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overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called the Son of God. For nothing will be impossible with God.” Mary found herself in a social predicament. She was engaged to Joseph; how will Joseph respond? But she was herself convinced. Then Mary replied, “Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word.”

Joseph made room for Jesus in his life. Mary told Joseph of the angel's message. Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly. But in Matthew 1:19-24 “Just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, “Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.” When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife.”

What about you? Do you make room for Jesus in your Inn or is He sidelined to the stable? Is He Lord and in 1st place?



This Christmas season,
make room for
JESUS
in your life.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **6 December SUN** Psalmist Coffee House. **MAIN MENU: Creamy Seafood Linguine topped with homemade Onion Rings for only RM12! PERFORMANCE: Choong Jee Yann will be igniting tis' festive season with his powerful vocals and quirky tunes!**
- **11 December FRI** Care Group

SUNDAY SPEAKERS

- **6 December** - YACG
- **13 December** - Ps. Irene
- **20 December** - Ps. Bee Leng
- **27 December** - Ps. Kim

T.O.D. FAMILY CAMP

- **12 - 15 March 2016, Sat - Tue**
(school 1st term break)
Refreshing Springs Resort

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

WEDNESDAY	SUNDAY
10.00 am Chinese Senior Care Group (fortnightly)	Chinese Worship Service 8.15 am
	English Worship Service 10.15 am
8.00 pm Intercessors Night	English Children Church 10.15 am
FRIDAY	Young Adults College Group 1.30 pm (1st Sunday of the month)
8.00 pm Care Group (fortnightly)	Psalmist Coffee House 7.30 pm (1st Sunday of the month)
SATURDAY	
2.30 pm Youth Alive	

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WORSHIP GOD, grow in HIS WORD,
abound in good WORKS, and WIN the lost.

CHRISTMAS

There's no room for you in the Inn

Luke 2:7 – And Mary gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

Today, there's still no room for Jesus. He is crowded out of men's lives and hearts. To replace Him, Santa Claus and Rudolph his red-nosed reindeer have been substituted in. Merry Christmas

has become Merry Xmas; in some printed news and social media, Christians are called Xtians. X denotes unknown. The world do not want to know about Jesus and a God who loves them, came into the world and died to save them from sin and eternal death.



Mary made room for Jesus in her life. A simple village maiden, she lived her life right before God because angel Gabriel declared to her, “You have found favor with God.” In Luke 1:32-37, Gabriel continued - “The Holy Spirit will come upon you and the power of the Most High will

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Title...

Now there was also a dispute among them, as to which of them should be considered the greatest. And He said to them, "The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them, and those who exercise authority over them are called 'benefactors.' But not so among you; on the contrary, he who is greatest among you, let him be as the younger, and he who governs as he who serves. For who is greater, he who sits at the table, or he who serves? Is it not he who sits at the table? Yet I am among you as the One who serves (Luke 22:24-27, NKJV).

The disciples wanted a title, and who would be greatest in the kingdom. And what did Jesus give them? A towel! Jesus showed the example by washing the feet of his disciples to illustrate the kind of leaders he wanted them to become.

"Jesus, . . . , rose from supper and laid aside His garments, took a towel and girded Himself. After that, He poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel with which He was girded" (John 13:3-5).

The kingdom of God is different, not like the world's. In this kingdom, the last shall be first and the first, last. Title does not carry weight in the eyes of God, for it is God who lifts one up and puts another down. He brings low the high tree, He makes high the low tree. And God does not see as man sees; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart of man.

Be a servant leader, one who lives to serve with the towel, seeking the interest of others and following our Master's example.

... or Towel?



TRUSTING THE LORD

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart, do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways, acknowledge Him and He will direct your paths." Proverbs 3:5-6

I have been regularly using waze on the road. Waze combines a GPS with social media. It offers directions wherever I need to go in real time because other users report accidents and traffic jams and such. No matter how many times I go to my office - it provides me with the fastest way to reach my destination and get home. Waze promises this and delivers it, as long as yes, you got it, I trust and obey it. You just have to trust that waze is giving you the best directions even if it's not how you would normally make the trip.

So on a lighter note, trusting God and trusting waze have similarities. Reviewing Proverbs 3:5-6, I need to let the Lord be my GPS in all my ways. I ask Him to guide my ways. I look to him every time I need to make a turn. If I do, He will lead me on the straight path. If I don't, there are a lot of crooked paths where I can fall: the crooked path of violence and power, the seductive path of lust, the foolish path of greed and envy, the lazy path of procrastination, the dangerous path of pride. If we acknowledge the Lord in all our ways, He will steer us straight away from these paths.

Let your eyes look directly forward, and your gaze be straight before you. Keep straight the path of your feet, and all your ways will be sure. Do not swerve to the right or to the left; turn your foot away from evil. Proverbs 4:25-27

Bible reading for December

Book of PHILIPPIANS

Outline

Chapter 1 - Jesus Christ is Our Life
Chapter 2 - Jesus Christ is Our Example
Chapter 3 - Jesus Christ is Our Prize
Chapter 4 - Jesus Christ is Our Peace

Memory Verse

Phil 1:6 • Phil 2:3 • Phil 3:13-14 • Phil 4:6-7

Ponder and Answer...

When you get to heaven, if you have a long talk with the apostle Paul and he asks you, "What was most helpful to you in my letter to the Philippians?" — how would you like to be able to answer him?

Suppose you heard a voice from heaven saying to you, "Don't get over ambitious and try to apply too much from this book to your life right now. Just pick one thing to focus on, and do it well." What one thing would you choose?

(Taken from Bible History Online and PC Study Bible)

