



*Let us rise up*  
**AND BUILD!**

**J**ust before the MCO, the Board of Management of MTS has been contemplating to demolish all the old buildings in the campus in preparation for new expansion. In the past 28 years of development, MTS has exhausted all the usable space in the Administrative Block which was built in 1998. Due to the implementation of Bahasa Malaysia theological program in 2021 and the possibility of setting up a post-graduate school, we foresee the need for additional physical facilities to cater for the growth. In the last meeting of 2022, the Board gave the green light to build a single storey multipurpose hall and a four-storey block to house a two-storey library, a multi-purpose worship hall, a floor of offices, conference room, rooms for counseling and spiritual direction, as well as space for students to relax and to enhance communal life.

spiritual lessons we could learn from Nehemiah’s experience, but two things stand out for the MTS building project.

#1 Despite all odds, Nehemiah prayed and was able to call all to work together. He saw the need and its urgency --- the wall of Jerusalem must be rebuilt. He presented his plan and sought the cooperation of all parties (Neh. 5:16). Nehemiah was courageous and not fearful of the hindrances.

#2 While the project was in progress, Nehemiah continued to lead the people to pledge their loyalty and commitment to God. After all, is this not the ultimate purpose of the building project? (Neh.8:1- 6)

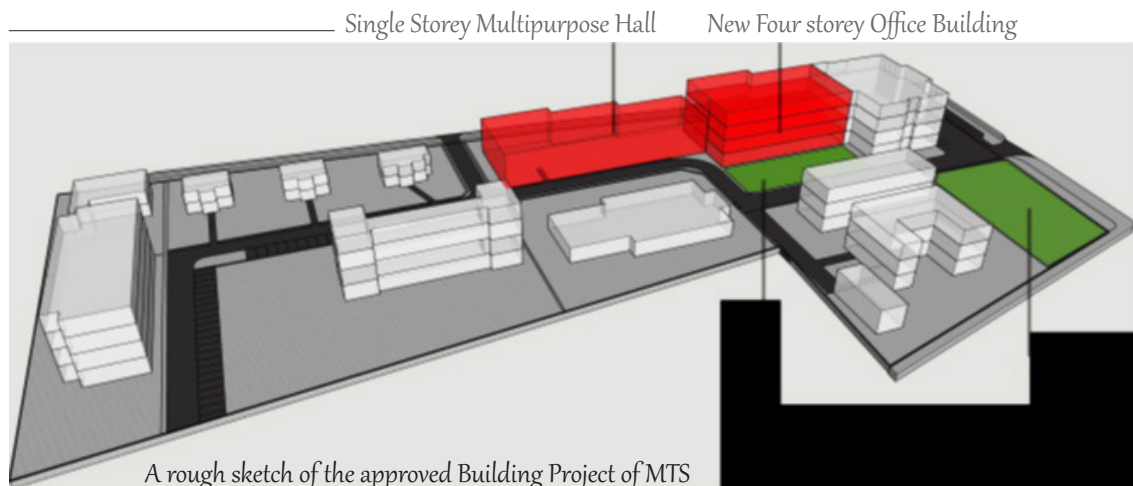
For MTS, this project has come

a long way. We are watchful and prayerful. We saw (and still do) the need and shared this vision a few years ago. Now it is time for us to work out the plan carefully and faithfully.

MTS community know the challenges ahead and we will continue to fix our eyes upon our Creator, Provider and Sustainer. We will work towards the renewal of our spiritual life in the coming year, drawing even closer to God. Like the people of God during Nehemiah’s time, my prayer is that churches will respond to the need of MTS, “So they began this good work.”

By Rev. Dr. Khoo Ho Peng  
Principal

In the next three years or so, MTS will have to put up with the inconveniences of the building project and to mobilize the churches to support this project. A verse from Nehemiah came to mind: **Let us rise up and build** (Neh. 2:18). There are many



# MTS Events (June to November)

**20-21 June:** MTS Silent Retreat for lecturers and students. Theme: "Journeying Together in Christ Our Lord"; Speakers: Sister Elizabeth Lim & Sister Jean Marie Fernandez.



**1 July:** MTS Night (Chinese) | 7:30pm LIVE @ MTS Facebook.



**11 July:** STMS & MSTMS Graduation Service: The 2nd batch MSTMS, 6th batch STMS BM & 13th STMS Music.



**22 & 27 July:** Public Issue Interaction Forum "UNDI 18: Pemuda Undilah Masa Depan Kamu"; Chinese and Bahasa Malaysia Forum.



