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Team speakers awaiting their turn.

A Bold Step

Danson Ng, Evangelism Coordinator

Preparation work started a year ago, between the Mission and the team comprising Jon and Pamela Paulien, Ron and Nancy Rockey, and Grame Bradford, for the evangelistic effort in 2006. The plan was to meet the needs of city people through emotional healing, assurance of certainty of the future in the midst of unrest and terrorism, and above all offer hope and salvation through biblical truth presentation.

It was rather challenging to blend the various suggestions, ideas and approaches. A variety of subjects and topics had to be carefully organized so as to flow seamlessly from speaker to speaker for each of the 21 meetings.

While numerous emails passed back and forth much prayers were offered as this was the first time in our work here to use such a diversified approach in public evangelism; a bold step to reach the people in Singapore with their secular post modern culture.

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A total of 739 people registered for the seminar. Average attendance was 55%. The nights with the two highest first time attendees registered were on 2 March when the topic "Armageddon" was presented with 74 registered, and on 6 March when the topic "Jesus Christ, Myth or Reality" was presented with 76 registered.

We received numerous positive feedbacks from those who attended the meetings and others who visited our web site where they could download files of the audio-visual presentations.

"The seminar is amazing. I was struggling for two years after being alienated from my family due to religion. My life has changed. Other things I used to live for are not interesting now, since I accepted the Lord. This seminar comes at the right time for me when I need it most. Thank you."

"The just concluded seminar "Solid Ground in a Terrified World" is an excellent topic in the present context. A well-thought event. I want to be notified of subsequent events and seminars in future."

"I appreciate very much the healthy snack after the evening session. It is very refreshing indeed. I do hope that those who benefited would have contributed to some extent although the seminar is free. I thank God for the way the 7th Day Adventists conduct the seminar in a way that glorifies God — in spirit and in truth — not for filthy lucre. I thank God for this exposure to your ministry. I have been blessed. May God continue to spread the



He whose walk is blameless and who does what is righteous, who speaks the truth from his heart and has no slander on his tongue, who does his neighbor no wrong and casts no slur on his fellowman, who despises a vile man but honors those who fear the LORD, who keeps his oath even when it hurts, who lends his money without usury and does not accept a bribe against the innocent. He who does these things will never be shaken. Psalm 15:2-5 NIV

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Intentional Strategy

Charlie Oh, Assistant Pastor



Smiling faces, happy people

Comprising largely Malaysians, Mainland Chinese and staff of the Seventh-day Adventist Kindergarten, the Jurong East Chinese members number only 50. What it lacks in numbers it makes up in being a caring, closely-knitted and friendly community.

When asked what they do to grow as a church, assistant pastor, Charlie Oh modestly shared their intentional strategy.

"We have a prayer group that meets every Sabbath afternoon to pray for our church members and visitors. At any time we have two to four among us who will look out for anyone that might not be in church. We will call the individual and if necessary, make a visit with the pastor. We send sms to one another to notify the others if someone is sick so that we can pray for the person. When the need arises we will even pray for a whole week for the sick one."

Oh explained that at every church board meeting they will look into the numbers of individuals taking Bible study, follow up on those new ones and work on solving problems that the group encounters.

Activities such as cell group meetings that are held three times a month, Bible study either in groups or given one-to-one, quarterly sundown worship at a member's home are all excuses to invite friends. Activities are intentional.

Such friendship opens the way for invitation to a gospel camp held at the end of the year. The year's activities climax in a thanksgiving dinner to count their blessings and expressed appreciation to one another.

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Jon Paulien

fragrance of your ministry to a greater audience all over the world.

I have also been introduced to Ellen G. White's book, in particular 'The Desire of Ages.' I am halfway through the first chapter but I am already intensely drawn. It's all about Jesus — the Altogether Lovely One — who alone is worthy of our praise and worship and

devotion. What I like about the book are the quotes used directly from the Bible — it somehow carries authority and power — it's authentic. I thank God for Mrs. White — someone who loves and understood Jesus, who God has so mightily used to bless millions.

I pray that our speakers will be repaid much more than gold or silver — the fullness of joy, peace and contentment in knowing Jesus, loving Him and serving Him, of that deep intimacy with Him with whom we have to do. A joyous, satisfying relationship that money cannot buy. Eyes have not seen nor ear heard the things which God has prepared for them that love Him (1 Cor. 2:9). God bless."



Graeme Bradford

A telephone survey found that those who did not attend regularly had wanted to attend but were unable due to other evening commitments. However, they visited our web site to catch up with what they missed.

Just as important now is the follow-up Recovery Program and the Amazing Discovery Bible Study going on in the four centers.

At the time of writing there were 19 groups meeting as follows:

- Central Center:
3 Bible study groups and
3 Recovery groups.
- Northern Center:
1 Bible study group and
3 Recovery groups.
- Eastern Center:
1 Bible study group and
2 Recovery groups.
- Western Center:
1 Bible study group and
5 Recovery groups.



Ron and Nancy

We are excited about the potential results of the follow-up programs and its impact our churches spiritual and numerical growth.

The blessings resulting from this public seminar could not be possible without the Holy Spirit uniting the effort and commitment among our presenters, members and leaders.

We appreciate all the prayers, presence, participations and financial assistance given. We praise God for the hundreds of people who have been blessed.