

BERITA ADYIC

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Discipleship And Mission



The Bishop writes...

My dear young sisters and brothers, grace and peace be to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen

Congratulations for choosing such an important and relevant theme of "Discipleship and Mission" for this Issue of our Berita, in line with our Diocesan Decade of Discipleship (2021 – 2030).

Do you know that before Christians were called "Christians", they were actually called "Disciples" (Acts 6:1; 11:26; 14:21; 18:27; John 13:35). Why is discipleship important for us today? Because being a disciple is our calling. God has called us not simply to become a Baptised and/or Confirmed Christian but to become a fully committed disciple and follower of Jesus. All of us – no matter how old or young we are - must intentionally grow in Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit. Discipleship programmes, of which there are several available - run by both the ADYIC as well as our parishes, can help us to grow in maturity and wisdom, and build our faith on a strong foundation. This will give us the confidence to go and share Christ with others, as we take heed of Christ's command to "go and make disciples of all nations...." (Matthew 28:19)

Here then lies the close relationship between Discipleship and Mission. The final command from our Lord Jesus was simple, as he said, "All authority in heaven and earth has been given to Me. Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, teaching them to obey all I have commanded, And I will be with you always - even to the end of the age. (Matthew 28:18-20) Our clear mission is to make disciples. Only disciples can make new disciples!

I know some of you will be saying, "But I don't know how! I am not a professional." Have you ever wondered what it was like in the early days of the church? In the beginning nobody was a professional. Are you surprised? Good thing God had a plan that didn't require professionals. God uses ordinary people – like you. Some of them were very young! He did it to start the first movement of the church. And He does it today.

God wants you to be His disciples and He wants you to make new disciples.

Blessings,
The Rt Rev Datuk Danald Jute

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear friends,

Yay! We are now able to have fellowship in person again. Although we gradually come together physically, meeting online is still relevant. It enables us to have virtual fellowships and it goes beyond borders. It is indeed amazing to see how God works in ADYC regardless of the platform used. He is omnipresent & omnipotent.

In line with the Diocesan theme "Advancing Discipleship" and ADYC's vision "Reviving God-fearing Generation: Gospel Centred & Prayer Focused", the Council will continue to conduct Christianity Explored and Obor Belia through online to enable you all to join us regardless of your location. As Christians, we are ought to be followers of Jesus Christ hence through attending discipleship programmes and the study of God's Word, our relationship and faith in Christ will be strengthen.

ADYC will be organizing her 3rd Young Adults Conference in Kuching from 4-6 September 2022 in hybrid mode with the theme "The Gospel-shaped Life". The participants will study the Book of Philippians and we have mini sessions on Mental Health. If you are 19 years old and above, I invite you to join us. More information can also be found in this Edition and on ADYC social media. We look forward to seeing you there!

Lastly, as we celebrate our Diocesan Youth Sunday, I am reminded of St. Paul's encouragement to the Christ believers there (Colossians 3:16); I pray that let the Word of Christ dwell in us richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs with thankfulness in our hearts to God.

May you serve Christ with joy & happy Diocesan Youth Day!

Regards,

Phyllis Montegrai

ADYC President



FROM EDITOR IN CHIEF

Dari Meja Ketua Editor,

Salam damai buat saudara-saudari dalam Kristus,

Setinggi-tinggi penghargaan dan ucapan terima kasih buat para pembaca serta semua pihak yang telah membantu sidang redaksi, secara langsung atau tidak, dalam kejayaan penerbitan Berita ADYC kali ini. Atas berkat Tuhan dan sokongan dari anda semua, Berita ADYC Jilid 1:2022 diterbitkan dengan sukses!

Untuk edisi ini, kami memaparkan perkongsian mengenai "Discipleship dan Mission" daripada Assistant Bishop-designate, Canon Andy Shie. Semoga perkongsian dari para pemimpin dari Diosis dapat dimanfaatkan dan dijadikan motivasi buat para pembaca untuk melengkapkan kita dalam bekerja di ministri-Nya.

