

SU/FES

PRAISE & PRAYER LETTER March-April 2016

FOCUSSING ON SCRIPTURE UNION

March

1. **Marianne Liaw** and **Tolga Cakarci** will be sharing God's Word with the students at **SMK (P) Methodist this morning**. Do pray that the students will be encouraged and built up by God's Word.

Lue Jun Yi is speaking at the **Sunway International School** on the topic "Who is God the Creator?" today. Pray that the message will be clearly presented and that the students will learn to know and love God more.

Jennifer Chew is grateful to SU for her Sabbatical leave of six months (July-Dec 2015). She is thankful for the rest she had. She hopes to maintain what she has picked up during her sabbatical leave - new hobbies such as bird-watching and biking.

2. **Kelly Tan** joins us this month as a **Youth Ministry staff** based in **Penang**. Pray that God will help her to settle into her work as she connects with the school CFs and teacher advisors in both the English and Chinese-speaking school CFs.

Marianne Liaw will be running the **Girls' Brigade** programme at **SK St. Mary's this afternoon**. Do pray that the girls will come to know Jesus better through the programme.

Uphold **Koh Earn Soo** in prayer as he travels to **Athens, Greece (2-5 March)** to join the **SU Global Team** that will meet with the **SU International Executives** and **other teams** to discuss new global developments, broader transition issues and strategies for the years ahead. Pray that God will grant them wisdom and direction.

3. The **Youth Ministry Team** will be teaching at the **UCSI International School's Christian Fellowship (CF) this afternoon**. Pray for the spiritual growth of the students in this CF.

Lee Peh Lan: "Praise God for the successful outreach during the recent Christmas Celebration by the youths of various churches. Pray that proper follow-up will be carried out."

4. **Marianne Liaw** will be speaking at **SMK St. Mary's CF this afternoon** on the topic "Run for God". Pray that the students will be encouraged to be faithful and persevere in the race which God has set for them.

Jennifer Chew, Sharon Wong and **Howard Ho** will be traveling up to Ipoh to promote Vineyard, a Chinese children's magazine, in a few churches. Please pray that the magazine will be well received and be used as a tool to reach out to children who are either pre-believers or new believers.

5. Pray that God will grant wisdom and direction to SU and TCF in attracting young people to choose teaching as a vocation and be active in CF movements in schools.

Marianne Liaw and **her husband, Daniel**, will be taking a 5-day holiday in Damai Laut and Cameron Highlands. Please pray that they will have a good time of enjoyment and much-needed rest.

6. **Richard Chen** will be preaching at the **Melaka Presbyterian English Church this morning**. He will be speaking on "Fixing our eyes on Jesus". He will be focusing on studying the Word of God diligently. Pray that the Lord will be with him as he edifies the congregation.
7. **Lue Jun Yi** (English Session) and **Lee Peh Lan** (Chinese Session) will be speaking at the **SU Kedah Camp** that will be held from **14-17 March** at the **SU/FES Campsite**. Pray that God's leading and anointing will be upon them as they prepare their messages and activities based on the theme "Astounding Love, Amazing Grace".

This year, there is a shortage of camp officers to help out at the **SU Kedah Camp**. Please pray that God will touch the hearts of people to join us in serving at this camp.

8. The **Youth and Bible Engagement Ministry Team** is preparing for the upcoming **WORDAlive Camp** to be held from **31 May – 3 June**. Pray that they will be able to plan for programmes and topics that will be beneficial for the campers and encourage them to engage with the Word of God.

Pray that God will open more doors for SU to start up CFs in Chinese government and private schools. May God's wisdom and good interpersonal skills be upon Charis Tan as she contacts Mandarin speaking teachers and students.

9. **Edwin Khoo:** "Pray that the **MBS CF Camp, Penang (14-16 March)** will encourage more students to join CFs and grow deeper in the Lord."
10. Uphold the **Youth Ministry Team** in prayer as they share God's Word with the students at the **UCSI International School's CF this afternoon**.
11. **Lue Jun Yi** is speaking at the **SMK Kota Kemuning CF today**. Pray that he will speak forth God's Word and challenge the students to live a life of obedience to God.

The **Temerloh Youth Camp** runs from **today till the 14th March**. This is the second time SU is partnering with the Temerloh Gospel Chapel to organise an evangelistic youth camp. Pray for **Joel Wong** who will be sharing God's Word, and **Charis Tan** who will be helping out at the camp.

