

Miracle Service Report

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Reported by Rita Lim

Tonight's message **Sacrificing Isaac** by Pastor Pacer is taken from the book of Genesis. This story may sound cruel and morbid, but it is not so. It seemed that Abraham was asked by God to sacrifice his son Isaac. However, at the end of the story, Abraham was stopped by the Angel of the Lord from killing his son. It goes to show that God did not want a child to be killed for Him. He just wanted to test Abraham's faith and trust in Him. (Genesis 22:1-18)

Different people have different perceptions of what is precious to them. For some, it is time that is so important and precious to them. They feel very frustrated when they are unable to maximize their time in a day. While others treasure relationships to such an extent that they don't mind wasting time just to cultivate as many friendships as they can.

From this passage, we can read that there was something very important to Abraham and that was precisely where God's test for him hinged upon. The test was not for him to give up some of his sheep and goats or lose half of his wealth. Rather, the test was for him to give up what was at the very core of his heart, his only son Isaac.

At that point in time, Abraham was about 100 years old. He and his wife had been trying for a long time to conceive. And Abraham had been waiting for the promise that God gave him. God promised Abraham not only a son, but generations through him – generations of future people that would love, trust, obey and submit to the same God Whom Abraham was talking to. When Sarah was 90 years old, God opened up her womb. She conceived and bore a son. Abraham's entire life, desires and hopes were hinged upon this one boy

whom he greatly loved, his one and only son. Now God asked him to give up his only son. Abraham knew it was a test and there was no point in negotiating with God so he obeyed and went home to make preparation.

Abraham journeyed out with his son as well as two of his servants. When they were at the foot of the mountain, he asked the two servants to stay and he moved forward with his son. Isaac was perceptive and felt something was amiss. They had a rope and a knife. Isaac wanted to know where the sacrifice was. Abraham replied that God would provide the sacrifice. When they finally reached the place God told Abraham about, he brought his son to the altar and tied him up with a rope. At that point in time, the son realized that he was to be the sacrifice. Abraham took out his knife. When he was about to kill his son, the Angel of the Lord appeared and told him not to kill Isaac.

Abraham saw a ram in the thicket. He took the ram and offered him up for a burnt offering in place of Isaac. The Bible tells us that the Lord showed up and He was pleased. God told Abraham that he had passed the test because he was willing to give up his only son to Him.

What is the moral of the story? If Abraham was willing to sacrifice his son Isaac, the most precious item in his life, does it mean that I should also sacrifice to God what is most precious to me? The answer is not so simple. It can be either a "yes" or a "no". Are you willing to give up something precious for God? As a Christian, the Bible tells us that at a moment's notice, if the Lord wants us to sacrifice our lives to Him, He expects us to do it. But it could also be a "no" because at the end of the day, the moral of the story is not about Abraham and Isaac but God's relationship with us.

This passage in the Bible "Take your son, your only son" comes out three times. The Son of God called Jesus Christ is God's only Son. At the end of the day, the story is not about us sacrificing our "Isaacs". God is not asking anyone of us to sacrifice our family, our dream job or our future. Instead, He is

showing us that He planned to sacrifice what is precious to Him.

When Abraham saw a ram in the thicket, it foretold and foreshadowed the coming Jesus. He is the Messiah, the Lamb Who takes away the sins of the world. If you want to understand the love of God, you cannot escape the fact that the Bible teaches about God sacrificing His Son on our behalf. If you are ever tempted to say God does not love, all you need to do is to read about Who Jesus is and what He has come to do. God loves you personally. Instead of Him asking you to give up your "Isaac", He gave up His. The beautiful picture of Jesus is that He came not to live but die. He came to show us the purpose of the Father. When you understand and appreciate the picture of God asking Abraham to stop sacrificing his son Isaac, you will comprehend the very picture of God showing us the Cross.

When we face uncertainties, doubts and sufferings in life, it is indeed a struggle to believe in a God of love. We are tempted to ask the question: if God is a God of love, why are bad things happening to us? It is not really God's fault when bad things happened to us. We were the culprits because we were born fallen creatures. For God to rescue fallen people like ourselves, He gave up His Son to be tortured, beaten and bruised for the sake of the human race. This is the story that changed the world and has shaken nations, kingdoms and kings. That is why Christians believe in Jesus. Has it shaken your heart?



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Tonight, the Spirit of God was powerfully present in both our healing centers. Many received a healing touch from God. All things are possible if we only believe.

In May, Roy Chow Chuen Sin *suffered constant abdominal pain coupled with body aches*. He came to the Miracle Service to trust God for healing. In June, after a battery of medical tests, the doctor confirmed that there was nothing wrong with him. Roy is now completely healed and without pain.

Five years ago, Bob Tan testified that he *suffered bleeding in his bowel movements* and the Lord healed him instantly. In May this year, he was plagued with the same condition again. He trusted the Lord and came to the Miracle Service to be prayed for. At the end of May, the bleeding ceased and he is now completely well.

Three weeks ago, Jasmine Chan *injured her back which resulted in a slipped disk*. She was in tremendous pain and had to be admitted to the hospital for a few days. This evening, she was still in pain despite having taken pain killers. She was unable to lift up her left leg without pain. After the healing prayer, her pain lifted and she could easily lift up her leg.

Last Thursday, Tan Soh Tin *experienced pain from her neck down to her shoulder*. It affected her sleep. Last Saturday at the Miracle Service, she prayed for her own healing. Tonight, the pain from her neck to her shoulder had lifted and she was totally healed. Praise the Lord!

