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“For the Word of God and for the testimony of Jesus Christ” (Rev 1:9)

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Morning Service – 11am

Evening Service – 4pm

Prelude

The Lord Is in His Holy Temple

Call to Worship

Psalm 29:1-2

Psalm 34:1-3

*Opening Hymn **

RHC 81 – “*Lord of the Sabbath*”

RHC 28 – “*The God of Abraham Praise*”

*Opening Prayer **

John Poh

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*Gloria Patri **

Glory Be to the Father

Responsive Reading

Psalm 89:1-37

*Second Hymn **

Psalm 89 verses 1-8
(to the tune of All Saints, RHC 562)

Announcements & Memory Verse

John Poh

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*Tithes & Offerings & Doxology **

RHC 44 – “*We Praise Thee, O God, Our Redeemer*”

Scriptural Text

Colossians 1:9-12

John 14:15-26

Pastoral Prayer

Dr Carl Martin

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Sermon Message

Shaping Fruitful Christians

Where is the Holy Spirit?

*Closing Hymn **

RHC 419 – “*Take My Life and Let It Be*”

RHC 244 – “*Fill Me Now*”

*Benediction/3-Fold Amen **

Dr Carl Martin

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Postlude

The Lord Bless You

* Congregation Stands

THE LORD IS IN HIS HOLY TEMPLE

The Lord is in His holy temple,
The Lord is in His holy temple:
Let all the earth keep silence,
Let all the earth keep silence before Him -
Keep silence, keep silence before Him. Amen.

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav’nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost,
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world
without end. Amen, Amen.

THE LORD BLESS YOU

The Lord bless you and keep you;
The Lord lift His countenance upon you,
and give you peace, and give you peace;
The Lord make His face to shine upon you,
And be gracious unto you, be gracious,
The Lord be gracious, gracious unto you. Amen.

Church Theme 2014 – “Waiting for God” – Isaiah 30:18

SMALL STEPS WITH BIG RISKS

My Dear Reader,

5-10-2014 Were you able to walk freely this week? I have been compelled to appreciate our freedoms in far greater ways as a result of reading a report on the difficulties in Nigeria where the Boko Haram have resorted to using chain saws to wipe out Christians in the northern section of the country. The report says the threat is more serious to the world than IS, Al Qaida, Iran, or Yemen. Yet, this summer I heard a prominent Christian leader from Nigeria, speaking in London, urge believers here in the UK to remain steadfast in the Christian faith, according to the Bible. He said the when people from his congregation go to worship they never know if or when they will be the subject of the rampages that happen so frequently. But he testified that they have no plans to turn away from Christ nor to back away from inviting others to Him. When asked what could be done better to impact London, he commented, "Speak to people about the Gospel of Christ." He went on to say that too many of us in London during commutes, bury our heads in our reading material and completely miss opportunities to speak with those sitting beside us.

When I mentioned that idea to a friend from Spain, having formerly lived in London, he immediately asked if I have yet been arrested for speaking to people on the Underground. Turning to his wife who has worked in London for many years, he asked, "Who speaks to people on the Underground?" She said, "The profile of people who speak to others on the Underground is that either they are engaged in human trafficking, mentally deranged, or panhandling for money." That is a serious indictment. I have not seen that posted as a law anywhere, but the threat raises a question. Shall we give up speaking to others about the Good News of Christ? In a word, No! Please understand, that does not mean that we should be obnoxious in speaking to others, in public or private. But we really need to pray for opportunities and trust the Lord to guide us in what to say and how to say it. The task is urgent, but it is to be done with great care. We must endeavor to model what the Apostle Paul instructed the Corinthian believers:

We then as workers together with him, beseech you also that ye receive not the grace of God in vain... behold now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.
Giving no offence in anything, that the ministry be not blamed... (2 Cor. 6:1-3).

There are very real risks in speaking but there is a great benefit for witnessing for Christ. Fellow workers from the Middle East wrote the following about risking all to find new freedom. I am editing their message to protect both location and identification:

Last year we met a couple who shared their testimony of how they came into the "family" since their arrival to this country. It was an incredible testament to their faith and proclamation of His Name. A little over a year ago, this couple, along with 4 bags and their young son, walked across their country's border. They left behind their families, home, possessions, friends, and careers.

[The couple] have told us of **the longest 20 minutes** when they were crossing their country's border. It was so "long" because every step they took, they didn't know if they would step onto a land mine, be shot, or maybe even be imprisoned. They had great fear living in their country and took this bold step (like so many others) and walked away from their life...literally!

Contrary to what many believe, this couple was from a prominent family. They both were part of the upper middle class society of their great city. They fear that if news got back to their families about coming to know the Lord, it could and will put their parents and siblings in great danger or even cost them their lives.

