

# SU/FES

## PRAISE & PRAYER LETTER *January-February 2014*

### FOCUSSING ON SCRIPTURE UNION

#### January

1. At the start of a new year, please pray for God's leading and guidance for all the **school Christian Fellowship (SCF)** groups as they minister to their SCF members and be a testimony in their respective schools.
2. **Scripture Union Students On Mission (SUSOM)** starts today! Please pray that the SUSOMites will be prepared to learn and experience God through their involvement in full-time ministries and missions.
3. The **SUSOMites** are currently spending 13 days (3rd-15th Jan) **in Ipoh**. They will go through various missions-related sessions and be involved in a number of ministries (Myanmar work, Sports ministry and church deputations). Pray for a meaningful time of giving and receiving and that God will continue to stretch and lead them as they avail themselves.
4. **Richard** plans to contact the school CF advisers in Melaka to arrange for the SU Youth workers to visit the school CFs. Pray that the CFs will be able to set up a time for the SU staff to share in their meetings.
5. Our undated Bible Reading Notes, 'Asian Reflections' is going online under YouVersion from January 2014 under the title 'Bible Reflections From Scripture Union'. Please pray for **Elsie** as she edits the notes to make it suitable for the wider Christian community.
6. **Chris Cheah:** "Pray for our first Council Meeting of the year, for all the members who have given their time and energy to provide the counsel and support to the staff team in our work. Remember Koh Earn Soo as he chairs

the Council. May each one be blessed richly in their lives and other ministries they are involved in.”

7. **Chris Cheah:** “Thank God for the Christmas and New Year break I had with Rosalind. It was a good time away from work and being refreshed for the New Year. I continue to look to God for His grace and strength for the tasks ahead, learning to rest in His presence and action in our midst, and to focus on the important matters in our ministry.”
8. A number of Quiz coordinators have not sent in their registration forms for their centres. Uphold **Siew Meng** in prayer as he emails/phones them to submit their forms.
9. Please pray for **Elaine Liew** and **Collene Lee** as they explore opportunities to visit SCFs in Malacca to share with them the ministry of SU.
10. **Richard** is planning to visit pastors and church leaders in the south. He hopes he will be invited to churches to speak and share about SU ministries. Pray that the churches will be receptive to the ministries.
11. **Jennifer:** “Three children’s camp planning are on-going in March, April and May. Please pray for creativity and relevance as the camp teachers plan their lessons. We also ask the Lord to send like-minded people who love children to volunteer as camp officers.”
12. **Lue Jun Yi** is speaking at the Kledang Community Chapel today. Pray for God’s anointing as he speaks forth God’s word.
13. **Chris Cheah:** “This is our first meeting together with the whole staff team – both administration and ministry staff. Pray for a good time of fellowship and encouraging one another to work together for the Lord, in the mission He has given to Scripture Union.”

14. **Chai Siew Meng** thanks the Lord for this new year and the challenges ahead. Pray for him for strength and guidance as he continues to serve in Scripture Union.
  
15. **Jennifer Chew, Jason Lai and the SUSOMites** are leaving for Yangon, Myanmar today as part of the SUSOM program. They will be there for one week (15th-21st Jan). Pray for God's protection to be with them as they minister to the people in Yangon.
  
16. **Peh Lan:** "Pray for wisdom for the CF committees in the schools I visit as they plan their programmes."
  
17. **Tinna Monica:** "This is my fourth month serving in SU and I praise God for the opportunity. As a new staff, the training I have been receiving is helpful and beneficial. I do look forward to the journey ahead of me in SU. Thank you for praying with me. Have a Blessed New Year everyone! Psalm 20:4 May he give you the desire of your heart and make all your plans succeed."
  
18. **Edwin Khoo:** "Pray for a new ministry staff in **Ipoh office** who is able to minister in Chinese as we are expanding SU work in smaller towns."
  
19. **Chris Cheah:** "Pray that the Lord will bring into our midst the right staff and key volunteers that we need in our ministries. There is much work to be done and much more can be done with the right personnel. Ask the Lord to provide the key people that we need."
  
20. **SU/FES Committee Meeting:** Pray for the representative members from SU and FES as they meet together to consider issues and matters which concern both organizations. Thank the Lord that they are willing to give of their time and take on additional responsibilities.
  
21. The **SUSOMites** are **back in Malaysia** today. Thank God for His protection throughout their stay in Yangon. Pray that the experience they gained from this short mission exposure will challenge and inspire them to be mission minded in the future.

22. Pray for **Chai Siew Meng's daughter** who is attending primary one in a chinese school. Pray that she will be able to cope with the subjects, lessons and homework that is taught and given in the school.
23. Please pray for **Elsie** as she works on the questions for the National Bible Knowledge Postal Bible Quiz in English.
24. **Elaine Liew** will continue to teach Maths to Std 4 students at the Myanmar Community School in Subang Jaya this year. Please pray for wisdom and enablement.
25. Today is the **end of the SUSOM program**. Thank God for the three weeks plus of ministry and learning together. Pray for the SUSOMites as they continue their journey with God and that they will follow closely after Him and obey His direction.
- 26. Joanne Liaw:** "This is regarding the shplot owned by SU which we are trying to rent out. We are advertising this in the Asian Beacon Magazine's Dec'13/ Jan'14 issue. Please pray that people will be seriously interested to rent our shplot."
27. **Lue Jun Yi** will be taking a short break after busy periods in November, December and January. Pray that he will be able to get sufficient rest and be recharged.
28. Praise God for His grace and mercy upon **Jason Lai** during his time with SU the past 4 years. Although he is moving on and will return to Ipoh, he will still be helping SU when needed. Please pray that God will continue to guide him in this new phase of his life.
29. Please continue to pray for **Jimmy Wang** as he continues his battle with cancer.