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SEPTEMBER 20, 2015

Next Sunday
Contending For The
Faith Series
Part 5
By Pastor Pacer Tan

**WORDS
SPOKEN
WITH
CONVICTION**
By Pastor Rony Tan

Was there a day when you had not spoken a single word to someone or to yourself? Try as hard as you can to recall that day, you simply can't.

Ever since we could speak, we have never stopped talking. It stems from our basic personal and social needs to express ourselves. We have to say something for out of the abundance of our hearts, our mouths speak, so says Jesus.

However, our words are more potent than we know, especially words spoken with deep conviction. This message will inspire you to speak positive, purposeful and powerful words – words that are in line with God's Word.

Messages in CDs and DVDs may be ordered at the counter.

**Today's
Pre-Service Upperlight
Prayer Items**

1. Dramalight Ministry

- God's blessing, wisdom, creativity and insight upon Sister Tracy and all Dramalighters
- Through their productions and efforts, more souls will be saved

2. All Our Soul-Winning Efforts

- Divine protection, favor, boldness and anointing upon Lighters who go out to win souls
- Holy Spirit to do the work of conviction and lead the lost souls to receive Christ

**September 24
Thursday Upperlight
Prayer Items**

- Miracle Service
- Healing Of Uncontrolled Temperaments
- Sunday Services And Weekdays' Activities
- Spiritual Revival In Lighthouse
- Breakthroughs Upon Upperlighters
- Divine Protection Against Satan's End-time Strategies

Inspiring Quote

Psalm 27:4

One thing I ask of the LORD,
this is what I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to seek him in his temple.



Church Camp

**Sunway Putra Hotel, Kuala Lumpur
December 14-17, 2015**

For many, the mention of church camp evokes memories of intimate and refreshing moments in the Lord's presence. What memories will you create this year?

THE JESUS EFFECT speaks volumes about the empowering grace of Jesus Christ that is both life-changing and relevant to every believer up to this modern day. This year, join us to be inspired by our key English speaker Pastor Samuel Sam and Mandarin speaker Rev. Jonathan Loh. The camp will host a variety of workshops and engaging activities targeted at different age groups ranging from children, youth, young adults to adults.

It's time to sign up with us if you haven't! Registration will close by the end of September. For campers who have already placed a deposit, please submit your balance payment by September 27. We'll see you at the church camp!

PRICE PACKAGES

Twin Sharing - \$380 Children (ages 4-11) - \$170
Triple Sharing - \$365 Children (below age 4) - \$40



**The Heart Beat of
Eric Moo Concert**

On August 28, 2015

*Reported by
Pastor Desmond Tian*



Praise God for the bountiful harvest! The overwhelming crowd filled the Sanctuary and the Multi-Purpose Hall in LEW within a short time. Almost 3,400 people attended this unforgettable concert and 55 people responded to the altar call.

Besides the beautiful songs Eric Moo sang, he also shared the heartwarming testimony of his transformed life. God delivered him from his self-centered life and also his gambling, drinking

and smoking habits. When Pastor Colin took to the pulpit, he shared a biblical story to challenge the pre-believers to make a life-changing choice.

The success of this concert is another milestone event for our Mandarin department since the Long Piao Piao event in 2013. More than 300 Lighters worked diligently behind the scenes. Although the Mandarin Department organized this event, the whole church came forward to serve together. We wouldn't have experienced the smooth running of this wonderful concert without them. We held on together in one spirit. Indeed, everyone had a Kingdom-first mindset, our Lighthouse spirit!

Together, let's forge a mighty force to make a greater impact as we expand the Kingdom of God. To God be all the glory and praise!



**DISCONTINUATION
OF 7.00 PM
SUNDAY SERVICES**

For about a year, the church leadership has been evaluating our weekly programs. Besides the cell group ministry which is conducted at various members' homes throughout the Island, our two church centers conduct a total of 25 meetings throughout the week. The table below details our activities:

Day	Day Meeting	Night Meeting
Monday	2 Swordlight (SWL) sessions	2 SWL sessions
Tuesday		2 Mandarin SWL sessions Periodic LDC classes Cellslight at various homes
Wednesday		Cellslight at various homes
Thursday		Upperlight (Prayer Meeting)
Friday		Cellslight at various homes
Saturday	Pre-Miracle Service Prayer at 2 centers	Miracle Service at 2 centers
Sunday	6 English, 3 Mandarin and 2 Dialect worship services	2 English and 1 Mandarin worship services

From the table above, we notice that Lighters are participating and serving in various ministries in the night during the week and are also serving in ministries on weekends.

Recently we took a survey at the 7.00 pm worship services in both centers. In Tampines, 75% amongst the English and 50% amongst the Mandarin attendees indicated they can switch to an earlier worship service and in Woodlands 62% can do likewise. Most of the attendees who can't attend an earlier service are from other churches.

In order for us to stay focused and not

overstretch our faithful servers, the church has decided to discontinue our 7.00 pm worship services at both centers with effect from November 2015. We want to assure you that the church leadership has taken this decision very reluctantly after very careful deliberation.

Lighthouse has always advocated a balanced Christian life. With this minor adjustment, we hope that the current active serving Lighters will stay fresh both in body and spirit. We solicit your prayers to uphold the church in fulfilling the Great Commission.