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马来西亚神学院院讯

Many Christians have an inner desire to want to serve God whether in a part-time or full-time capacity. This is a noble aim and should be greatly encouraged. To help them to be equipped for the task of ministry, studying God's Word in an environment which encourages theological reflection and exegetical finesse would undoubtedly be beneficial.

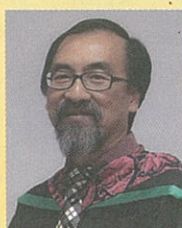
Seminari Theoloji Malaysia (STM) was founded in 1979 by three main-line denominations to prepare vibrant, creative and faithful leaders for Christian ministry in Malaysia which is a melting pot of diverse faiths and cultures. To be effective ministers and servants of God in this culturally complex, varied religious and pluralistic country, one needs to experience personal and spiritual growth through a life transforming encounter with the living God and living Word. We are a community of pilgrims and fellow learners. We are committed to solid Christian scholarship and practical and relevant contextual training. We provide opportunities for lifelong learning and personal growth in the Christian life.

## Why STM?

We offer a range of study opportunities for both full-time and part-time in-campus learning through our undergraduate programs like BTh, BD, and MDiv as well as graduate programs like MMin, DMin, MTh, and DTheol. We believe in academic and spiritual excellence in order to achieve professional excellence and competency. STM's undergraduate degrees are recognized by many denominations as a sufficient entry point for the ordained or lay ministry. The in-campus learning community is made up of students from many ecclesiastical and cultural traditions.

For those unable to leave their jobs and study full-time, STM runs the Theological Education by Extension (TEE) programs in four languages namely, English, Chinese, Tamil, and Bahasa Malaysia. The TEE is conducted in various centres like the CTEE (Centre for Theological Education) in Luther Center, PJ, and in Seremban, Ipoh, and Kuching. We have also recognized study centres in Ipoh Theological Centre (ITC) and SiYuan Centre in Sitiawan, with two more centres (Penang and Melbourne) soon to be recognized. The TEE offers a range of study opportunities from CertCM and DipCM for non-degree holders to GradDipCS and MCS for degree holders. TEE graduates can move on to upgrade themselves to a higher level of training.

Regardless of your denominational affiliation or church background, we are sure you can find a program suitable for your needs. Studying in-campus in Seremban or in any of the TEE centres is a pleasant and wonderful experience in which you can experience more of God's Word, the Church, and the world. Don't wait anymore. Come and enroll yourself and be equipped for God's ministry.



**Rev Dr Anthony Loke 陆彦辉牧师 (博士)**  
**Dean of Studies 教务主任**

许多基督徒内心都有一股事奉上帝的热忱，这是值得鼓励的。若我们能够提供一个注重神学反思和圣经解释的环境，以装备自己服侍教会，这些信徒肯定获益不浅。

马来西亚神学院成立于1979年；目的是为本国教会训练有活力、富创意又忠心的牧者。要在马来西亚这个多元宗教和文化的大环境成为有果效的上帝仆人，我们需要在个人与属灵层面透过与永活上帝相遇及圣经经历生命的转化。STM 提供扎实的基督教学术及适切的实践训练，还有终身学习与基督徒个人生命成长的机会。我们相信卓越的学术和成熟的灵命能够带来专业和美好的成果。

## 为什么选择STM?

本院所提供的全时间和部分时间课程包括：神学学士、道学学士与道学硕士；教牧学硕士与教牧学博士；神学硕士与神学博士。那些未能全时间修读者可以选择修读神学延伸课程TEE，以较长的时间完成。目前的神学延伸课程的教学媒介语有英文、中文、淡米尔文和国文；在八打灵信义楼的思迪神学中心、芙蓉校园、怡保和古晋进行。课程有为非大专生而设的基督教事工证书和基督教事工文凭；为大专毕业生而设的有基督教研究文凭和基督教研究硕士课程。本院也承认怡保神学中心和实兆远思源中心的课程；未来还会有檳城和澳洲墨尔本两个被承认的中心。

不论你是什么宗派或教会背景，我们相信你都能从本院找到适合你报读的课程，无论是芙蓉校园或任何一个神学延伸中心，你同样会有美妙且愉快的学习并体验上帝的话语。别再延迟。赶快报名，装备自己，事奉上帝！