Teruskan berkongsi artikel, idea ataupun gambar di e-mail kami iaitu: berita.adyc@gmail.com, Facebook (Anglican Diocesan Youth Council – ADYC), Instagram ([berita.adyc](https://www.instagram.com/berita.adyc)) dan Twitter ([@berita.adyc](https://twitter.com/berita.adyc)).

Wishing you a blessed Youth month and a special Youth Sunday!

Lydia Jela
Editor In Chief

SHARING ON MISSION

Shalom and Greetings, everyone. Let me thank the Berita ADYC team for asking me to share a few thoughts on the subject of Missions. Interestingly, I was just transferred back to my home parish of St. Andrew's BSB (Feb. 2022) and the church office found some photos of the first-ever youth mission trip in December 1998. I was one of the youth leaders then. That was a great trip and we served in Betong (& Skrang), Sri Aman, Abok & Quop:



The photos reminded me how missions became such an important agenda for my life, and why I strongly believe that EVERY YOUTH FELLOWSHIP and EVERY PARISH should have a mission agenda and undertake regular trips for themselves. Let me summarise 4 reasons what happens when we are involved in missions, using the word "M-I-S-I":

- M** - it **MOBILISES** them to practise/work out their faith
- I** - it takes the focus off the "I" (themselves) and shifts the attention onto others
- S** - it teaches them to rely on the **SPIRIT** of God in their lives as they love and serve others
- I** - it **INSPIRES** them about God when they see God in action through them

Let's go into the Bible. Interestingly, the Bible doesn't have the word 'missions'. Of course, we have 'The Great Commission' but that's not a verse in the Bible. That phrase is added or used to help us remember the command of our Lord Jesus to do the work of discipleship as stated in Matthew 28: 18 to 20. The work of going and making disciples is to be done in His name and with the Holy Spirit. This means, the work of missions is making disciples.

So then, what actually is Missions or the work of Discipleship? It is about demonstrating and establishing God's kingdom where we are and beyond. It is about allowing God to rule and reign in our lives and our situation, and sharing that (good news) with others so that they too may know their Creator and allow God to do the same work in their lives and situations. As this rule and reign become more established in our lives, we will begin to realise that it is not JUST about sharing the good news (gospel, berita manah, injil) of Jesus Christ. It usually starts there but there is MORE than just that.

This is where the five marks of mission is helpful. In the Anglican Communion, it's called the "Jesus-shaped Life", The five marks or action describes what mission is all about i.e. a holistic working-out of God's kingdom in a situation so as a disciple on mission for God, we are to do these five actions:

- Tell:** We proclaim the Good News of God's Reign!
- Teach:** We teach, baptise and nurture new believers
- Tend:** We respond to human need by loving service
- Transform:** We work to transform un-just structures of society, challenging violence of every kind and pursuing peace and reconciliation
- Treasure:** We strive to safeguard the integrity of creation, and to sustain and renew the life of the earth.

In our diocese, for our Decade of Discipleship (2021-30), we are adopting these 5 marks as part of our church mission. Let us all pray that as we progress through this decade, may we learn to Be More in Him and Do More for Him, as His disciples who are on His mission in our land and beyond. To God be the Glory!!

Canon Andy Shie
St Andrew's Church, Bandar Seri Begawan

REGIONAL ACTIVITIES

REGION 3

MONTHLY PRAYER MEETING

Region 3 menjalankan aktiviti Prayer Meeting setiap bulan iaitu pada awal minggu setiap, pada malam Ahad. Ianya berlangsung selama 1 jam setengah dengan perkongsian ringkas pada pertengahan aktiviti oleh rakan-rakan. Puji Tuhan! setiap persekutuan doa yang kami jalankan pasti ada wajah baru yang mengikuti dari setiap Gereja. Mendengar Firman Tuhan dari perkongsian dan berdoa bersama adalah kekuatan dalam iman untuk terus sentiasa memandangi kepada Tuhan.



MESYUARAT PERTAMA SECARA BERSEMUKA 2022

Pada 22 Januari 2022, telah berlangsung mesyuarat pertama secara bersemuka sejak pandemik melanda dunia. Mesyuarat dihadiri oleh EXCO Region 3 Sesi 2021 – 2023. Bersyukur atas kemurahan Tuhan sesi berjalan dengan baik dan perancangan untuk aktiviti 6 bulan pertama selesai dibentangkan.



