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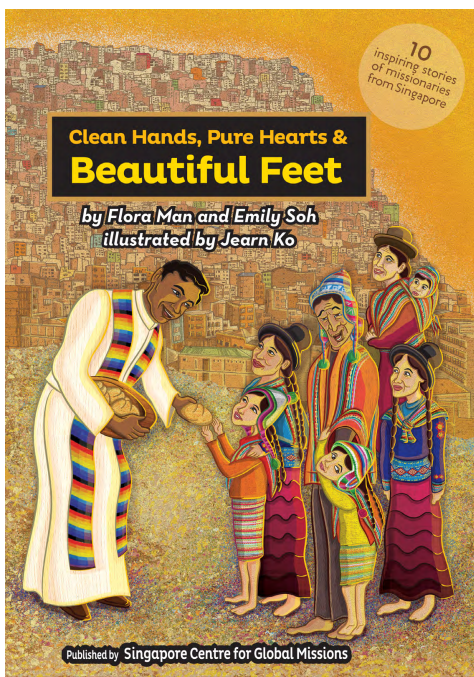
Catalysing the National Missions Movement in Singapore

CLEAN HANDS, PURE HEARTS AND BEAUTIFUL FEET...

10 INSPIRING STORIES OF MISSIONARIES SENT FROM SINGAPORE

We are glad to announce that Singapore Centre for Global Missions (SCGM) is publishing a Children Story Book on 10 Inspiring Stories of Missionaries from Singapore, entitled "Clean Hands, Pure Heart and Beautiful Feet" by Flora Man and Emily Soh, which will be launched in mid-October 2017.

This 120-page story book, with some full-colour illustrations, is a suitable learning resource for Children Ministry and Sunday School for primary school aged children as well as for their personal reading and learning about God's calling in life and mission. Parents may use this book for devotional reading and reflection with their children in their family devotional time.



This book is also a follow-up to the National Christian Children Ministry conference in 27-29 April 2017, organized by SCGM in partnership with the 4/14 Window movement, TRAC Board of Children Ministry and the (Anglican) Diocese of Singapore. The call from Dr Bambang Budijanto, Chairman of 4/14 Window Global Steering Committee and our keynote speaker at the conference, was to sow the vision of discipling children both within the church and without, as we reach and raise leaders for the next generation.

We are convinced that the Lord Jesus Christ is calling children to come before Him and will provide them with a glimpse of God's heart for missions right from a tender age. Your partnership and support in this publication project will be greatly appreciated as we build faith in the next generation.

Lawrence Ko



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Our Mission:
**Catalysing the National Missions
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**Serving the Local Church in
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 in the 21st Century**

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Children ministry leaders at the NCCM Retreat 2017



Mark McClendon, media guru, challenged the church to be aware of the virtual and augmented reality (VR & AR) which are shaping the next generation



Panel speaker Stephen Chan shared on gaming addiction among children and how to help them



Richard Ting facilitated the reflection sessions at the NCCM retreat for 50 participants

NATIONAL CHRISTIAN CHILDREN MINISTRY CONFERENCE 2017



The second National Christian Children Ministry Conference was organised by SCGM in April 27-29 2017 which was supported by the Diocese of Singapore mission board, TRAC Board of Children Ministry and the 4/14 Window Movement.

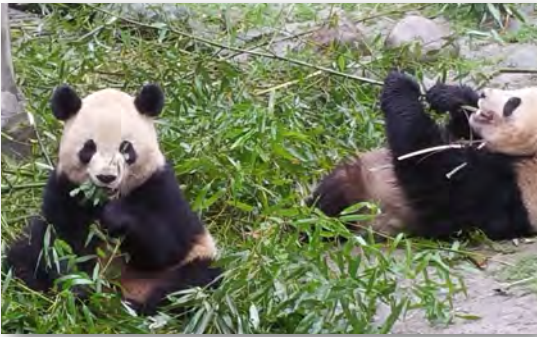
Dr Bambang Budijanto, Chairman of the Global 4/14 Steering Committee was the invited Keynote speaker who gave the SCGM Annual Lecture 2017 on "Raising Children as Leaders for the Next Generation" on 27 April 2017. Tracing British church history and relating the rise of the Sunday School movement, Bambang pointed out the need for outreach to unchurched children in the community. He also emphasised the need not only for discipling children in the church but also raising them as leaders for their families, communities and ultimately the nations. Bambang's appeal is to reach and challenge the children in our midst so that they can catch a vision of God's destiny in their lives, because as he puts it poignantly, "There is No Plan B". Another keynote speaker, **Mark McClendon**, media guru and head of Christian Broadcasting Network in Asia region, challenged the church to be aware of the technology such as virtual and augmented reality (VR & AR) which are shaping the next generation and urged the church to judiciously employ media and technology to disciple the children.



