



Editors' Welcome

By Tricia Kao and Stephanie Tan

New Life City Church celebrated the winter season in style by commemorating its 9th Anniversary on 29 July. Spring proved to have its fair share of exciting events, from the (now-annual) Golf Day to the Family Camp, as well as learning from invited guests Pastor Dareth Ly and Youth With A Mission.

Our three newest baptised members are also featured

in this issue, and we take a look at the Communion Ministry – an essential ministry that is often taken for granted.

J-Life and OverDrive have again been keeping busy, with the J-Life road trip being a highlight. And for the first time ever, sign-ups for next year's J-Life camp have opened a whole six months before the event itself! Be sure to register yourself and a friend for "Got Love?" as it promises to be an amazing time of worship, fellowship and seeking God. ■

An Unchanging Word for a Changing World

By Dee May Yeoh



Worshipping in Orchard Glory Farm Resort's beautiful hall

The theme of the 2007 NLCC family camp. We almost expect camp to be the same each year: two sessions of the Word per day, some games, lots of food and a walk through the orchard for some fruit picking. But although the schedule and the framework for camp remains similar, God brings a different message each year.

Katalambano! That's what I took home from camp. How hungry am I for God? Am I willing to *katalambano*? Am I willing to apprehend, seize, lay hold of God and not let go? Am I willing to let go of the things of the world so that my hands are free to hold on to the one that truly matters? How strong is my grip? Am I willing to wrestle Him as Jacob did?

Indeed, we reached out to God during our time of worship and Word. We absorbed every word that Dr Kameel Majdali brought to us as he shared with us



Guest speaker: Dr Kameel Majdali



Games: challenging but fun!

about the end times and why it is so important for Christians to understand what is to come. He challenged us to *katalambano*.

The attendance at this family camp was one of the largest it has ever been. There was a great mix between adults, Twelve Stones and J-Life members and children. Every camp is always a good time to gather as a family and to share with each other our passion for God. This camp was no different.



J-Lifers Natania, Rachael and Sherine

I truly enjoyed this camp, with its diverse age groups and food for the spirit. Praise God for the 2007 NLCC Family Camp. ■

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NLCC's 9th Anniversary Sunday

By Lynette Yeap

NLCC's 9th birthday was celebrated on our 'Anniversary Sunday' on 29 July. It was an opportune chance for everyone to get out of their normal seats in church and mingle with the rest of the church members.

During the service, we affirmed Jason Tan as a lay Youth Pastor of NLCC, as agreed by the Board of Elders. Jason graduated from UWA and attended NLCC before serving as a fulltime youth pastor at the Church of Singapore (Woodlands) for two years, and migrated to Perth last year with his wife Sally. As Youth Pastor, Jason currently oversees the J-Life youth ministry. His passion is to see God empower our youth to be the future leaders of the church.

A lunch was held after the service, giving us the opportunity to fellowship with all members of NLCC and allowing the good cooks of our church to prepare their favourite dish for everyone.

The younger members displayed unity and co-operation as a family of Christ by helping to decorate the venue, with the men arranging tables and chairs and the ladies helping to cook and serve.

It was truly an enjoyable day for the church. Our entire body made an effort to help and seeing how committed everyone was to NLCC made the lunch a successful and wonderful time for everyone – young and old! ■



A giant cake, complete with nine candles!



The Elders and their spouses pray for Jason



The NLCC congregation



Colourful decorations and plenty of food!

NLCC Golf Day 2007

By Alex Chen

Saturday 1 September was a perfect spring day for golf. With temperatures in the low 20s, a mild breeze and the sun shining brightly, you couldn't ask for better conditions. This year's golf day was held at the beautiful Wembley Golf Complex and kindly organised by Alan Ong. Although the course has relatively short holes, the fairways are considerably narrow and hilly, favouring the more mature short-range, straight hitters rather than the younger long-range hitters.



Wembley Golf Complex

For me, it was an opportunity to dust off my golf clubs and finally start exercising again after almost six months of inactivity because of exam studies. The turnout was great,

with almost 10 groups of four players. There were multiple prizes and an offer of \$1,000 for a hole in one.

My group consisted of Alan Ong, Charles Sin and Pastor Yat Wan Eu, all of whom were considered 'seasoned golfers'. For some unknown reason, they must have thought that I was also a seasoned golfer! Either that or I was just there to make them look and feel better. It didn't matter though; I was going there to give it my best shot.

We were the first group to tee off. It was pretty nerve-wracking, with the rest of the groups watching. I kept telling myself that playing golf was just like riding a bicycle; you never forget how to do it. The fairway on the first hole was quite wide, with a water hazard on the left and all I had to do was to aim right, but for some reason, as soon as I hit that ball I knew it was going into the water, and it did. From then on, I knew it was going to be a bad day.

