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# THE WINDOW

Volume 2

BREAKTHROUGH IN  
**WORSHIP**

GOD AT WORK  
IN **SINGARENI**

A Couple  
Receives  
**HOPE**



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## From the Pastor's Desk....



The faithfulness of God in our lives is amazing. Yet in order to comprehend it, we have to consciously stand still or press the pause button in our cycle of life. We are so used to moving forward all the time at the speed of light due to the many demands and deadlines we have to meet. As my wife and I decided to do just that sometime ago, to look back at our lives, we were amazed at the workings of God throughout these past 5 years. It is not that we never saw God in everything that happened, but to see the intricacies involved in the various incidents that proved to be hallmarks was just AWESOME! Here is how the story unfolds....



God began to speak to us last year in 2013 about migrating **to full time ministry** for Him. The plot started back in 1999 when we decided to get married. Immediately, the first thing that God spoke to us was to leave the comfort of full time employment that we were in and to opt for a part-time freelancing work pattern. At the time it was a huge step of faith as we were about to get married and start a life of our own. Since the command came from God, we obeyed because HE KNOWS BEST. He knows the end from the beginning. Little did we know that this step of faith would see its ultimate fulfillment 9 years later as in 2008, One Voice Ministries was birthed.

Now looking back, we can see the reality of Jeremiah 29:11. When God says "I know the plans that I have for you"....He truly does. When God says "plans to give you a hope and a future", He is committed to fulfill it. So, when the Lord spoke to us about completely leaving our freelance jobs and immersing ourselves completely into the ministry on a full time basis, He had already set the stage for us. Looking at everything He lead us through and seeing the many breakthroughs in the mission fields throughout the 5 years of One Voice Ministries, it was yet another step of faith for us...which we took after spending many months in prayer and preparation.



Today, as we are on this journey of full-time ministry having forsaken all and trusting Him, truly we see how God has moulded us over the years to bring us to this point in our lives.

**"We are the clay, you are the potter,  
we are all the work of your hand."**

Isaiah 64:8

As you peruse through the pages of this second issue, every story had a humble beginning. Every person featured came into our lives by the supreme working of God's hand...the God who owns every resource on heaven and earth. **Our message to you is that the story of your life can only unfold according to the plan of God if you choose the way of obedience and service to Him.** No other pathway can bring you the glorious end that God has planned for your life. **Allow God to mould you and use you to touch others.**



**Declaring One Voice,  
Pastor Justin & Pastor Jacquie Ryan**

# WORSHIP

As we look back at our lives, we have come to realize that during our tender years of growing up and serving in church, music was in our blood. It was always used to glorify God. The Bible clearly says in **1 Peter 4:10** *“As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God’s varied grace.”*, and so it was only fitting that every area of that God given talent was used to magnify His name.



The first ministry that we started to serve in was the Worship ministry and through the years we have learnt to lead and guide worship teams. By God’s grace we have experienced a deeper meaning of worshipping God. It’s not just about good music, great voices or nice songs but its all about getting into the presence of God and worshipping Him for who He is in our lives.



Little did we know then, God had a greater plan for our lives. All the years of pruning and learning to lead worship teams caused us to sit down and put it all on paper. With that BREAKTHROUGH IN WORSHIP was birthed. It was one of the first programs that we compiled and worked on under Issachar Academy. As we moved around to churches, it became such a joy for us to work with worship teams to guide and teach them how to grow as musicians, worship leaders and back up vocals.



## IN WORSHIP

In every church that we have done this program, we have seen a little bit of ourselves in the lives of these young, enthusiastic musicians and worshippers.



**BREAKTHROUGH IN WORSHIP** is a program designed to cover topics such as a biblical understanding to what worship actually is, the true power of worship, practical aspect on the role of musicians, back up vocals and worship leaders and how to set up a proper worship team.

With 12 modules in total, we have found that many churches have benefitted and seen changes taking place during their service. We thank God that after all these years, God has taught us many things and we find it such a joy to be able to impart it into the lives of the next generation.



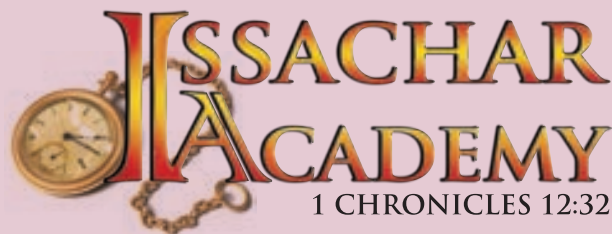
## WORD

The Bible is said to be the breath of God. It is our guide for living a full life and our road map as we journey through life. It is not merely a book full of stories, but a love letter from God to us. It is meant to be a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. When we purchase a new electrical appliance, we always read the handbook to know how to operate it. The same goes for our lives. To know exactly how to lead our lives correctly, God gave us a handbook. 2 Timothy 3:16 clearly outlines why we need the Word of God in our lives.