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Christian Studies  
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您可在 [www.stm.edu.my](http://www.stm.edu.my) 内 'Download Forms' 处下载申请表格。有关询问请电邮 [eng-academic@stm2.edu.my](mailto:eng-academic@stm2.edu.my) (英文部) 或 [chin-academic@stm2.edu.my](mailto:chin-academic@stm2.edu.my) (中文部)。  
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# Introducing

## the STM Academic Staff

For any institution to run properly, it needs a good support staff to handle the area of administration. The academic staff is of prime importance especially for the effective functioning of a theological seminary. To ensure that the academic affairs of STM are well taken care of, we have in place a dynamic and vibrant staff.

Led by Rev Dr Anthony Loke, the Dean of Studies (2013-16), his work is made easier by the very efficient and competent staff. He notes with appreciation that the work done by his academic staff is on par with other academic staff in overseas institutions. Anthony, a Kamparian, joined STM in January 1998 and served in various capacities before becoming the Dean. His favorite food is pan mee, lasagna, and Hong Kong chee cheong fun.

Next down the line is the Registrar, Ms Esther Chan. She is academically qualified and had prior working and teaching experience in UTAR (Kampar) before joining STM in June 2013. She handles all the paperwork involved during the application process to study in STM as well as planning the time-table, classroom allocations, and computing the grades. She is a local girl from Seremban and her favorite food is dim sum and western food.

The Registrar is ably supported by two Academic Officers, Mrs Ruth Tee who handles the English department, and Mdm Chong Siew Len who handles the Chinese department on a part-time basis. Ruth is the wife of Rev Tee Heng Peng, one of STM lecturers in the Chinese department. She has been with STM for a long time having joined in 2005. Her work also covers the area of the postgraduate MTh (Eng). Siew Len comes from Kuala Pilah, N.S. and joined

STM in January 2013. She is the wife of Rev Chew Kean Kee, another STM lecturer in the Chinese department. Her work also involves helping the area of the Chinese MMin and DMin. Her favorite food is durian

In STM, we currently have the four TEE departments run along language lines. Each is staffed by an Academic Officer or Assistant Administrator in a full-time or part-time capacity. The Academic Officer handling the Tamil TEE on a part-time basis is Mdm Mahimal Doss Josephine. She hails from Chennai, India and joined STM in July 2011. Her favorite food is curd (yogurt) rice. The Academic Officer for the Chinese TEE on a part-time basis is Mdm Lo Yin Teng. She comes from Seremban and was working in a multinational firm in Senawang prior to joining STM in January 2013. Her favorite food is Aglio e Olio.

The English TEE is handled by TEE Direc

tor, Pastor Wong Moi Lee. She comes from Melaka and is also the PJ CTEE Director as well as a part-time STM lecturer. She is an STM Alumna and joined STM in 2012. Moi Lee's favorite food is nasi lemak and curry laksa. She is ably assisted by the PJ CTEE Assistant Administrator in the person of Mdm Manonmani d/o John. She is also the wife of STM Alumni Rev Timothy Krishnan and she joined STM in 2013.

The newest TEE Academic Officer is Ms Delaila Singa. She comes from Tenom, Sabah 'the land below the wind' and joined STM in January 2014. Delaila handles the BM TEE as well as the overall BM program in a full-time capacity. Her favorite food is Chinese food.

With a strong and able academic staff, you can be assured that we are here to serve you and to assist you in all matters relating to the academic department. Please contact us if you need help in the respective areas.



From left: Delaila; Josephine (part-time); Esther; Siew Len (part-time); Moi Lee; Ruth; Yin Teng (part-time); Anthony.  
Not in the picture – Manonmani.