Despite some disappointments and maybe some occasional cursing, I'm sure everyone would agree that it was a fantastic day of fun and fellowship for everyone. At the end of the day, we gathered at the club house for finger food and beverages. We met some new people who were invited by their friends, and announced the prize winners. Congratulations to Fred Sin who came first and the runner up, Sam Chen. Unfortunately, nobody won the prestigious \$1,000. I came home with a bottle of wine as a result of a lucky dip. Can't complain I guess!

Thank you once again to Alan for organising and to those who helped out. Thank you also to everyone who turned up, making it a wonderful and successful day. We look forward to NLCC Golf Day 2008. Start practising, folks! ■



Ministry Focus: Communion

By Lilian Wong

From its inception some nine years ago, NLCC has celebrated the Lord's Supper on a monthly basis and it is now held on the first Sunday of each month.

So what is the Lord's Supper?

It is an act of Christian worship instituted by Jesus during His last meal with the disciples at the Passover feast on the night of his betrayal and arrest. Depending on the religious persuasion of the believers, it is sometimes called the Holy Communion, the Eucharist or the Holy Mass.

The Lord's Supper is a celebration of man's deliverance from sin achieved by Jesus at his death on the cross and his resurrection from the dead. The first record in church history we have of this meal being referred to as the 'Lord's Supper' is found in 1 Corinthians 11:20.

The Lord's Supper is the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ instituted by Christ himself, symbolised with bread and wine that we eat and drink.

Where do the Scriptures say this?

Matthew, Mark, Luke and Paul say:

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread and gave thanks: broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: "Take and eat; this is my body given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

Matthew 26:26-27; Mark 14:22-25; Luke 22:14-20; 1 Corinthians 11:17-29



When do we celebrate it?

Acts 20:7 tells us that the Lord's Supper was celebrated on the first day of the week. This was a Sunday, and the day on which Jesus rose from the dead.

What is the meaning of the Lord's Supper?

The first meaning of the Lord's Supper is that it was to be *an item of Christian worship in remembrance of Jesus*.

The second meaning is that in eating a small piece of bread and drinking a portion of wine or grape juice, it is done in *memory of Jesus' body and blood*.

Thirdly, it is to do with the *meaning* of his body and blood. Jesus said



the bread would remind the disciples of His body, meaning that His life and the cup or wine would remind the disciples of His blood that *involved a new covenant of forgiveness*.

The Frequency of the Lord's Supper Celebration

From the Scriptures quoted above, it is evident that Jesus did not give instructions on how often the Lord's Supper is to be celebrated.

However, Paul observes that the church in Corinth celebrated the Lord's Supper when they "came together". (1 Corinthians 11:17). It is possible that 1 Corinthians 16:2 indicates a weekly service, and that Acts 2:42 indicates a regular practice of celebrating the Lord's Supper.

The Celebration of the Lord's Supper

When we come together to celebrate the Lord's Supper we:

1. **Remember the past** – that our blessings were purchased at a costly price.
2. **Enjoy the present** and eat as a body in the presence of our Lord Jesus.
3. **Look forward to the future** because each time we proclaim His death in the Supper, we are also reminded that He is returning. And we know that when He returns, our faith will become sight.

Who serves the Communion?

At NLCC, the senior pastor and the elders officiate and serve the Holy Communion. Senior cell group leaders have often been called to assist when there are insufficient helpers.

It is a joy and privilege to prepare the Lord's Table. We would like to share this privilege with anyone at NLCC who feels led to give a hand in preparing the Lord's Supper. Please feel free to approach me or just be present at 9.15 am on the first Sunday of the month at our worship premises, so that we may serve the Lord together in this area of ministry. ■



Lilian Wong

For more information or to express your interest in serving God in the Communion Ministry, please contact Lilian Wong (lilian.wong@nlcc.org.au).



Pastor Dareth's Visit to NLCC

By the NLCC Missions Committee

Original article published on the NLCC missions website (missions.nlcc.org.au) on 5 August 2007.

This weekend, we had a great time with Pastor Dareth Ly, an Assemblies of God missionary to Cambodia. In two days, Pastor Dareth was able to help the Missions Committee and the Twelve Stones Core Committee strategise and identify areas that can help strengthen NLCC's working partnership and upcoming projects which we will be able to achieve in the coming years.

Pastor Dareth's seminar, "Your Life is God's Gift", was well attended with approximately 40 people. His message was strongly reinforced and shown by the sharing of his testimony of growing up in Khmer Rouge Cambodia and his return to his homeland.