12. **Jennifer Chew** will be leading a team of volunteers to run a **Children's Sports Camp** in **Sitiawan today**. This sports camp is a new initiative that serves as an evangelistic outreach to community children. Volunteers for this camp will serve as coaches to run drills and impart skills to the children through three types of sports. **Emily Dass** will be sharing the Good News to the children.

Tolga Cakarci will be helping out at the **Children's Sports Camp today**. Pray that the children will learn more about God, enjoy the games and inculcate team work.

13. Pray that God will strengthen **Marianne Liaw** and **her husband, Daniel**, as they serve together in training the newly appointed Youth Leaders of the Youth Fellowship at their home church, St. Mary's Cathedral.
14. **Marianne Liaw** will be speaking at a joint CF camp between **SMK Sri Permata** and **SMK Kelana Jaya** from **14-16 March** in Tapah. Please pray that God will grant her strength, energy and faithfulness as she preaches God's Word to the students who attend the camp.

SU Kedah Camp starts **today** and will end on **17 March**. Pray that the students' hearts will be prepared to receive God's Word and they will have a meaningful time of fellowship with one another.

15. The **SU Youth Ministry Team** is covering a combined CF Camp that is held at the Port Dickson Methodist Centre. The camp starts **today** and ends on **18 March**. Pray for God's protection and a meaningful time of learning from God's Word.

SU is thankful for the three interns who have been with the organisation since February. Pray that this internship will be a good experience and help them grow in their ministry and spiritual walk with The Lord.

16. The **Keat Hwa Secondary School CF** is looking out for Christian students to join them. Pray that their efforts will bear much fruit.

Collene Lee is grateful to God for the opportunity to organise a Christian Women's Conference in April, and for those who have registered to attend. Please uphold the team in prayer as they plan for the conference.

17. Uphold the **Youth Ministry Team** in prayer as they share God's Word with the students at the **UCSI International School's CF this afternoon**.

Edwin Khoo: "Uphold Ethel and me in prayer as we work on our finances, job demands and priorities to enable Ethel to reduce her working hours and focus more on our children's needs, our marriage and her quiet time with God."

18. Keep **Chai Siew Meng** in prayer as he coordinates the **17th National Bible Knowledge Postal Quiz 2016**. Pray that the coordinating work with the various centers will run smoothly.

Pray for the ministry of the Anglican Diocesan Youth Council as they seek to reach out to the youths and young adults in the Anglican churches of the Diocese of West Malaysia with God's Word. Keep Marianne Liaw and her husband, Daniel, in prayer as they continue serving as members of this council.

19. Pray that our inaugural **Youth Bible Conference (25 June 2016)** will instill the excitement of reading the Bible in young people today. We are looking to gather 1,000 youths for a study on the Book of Judges. Pray that our publicity will motivate many to come for this conference.

- 20.** Pray that God will grant Charis Tan strength and wisdom as she is in the process of completing the Chinese translation for the SCF Leaders' Guide Handbook.
- 21. Marianne Liaw** will be sharing at **The Seed Resource Centre's Youth Chapel this morning**. Pray that the students will be encouraged and strengthened by God's Word.
- Pray that the students who are participating in the **17th National Bible Knowledge Postal Quiz 2016** will find God's Word meaningful as they read and study it in preparation for the quiz.
- 22.** Uphold the staff team, as they come together for their **monthly staff meeting**, to pray, discuss and plan for the programmes and activities coming up. Keep the whole team in prayer as they work together in support of each other's ministry.
- 23. Bible Engagement - Dive Deep! Immerse in God's Word.** The crucial importance of Scripture in the Christian life cannot be overstated. Pray that SU can be a catalyst to bring the Bible back to its foundational place in a Christian's life.
- 24.** Uphold the **Youth Ministry Team** in prayer as they teach the students from the Gospel of Mark at the **UCSI International School's CF this afternoon**.
- SU Office Staff:** Uphold the office staff – **Chia Pek Heong, Chai Siew Meng, Esther Lee** and **Sharon Wong** - who support the ministry behind the scenes. Praise God for their dedication to SU all these years. Pray for strength, good health and the joy of serving God through SU.
- 25.** Uphold **Marianne Liaw** in prayer as she speaks at the **SMK Seri Bintang Utara CF's Evangelistic Easter Event this afternoon**. Pray that those who come to hear the Good News of Jesus Christ will come to trust in Jesus as Saviour and Lord.
- 26. Marianne Liaw** and her husband, **Daniel**, are truly thankful to God for the privilege of teaching youth confirmation classes for the past 2 months. Pray that the youths who will be confirmed in today's service in their home church will continue to grow in their love and knowledge of Jesus Christ.
- 27.** Uphold **Koh Earn Soo** in prayer as he shares an Easter Evangelistic Message at **Grace Kepong Church today**.

