

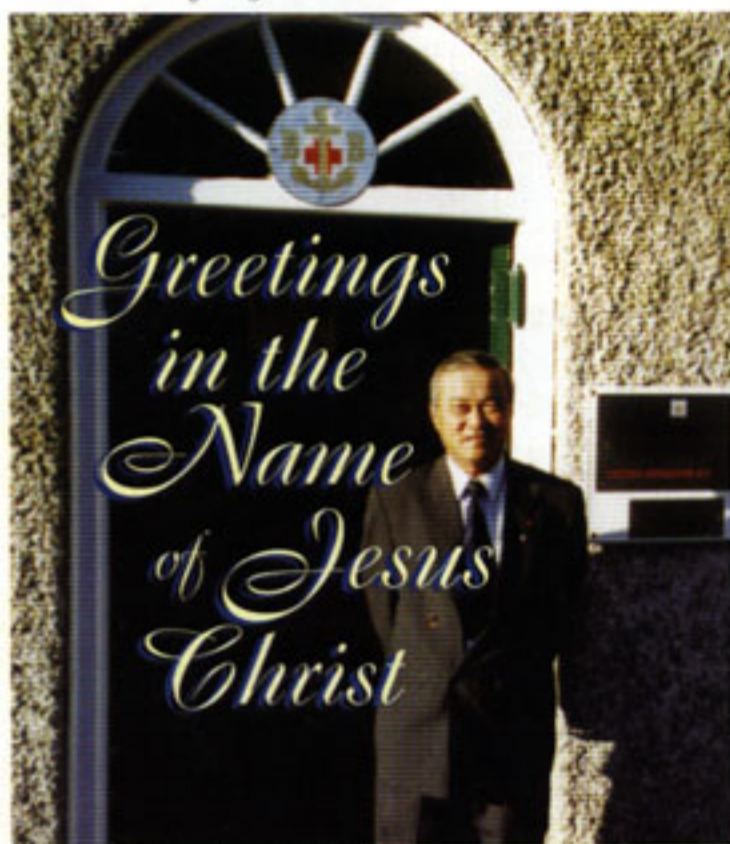
# Stedfast

newsletter



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## Message from the President



Picture taken in front of Feldon Lodge (B.B. Headquarters, London)

On behalf of the Executive Committee of Stedfast Association of Kuala Lumpur and all our members, I want to bid a warm "SELAMAT DATANG" to all our friends from all over the world who will be in Malaysia attending the 4th International Stedfast Convention in Kuching. We hope you will have a good time and a wonderful experience.

We also want to congratulate Stedfast Kuching knowing that they will be a great host and we are pleased to extend our support by sending a small "contingent" to participate in the event.

It is amazing how time flies. We are already into September and soon it will be

time to celebrate Christmas and New Year again. Having said that, I am very happy and proud to report that all the programs that have been planned for the first half of this year have been successfully carried out according to schedule.



Mr John A Bates, London Stedfast Secretary, welcoming me at Feldon Lodge (BB HQ) at Hemel Hemstead, London.



(L-R) Mr & Mrs Davis, Mr & Mrs John A Bates and Mr Danny Cheah at London District Centenary Dinner



Feldon Lodge (BB HQ) in Hemel Hemstead, London

We started the year with an Executive Planning Retreat on the 6th of January to chart out our goals and programs for the year 2001. Then came the AGM in March. This time around, there was no election as the current Executive Committee's term is for two years. In April, the "old bones" of Stedfast KL took on the "young cikus" of KL Battalion in the "Stedfast KL vs KL Battalion Games". Believe it or not, we won the Challenge Trophy after beating KL Battalion in 4 of the 6 Games competed. We won in Football, Badminton, Basketball and Carrom but lost in Table-Tennis and Archery. Not bad eh!

In May, we went on our annual "Family Camp" at Selesa Hill Resort. As in the previous outings, the participation was encouraging and I'm sure all of us who went had a wonderful time. The 4th Stedfast Golf Tournament was held in June at the Templer Park Country Club. Again, we are thankful that our members and friends have been extremely supportive in this important annual event. This is our main source of raising funds for our Human Resource and Social Development activities which include the Scholarship Awards. Finally in July, we successfully organized a special talk on Christian Financial Planning for our members and friends.

Incidentally, on a business trip to UK recently, I had the opportunity to meet up with the London Stedfast Secretary, Mr John A Bates at Feldon Lodge (BB HQ) in London and joined them for the BB London District Centenary Dinner on the 10th of September 2001.

I have taken some pictures of the visit that I want to share with you.

Lastly, I want to thank all members for their unwavering support to the cause of our organization and hope that they continue to believe in the work of this ministry.