### Registrar

Academic Officer (English)

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# ALUMNI HOMECOMING

Reflecting on Pastoral  
Approach in Ministry  
1 - 3 September 2014  
Rev Dr Philip Lok

Retreat

「再思牧养进路」  
2014年9月1-3日  
吴慧芬博士

To register, please email Canon Margaret Chen [msychen@hotmail.com](mailto:msychen@hotmail.com)

Time Table			
Time	1/9/2014 (Mon)	2/9/2014 (Tues)	3/9/2014 (Wed)
7.30 am		Breakfast	Breakfast
8.00 am		Morning Chapel (with STM Community)	Group Devotion <sup>1</sup> (Group photo) <sup>2</sup>
9.00 am		Theme talk 1	Theme Talk 3
10.30 am		Tea break	Tea break
11.00 am			Theme Talk 4
12.30 pm		Theme talk 2	Alumni New Committee sharing
1.00 pm		Lunch	Lunch
2.30 pm		BGM <sup>4</sup> (All are invited)	
4.00 pm	Arrival/ Registration <sup>3</sup>	Refreshment	
5.00 pm		Tele-match <sup>5</sup>	
6.30 pm	Welcoming Dinner	Dinner (7.00 pm)	
7.30 pm	Sharing on Holy Land Tour by Dr Ezra Kok (C) & Dr Anthony Loke (E)	Free time	
9.30 pm	Rest/Good night	Rest/Good night	



時間表			
Time 時間	1/9/2014 星期一	2/9/2014 星期二	3/9/2014 星期三
7.30 am		早餐	早餐
8.00 am		清晨崇拜 (與神學院同學和講師)	團體靈修 <sup>1</sup> (團體拍照) <sup>2</sup>
9.00 am		主題講座 1	主題講座 3
10.30 am		茶點	茶點
11.00 am		主題講座 2	主題講座 4
12.30 pm			新校友會委員分享
1.00 pm		午餐	午餐
2.30 pm		兩年一度的常年大會 (務請大家出席)	
4.00 pm	到達/登記	茶點	
5.00 pm		運動聯誼賽 <sup>3</sup> (校友 VS 在籍學生)	
6.30 pm	歡迎晚宴	晚餐 (7.00 pm)	
7.30 pm	特別講座: “圣地遊覽之分享” ~ 郭漢成院長	自由時間	
9.30 pm	休息/晚安	休息/晚安	

明年再見  
旅途平安

## ALUMNI News

*Congratulations to:*



Beenish Jevad (MDiv 2010) and her husband Pastor Rajan Nagar-koti on the recent birth of their baby daughter, Arina Rajan, born on the 17 April 2014.



Charles Choy Chia Cheu (MDiv 2008) and Liz Wong Li Sze (MDiv 2009) on the recent birth of their baby son, Nathan Choy Zee Yui 蔡子義, born on the 17 April 2014.



# Creation Care and the Gospel: a post-conference reflection

The Conference on Creation Care and the Gospel of SEA is held on March 17-21, 2014 at Hotel Vida, Clark, Pampanga, Philippines. It is one of a series of conferences in the Lausanne Creation Care Network's global creation care campaign which runs from 2014 through 2016.

During this conference, eighty six of us studied and reflected on three major themes through plenary sessions and workshops:

1. God's Word (biblical-theological reflections on creation and our responsibilities as stewards)
2. God's World (scientific examination of the nature of the environmental crisis)
3. God's Work (how should we respond to these crisis in partnership with God).

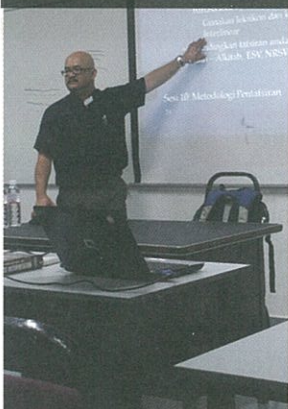
As one who is involved in theological education, I find this conference not only an invitation to see creation care as



one of our responses to Christ's gospel, but a reminder to live a simpler lifestyle amidst a pressing environmental crisis. Furthermore, it facilitates networking to help craft a robust theology of creation care and practical steps to encourage Christian church to engage in.

Report by: Rev Dr Wong Tik Wah

## STM Bahasa Malaysia TEE Report by: Ms Ho Gaik Kim



**16-18 & 23-25 May 2014  
Kampar**

**22-25 April 2014  
STM Campus  
Seremban**

It was indeed a joyful occasion to see the first commencement of the course for the upgrading of pastors. Rev. Kelvin Jawa from the Anglican Diocese of Kuching taught "Tafsiran Alkitabiah". There were 24 students, many of whom are pastors. While the focus of the programme in Seremban is to help pastors continue learning and equipping themselves with new skills, it is also open to all Christians who may find the courses offered helpful for their ministry.

