

**Alive Community Church**  
Annual Report for Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2008

Alive Community Church was set up in 15<sup>th</sup> August 2003 as a society.  
It was registered under the Charities Act on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2004.

**Charity Registration Number:** 1782

**ROS Registered Number:** ROS 222/2003

**Registered Address:** 291, Oriental Plaza, New Bridge Road, #02-12, S088756

**Management Committee:**

The Management Committee was re-elected for another 2 years from 18<sup>th</sup> May 08.

1) Mr Mathew Mathews	President
2) Leong Yoong Hwa Terence	Vice President
3) Chong Jack Sheng	Secretary
4) Victor Chew Ban Chuan	Committee Member/ Assistant Secretary
5) Leonard Oh Chia Ju	Treasurer

**Banker:** DBS Bank Ltd

**Auditor:** John Navamani & Co.

**Objectives:**

- a) To practice, preserve and propagate the teachings of Alive Community Church in accordance with the Church's Statement of Faith in Rule 4 of the constitution.
- b) To bring those who have problems into a personal relationship with Jesus Christ so that they may lead productive and responsible lives, and be an asset to their community and Church.
- c) To mobilize Christians, especially those who are well-educated and professional to give their support and finance for the well-being of the community.

**Finance & Funding**

The funds of the Church are mostly derived from free-will offerings. Other smaller revenue comes from religious courses conducted on our premises.

## Calendar of Events

Months	Summary of events
December 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Annual Church Camp at Swiss Garden Hotel, Kuala Lumpur with Rev Douglas Klinedinst from U.S.</li> <li>b) Philippines Mission team of 13 persons joined the 5-days Philippines Crusade at Bagiu.</li> <li>c) Christmas Celebration with lunch provided for all members and guests; Children's Christmas Party.</li> <li>d) Thanksgiving Night Service with food prepared by members.</li> </ul>
January 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Combined young people ministries held a special Sunday luncheon.</li> <li>b) Bro. Terence Leong &amp; John Wong preached over 2 Sunday services.</li> <li>c) Alive Community Network's counselling diploma classes commenced.</li> <li>d) Epaphrus ministry started the Month-end Friday Prayer service.</li> </ul>
February 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Brother Don Hergate was our guest speaker.</li> <li>b) Chinese ministry hosted a Chinese New Year Sunday luncheon.</li> <li>c) Combined young people ministries program consist of Valentine Prayer meeting, Chinese New Year Home visitations and bible study.</li> <li>d) Christian Life College class on Pastoral Epistles started in Feb.</li> <li>e) Pastor Bobby Mathews taught Christian Life College class in Sabah's bible school, ACTS.</li> </ul>
March 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Brother Xenn Seah was our guest speaker.</li> <li>b) Brother John Wong started his first class of 4 training sessions to equip members in teaching bible studies in Mandarin.</li> <li>c) Brother Paul Teo organized The National Museum of Singapore tour for all members as an outreach event.</li> <li>d) Young People ministries continue with monthly combined prayer meetings.</li> <li>e) Alabaster gathered at Cynthia's home for bible study.</li> <li>f) Good Friday TGIF service focused on God's deliverance &amp; freedom in Christ.</li> <li>g) Easter Sunday service presented a skit on the discovery of God's love by a Roman General.</li> <li>h) Children celebrated Easter with 'Jesus Rose' puppet show &amp; party.</li> </ul>
April 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Rick Wahls was our guest speaker from Parkway Apostolic Church.</li> <li>b) Young people ministries continue with monthly combined prayer meetings at the outdoors.</li> <li>c) Pastor Bobby Mathews started his first class on 'Discipleship &amp; New Convert Management'.</li> </ul>
May 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Young people ministries' monthly combined prayer meeting titled 'Facing your Giants' that focused on Spiritual Warfare.</li> <li>b) Parents Appreciation Night had 100 participants with Pastor Amin as guest speaker.</li> <li>c) Married Ladies gathered for prayers and fellowship.</li> <li>d) Alive Community Church held its 4<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting on Sunday.</li> <li>e) Fishers of Men gathered for bible study and fellowship.</li> <li>f) Pastor John Wolfram was our guest speaker.</li> <li>g) Pastor Bobby Mathews graduated 9 CLC students from Sabah's bible school.</li> </ul>