God Bless!

Danny Cheah  
President  
Persatuan Stedfast Kuala Lumpur





# Human Resource and Social Development Committee Report

(By Yong Chee Seng)

The annual exercise to award scholarship grants and loans for the year 2001 was launched with a circular letter to Boys' Brigade companies in the Klang Valley in the month of March, inviting applications to reach the Hon. Secretary before the end of April.

At the closing date four applications were received: two from current holders and two new applicants.

The current holders had their awards renewed. Both had done well in their examinations and fulfilled their obligations in diligently pursuing their respective courses. They are Gerard

Francis Lopez (University of Malaya, 3rd year Medicine) and Susheela a/p Rajandra (Port Dickson Polytechnic, Final 5th and 6th Semesters.

The two new applicants were:

Lau Kam San: Tunku Abdul Rahman College, Final Year ACCA

Chew Boon Yew HELP Institute, Degree in Information Technology

The total awards for these four applicants amounted to RM10,475.00.

We are pleased to know that Subita Karasu, Lo Kuan Che and Wong Lai

Heong who were recipients of Stedfast Association Kuala Lumpur scholarship grants have successfully graduated from their respective courses.

With effect from this year 2001, the Executive Committee of Stedfast Association of Kuala Lumpur had decided that all scholarships given out will be in the form of interest-free loans. It was felt that with limited amount of financial resources available, successful candidates of scholarship loans will enable more people to benefit when such loans are repaid and channeled to new applicants or repeating holders.

## Stedfast Association KL Football Club



The Stedfast KL Football Team! ...like real ah!

*If there's anything that is synonymous with the Boys' Brigade, it must be football. From the little junior boys to the old warhorses of the Officers, football is an enjoyable pastime and a great way to have fellowship and fun while working out.*

The Stedfast Association Football Club (SAFC) was founded in the year 2000 but its foundations were built a long time before that. Starting from the year 1997, a group of BB Boys often communed in the MBS school field on Friday afternoons right after band practice to have a round of kickabout. Back then, there were no warm-ups or vigorous training sessions. We just came and 1...2...3...played football! After a while, due to complications and interference from the school authority we decided to shift the session to Sunday afternoons. This turned out to be a better choice, as most of the time our games would be uninterrupted and we could play until (literally) the sun went down. But after a while, some of us thought that this group could really go places, and we wanted to have a purpose and direction. True, we were having fun playing...but we wanted more.



Look like serious stuff... isn't it?



The team undergoing vigorous training by their coach, Michael Yei (former Hong Chin player with a coaching certificate signed by Bobby Robson)

That was when our beloved coach Mr Michael Yei stepped in with the idea of initiating SAFC. He came and told us of the idea, and the only thing we needed to do was to be members of the Stedfast Association. This was a great deal for all of us, since we were all members or former members of the 1st KL Company. Even so, we knew what we were getting ourselves into. No more leisurely walk in the park kickabouts. It would be all supervised vigorous training sessions and serious commitments. We would have to work our socks off in training, and some of us would have to work our weights off too!



Hey Alvin, is something blocking your hands from reaching your toes???

The first few sessions with our acclaimed coach was punishing to say the least, but after a while we got used to it and even benefited from it. At least now, we have a purpose and direction, to be together and to have great football fellowship together. Now, we have an enrolment of over 30 players, ranging from the age of 18 to 35. We even have a string of promising young players from our Akedemi Remaja SAFC (konon!). Our friendly games have been memorable and most of us know that we are on a learning curve. It's not all about winning!

At the end of the day, we realize that the founding of this football club is more than just to run around and kick a ball. We realize that it is a way to bring former members of the Brigade back to join us through the attraction of football. Already now, we are receiving a steady flow of additions to our team, and it is a great way to invite friends and subsequently, to share with them the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. This club brings us more than just football and punishing training sessions, it brings us great fellowship and in a way or another, keeps the bond between old and present members of the Brigade alive and KICKING!

# 6th Annual General Meeting (AGM) 2001

17 March 2001



Our special guest, Mr Ong Eng Tong (2nd from left), President of Stedfast Singapore who came to join us at our AGM



Opening address by the President with the Secretary and Treasurer backing him up



Ahh... please sign here... ahh... please pay here!!!



Our President and Rev. Dr. Yu Chee Huat presenting the cheque for "Mimi Lim Funul" to Mimi Lim's father



Launching of our website by Robinson...



Members of the Stedfast KL attending the 6th AGM 2001



"Makan time" after the AGM - most exciting part of the program



Rev Dr. Yu having fellowship with some of the EXCOs

# Stedfast KL vs KL Battalion Games 2001

15 April 2001



Ready, aim... fire!!!