REGION 3 FAMILY DAY 2022

Mengucap syukur kepada Tuhan yang sentiasa menyediakan untuk kita melebihi apa yang kita minta. Kami menjalankan aktiviti pertama pada 12-13 Februari 2022 iaitu Family Day dengan bertemakan Efesus 2:11-22. Pengelola program kali ini adalah muda-mudi dari St. Christopher, Debak dan mereka memilih lokasi di Homestay Haji Dol, Kabong. Ketika itu masih dalam fasa pandemic dan menanti pengumuman beralih fasa ke endemic, kami masih menjalankan RTK test bagi keselamatan semua orang agar aktiviti berjalan dengan baik. Pada hari terakhir disana, kami berkesempatan beribadah di Gereja St. Paul, Roban. Efesus 2:11-22 Tetapi sekarang dalam Kristus Yesus, kamu yang dahulu jauh sudah dibawa dekat oleh darah Kristus. Kerana Dia sendiri adalah perdamaian kita, Dia menyatukan kedua-dua pihak dan meruntuhkan dinding pemisah, iaitu perseteruan.



REGIONAL ACTIVITIES

REGION 4 PEMILIHAN AHLI JAWATANKUASA 2022-2024

Pada 23 Januari 2022, Region 4 telah mengadakan satu perjumpaan untuk bertujuan pemilihan ahli jawatankuasa yang baharu untuk tahun 2022-2024. Dan sebulat suara serta kepercayaan dari semua telah diberikan kepada Deacon Camcay Ngam sebagai Koordinator yang baharu, untuk menggantikan koordinator yang sebelumnya. Manakala jawatankuasa yang lain belum sempat dipilih atas sebab yang tertentu. Walaubagaimanapun, Region 4 telah merancang beberapa aktiviti yang akan dilakukan pada masa terdekat iaitu ADYC Region 4 Retreat. Sekali lagi, ucapan syabas bagi ahli jawatankuasa ADYC Region 4 sebelumnya dan kepada ahli jawatankuasa yang baru, selamat melayani dan sama-sama melangkah ke hadapan dengan iman didalam Yesus Kristus.



DANCE MINISTRY REGION 5

Kelas rebana sehari ADYC Region 5 telah berlangsung pada 20 November 2021 secara bersemuka yang bertempat di Dewan Parish St. Helen, Serian. Program ini dibahagikan kepada 3 sesi mengikut tahap pembelajaran iaitu tahap pemula, tahap pertengahan dan sesi Penyembahan. Seramai 13 orang penari telah ditetapkan bagi setiap sesi. Program ini bertujuan untuk membawa penari yang rindu untuk menari dan menyembah Tuhan melalui tari-tarian mereka. Penari juga sempat mengulangkaji corak terlebih dahulu supaya memudahkan sesi pembelajaran dijalankan. Sepanjang program berlangsung semua penari mematuhi SOP yang telah ditetapkan. Puji Tuhan program berjalan dengan lancar. Kemuliaan hanya bagi Tuhan kita Yesus Kristus.