On Saturday evening, a 'pot bless' was held over at Kim Ng's home. That night, the 2006 Cambodia Missions team members were able to catch up and share testimonies about Cambodia. It was also a chance for those planning to go for the 2007 Cambodia Missions trip to mix around and be blessed by the sharing of Pastor Dareth and the previous mission team members.

Sunday's service was another anointed event when Pastor Dareth shared his full testimony. He was also able to talk about his struggles in Cambodian ministry and how God renews strength to mind, body and soul when all else seems impossible. The movement of God in the spirit of NLCC members was certainly

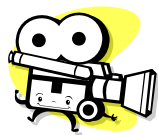


felt as everyone clung on to Pastor Dareth's life story and the realness of his experience. Before the service ended, the church rallied together to invest into the needs of the floating village in Siem Reap. NLCC members were able to raise US\$5,250 to purchase 525 units of water filtration systems for the families living in the floating village. This will help reduce diseases and problems associated with poor quality drinking water.

NLCC is glad to partner and invest into the lives of Cambodians, and those that avail themselves (people like Pastor Dareth) to help the nation of Cambodia come out of darkness and into His marvellous light. ■



Pastor Yat Wan Eu and Pastor Dareth Ly



Camera, Action!



By Jason Tan

Crawl like a baby! Walk like an old man! Be that unreasonable shopkeeper! Laugh as loud as you can ... now weep!

These were some of the warm-ups at the Drama Training conducted by Youth With A Mission (YWAM) on Saturday 22 September. The team, led by Marecia from YWAM Australia, brought us through three hours of intense drama training. The first 30 minutes tickled all 40 NLCC participants. Everyone laughed at how each person expressed themselves as babies and classy ladies on heels.

The majority of the day's participants are part of the upcoming NLCC Missions Impact trips to Cambodia in December 2007 and Sabah in January 2008. Performing short skits and drama items has always been a major part of NLCC's mission trips, as it easily overcomes language barriers in the places we visit.

The YWAM'ers taught us one short drama play, presented with the song "With Arms Wide Open" by Creed. It illustrates that Jesus – with His arms wide open – is able to bring healing to the lame, restore the sight for the blind and bring freedom to those who are heavy laden. Often, we take this for granted and even choose to nail Him to the cross. Despite this, we can choose to realise our wrong doings and enter into a place of repentance. Jesus forgives us with His arms wide open and brings us into His sweet embrace.

Through this session of drama training, we discovered many hidden "Tom Hanks" – talents in NLCC! Everyone who attended chose to step out of their comfort zones and portray their roles beyond their own expectations.

What about an NLCC Oscars for next time? ■





NLCC Harvest Fast

Between Monday 23 and Friday 27 July, many NLCC members went through a period of prayer and fasting that concluded with the Congregational Prayer Meeting on Friday night. Why did we choose to deprive ourselves of food (or other desires) and to spend this time in prayer?

A fast is undertaken to lose something of this world and gain something in the next. Fasting is hard. But God honours people who deny their own bodily desires for a time and devote themselves to prayer and fasting. It is clear from Scriptures that God expects us to fast. In Matthew 6:5-18 Jesus instructed His followers on how they should conduct their private times of prayer and fasting: "When you fast..." not, "If you fast..."

We learned about the following purposes of fasting:

1. Showing humility and repentance before God

God responds when we diligently and wholeheartedly seek Him (2 Chronicles 7:14). Fasting demonstrates humility and our wholehearted desire for God by acknowledging our dependence on Him.

2. Seeking God's face more fully

We fast to respond to God's love toward us. It is as if we are saying to God, "Because You are righteous and holy, and love me enough to send Jesus to die for my sins, I want to get to know You more intimately." Jeremiah 29:13 says that we will find God when we seek Him with all our hearts.

3. Demonstrating our sincerity in asking for something we desire

For example, Ezra proclaimed a fast to ask God to protect His people as they journeyed to Jerusalem from exile. God responded by leading them safely to Jerusalem, delivering them from their enemies and ambushes along the way (Ezra 8:21-31). However, although fasting may show our sincerity, it does not guarantee that we will receive what we desire. Through fasting we can determine the sincerity and correctness of our requests.

4. To know God's will

When the Israelites were in conflict with the tribe of Benjamin, they sought God's will through fasting. The entire army fasted until evening, and "the men of Israel asked the Lord, 'Shall we go out again and fight against our brother Benjamin, or shall we stop?'" (Judges 20:26-28). Acts 13:1-3 also suggests that the church leaders in Antioch sought God's direction for their ministry through prayer and fasting.