Bishop Kuan Kim Seng, director of the Diocese of Singapore mission board, shared an inspiring devotion to encourage the children ministry leaders to persevere in the important mission of feeding the lambs of God.

Dr Cheah Fung Fong, coordinator of 4/14 Window movement in Singapore moderated a panel discussion of children ministry practitioners including in developing new models of ministry which are effective in engaging the children in churches and in the mission fields.

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CHINA BUSINESS SEMINARS 2017

SCGM helped to organise 2 urban missional business trips to China in March and September 2017. China Business Seminars were arranged with local government leaders and China business partners to encourage Singapore business leaders to consider opportunities in urban centres in China. The teams visited Cheng Du in Sichuan province, and especially Du Jiang Yan, a city near Chengdu ravaged by the Wenchuan earthquake of 2008. Du Jiang Yan has since been rebuilt since with the assistance of Shanghai city and foreign aid, including aid from Singapore Red Cross.

The participants in the China business seminars learnt about China urban opportunities, especially in the wake of rapid urbanisation and the new Belt and Road strategy promulgated by China's President Xi Jinping. SCGM continues to assist in casting vision of integrated urban missional business strategies and developing business models which can help create jobs and transform communities through business education, skills training and redemptive enterprises.



BIBLICAL. THEOLOGICAL. HISTORICAL. MISSIOLOGICAL. PRACTICAL

We read the whole Bible in the light of the centrality of Jesus of Nazareth, his messianic identity and his missional thrust for the church. We read the whole Bible as the missional community called by God. - Christopher Wright

Survey of Bible Doctrine: The Faith of the Church

Theology of Missions: Unreached People Groups

Issues in Christian Missions
This course examines some critical issues in missionary preparation including the following:

1. Missions and the Local Church
2. Culture & Worldview Appreciation
3. Cross-Cultural Team Dynamics
4. Missionary Care
5. Financing the Missions
6. Christian Ethics: Social Justice, Bribery & Corruption
7. Information Security & Communication
8. Missionary Calling and Commitment

Understanding World Religions & Apologetics

Cultural Anthropology & Contextualisation

Cultural Anthropology
Cultural anthropology is the study of people and their cultures. This is an introductory course that presents some basic concepts of cultural anthropology (which includes an understanding of human behaviour and beliefs, kinship systems, world view, social organisations, economic and political systems) with special attention to the application of an anthropological perspective for Christian mission. This course will be helpful as we present the unchanging gospel in a culturally diverse and changing world.

Historical Perspectives: On Transmission of Faith

Holistic Missions: From Evangelism to Ecology

Missio Dei - Historical & Holistic Perspectives
This course surveys the expansion and development of Christianity as Missio Dei (mission of God), from both historical and holistic perspectives. The salvation and renewal of all creation, the proclamation and practice of His word, and the growth and witness of the church are essentially understood as God's mission. The first part of the course outlines the significant events/movements in transmission of the Christian faith. The latter half of the course sketches the significant themes of holistic mission, all of which are understood as God's mission in bringing the whole Gospel to the whole world.

Certificate in Mission Practice with TTC CDCM

SCGM ND Lawrence Ko and Diocese of Singapore's Canon Yee Ching Wah were the instructors in the course "Issues in Christian Mission" in July-Aug 2017. The course was one of the 8 modules in the Certificate in Mission Practice programme launched in April 2017 by Trinity Theological College in conjunction with the Diocese of Singapore and SCGM. Over 50 participants attended the 8-week course held at the St Andrew's Cathedral.