The Word has been a vital part of our lives and our love for it has brought us to where we are today. Through His written Word, God has directed every area of our lives by looking at every intricate detail. It is divinely inspired and gives us God's perspective on how we should live our lives. It was this intense love for His Word that led us to start ISSACHAR ACADEMY. Named after the tribe of Issachar (the 9th son of Jacob) found in 1 Chronicles 12:32, they were "mighty men of valor" who were destined to prosper both physically and spiritually. They had in depth knowledge and understanding of the Word and knew the seasons in life and how to approach it.

Isn't that what we all desire in life? In the various seasons of life, we need to thoroughly understand how to deal with it and make wise choices. That is where the Word of God comes in. It is the one book in the world that we can't live without. **Issachar Academy** was officially birthed on 7th May 2013. **The whole purpose of the academy is to train and equip people in the Word of God to help them understand the different seasons in their lives and direct them to make the right choices that are just and holy in His sight.**



## EQUIPPING PEOPLE TO "UNDERSTAND THE TIMES & KNOW WHAT TO DO"

All programs under the Academy has a total of 12 modules that are conducted over 2 full weekends. With manuals, notes, teaching, practical workshops, and team activities, we try our level best to make it rewarding and exciting. Students are required to meet good attendance and complete their assignment in order to receive their certificate. Details of all the programs offered can be seen on page 9.



The programs have not only benefitted all those who have attended it, but even for us in developing and teaching it, we have grown to love the Word of God in a deeper and more meaningful way. We thank God for using us to journey with people and impart the power of God's Word into them to help them understand the times and know what to do.



# WORK

## HOPE STREET MINISTRY

One of our most active programs on "Love In Action" is the Hope Street Ministry that we do on alternate Saturdays in the city centre of Kuala Lumpur. God's Word is clear in **1st John 3:18** that reads **"Let us not love with words or speech but with action and truth."** Our humble beginning was on 31st March 2012. Over the past two years, God brought the growth as people gathered faithfully every other Saturday morning, not just to receive the food but to also share in the fellowship and love.

One special couple is **Uncle (aged 83) and Aunty Tan (aged 78)**. They live in a small wooden house and faithfully travel to the city center everyday to pick up tin cans and bottles to be recycled. This helps provide a minimal income for their meals each day.



**"Whoever is generous to the poor, lends to the Lord, and He will repay him for his deed."**

**Proverbs 19:17**

Over the years we have grown to love and care for them. During this time, they slowly opened up and shared their difficulties with us. **By God's grace we were able to find their home on Chinese New Year's Eve. As everyone in the whole of Malaysia were having their reunion dinners, we found this couple at home sharing a bowl of rice. As such we took them for our own little reunion dinner!!** It was wonderful to see the smiles on their faces and how God poured joy into their hearts.



## OUR LITTLE CHINESE NEW YEAR REUNION DINNER !!

One thing we do believe in our hearts is that God brought them into our lives for a reason and that is to show them love and it is exactly what we intend to do.



**To date we visit them once a week to share the Word of God, pray for them and to simply fellowship together.** In the process our youngest volunteer (aged 14) Luke is being pruned to be an evangelist. Being able to speak Mandarin, he acts as our interpreter. The moments are great and with Jesus at the center of it all, we do know that the best is yet to come. In the process of reaching out to them, they in turn have changed my life in more ways than one. To God be all glory.



**Helping Other People Excel,  
Veronica Louis**

# WITNESS

As 2014 began, our first mission trip for the year was back to Hyderabad, India. We were able to minister in several churches and villages as we travelled to the outskirts. Many hungered for the Word and received much as we spent the time ministering to them. One of the most amazing experiences that we had was in **reaching out to a community in a slum area called the Singareni Colony which is the largest slum area in South East Asia.**



Pastor Sam Abraham who has a church in this area has a great passion to reach out to such people and give them hope and a better life. It is God who touched his life in the slums many years ago, that he is able to reach out to others. Why-because he believes in God's promise of **Galatians 2:20**. that **"Its no longer I who live but Christ who lives in me."**



During this recent mission trip, we had the opportunity to visit 100 families in the slum area, bless each family with a meal, pray for them and invite them for night evangelistic meetings. The people there were very welcoming and we enjoyed every moment of sharing God's love with them. Sometimes it is those tiny acts of kindness that may touch and change a person's life forever. What may seem small and insignificant to us makes a great change in the lives of others. The adults and children were blessed, and as we walked around, God changed many areas in our own lives as well.