5. Promoting self-control and developing discipline

When we say no to our natural appetite for food, we develop the willpower and discipline to say no to other desires of the flesh (1 Corinthians 9:27).

God desires for us to love, obey, follow and enjoy Him. Deliberately abstaining from food is one way to demonstrate our commitment and sincerity in seeking Him. Having the correct attitude towards fasting – being sincere and seeking spiritual objectives such as personal sanctification and intercession, rather than worldly considerations such as impressing others or losing weight(!) – is also crucial if we want to fast 'biblically'. ■

Twelve Stones Update



By Sarah Seow

What a year it has been for Twelve Stones! After naming and consolidating the Young Adults Ministry in 2006, this year we looked at the third part of our vision – Fulfilling His Purpose.

We began the year with our retreat in early March, where for the first time we had speakers from NLCC – Pastor Yat Wan, James and Dee May. James shared with us about shining for Christ by relying on God and allowing the Holy Spirit to mould us, while Dee May launched the church-wide series *Just Walk Across The Room* ("JWATR"). This study looked at a practical approach to evangelism where we were encouraged to take that step out of our zone of familiarity and to form new friendships.

Throughout the year, we have again been arranging weekly badminton sessions where we can exercise what we have learnt from JWATR. This has been a great opportunity for us to invite our pre-believer friends for some fun and exercise and to get to know people better. We have been averaging 30 to 40 people at badminton and through this ministry, we have seen two people come to Christ. In addition to badminton, we have had other events such as barbecues, movie nights and dinners where we have been able to invite our new friends.

In the second half of the year we have been continuing to focus on our vision by looking at Passion for Christ. We studied the life of David, a man who exemplified what it means to lead a passionate, worshipful life for Him.

We were also blessed to have Pastor Dareth Ly from Cambodia visit us and share his powerful testimony. The great need for Christ in Cambodia was revealed to many of us and people were compelled to give their time, money and prayers to the ministry in Cambodia. We look forward to seeing what amazing testimonies God will give through this year's team that will be going there in December.

In September, the Twelve Stones Core Committee met for a planning weekend to seek God in His vision for 2008. We felt the need to seek Him more in regards to this ministry, and have subsequently arranged two prayer meetings for all Twelve Stones members. They have been great times of praise and seeking Him and we look forward to launching the new vision at the upcoming Twelve Stones Christmas Dinner. ■



Rena, Patrick, Dee May, Bernard and Sarah, five of the Core Committee members



Our Newly Baptised Members

On Sunday 19 May at Elder Keat and Lilian Wong's home, three NLCC members were baptised in the Wongs' swimming pool by Pastor Yat Wan. Not everyone got a chance to meet Cheryl, Yi Chiun and Rachael on their big day, so we asked them to answer some questions to help you get to know them a little bit more!

Cheryl Kee



When did you accept Christ?

I was born into a Christian family, so I've always been a Christian.

Why did you decide to be water baptised?

I decided this year when I came to NLCC. I've got a great cell group who will always have my back, the J-Lifers as a whole, and the worship ministry team who have been just as great. I've always wanted to be baptised in a comfortable surrounding, and they made it happen. Thanks guys!

Personally, what do you feel more empowered to accomplish?

I have a greater longing to know more of God, and to rely on Him everywhere and anywhere I go. I would love to go on a missions trip someday. I want to show the love and grace God has shown to

me, to the unsaved. Our God is an awesome God, and I want to tell everyone out there!

What do you hope to become more involved with at NLCC?

I am thinking of joining the Children's Ministry someday, but for now, I'll stick with the Worship Ministry. It's been a great experience being part of it. I've been encouraged by my mum to take up the guitar and piano again, and I hope I'll be good enough one day to play during service!

Short testimony

2007 has been a rough year with lots of ups and downs, but God has been great. He has opened up new doors for me and all I can do is praise Him! ■

Yi Chiun Lee

When did you accept Christ?

8 October 2006.

Why did you decide to be water baptised?

To be obedient to God.

Personally, what do you feel more empowered to accomplish?

I've been empowered to seek God more. I have mostly been doing this by reading His Word and praying daily, by constantly devoting myself and my time to focus on Him. Lately, I've also been challenged to put all my trust and faith in the Lord, for He is the one who provides.

What do you hope to become more involved with at NLCC?

I am hoping to become more involved in the website ministry (part of the Publications Ministry). I have started some work with the Twelve Stones website and the Church Database program and hope to be able to find time to work on them soon and also skill up in webpage designing, since it's really not my speciality.

Short testimony

I came, I saw, He conquered (me). Is that enough? No? Well recently it's been amazing to see God blessing me with the little things, especially in the way He answers our prayers, even for the smallest things in life. One particular instance was on an evening where Bernard Kho (my housemate and landlord!) found his car with its battery dead, parked outside the train station.



