

SU/FES

PRAISE & PRAYER LETTER November-December 2017

FOCUSING ON SCRIPTURE UNION (SU)

November



1. **Marianne Liaw** is looking to God for strength in the upcoming 2 months as preparations for speaking, organising and running various camps will be very intense. Please keep her in prayer.

Please keep **Kelly Tan** and **her family** in prayer as they travel around for upcoming events during these 2 months.

2. **Lue Jun Yi:** “November and December will be busy months for me. Starting from the SU Global International 150th Anniversary Celebration to NSCFL Camp to d’NA, it’s a packed schedule with ongoing preparations in between. Pray that I’ll be able to manage my time wisely as I plan and prepare for all these events.”
3. Pray that God will grant **Kelly Tan** wisdom as she shares God’s Word at the **MGS Chapel this morning.**
4. Pray for the preparation for the **19th National Bible Knowledge Postal Quiz 2018.** Pray that more centers will sign up for the quiz and that the students will take up the challenge to participate in the quiz.
5. **Marianne Liaw** and **her husband, Daniel Chow,** together with their other Gospel partners are ministering at **Shal Home today.** We thank God for the privilege of teaching the residents of this home His Word.
6. **NSCFL Camp:** Continue to pray for the **camp’s taskforce** as they finalise preparations for the camp. We thank God for the volunteers who have availed themselves to serve the students who are coming for the camp.

7. **Charis Tan** is thankful for the past 2 months of **Deeper Life night classes**. **Today** is the **last day** of **class** before the term ends. Pray that she will be able to apply what she has learned in living victoriously for Him, and be equipped in her ministry journey.

8. As most of our **SU Imported Bible Reading Notes subscriptions** end this December, please pray that the subscribers will continue to renew their subscriptions for next year. Pray also that these Bible Reading Notes will continue to be meaningful as they use it together with God's Word. Pray that there will be new subscriptions for the coming year.

Our **Bible Reading Notes** are sent out every 3 months. There have been subscribers who did not receive their notes. Please pray for safe deliveries of the notes.

9. “The Life of the Apostle Peter” – This is the topic Marianne Liaw is speaking on at **Universiti Putra Malaysia’s Christian Fellowship today**. Please pray that what she shares will be faithful, clear, encouraging and edifying to the students there.

10. Pray for the **SU Global Assembly** that is **starting today** in **Putrajaya**. Pray for the 350 plus participants from around the world that are gathering to celebrate God’s faithfulness for the past 150 years and to relook at how we do ministries. May we have a fruitful time and may God continue to guide SU for the next 150 years.

11. **Marianne Liaw** and her husband, **Daniel Chow**, together with their **ministry partners** in the **Diocesan Youth Council** are in the process of planning for the **National Anglican Diocesan Youth Camp**. Please pray for strength, energy and wisdom as they work together as a team.

12. Thank God for the opportunity to conduct the **Life to the Max Interactive Bible Study on Colossians** with the **youths** in both **Petaling Jaya** and **Ipoh Anglo-Chinese Schools (ACS) (21-22 Sept 2017)**. Pray that the participants will continue to grow and be rooted and built up in Christ.

13. **NSCFL Camp (27 Nov 2017 - 2 Dec 2017)**: The camp is **two weeks away**. This year's camp is focusing on Acts 1:8 – to be Christ's witnesses. Pray that the **students' hearts** will be prepared to receive from God, and be challenged to be Christ's witnesses in their own schools and community.

14. **Emelda Roukin**: "Please pray that **youths** from **Sabah** will join the **NSCFL Camp (27 Nov 2017 - 2 Dec 2017)** and that there will be sufficient sponsors for these youths."

15. **Today** marks the night for **SU Global International's 150th Anniversary Dinner**. Pray that God will touch the hearts of many donors so that substantial funds will be raised through this dinner. May the strength and joy of the Lord be upon the SU staff who will all be on duty tonight.

16. **d'NA Camp**: Pray for God's strength and wisdom to be upon the staff involved in this camp as they take up different responsibilities. May the Lord prepare the heart of the campers who are coming.

17. **Elaine Liew** and some of our **SU colleagues** are helping out with the **RIZE Children's Ministry Conference (17-18 Nov 2017)** which is organised by SU's Children's Department. Please pray for the Lord's hand to be upon the speakers, organisers and participants and that many will be encouraged and spurred on in this important ministry to children.

18. Pray for the **Children's Rally** that is taking place **this evening**. May the Lord speak to the children and encourage them as the Gospel is preached. Pray for **Terry William, Ponraj** and the **SU team** as they run this event.