As a result of visiting all those families, many of these unbelievers came for the two nights of Evangelistic Meetings that were held in the church. We thank God that many were touched and drawn to a new relationship with Christ. Many unbelievers even came to accept Jesus.



As much as we may sometimes think that we are doing something to change another person's life, little do we realize that in that process, our lives are changed forever. The joy on their faces spoke volumes that even a picture cannot depict. What a mighty God we serve who uses simple people to touch others with little acts of kindness and love. As God has blessed us, we are called to be a blessing to others. Let us strive therefore to do exactly that.



**"See that you do not look down on one of these little ones"**  
Matthew 18:10

# INSPIRED BY...

IN THIS ISSUE WE WISH TO GIVE TRIBUTE TO ALL THOSE WHO HAVE INSPIRED US OVER THE YEARS



Our greatest inspiration in life is none other than OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST. We give all glory and honor to Him, who has done amazing things in our lives to have brought us to where we are today. It is the stirring of His divine Spirit that led us to this path of being missionaries for Him. It is He who called us, equipped us and sent us forth.

Jesus knew His mission in being sent down to earth and everything that was recorded about His life was aligned to achieving that very thing. Jesus is the Son of God who came not to condemn but to seek and save the lost. **He initiated the "Missionary Movement"...**!! Jesus spent his whole life on missions and trained each one of His disciples to do the exact same thing. That is why throughout the Book of Acts, everyone was on a mission.

**Millions of lives were changed because of one man.** As we walk through the Bible, we see how people are changed when God steps in. It is in growing in our relationship with God, that we have found that all we need is Jesus. He means everything to us and He is our all in all. It all starts with one person making a decision to GO and millions of lives are changed. If EACH ONE can REACH ONE, every nation will be saved.

What better way to live our lives than to do exactly what He has called us to do and that is to live out Mark 16:15 "Go into all the world and proclaim the Good News." **With Jesus as our CEO, we have the greatest role model and inspiration to lead us through every day of carrying out missions. What more could we ask for?**

**"Whoever wants to be my disciple, must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me."**

**Matthew 16:24**



**Ps. May Kow**

Close to 6 years ago was when we first met Ps. May Kow. What struck us most about her was her passion to love and reach out to the **Myanmar Refugees**. 8 years ago, her church Life Harvest Assembly, Cheras started a Myanmar church for the refugees. Whilst learning about their different cultures, she realized that God had put her in the midst of a people group filled with fear and lack of confidence and yet, searching for hope. There was a lot of work to be done in meeting their needs. Her heart went out to the refugee children who had no access to our local education. As such, the Myanmar Refugee Learning Centre (MRLC) was birthed in 2008 with the vision to display Christ's love and compassion and to educate all refugee children. This is the mission field God gave her.

With the support of her wonderful **husband Bro Christopher**, who has such affection for the children, MRLC that started with 15 students now has a total of 115 students, 10 teachers and 5 pastors. They have 5 services throughout the whole week with a congregation of 350.

What has inspired us most about Ps. May is **her passion to immerse these children in the Word** that Jesus is at the centre of their lives as they prepare to be resettled in other countries. Many who are now residing in Australia and USA are still in constant contact with her because of how their lives have been changed. God has worked amazing things in MRLC and the best is yet to come!



**Ps. Philip Van Lal Lian**

The Republic of the Union of Myanmar formerly known as Burma, is said to be the 24th most populous country. With 135 distinct ethnic groups, and hundreds of different languages spoken, many have not come to the knowledge of Jesus. This is the main reason why Ps. Philip Van Lal Lian was called by God to give his life for missions. We met Ps. Philip in 2009. The main calling God has given him is to **travel to the remote areas of Myanmar and reach the various unreached people groups.**

Ps. Philip who is based in the capital city of Yangon also runs a Bible School, where he has close to 50 students. These students come from the remote areas and are trained in a 4 year Theology program. They then return to their villages to plant churches and evangelize the people there. Every year during their summer break, many return to their villages and begin their mission work. Through this, villages and communities many have come to know Christ and several churches have been planted.

What has inspired us most about Ps. Philip is that he and his **wife Sr Dante** are passionate about one thing and that is **“Love In Action”**. By showing love to the unreached people groups, and developing close relationships, with them, they have brought many into the Kingdom of God. Many of their outreaches require travelling 2 days in a bus, 2 days in a boat and another 2 days of hiking in the jungle just to reach their destination....all for the love of missions and preaching Christ. His passion is to reach the unreached and save the unsaved. As God has called him to be a missionary, his goal is to raise up a new generation of missionaries in Myanmar.