28. **SU AGM and Council Meeting:** Keep the Council Members in prayer as they give their time, attention and experience to the ministry of Scripture Union, and in their other responsibilities in church and the work place. Pray also for suitable new members to join the Council.
29. **Collene Lee and her husband, Kha Loon,** a SU volunteer, will be conducting a **Church Deputation** at **Temerloh Gospel Chapel** on **3 April**. Please pray for Kha Loon as he finalises his preparation to share the Word of God, to encourage Christians there to be more engaged with the Word.
30. **Lue Jun Yi** is speaking at the **Sri Sempurna International School Chapel Service today and tomorrow morning**. Pray that God's Word will be rooted in the hearts of all the students.
31. Pray that the **SU Bible Reading (QT) Notes** will continue to help and encourage people to love and read God's Word daily.

April

1. Uphold **Marianne Liaw** in prayer as she shares God's Word at **SMK (L) Bukit Bintang's CF this afternoon**.
2. **Lue Jun Yi** is overseeing a sports tournament organised by his home church today and next Saturday, 9 April. Pray that God will give them opportunities to connect and share Christ with the non-believers who are attending the event.
- 3.** **Lue Jun Yi** is taking a series of sermons based on the book of Mark from today till the end of April. He is speaking on Mark 2:13-17 today. Pray for God's Word to speak to the hearts of the congregation.
4. Pray that God will grant strength to **Charis Tan** and **Tolga Cakarci** as they juggle between doing SU ministry works and attending a Bible training course, known as "Bible Overview", for 10 weeks. May their hearts be filled with interest and passion for God's Word as they continue to serve God effectively through SU ministry works.
5. Uphold **Marianne Liaw** in prayer as she shares Scripture with the girls at **SMK (P) Methodist Chapel Service this morning**.

6. **Jennifer Chew, Joel Wong, Edwin Khoo, Christopher Cheah and Koh Earn Soo** will be traveling to **Kuala Terengganu** and **Kuantan** from **7-10 April**. They will be visiting and ministering to churches in the East Coast. Pray for God's protection as they travel, and a good time of fellowship and support from friends in these two places.

7. Keep the **Youth Ministry Team** in prayer as they share God's Word at the **UCSI International School's CF this afternoon**.

Continue to pray for good health for **Chai Siew Meng's parents** and for his **family**.

8. Uphold in prayer the ongoing promotion and publicity for the **WORDAlive camp**. Pray that God will grant us a good response from the students, as this camp aims to help students to engage and love the Word of God. We are targeting 40 campers for this camp.

Uphold **Elaine Liew** and **Charis Tan** in prayer as they share God's Word with the **school CFs in Rawang**.

9. **Marianne Liaw** thanks God for the opportunity to share God's Word on a regular basis with the residents of Shal Home, a care home for the mentally-ill in Petaling Jaya. Continue to keep in prayer the ministry team and youths from her home church who serve in this ministry.

10. **Marianne Liaw** and her husband, **Daniel**, will be travelling up to **Ipoh** for the weekend for a **SU church deputation**. Uphold Marianne in prayer as she preaches God's Word and shares on the ministry of SU in 2 churches today – **Bercham Methodist Church** and **Grace Methodist Church**.

Lue Jun Yi is speaking from Mark 10:17-27 in his church today. Pray that the congregation will learn more about who Jesus is and be challenged to follow Him.

11. Pray that God will grant strength, wisdom and creativity to **Charis Tan** as she continues to serve in SU Youth Ministry.

12. Uphold all the staff in prayer as they meet together again. Pray that God's wisdom will be upon them as they discuss on-going programmes and camps, and seek to reach out and build students in their faith in Christ.

13. Keep **Marianne Liaw** in prayer as she teaches God's Word at **SMK Taman Petaling's CF this afternoon.**
14. Uphold the **Youth Ministry Team** in prayer as they share God's Word at the **UCSI International School's CF this afternoon.**
15. Keep **Marianne Liaw** in prayer as she shares God's Word at **SMK Taman Petaling's Christian Education Lesson this morning.**

Today is the last day of internship for the three SU Youth Ministry interns. We thank God for their help in serving God together through SU. Pray that God will continue guiding them in life and that they will continue to seek, follow and serve Him wherever He places them.

16. Marianne Liaw will be traveling down to Seremban today to speak at a GB program in SMK Bukit Mewah. Pray that the program will go well.

