



ANNUAL REPORT
1 January 2012 - 31 December 2012

ALIVE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Annual Report for Year Beginning 1 January 2012 and Ended 31 December 2012

Introduction

The Alive Community Church was set up on 15 August 2003 as a society. It was registered under the Charities Act on 1 June 2004.

(The society in this report is hereafter referred to as ACC)

Charity Registration Number : 1782

ROS Registered Number : ROS 222/2003/REL

Unique Entity Number (UEN) : T03SS0128C

Registered Address : 133 New Bridge Road, #15-03, Chinatown Point S059412

Management Committee : The Management Committee elected at the Annual General Meeting on 12 September 2010 were as follows:

Mathew Mathews	President
Leong Yoong Hwa Terence	Vice President
Chang Chew Wai	Secretary
Chong Jack Sheng	Committee Member
Christine Lai Sock Hwang	Assistant Secretary
Victor Chew Ban Chuan	Treasurer

Banker : DBS Bank Ltd

Auditor : Gabriel Ng & Co.

Objectives

- To practice, preserve and propagate the teachings of ACC in accordance the “Statement of Faith” in Clause 4 of the ACC Constitution.
- 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 the church.
- To mobilize Christians, especially those who are well-educated and professional to give their support and finance for the well-being of the community.

Calendar of Events For 2012

Month	Summary of Events
January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pastor Bobby Mathew conducted a series on <i>Journeying Through 2012</i>, beginning 8 January 2012, aiming to equip individuals on his/her journey with God in 2012. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Captain Needed – ACC to remember we need God to be the Captain of our lives - Navigating Through Life – ACC to make decisions which are God honoring. - Dealing with the Storms – ACC to ride through possible storms that may come in 2012 and emerge victorious • <i>The Whole Counsel of God</i> Bible lessons were conducted every Sunday afternoons to give individuals an overview of the Bible. • Midweek prayer services were conducted every Wednesday evenings throughout 2012, where prayers were sown for one another, for the ministries of ACC, for the government of Singapore as well as for the advancement of God’s kingdom. • Youths and young adults gathered on Saturdays for bonding and getting to know God. • Fortnight North Cell, North East Cell, East Cell and West Cell meetings were held at different members’ place throughout 2012. • Fortnight Chinese Cell meetings were held at Alain and Sharon’s place throughout 2012.
February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Special speaker, Reverend Tim Green ministered the word of God on touching the supernatural presence and power of God, held on 10, 12 and 15 February. • The Youth Alive Ministry organized a Valentine’s Day Special event on 11 February 2012, to spread the love of Christ.
March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Hospitality Ministry was first introduced in March 2012 to integrate all newcomers to ACC. • Evangelist Dyron Adams began the <i>School of the Word</i> class on 20 March 2012, which ran on Tuesdays and Thursdays. • Paul Teo organized an excursion to the National Orchard Gardens on 15 March. • A mission training session was held on 18 March for those who are interested in finding more about global missions • Francis How organized a one-day Firefly Tour with seafood dinner which took place at Desaru, Malaysia, on 31 March.

April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The <i>DNA Of Ministry</i> bible study lessons were conducted on every Sunday after service by Pastor Bobby Mathew/ Bro Dyron Adams. • Evangelist Dyron Adams continued with the <i>School of the Word</i> classes for the month of April, where classes were conducted on every Tuesday and Thursday mornings. • Good Friday & Easter Sunday services were held on 6 and 8 April, where members invited their families and friends to attend. Lunch was catered at the end of both services. • The Youth Alive Ministry organized a chocolate making session on 14 April where the youths had a fun-filled time making <i>Double Kisses Truffles, Chocolate Peanut Cluster, Chocolate-coated Marshmallows</i> etc. • A team led by Evangelist Dyron Adams went on a mission trip to Jakarta, Indonesia between 20-22 April.
May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pastor Bobby Mathew/ Evangelist Dyron Adams continued with the <i>DNA of Ministry</i> bible study series where lessons were conducted on every Sunday after service. • Evangelist Dyron Adams continued with the <i>School of the Word</i> classes for the month of May, where classes were conducted on every Tuesday and Thursday mornings. • A team led by Sis Sandra Subner went on a mission trip to Seremban, Malaysia on 25-27 May.
June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The ACC held its 8th Annual General Meeting (AGM) on 3 June. • The <i>School of the Word</i> classes continued in the month of June. • ACC held its first church-wide retreat in Johor Bahru, Malaysia on 7-9 June. Sis Donna Thornton Maricelli was invited as the special speaker for the retreat.
July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pastor Bobby Mathews continued with the <i>DNA of Ministry</i> bible study series lessons for the month of July on Sundays after service. • Brother John Wong started conducting the Search for Truth Home Bible study every Sunday morning before service. • A mission team led by Bro Heng Wai Keong ministered at the Apostolic Island Fellowship in Penang Malaysia between 6-8 July. • Special speaker, Darrell Propst, preached on 29 July, Sunday.