**13 August:** Seminar on "Translation Skill" | conducted in BM; Speaker: Ms. Lydia Ng (BM Department Editor of "Our Daily Bread")



**20 August:** Fire drill conducted by Bomba for the MTS community.



**26-27 October:** MTS Camp 2D1N at Bukit Lan Outdoor Activities Centre.



**26 August:** MTS Family Dinner (National Day & Birthday Celebration)



**29 October:** 24<sup>th</sup> Graduation Service (since its reopening of Degree Courses), 9am at Wei Kuok Hall, Sibü + Facebook Live.



**24 October:** Seminar on The New Testament | conducted in BM; Speaker: Dr. Daniel A. Gloor (Lecturer of New Testament, STS)



**29 October:** Graduation Thanksgiving Lunch, 12pm at Paramount Hotel, Sibü.





# MTS Visitors



1 20/06/2022:

Bishop Dr T. Jeyakumar, General Conference Bishop visited us, accompanied by his wife.

2 01/08/2022:

Visitors from Taiwan Christian Tribune News "IMPACT" CEO, Tim Cheng and Professor from Feng Chia University, Peter J. Sher.

3 15/08/2022:

Visitors from Lighthouse Kapit.

4 18/08/2022:

2022 Life Formation Camp students, led by Rev. Khoo Leh Yong visited us.

5 27/08/2022:

Visitors from Persatuan Pelayanan Kristus Sarawak.







6 01/09/2022:

Visitors from Johor Bahru Buddhist Association.

7 16/09/2022:

Visitors from Indonesia, The Development Annual Conference of the Methodist Church.

8 16/09/2022:

Visitors from Grace Baptist Church, Singapore.

## FACULTY RETIREMENT

We wish to extend our heartiest congratulations to our MTS Full-Time Faculty, Rev. Dato Dr. Su Chii Ann and Rev. Dr. Angela Ting Siew King as they will officially retire in the end of 2022.

We sincerely gratitude and appreciate to Rev. Dato Dr. Su Chii Ann and Rev. Dr. Angela Ting Siew King for their faithful service in MTS. Congratulations and Happy Retirement.



Rev. Dato  
Dr. Su Chii Ann



Rev. Dr. Angela  
Ting Siew King





**MTS 24<sup>th</sup> of  
Graduates  
Class of 2022**

**HEARTIEST  
CONGRATULATIONS**



**Ngian  
Seng Chue  
(Master of  
Ministry)**



**Ling  
Kieng Seng  
(Bachelor of  
Ministry)**



**Ling Hang Yew**



**Hii Ting Lee**



**Kee Siaw Jing**



**Lau Sii Ming,  
May**



**Wong Chii Liang,  
Vincent**

**MASTER  
OF  
DIVINITY**



**Rachel Mandang  
Anak Nabau  
(Licentiate of  
Theology)**

**Theological Education by Extension**

**CERTIFICATE  
OF CHRISTIAN  
STUDIES**



**Ho Toh Chiong**



**Ling Sze Ping**



**Yung Ping Chin**

**Worship &  
Music by  
Extension**



**Lau Soo Eng  
(Certificate of Worship &  
Music by Extension)**



**Ling Yu Chang,  
Anita**



**Hoh An Nui**



**Ting King Siew,  
Terence**

**MASTER OF  
CHRISTIAN  
STUDIES**

**DIPLOMA OF  
CHRISTIAN  
STUDIES**



**Kong Chia Ling,  
Jacqueline**



**Heng Hiang Siaw,  
Thomas**



**Hii Chun Kiet,  
Thomas**



**Wang Lian Jie**



# MTS UPCOMING NEWS & PRAYER ITEMS

## 1. 2023 Full Time Programme New Students

A total of 9 new theology students (Mandarin = 7; BM = 1; Worship & Music = 1) and 4 returning students.

Mandarin	Canny Ting Yew Wei, Wong Shin Jeou, Anthony Chiu Yong Hong, Kelvin Wong Tuong Yong, Kong Zhe Yi, Tang Siew Khing, Wong Teck Soon
BM	Jude Taka
Worship & Music	Wong Shin Chai
Returning Student	Ling Kuang Yu (Mandarin); Johaness Nyambang Anak Sim, Kasing Pengiran, Listari Wilson Lidam (Iban)

- Pray for the new students. Pray that they are able to cope with the vigorous studies and activities in MTS.  
- Pray that more church members are willing to equip themselves and come to MTS for TEE programme

\*1 pastor registered for the Master of Ministry Programme in 2023: Rev. Wu Hsiu Chuan.

## 2. 2023 MTS 1<sup>st</sup> Semester Opening Service

2023 MTS 1<sup>st</sup> Semester Opening Service will be held on 4<sup>th</sup> January 2023, Wednesday at 9:00 am @ MTS Chapel + Facebook LIVE. More information will be announced through MTS Facebook page and MTS website.