Ditulis oleh,
Texer Apoon



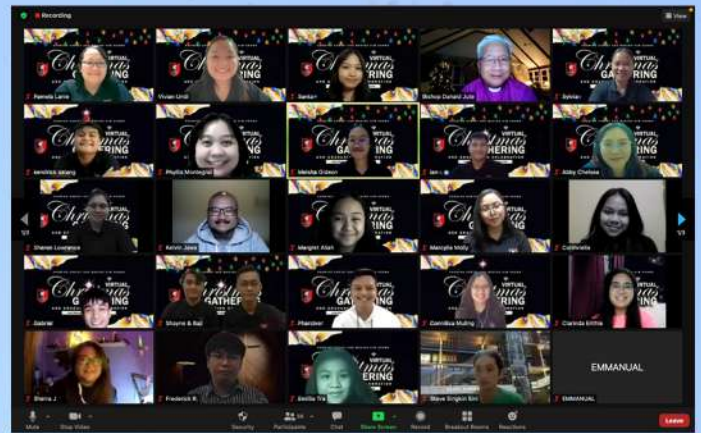
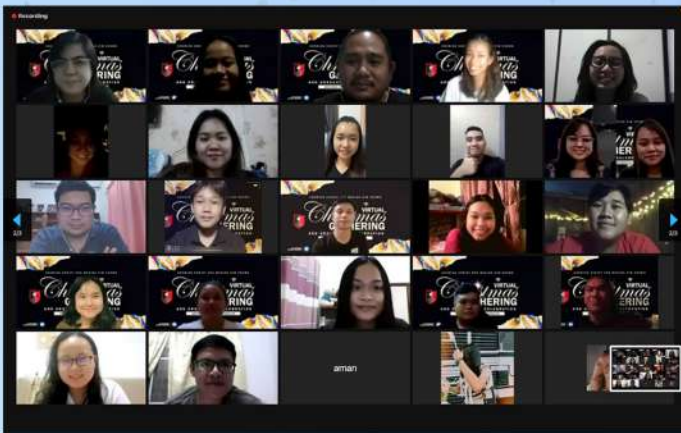
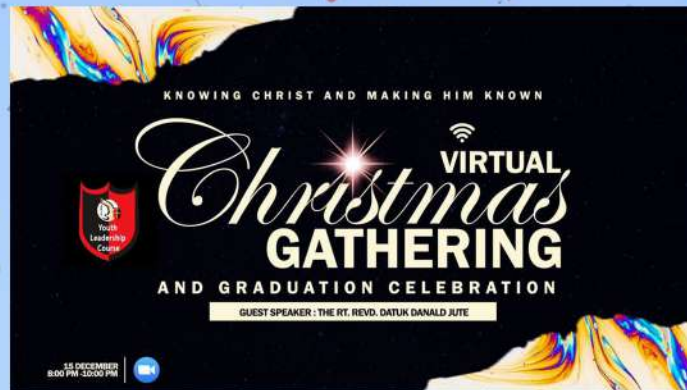
REGION 6 A NEW ADDITION TO OUR BIG FAMILY

St. Simon's Sebuyau's Parish Youth Fellowship was established on the 3rd of December 2021, under the guidance of their vicar, Reverend David Tak, and Mr. Benjamin Belaja. The newly elected committee is led by the chairperson, Ms. Patricia Lula. St. Simon's Sebuyau is the new addition to our big family of Region 6. 4th of December 2021, we visited them, led by our Chaplain, Reverend Kelvin Jawa where we encouraged them with the Word of God and prayed together. Let us give thanks to God for their ministry and continue to uphold them in prayer.

Written by,
Ibi Gibreson



YLS Virtual Christmas Gathering & Graduation Celebration



The YLS Virtual Christmas Gathering & Graduation Celebration last year was a great and wonderful moment shared with other participants. Thanks to God, the event went well with the cooperation among all the participants. I feel blessed and grateful to be one of the YLS alumni. I hope that this course will be a place for youth to learn more about faith in Jesus. God bless and thank you.
Marcylla Molly, St. Francis Church Kuching

I was in charge of editing the video for YLS Virtual Christmas Gathering. To be honest, throughout the whole process, I felt pressured, thinking I had to do a good job. But with the help of the Holy Spirit, the video came out well. After completing YLS, I feel blessed to have learnt and grown together with my brothers and sisters in Christ.
Myceasarion Santa Franklin, St. Columba's Parish Miri

It is such a blessing because I graduated as YLS's student during the Virtual Christmas Gathering and celebrated the graduation for YLS's 19th batch group intake. The course is designed to train leaders, assistant leaders, and potential leaders in leading the ministry to youth and young people. I encouraged young people to engage in YLS which teaches and disciplines us to be faithful to God's word and develop a relationship with Christ.
Melsha Gideon, St. Alban's Church Sarikei.

Young Evangelist School (Y.E.S.)



