



# COVENANT

## Bible-Presbyterian Church

*Preaching Christ for His Glory and His Kingdom*

### Order of Worship – 26 April 2015

**Theme for the Year: "Out of Myself and into the Savior" (Ezekiel 14:4-6)**

Prelude	<i>The Lord Is in His Holy Temple</i>
Call to Worship	
*Opening Hymn	296 - <i>All the Way My Saviour Leads Me</i>
*Invocation & † <i>Gloria Patri</i>	
Responsive Reading	Psalm 106:1-25, 45-48
Hymn	TP 106:1-7, 47-48
Tithes & Offering	
*† <i>Doxology</i> & Offertory Prayer	
Scripture Reading	Hebrews 1:4-14
Hymn	470 - <i>Jesus Is All the World to Me</i>
Confession of Faith & Pastoral Prayer	
Sermon	"Jesus Christ Is Better than the Angels"
*Closing Hymn	400 - <i>Jesus, and Shall It Ever Be?</i>
*Benediction & † <i>Threefold Amen</i>	
Silent Prayer & Postlude	<i>The Lord Bless You and Keep You</i>
Announcements	† <i>Inside cover of hymnal</i>

\**Congregation standing*

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## Report on the Bible Conference 2015

The four-day Conference saw five Theme Messages by Dr. Tedd Tripp and three Morning Devotions by Pastors Paauwe, Weng and Chen respectively.

### *Theme Message*

Message 1 was about the idolatry that God's people face in their lives; especially how internal idols are more deadly than external ones.

Internal idols of the heart could be found in one's success, possessions, family, desire for approval, pride of performance, accomplishment, and even our health and fitness.

Idols of our hearts could evolve around entertainment, church ministries, worldly pleasure and sensuality.

Message 2 was about the need to repent from these idols. When we enthrone the idols of the heart, we dethrone GOD.

As such we relegate God subservient to the desires to be loved, respected, taken seriously, and the desires for possessions, ease and comfort, etc.

The Bible makes it clear that a good tree would bring forth good fruits.

Message 3 touched upon the three models of the atoning work of Christ. Since Christ has saved us, he has rescued us from these idols.

- i. Jesus is our Advocate. Jesus lived without sin. He died as a sacrifice for our sins.
- ii. Jesus came to be the Ransom to buy us back from being slaves to sin.
- iii. Jesus is the conquering Hero like David, who came forth to fight as a substitute for Israel.

Message 4 touched on how, when we embrace the gospel, it transforms our identity, emancipates us from sin by breaking its mastery over us, and unites us to others who have been so freed to be the people of God.

Message 5 was about enthroning Christ. True happiness is found in God alone. Romans 8:32, 37 - "God spared not His own Son, but delivered Him up for all of us, how shall He not also freely give us all things."

If we enthrone Christ, we will find satisfaction in him. So we ought to glorify God in all we do and say. We ought to enjoy God for he is inexhaustible - he is a reservoir that will never run dry. There are endless pleasure at His right hand. We should therefore make Him an object of our pursuit.

### *Morning Devotions*

Morning Devotion 1 was delivered by Pastor Ed Paauwe. The Devotion Message was "Looking Unto Jesus," based on Hebrews 12:2.

We are directed to look unto Jesus for salvation; for His daily help and for His return. It may be morning, it may be noon and it may be night. Jesus will return to Earth as He has promised.

Morning Devotion 2 was delivered by Pastor David Weng. The Message was "Coming Boldly unto the Throne of Grace" based upon Hebrews 4:14- 16.

We should draw near to the Throne of Grace because we are weak and we have there a sympathetic High Priest.

We should draw near in time of need, which is at all times (Hebrews 4:16b). We should draw near directly with confidence in our High Priest (Hebrews 4:16a). We will receive mercy and find grace in our time of need (Hebrews 4: 16b).

Morning Devotion 3 was delivered by Pastor Mark. His message centred on "Jesus Is Better" based on Hebrews 1: 1-3.

Jesus is better than the Prophets because of His Sonship. After Jesus had purged our sins, He sat down on the right hand of God.

### *Conference Theme Song*

The 2015 Conference Theme Song "I Love Jesus, Hallelujah" embraces the picture that we are pilgrims bound for glory and we are we are pilgrims going home. Soon our journey will be ended and soon our Lord will come again to take us Home.

### *Accommodation and Food*

Our accommodation at the Bayview Geographe Resort was sufficiently comfortable. Most rooms were provided with attached bathrooms and toilets.

We had home-made breakfast. The Lunches and Dinners were in great

variety, ranging from fast food to Chinese food and a buffet lunch.

### *Fellowship*

The Bible Conference was not confined to indoor meetings and discussions. We had tennis and even football games.

Some ventured out to Margaret River and the Busselton Jetty spanning 1.8 km out to the sea, terminating in a natural Aquarium.

We have collected four days of fond memories. It was like a foretaste of Heaven.

We were privileged to have Tedd and Margy Tripp to feed us with abundance of spiritual food. It was really a godsend to sit at their feet to learn from them and to have fellowship with them.