## 3. Theological Education Sunday

MTS Lecturers are open to invitations to conduct Theological Education Sundays throughout the year. All expenses will be paid by MTS. Please contact our lecturers for arrangements. Tel: +6084-321409.

## 4. 2023 Intensive Courses offered for Master of Ministry Programme, TEE Family & Counseling Ministry Programme, and Missiology Programme

Date	Subject	Lecturer
<b>Master of Ministry Courses</b>		
13 - 17 March	"Practical Church Management"	Rev. Dato Dr. Su Chii Ann
03 - 07 July	"Biblical Preaching in 21 <sup>st</sup> Century"	Rev. Dr. Poling Sun
<b>TEE Family &amp; Counselling Ministry Courses</b>		
March 2023	"Seminar on Special Counselling for Family Crises"	Rev. Dr. Khoo Ho Peng & Rev. Jabez Tiong Huong Ong
June 2023	"Church Development & Family Ministry (Online)"	Dr. Winnie Chan
Sept 2023	"Family Cycle & Adjustment"	Rev. Wong Choon Yien
<b>Missiology Elective Course</b>		
26 - 30 Jun	"Anthropology & Missions"	Rev. Kim Dong Jo

- Pray for the good health of the lecturers. Pray that God will grant them wisdom in their teaching.
- Pray for the students to have good health to study during the intensive course.



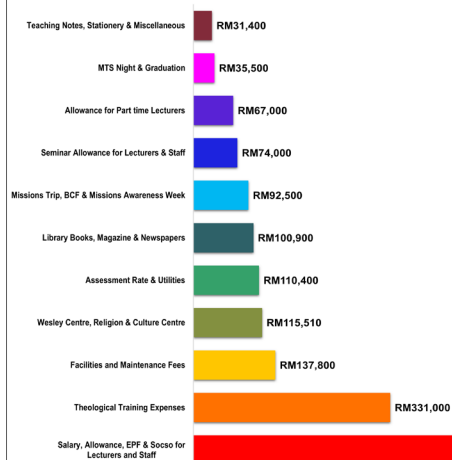
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## 5. MTS 2023 Upcoming Events

Date, Time & Venue	Event	Speaker
25/02/2023 (9.00AM) @Online	Seminar on "Translation Skill"	Ms. Tan Hwee Yong
08/05/2023 (7.15PM) @Online	Wesleyan Theological Forum: "I want to be a man of one book --- John Wesley's hermeneutic of Scripture"	Rev. Ling Tiong Cheng
12/05/2023 (7.30PM) @Sibu	MTS Night (Chinese)	Rev. Dr. Thomas Lau Sie Ngju
13/05/2023 (8.30AM) @Sibu	Dedication Camp (Chinese)	Rev. Dr. Thomas Lau Sie Ngju
13/05/2023 (7.00PM) @SibuJaya	MTS Night & Dedication Camp (Iban)	Rev. Jonathan Nora
20/05/2023 (7.15PM) @Online	Wesleyan Theological Forum: "Pernyataan Doktrin Gereja Methodist" (In Bahasa Malaysia)	Rev. Dr. Thomas Lau Sie Ngju
06 - 09/07/2023	Missions Awareness Week (MAW)	
29/07/2023 (8.00AM) @Online	"Seminar Pendidikan Kristen"	Dr. Judy Berinai (STS Lecturer)
25-28/08/2023 @ Miri	MTS Night & Dedication Camp (Chinese, BM & Iban)	Rev. Tan Chung Kiat
21/10/2023 (8.00AM) @Online	Seminar on "Kaedah Berteologi Evangelikal"	Dr. Wilson Jeremiah Lukito (SAAT Lecturer)

- Pray for the speakers, venues, PA system, electricity supply for the events.
- Pray that the events will run smoothly, and more people are able to attend all the events.

### 2023 Budget for Expenses



Total Expenses: RM2,067,210

## 6. MTS Financial Situation

The total expenditure of MTS for year 2023 is estimated to be about **RM 2, 067,210**.

Please pray for God's providence towards "MTS General Fund". Pray that more brothers and sisters are willing to give and support MTS ministry financially. We welcome brothers and sisters to participate in the ministry of God. Please specify your offering as "MTS General Fund".

**Public Bank Account: 3-1422081-12**

Please email your bank-in slip to [accounts@mtssibu.edu.my](mailto:accounts@mtssibu.edu.my). You may also participate in "Friends of MTS".

## NOTICE

MTS office & library will be closed on the following dates in 2023:-

**18/02; 04/03; 25/03, 08/04; 27/05; 03/06; 08/07; 12/08; 04/11, 11/11, 18/11, 25/11;**  
**\*10-24/11(Library Closed); 02/12, 09/12, 16/12, 23/12**