

SU/FES

PRAISE & PRAYER LETTER *July-August 2013*

FOCUSSING ON SCRIPTURE UNION

July

1. **Richard** will be attending the SU Bible - Reading Ministry task force meeting tomorrow. Pray that the Lord will give him wisdom and insight to know how to encourage more Christians to use SU Bible-reading guides daily.
2. Thank God for the setting up of a **Bible Reading Taskforce** in May to examine effective ways to promote Bible reading. The Taskforce will be meeting again today. Please pray for the Taskforce members as they deliberate, as well as **Bryan Lim** and **Collene Lee** as they assist and follow up on work that needs to be done.
3. Pray for **Jason Lai's sister** as she will be starting her practical training with the KWSP/ EPF office in Kota Kinabalu, Sabah for 3 months as part of her university course.
4. Please uphold in prayer all the regional coordinators of **Part I of the Bible Knowledge Oral Quiz** as they finalise their preparations to run the quiz on the 3rd. Pray that all students taking the Bible Knowledge paper will diligently study the text in Luke and Acts and participate in the quiz.
5. **Lue Jun Yi** will be involved in an evangelistic sports tournament with his church tomorrow. Pray for safety and for people to come to know The Lord through this event.
6. **Part I of the Oral Quiz** is being held today in the following centres in the different regions: Ipoh, Mentakab, Kuala Lumpur, Petaling Jaya, Seremban, Melaka, Kluang, Miri and Labuan. Please pray for the smooth running of the quiz and tabulation of the results.

7. Praise God that the Ministry of Education has given recognition for the 17th National Oral quiz that is being run this year. Please pray that the MOE will be agreeable to recognise both the oral and postal quizzes for all future years.
8. Please pray for **Siew Meng** and **Elsie** as they work together to analyse the results of the 2013 14th National Postal Bible Quiz.
9. **Lue Jun Yi** seeks prayer as he follows up with the non-Christians who attended the sports tournament which his church was involved in last Saturday. Pray for the building of a meaningful relationship with one another and ultimately opportunities to share Christ.
10. Please pray for the salvation of the people of **Timor Leste** and that the Lord will open the way for SU to minister there.
11. **SU Kyrgyzstan:** "Please pray that the Lord will provide volunteers and donors for us to develop the ministry of SU Kyrgyzstan."
12. **Collene Lee** and **Elaine Liew** give thanks to God for a blessed time of sharing at the Wesley Methodist School CF two weeks ago.
13. Please uphold **Bryan** and **Elsie** in prayer as they work on picking the Rosie Cheah award winners and getting their prizes ready.
14. **SU Camps Review and Planning (15 July):** A small group of staff and Council members will meet to discuss the ministry of SU through its camps, looking at existing camp programs we have and the development of new ones. Pray for a fruitful time together and a clear direction forward.
15. **SU Council Meeting (15 July):** Pray for the members of the Council as they meet to consider the matters before them, for wisdom and understanding in addressing the needs of the organization. Please also pray for the financial support as the Council looks into this area of concern.

16. **SU Staff Meeting (16 July):** After a break in June, the Staff team meets again to prepare for the programs for the rest of the year and also to begin thinking for the coming year. Pray for the Lord's sustaining grace and strength for the next half of the year.
17. **Lue Jun Yi** will be sharing in a SCF in Shah Alam on 18 July and 1 August. Pray for him as he prepares his message that he will be able to connect with the students. The CF consists mainly of non-Christians, pray for their hearts to be open to the gospel.
18. **Edwin Khoo:** "Please pray that our newly appointed supervisor, John, will have good working relationship with the campsite staff."
19. **SU Myanmar:** "Please pray for Rev. Dorothy Colney who is suffering from lower back pain."
20. **SU Kyrgyzstan:** "Please pray that the number of readers for our journal "Daily Bread" will increase."
21. Please pray that **SU's Bible Reading Notes** will be meaningful and will encourage readers to read God's Word daily Pray also for more subscribers/readers and a wider distribution of these Bible Reading Notes.
22. Please pray for **Chai Siew Meng** for wisdom and guidance as he continue to serve the Lord in Scripture Union.
23. **SU Korea** has organized a new ministry team for their next generation movement. This team will develop new ministries for children and youth in the coming years. Please pray that they will be an effective and creative ministry team.
24. **Lue Jun Yi and Jennifer Chew** will be attending a leadership conference in Singapore from 25-27 July. They start traveling today. Pray for protection and a good time of learning from the conference.

25. Please pray that the **Vineyard Magazine** will continue to have a positive influence on the minds of its young readers.
26. **SU Myanmar**: “Please pray for the ongoing companionship between SU Myanmar and SU Singapore which is being led by Dr. Lim Teck Boon (new director of SU Singapore).
27. **Edwin Khoo**: “Please pray for God's protection for all campsite staff and campers during the coming camps.”
28. Please pray for God's protection and anointing for **SU Sarawak Staff** as they travel and minister to students throughout Sarawak.
29. **SU Taiwan**: “We give thanks to the Lord as SU Taiwan continues to encourage peoples' faith and relationship with God through His Word.”
30. The **d'NA committee** meets today as they continue their planning for the camp. Pray for wisdom and guidance as they plan the programs. d'NA is a discipleship camp jointly organized by SU and FES, to nurture a young generation of leaders and critical thinkers. Pray too for the team from SU and FES as they continue to prepare for this year end camp in December. Thank God that they have confirmed all of the speakers and facilitators. Pray for the publicity and dissemination of this camp through the brochures and our connections with the churches.
31. **Peh Lan**: “Praise God that the CF in Keat Hwa II has an increase in membership from 8 to 15. Some are non-Christians who are open to the Lord.”

