



Moving gingerly in a New Season

"Will you now revive us again that your people may rejoice in you?"
Psalm 85:6

Work is already under way to prepare the Cathedral for a leadership transition. These involve various meetings and prayerful conversations as we approach the responsibilities of pastoral leadership with due care.

Let me say a few words about the incoming Vicar, Revd Lewis Lew, who will be the Vicar-Designate on 1st December. We go a long way back to our days of serving in St John's - St Margaret's Church (SJSM) in the campus students ministry in the 80's. Eventually, he served as a clergy in SJSM before assuming the position of being priest-in-charge in All Saints' Church English congregation. He also assumed the responsibility as Dean of Nepal, which is a huge work of caring for a hundred over pastors, being the fastest growing deanery of our Diocese. Revd Lewis Lew

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also played a major role in organising the Celebration of Hope last year.

At the right time, we will get to hear more from him and get to know his wife, Leng Leng and the rest of the family. I have had a few meetings with him and I can sense that he

is a keen listener and observer as he seeks to understand what the Lord has been doing in SAC. We are of kindred spirit in wanting to see Him glorified in our Church and nation. I am very much at peace with Bishop-designate's decision in appointing him and I know the Cathedral family will be blessed as we gingerly move into the next season.

Yes, "gingerly" is the word as the shape of ministry in SAC has been hard hit by this pandemic, as with every other local church. Revd Lewis and his team can only imagine what our pre-Covid Services and ministries were

like. We will in due course introduce the other clergy or team members who will be joining our reshaped SAC team. Suffice for me to say that I am also excited about the possibilities for every congregation, Nave or CNS congregations, established or new ones like eleven:30 Service, in regards to her pastoral care needs and growth potential.

In a sense, none of us “awesome foursome” (which include Revd Hambali, Revd Calvin Wee and Ds Bessie) are indispensable. Nor are we replaceable! This attests to the fact that each pastor is unique and the relationships even more so. While someone else can take over our responsibilities, they can’t take over these unique relationships. The grief over having to bid farewell is real but do note that our friendship in Christ can continue.

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I am sure I speak also for the other three: that each of your *faithful support for SAC and the new and reconfigured team will be an important sign of your love for the Lord and this precious church family*. From my corner, I will be praying for you. What happens in our mother church will always impact the other parishes and I will be praying for nothing less than a fresh revival and deep work of the Lord in the new season.

DIOCESAN DAY OF PRAYER & FAST

The Lord Is With Us

JOSHUA 1:9

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