Euodia

Banyak perubahan pada diri ini selepas mengikuti program YES dan saya dapat mempelajari, mengenali, mendekati Tuhan dengan lebih mendalam. Saya sering berdoa, dan faham erti kesabaran. Sabar dalam setiap keadaan Tuhan menuntun perjalanan hidup saya. Serahkanlah perbuatanmu kepada Tuhan, maka terlaksanalah segala rencanamu – Amsal 16:3



Darren

Program 'Y.E.S.' ini banyak memberi pengetahuan tentang penginjilan dan puji Tuhan, segala berkat yang berbentuk info penginjilan membantu saya dalam menginjili orang lain kelak. Program ini dapat membuktikan bahawa orang muda seperti saya boleh menginjili kepada orang yang belum mengenali Tuhan Yesus. Saya petikkan satu ayat Alkitab yang diambil dari Surat Paulus yang Pertama kepada Timotius bab ke-4 ayat 11 hingga 12, "Beritakanlah dan ajarkanlah semuanya itu. Jangan seorang pun menganggap engkau muda. Jadilah teladan bagi orang-orang percaya dalam perkataanmu, dalam tingkah lakumu, dalam kasihmu, dalam kesetiaanmu, dan dalam kesucianmu." Seperti yang kita ketahui, Timotius merupakan murid Rasul Paulus yang paling muda dan dapat memberitakan Injil dengan jayanya. Hal ini memberikan motivasi kepada saya dalam pelayanan di ladang Tuhan. Ringkasnya, program ini dapat memberi peluang kepada orang seperti saya dalam meneguhkan lagi iman saya dan membakar semangat pelayanan saya kelak.



Roynie

The Y.E.S training program for me was a very precious experience to me personally. Despite my own worries, God strengthened and brought me through this programme. An incident that I remember clearly which happened when we (Y.E.S. participants) were on our way back after our first mission trip to a longhouse. One of us got out of the van to make sure the car could cross a narrow bridge at the entrance/exit to the longhouse safely. Part of the bridge had collapsed and there was a hole. Just as he got out, he accidentally stepped on the unstable part of the bridge and his legs went through it. We were shocked and immediately got out to check on him.

Once out, I made my way to under the bridge to collect the things he had dropped. At that moment, I did not think about the van, the bridge or any possible dangers while I was below the bridge. God is merciful and His grace is great - He protected me from harm.

This sharing is not to discourage, but rather, to encourage us, as believers in Jesus, to do what He has commissioned us to do in Matthew 28:18-20. He will protect and provide us with strength and wisdom when we need it and while we do what He has called us to do. Therefore, do not worry or fear the unknown or if we will be able to do it or not. This experience has further strengthened and grown my faith in God because I experienced His mercy, protection and grace. Thus, I hope and encourage all of us, especially young people, to join any programs, or the next Y.E.S., to learn to bring Good News to others, and experience for yourself what God is doing now. You will not be disappointed.



YOUTH SHARING

As we move into the Endemic Phase, churches around the Diocese have started reopening and resuming activities. Our youth shares their experiences in coming back to church and participating in their respective churches.

Ketika fasa lockdown, keadaan dan aktiviti lazim di gereja tidak dapat dilakukan seperti zaman sebelum covid seperti misa gereja yang hanya dilakukan secara atas talian. Bagi "Teens Class Bible Study" juga hanya dijalankan di atas talian. Apabila semua aktiviti di gereja tidak dibenarkan, sudah pasti tiada interaksi antara orang-orang di gereja.

1 April 2022, Sarawak telah beralih ke fasa endemik dimana SOP telah dilonggarkan dan segala aktiviti di gereja boleh dijalankan seperti biasa. Bermulanya fasa endemik ini pasti membawa kegembiraan kerana kita boleh bertemu dengan jemaat-jemaat di gereja. Sudah pasti persediaan untuk membuka kembali gereja memerlukan kerjasama setiap pihak. Antara persediaan yang dilakukan ialah melakukan aktiviti gotong royong di gereja dan melakukan persediaan untuk Palm Sunday. Suasana pada hari persediaan itu sangat meriah dengan kehadiran semua orang.