**Ps. Rey Rodriguez**

The Republic of the Philippines is a sovereign island situated in the Western Pacific Ocean. Philippines being a Christian nation, one might think that there isn't a need for evangelism. Yet, this is one of the nations that God gave us in mission to bring hope to those living in the remote islands. During our first trip there in 2010 was when we met Ps. Rey and **his wife Sr Eva.**

At a young age, due to personal family problems, Ps. Rey strayed from his relationship with God. After many years, one day while walking on the streets in the island of Bohol, there stood a missionary preaching on repentance. God's spirit caused Ps. Rey to stop, listen and re-dedicate his life to God. Since then, he has been soaring like an eagle. One missionary standing on a sidewalk changed his life forever and his passion was to do the same for many others. The call for missions grew in his heart and as each day passed by it got stronger and stronger. To date Ps. Rey is the senior pastor of one of the oldest churches in Bohol. He initiated the Degree in Theology at the Cristal-e-College which is under the University of Bohol to **train and equip the younger generation in missions.**

What has inspired us most about Ps. Rey is his love for the younger generation. His passion to train, equip and raise up missionaries who will be sold out for Christ. With such a large population and 7107 islands, there is still a lot of work to be done. This passion is shared by his wife and 6 children and it's amazing to see a family so mission minded. Ps. Rey is passionate about investing his time and knowledge in people so that God's work will continue in all 7107 islands.





**Ps. Ratna Raju Ganta**

Our meeting with Ps. Ratna was **supernatural and God ordained**. It was not a coincidence but truly the mighty hand of God. One day, the Lord gave my wife a dream about this man and his ministry in Hyderabad, India. For two days we prayed and asked God to show us more clearly. At the end of the two days, a friend came up to us and said that he had met a pastor from India and God put it in his heart to introduce him to us. All this happened in December 2009 in Seremban. What was even more amazing was when we met face to face, Ps. Ratna confirmed that God showed him in a **vision** in 2005 that in years to come he would meet a couple and serve in missions together. That couple was the both of us!

Only God can do such a thing, as to speak in dreams and vision and tell us of what is to come. In 2010 we made our first mission trip to India and have been serving together with Ps. Ratna since then. We have ministered together in India, in villages and the slums as well as in churches here in Malaysia.

What has inspired us most about him is **his prayer life**. He is one who soaks himself in prayer for hours and this is evident in the **healing and prophetic ministry** that he moves in. His passion in reaching out to non believers in the villages of India and accuracy in the prophetic has changed the lives of thousands of people with the support of his wife **Sr. Elizabeth**. He has inspired us to also soak ourselves in prayer more, and in doing so, we have seen the results.

**"Our chief want is someone who will inspire us to be what we know we could be"**

**- Ralph Waldo Emerson**



**Ps. Sammy Lamanilao**

Cambodia a nation once known as the Khmer Empire has a population of 14.8 million of which 1% of them are Christians. It is due to this fact that many years ago God spoke to a young boy in the Philippines and gave him a vision of a paddy field. When he asked God where it was, God told him "I am preparing you and someday you will know". Many years later as he grew up and got married, he stepped into ministry and served as a pastor in the Philippines for 13 years. God reminded him of that vision again and called him and his wife to serve as missionaries in the land of Cambodia. It was when he reached there that he saw the exact paddy field. In a nutshell, this is the how Ps. Sammy Lamanilao was called into the mission field. We met them in 2013 during our first mission trip to Cambodia.

He and his **wife Sr. Merlene** have been missionaries in Cambodia for the past 14 years. They pastor a church in Phnom Penh, have a feeding program for poor children, conduct outreaches to the remote villages and all of these while speaking fluent Khmer.

What has inspired us most about them is their **willingness to answer God's call, leave their home land** and live amidst a new culture and love the people God has given them. Ps. Sammy's passion to hold on to that vision of a paddy field and walk in total obedience to God simply amazes us. He is a foreign missionary who is no longer foreign to the land because of the one God whom we all serve. We have been moved also by his passion to fully adapt to the Cambodian culture and be one with them. This is truly the call of a foreign missionary.

The Academy focuses on training and equipping people to be strong in ministry and have a clear sense of purpose and direction in life. Each program has 12 topics, 1 written assignment and students will receive a Certificate of Achievement from Issachar Academy.