Robin Hood demonstrating the proper way to look like Robin Hood... "Gaya mesti ada!!!"



The intense atmosphere at the carrom boards



Cheong trying to do a super slice...



Rev. Tan Jin Huat thinking how to unscrew the screw ball that is coming...



Dato' Vincent Ho officially declared "Let the GAMES Begin"



The football team... after the match... look at Edwin... like want to die already!



Champion lah! ...Alvin, can you please not show off your muscles like that!



The beautifully renovated MBS School Hall was the venue for the Badminton, Carrom and Table-Tennis Competitions



Are they playing "monkey" or basketball?





A token of appreciation to our speaker, Mr Paul Long

# STEDFAST Family Camp 2001

5 - 7 May 2001

(By Lawrence Toh)

This year's Stedfast Family Camp was held at Selesa Hillhomes & Golf Resort which is about 40 minutes drive from Kuala Lumpur. This beautiful resort has a beautiful scenery overlooking the Highway and Golf Course.

The camp was attended by more than 40 members and friends of the Stedfast Association Kuala Lumpur. All of us checked-in at around 2pm on the first day and by 3.30pm, we were treated to a game of telematch organised by the resort staff which was both fun and tiring. After the games we had free time and this was most welcomed by the children and parents as they have time of cool off and spend quality time together at the resort's swimming pool.

Dinner was served at 7pm which was followed by the President's welcome address and housekeeping rules by Michael Yei, our dedicated secretary. After all had been said and done, we had a time of Praise & Worship led by Donald Kee and I had the opportunity to share on the topic "Road Blocks to Hell".

Group Fellowship for the first night was fun and enjoyable when we tried to look for food to satisfy our taste buds. Even though there were not much variety in this ulu village, we had to settle for "Bo Hoo - Hay Arr Ho" ("No Fish -

Can someone please explain to me why on earth is Lawrence Toh and Michael Yei's son, Adrian wearing the same kind of T-shirt... hmmm... (same height same move!)



Praise & Worship session led by Henry Hong!



Men... trust me... two is all we can carry!!!

### Shrimp Also Can")

On the 2nd day (6th May), we had a time of Praise & Worship followed by a morning devotion by Mr Paul Long from SS Gospel Hall. He is basically a full time worker responsible for the Christian Education of his church. After the worship, we participated in a Treasure Hunt also organised by the resort staff. At first, we found it so confusing, but later as we played along, we were able to understand the questions we began to enjoy it especially when we found the answers. The group from the "A-team" emerged as the champion and all the children were treated to sweets and other goodies.

In the afternoon, we had some free time to catch up on some sleep while the golfers were enjoying their game under the hot scorching sun. After the night session, some of us adjourned for supper while others retired early.

Our concluding day (7th May) ended with an evaluation, followed by free time for those who wanted to go marketing, swimming and play table-tennis. After lunch, we said goodbye to each other as we journeyed back to our homes. We want to thank the committee especially Brother Michael Yei for his hard work, time and efforts put into this Family Camp without which it will not be a success.



Sorry Chin going through a "Falun Gong" motion??



Kids... don't try this at home... even if you have a headache!



Helena Hong and gang receiving prizes from the President!



"Makan time" means "Happy Time"



# The 4th Stedfast Golf Tournament

29 June 2001 (By Yong Chee Seng)



President giving his address

## The tournament could not have started on a better note.

First we had as our guest of honour our Bishop Emeritus Datuk Dr. Denis C. Dutton, who happened to be on a visit home from the U.S.A. His presence certainly lent colour and merriment to the tournament, what with our Chairman, Danny Cheah, keeping him company in his flight and giving him (the Bishop) a running guide on the course which often turned out to be more invalid than valid!

Then we were blessed with good weather, alternating between cool, cloudy conditions and sunshine peeping through. There was a brief drizzle ever so light that it served only to cool down the temperature not only of the weather but some very frustrated golfers!

There were 109 participants. In fact there could be more, but alas they only asked to join the very last minute when all preparations were made and the organising committee just could not accommodate their request because of the odd player here and there.

The golf course at the Templer Park Country Club where all the Stedfast Golf Tournament had been played, was in immaculate condition. The course management was very kind by placing the tee-boxes and pin positions favouring the senior golfers and high handicappers. However, no one was able to win any of the Hole-in-one prizes.

This report would not be complete without a word of thanks to the very hardworking Hon. Secretary of the Stedfast Association, Mr Michael Yei, who spent valuable time to get things done: from booking the course, issuing application forms receiving applicants, arranging for prizes, etc. ensuring that the tournament was a success. On the morning of the tournament he was the first to be at the golf course to welcome participants; and it was his working day, too! Thank you, Michael.