Yi Chiun with his fiancée Jasmin (left) and proud cell leader Dee May (right)

We tried jump-starting his car with my car, but it didn't work. Then we went home, had dinner, went for badminton, and after it we went back to the train station. Bernard had called up Jason King to come help him out. And so there we were, messing with the car and trying to jump-start using Jason's car for about half an hour, but still nothing.

Finally, Jason thought it might have been that the plugs weren't connected properly. He readjusted it a bit, and Bernard was going to give it one last try before calling it a night. And so I decided maybe I should help pray for Bernard's car to start up (he was in his car too). I pleaded for God's help and for a miracle. I did have some doubts on whether it was going to happen, but it did! Bernard's car started up in that last ditch effort, and I was more than a little surprised that God came and answered our prayer for something simple like this, and I was thankful for it. It gave me confidence that God was there and that He is listening to our prayers always, no matter how small. ■



Rachael Tang

When did you accept Christ?

I accepted Christ when I was really little. I always thought that I was a Christian, for as long as I can remember, until one day I found out that you actually had to say the sinner's prayer and all.

Why did you decide to be water baptised?

Water baptism has always been something that I've wanted to do, but never got around to ... maybe because I was scared. But now that I have found new courage in God, I decided to go for it, and declare to the public that I am a child of God! And to also be accountable to those around me, in the way I live.

Personally, what do you feel more empowered to accomplish?

I think I'm more open about the Word of God now, whether it is encouraging my friends in school or in church, or even my family members. I'm not as ashamed of the Word as before, though there's still much room for improvement!

What do you hope to become more involved with at NLCC?

I hope to be a leader in OverDrive – to be able to lead the ministry into even greater heights for God. (You've seen what we did at RAWRR!)

Short testimony

Life is never easy, even for a young one like me. Exams, assignments and all. Sometimes I feel like there isn't enough time to do anything, especially when I want to squeeze in that TV program that I really like into my very hectic schedule. However, I've learned to prioritise my life right, and not leave God to night when I can barely stay awake to spend time with Him. Rather, I've learnt to put Him first in my life, to spend time with Him before I start work! It may seem hard because as you're doing your 'quiet time', you start thinking about how you should go about your work later. But I want to encourage you guys to fully dedicate that time to Him! Cast away any worries into God's hands, and believe in faith that when you give your time to Him wholly, He will help sort out any problems later!

I remember once when I had a really huge test the next day, and my devotion passage happened to be really long. As much as I wanted to go on to the next day's which was way shorter, I decided to honour God and go on with it, though it did occur to me that time was running short to study! Praise God that despite the shorter time I had to study, I still did really well, just because I honoured God with that few extra minutes!

So all I want to say is, keep seeking God not only in your mountains, but valleys too, and just watch the wonderful miracles He's going to do in your own lives! ■



Pastor Yat Wan baptising Rachael



Upcoming Event: J-Life Camp 2008!

Dates: Friday – Monday, 21 – 24 March 2008
Venue: Orchard Glory Farm Resort, Bindoon
Speaker: Melbourne's Chris Hope
Cost: Triple tickets \$80
Double tickets \$65
Single tickets \$50

As we saw during the short skit on Sunday 14 October, the theme of the upcoming J-Life camp is **LOVE** – God's love for us, as well as our love for God and one another. Flyers will be distributed shortly for all J-Lifers to hand out to their friends.

We are believing that next year's camp can achieve an attendance of 150 youths. The speaker, Chris Hope, is an evangelist who normally only preaches at events with many people, but God has told to him to speak at our camp. We encourage all J-Lifers to take this opportunity to listen!

All campers are encouraged to buy at least double tickets in faith, believing that God will provide a friend for them to bring along. Tickets will be sold at the early-bird prices shown above for a limited time only.

Contact the organising committee – Joseph Luo, Genevieve Ong, Evan Wong, Adeline Boon, Chester Tham and Dorothy Eu – at gotlove@nlcc.org.au for more information.

Fundraising for "Got Love?"

Help support J-Life's camp by purchasing an item from their mouth-watering selection of delectable desserts... made with love, of course!

Cake Selection

Tiramisu	\$40
Chocolate Mud	\$40
Banana	\$30
Cheesecake	\$30
Carrot Cake	\$30

Brownies

Rich oozy chocolate	\$15
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Little Cookie Bags

Almond / Peanut	\$5
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Please email gotlove@nlcc.org.au by Sunday 11 November to place your order. Don't miss out!