**The next course is "Agama 2" by Rev. Chew Kean Kee (26-28 August 2014).**



STM is very pleased to announce that we had a Launching Service for the Centre in Kampar at 6.30 pm on 16 May 2014. About 40 people attended the service, including the Principal of STM, Rev. Dr. Ezra Kok, and the President of the Persidangan Misi Sengoi, Rev Uda Aman. They both shared about their hopes for the centre. Rev. Richard Leow also shared words of encouragement. The first class on "Doktrin Kristian Asas 1" commenced after the service and was held over 2 week-ends. We are thankful that there were 21 students and we hope that more will come. The centre is open to all who see the need to equip themselves for God's service.

**The next course is "Tinjauan Perjanjian Baru" by Ms. Melissa Chan Li Ann (5-7 and 12-14 December 2014).**





# Faculty and Visiting Scholars News (April-June 2014)

讲师和访问学者动态 (2014年4-6月) ஆசிரியர், மற்றும் பார்வையாளர் பேராசிரியர்களின் செய்திகள் ( ஏப்ரல் - ஜூன் 2014)

## Rev Dr Ezra Kok

**7-9 April:** Attended Overseas Council International Institute of Excellence at Holy Light Theological Seminary, Taiwan.

**17-20 April:** Conducted Bible Study on Romans and preached on Easter Sunday at Christchurch Chinese Church, New Zealand.

**2-4 May:** Exposition on Romans at Langkawi Chinese Methodist Church and Kangar Chinese Methodist Church.

**10-11 May:** Exposition on Romans at Butterworth Chinese Methodist Church.

**17-18 May:** Exposition on Mark at Bercham Chinese Methodist Church.

**21-22 June:** Exposition on Mark at Tampin Chinese Methodist Church.

### STM Sunday

**13 April:** Ulu Tiram Chinese Methodist Church.

**2 May:** Langkawi Chinese Methodist Church

**4 May:** Kangar Chinese Methodist Church

**11 May:** Butterworth Chinese Methodist Church.

**18 May:** Bercham Chinese Methodist Church.

**15 June:** Labuan Methodist Church.

**22 June:** Tampin Chinese Methodist Church.

## Rev Dr Tan Jin Huat

**24-25 May:** Conducted Bible exposition at CMC Banting.

**6-8 June:** Speaker at Presbyterian Church Camp in Taiping.

## Rev Dr Wong Tik Wah

**29-31 May:** Preached at the Methodist Youth Fellowship (MYF) Convention of Sabah Provisional Annual Conference (SPAC) in Kota Kinabalu, Sabah.

**2-4 June:** Presented a paper at the 5th Wesleyan Theological Conference of the World Federation of Chinese Methodist Church (WFCMC) at MTS, Sibul.

**21 June:** Conducted an intensive series on Wesleyan Theology at Kapar CMC.

### STM Sunday

**25 May:** Sepang CMC.

**22 June:** Kapar CMC

## Rev Tee Heng Peng

### STM Sunday

**27 April:** Herald Presbyterian Church, Kluang.



## Rev Dr Anthony Loke

**11-13 April:** Led Tutorial Group on Short Mission Trip to Bentong/Kuala Lipis Methodist Churches.

**22-26 April:** Attended TRAC Pastors-Diaconal Ministers School (PDMS) in Melaka.

**1-6 May:** Made accrediting visit to the Lay Academy for Ministry and Missions (LAMM) of the Chinese Methodist Church of Australia (CMCA) in Melbourne

**17-27 May:** Led a Group of Pilgrims to Israel/Jordan.

**29 June-5 July:** Participated in Association for Theological Education in South East Asia (ATESEA) Accreditation Team to Philippines.

