

from the fall on the butt. He will have to undergo another operation procedure in early October to seal up the colon with the hope to dry up the pus. Also doctor Yong has stopped the immuno therapy for the time being. "It will only take God's miracle to fix all this up!" Pastor Philip says, whenever friends see me they say "I LOOK GOOD." He says, I sure look good but with the sufferings and pain I will still brave up and say 'die die say PRAISE THE LORD!' Pray for me as I go through various medical trials. He is thankful for prayers from many supporters and also especially for the financial support towards his medical costs. "I THANK GOD FOR YOU BRETHERN!" Praying for MIRACLES!



# THE HIDING PLACE

...as long as we live we will open our door to anyone who knocks.

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## "GOD'S WAY IS THE BEST WAY!"

"Unless the Lord builds the house,  
They labor in vain who build it;  
Unless the Lord guards the city,  
The watchman keeps awake in vain.

It is vain for you to rise up early,  
To retire late,  
To eat the bread of painful labors;  
For He gives to His beloved even in his sleep."

Psa. 127:1-2.

Greetings once again in the Blessed Name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Time really flies and we are already at our last 4 months of 2017. We thank God that He has faithfully provided for all our needs these past 2 months. God is Faithful and He never Fails! Just as we have trusted Him these past 44 years, we have always found Him to be a God who meet our every need.

It is because of His endless Faithfulness that we are appreciative and always thankful for all our prayer supporters. As of all our past newsletter, we again would want to acknowledge our gratefulness to all prayer supporters and would love to again say THANK YOU' for your love and generosity. The Hiding Place being a 'faith' ministry has always depended on the prayers and provisions of friends and believers in the body of Jesus Christ like you to meet our needs.

Throughout these 44 years of serving the Lord in the Hiding Place we have learned that in God's work we cannot do it our way. The Psalmist in Psalm 127 says, "Unless the Lord builds the house, they labor in vain who build it." Zec. 4:6 'Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit, says the Lord Almighty.' We cannot do God's work with human strength or our way. Thank God that through these years many lives have been transformed and builded up in Jesus Christ.

### MEDICAL UPDATES AND EXPENSES:

The Hiding Place Board of Directors would like to update the medical conditions and current medical expenses of both Philip and Christina Chan. It is truly the grace and power of GOD that both of them are still actively serving the Lord. Sis Christina's monthly medical bill for doctors fees and medication is about \$1,000.00 Where as Pastor Philip's medical is more complex mainly because of his liver condition and the many complications of having to be warded.

The Board of directors would like to thank each of you for your fervent prayer and financial giving towards this needs

Please direct all your donation in favor of PHILIP CHAN CHOON CHENG

Raymond Chan (Chairman, Board of Directors)

### EXISTING NEEDS OF THE HIDING PLACE

We are thankful that the Lord has faithfully provided for all our needs. You have been an encouragement and great support towards God's work at the Hiding Place. We appreciate your generosity.

NO	ITEMS:	AMOUNT	PLS. TICK
1	REPAIR STAINLESS STEEL CHILLER	800.00	
2	1 UNIT STAINLESS STEEL FREEZER	2,835.500	
3	2 NEW PASSENGER VEHICLES	180,000.00	
4	THE BUILDING PROJECT FUND		
5	GENERAL FUND		

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Ironically, we were not able all this while to sell our Tu Fu property which prevented us from negotiating the sale of the Ponggol house. Recently, just as we were told that he has sold the house we too had a buyer for our Tu Fu house. What is not planned to be is not meant to be! Unless the Lord builds the house we labor in vain who build it. Humanly we felt a great loss as the premises seems very suitable for our use - three storeys plus a basement. We just have to submit and believe that God has a better plan for the Hiding Place. The Lord's way is so amazing that with the sale of the Tu Fu property we now are able to pray for the right property and negotiate the purchase. Pray for us for guidance to a premises that is suitable for us to setup a home for the Hiding Place. 'UNLESS THE LORD BUILDS THE HOUSE THEY LABOR IN VAIN WHO BUILD IT.'

