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## Sunday School Promotion Primary Department

Life Church Sunday School, that's the place for all ages. Every Lord's Day, we read the Bible, learn the Gospel and worship Him who died for us.

The Primary Department consists of children from ages 18 months to 8 years old. These children meet every Lord's Day at 9.30 a.m. sharp at the Greek & Hebrew Room. We begin with singspiration after which the kids go to their respective classes for bible lesson.

This year, we thank God for providing a team of 26 dedicated and caring teachers to teach the children God's Word.

**"Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it." (Proverb 22:6)** So may I encourage ALL parents to send their young children to Sunday School where they can learn about God and also to lead God-pleasing lives each day.

**Iris Loe**  
Department Superintendent

### Singspiration

Even with the temporary closure of Beulah House, we thank God for providing us sufficient space for conducting spiritual lessons to about 61 children. (Pre-nursery to Primary 2s)

The joy of sharing and learning God's Words are reflected by the testimonies of the teachers and children.

The children begin their Sunday School with songs led and taught by Sisters Phoebe, Hui Chuien and Elsie.



Singspiration held @  
Greek and Hebrew  
Room



### Pre-Nursery (18months-3 years old) – FEK Room 1

Teachers: Rhoda Lim, Tan Ling Ling, Fiona Lee, Koh Cheng Yeen, Joy Wong, Eunice Yeo, Heidi Ho and Tabitha Heah

Traditionally and typically, on every Sunday morning from 9.30am to 10.30am in FEK Classroom 1, we have people of two starkly different age groups milling around in the classroom. First and foremost, we have the little children who are aged between 18 months and 3 years old — and for whom the **Pre-Nursery Sunday School Class** is set up. And for the other and much older age group, it comprises the Sunday School teachers (Aunty Ling Ling, Aunty Fiona, Aunty Cheng Yeen and Aunty Rhoda) as well as a small handful of parents/caregivers.

Each Sunday School lesson starts with an energetic time of singing — and stretching — with actions and movements. Then, we have the Bible Story-telling time, followed by Art & Craft to help echo and enforce the Bible Story that they have just heard.

Since January 2006, the Pre-Nursery Class has been enjoying a three-generation gathering (*versus* the former "two age groups") every Sunday morning. Sisters Joy Wong, Heidi Ho, Eunice Yeo and Tabitha Heah had taken time from their own Sunday School lesson with Aunty Trudy to lead these little ones in their singing from 9.30am to 10.00am, before they returned to their own Sunday School class. Aunty Trudy, on the other hand, has been most accommodating and encouraging to support this arrangement. Now that these young ladies have graduated *from* the Sunday School

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Senior Department in Year 2007, they are returning to Sunday School to serve "full-time" in the Pre-Nursery Class. Here's what these dear sisters have to say about their transition "from Sunday School to Sunday School":



## Joy Wong

It's been a true blessing serving in the Pre-Nursery Sunday School. Though sometimes it is difficult to gauge the children's responses to God's Word, it is a constant reminder for me to pray for their salvation. From being a Sunday School student for the past 13 years to actually becoming a Sunday School teacher, has been quite a big jump. Thank God for His grace and mercy as I went through the transition. But to me, the situation hasn't changed much — we (the children and I) are actually learning from each other. God has used even the little ones to teach me His truths even as I teach them about Him.

## Heidi Ho

I started helping out in the Pre-Nursery SS a few years back along with some of my peers. At the beginning, we started out with singspiration and then slowly started to teach the kids as well. We were still in Sunday School and were unable to help out full-time. With the start of the new year, we have been promoted out of the Senior Department SS and have committed ourselves 'full-time' to the Pre-Nursery SS.

Serving in the Pre-Nursery SS has been a very joyous time. Being able to see the kids grow has brought many smiles and laughter. It is a joy and also a heavy responsibility to be teaching these kids about the Lord. However, being able to see the kids sing and follow the actions to the songs or listening to the story intently has been very rewarding. I hope these kids will also be able to experience the same joy I experienced growing up in the Sunday School.

## Tabitha Heah

Firstly, I would like to thank God for seeing me through the pass 20 years of my life in Life Church. The Sunday School Classes have been great and I enjoyed attending

them. I had such wonderful Sunday School teachers whom were easy to communicate with and I've learnt much from them.

Now that there is a need for Sunday School teachers and song leaders for the young ones (2-3yrs), I was more than willing to help out. I enjoy looking after and teaching the kids more about Our Lord Jesus Christ and to see them grow each week. Thus, when I heard there was an opportunity for me to serve in the church, I was really glad. It is different now that I'm the teacher and not a student anymore. There are more responsibilities and through preparing the lessons, I was able to learn new applications from the simple stories being taught. This has truly been a great experience for me and I thank God for giving me this opportunity to serve Him.