~ SK Loh



## **Westminster Confession of Faith XXVI - Of the Communion of Saints**

1. All saints, that are united to Jesus Christ their Head, by His Spirit, and by faith, have fellowship with Him in His grace, sufferings, death, resurrection, and glory:<sup>1</sup> and, being united to one another in love, they have communion in each other's gifts and graces,<sup>2</sup> and are obliged to the performance of such duties, public and private, as do conduce to their mutual good, both in the inward and outward man.<sup>3</sup>
2. Saints by profession are bound to maintain an holy fellowship and communion in the worship of God, and in performing such other spiritual services as tend to their mutual edification;<sup>4</sup> as also in relieving each other in outward things, according to their several abilities and necessities. Which communion, as God offers opportunity, is to be extended unto all those who, in every place, call upon the name of the Lord Jesus.<sup>5</sup>
3. This communion which the saints have with Christ, does not make them in any wise partakers of the substance of His Godhead; or to be equal with Christ in any respect: either of which to affirm is impious and blasphemous.<sup>6</sup> Nor does their communion one with another, as saints, take away, or infringe the title or propriety which each man has in his goods and possessions.<sup>7</sup>

1. 1 John 1:3; Ephesians 3:16-19; John 1:16; Ephesians 2:5-6; Philippians 3:10; Romans 6:5-6; 2 Timothy 2:12.

2. Ephesians 4:15-16; 1 Corinthians 12:7; 3:21-23; Colossians 2:19.

3. 1 Thessalonians 5:11, 14; Romans 1:11-12, 14; 1 John 3:16-18; Galatians 6:10.

4. Hebrews 10:24-25; Acts 2:42, 46; Isaiah 2:3; 1 Corinthians 11:20.

5. Acts 2:44-45; 2 Corinthians 8; 9; 1 John 3:17; Acts 11:29-30.

6. Colossians 1:18-19; 1 Corinthians 8:6; Isaiah 42:8; 1 Timothy 6:15-16; Psalm 45:7; Hebrews 1:8-9.

7. Exodus 20:15; Ephesians 4:28; Acts 5:4

# Worship Service Roster

<i>Service</i>	<i>This Week (26.4.15)</i>	<i>Next Week (3.5.15)</i>
Speaker	Mark Chen	Mark Chen
Worship Leader	Ken Chong	Mark Chen
Pianist	Ian Tay	Evelyn Lee
Welcomers	Yen Fye & Angela Yap	Micah & Hannah Chiang
Offering Stewards	Kim Leow, LH Chua	David Ong, David Lim
Usher	Joyce Ng	Angela Yap
Kitchen Duties	Merilyn Woo*, Angela Yap, Putri Harapan	Sarah Siew*, Jackie Hong, August Ng, Julian Poon
<i>Prayer Meeting</i>	<i>29 April 2015</i>	<i>6 May 2015</i>
Speaker	Mark Chen	Mark Chen
Chairperson	Mark Chen	Johnson Lim
Pianist	Jerome Ng	Nancy Lim

## Announcements

1. A warm welcome to all worshipers. May God richly bless you. Please stay behind after the service for fellowship and tea.
2. Next week's message: "If We Neglect So Great Salvation" (Hebrews 2:1-4).
3. We will be celebrating the Lord's Supper next Lord's Day. Please bring a dish to share.
4. Church Picnic Lunch on ANZAC Day. Monday, 27 April 2015, at 11:30 am. Venue: Point Walter Reserve, Honour Avenue, Bicton. Please bring a dish. Please inform Lye Heng (0435 601 373) of your attendance.
5. Bible Conference Echo. Friday, 1 May 2015, 7:45 pm. Please bring some refreshments.
6. Tunes for the Trinity Psalter are available online at <http://psalter.org/tunes/trinity> and <http://www.lifebpc.com/index.php/resources/trinity-psalter>. Worship leaders may retain a copy of the words edition and pianists may loan the music editions.
7. Testimonies from the Bible Conference and Parenting Seminar. If the Lord has ministered to you and you would like to share, please submit your testimonies to Pastor for publishing in the bulletin.
8. Sunday School teachers for the month of May are Stephanie Lim, Jenni Budiman, Aliza Chiu, Lisa Lim, Sandy Chua, Eileen Tay; Dorcas Pang, Evelyn Lee, Carmel Sriharan; Chris Budiman; Christine Butler; Eugene Lim; May Poon, Paul Butler, Ken Chong. Singspiration Leader: Jansen Ng, Pianist: Evelyn Lee.

### Appointments for the Week

MON	11:30am	Church Picnic Lunch
TUE	10:30am	Retirees' Bible Study
WED	7:45 pm	Prayer Meeting - Psalm 107
FRI	7:45 pm	Conference Echo
SUN	2:00 pm	Adult Bible Class
	3:00 pm	Worship & Sunday School

### Last Lord's Day Tithes & Offering, & Attendance

*General Fund* - \$3,941.20 (#463 - \$200.00, #464 - \$200.00). *Missions Fund* - \$940.00 (#465 - \$500.00). *Building Fund* - \$700.00 (#212 - \$700.00). *Total Tithes & Offering* - \$5,581.20. Attendance - 135.

Elders: **Mark Chen (Pastor)** 0415 932 373. **Jimmy Orchard** 0413 274 407.

Deacons: **Ken Chong** 0402 553 313. **LH Chua** 0435 601 373. **Terence Lee** 0418 845 617. **Johnson Lim** 0402 145 682. **SK Loh** 9386 1660.