30. **Jimmy Wang** is having double vision and headache most probably caused by tumours in the brain. Please pray that God will use the alternative treatment that Jimmy is having now to shrink the tumours.
31. **SU Singapore:** “Pray for participants to register for our revised Certificate in Practical Children’s Ministry (CPCM) and new Certificate in Practical Youth Ministry (CPYM) programs to be launched in February.”

### February

1. **Lue Jun Yi:** “February is perhaps the freest month of the year for me. Pray for me that I will be able to spend the time wisely to look into the ministries of SU and how we can improve and continue to serve God’s Church in Malaysia. Also, pray that I will be disciplined to complete some of the assignments that have been backlogged for some time.”
2. **Edwin Khoo:** “Pray for good teamwork and high morale for all our staff as they serve in the ministry with a long term perspective for the Lord.”
3. Please pray that **Jimmy Wang and family** will keep on trusting in the Lord Jesus despite the advanced stage of the cancer that is afflicting Jimmy. Pray too for Jimmy’s wife, Phaik Leng, that God will strengthen her body, mind and spirit so that she can continue to care for the children and for him.
4. Please pray for **Elsie** as she liaises with the translators of the National Bible Knowledge Postal Bible Quiz questions to get the questions ready for the quiz.
5. February 28<sup>th</sup> is the closing date for the submission of forms to participate in the **National Bible Knowledge Postal Bible Quiz**. Please pray that all participating centres will submit their forms before this date.
6. **Bryan Lim:** “Please pray for safe journey for all who are travelling during the Chinese New Year period. Pray too for a meaningful reunion time with my family members and friends.”

7. **Elaine Liew** will travel to Singapore (7th-9th) to spend Chinese New Year with family members. Pray for safe travelling and meaningful time with family members.
8. **SU Taiwan:** “The General Secretary, Pastor Paul Liao, has been suffering knee pain for quite sometime now. Please pray that God will heal and empower him so that he can continue to be used by God.”
9. The ladies ministry at the church where **Collene Lee** worships will be having their Chinese New Year outreach meeting this afternoon. Do pray for a meaningful time of fellowship as bonds of friendship are strengthened.
10. **Edwin Khoo:** “Pray for the renovation and upgrading work at **SUFES campsite** to be completed on time so that we can offer better service to the Christian community.”
11. **Christian Fellowships in Schools:** Pray for the SCF seminars we are trying to arrange in other parts of the country to bring the message of the importance and impact of the SCF in the school and students’ lives to the wider Christian community, church leaders, parents, teachers and students. Pray that the Christian community in different areas will take up this challenge and opportunity to be salt and light in our schools.
12. Pray for **Bryan Lim** as he continues to prepare various SU Bible Reading materials to be submitted to YouVersion.com.
13. **Vineyard Magazine:** Please continue to pray for the editor and artists as they give of their time and creativity for the benefit of the subscribers.
14. **Bryan Lim:** “I thank God that I’m welcome to setup book-table anytime at the Kepong Evangelical Free Church.”

15. **Lue Jun Yi** is in Cameron Highlands today for the Residential Bible School (RBS) Mission Team Supervisors Meeting with the students. He is helping out as team supervisor leading a group of students for ministry in a town in Malaysia in the first week of March. Pray for safe journey.
  
16. **Lue Jun Yi**: “Today my church, Shah Alam Gospel Centre, celebrates Full-Time Workers’ Day. I thank God for His faithfulness in providing and leading me throughout my 5 ½ years in full time ministry. Pray together with me that I will continue to walk faithfully and closely with Him and not lose sight of Him as I minister.”
  
17. **Joanne Liaw**: “Pray for more people to become regular and generous financial supporters of SU/FES.”
  
18. Please pray for **Peh Lan** as she monitors the keeping of spiritual disciplines especially the Quiet Time of CF and YF members.
  
19. Pray for the Chinese New Year outreach for the Street Ministry where **Elaine Liew** is helping out that the Gospel shared will be fruitful in bringing many into God’s kingdom.
  
20. **Tinna Monica** is excited yet anxious about what is ahead as it will be her first time co-organising the SUPA children's camp in May. Please pray that she will be able to cope with the preparations and be sensitive to God's call.
  
21. **Peh Lan**: “Many NSCFL campers from Alor Setar were touched by the Lord during the camp. They are going to practise what they learned during the camp in their respective YF's and CF's when school reopens.”
  
22. **Chris Cheah**: “The Klang Mar Thoma Church has asked SU to take a series of topics on “Christian Living in Contemporary Society”. Pray for me as I prepare for these sessions, working together with others from the church, and for the opportunity to share our Bible reading program with them.

23. **SU Japan:** “Please pray for the salvation of the prime minister, Mr. Shinzo Abe, and that he will not go to the Yasukuni Shrine to worship the souls of soldiers who died in (WW2 and) have been enshrined as gods. Mr. Abe wants to create a secrecy act which will not auger well for the Christians in Japan.”
  
24. **Peh Lan:** “Pray that the ‘fire’ the NSCFL campers caught at camp will be sustained and spread to others.”
  
25. Our undated **Bible Reading Notes for teenagers, ‘Bible Bytes’** is going online as a Bible App under YouVersion. Please pray for Elsie as she edits the notes to make it suitable to be online and for the wider Christian community.
  
26. **SUPA (BM) camp (24th-26th Mar)** is a children’s camp coordinated by **Jennifer** with a few BM churches in Sitiawan, Perak. As the volunteers and SU staff meet for the final planning, please pray for sufficient funds to meet the expenses.
  
27. **SU Philippines:** “We praise the Lord that we were able to meet deadlines and release early our Bible reading guide ‘Light To My Path’ and the Tagalog devotional guide for 2014.”
  
28. 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 their daughter.