Rocky I

By Gloria Ong

Hearts were changed as we sought after God in worship as one family.

Our first 'Rocky' youth service on Saturday 11 August started with pumping music, and of course, many hyped and excited J-Lifers who were concentrating on leaping into the air as high as physically possible and puffing out a tune, whilst not crashing into each other. It was quite a feat!

Time flew as we encountered God and heard Him reveal a new purpose and vision for our lives and the ministry as a whole. Knees were bent as our leaders stepped up to pray the revelations that God had placed within them and voices were raised in unity to affirm the God-inspired vision for our ministry.

NLCC, exciting times are coming! Join us as we pray for God's will to be revealed and fulfilled! ■



Rocky II

By Nickolas Sin

Late in the afternoon on Saturday 13 October, 50-odd J-Lifers converged in the Law Lecture Room for Rocky II.

Originally planned as a time-management seminar (in view of the oncoming exams), it was thankfully decided that we'd launch next year's J-Life camp at Rocky instead.

So what was Rocky all about? Contrary to popular opinion, it's not all about loud music and jumping youths! While that does happen, ultimately, Rocky is a time where J-Life gets together as a youth group to get with God.

Following a cracking worship session led by Amanda and the J-Life band (featuring a debut by Charis on the drums), the camp committee launched "Got Love?" – the theme for next year's camp – with a slightly off-centre skit (hey, it got the message through!).



J-Life led a themed worship service on Saturday 15 September, where everyone was invited to dress up in their school day best!



The J-Life band on the "School Day Best" themed service

Joe then spoke passionately about the theme for camp – developing a love for God – and earnestly asked us to stretch ourselves in faith to bring people to camp.

After that, Pastor Jason Tan gave a message based on Luke 11:5-13, which tells us to pray persistently and with perseverance. Also, prayer must come out of a *philos* (friendship) with God. We were challenged to pray for the salvation of our non-Christian friends.

Capping off a great day, camp sign-ups officially began at the end of Rocky II, with an amazing 62 sign-ups on the spot (considerably outpacing the sign-up rates for previous camps).

I'm really looking forward to seeing what God will do in our youth group – there are exciting times ahead. ■



J-Life Captain Ball

By Justin Chin

Yes, once and for all, it's 'captain ball' and *not* 'captain's ball'!

For those who are unaware, J-Life and OverDrive have been holding weekly sessions of captain ball at the James Oval in UWA on Saturday afternoons. I don't know if anyone else has noticed but every week since we started, we've been blessed with brilliant weather each Saturday (even through the period where it was raining every other day!). Awesome, no?

The turnout has been good in some weeks, not so good in others – but despite this, I think that most of us will agree we have had a really great time fellowshiping and building bonds between the young and not-so-young! When we first started these ball sessions, we agreed that the goal was to build relationships and I believe we've certainly managed to facilitate that.

An added bonus has been that some people with really poor hand-eye co-ordination (you know who you are) have had some (marginal) improvement in this area of their lives!

We're currently looking into whether we'll be continuing this next year but for now: to all who have come and supported us, many thanks for that and I'll be seeing you guys around!

God bless. ■



Our female road-trippers



And the guys!

J-Life Road Trip

By Evan Wong

On Sunday 9 September, 18 excited J-Lifers and one brave Pastor Yat Wan hit the road, kicking off the first ever J-Life Road Trip. Our destination was Kalbarri – a seaside holiday town, which is a seven-hour drive north of Perth.

That evening, as the cars reached the crest of the low hills overlooking Kalbarri and we caught our first glimpse of the town, the soreness and boredom of the long drive was quickly forgotten. We drank in the beautiful shoreline, the craggy, imposing cliffs and the cosy town centre nestled at the base of the hills.

The next two days were packed full of fun and activities. On the first day, some of us went horse-riding, while others went on a quad bike adventure. Both groups returned with many stories to share: most notably, Wen Han, who attempted a daring stunt by hanging off the side of her horse, and the quad bikers who found and ate mussels fresh from the ocean.



Horseriding

We canoed, explored the Kalbarri National Park, relaxed in the Jacuzzi pools and went sand-boarding, thoroughly enjoying ourselves. Each night, we had a time of 'singspiration' and sharing or social games. All in all, it was a wonderful time of making new friends and growing with old ones.



Canoeing

We capped off the holiday with a celebration BBQ on the last night, thanks to the great generosity of the church leadership, Fuzz's (Uzziah's) cooking prowess and Joe's very successful fishing trip. As we pulled away from Kalbarri, we all wished that we didn't have to leave so soon.

