



Lively Stones | PETER 2:5

Holding forth the word of life

21 April 2024

SUNDAY SCHOOL PROMOTION JUNIOR DEPARTMENT

***“Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old,
he will not depart from it.”
Proverbs 22:6***

As parents, we always find it challenging in bringing up God-fearing children in this modern world. However, nurturing the young children takes effort and patience. The Bible teaches and guides us about raising children. God has given us a clear instruction in Ephesians 6:4 “And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath; but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.” Pray that we will not neglect our responsibility of raising faithful and Godly children for they are a good testimony for God’s glory.

In 2nd Timothy 2:19, God has already laid a strong foundation for us. Let’s be obedient in following the way of God by grounding and equipping our children with the Word of God. ***Psalm 119:105: “Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, a light unto my path”***. God’s word guides and protects us, turning us away from sin. The closer our children are to that light, the easier it is for them to follow God and live a Godly life.

We thank God for dedicated and committed teachers in the Sunday school who have faithfully prepared lessons each Sunday. It has been our prayer and desire that the young ones under our care will receive joy and blessing in obeying God’s commands. Their learning and the understanding of God’s word from the biblical lessons will help them with social values and religious principles. Pray that the children will continue to grow in grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ by faithfully attending Sunday school. Let us work together to be faithful servants of Jesus Christ so that we may ***“...be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh (us) a reason of the hope that is in (us) with meekness and fear” (1 Peter 3:15)***.

We welcome children age 9 to 12 years old (Primary 3 to 6) to join us in studying God’s Word every Lord’s Day at 9.40 am sharp @ Life Meeting Hall. The forty-five minutes of lesson includes singspiration, bible stories, worksheets prepared by our faithful teachers.

Dear parents, let us be diligent in bringing our children to study God’s word and follow the Bible to live a Godly life. We look forward to seeing your child/children to join us for Sunday school lesson each Sunday.

In-Christ,
Iris Loe

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Class Photography



Primary 3 (9 years old)
Location: Cry Room #2
Teachers: Sisters Linda Listiyani & Christina Tarigan

Primary 4 (10 years old)
Location: Bell Tower
Teachers: Sisters Elsie Lim & Chiam Tok Ling



Primary 5 (11 years old)
Location: Sanctuary Level 2
Teachers: Brother Adrian Kum, Sisters Lim Min Li & Elaine Ding



Primary 6 (12 years old)
Location: Church Library
Teachers: Sisters Susan Yee & Trudy Lim

Testimonies by Teachers....

I'm grateful to be given the privilege to teach in the Sunday School. Preparing ahead for the lessons helps me to learn together with the students. I remember during the annual meeting, Sister Marianne as the treasurer of SS presented the finances and expenditure. She told us to make good use of the materials as they are purchased with significant cost. I thank God that the church has adopted such valuable materials so the young generation can learn the word of God in the best way possible. My daughter who is currently in P6 is also given a book for her reading. As I read together with her two pages each day, it also helps me as an adult to understand better the principles taught in the books whether from P3 or P6, ie; God, The Fall, Christ and salvation. **Testimony by Sister Linda Listiyani of P3.**

I joined the Junior Department as a teacher in 2023. It was my first time teaching children in Sunday School.

I became a Sunday School teacher in 1986 and since then I have always taught in the senior department (ages 16-21). I feel strongly about this age group as I believe that the 10 years between 16 and 26 is the period when many major decisions are made (higher education, career and marriage). Students are becoming more independent and need a strong foundation in the faith.

In 2022, there were changes in the senior department, and God led me to the junior department. In my first two years teaching upper primary students, I have discovered that building a strong foundation is just as important for this age group. This group (9-12 years) are developing as individuals and are beginning to ask difficult questions. It is not all about Bible stories and action songs.

In fact, our primary six curriculum this year deals with the importance of having the right world view. Students (and teachers) are challenged to examine their assumptions and how they see the world.

I have been blessed as I prepare the lessons, and God has made the students receptive to His teaching. It is my hope and prayer that our children can take the lessons they learn in Sunday School and apply them in their daily lives so they can shine for Him in their primary schools.

Testimony by Sister Trudy Lim of P6.

Testimonies by Students....

