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# BSM CONNECT

## THE PRESIDENT SAYS...

Alleluiah! Christ is Risen!

In the midst of war, covid, and economic uncertainties, many countries and people are badly affected. Many have become refugees due to war, died and become patients due to covid, and many are starving due to economic problems. What has happened to this world?!

In desperation, people are searching and looking high and low for answers to peace, security and stability. Nothing in the horizon seems to be substantially forth coming.

In the Bible, there were a number of similar occasions where God's people were searching for peace, security and comfort - such as the times of the Hebrews in Egypt, the Israelites in the times of the Judges, the children of Israel in the times of the 'bad' kings, and in the days of the Babylonian captivity. In each occasion, the consoling factor was in the faith of the Almighty God. Moses told the children of Israel to trust and obey God; the Judges told the children of Israel to trust and obey their God, the prophets of the exilic period told the children of Israel to trust and obey their God. For God has said that He is the defender of the poor, weak and helpless. This is also the way for today's trials and crisis.



*Bishop Datuk Ng Moon Hing  
President, Bible Society of Malaysia*

We who have access to the Bible are indeed very privileged, but it is not so for those who still do not have God's Word in their own language. How can they know what God is saying to them? How can they know the wise and comforting words of God? At least, three things we can do for these people so that they can seek and read God's Word for themselves:

- One**, pray for them to have their own Bible.
- Two**, send translators to help them.
- Three**, raise money to support these translators.

Without the Word of God, there is no vision and direction, people will perish. Let us join hands to bring the Word of God to every living being in this world.

Glory to God Almighty.

Shalom,  
**Bishop Datuk Ng Moon Hing**  
President





# What's NEW?

With the lifting of borders, we were finally able to bring in new books and publications.

However, the effect of the global pandemic hit every industry, in especially the shipping and logistics, hitting an all time high, causing books and bibles to increase in pricing.

The printing industry also faced much challenge with the rising cost of paper which has to be brought in from abroad.



Colourful Children's books makes for great gifts to spark their love for Bible Stories.



We have a new shipment of NIV LARGE PRINT, with beautiful coloured illustrations and ESV Study Bibles



Scholarly Editions in Hebrew, Greek and Latin





*Pastor Yang's EIShaddai Joyful Learning Centre*



Pastor John Yang, received a call from God to move to China from his home Korea in 2005. Obediently, knowing little about the country and nothing of the language, he served in China fervently for 14 years and in that time, learning to speak and write in Mandarin.

After Christmas in year 2018, God told him to go to Malaysia. True to his nature, he obeyed. At the age of 62, Pastor John Yang packed up his bags, bought his ticket and flew into Malaysia.

The vision Pastor John had at the time was to set up a library in the suburbs of Kuala Lumpur. With a collection of his personal books and some that were given to him over the years, he found a little nook and proceeded to invite his neighbors, the young and the old, to share them.

He would invite children in his neighborhood and he would read and engage them in a bit of story-telling, sneaking in stories about Jesus.



*Reading and refreshment corner for the children.*

With a little help from BSM, Pastor Yang is now able to share more interesting stories from the Bible.

Pastor Yang says, **"We currently have 30 children and 3 community teachers. Two of our teachers have moved to another country and the remaining teachers will be leaving soon too. My earnest prayer is for a local Christian teacher, with a heart for refugee mission in the area of child education here. I pray that local teachers with a lot of love will be sent for refugee children who are alienated from regular education."**





## **Greetings in the name of the Resurrected Christ and a Blessed Easter to all.**

As we are already four months into the year, the ministries of Bible Society have been progressing well in terms of Bible Distribution and Bible Translation work. We now have new and ready stock of Bahasa Malaysia, Iban, Tamil and Chinese Bibles and wider variety of Children's books and Bible Stories. For the Refugees and Migrant Workers in this country, we have bibles in their mother tongues too. To equip the seminaries, theological colleges and Bible Schools in the country, BSM complements these organizations with Scholarly Editions to develop Biblical Languages, such as; texts in Hebrew, Greek and Latin.

BSM continues its ministry among the refugees and migrant workers in the country through partnership with Refugee Schools and Migrant Ministries.

With the opening of borders, Bible Translation work has resumed fully. BSM in partnership with churches and other Bible Agencies in the country are working on Bible Translation and Revisions in some indigenous languages such as : Jakun, Semelai, Temiar, Semai, Jahut, Kayan and Bukar Sadong. With travel restrictions being lifted and churches opening up, BSM is also working on Bible Engagement programmes with indigenous communities.

Churches and organizations throughout the country can once again invite BSM to share its ministries and promote Bible Distribution on Sundays and/or any other specific days. You may call the General Secretary or the office to receive further information on the various ministries of BSM.

Do contact the BSM office to make an appointment via our email

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or the General Secretary,

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Donations and contributions towards the Ministries of BSM can be made through our bank account as follows;

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Blessings of Easter.

**Rev. Mathew K. Punnoose**  
**General Secretary**



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