A big thank you again to all who helped make it happen in one way or another, especially Adeline, Gen, the games guys (Tim and Yong), Nick, Clarise and Joe. Also a special word of thanks to Pastor Yat Wan – you're the most energetic of us all. ■



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Can you find all the books of the Bible?

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| Corinthians | Hosea | Luke | Revelation |
| Daniel | Isaiah | Malachi | Romans |
| Deuteronomy | James | Mark | Ruth |
| Ecclesiastes | Jeremiah | Matthew | Samuel |
| Ephesians | Job | Micah | Song of Songs |
| Esther | Joel | Nahum | Thessalonians |
| Exodus | John | Nehemiah | Timothy |
| Ezekiel | Jonah | Numbers | Titus |
| Ezra | Joshua | Obadiah | Zechariah |
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Solution to Issue 4's Christian WordBuzz

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Solutions to Last Issue's Crossword

Across: 2. Worship. 4. Games. 5. Mums. 6. J-Life. 7. Crossfire. 8. Pastor.
 10. Rap. 11. Exposure. 14. Farewells. 17. Cancer. 18. Eye. 19. Morning Tea.
Down: 1. Nations. 3. Pulse. 5. Missions. 7. Cure. 8. PMHF. 9. Quiz Night.
 10. Revive. 12. Reach. 13. Release. 15. Awake. 16. Life.

OverDrive at DarkZone

By Jasmine Yap

Since it was the school holidays, we OverDrivers needed an outlet to expend our energy. This resulted in us going out into the battlefield of DarkZone. We were divided into three teams of eight and given laser guns that were topped with flashing lights and had cool names like Xena, Superman and Donkey Kong. We survived two exciting battles with many "lives lost" about 50 times over and our sweat pouring down on the floor like rain (despite the cold weather!). It was a rule that you were not allowed to run, but I'm pretty sure EVERYONE was running for their lives, and for their team's victory.

Each team was identified by a different colour – yellow, blue and red. I'm pretty sure the yellow team had the best base because there were many hiding areas where once an opponent entered into the yellow base ... BANNNNNGG! ... They were gone! We wouldn't even realise it, and so we kept shooting and shooting, until we discovered we had been dead for approximately 8 seconds (which is how long you get disabled for when you get shot). Relatively speaking, that's donkey years in DarkZone world.

Our Heroic 'Marksmen' who deserve special mention...

- Tim: You should have seen him – he kept jumping out of nowhere!

- Amanda: She's some Xena alright!
- Kristin: Wow, she's sooo scary... you turn around and there's no one, but you've actually been shot and then you see Kristin laughing at you and running away.

This was such a fantastic OverDrive outing; some people also brought friends and it was such a big game as there were so many people. It was so nice to hang out with each other and have some awesome, extreme fun. Thanks to everyone for a fair and highly enthusiastic game! ■





Hairspray & 'Wassup-B'?

By Estella Yeap

Joke of the Day: What did Sushi A say to Sushi B?

Armed with tons of sashimi and 'Wassup-B' we conquered the world... I mean, we loaded our tummies. Featured on the menu was also Japanese curry, fairy bread, jelly (with a Starburst surprise) and an assortment of sushi made by our very own OverDrive chefs!

What's a party without some (real) hairspray? Specially selected to be given an extreme makeover was Bryan! Boy oh boy did we have fun. He was given the hairdo of the year: Mohawk! It looked fantastic on him!

Well done to all the pro-stylists who did their thing. The best ingredient to use, as we found out, was none other than... Bar Soap! (Check out the pictures!)

Playing cards proved to be quite entertaining as well. We progressed from "Dai Di" to Bridge and played game after game after game – topped off by lots of giggling and laughter. ♠

With the majority of votes going to *Stardust*, the movie began as we piled ourselves on the couches. Multi-coloured jelly of different flavours (again, courtesy of our expert chefs Chloe and Josh) were handed out for everyone to enjoy!

Alas, being the extroverts that we are, the noise we were making became too distracting for anyone to concentrate on the movie, and most of us began to lose interest.

BUT! There was no need to fret because Amanda was there. She took the opportunity to 'shine' by 'serenading' us with her beautiful voice while playing the guitar – all through a glass window. I'm sure that no one will forget that (silent) incident. *winkwink nudgenudge*

Playing "Polar Bear" proved to be way harder than expected with so many people. So we gave up on that idea and decided to change movies to *HAIRSPRAY!* Laughing over particular scenes such as, "Doreen Noreen!", it was indeed a laughter-filled few hours. With the beat being so contagious, the girls got into it and started singing and dancing along. 🎵



Sushi, sashimi ... you name it, we ate it!



Amanda, Dot, Celena and Chloe with psychedelic jelly!