## Rev Dr Philip Siew

**10 April:** Preached at the Spiritual Renewal Rally at Semenyih CMC.

**25-27 April:** Preached at the Youth Revival Rally and Youth Sunday for Kuching District MYF in Kuching.

**10 May:** Preached at CAC My TEAM seminar at Wisma Methodist.

**24 May - 3 June:** Led a Holy Land Trip as a Spiritual Director.

**19-22 June:** Preached at the Senior Fellowship Retreat and on Sunday Worship at GMI Gloria, Medan, Indonesia.

## Pastor Law Choon Sii

**20 April:** 卫理公会文丁堂神学主日

## Dr Elaine Goh

**5 April:** Conducted "A Journey Through Old Testament" seminar at All Saints' Anglican Church, Cheras KL.

**12-13 April:** Conducted a Bible seminar on Ecclesiastes and preach at Permai Chinese Methodist Church.

**27 April:** Conducted a Bible seminar on Ecclesiastes and preach at Permai Chinese Methodist Church.

**30 May - 1 June:** Conducted bible seminars on Ecclesiastes at Batu Pahat Presbyterian Church.

**3-4 June:** 芙蓉福音堂主讲"旧约纵览"圣经讲座。

**14-15 June:** 在怡保圣奥古斯丁圣公会主讲《传道书》圣经讲座。

**22-26 June:** Presented a paper on "Wickedness in the Place of Justice and Righteousness: A Reading of Eccl 3:16-17 in Response to the Court's Ban for Malaysian Christians to Use "Allah"" during Society of Asian Biblical Studies (SABS) held at Chiangmai, Thailand.

## Rev Chew Kean Kee

**14 April:** Spoke on Christianity at Faculty of Islamic studies UKM.

**29-31 May:** Attended Christian Counselling Conference at Grace Community Centre PJ.

**12-13 June:** Attended LCM Pastor Retreat at Port Dickson.

## Rev Canon Steven Abbarow

**22 April:** Attended Malaysian Association of Theological Schools Exco meeting at Alpha Omega International College, PJ.

**27 April:** Conducted Bible Study at Kluang Tamil Methodist Church, Johor.

**17 May:** Conducted a Seminar on "Visitation and Pastoral Care Part 2" at Trinity Methodist Church, PJ.

**29-31 May:** Attended Summit and Conference on "Culturally-sensitive Christian Counselling in Asia: Towards integrating Psychology and Theology as Care and Counsel in Mission for Christ", PJ.

**29 June:** Preached at St. Paul's Church, PJ, promote STM Endowment Fund.

### STM Sunday

**26 April:** Kluang Lutheran Congregation, Johor.

**27 April:** Layang-Layang Tamil Methodist Church, Johor.

**27 April:** Kluang Tamil Methodist Church, Johor.

**8 June:** St. Mary's Church (Mar Thoma Church), Klang.

**15 June:** Emmanuel Church, Tapah & Good Shepherd Church, Kampar

**22 June:** Church of the Holy Spirit, Buntong, Ipoh. St. Thomas Church, Tambun, Ipoh.

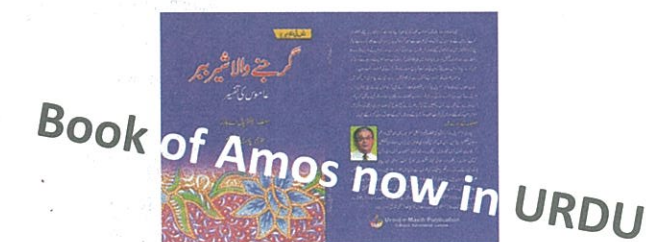
## Pastor Jimmy Chong Chuin Ming

**18-20 April:** 在吉隆坡福音堂主讲“重回基督受难复活的现场”培灵会

## CONDOLENCES

Our heartfelt condolences to  
**Pastor Jimmy Chong Juin Ming** and family  
for the recent demise of his father-in-law on the  
20 April 2014.

## Rev Dr Paul Barker



Rev Dr Paul Barker's book is now available in the Urdu language. Please contact Rev Dr Paul by email [pbarker@cms.org.au](mailto:pbarker@cms.org.au) if you are interested to purchase the book.