## **Nursery (4 years old) – FEK Room 3**

*Teachers: Elsie Lim, Tan Tok Ling and Julie Tan*

## Elsie Lim

I have been Sunday School teacher for almost 8 years. I started with teaching preschoolers but last two years, I taught P2s. This year it is to back to Nursery/K1 level. In these years, I saw children growing up professing their faith in Christ. It encourages me as I prepare my lessons each Sunday with the assurance of no one is too young to learn God's word. Presently, the children are learning about "People Who Loved God" citing the examples from the Bible. I pray that the Holy Spirit will continue to help me to be faithful and responsible in my service and that my children will benefit from the lessons taught. At the end of the day, I look forward to the Lord saying, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant..." (Matt. 25:21)

## Tok Ling

Having taught the P2 for the last few years, it turned out to be quite a challenge to teach the Nursery/K1 this year. Thank God that some of the older children (K1) are quite attentive and responsive but some of the younger are still fearful of being separated from their parents or are not able to sit through the lesson. Each week, the teachers and helpers have to be prepared for children crying for their mothers, staying away from their seat, etc. But by



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God's grace, we are able to overcome these difficulties. We hope to impart some Bible knowledge and principles for the children to take home each week. It is our prayer that they will remember what they have learnt in Sunday School, apply it in their lives and not depart from it when they grow up. (Proverb 22:6)

## Julie Tan

I had been serving in Sunday School for a mere short year. Last year I was assisting in the P2 class and this year in the Nursery/K1 class. This is an important ministry of the church to sow the salvation seed and to nurture the children in the faith. I see the challenges in that different levels have their different needs. But it is heartening to see the SS teachers preparing for their lessons and teaching them on Sundays. Indeed, we need God's help and wisdom to reach out effectively to the children. For my part, I hope to have more contact time with the children this year."

## **Kindergarten 1 (5 years old) – FEK Room 3**

*Teachers: Eunice Koh and Janet Law*

### Eunice Koh

After 6 day's of stress & cares at work, Sunday is my favourite day as I can see our lovely kids and share with them bible stories.

I thank the Lord for giving me (an unworthy servant) the opportunity to serve in Sunday school.

The children are teaching me each time I share with them and their literal child like faith is a constant reminder to me to grow and trust in the Lord.

Like what Mrs Phoebe Wong says, once you start serving, you will never feel tired.

## **Kindergarten 2 (6 years old) – FEK Room 4**

*Teachers: Yeo Cheng Hiong, Carolyn Khoo and Anthea Koh*

We would like to thank God for the opportunity to serve Him in Sunday School. Each of us takes turns to teach a theme. In the process, we learn from each other, work together to improve on our teaching while enjoying the fellowship together. As teachers, we always desire to do our best for the children in our charge, not least to help them feel, right in their early years, the love and mercy of God.

No doubt, we sometimes feel tired but our encouragement

is always found in God who gives the required strength.

It is indeed a joy to interact with the children in class. When they listen attentively to us and volunteer eagerly to answer all the questions in class and then complete the worksheets, we know that our efforts have not been in vain. It is also heartening when the children try their best to remember the Bible verses they are taught in class.

We thank God for this wonderful privilege to serve in Sunday School even though we are so unworthy. Praise be to His wonderful name.



**Adorable K2s in FEK Room 4**



## **Primary 1 (7 years old) – Greek & Hebrew Room**

*Teachers: Irene Ong and Wun Hoon Wah*

### Hoon Wah

Through teaching the Sunday School, I have learnt many precious lessons which serve a constant reminder in my daily life. As such, I am drawn closer to God.



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### Primary 2 (8 years old) – Greek & Hebrew Room

Teachers: Christina Toh and Rachael Tay

#### Christina Toh

I thank the merciful Lord for His goodness to guide us through another year. The Lord has blessed our class with lively and cheerful children. May the Lord help us to support Bible truth to them so that they may apply them in their daily lives.

#### Rachael Tay

The joy of the incoming grace of God is beautiful to behold. However, we have not only to be right with God on the inside but also on the outside which brings us to the difficult task of discipline.

At Sunday School, we as teachers endeavour to transform innocent, blissful, simple children into holy character. And as we mould them, we mould ourselves.

I thank God for blessing me with these little children.



### Testimony

#### Jedidiah Koh – Primary 2

My name is Jedidiah. I am in Primary 2. I started attending Sunday School in the Pre-nursery Class when I was about two years old.

I like Sunday School because it is fun to listen to the stories and look at the pictures. I also like doing the work there. Remembering the memory verses is also quite fun.

In Sunday School, I also learn about God in the Bible. I learn God's word and how to behave. I learn about people who obeyed God and how they were blessed; and how some disobeyed God and were punished.

I really like Sunday School. I hope you too can come and join me in Sunday School.



## Primary Department Song Item

### Sunday School Anthem

Life Church Sunday School  
That's the place for me  
Every Lord's Day happy as can be  
Here I read the Bible  
Here I learn the Gospel  
Here I worship Him who died for me  
Praise Him, praise Him  
Let us one and all  
Spread the Good News whether great or  
small  
So let's bring our friends and loved ones  
To our Saviour, Jesus Christ of Calvary.

### Nothing but the Blood of Jesus

What can wash away my sin?  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.  
What can make me whole again?  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

Oh precious is the flow  
That's makes me white as snow,  
No other fount I know,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.