Marianne Liaw and her husband, **Daniel Chow** together with the **ministry team** will be sharing God's Word with the residents in **Shal Home today**. Please keep them in prayer.

Later in the **evening**, **Marianne** is also speaking at the **Council of Churches' in Malaysia (CCM) Asian Women's Conference today**. Please pray for her as she is speaking on the theme "Reconciling the World to God" from 2 Corinthians 5:16-19.

- 19.** Pray that God will open more doors for SU staff to enter Chinese government/private schools' CFs. May God grant wisdom and good interpersonal skills to **Charis Tan** as she obtains contacts of Mandarin-speaking teachers/students.
- 20. NSCFL Camp (27 Nov 2017 - 2 Dec 2017):** The camp is only **one week away!** Do continue to uphold the **speakers** as they prepare for their sessions. Pray for God's anointing to be upon them and that they will be sensitive to what The Holy Spirit has in store for them to share at the camp.
- 21.** Please pray for the **SU Team** as they continue to reach the younger generation with God's Word and make Christ known to them.
- 22. 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.
- 23.** Pray that more people will use Scripture Union's devotional Bible reading plans available on the YouVersion Bible app – **Bible Reflections from SU (6-month plan), Hebrews (22-day plan) and 1 & 2 Timothy (14-day plan).** We want to encourage Christians to cultivate the habit of daily Bible reading and to be greater engaged with God's Word.
- 24. Lue Jun Yi** is hosting a couple of friends from overseas who will be involved in the **NSCFL Camp (27 Nov 2017 - 2 Dec 2017).** Pray for good time of fellowship with one another as they prepare themselves for camp.
- 25.** The **Girls' Brigade Junior Leaders' Training Camp (25-27 Nov)** is taking place within these few days. Please pray for **Marianne Liaw** as she will be one of the session speakers at the camp.
- 26. Lue Jun Yi** is speaking at **Faith Gospel Centre this morning.** Pray for God's message to be clear and relevant to the congregation.

27. **NSCFL Camp: Today** is the **first day** of camp. Pray for God's covering over the entire camp. May God's purpose prevail in all the planning and preparation that has been done.

28. **Marianne Liaw** is speaking at the **plenary sessions** in the **NSCFL Camp today**. Please pray that as she shares on the topic "Defining the Gospel" that the students will be able to grasp the various aspects of the Gospel message clearly.

29. Pray that God will continue to grant strength and guidance to **Charis Tan** as she continues to serve Him in Scripture Union and church ministries. May her passion for God continue to be fervent and may she bear much fruit for the Lord.

30. We thank the Lord for **Bible Reading Promoters** who have been faithfully serving their members in church and giving out the notes to them every quarterly. May the Lord bless them.

December

1. **Marianne Liaw** and her husband, **Daniel Chow**, together with the rest of the organising team will be running the **Diocesan Youth Camp** from **1-4 Dec 2017**. Please pray for wisdom for the entire team as they run the camp. Please pray for **Marianne Liaw** as she speaks, teaches and shares at all the main sessions. Pray that the hearts and minds of the campers will be open to receive God's Word and that they will come away with a clearer understanding of how the whole Bible fits together and points us to Jesus.

2. **NSCFL Camp**: The camp **ends today**. We thank God for the smooth running of the camp. Please pray that the messages that have been shared will challenge the students to be Christ's witnesses in the community that God has called them to be.

3. **Lue Jun Yi** is taking a couple of days break before joining the **d'NA team** at **STM, Seremban**. Pray for God's sustaining grace and strength as he continues to minister to the students in camp.

4. **Annual Teachers' Christian Fellowship Camp (Mandarin)**: In this camp, **Charis Tan** will be sharing on the importance of setting up School Christian Fellowships. Pray for God's strength and anointing upon her, and that God will touch the hearts of the teachers.

5. **Charis Tan** is serving in the **d'NA Camp (5-15 Dec 2017)** for all the 10 days of the camp. Pray that God's strength and joy will be upon her, and that she will be sensitive towards the Holy Spirit as she ministers to the campers. May this camp be a life transforming camp for those who attend it!

6. Pray that **Chai Siew Meng** will have a good time of rest and reflection as he takes a break at the end of the year.

7. **Joanne Liaw**: "Pray that God will give me wisdom in handling the administration of Scripture Union's website that it may be a useful channel for our ministry."