Alanice Sedu
St. Columba's Parish Miri



Due to the spread of Covid-19, we could only have online church services. We were not able to attend church services physically and teens class were conducted online through Zoom. I was sad because I couldn't meet and bond with other youths. Fortunately, our country transitioned to endemic phase. SOPs were not as strict and Teens class Bible Study were conducted physically. I was happy that I could meet other people. During the lent season, I felt blessed to be able to serve the Lord at church. I was grateful that we could gather at church make palm crosses together.

Myceasarion Santa
St. Columba's Parish Miri



YOUTH SHARING

A new year, a new beginning. This year's Easter celebration was very meaningful for the youths in St. Simon, Malihah. It was a new beginning after we were not able to meet in church for so long and was celebrated modestly. We were also involved in the preparation of the Easter Egg, which symbolizes a new beginning, and enlivened the Easter celebration service with Praise and Worship and tambourine dance.

CHRISTOPHER KIDAT
PYF ST.SIMON



PYF ST.SIMON

关于这一次的圣周，我反思了主耶稣基督的牺牲是无人能比的。同时，我也反思了我们作为祂的儿女是否有带着一颗诚恳的心来回应祂的爱，是否有活出耶稣的形象。我得着了我们应该要向耶稣学习，我们要更像祂，学习如何谦卑服侍众人，与坚定的背起十架当祂的门徒。

张萱 Lyanne Teo Xuan
St Thomas Cathedral



PYF ST.SIMON

每一年的棕枝主日和圣周的节期，也就是我们的主耶稣即将为我们受难的日子，我都会重复观看耶稣为我们受难的电影。提醒自己是我们的主，如此地为我们受难，钉死在十字架上。每当看到祂受尽鞭打，因为爱宁愿顺服天父完成旨意。让我深刻地体会到基督的爱如此的海阔高深。每当自己即将陷入诱惑或是试探，想起主耶稣是为了自己的罪受难，便会立刻远离不义。主耶稣如此的爱，我们怎么能视而不睹？

郑丽晴 Grace Chang
圣马太堂 St. Matthew' s Church, Sg. Maong
(Diocese of Kuching)



St. Matthew' s Church, Sg. Maong (Diocese of Kuching)



ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADYC **ABLAZE** Young Adults Conference 3.0 "The Gospel-Shaped Life"



4-6 SEPTEMBER 2022
CITADINES
KUCHING, SARAWAK (HYBRID MODE)

"For me to live is Christ, to die is gain." (Philippians 1:21)

Speakers



Theme Talks: The Gospel-Shaped Life
Originally from Australia, Tim came to know Christ as a child, before maturing in his faith during his university years. Tim now lives in Malaysia and serves as a Pastor at St. George's Anglican Church, Georgetown, Penang. Tim is married to Siew Mun and they have four children. Tim loves Malaysian food, the hot tropical weather, and is learning to speak BM and Mandarin! But most of all he loves Jesus, and is passionate about seeing people from all nations and all stages of life come to know Christ as their Lord and Saviour and joyfully live for his glory.

Rev. Tim Nicholls



Mini Sessions: Mental Health Talks
Dr. Mervyn is the Head of Department and a Psychiatrist practicing in Limbang Hospital, Sarawak. He received his medical degree from Kursk State Medical University, Russia, in 2010. He is actively involved in mental health promotions and awareness programmes. Ever since the COVID-19 outbreak, he has been involved as one of the core committee members in setting up the Mental Health and Psychosocial Support (MHPSS) team for Sentosa Hospital, Kuching. His main clinical interest revolves around trauma-related psychiatric disorders, child and adolescent psychiatry and liaison psychiatry.

Dr. Mervyn Ian Sim Peng Chow



Mini Sessions: Mental Health Talks
Originally from St. Matthew's Church Munda, Adrian has been active in youth service since 2009. He has a Bachelor Degree in Counselling and currently pursuing Master in Psychology. He serves as a full-time Counselling & Psychology Officer at Kota Samarahan Health Clinic dealing with an average of 25 mental health cases per week.

Mr. Adrian Albert

Registration still open till **4th August 2022**. Kindly visit ADYC Facebook, Twitter and Instagram for more information about event schedule and payment method.



ADYC Youth Leadership School



ADYC Youth Leadership School is scheduled on **September 2022 till May 2023**. Stay tuned for more updates via ADYC Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

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