August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The <i>Prayer for the Nations</i> session was held on the eve of her 47th birthday, 8 August. The ‘<i>Love Singapore</i>’ prayer booklet “<i>The Coat of Many Colours</i>” was used as a prayer guide for the nation of Singapore. • The KidsALIVE organized an outing to the eXplorerKid at Downtown East on 12 August, which gave our children an opportunity to bond through play. The eXplorerKid is one of the largest indoor playground with several fun and challenging stations for children under the age of 12. • The Youth Alive Ministry organized a <i>Time-Out Special</i> with Pot bless and games on the 25 August, where everyone who participated, brought one food time. • Youths and young adults continued to gather on Saturday afternoons for bonding throughout the month.
September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pastor Bobby Mathew began the 12-week Bible study series on the Books of Daniel and Revelation on 16 September. The Books of Daniel and Revelation offer a view of what will happen in the end times and allowed us to learn how to interpret complicated passages and find application of the great truths for our lives. This bible study series took place every Sunday after service. • Sis Cynthia Mathew began the <i>Search for Significance</i> bible study series on 18 September where sessions were held on every Tuesday evenings till 6 November. This women-only bible study has allowed participants to (i) gain new skills for getting off the performance treadmill, (2) discover how four false beliefs have negatively impacted the lives of people and (3) learn how they could overcome obstacles that prevent them from experiencing the truth that self-worth is found only in the love, acceptance and forgiveness of Christ. • Two ACC Vision meetings for 2013 were held on the 23 September 2012 and 21 October 2012. Members who participated in both meetings brainstormed and discussed ideas with regard to their aspirations for ACC in 2013. Three main areas (i. Evangelism ii. Spiritual Growth and iii. Congregation care) were subsequently identified and committees formed. The <i>Evangelism</i> Committee will look into system(s) to equip members to set up integrated approaches to reach the unreached. The <i>Spiritual Growth</i> Committee will work on formulating effective structures to help members in their spiritual growth with in-depth Bible Study programs. The <i>Congregational Care</i> Committee will look into developing strategies to help members grow in its ministry of care such as attending to new members welcome and assimilation. • The <i>Prayer for the Nations</i> session was held on the 26 September where we prayed for the United States of America (USA) as USA was going to the polls in early November 2012 to elect her 45th president.

October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Study on the Book of Revelation & Daniel as well as the Search for Significance Bible study series continued through for the month of October. • The <i>Prayer for the Nations</i> session was held on the 24 October 2012 where we prayed for Hong Kong and China as well as the 12-membered mission team which ministered in Hong Kong and Zhong Shan. • A mission team led by Bro John Wong, ministered at the Grace Church in Hong Kong and then journeyed to Zhongshan churches between 25-28 October.
November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Special Speaker, Eli Hernandez, ministered the word of God on 2- 4 November.
December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The KidsALIVE had a two-day kids camp, held on 13-14 December, called the SKY Vacation Bible School (VBS) whereby the kids were given the opportunity to discover that everything is possible with God. The KidsALIVE had been blessed to have Brother Ryan Skluzacek, from Louisiana USA, as the guest children's minister for the two-day camp. Ryan's ministry consists of clowning, juggling, skits, gospel illusions and action songs. The SKY VBS was filled with incredible Bible-learning experiences where the kids learnt how they could live a victorious Christian life in an increasingly demanding world. Science-Fun Gizmos, team-building games and Bible songs were also utilized to help their faith grow and see evidence of God in their everyday life. • The annual church camp was held at Swiss Garden Hotel & the Swiss Garden Residence, Kuala Lumpur Malaysia, from the 16 to 19 December. Reverend Tim Green and Pastor Dan Sharp from the United States were the invited guest speakers for the camp. • De-centralised Christmas cell group gatherings were held on 22 and 23 December at the Northern, Eastern, North Eastern and Western parts of Singapore. It was a time for members to invite family and friends to get together to celebrate and remember the birth of Jesus, the primary reason for celebrating Christmas. • The Thanksgiving Service was held on the 31 December. It was an evening of testimonies, praise and thanksgiving, celebrating the goodness and faithfulness of our God for 2012 and dedicating 2013 to God. Members brought food items for the Pot Bless Thanksgiving dinner.