Young Adults Dialogue with Dr Kevin Mannoia

SCGM organised a Young Adult Dialogue session with Rev Dr Kevin Mannoia on Sunday June 4 2017 at Zion Bishan BP Church. Kevin, a former Dean of School of Theology at Azusa Pacific University in



Los Angeles, challenged the young adults on living out their faith in their work and vocation so that their lives are like masterpieces which reflect the glory of God our Master Painter.



GoForth National Missions Conference 2018 June 21-23 2018. ACS Barker Road

GO URBAN!

With an expected one billion people in Asia moving from rural to urban areas by the year 2030, unreached, unengaged people groups will be increasingly found in cities.

This is the changing landscape of the mission field, as cities become harvest fields for Christian outreach. How can we effectively share the Good News of the Gospel with this ever-changing, ever-evolving tide of people that include the poor, at-risk youth, latch-key children, working adults caught up with chasing their material dreams, and a population more exposed to urban-specific challenges like gambling, substance abuse, alcohol dependency, gangsterism, and petty crime?

With a line-up of specially invited international and prominent speakers, the 2018 GoForth National Missions Conference will look at a diverse multitude of different strategies to empower individuals and churches to reach and transform cities with the love of Christ.

International Council for Higher Education (ICHE) Annual Conference 2017

SCGM hosted the International Council for Higher Education (ICHE) Annual Conference in Singapore from Jun 5-8 2017. Heads of Christian colleges and academics from Africa, America, Asia and Europe attended the conference which explored themes of Tensions of the Kingdom. Dr Ernest Chew, vice-president of the Bible Society of Singapore and a former Dean of NUS Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences spoke at a morning devotion at the conference.

SCGM ND Lawrence Ko facilitated a workshop on environmental stewardship and economic development together with Dr Chris Elisara, who heads up the World Evangelical Alliance Creation Care task force. Dr Christine Schirmmacher, head of WEA's International Institute of Islamic Studies was a resource person for the track on world religions. Dr Frances Wu facilitated the track on diversity and discrimination.

There was time for prayer and discussion for the development of Christian higher education in restricted places in the world. Lawrence and Frances also led in the planning of an Asian network for 2018.



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Speakers at SCGM Events



Missions Breakfast 5 MAY 2017:
Dr Nigel Goh on International Development



Contextualisation Talk 10 May 2017:
Claire Lowe on Buddhism in Mekong Region



Missions Breakfast 4 Aug 2017:
Daniel Jesudason on Urban Mental Health



Contextualisation Talk 19 Aug 2017:
Dr Ken Gnanakan on Holiness and Wellness

Pray for SCGM. Partner SCGM. Resource SCGM



SCGM Council Chairman Daniel Jesudason and Vice-Chairman Ps Neo Ban Hui and Treasurer Eugene Lim praying for new Council member Chou Fang Soong at SCGM Annual General Meeting in April 2017. We thank God for Rev Derrick Lau who has stepped down from the Council after service for 2 years to assume new responsibilities as District Superintendent of the Methodist Church in Singapore.

SCGM ministered the Word at Biblical Graduate School of Theology's Convocation Service 2017; Trinity Theological College's CMP Course on "Issues in Christian Mission"; Lausanne WEA Creation Care Conference in Hsinchu, Taiwan; Singapore Bible College's Chapel on Creation Care; The Bible Church's Apologetic series on "Suffering" and "Is Christ the Only Way?".

Pulpit ministry at Mission month of Chapel of Resurrection, Prinsep Street Presbyterian Church, Charis Methodist Church, Fairfield Methodist Church, Coronation Baptist Church, Living Hope Methodist Church, and led in missional business talks at Paya Lebar Methodist Church and Salem Chapel.