June 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Pastor John Wolfram was our guest speaker.</li> <li>b) Pastor Bobby Mathews took sabbatical leave with his family for a 3-weeks stay in U.S.</li> <li>c) Young People ministries continue with monthly combined prayer meetings.</li> <li>d) Fishers of Men gathered for a video discussion and fellowship.</li> <li>e) Sports Ministry organized 'Sweat Sentosa' Games as an outreach event.</li> <li>f) Pastor Bobby Mathews appealed for donations towards the relief efforts for the massive earthquake in China through Sis Genny.</li> <li>g) Church members gave a love offering to aid Pastor Charles's cancer treatments.</li> </ul>
July 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Rev. Bob Weiner hosted a service on the 'Impartation of Faith.'</li> <li>b) Young people ministries held a 3-day retreat at Changi Aloha chalet.</li> <li>c) Young People ministries continue with monthly combined prayer meetings.</li> <li>d) Fishers of Men gathered for 2-part bible study on Managing Relationships.</li> <li>e) Paul organized an outreach event to Singapore Garden Festival on Sunday.</li> </ul>
August 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Pastor Bobby Mathews taught CLC class in Gospel Lighthouse KL church.</li> <li>b) Alabaster gathered at Cynthia's home for bible study.</li> <li>c) Rev. Xenn Seah was our guest speaker.</li> <li>d) Pastor Bobby Mathews started the 12-session Gripping Grace bible study series on the practicalities of Christian living with God's divine provision.</li> <li>e) Fishers of Men gathered for bible study on Managing Relationships.</li> <li>f) Married Ladies gathered for prayers and fellowship.</li> </ul>
September 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Young People ministries continue with monthly combined prayer meetings.</li> <li>b) Fishers of Men gathered for bible study on Managing Relationships.</li> <li>c) Married Ladies gathered for prayers and fellowship.</li> <li>d) Eliada organized an outreach outing to Chinese Garden Lantern Festival.</li> <li>e) Sunday School hosted Children's Day Celebration as outreach event.</li> </ul>
October 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Eliada organized an outreach event - Walk to Southern Ridges.</li> <li>b) Fishers of Men gathered for bible study.</li> <li>c) Paul appealed for volunteers to deliver Christmas goodies bags to 60 families selected by Prison Fellowship Singapore.</li> <li>d) Hock Kee called for volunteers to join our Christmas production cast.</li> </ul>
November 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Rev. Darius Enlow was our guest speaker.</li> <li>b) Fishers of Men gathered for a video discussion and fellowship.</li> <li>c) Briefing was given to volunteers for Prison Fellowship project &amp; Christmas Production.</li> <li>d) Church embarked on intense prayers for the Willoughbys' fight against cancer.</li> <li>f) Leaders' meeting was held for discussion on ministry matters.</li> <li>e) Month-end Friday Prayer service for church camp 2008 was held.</li> <li>f) All Ladies gathering was held for fellowship.</li> </ul>
December 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Church gave special offering to the Willoughbys for cancer treatments.</li> <li>b) Annual Church Camp at Corus Hotel, Kuala Lumpur with Rev Bob Weiner &amp; Rev. John Arcovio from U.S.</li> <li>c) Christmas Celebration with lunch provided for all members and guests; Children's Christmas Party.</li> <li>d) Thanksgiving Night Service with food prepared by members</li> </ul>

## **SHORT WRITE UP ON MAJOR EVENTS**

### ***Church Camp:***

For Annual Church Camp in Dec'07, it was conducted from 16<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> December 2007 at Swiss Garden in Kuala Lumpur. We had Rev Douglas C Klinedinst as guest speaker with his family. For Dec'07 camp, we had about 89 participants from Singapore joined by others from churches in Malaysia.

For Annual Church Camp in Dec'08, it was conducted from 13<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> December 2008 at Corus Hotel in Kuala Lumpur. We had 2 guest speakers namely Rev. Bob Weiner & Rev. John Arcovio. For Dec'08 camp, we had about 113 participants from Singapore joined by others from churches in Malaysia.

### ***Christian Life Classes:***

Ps Mathew taught a module on Discipleship & New Convert Management that followed the prescribed syllabus of Christian Life College. Each module ran for 7 to 8 sessions that was attended by an average of 15 students.

### ***Youths/Young Adults/ Sports Ministries:***

These 3 ministries are headed by 4 adult leaders and are assisted by group leaders. These groups meet weekly on Sunday afternoons for Praise & Worship, Bible Study and Body life ministry. Various discipleship processes e.g. foundation studies and home bible studies are conducted on different days throughout the week. Once a month, each group will hold a separate meeting with its own agenda e.g. bible studies, outings etc.

### ***Leaders Meetings***

Leaders and Assistant leaders come from all ministries – Young people ministries, Tweenies & Sunday school, Music & Sound ministry, Epaphrus, Ushering, Chinese ministry, Filipino Fellowship, International Club met regularly for discussion and updates on the progress of the various ministries.

### ***Epaphras Ministry:***

The Epaphras ministry was set up at the beginning of 2005 to cater to the needs of members who need prayer and ministry. Besides embarking on intense prayer for church members in need, Pastor Charles, Ps Steven & Barbara Willoughby, the ministry also held a month of prayers and fasting in November for the church camps in December 2007 & 2008. The ministry also ran monthly prayer services on the last Friday of each month.

### ***Missions:***

Ps Mathew was the main guest speaker in Sabbath's camp meetings. He had also conducted CLC courses for pastors and leaders both in West Malaysia, and East Malaysia. Apart from mission trips, the church supported church planting works in Sabah and the Bagiu Evangelistic Academy of Ministries in the Philippines.

### ***Special Speakers:***

We had several guest speakers from USA who ministered to the church.

These guest speakers include Rev. Douglas Klinedinst, Rev. Bob Weiner, Rev. Xenn Seah, Rev. Darius Enlow, Rev. John Arcovio and Rev. John Wolfram. The church was greatly ministered through these ministers.

***Alive Community Network:***

Church members continued to support the initiatives of Alive Community Network, the welfare organization affiliated with the church. In December 2008, Alive Community Network collaborated with Prison Fellowship Singapore for the first time on 'Angel Tree' Christmas Hamper delivery to 60 families of the current inmates.

**REVIEW OF FINANCIAL STATE AND EXPLANATION FOR MAJOR FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS**

We have a total of about \$480,799 free will offerings and donations from our members this year.

The Church spent about \$50,076 on the rental of our worship and training premises this year.

We gave about \$61,552 in missions support to various works and projects in countries like Philippines, West Malaysia and Sabah.

We invited about 10 overseas speakers this year to speak and teach on special events and seminars. We spent about \$12,752 on their airfares, accommodation, love offerings and other expenses.

**FUTURE PLANS AND COMMITMENTS**

We plan to find a new premise for services to worship in by 2010 which will also have ample place for our growing Sunday school. The church is also looking towards hiring a associate pastor to further strengthen its pastoral and pulpit ministries. We are also planning to further help our affiliated VWO in its various initiatives to help the community.