



3 DAYS “FAST & PRAY” MATERIALS FOR VARIOUS ANNUAL CONFERENCES

<i>Date</i>	<i>Fast And Pray Schedule</i>
1 Aug 08-10 (Fri-Sun)	Sengoi Mission Conference (PMSM) churches
2 Aug 11-13 (Mon-Wed)	Sarawak Iban Annual Conference (SIAC) churches
3 Aug 14-16 (Thr-Sat)	Chinese Annual Conference (CAC) churches
4 Aug 17-19 (Sun-Tue)	Sabah Provisional Annual Conference (SPAC) churches
5 Aug 20-22 (Wed-Fri)	Trinity Annual Conference (TRAC) churches
6 Aug 23-25 (Sat-Mon)	Sarawak Chinese Annual Conference (SCAC) churches
7 Aug 26-28 (Tue-Thr)	Tamil Annual Conference (TAC) churches

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1. Chinese Annual Conference 华人年议会
<http://www.methodist.org.my/>
2. Tamil Annual Conference
<http://tacmethodist.org/>
3. Trinity Annual Conference
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4. Sarawak Chinese Annual Conference 砂拉越华人年议会
<http://www.sarawakmethodist.org/>
5. Sarawak Iban Annual Conference
<http://www.sarawakibanmethodist.org/>
6. Sabah Provisional Annual Conference 沙巴临时年议会
<http://www.sabahmethodist.org/>
7. Persidangan Misi Sengoi (Sengoi Mission Conference)
<http://www.cornerstone.com.my/methodistchurch/index.cfm?&menuid=30>

Day 1

MPC3 – A Springboard for Revival

Scripture Text: 2 Chronicles 34: 14-33

When we pray to God what is it that we really want? We want the manifest presence of God to be a reality among us. We want God's glory to cover our nation as the water covers the sea. We want God to rule and reign – righteousness, justice, mercy & love, harmony and prosperity and everyone living in equality (Satu Malaysia). We need a Revival in our Land! Revival will only come when we follow God's order and God's way. We believe that it is in the kairos timing of Father God that He has led us to have MPC3 in 2014. In the light of what's taking place in the country, this is a trumpet call to wake up the Methodist Church in Malaysia so that we would repent and return to the LORD. It is a clarion call for us to fervently seek His face, know His way and be a Church after His Own Heart! All the prayer preparations are a journey, a process to prepare the way for the LORD to land in MPC3. Every step and every person counts. We expect His Presence to change us forever more! MPC3 will be a New Beginning for all of us....

We want Revival. God has some set principles. First of all: **Revival is Re-Bible.**

'I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness; you have exalted your word above all your name.' Psalm 138:2 NRSV

But this is the one to whom I will look, to the humble and contrite in spirit, who trembles at my word. Isaiah 66:2b NRSV

Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. Matthew 24:35

When we survey the Old Testament, we see that the public reading of the law of God played such an important role in the revival of His people, e.g. Ezra read the Law (Neh 8:1-12), Josiah heard the Law (2 Chron 34:14-33)... John Wesley called the Methodists, "the people of One Book". O, how we have fallen short...!

Prayer Guide:

1. Repent on behalf of our churches, for our carelessness towards His Word. We can be so busy with many things that we do not spend quality time studying His Word. Pray for pastors, leaders, church members and families.
2. Jesus said, "The words I have spoken to you are Spirit and they are life." (John 6:63b). Paul said in II Cor 3:6 'He has made us competent as ministers of a new covenant – not of the letter but of the Spirit; for the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life.' Pray for the ministry of the Word to be Spirit led and Spirit filled (John 14:26, 16:13).
3. Pray the Word of God, make declarations using the Word of God. Do it by FAITH, believing that God will see to the fulfillment of His Word and promises (Jer 1: 11-12). [*Heb 4:2 For indeed the good news came to us just as to them; but the message they heard did not benefit them, because they were not united by faith with those who listened*]

Day 2

Building a Dwelling Place for the LORD

Scripture Text: John 17: 20-23

Revival is having the manifest presence of the LORD among us as a reality. How do we welcome the Presence of God to dwell among us and not just have His visitations at certain gatherings or occasions?