Major Events

Church Camp:

The annual church camp was held at Swiss Garden Hotel & the Swiss Garden Residence, Kuala Lumpur Malaysia, from the 16 to 19 December. Reverend Tim Green and Pastor Dan Sharp from the United States were the invited guest speakers for the camp. We had Brother Ryan Skluzacek ministering to the children during the church camp. Besides ACC members, members from sister churches in Indonesia (Jakarta) and Malaysia (KL, Sabah, Penang, KK etc.) also attended the camp. Everyone who attended the 4-day 3-night camp was refreshed in the presence of the Lord.

Youth & Sports Ministries:

Sports Ministry is a subgroup of our Youth and Young Adult Ministry, reaching out to youths and young adults who come from the sports arena. Both ministries are run by a team of committed young adult leaders with the guidance of a few adult helpers. These groups meet for their respective cell fortnightly on weekday nights and Sunday mornings 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. The ministries organize various outreach events on top of their cell meetings e.g. bible studies, outings, sports and games activities etc.

Leaders Meetings

Leaders and Assistant leaders come from all ministries – Youth Ministry, Sports Ministry, Sunday School Ministry, Music & Sound Ministry, Prayer ministry, Ushering ministry, Chinese Ministry, met for discussions and updates on the progress of the various ministries.

Prayer Ministry:

ACC held mid-week prayer services every Wednesday evenings headed by various prayer leaders, embarking on intense prayer for church members and the various ACC ministries. Every last Wednesday of each month, ACC held the *Prayer for the Nations*, where prayers were sowed for our mission teams and governments as well as church leaders of various nations such as Singapore, Malaysia, Indonesia, Hong Kong, China, Taiwan, Philippines and the United States of America.

Special Speakers:

We had a good number of guest speakers from the United States of America who ministered to the church. These guest speakers include Bro Dyron Adams, Sis Donna Thornton Maricelli, Bro Darrell Propst, Bro Eli Hernadez, Bro Tim Green, Bro Dan Sharp, Bro Ryan Skluzacek. The church had been greatly ministered through these ministers.

Alive Community Network:

Church members continued to support the initiatives of the Alive Community Network (ACN), the welfare organization affiliated with the church. Programs and Services provided by ACN have been reflected on the ACN annual report.

Financial Review and Major Transactions

We have a total of about \$647,248 free will offerings that include love and special offerings and donations from our members this year. Approximately \$23,452 has been given to missions support to various works and projects in countries like Philippines, West Malaysia and Sabah. There were 7 overseas speakers who have been invited this year to speak and teach on special events and seminars. We spent about \$66,016 on their airfares, accommodations, love offerings and other expenses.

Future Plans

1. The church is also looking towards hiring an 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.
2. Based on the increase interest by members to go for mission trips, the church will be organising more short-term mission trips in 2013 to various parts of Asia such as China, India, Indonesia and Malaysia.
3. In June this year, the church held its first retreat in Johor Bahru at M Suites Hotel. Church members who attended the retreat were renewed and refreshed spiritually. We plan to have a second retreat to be held sometime on the third week of June 2013.
4. Starting 2013, the church will be starting weekly teachings for the youths on Sundays and we will be exploring the prospect of full-fledged youth service in the coming years.