# Doctor & Master of Ministry (DMin) & (MMin)



**MMin (E)**

**Pastoral Theology**

Rev. Dr. Chew Tow Yow,  
on 8-11 April, 2014

**DMin (E)**

**Advanced Hermeneutics &  
Homiletics**

Rev Dr Paul Barker &  
Rev Dr Lim Kar Yong,  
Dr. Michael Raiter &  
Rev. Dr. Philip Siew on  
5-9 May, 2014



## 教牧学博士与教牧学硕士 (DMin & MMin)



**MMin (C)**

**整全健康、医治与释放**

2014年 4月8日至11日

萧帝佑牧师(博士)

**健康、医治与释放：  
整全进路**

2014年 5月12日至16日

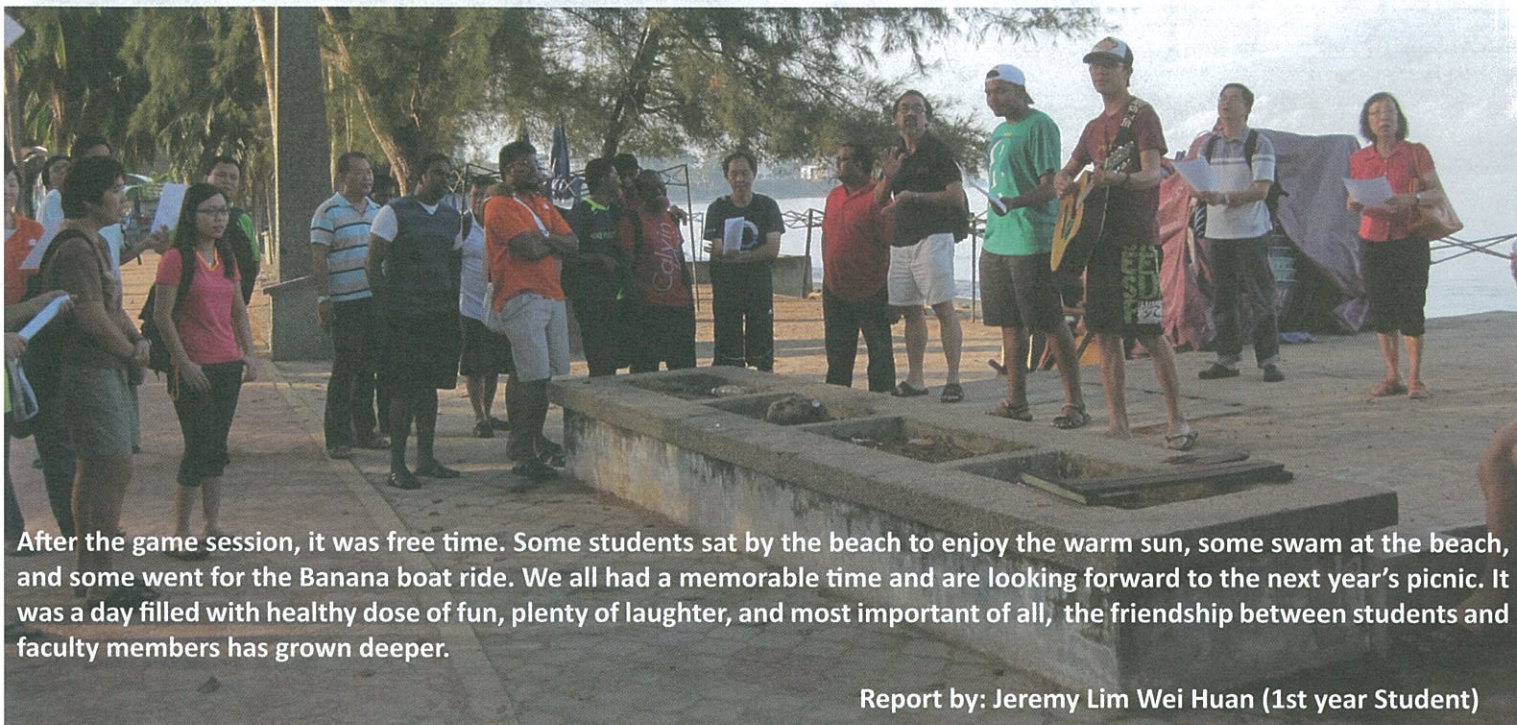
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On the **17th of March**, a sunny Monday morning, STM students went for a picnic at the Teluk Kemang beach at Port Dickson. We had a great time at the beach, enjoying the fellowship and the wonderful creations of God – the serenity of the sea, the warm pale-yellow sand, and the light blue sky with fluffy white clouds. It was a wonderful time worshipping God together, and hearing a devotional message on Sabbath shared by Anthony Loke, our beloved Rabbi.