The answer is **Love & Unity**.

Imagine you have a good friend, to whose house you can always go to have meals and even to stay overnight. But this time when the door is opened, you smell explosives! Husband and wife seem to be fighting, there are tears in the children's eyes. Would you linger for dinner and then stay overnight? Or would you find the quickest way to create an excuse to leave the house?

This is us, Christians, the Church of Jesus Christ. We are divided along racial, language and cultural lines. We gather according to different denominations, churches or organizations; we are easily separated by different theological views and ministry practices. We also try to outdo each other saying we are the best in... Do we expect Father God to be comfortable dwelling among us (we will be fighting whose house He should stay in!)? It is only when we come to that place of loving one another as Christ has loved us (Joh13:34-35), honouring one another and esteeming the other as more important than ourselves (Phil 2:3-5) when we are dead to our own agenda and plans and ambitions and all of us only embrace God's Heart and God's Way, will HE find a dwelling place among us and manifest His presence. Then all in the land will be filled with awe and come running to HIM!

Prayer Guide:

1. Confess before God our disunity and inward looking mindset and various selfish acts. Ask for forgiveness on how we grieve our Father, Saviour (who is the Head of the Church) & The Holy Spirit.
2. Pray for conviction and help of the Holy Spirit for our repentance to result in change in behavior. Ask the Holy Spirit to show us specific actions that we should take now.
3. ACTION: whether it is within the diverse family members (different local churches, annual conferences) of the Methodist Church or with different churches that are in your area, seek to perform acts of reconciliation. E.g. making phone calls, going for tea, sending a warm email... do something today to demonstrate your willingness to strive for unity & love, to welcome the dwelling of the KING!

Revival, Transformation, Reformation

Scripture Text: 1 Peter 1:1-9

There is a song: “This is the day of the latter rain of promise, promise to bless all the people of the Lord...” When we read the Book of Acts and all that was taking place, we know that it was the Holy Spirit that Jesus asked the Father to send that made all the difference. So, is the presence of The Holy Spirit still in our lives? Why is the power of the Holy Spirit not manifesting through us to turn the world the right side up? Societies are deteriorating around us. There are roughly two billion Christians on the face of the earth today but why do the major problems of sin, poverty, and disease still plague the planet?¹

Revival occurs when God pours out deep conviction of sin, souls are swept into the Kingdom, miracles occur daily, and the power of the LORD saturates the hearts and souls of Christians. Transformation of that community or city or nation then takes place because lives are transformed. But reformation means an amendment or repair of what is corrupt, the institutionalization of God’s will on how we govern and how we do business; our education, media and entertainment, society & family structure following God’s ordained order and organization. If a nation is transformed without being reformed, it will soon fall back into its original state of decay².

Jesus came to establish His Father’s Kingdom on earth (Matt 1:17, 12:28). You and I are the means by which this is established (Gen 1:26-28). It is our prayer that MPC3 will be the channel that God will use to awaken each one of us to our God given-role for such a time as this. Let’s not be short sighted and be contented with just feeling the presence of the LORD in prayer or worship. We are heading towards Rev 11:15

“The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Messiah, and he will reign forever and ever.”

Prayer Guide:

1. Ask the Holy Spirit to give you the mind of Christ. Lift your eyes away from yourself or your local church and look to what the LORD is doing. From the Garden of Eden to the New Jerusalem, HE seeks to tabernacle among men. And HE is advancing His Kingdom through the Church and you make up the Church. Open your heart to download His Heart. Be determined that you and your church together with other Christians and other Churches shall accomplish His Heart’s desires, that heaven shall take place on earth even here and now.

Be still and allow the Holy Spirit to communicate with you. **IMPORTANT:** Take a pen to write down what the LORD impresses upon you for further prayer and action.

2. Pray that MPC3 truly becomes a channel in God’s Hand to help the Methodist Church to understand His Heart, to embrace His Heart and to accomplish His Heart’s Desire here and now in our nation, wherever we are placed and in whatever ministry we are entrusted with.

¹The Reformation Manifesto by Cindy Jacobs

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