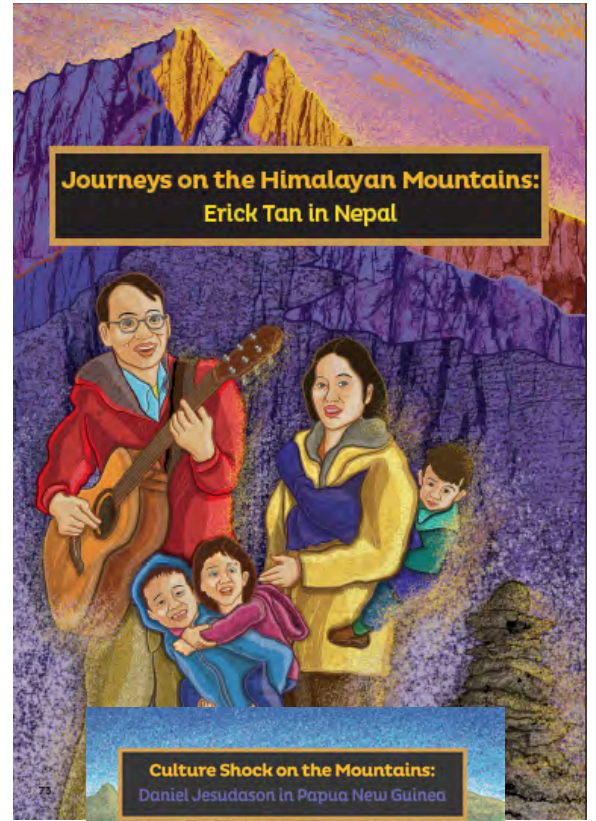
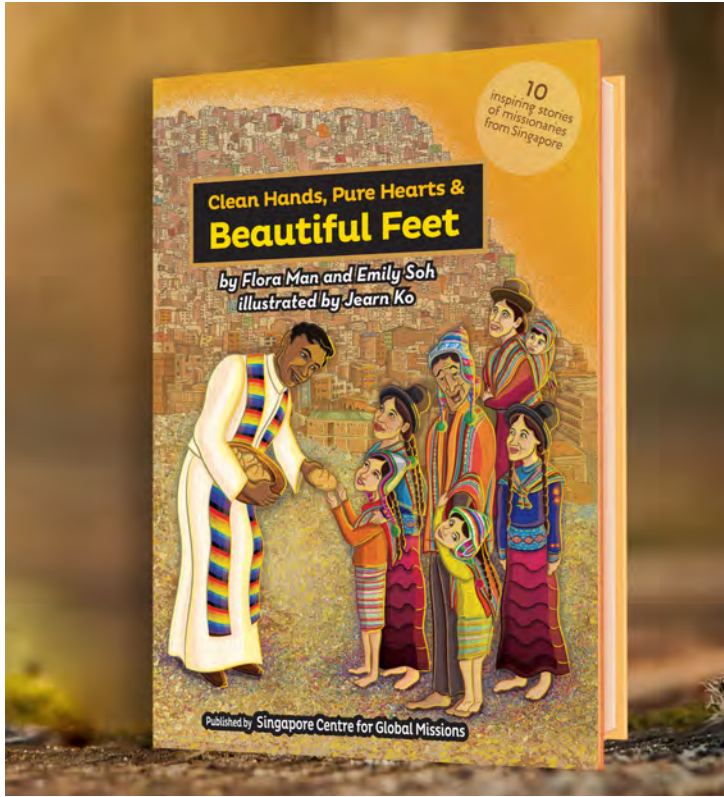
MINISTRY SNAPSHOTS

Above: CHINA BUSINESS SEMINAR participants at Wanda City in Du Jiang Yan and Cultural business discussion at a Chinese Tea House. Right: Partnership with Paya Lebar Methodist Church missions committee. SCGM ND Lawrence with Dr Richard Bauckham at Lausanne WEA Creation Care Conference in Taiwan in July. Below: SCGM staff, associate trainers at SCGM Staff Lunch.

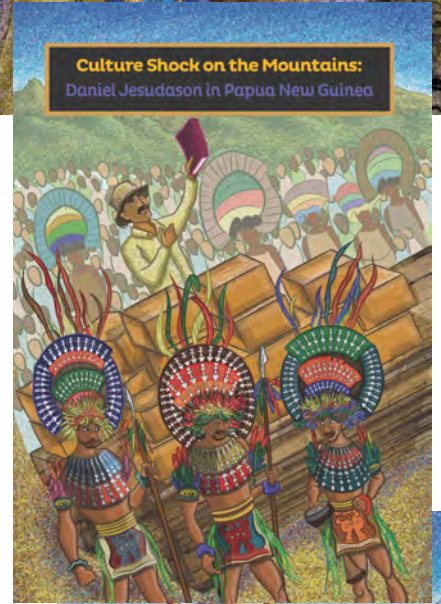


Above: Rev Erick Tan and volunteers at ICHE Annual Conference welcome dinner. Right: Children Ministry Conference participants on their knees praying for the Next Generation led by David Leong.

