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TIES THAT BIND

Having retired in 2013, Mr Foong Daw Ching remains active in serving God. As the Chairman of Tung Ling Community Services, and one of St Luke's ElderCare's (SLEC) pioneer board members, he shares his experience during his time as Chairman of SLEC between 2004 – 2006.

Guided by Christian Values

As believers, we are called to love God and share the Gospel to those who have yet to come to the knowledge of Christ. At SLEC, we aim to create a community of care and enrich lives in the community guided by these Christian values. Thus, we believe that every stakeholder plays an essential role and everyone can contribute in their own way. We were and are blessed to have a team of dedicated staff, volunteers and partners who have contributed in various ways to our clients.

We held quarterly prayer meetings to seek God for His direction and commit our plans to Him.

Challenges Faced

As we prayed for His provisions, we also asked for His guidance.

The earlier years of SLEC were challenging as we had to plough new grounds. There were uncertainties and we were worried about financial support and manpower, amongst many other concerns.

Despite these challenges, we were constantly encouraged and reminded of God's purpose for each of us that we were all called to be the "light of this world," (Matthew 5:14). We needed to put our light out there as there were tremendous needs to be met. And to do so, we needed to be relevant to the ever-changing world, and adapt to the evolving needs of an ageing population.

In 1999, we started with four eldercare centres. Today I am thankful to God as SLEC has grown to 22 eldercare



Mr Foong Daw Ching reading the SLEC's 2009 Annual Report

centres and has more than 20 church partners. These would not have been possible without His blessings.

His Blessings

We are also blessed to be able to work with both corporate and church partners to reach out to our community, volunteers, clients and caregivers. We are grateful for the support our team has received.

I would like to invite you to join us in enriching lives in the community. God will continue to fill us as we bless others!

Mr Foong Daw Ching sharing how God guided the team since day 1.



PRAISE & WORSHIP

We are thankful for the continued spiritual and financial support from our partnering churches who serve alongside us. Through their faithful and consistent ministry work, we rejoice over the numerous salvations of clients at our centres since the inception of St Luke's ElderCare.

At our Whampoa Centre, a team of enthusiastic volunteers from Barker Road Methodist Church minister to the elderly folks every Friday. They worship, share the message, provide snacks for tea and play games with our elderly folks. Through their warmth, they have brought joy and continue to make a difference to the lives of the elderly.



Praise and worship led by church volunteers at Whampoa Centre



Barker Road Methodist Church volunteers performing for our clients at Whampoa Centre

FORGING PARTNERSHIPS

We have forged closer partnerships through the renewal of Memorandum of Understandings (MOU) and established a new partnership at Bukit Batok Centre:

- Bless Community Services (YCK Chapel) | **SLEC Serangoon Centre**
- Bukit Batok Presbyterian Church & Providence Presbyterian Church | **SLEC Bukit Batok Centre**
- Telok Ayer Chinese Methodist Church | **SLEC Telok Blangah Centre**
- Wesley Methodist Church (WMC) | **SLEC Golden Years Centre**

In addition to the regular support from our church partners, our Centre Advisory Committees (CAC) also play an integral role for collaboration of ministry works at the centres. The CACs which comprise of representatives from our church partners along with SLEC's representatives provide their inputs and guides the activities which are conducted at our centres.

Since 2000, Church of Singapore (COS) has partnered with Hougang and Tampines Centre. With the addition of Marine Parade Centre (MPC) which will be ready by mid-2018, COS will also be partnering with MPC as well.

The harvest is indeed plentiful, and we earnestly seek for more churches to partner with us in reaching out to the growing silver generation. We are still praying and appealing to churches to come on board to support our upcoming nursing home and centres sited in the Ang Mo Kio, Serangoon and Punggol vicinity.



CAC meeting with COS at Hougang Centre

Should you wish to find out how you can play an active role to support the seniors within our community, you can reach us at hq@slec.org.sg or 6390 9845.

SALVATIONS & TRANSFORMATIONS



Staff and volunteers who attended the Alpha Weekend Retreat posing for a group photo

We thank God for opening the door for an evangelistic outreach within the St Luke's family

We successfully completed our very first Alpha course for our staff in Oct 2017. The course was attended by 36 staff, and we rejoice for the 4 salvations, 2 re-dedication of lives, and healing of many.

The testimonies of God's goodness continued and by God's grace, we have begun our second run of Alpha course in April 2018. A group of 34 staff signed up for the course. Do pray along with us for His provision of funds to enable us to run the sessions, as well as for more salvations and transformation of lives!



Core Team of the Alpha Programme gathered for a time of celebration



Monthly staff fellowship where staff bond over a meal, games, worship, word and prayers



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FESTIVE CELEBRATIONS

In celebration of the various festivities, we are grateful for the support from our church partners who often bring joy and laughter to our seniors. Engaging and uplifting, the songs, dance, games and lunch conducted and provided by them continuously lift our seniors' spirits.



Wesley Methodist Church conducting Lunar New Year celebration with the elderly folks



Praise dance item by clients from Keat Hong Centre and volunteers from Bukit Panjang Gospel Chapel



Lunar New Year celebration with clients from Golden Years Centre and volunteers from Wesley Methodist Church

VOLUNTEERS' APPRECIATION TEA



Wesley Methodist Church volunteers at the Volunteers' Appreciation Tea session on 16 March 2018

We are blessed with a pool of supportive church partners and their members to co-labour with us in caring for our elderly. To appreciate our ardent supporters, a Partners' Appreciation Dinner and an Appreciation Tea event were held. During these occasions, we took the opportunity to strengthen bonds over meals and activities.

At the same time, we sought their feedback to further improve their volunteering experiences and to better care for our elderly.



Volunteers along with CAC Members from Church of Singapore and The Bible Church

LET US CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR



God's protection to be upon the elderly and staff members in their daily routine.



Staff members to be filled with wisdom, strength and love as they care for the elderly at the centres and within their homes.



More churches to come onboard with St Luke's ElderCare to render spiritual and financial support.