August

1. **Jennifer Chew** will be taking a short break (7-12 Aug), traveling to 2 smaller towns in Sarawak. Pray for a refreshing time; enjoying the coolness and quietness.
2. Please pray for good health, safety and God's protection for **Chai Siew Meng, his wife and their daughter**.
3. The finals of the **17th National SPM BK Oral Quiz** and **BK 13 Quiz** are taking place today at SMJK Catholic High School. The Oral quiz is open to Forms 4 & 5 students while the BK 13 quiz is meant for all students from Forms 1 to Form 6 and school-leavers who are studying in colleges. The Bible text in both quizzes is Luke and Acts. Uphold in prayer the participants, helpers, judges and others and pray for the smooth running of the quiz.
4. **SU Sabah:** "Please pray for the Bible Knowledge Training for teachers teaching Bible Knowledge in schools.
5. **SU Sabah:** "Please pray that the translation of "Kawan Pelangi (BM children's resource) will be always on time."
6. **Lue Jun Yi** will be taking a session on spiritual discipline in the WORDAlive Camp. Pray for wisdom as he prepares on what to share to the campers on the topic. Pray for the students as they learn from the session that they will be able to put them into practice in their daily lives.
7. Please pray for complete healing for camping ministry staff, **Jimmy Wang** in his battle with cancer.
8. **Lue Jun Yi** will be spending time with his church youth for their annual discipleship camp from today until 10th August. Pray for a good time of fellowship and learning from God's Word.

9. Please pray that the **WordAlive Camp (Bible Camp)** to be held in Harvest Haven in August will encourage young people to love God and His Words.
10. **Chris Cheah: "WordAlive Camp (13-16 Aug):** I am taking one or two sessions in this camp with the other staff. Pray for the preparation that it will speak to the youths between 14-17 years old, and that it will instill a desire to know God's Word in greater depth and meaning."
11. Please pray for safety and protection for **Bryan's wife and son** as he helps out in the WordAlive Camp (13-16 Aug).
12. Please uphold **Elsie** in prayer as she continues to revise the Bible Bytes series.
13. **Jason Lai** will be away for the **WORDAlive Camp** in Gopeng, Perak. Pray for him as he spends time with the young people and also as an officer at the camp.
14. Praise the Lord that in **Brunei** the opportunity for ministry is gradually opening up.
15. Please pray that the renovation and upgrading of the **campsite** will be carried out smoothly and completed before Nov school holidays.
16. Please continue to uphold the **SU admin team** who are working behind the scenes to ensure the smooth running of the SU office in Petaling Jaya.
17. Tomorrow, **Collene Lee** will be organizing a special event for the ladies at her church. Pray that through this event, the ladies may be reminded to continue to walk close with God.

- 18.** It's three months before the start of the National School Christian Fellowship Leaders' Camp. The camp forms have been distributed to various schools and churches. Pray for good response as we look to gather 130 student leaders from all over Malaysia.
- 19. Scripture Engagement Training (19-20 Aug):** This joint Staff training program with FES is to look at how we can facilitate greater engagement with Scripture in our ministry, and through the programs we run for children and youths. Pray for understanding of the issues and the contemporary situation/context that we might be able to encourage a desire for Scripture.
- 20.** This morning, **Richard** travels to PJ for the monthly SU staff meeting. Pray for protection as he travels. He will also share at the SUFES prayer meeting tomorrow. Pray that the Lord will inspire him as he encourages the staff through his Word.
- 21.** Please pray for a spiritual awakening to take place in **North Korea**.
- 22. SU Mongolia:** "May the Lord open the way for us to serve more freely in this country."
- 23. Jennifer Chew** will be sharing with the children at the Sunbeam Home today.
- 24. Richard** is helping the Youth Dept to visit the School CFs in Melaka once every 3 months. He will network with other Christian organizations who are also active in school CF work here to complement this ministry. Pray for wisdom and understanding as we work together.
- 25. Lue Jun Yi** will be sharing on evangelism at the Sg. Way Christian Church Youth Fellowship today. Pray for the youth that they will be able to see the importance of evangelism, and to practice the evangelism method learned with their friends.

26. **Peh Lan:** “Election of new committee for 2013-2014 in the CF's. Pray for Spirit-filled leaders to take office.”
27. **Jimmy's son, Joash,** will be sitting for his UPSR this year. Please pray that God will grant him the peace to focus on his studies and do well in all his exam papers.
28. Please pray that the Lord will strengthen **Jimmy, Phaik Leng and the children** physically, mentally, spiritually and emotionally during this trying period of cancer treatment for Jimmy.
29. Please pray for **Bryan** as he continues to serves as lay counselor in his church, the Kepong Grace Church. Pray too that he will have the opportunity to share the gospel with his clients.
30. **SCF Seminar in Penang (14 September):** Pray for the preparations for the SCF seminar in Penang, that everything will run smoothly. As in the seminar we held in March, we want to encourage teachers, students, parents and church leaders to be involved in schools work. Pray that this will be widely publicized through the networks of schools, teachers and churches.
31. **Staff Recruitment:** Continue to pray that the Lord will provide the right staff to come into our ministry in Scripture Union. Pray that our needs can be widely known and those who desire to serve the Lord will see our ministry an important area of mission.