Indeed, all of us felt refreshed to be able to take a break off from our routine of study and ministry. It was then followed up by the game session which really challenged our creativity. We were given different movies, from Frozen to Jurassic Park to Pirates of the Caribbean, and had to build a sand sculpture and act according to the movie's scene given to us.



After the game session, it was free time. Some students sat by the beach to enjoy the warm sun, some swam at the beach, and some went for the Banana boat ride. We all had a memorable time and are looking forward to the next year's picnic. It was a day filled with healthy dose of fun, plenty of laughter, and most important of all, the friendship between students and faculty members has grown deeper.

Report by: Jeremy Lim Wei Huan (1st year Student)

# STM Picnic 2014



**3月17日** 星期一，早上7点许。大伙30余人乘坐巴士从学院出发。我们大概8点多便到达目的地。海滩很安静，似乎还在沉睡。海水很努力地爬上沙滩，浪花一卷一卷地梳洗沙地上的沙石。我们在这海滩上唱几首诗歌，赞美上帝的创造和美丽。敬拜之后，陆彦辉牧师便为我们分享信息。他生动活泼地说有关弓和弦的故事：我们应当懂得如何寻求休息，就像除下紧绷的弓弦，放松一下自己的心情和脑袋。过后，我们一起享用早餐。这个时候，师生一边吃，一边交谈，笑声一片，打破了海边的宁静。我们也看到沙滩小子（工作人员）如何推出游艇，

他们的工作也要开始了。他们黝黑的皮肤和阳光的笑容，嵌在海边的图画里面，又是一幅叫人难忘的喜乐美景！吃了早餐后，我们开始进行轻松有趣的的游戏。我们分成几个小组轮流表演话剧，各种族的语言和表情成为亮丽的风格，令大家嬉笑难忘。颁奖完毕，就是自由活动。大家漫步在长长的沙滩上，或到附近的摊子享用食物。大概下午2时，大家便向海边挥别，回学院了。海边的一天，短暂却难忘。感谢学院和学生委员会这么用心为我们策划了美好的团契。

报导：谭伟雄（第三年学生）



There were three papers presented by: **Dr Elaine Goh (STM)**, **Dr Lim Kar Yong (EFC)**, and **Dr Anthony Loke (STM)** followed by three respondents, **Dr Vincent Ooi (MBTS)**, **Dr Ezra Kok (STM)**, and **Mr Wong Kow Cheong (MBTS Adjunct)**. Each session was concluded with a time of Question and Answer which drew lively responses from the floor.



The First Biblical Studies Seminar, which was held on 10th march 2014, was well attended by a total of 58 participants (out of a total of 64 registrations). Those who came included theological students, seminary lecturers, church workers, pastors, chairmen of NGOs, a retired bishop, and many interested lay people from different denominations. Participants also included friends and alumni from abroad including Indonesia and Singapore as well as Sabah and Sarawak.

## FIRST BIBLICAL SEMINAR 2014

The organizers of the BSS, wish to thank all who came to help make the BSS a success. The next BSS is tentatively set for 9th March 2015 in STM. The 2015 theme is on 'Aliens and Sojourners From the Bible's Perspective'. As this is a Biblical Studies Seminar, there will be the usual OT and NT paper. However, next year, there will be an introductory paper by a guest presenter from the sociology discipline.

Report by: Rev Dr Anthony Loke

## The Anglican Diocese of West Malaysia (DWM) Endowment Fund



On the 28th of April 2014, the bishop of Anglican Diocese of West Malaysia (DWM) Rt Rev Datuk Ng Moon Hing wrote to us officially informing that DWM is happy to contribute RM1 million to STM in order to set up an Endowment Fund in memory of the late bishop The Rt Rev Tan Sri J.G. Savarimuthu, who was one of the founding bishops of STM. The Fund is to be named after Bishop Tan Sri J.G. Savarimuthu. The interest derived from this principle sum will be used as sponsorship for doctoral students in the Doctor of Ministry, Doctor of Theology or its equivalent program related to Anglican studies.