It is also appropriate to express our



Bishop Emeritus Datuk Dr. Denis C. Dutton presenting the Challenge Trophy to our Champion, Mr C.T. Phang

thanks to the management of Templer Park Country Club for accommodating us for the last four years. As usual, the preparations were well completed in advance and the staff were at hand early in the morning to register participants, place their golf bags on correct buggies and punctually took the players to the appropriate tee-boxes for a shotgun start. Thank you, Mr Ding and your staff.

We would like to thank our sponsors, too, who contributed in advertising in our souvenir programme and by providing goodies for our goody-bags.

And of course we would like to thank our participants, many of whom were old faithfuls who have been supporting us all these years.

This tournament raised a sum of RM10,645.75.

The weather and the championship golf course were perfect that day!



This is the main event of the Stedfast Association Kuala Lumpur in fund raising. The funds raised are mainly for the purpose of providing financial assistance for education and humanitarian causes. Therefore we would like to appeal to all participants and others to continue to support us in this endeavour to help the needy.

The winners are listed below:

- CHAMPION : C. T. Phang
- 1ST RUNNER-UP : Ong Boon Poh
- 2ND RUNNER-UP : Mun See Fun



They look so contented with life... don't they? I would ... if I can play golf everyday!



Go, go, go... into the hole!

# Talk on Christian Financial Planning

(By Donald Kee)

Date : **July 21, 2001 (Saturday)**  
 Time : **3:30 - 5:30 pm**  
 Venue : **Multi Purpose Hall,  
 Wesley Methodist Church  
 Kuala Lumpur**  
 Speaker : **Mr. Rajen Devadason**

"Are you lost in today's economic uncertainty?" Yes, it's one of those questions you hear over and over again during times of uncertainty. What should Christians do and how should we react to situations like this? Because of the importance of making sure that all our brothers and sisters in Christ are well prepared, The Stedfast Association of Kuala Lumpur and The 1st Kuala Lumpur Boys' Brigade Company decided to invite Mr. Rajen Davedason to share his views on Christian Financial Planning. Rajen is the co-author of "Financial Freedom - Your Guide To Lifetime Financial Planning" and "Financial Freedom 2 - Through Malaysian Equities

and Unit Trust". He is an award winning journalist, he has also worked with KPMG as trainee chartered accountant and investment analyst. His first book, "You're A-Z Guide to the Stock Market" was published in 1997. A member of MENSA UK, Rajen used to write for magazines like Asiaweek, TIME and Malaysian Business.

The talk was attended by more than 60 people comprising of Stedfast members, BB officers, Church members, BB Boys' parents and the public. The promotions for the talk started way back in June with insertions in the Wesley Methodist Church bulletins and wall posters as well as e-mails.

On July 22, we had tea and coffee served before the talk. Members and friends had some precious time to catch up on the latest happenings. Rajen gave an interesting presentation, he started off with getting the audience to calculate our assets & liabilities. After calculating our net worth, we were asked to answer some

questions to find out the level of risk we were willing to be exposed.

Most interesting is how we should share our resources with GOD. He insisted that all Christians must give one tenth of our income to GOD as it is written in the bible and that we should not take it for granted.

Ultimately, whatever our investment portfolio may be, GOD has to be in the center of all things and in the bible it says, " Seek ye first the Kingdom of GOD and all other things shall be added onto you".

The talk ended with a token of appreciation to Mr. Rajen Davedason and Mr. Robinson Pan's closing prayer. A word of thanks to Wesley Methodist Church for allowing us to use the church's facilities.

Lt. Donald Kee  
 Organizing Chairman



## Founder's Day Dinner 2001

Date : 29 September 2001 (Saturday)

