

JELCW Supports Sabah

< Message to JELCW from Thomas Voo Chung on graduation >

Dear Members,

I am very grateful that I was able to devote myself to learning of the Bible and theology, church work and communication training in the three years at Sabah Theological Seminary (STS). This year, I began working for the Mission Center in Kuchin, which Basel Christian Church of Malaysia (BCCM) operates.



The Center is located in a newly developed area where population is growing rapidly.

More than 35, both students and citizens, attend the service. My dream is overseas mission and it is here I start my career as a missionary.

I am especially thankful for the support and prayer offered by the Japanese sisters over the past three years. I do not mean just financial support alone. I believe that your sincere prayers and support helped me finish the master course at STS. I pray that the grace of God abides with you all.

<2015 Scholarship Recipients>

Evelyn Yong Kah Khee

Birthday: 24 Sep 1986
Marital Status: Single
Program: M.Div 1 (1st yr)
Department: Chinese
Race: Chinese



Evelyn is the only child in her family. She grew up as a 4th generation Christian. As a young girl, she was actively involved in various church activities. Upon finishing middle school, she continued her study at UCSI Univeristy in KL to graduate as Bachelor of Nursing (Hons.). After job-hunting for a year or two, by God's grace and guidance, she was employed by a local private Obstetrics & Gynecology clinic and worked for about two years. While she worked there, she met with abandoned or neglected pregnant ladies and hoped to share gospel to them. She felt the urge to do more than taking care of the physical health of people. She received God's call and a year later, entered a 1-year preseminary program organized by BCCM CGC. Now, she is enrolled in M.Div 1 program at STS since 2015.

Department: Chinese
Race: Chinese

Jeremiah is the elder son from a family of 2 children. He grew up as a 5th generation Christian. From a young age, he took part in various church activities until he went to further studies at KL. Due to financial problems, he had to return home to KK to work despite being in the last semester of the degree course. He struggled through a big turbulences in his life, before he finally served full time at the church for two years and took a year to equip himself at a 1-year church course. Then, he was enrolled in B.Th. program at STS in 2012.

Jeremiah Lo Siong Yen

Birthday: 18 Nov 1985
Marital Status: Single
Program: B.Th. (4th yr)



Elphy Sikana

Birthday: 10 Feb 1990
Marital Status: Single
Program: B.D (2nd yr)
Department: Malay
Race: Murut



Elphy comes from a Christian family and was active in Sunday school from a young age. At Sunday school, she was touched by pictures of Jesus holding small children and felt Jesus loves her too. While she was involved in church activities, she realized that ministry needs full time pastors. That is why she entered STS.

The 23rd JELCW General Meeting and Rally: Program

Day1: Rally Tuesday, June 2

- 12:30 Registration
- 13:00 Opening Service
Memorial Service
- 14:30 Orientation & Break
- 15:00 Keynote Speech by Prof. Noyuri Ootsuka
“To Know Profound Love of Jesus”
- 16:00 Check-in
- 18:30 Gala; Get together with Seminarians
- 20:30 Closing



Day 2: General Meeting Wednesday, June 3

- 8:30 Registration
- 9:00 Business Session I Reports & Lunch
Business Session II Discussion & Vote
Business Session III Discussion & Consultation
- 17:00 Closing

Day 3: Summary Thursday, June 4

- 8:15 Registration
- 8:30 Lecture by Rev. Hiroshi Suzuki, Director/Research Center for Luther Studies
“500 Anniversary of Reformation”
- 9:30 Announcement of GM Resolutions
Introduction of New Board
Greetings by the Outgoing Board
- 10:30 Closing Service/Communion/Commissioning of officers
- 11:30 Closing

Afternoon: Visit to Japan Lutheran College and Seminary (optional)

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Anitah Laria

Birthday: 10 Apr 1991
Marital Status: Single
Program: B.Th (2nd yr)
Department: Malay
Race: Murut



Anitah was born in a Christian family and was active in Sunday school. But as a teenager, she felt going to church was boring and

meaningless.

One day, a group of visitors came to her home church and held a revival meeting. She was touched by God’s Word and realized her life was meaningless without God. She surrendered her life to God and longs to teach children so that they may know God personally as their Savior.