A) RESIDENTS REPORT: We thank the Lord for 2 of our latest admissions in the programme, they are bro. Raj and bro Elvin. They are learning to adapt into the programme especially in a new environment. Pray for our 2 brothers who are preparing for the 'O' levels examination that they would be diligent and be blessed with understanding and good memory. Our staff bro Jeremy and sister Dora has just been married on 5th August. We praise the Lord for them and pray that they would grow in their love for the Lord and each other. Once again we thank God for our good team of pastors and staff to manage the operations of the Hiding Place. Our staff too have been doing regular visits to the Singapore Prisons to encourage the inmates. They are also building up contacts with churches for opportunities in deputation. We pray for such opportunities from Churches.

B) THE HIDING PLACE FAITH BUILDING PROJECT: Though we are not able to obtain the intended house in Ponggol we believe that the Lord has the best for us. We have recently been led to another premises also in Ponggol but for this we would have to rebuild to suit our use. Pray for us if this is the Lord's will as we continue to scout for premises. Please continue to pray for us as we really have a need for a home in the future for the Hiding Place. We thank the Lord that with our sale of the Teachers' Estate property we now can negotiate a purchase. We ask that you pray for us and continue to give generously towards our building needs.

C) THE HIDING PLACE 44TH ANNIVERSARY: The Hiding Place will be celebrating her 44th Anniversary on Saturday 4th November 2017 at 5.30 p.m. at 50 Jalan Lekar Singapore 698945. Our theme for this year's Anniversary Thanksgiving Celebration is 'COMPLETE TRUST' Prov. 3:5-7 "Trust in the

Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding." Our speaker for the celebration is Pastor Edmund Chua who has been a good friend and also a member of our Board of Directors. Pastor Edmund has been with us at the Hiding Place for some over 40 years and also has volunteered as a bible teacher to the home. We pray and believe that the Lord would use him to bring to us His anniversary message for that day. Ps. Edmund received his call into fulltime Christian service since 17 years of age and has served in preaching the Word back home and in different countries. Pray for God's blessings to continue to be upon the Hiding Place as the home serves to reach out to the drug addicts, young offenders and those in need. Please take this news of our coming 44th Anniversary Thanksgiving Celebration on 4th November 2017 as our INVITATION for you to join us in Praise and Thanksgiving to the Lord for the Hiding Place.

D) THE PINEAPPLE TARTS PRODUCTION FOR 2018 CNY: Our residents and some volunteers have in June started cooking the pineapple jam daily in preparation for the coming year. The jam is home made from pineapples brought in from Malaysia. The residents would peel, cut, grate, juice and cook them over the big cooker which could cook 500-600 pineapple each time. We will need volunteers to help us in baking just a month before the Lunar New Year in 2018. We are targetting to bake the same amount as this year which is 6,000 bottles of 25 pieces each. We NEED VOLUNTEERS to help us accomplish this task. Our call is for friends, churches, schools, senior citizens groups and those who have time to pray and consider helping us. If you are able to volunteer please kindly call Mrs Sally Tan at the Hiding Place, telephone number 64835348, 64830036. We thank you for your support in this fund raising event annually.

E) PASTOR PHILIP'S MEDICAL UPDATE: Please continue to uphold Pastor Philip in your prayers as his medical condition undergo different complications. The daily passing out of pus from the 2006 colorectal cancer cavity continues and he was admitted to hospital in July to insert a tube for 3 week to drain the pus. It did not stop nor dry up. Following days he begin to feel a deep pain on the anal tail bone and was prescribed pain medication which did not work. He was reluctant to go back to hospital and tolerated the pain with fever. Praise God! One morning he fell seriously flat on his butt and now its double pain and was sent to hospital. MRI and blood test showed that he actually has 5 bacteria infection in his blood that is causing the pain on the anal bone. He is now being treated with 6 weeks of intravenous anti-biotics through PICC. Thank God, the pain stops...but the pus now is flowing out not through the anus but a wound