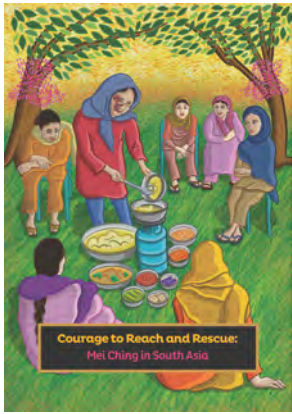
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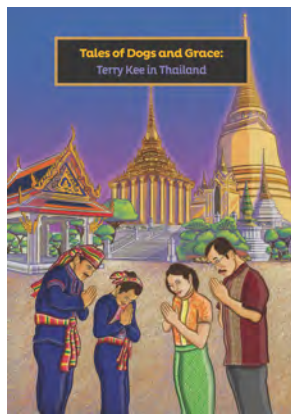
Journeys on the Himalayan Mountains:
Erick Tan in Nepal



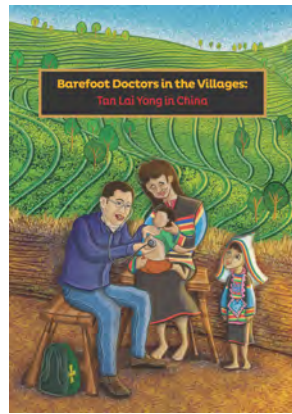
Culture Shock on the Mountains:
Daniel Jesudason in Papua New Guinea



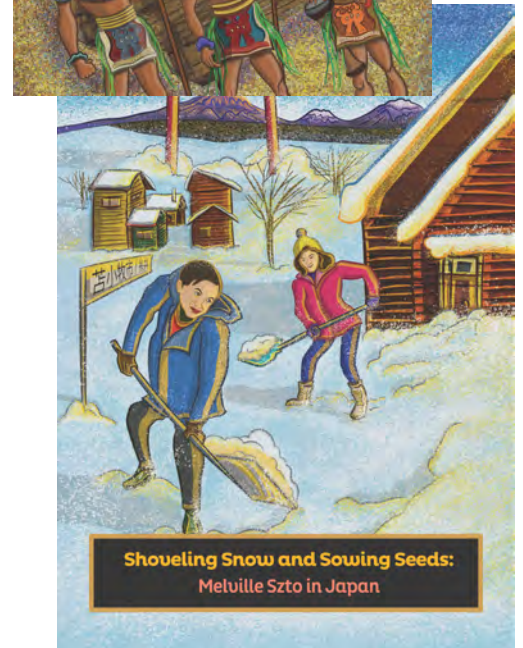
Courage to Reach and Rescue:
Mei Ching in South Asia



Tales of Dogs and Grace:
Terry Kee in Thailand



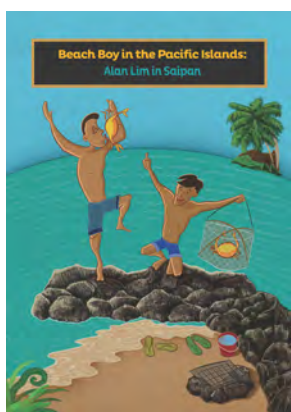
Barefoot Doctors in the Villages:
Tan Lai Yong in China



Shoveling Snow and Sowing Seeds:
Melville Szto in Japan



Crossing Continents from Europe to Asia:
Rodney Hui in a Compervan



Beach Boy in the Pacific Islands:
Alan Lim in Saipan



Urban Missionary in the Walled City:
Kate Cheah in Hong Kong

Urban Thinkers Campus A UN-Habitat Partnership Event Mon-Wed 13-15 Nov, 2017 Changi Village Hotel, Singapore.

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Faith-Based Engagement in the New Urban Agenda



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