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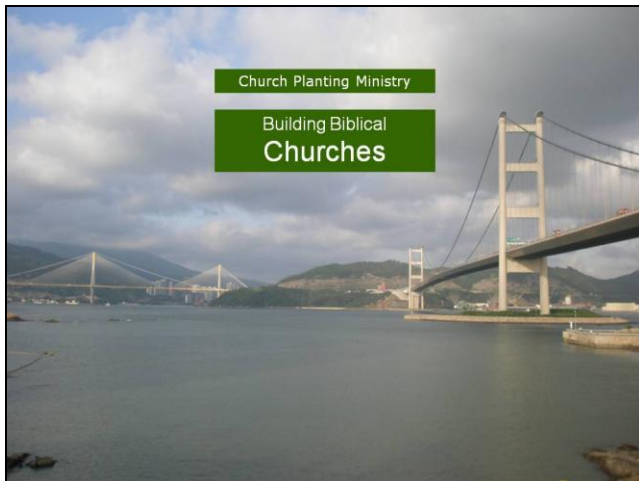
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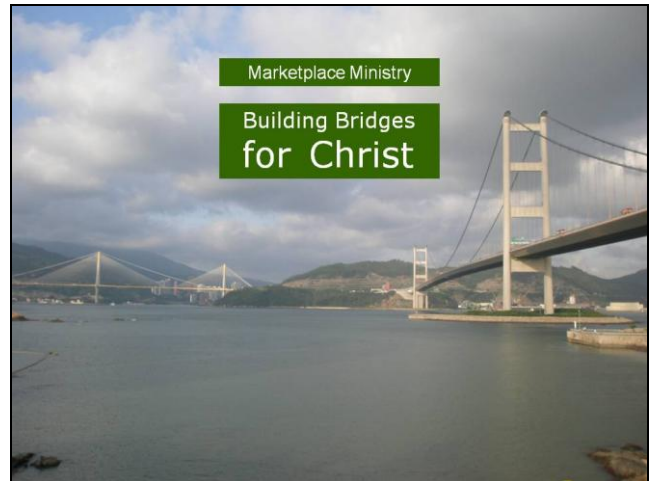
Dear Friends,

Choice Christmas greetings from Hong Kong in the wonderful name of our Lord & Saviour Jesus Christ!

I launched the BBC School [BBC=Building Biblical Churches (church ministry) and Building Bridges for Christ (marketplace ministry)] on the 6th Nov., the day my friend invited me to a Freemason Dinner & Dance ☺



Building Biblical Churches



Building Bridges 4 Christ

So it has been 7 Saturdays.

Pioneering in the beginning is very hard work because it is at the plowing stage. You see absolutely no results despite of your labour, breaking your back breaking up the ground, removing the stones and loosening the soil!

The next stage is sowing. Reaping is a fair way off yet!

I thank God for the opportunity of pioneering from scratch. This way you know for sure that you have to depend on God. It is very humbling!

When one has been church planting for 12 years like myself, one tends to forget what it was like in the beginning!



BBC School @ Worldwide Centre



BBC School - Inside

When you are one person, you do EVERYTHING:

- 1) Organize a venue
- 2) Invite people
- 3) Prepare songs
- 4) Prepare teaching
- 5) Prepare Holy Communion
- 6) Prepare refreshment
- 7) Chair the meeting
- 8) Lead prayer
- 9) Lead praise & worship
- 10) Lead Holy Communion
- 11) Conduct the teaching
- 12) Pray for the people
- 13) Talk to the people
- 14) Clean up afterwards
- 15) Pay for all of the above minus your labour!

When 2 people turned up, you feel so thankful. When 4 people turned up, you really appreciate the great result!

The problem is that the 4 people that turned up may not appreciate why your group is so tiny. Two may decide not to come back!

So you start with 2 people again. It may take a while before the group stabilizes and grow.

It is much tougher to grow from 1 to 15, than, say, from 15 to 50. I know from experience. 😊

I take my hat off to Albert who actually grew Hope Utrecht from 1 to 15 at one point!



I was One



God gave the increase

One Saturday, no one turned up at 4:00pm. At 4:15pm, still no one turned up. This is when most people would decide to pack their bags and give church planting a miss. ☺

But, experience helps. I simply took out my computer and got on with preparing the next teaching. At 4:20pm, 2 people turned up. I could not stop praising the Lord. ☺

At present, I am teaching from **A Victorious Church**.

I will be sharing from **Lesson 4** in the next teaching - **NATURAL PRINCIPLES WHICH BRING VICTORY:**

1. The Principle of Vision
2. The Principle of Commitment
3. The Principle of Diligence
4. The Principle of Excellence
5. The Principle of Perseverance
6. The Principle of Discipline
7. The Principle of Courage
8. The Principle of Wisdom
9. The Principle of Synergy

followed by **Lesson 5 : SPIRITUAL PRINCIPLES WHICH BRING VICTORY**

1. The Principle of Submission to God
2. The Principle of Faith
3. The Principle of Humility

4. The Principle of Righteousness

5. The Principle of Reliance on God

I find all of the above principles most relevant, and points 4.2, 4.3, 4.5, 4.6, 4.7 plus all of the Spiritual Principles are absolutely crucial for a pioneering church!

I am sure I can remind myself of these principles and put them into practice in the days and months ahead, if I want to experience victory in the BBC Ministries.

A sister told me that a guest pastor spoke in their church one Sunday. He was leading a mega church in the USA. Then one day God told him to start afresh to keep him humble. He humbly obeyed!

“One that is down needs fear no fall, one that is **pioneering**, no pride” ☺

If you want to stay humble, you may wish to follow the above pastor’s example. I am. ☺



BBC Tree



BBC Star

Wishing you and family a Blessed Christmas and a Prosperous 2011!

With love & prayers in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Pk' followed by a stylized flourish.

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