Venue : Kelab Golf Negara Subang

Time : 7.30pm

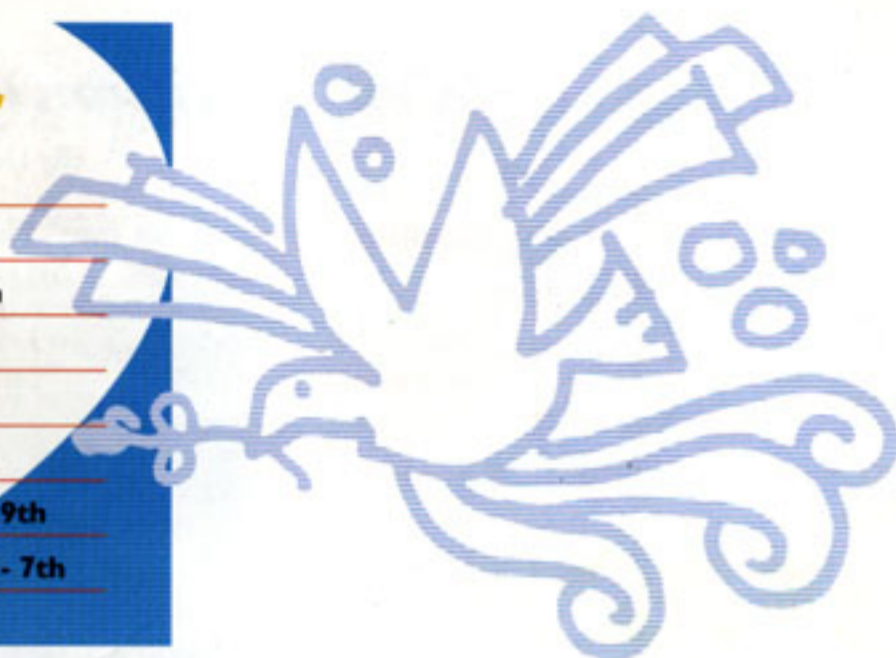


Welcome to all delegates  
 of the  
 4th International Convention  
 of Stedfast Associations

3rd - 8th October 2001, Kuching, Sarawak

## 2001 Annual Calendar

❖ 6th Annual General Meeting (AGM)	March 17th
❖ "Stedfast KL vs KL Battalion" GAMES	April 15th
❖ Family Camp 2001	May 5th - 7th
❖ 4th Stedfast Golf Tournament	June 29th
❖ Special Talk	July 14th
❖ Family Fun Day 2001	August 11th
❖ Founder's Day Dinner	September 29th
❖ 4th International Stedfast Convention	October 3rd - 7th



## Monthly Activities

### Badminton

Every Tuesday from 7.30 pm to 10.00 pm at the Methodist Boys' Secondary School Hall, Kuala Lumpur.

### Football

Every Sunday from 5.00 pm to 7.00 pm at the Methodist Boys' Secondary School Field, Kuala Lumpur.

### Archery

Every Sunday from 3.30 pm to 5.00 pm at the Methodist Boys' Secondary School Field, Kuala Lumpur.



(For archery, kindly contact the Secretariat to confirm your attendance)

## Membership Update

*New members approved by the Executive Committee from January to June 2001:*

#### NEW LIFE MEMBER

1. Mr. Peter Lee Kok Hoe

#### UPGRADING TO LIFE ORDINARY MEMBER

1. Mr. Quah Siak Seng
2. Mr. Peter Yap Sin Kien
3. Mr. Choy Mun Wing
4. Mr. Donald Kee

#### UPGRADING TO LIFE ASSOCIATE MEMBER

1. Mr. Soo Kim Wai
2. Ms. Annie Yew

#### RENEWAL OF ORDINARY MEMBERS

1. Mr. Lo Kuan Che
2. Mr. Alfred Ong
3. Mr. Derrick Dai
4. Mr. Paul Christie
5. Mr. Tung Kam Seng
6. Mr. Calvin Liew
7. Mr. Wong Chee Onn
8. Mr. Andy Chan
9. Mr. Patrick Benjamin
10. Mr. Wong Kien Hoe

#### RENEWAL OF ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

1. Mr. M.F. Leong
2. Mr. Paul Long
3. Ms. Subita Karasu

#### NEW ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

1. Mr. Wong Chin Haw
2. Mr. Kelvin Tan Chung Jii
3. Mr. Raymond Yu Heng Ping
4. Mr. Jeremy Karasu
5. Mr. Goh Khoo Han
6. Mr. Surenthiran A/L Krishnan

#### NEW ORDINARY MEMBERS

1. Mr. Wong Kien Lee
2. Mr. Wong Kien Onn
3. Mr. Choong Wai Hoong
4. Mr. Lai Chun Leng
5. Mr. Simon Yam
6. Mr. Yap Hoy Meng
7. Mr. Tan Jit Aow
8. Mr. Low Wing Keat
9. Mr. Tan Shau Sheong
10. Mr. Terence Yap
11. Mr. Liew Mun Kit
12. Mr. Jeffrey Yip
13. Mr. Anthony Karasu
14. Mr. Ho Yew Tuck
15. Mr. Kenny Lim Wee Fong
16. Mr. Timothy Chan Boon Kam
17. Mr. Gerard Francis Lopez
18. Mr. James Yap Kee Cheong
19. Mr. Robinn Soon Kok Wah
20. Mr. Yong Jenn Fai
21. Mr. Yow Kien Yoong
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