our call to be part of SU’s ministry.”

28. Let’s pray for the salvation of the people in **Timor Leste**, that someday the Lord would open the way for SU ministry there. Praise the Lord that in Brunei, the opportunity of ministry is gradually opening up.