

Kennedy Family

SINGAPORE MISSION UPDATE

October 1, 2021

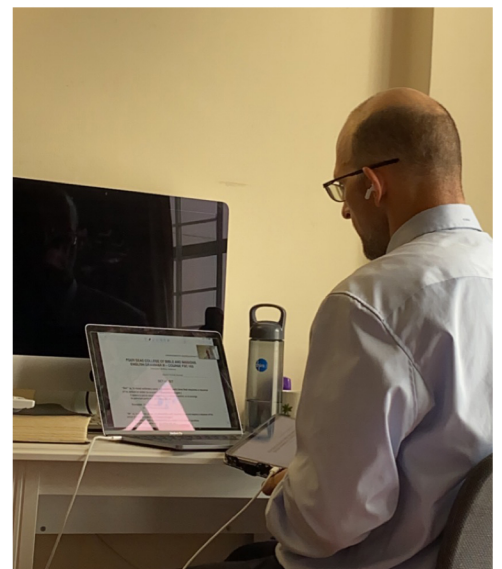
CLASSES MOVING ONLINE (AGAIN)

The month of September is “birthday month” in the Kennedy house. Troy (23rd), Luke (5th), and I (4th) all had birthdays this month. We enjoyed so many kind, thoughtful, and generous gifts from brethren. The kids continue to grow and mature. They are in full swing in their home school program and working to finish their fall course work before we leave for furlough at the end of November. We are planning to be in the United States for about six weeks to visit supporters, family, and friends. We look forward to seeing many of you in person, but we know we cannot see everyone. Please know that we appreciate each one of you who contributes, encourages, and prays for us!

This month was Lisa’s turn to write in the “Women’s Corner” of the Jurong church of Christ bulletin, the Jurong Outreach. She wrote on the topic of Christian identity for women of God. She also continues to teach the children in Bible classes.

Recently, our schedule has been interrupted again as the latest Covid restrictions in Singapore have included the recommendation to work from home for four weeks until October 24. In line with this, Four Seas College classes have moved online until then. After that, we hope to be in the classroom again. This resumes the format we were forced to use in August when two of our students tested positive for Covid. While this is not ideal, the students are able to be in the classroom together and support one another with studies, questions, and notes.

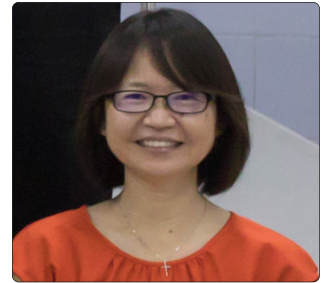
Because of various other Covid restrictions, we continue to struggle to get our first year students in the country. We have admitted students from Laos, the Philippines, India, and Malaysia. Currently, students from India and the Philippines are able to attend as distance students. They are counted as audit students who are learning and growing in preparation for coming to school full-time when their “entry slot” is approved. So, they have been admitted by the immigration authorities, but now they have to be approved by another agency to be allowed into Singapore. Each week they try to get one of the few available slots to travel from their country to Singapore. They will continue to try each week to be allowed entry. If they are able to come in, they will have to quarantine for two weeks. Thankfully, a congregation in the US has agreed to cover these expenses when they are finally approved to enter the country.



Students have just taken their final exams for the first half of term 3. On Monday we will begin our last half term of the year. I will be teaching Romans, Revelation, and English Grammar 3. Our 11 second year students and one wrap around will complete their studies with commencement ceremonies planned for November 20. Please keep the students in your prayers as they have to finish strong, find a plane ticket to their home countries on an available flight, reconnect with family and friends, and put their hands to the plow in various works across Southeast Asia and the world.

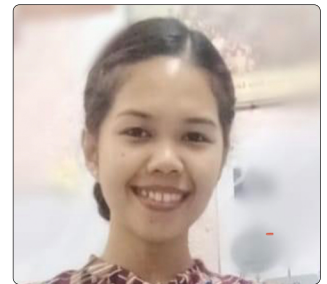
STUDENT SPOTLIGHT: LIM HUI CHIN (KELLY)

Kelly is from the Skudai church of Christ in Johor Malaysia. She is fluent in Mandarin and English and also good in Bahasa Malay, the language of Malaysia. She has connected very well with the Chinese speaking brethren in Singapore and been a true blessing to the school and the church. She came to FSC “later in life” in order to enhance her Bible knowledge and teach others through local evangelism and opportunities to teach ladies. When she is able to return to Johor, she plans to work as the “church administrator” (what churches in the US would call the secretary) for the Skudai congregation where she will be able to assist the church leaders for the English and Chinese speaking congregations.



RACQUEL BANDULA DABUAN

Racquel came to us as a university graduate who was and is certified to teach English. She is from the Kibawas church of Christ in the Philippines. She came to school to grow in knowledge and faith with a great desire to teach through speaking to other ladies and writing to spread the word of God. After school, Raquel plans to continue secular studies, work part-time to support herself, participate in local mission works (evangelistic campaigns), and be involved in teaching children and ladies. She has a servant’s heart and will serve wherever there is a need.



CURRENT COURSEWORK AT FOUR SEAS COLLEGE

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2ND HALF OF 1ST TERM (AUGUST 16, 2021-NOVEMBER 19,2021)

FIRST YEAR STUDENTS

EXODUS-DEUTERONOMY
ROMANS
PREACHER & HIS WORK III
ENGLISH GRAMMAR III

SECOND YEAR STUDENTS

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DENOMINATIONAL DOGMAS
HEBREWS & PHILEMON
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