Primary 3

I enjoy Sunday School as it helped me understand who the real saviour is. He is the Almighty God who sent his only son to become a man. He had no sin and died on the cross to save us from our sins. I also appreciate that our teachers have taken the time to teach us God's word. I can tell that my teachers put in effort to prepare and teach us the lesson. I attend Sunday School regularly and I memorise memory verses to remember God's word. I enjoy the time of learning God's word with my Sunday School classmates. **(Megan Koy)**

I have learnt about God and how powerful He is. There are three person of God. The father, the son and the Holy Ghost. The way to memorise it is by the song. There are so many things to learn about Him. **(Sophia Seetoh)**

Why do I like to attend Sunday School? I can learn God’s word with my friends. During singspiration, I can sing praised to God. Learn new song, gain knowledge and learn more about God. **(Brandon Goh)**

My name is Naomi from the P3 Sunday School class. I am eight years old. I always like to come to church because I can learn new songs and stories from the Bible. My favourite story is David and Goliath. I like it because it teaches me that even if you are small, you still can be brave because God is there with you. I know I can always trust in God. **(Naomi)**

I enjoy going to church because the lessons are interesting. I like the page that says “God is the son, the father and the Holy Spirit.” I learnt that God is three persons, and we cannot be like him because we are full of sin and do naughty things (like telling lies, pushing your brother or sister etc.)

I benefit from the lesson and put what I have learnt in church, at home and school. I enjoy talking to my friends during children ministry and when we are having our break. I am happy and thankful for my friends who want to know more about God. I hope that more children can join us so that we can make more friends. **(Jordan Tan)**

Primary 4

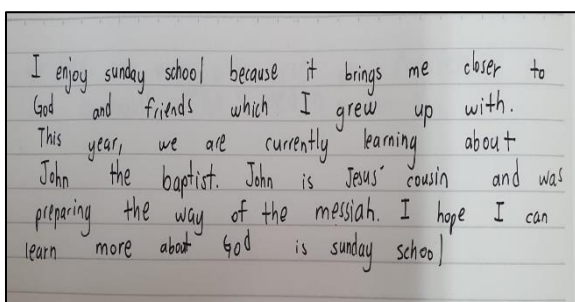
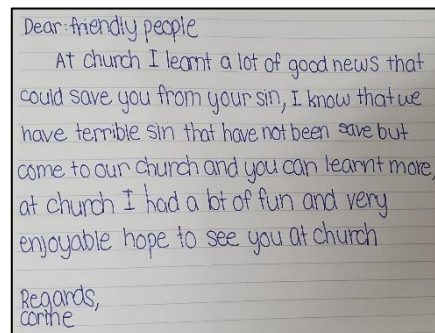
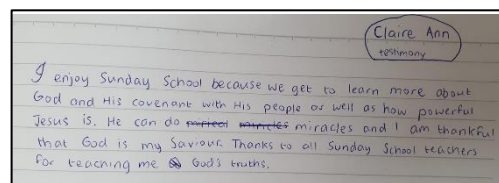
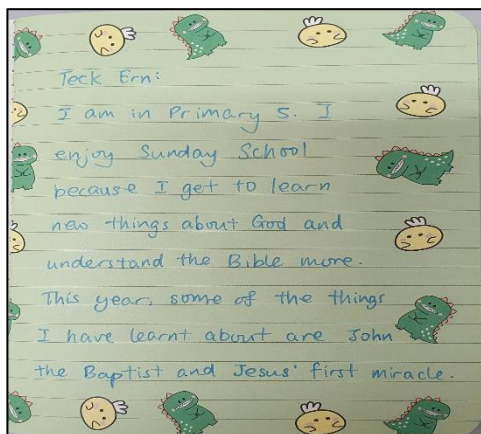
<p>My name is Jun Yang. I love Sunday School. I’m always excited to go to Sunday School. It teaches us to love God and He is always there for me. It makes me proud to be a Christian. Additionally, here are some of the verses that make me feel this way: Matthew 5:14 “ye are the light of the world. A city is set on an hill cannot be hid” Matthew 5:16 “let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven”</p>	<p>My name is Natalie Goh. I enjoy attending Sunday School because I can learn about God. The verse that I learnt that impacts me most is Phillipian 4:6 “Be careful for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving; let your requests be made know unto God”. I pray that more children can come to Sunday School to learn about God.</p>
<p>My name is Faith Chan. I learnt that God created everything in Genesis 1:31. In Genesis 1:28 “And God blessed them and God said unto them. Be fruitful and multiply, and replenish the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air and over everything that moveth upon the earth. I pray that more children can come to Sunday School.</p>	<p>My name is Michaela Heah. In Phillipians 1:29 I learnt that for unto you it is given in the half of Christ, not only to believe on him, but also to suffer for his sake. I learnt that God always love me and I also learnt to trust God in difficult situations.</p> <div data-bbox="954 1780 1161 1930" data-label="Image"> </div>

Primary 5

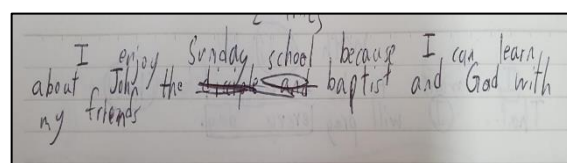
I have been attending Sunday school for nearly my whole life. This year I am 11 years old. Sunday school is great because my friends and I can share our experience and learn more and more about God together along with our teachers. We pray with, and for, one another. Sunday school helps me to grow closer with my friends as we grow and learn together.

