

**Introduction:**

We thank God for enabling us to have a smooth going in the year. We hope the brief report as follows will encourage you to keep on praying and supporting us for the next phase of our development.

**A) The objectives of the year:**

1. Focus on training family life educators as well as group facilitators and lay family pastoral care givers.
2. Motivate believers to launch and maintain Family Altar as a means of integrating our beliefs with family lives, through preaching in Sunday Pulpits, teaching in Church Camps and Seminars.

**B) Activities that lead to achieving the objectives:****1. *Family Life Educators Training:***

- Disseminating notices and news about the course through emails, and Quarterly News to PIC of various churches.
- Compiled Family Life Educators Course materials for the module I and II.
- Conducted Module I & II Intensive Family Life Educators Course in Manjung District, Malaysia from 4-8 Oct 05 & 17-25 Apr 06 respectively.
- Attempts were made in recruiting students from the Trinity Theological College and the Malaysia Theological College for the course.
- Personal interactions with prospects in order to encourage them to attend the course.

**2. *Group facilitators and lay family pastoral care givers training:***

- Dec'05, 2 follow up sessions were conducted at Holy Light Presbyterian Church in Johor Bahru.
- 7<sup>th</sup> Feb to 11<sup>th</sup> Apr 06 at Toa Payoh CMC for 31 participants from Toa Payoh CMC, Kum Yan MC, Ang Mo Kio CMC and Paya Lebar CMC.
- 4-8 Jun at Xining Christian Church in China for about 70 lay people.
- 6 Jul to 17Aug for 24 participants from Living Hope Methodist Church.
- 8-11 Aug. at Bandung, Indonesia for 51 participants from 16 churches.

**3. *Preaching and teaching in Seminars, Church Camps & Sunday Services to Promote Family Altar:***

More than 1,000 copies of 'Family Altar Book I' have been distributed to the interested parties from:

- **Churches from CAC :** Toa Payoh, Ang Mo Kio, Holy Covenant, Foochow, Queenstown, Paya Lebar, Hingwa, Kum Yan, Grace, Telok Ayer (Eng.), Charis (Eng & Chinese).
- **Churches from TRAC:** Barker Road (Mandarin), Living Hope (Mandarin), Christ MC (Seminar), Bedok MC (Seminar), Toa Payoh .
- **Other churches:** Bethesda Pasir Ris Mission , Bethany Emmanuel Mission, Changi Bethany Church, Toong Chai Presbyterian Church (Seminar), People Presbyterian Church (Seminar).
- **.Churches in foreign countries:** Yong Peng Presbyterian, Malaysia (Camp), Sepang Methodist, Malaysia (Camp), Kepong Methodist, Malaysia (Seminar and Service), Simpang Ampat Methodist, Malaysia (Seminar and Service), Ayer Tawar Methodist, Malaysia (Service), Jakarta Wesley Christian Church, Indonesia (Seminar and Services) Bandung Churches, Indonesia (Seminars)

**4. *Activities for Family Life Education in our partnering Church, Ang Mo Kio Chinese Methodist Church:***

- Meting Family Life Committee bimonthly
- 9-10 Jan, Parenting talk to young parents
- 26 Feb, Parenting Talk at Adults Sunday School.
- 9 Apr, Talk on Covenant with God on Sexual Issue to the Junior Youth.
- 7 May, Preaching on Integrating our Faith with Family Lives in pulpit.
- 28 May, Preaching on Family Altar in pulpit.
- 29-31 May, Workshops for Marriage Enrichment
- 2 July, Preaching on Family Communications
- 24 July, Talk on Spousal Relationship at Adults Sunday School Class.
- Marriage and Family Counselling Service in the church on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of every month by appointments

**5. *Other Family Life Education Programmes;***

- 2 Self-awareness camps for 30 adults.
- Marriage preparation course for 25 couples.
- Solemnized marriages for 6 couples
- Parenting talks at Jiemin & Bukit View Primary Schools.
- Marriage Enrichment Seminars for 35 couples.
- FM93.8 Radio programme on 'The impact of dysfunctional families on children'

e) **Financial Statement (1/8/05 to 31/7/06)**

	<b>Income</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>% of total income</b>
1	Support from Grace MC	\$17,000.00	12.14%
2	Support from CACWSCS	\$10,000.00	7.14%
3	Support from Ang Mo Kio & Holy Covenant CMC	\$10,000.00	7.14%
4	Donation from Individuals	\$45,994.00	32.84%
5	Course Fees & camp fees Collected	\$20,888.00	14.92%
6	Donations from Counselees	\$14,881.00	10.63%
7	Honorarium & Pledges from Director	\$12,984.00	9.27%
8	Sales of Family Altar Book	\$8,289.00	5.92%
9	<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$140,036.00</b>	-
10	<b>Total expenditure</b>	<b>\$133,719.48</b>	-
11	<b>Balance</b>	<b>\$6,316.52</b>	-

f) **Projections for 2006/2007:**

- a. To form an Operation Team to assist in promoting and organizing programs and courses in churches.
- b. To provide internship for those who have completed the Family Life Educators course.
- c. To launch Family Life Educator Training Courses in Central District of Malaysia, Bandung and Fu Qing..
- d. To identify more partnering churches and strengthen the family life ministry in the present partnering Church.
- e. To equip the interested lay people for Christian Counseling (English).
- f. To commemorate our 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with a Souvenir Magazine and activities as means to promote the ministry of Oasis Family Life Education Centre.

g) **Conclusion:**

We would like to conclude with a note of thanks to the Management Committee, Grace Methodist Church, Ang Mo Kio Chinese Methodist Church, Holy Covenant Methodist Church, Paya Lebar Chinese Methodist Church, the CACWSCS, and all the individuals who have been supporting our ministry in prayers , words of encouragement and donations.

We also sincerely appeal to all pastors and leaders to be more supportive in building up the family life ministry in their respective church as a means to equip the saints for building up the body of Christ through integrating their faith with family lives, nurturing a godly generation for the challenges in our new Singapore.