8. **Marianne Liaw** is the main speaker for the intermediate group (girls 12-14 years old) at the annual **Girls' Christian Camp (8-11 Dec 2017)**. Please pray that as she speaks on the "5 Solas" of the Reformation, the girls will come to understand that we are saved by grace through faith in Christ for the glory of God alone and that Scripture alone is our highest authority.
9. Pray for **Kelly Tan** as her church continues to adopt some youth in MBS and share the Gospel with them. May their hearts be as good soil to the Gospel and may the Lord lead us to harvest according to His perfect time.
10. Please pray for **Elaine Liew** and the **sisters** from her **church** as they organise a **Christmas event** at a **children's home**. Pray that the children as well as the ladies will be blessed with the Gospel message and that many will come to know Christ.
11. **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.
12. It's the end of a marathon of camps and speaking engagements over the past 2 months! **Marianne Liaw** praises and thanks God for His grace and sustenance throughout this hectic and busy time. Please pray for her as she endeavours to catch up on much-needed rest over the next couple of days.
13. Thank God for the opportunities and open doors to share with churches about **SU's mission and ministry**. Pray that many more churches will be partners in the gospel with Scripture Union in reaching the next generation with God's Word. Pray that God will open new partnerships and networking opportunities.
14. Christmas is around the corner! **Marianne Liaw** and her husband, **Daniel Chow** are excited and will be busy serving at the various upcoming **events** and **Christmas services** in their **home church, St Mary's Cathedral**. They will also be organising various events in the ministries they are serving in.

15. Pray that all who use the SUFES Campsite in Tapah will have a good and meaningful time. Pray for our **campsite manager, Dennis Lim**, and the **Orang Asli team** as they run the campsite.
16. “Please pray for a meaningful time of celebration at the **Shal Home today** as we remember the birth of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who came to rescue mankind from sin and death, bringing forgiveness of sins and eternal life to all who trust in Him.” – **Marianne Liaw** and **Daniel Chow** -
17. **Charis Tan** is grateful to the Lord for how He has sustained her throughout the d’NA camp, and even in other areas of her ministry work. Pray that she will learn how to rest in the Lord so that she is able to go extra miles for His ministry.
18. **Lue Jun Yi** thanks the Lord for sustaining him throughout the busy camp period. Pray for a good time of rest ahead as he winds down for the year.
19. **Joanne Liaw**: “Pray that God will grant me His enabling and strength as I continue collating Scripture Union’s prayer letter.”
20. **Emelda Roukin**: “In planning for next year, please pray that God will grant me the energy and opportunities to make more connections for the Bahasa Melayu Ministry in Sabah.”
21. Thank God for the **new Bible Engagement (BE) staff, Timothy Cheang**. Pray for good team work and wisdom in building a stronger team.
22. **Joel Wong**: “Our **BE team** is reviewing our BE training curriculum. Pray that we will be more effective in equipping our trainees to be ambassadors of God’s Word and disciples of Christ.”
23. **Chai Siew Meng** would like to thank all who have shown care and concern to him and his family and have been supporting and praying for them. He also wants to thank them for their care, concern and support in many ways. He is also thankful to the Lord for His goodness and His faithfulness to him and to his family throughout this year.
24. We thank the Lord that many of our **Bible Reading subscribers** are faithfully reading God’s Word. Please pray that they will continue to stay in tune with God and His Word each day. Pray that they will remember to renew their 2018 Bible Reading subscriptions early.

25. **Kelly Tan** is thankful that Jesus is the reason we can celebrate this Christmas season with much joy and hope. Pray that the Lord will continue His work in each of us and may His Name be glorified through SU's ministries.
26. **Emelda Roukin:** "Please pray that BE participants will continue reading and studying the Word of God."
27. Pray that the **SU Bible Reading (QT) Notes** will continue to help and encourage people to love and read God's Word daily.
28. "Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. I can do all things through him who strengthens me." – Philippians 4:11-13-

The words of the Apostle Paul to the Philippians have been of immense encouragement and comfort to **Marianne Liaw** throughout this year. Please pray for strength and endurance as she continues to live to serve Jesus together with her husband, Daniel Chow in the year 2018.

29. **Charis Tan** is grateful to the Lord throughout the year of 2017. It's been an adventurous year with the Lord despite facing many challenges in life. God is faithful and He heals! Pray that she will always be reminded of God's faithfulness and will continue to shine forth as His living testimony!
30. **Lue Jun Yi** is looking forward to 2018! "After coming back from my sabbatical in July, God has placed in my heart to put more thinking and planning in developing the youth ministry in SU. Several plans and partnerships have been put in place, so do pray together with me as we carry them out in 2018."
31. **Elaine Liew** wants to thank God for His blessings and grace throughout the year 2017 and looks forward to God's grace and enablement so she can continue serving Him in the year to come.