Recently, we have been learning about the gospel of Luke and John. We learnt how Jesus helped and saved others, for example, the Samaritan woman (John 4). We learned how the Samaritan woman thought of Jesus as a normal Jew, but when Jesus dug up her past, she perceived that he was a prophet. He talked about how it did not matter so much exactly where they worshipped but how they worshipped, because God wanted them to worship in spirit and in truth. After that she thought of Jesus as the Messiah.

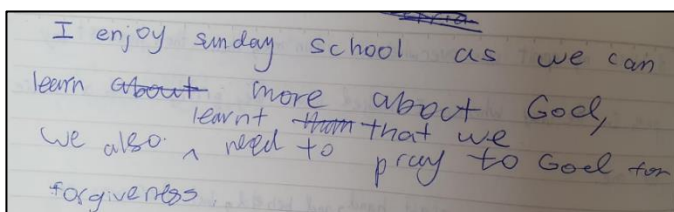
This passage reminded me how Jesus thinks. Not your appearance but your heart. Jesus was so merciful to the Samaritan woman by offering her his living water that saves us from eternal death. I like Sunday school because it constantly reminds me how this great and powerful God of the prophets of old is my God, and he offers me his living water just like how he offered the woman. (Elliot Ong)



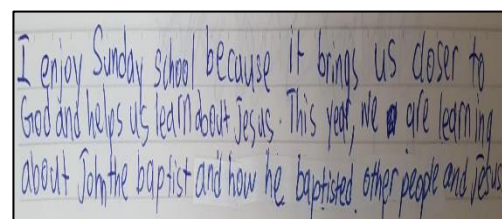
← Anne Loh



Heng Wei An



Joshua Sim



Ethan Chong

Primary 6

I thank God that I have been attending Sunday School since I was three years old. During Sunday School, we start off with singspiration, where we sing praises to God. After that, we split into our classes for a time of learning from God's Word. From the Sunday School lessons, I have learnt to trust God in difficult times and that God is almighty and powerful. At the same time, God is loving and merciful.

I like my Sunday School teachers as they patiently explain the Bible truths to us. Sunday School has helped me gain more knowledge about God. At first I didn't know if God was real. However, after I learnt more about Him, I have faith that he is the true and living God and He can save me if I truly believe. I encourage children not attending to join us as I am sure it will benefit them. **(Kristen Koy)**

Going to Sunday School has always been something I look forward to. In Sunday School we do not just learn about the Bible, we learn more about God and how to be more like Him as we study different men and women in the Bible. Currently, we are learning about the biblical world view. I find this topic, though challenging to understand, very interesting. Attending Sunday School has helped me grow closer to God. Every lesson deepens my understanding of God's word. **(Hannah Kusuma)**

I go to Sunday School because my parents introduced me to it and I started getting used to Sunday School. I enjoy Sunday School as much as I enjoy pizza! I have learnt many things from Sunday School and I also try to memorise verses from the Bible.

There are many teachers who have nurtured me well as I grew up. Such that I could learn so many things about God. I have learnt about the creation mandate as well as to walk by faith and not by sight. I know that I am accepted into God's hands and that we should praise and glorify God. Sunday School has made me knowledgeable about God and his Son Jesus. I know that God will always love me. Thanks to my Sunday School teachers, I understand God's word better and I want to always glorify Him. **(Joanne Wang)**

I have been attending Sunday school since young and have learnt many stories and different people's world views on how the world started and many other things, but I want to believe and trust that what is in the bible is true. I like coming to Sunday school as I can make friends and learn new Bible stories and about the missionaries. **(Rachel Ooi)**

I don't attend Sunday School just because my parents force me. I attend Sunday School so that I can learn more about God and worship Him. I also can talk to my friends who can help me to understand more about Christ and remind me weekly to be a better and more positive person. My teachers also guide me with my work and encourage me to ask when I am in doubt. To me church is not a weekly habit but it is somewhere that I can look forward to going to. **(Emma Goh)**

I enjoy coming to Sunday School as I like listening to the interesting stories shared by the teachers. These lessons help me to grow closer to God and I get to know God better. I have

learnt a lot of verses which I can use in my daily life. When I am sad, I know that God will comfort me. When I am happy, I give thanks to God. (**Nathaniel Neo**)

I enjoy Sunday School as I am learning a very interesting topic about world views and through this I understand how other people view the world. Thus I can understand more about my religion and other religions. (**Ong Jun Yi**)