Unfortunately, time flew by and before long it was time to go home! But not before group pictures were being taken! Photos galore! Well what can I say? Photos are memories. And every moment is a Kodak moment. ✌️

"Weeeeeeeeeee!" ~ That's all I can say looking back on that memorable day. ♥

Thanks to all the organisers, chefs and all the OverDrivers for coming and making the day such a brilliant one. Thumbs up to Jasmine, Dot and their team who sliced, diced, stirred and ran the whole 'Kitchen Operation' – it was a fantastic lunch! And a special thank you to Chloe and Josh for volunteering their house.

Can't wait for the next one you guys! ■



Bryan Sin's extreme makeover – before and after!

Calendar of Upcoming Events

For more information about any of our events, please contact Pastor Yat Wan (0411 144 959). You can also download the official NLCC 2007 and 2008 Calendars at publications.nlcc.org.au.



november

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4 Membership Sunday Speaker: Ps Yat Wan Cambodia Missions Training 3.30 pm, Church Office	5	6	7	8	9	10
11 Speaker: Ps Yat Wan Annual General Meeting 11.45 am, Law Lecture Room 1	12	13	14	15	16	17
18 Speaker: Ps Yat Wan Cambodia Missions Training 3.30 pm, Church Office	19	20	21	22	23	24
25 Guest Speaker: YWAM representative from China Cambodia Missions Training 3.30 pm, Church Office	26	27	28	29	30	

Worship Services are conducted at:
Social Science Lecture Theatre
The University of Western Australia
Crawley WA 6009

Church Office:
Suite 27, Level 3, 88 Broadway
Nedlands WA 6009

Sunday Schedule

Worship Service
10.00 am to 11.30 am

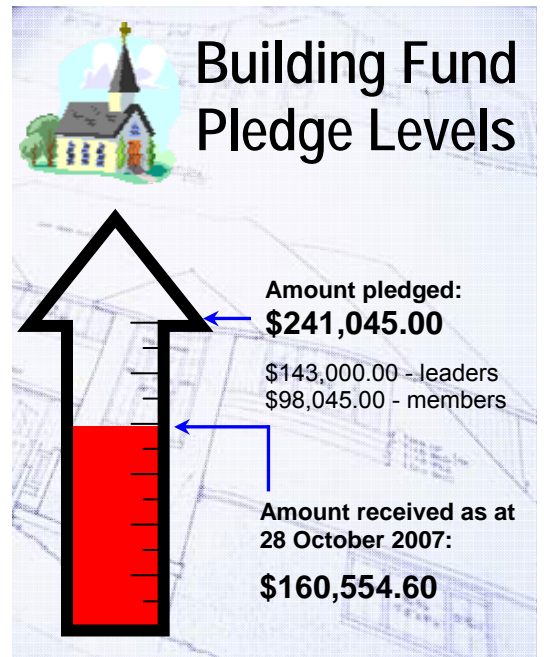
Children's Ministry
10.45 am to 11.30 am

Prayer Meeting (2nd Sunday of each month)
11.30 am to 12.00 noon



December

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30 Speaker: Ps Yat Wan	31 Watch Night Service 7.00 pm, Elder Richard and Susan Tai's home					1 Twelve Stones Christmas Dinner 6.30 pm, Nedlands
2 Guest Speaker: Ps Caleb Brownhill Carols in the Park (tbc)		4	5	6	7	8
9 Speaker: Elder James Seow Prayer Meeting 11.30 am, SSLT	10	11 Missions Impact trip to Cambodia (until 23 December)	12	13	14	15
16 Guest Speaker: Ps Peter Brownhill	17	18	19	20	21	22
23 Christmas Service 10.00 am, SSLT Speaker: Ps Jason Tan	24	25 Christmas Day	26 Boxing Day	27	28	29



January

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 New Year's Day	2	3	4 Missions Impact trip to Sabah (until 18 January)	5
6 Speaker: Ps Yat Wan	7	8	9	10	11	12
13 Speaker: Ps Angelina Eu Prayer Meeting 11.30 am, SSLT	14	15 Planet Shakers Conference Challenge Stadium (until 18 January)	16	17	18	19
20 Speaker: Ps Yat Wan Board Meeting 3.00 pm, Nedlands	21	22	23	24	25	26 Australia Day
27 Speaker: Ps Jason Tan	28 Public holiday for Australia Day	29 NLCC Life Track: Module 2 Church Office	30 NLCC Life Track: Module 2 Orchard Glory (until 1 February)	31 NLCC Life Track: Module 2 Orchard Glory		

Summer Submissions

If you have any:

- Articles
- Comments
- Event reviews
- Jokes
- Questions you want answered or
- Testimonies



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