

Dear Friends and Prayer Partners

Life is busy and challenging but we are full of God's grace and joy as we serve in His ministry. Praise the Lord for many things has been blessed by Him in this semester 1.

Florence's Reflection on God's Faithfulness

Australia's international borders are opened this year. Many students have come to study at UQ. Florence is discipling a few Christians who learn how to share the Gospel as well as meeting some seekers who explore Christianity. A group of Christians come to Florence's study bible on Thursdays giving her a lot of encouragement because they are willing to lead new Discovery Bible Study for seekers. Florence was happy for them but sad at that moment. She prayed if even only one newcomer would come, her commitment shall remain. After her prayer, the next day on 24 March, a new friend of Larrisa came to the



Bible study with a seeker, Harriet (a week ago Florence got to know Larrisa for less than 5 mins). On that day, Florence and Larrisa shared their testimonies and faith with Harriet who decided to follow Jesus as her saviour. God is at work and faithful!

A week later, Larrisa brought another seeker, Celia who has a Catholic background. She knows much God's story in the Bible however finding hard to make a decision to give life to Jesus. Nevertheless Celia said when she would follow Jesus and commit to God. Pray for her how God will impact her life at MYC.

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Our Student Fulfilling the Great Commission

The completion of Beyond Brisbane 2022 marks the journey of our participants in their commitment to God.

Weekly Outreach

Allan, Ocean, Edwin and Levi continue to fulfill the Great Commitment. They do outreach weekly to connect new students on campus. Allan and Ocean have undertaken an important leading role in the team.

Discovery Bible Study (DBS) Training

Yasmin and Florence co-lead the DBS trainings for our key students. We prepare them to lead the seekers program where the first week was a demo lesson followed by 6 weeks of practice leading a study with us. Allan, Ocean and Edwin put further practice by establishing a new DBS group on Mondays.



Discussion Dinner

Allan, Ocean and Daniel organized Discussion Dinner in May aiming for our students connecting new non-Christian friends who can bring any questions in life. Our student leaders and missionaries would explore and respond with Christianity thought. Levi joined this great event too.



Catalyst Fellowship

This year Catalyst has a good mix of local and international students where we are meeting many new seekers and Christians weekly on Thursdays. It is a good opportunity for our student leaders to be trained and present Gospel talks while the comers are to learn God's word. Catalyst sees the average attendance of 32 people with about 4 new students and 6 seekers each time. The fruit of Catalyst can be exemplified by Allan and Edwin. Allan brought his high school friend Edwin to Catalyst last year. Edwin was a seeker who initially wanted to make friends. But after a while, he found himself enjoying the discussions on questions of life. As he kept exploring, Ken began meeting with him regularly in Bible study to discuss the deeper questions of life. Ken became his mentor as Edwin asked him more hard questions. After 6 months, Edwin gave his life to Jesus. Today we see Edwin's life-changing desire to reach out and help lead DBS for other students.



Great Stories

There are always great stories about how God works in people's lives. *And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to his purpose.* (Romans 8:28).



Story 1

Crystal is a new student at UQ this year. She has a heart for God and people. Florence disciples her how to reach out and to lead DBS. In May they paired up to share the Gospel on campus at Crystal's first time. What a surprise Crystal had! We met her classmates Eda under a tree in the Great Court. Eda said that she would come to explore Christianity with them. Another highlight was they met an Aussie girl named Alice. Their spiritual conversation started with the question of how to find peace and love when people are living in a chaotic world. Crystal shared her experience of finding peace and eternity in Jesus. Alice has shown interest in joining them exploring Christianity in semester 2. Praise God!



Moreover while Florence helps Crystal lead DBS. Alvin is one of the seekers in the study. He is keen on learning God's word. Pray that God will open Alvin's heart to give his life to Jesus.



Story 2

While Ken and Florence contracted Covid in early April, we needed to stay at home throughout the Easter. On Good Friday, 15 April, Clarissa was in Florence's thought. Clarissa's mum is one of our friends at our home church in Hong Kong. Clarissa joins Catalyst regularly. She had infant baptism and she was so-called Christian. Florence found Good Friday being a great opportunity to share with Clarissa about Jesus' death and resurrection. So Florence phoned her followed by a 2-hour talk. Finally Clarissa repented and confessed Jesus as her personal savior in prayer.



Personal News

Praise God that our son Michael marries with Zara on 7 May this year. We are thankful that the ceremony was conducted by a godly Christian celebrant. We are deeply touched by Michael and Zara's speech at the reception. May God bring them both ever closer to Him through their love and commitment for each other.



Praise & Prayer

1. Praise God for our key students growing in faith and bringing their friends to attend our Bible study and activities, and for our key students to bear fruit continually.
2. Florence led Harriet and Clarrisa to Christ. Pray for them to grow in faith and be witness for the Lord.
3. Harriet has connected her Japanese friend Yoshi. Pray for Yoshi to show interest in Christianity.
4. Pray for the seekers Celia, Alvin, April, Queena, Eda and Alice's salvation.
5. Pray for Nikita, Mimi, Alice and Eda to join Florence and her disciples in Bible study during semester 2.
6. We will celebrate with our students after their exams. We have arranged to go outdoor activities with them on 18 and 21 in June. Pray for the safe trip and a deep spiritual conversation.
7. Pray for the combined QLD/NSW MYC convened from 4 to 8 in July, for our speaker Richard Gibbon, for the missionaries as Ken & Florence are preparing, and for students catching the vision of disciple-making and be equipped in campus ministry, and for God's impact in people's lives.
8. Pray for God to use Ken and Florence's ministry on campus and prepare people for us in semester 2.
9. Pray for Ken's application for a chaplain role with Student Services representing Power to Change at UQ. Pray for God's accomplishment.

Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you and praise your name, for in perfect faithfulness, you have done wonderful things.

Isaiah 25:1

Yours in Christ,

Ken & Florence

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