### HEART FOR MISSIONS

This is a program tailor made for those who have a calling on their life to be a missionary. The objectives of this program are to move people to :

- Reach the unreached for Christ
- Save the unsaved from sin
- Build the body of believers

### BE STRONG

This program is open to all new believers who desire to learn more about the basic foundations of Christianity through the following objectives:

- Capture the essence of Christianity
- Clarity in Christian doctrine
- Come into a new life in Christ



### HEART OF A TEACHER

This is a program designed specially for those in the ministry of teaching. This program is aimed at:-

- Knowing the calling of a teacher
- Knowledge of classroom management
- Knowing how to grow as a teacher

### BREAKTHROUGH IN WORSHIP

This program is open to all those serving or who desire to serve in the worship team. It is designed to build up worship leaders, back up vocals and musicians. The objectives of this program are to:

- Expose Christians to the power of Worship
- Encounter God in a deeper way
- Enrich and train worship teams



### LEADERS OF TOMORROW

This program looks at all the biblical principles of becoming a good leader and to inspire our followers . The objective of this program are to:

- Train up Godly leaders
- Teach kingdom character
- Take people to the next level

### DISCOVERING THE WILL OF GOD

This program is for all Christians who are seeking answers in life and do not know what to do. The objective of this program are to :

- Understand that we are created for purpose
- Uncover God's destiny for your life
- Unleash your calling and step into ministry



### COUPLE POWER ENCOUNTER

It is a program for husbands and wives to help strengthen their marriages and ensure it last. The objective is to :-

- Develop strong foundations
- Demonstrate God's love
- Design tools to cope with pressures

*And a whole lot more of other programs are on the way!*



The entire law is summed up in a single command: "Love your neighbor as yourself."  
Galatians 5:14 (NIV)

### THE GROCER

We are constantly in need of dry food to be used for our work on the streets and with the refugees. Donate something that brings nourishment to God's children.



### THE DISTRIBUTOR

Get copies of our Books, CDs and magazines and give it out to your friends as a form of evangelism. Bless someone with the Word.



### THE PHILANTHROPIST

We are constantly in need of finance to continue the work God has started with us. Make a donation and the money will be used to reach out to others.

### THE FASHION DESIGNER

Our street friends and refugees are also in need of clothes that are in good condition or better yet new. Collect them and hand it to us.



### THE EDUCATOR

Many Christians need to be strongly equipped with the Word of God. Tell someone about Issachar Academy and the programs that we offer. Direct them to <http://onevm.net/som.asp>



### THE OUTLOOKER

More people need to know about the ministry that we have so that, they may be blessed and inspired to do the same. Forward our website address to your friends and get them to visit us at [www.onevm.net](http://www.onevm.net)



### THE STREET EVANGELIST

Our street ministry is constantly on the look out for people to help distribute the food and reach out to the street people and share Christ. Come and be part of it.



# WHAT DO WE DO?

## ALLOW US TO GIVE YOU AN **IDEA!**

<b>WORSHIP</b> God is a spirit and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and in truth (John 4:24)	<b>WORD</b> Present yourself to God as an approved worker... handling the word of truth with precision (2 Timothy 2:15)
<b>I</b> nstill and educate people on the power of worship	<b>D</b> iscovering a Christian call in life and bringing Christ to the lost
<b>I</b> nspire musicians to use their talent to play anointed music for the Lord	<b>D</b> evelop the right type of Christian lifestyle, family values and equipping pastors and leaders
<b>I</b> gnite worship leaders to rise up to a new dimension of Worship	<b>D</b> emonstrate the love of Christ through training to serve in various ministries
<b>I</b> mpact people to experience miracles, signs and wonders during worship	<b>D</b> rive people to reach out to unbelievers and serve God in ministry
<b>WORK</b> For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to good works (Ephesians 2:10)	<b>WITNESS</b> All the Prophets give witness to Him, that through His name whoever believes in Him shall receive forgiveness of sins (Acts 10:43)
<b>E</b> nergize and reach out to the poor through provision of food	<b>A</b> ddress social issues in 3rd world countries
<b>E</b> ncourage the down trodden by providing Biblical Counseling	<b>A</b> id the needy and help the poor
<b>E</b> quip the homeless by providing job opportunities and shelter	<b>A</b> ssist local churches through training of leaders
<b>E</b> ducate and direct them along the right path	<b>A</b> chieve growth through church planting

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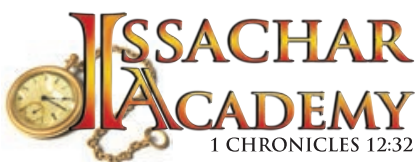
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