Notice, they left all in search of liberty and freedom. God saw them in their pursuit and delivered them, not only from the landmines, but in a far greater measure, He delivered them from their bondage to sin and death to new life through Jesus Christ. They are now walking through our broken world, with its own share of landmines, not on the usual battlefield, but in the highways and byways of life. They face danger points and temptations, but with faith in our Lord to see them through. Again quoting the Apostle Paul: *For we walk by faith and not by sight (2 Cor 5:7).*

Hoping to point you to Jesus,

Carl T. Martin

WELCOME TO NEW LIFE B-P CHURCH LONDON

Our **worship services** begin promptly at **11.00 am and 4.00 pm.**

Please stay back for Bible Study and fellowship lunch after the morning worship and for tea after the evening service. Do invite your friends to come to Church.

APPOINTMENTS FOR THE WEEK			WELCOME
Fri 10 Oct	No Young Adults Fellowship		We extend a warm welcome to all worshippers this Lord's Day. We like to welcome James & Estelle to our worship services last Lord's Day.
Sat 11 Oct	4:00pm Bible Study & Prayer Meeting		
Next Lord's Day	Morning Service	Evening Service	LORD'S DAY DUTIES
Preacher	Dr Carl Martin	Dr Carl Martin	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>TODAY: 05/10/2014</u></p> <p>Chairman: John</p> <p>Organist: Anthony</p> <p>Pianist: Jasmine</p> <p>Ushers: Daniel / Evelyn</p> <p>Sunday School: Hannah / Rachael</p> <p>Lunch: Maureen</p> <p>Washing Up: Volunteers</p> <p>PA Crew: Jonathan</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>NEXT WEEK: 12/10/2014</u></p> <p>Chairman: Jonathan</p> <p>Organist: Jasmine</p> <p>Pianist: Sarah</p> <p>Ushers: Tom / Yetta</p> <p>Sunday School: Hannah / Rachael</p> <p>Lunch: Volunteers</p> <p>Washing Up: Volunteers</p> <p>PA Crew: Scott</p>
Message	The Costliness of Redemption	The Great Gifts of Jesus	
Text	Colossians 1:11-14	John 14:22-29	
NEWS/ANNOUNCEMENTS			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-lunch Bible Study: Dr Martin will lead this week's study. • Pray for those who are sick: Douglas, Barbara, Prema, Margaret, May Chew, Constance, Deborah, Pastor & Mrs Ki, Susan, Dr Carl Martin, Dr Scott-Pearson, Nina, Helen, Eld Chew's mother, Rev Colin Wong, Patricia, Hannah, Shirley, Daniel, Dr Brian Green, Dr Tow. • Pray for those seeking employment: Yetta, Magdalene. • Pray for those on travel: Constance, Anthony & Helen, Daniel & Maureen, John, Sharon, Toby & Elliora. • Pulpit Ministry: Please pray for the church's sponsorship application and Pr Mok Chee Cheong's visa. • Lord's Supper: We will be observing the Lord's Supper next week. Please come with hearts prepared. • Marriage of Daniel & Clara Ki: On behalf of the church, the task force extends their congratulations to Rev & Mrs Ki for the marriage of their eldest son Daniel to his new bride Clara. 			
<p>Worship Service Collections - Last Sunday: £1299.24, Lunch: £50.00</p> <p>Attendance - Morning: 30 (A) 5 (C), Evening: 23 (A) 4 (C)</p>			

SHORTER CATECHISM QUESTION 36

Q: What are the benefits which in this life do accompany or flow from justification, adoption, and sanctification?

A: The benefits which in this life do accompany or flow from justification, adoption, and sanctification, are, assurance of God's love, peace of conscience, joy in the Holy Ghost, increase of grace, and perseverance therein to the end.

Comments:

Here are five blessings enumerated for us, which, in this life, necessarily either go along with or flow from the three just described. They who are justified, adopted, and are being sanctified, enjoy for that reason: 1. Confidence that God loves them; 2. Freedom from the sense of guilt and fear of condemnation; 3. Gladness of heart in feeling that the Holy Spirit is dwelling in them; 4. A greater and greater increase of spiritual endowment; 5. The power of persevering in the enjoyment of all these graces to the end.

Scriptural Reference:

1 John 4:16, Romans 5:1-2, Romans 15:13, Philippians 1:6

MEMORY VERSE

Last Week	This Week	Next Week
<p><i>"Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;)"</i></p> <p>Ephesians 2:5</p>	<p><i>"Know therefore that the Lord thy God, he is God, the faithful God, which keepeth covenant and mercy with them that love him and keep his commandments to a thousand generations;"</i></p> <p>Deuteronomy 7:9</p>	<p><i>"Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it"</i></p> <p>1 Thessalonians 5:24</p>