The Cheque Presentation Dinner was held on 5th May 2014. The cheque was presented by Bishop Ng and received by Pastor Richard Wong, the Chairperson of STM Endowment-Trust Fund Committee. We are pleased that the family members of the late Bishop Tan Sri J.G. Savarimuthu were present at the Cheque Presentation and Dinner too. Praise be to God for this generous gift from DWM.





# GENESIS



5 Feb - 23 April, 2014



*"The Book of Genesis by Rev Dr Paul Barker. English TEE first ever morning class (10am-1pm) receives encouraging response. Rev Dr Paul Barker took 36 of us TEE students on an eye-opening tour of the first book of the Bible."*

The 10 week course has been a useful exegetical unpacking of the book of Genesis, chapter by chapter. Additional lectures covered interesting topics such as "The Authorship of Genesis" and "Ancient Near East Parallels to Creation and Flood". Seeing how the early chapters of Genesis not just compare and contrast with 2nd Millennium BC texts like the Babylonian "Enuma Elish", but may also form a kind of polemic against it has been particularly enlightening. And from week 6, we took turns to give short presentations to our classmates on selected passages of Genesis. This has helped us to transform our study of Genesis into practical talks, bible studies and sermons that can edify others.

Over the ten weeks of classes, Dr Barker has increased our interest in the book of Genesis, and effectively in the rest of the Bible as well - we now cannot help but read the rest of God's Word in the light of our new-found understanding of this fascinating foundational book.

Along the way, Dr Barker drew our attention to significant themes in Genesis – the promises of God, the sinfulness of man, God's judgement, God's grace, and the rather morally mixed lives of those characters we often presume to be spotless heroes of the faith. Where the narrative seemingly neither condemns nor condones an action, the class had lively discussions about what may have been going on (For example, why did Rachel take the household gods of her father Laban in Genesis 31?). Dr Barker has been gracious in entertaining our rather vivid imaginings(!). He however, grounded us again and again in the reality of what is known and what is unknown in the text.

Report by: Chris Wylie (TEE MCS student)

## STAFF News



### Resignation:

Ms Caryn Lee has served in STM for 16 years and we appreciate her years of dedication and contribution to STM. We want to say thank you and wish her God's blessing!

## VACANCY

### Assistant Librarian/Library Assistant

**Qualifications:** Theological qualifications (for Assistant Librarian) and college-level qualifications (for Library Assistant)\*- Computer literate and internet-savvy.

**Job Description:** To manage Library collection and perform other common duties such as cataloguing, purchasing, administrative and clerical work, accounts, circulation and reference services, and shelving.

Those who are interested, please email to **Ms Vernie Woo** ([verniew@stm2.edu.my](mailto:verniew@stm2.edu.my)).

## VACANCY

### Chair (Lectureship) of Mission and Evangelism.

Seminari Theoloji Malaysia invites applications for the position of Chair (Lectureship) of Mission and Evangelism. We are looking for a missiology practitioner who will be able to offer courses which include the following: mission history and theology, evangelism and church growth, cross-cultural mission, cross-cultural discipling, church planting, personal evangelism, effective communication, global Christianity, cultural anthropology, missional leadership, church development, church renewal; and inter-religious dialogue. A PhD, ThD, or equivalent and relevant ministry experience are the basic requirements. Qualified individuals are encouraged to apply by sending a recent curriculum vitae and cover letter via email addressed to **The Principal, Rev Dr Ezra Kok** ([ezrakok@stm.edu.my](mailto:ezrakok@stm.edu.my)). STM will continue to receive applications until the position is filled.



# Financial Update 2014

2014 财务近况 2014 ஆம் ஆண்டின் நிதி நிலவரம்

	RM
Expected Expenditure	2,820,000
Expected Income:	1,433,400
Expected Deficit:	(1,386,600)
Asset Expenditure:	50,000
Library Expenditure:	73,000
<b>Total donations needed:</b>	<b>1,509,600</b>

JANUARY  
1,445,062

FEBRUARY  
1,364,107

MARCH  
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