Pray that God will be working in the lives of the participants and organisers of the Women's Conference organised by **Collene Lee's** and **Elaine Liew's home church, SJGC.** They are trusting that the Holy Spirit will convict the hearts of many, equip, build up and mobilise ladies gathered, in their aspiration to be women after God's heart. Pray also that God will be with the speakers and workshop facilitators as they serve in this conference.

17. **Lue Jun Yi** is speaking on Mark 12:28-34 in his church today. Pray that the congregation will be challenged to obey God by loving Him and His people.

17-24 April: Uphold **Koh Earn Soo** in prayer as he chairs the **SU East West Asia Transition Leadership Meeting** in **Bangkok.** This is followed by the region's **First Community Gathering.** They are expecting more than 60 key national leaders and staff to come together to deliberate on Children's Ministry and How to Develop Sustainable Ministries. Pray that God will grant them a fruitful time.

18. **Lue Jun Yi** is speaking at **The Seed Resource Centre Chapel Service today.** Pray that God's Word will be preached clearly to the students.
19. Uphold **Marianne Liaw** in prayer as she shares God's Word at **SMK (P) Methodist's Chapel Service this morning.**
20. **Marianne Liaw** is serving as a member of the Anglican Mission Schools' Board. Uphold the Board in prayer as they continue to oversee and work out

ways to assist and maintain the presence of Anglican Mission schools in West Malaysia.

21. Continue to uphold our inaugural **Youth Bible Conference (25 June 2016)** in prayer. The speaker, Dr. Wong Fook Kong, an Old Testament Professor from Hong Kong, will be expounding on the Book of Judges. Pray that he will open up the Bible to the young people and excite them to see the riches and relevance of Scripture for their lives.
22. Pray that God will provide a staff who can work in the south to minister to SCFs, BB and Camping Ministries as well as network with local churches. Continue to pray for **Richard Chen** as he represents SU in the south.
23. **Marianne Liaw** will be speaking at a **Girls' Brigade Enrolment Service in Wesley Methodist Church, Klang this evening**. Pray that the girls who are being enrolled and re-enrolled as members of the Girls' Brigade will seek, serve and follow Christ.
24. **Lue Jun Yi** is speaking on the last sermon of the series based on the Gospel of Mark in his church today. Pray that the series will encourage the congregation to read the Bible for themselves and see God as Who He is.

Do pray that the Holy Spirit will empower **Kha Loon** (a SU volunteer and husband of **Collene Lee**) as he preaches God's Word at **Subang AOG church today**. Pray that the church members will be encouraged to read, meditate and be more engaged with the Word using SU resources even as **Collene** shares with them.

25. Pray for SU ministry in the south. SU is planning a REACH programme in Melaka for the second half of the year. Pray that churches and SCFs will respond positively to the programme.
26. Uphold **Marianne Liaw** in prayer as she speaks at **SMK Sinar Bintang Utara's CF this morning**. Pray that God's Word will encourage and build up the students who are there.
27. Keep **Marianne Liaw, Charis Tan** and **Tolga Cakarci** in prayer as they teach the girls from **Girls' Brigade** at **SMK St. Mary's** from the Gospel of Mark **this afternoon**. Pray that God will grant wisdom to Marianne Liaw as she continues to co-ordinate and plan programmes as the captain of the Girls' Brigade in this school.

28. Uphold the **Youth Ministry Team** in prayer as they teach the Gospel of Mark to the students at the **UCSI International School's CF this afternoon.**

Penang REACH (29 April - 2 May)

Keep the SU Team involved in this programme in prayer as they meet with younger teachers, conduct leadership training for SCF members, and church deputations to share about the vision of reaching students in the schools and encourage Christians to engage in Scripture regularly.

29. The Parenting Seminar in Mandarin has been well received for the past two years. For this year's **Parenting Seminar (30 April - 1 May)**, **Jennifer Chew, Howard Ho** and **Sharon Wong** will be traveling to **Bukit Mertajam** and **Alor Setar** with the **speaker, Madam Belinda Yuan** from Singapore to share timeless principles and creative ideas through her own experiences. We are indeed thankful to be able to work with churches in the northern states to host this seminar.

Edwin Khoo: "Pray that the **CF Leadership Training (30 April)** in **Taiping** will strengthen the CF work in Taiping."

30. **Marianne Liaw** and **her husband, Daniel**, are so thankful for the growth in the Youth Fellowship of their home church. Pray that this growth will continue, not merely in numbers but also in their love for the Lord Jesus Christ and for one another.

The **Youth Ministry Team** is conducting an **SCF Leadership Training** in **Taiping**. Pray that the training will be helpful for the students as they serve God through their respective SCFs.