

15 July 2024

Dear Members and Friends

PLEDGE FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR FY24/25 (AUGUST 2024 TO JULY 2025)

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

"¹⁷ You say, 'I am rich; I have acquired wealth and do not need a thing.' But you do not realize that you are wretched, pitiful, poor, blind and naked. ¹⁸ I counsel you to buy from me gold refined in the fire, so you can become rich; and white clothes to wear, so you can cover your shameful nakedness; and salve to put on your eyes, so you can see."

Rev 3:17-18

As we look forward to the new financial year and seek God's provision for His church, KKMC, the passage above reminds us of the definition of True Riches. The church in Laodicea was blessed with a strategic location straddling Europe and Asia. The city was a wealthy banking hub, and produced high quality black wool for garments and a unique ointment for treating the eye. The Laodicean church was extremely wealthy too. But the pride of self-sufficiency had veiled their eyes, exposed their nakedness, and reverted them to poverty. The blessing of wealth had turned into a curse when Jesus rebuked them as wretched, pitiful, poor, blind and naked. This is the stern warning of Jesus to the Church in the Last Day that we must not take lightly.

But the Lord also reminded the Church that True Riches are found in Him. Therefore, go and use our earthly wealth to buy from Jesus Christ gold refined in the fire, that will last. In other words, the True Riches of the Church is when we transact with God, turning our earthly wealth into heavenly gold for God's eternal purpose.

Looking at the net income of the Church over the last two years, I noticed that we are struggling with operating deficits. But I strongly believe we can overcome it when we turn to Jesus for True Riches.

As our Church continues on the theme "Together We Grow + Serve", amazingly, more and more opportunities for ministry have surfaced. These include the ministries of Kampong Family Affection (KFA) for seniors, Project Five Loaves Two Fish (P5L2F) for the community, our fast-growing Myanmar Fellowship, Praise Service for younger generations, Children Outreach @ Whampoa Family Service Centre, and Mission @ Batam. It will be regrettable if we must scale back these ministries due to the lack of resources. Therefore, as we approach the new FY24/25 Financial Year (August 2024 to July 2025), let us Band Together to transact with the Lord as we turn our earthly wealth into heavenly riches for the glory of God.

By faith, the church leaders have approved the FY24/25 budget expenditure of \$3.98 million to support the ministries and work of our church. Allocation of the budget for FY24/25 may be found on page 2 of this letter. As we continue to trust God for His provision for the financial needs of our church, let each one of us do our part with our pledges and offerings.

We will be observing **Pledge Sunday on 4 August 2024**. As you prayerfully pledge to give, please return your completed Pledge Card to the church office or complete the online form found at www.kkmc.org.sg/give by **31 August 2024**.

You may wish to consider a tithe of **10% of your income** as a good guide to pledge. And whenever God blesses you and your family during the year, we prayerfully ask that you **consider giving more** to the Church in gratitude to God as an offering.

We can fulfil our pledges and offerings in the following ways:

- a) Internet banking to Kampong Kapor Methodist Church's OCBC Account "Kampong Kapor Methodist Church"; Bank Code/Branch Code: 7339 / 695 – A/c No: 695457721001; and in the 'Reference' field, state your Name and the Purpose of the funds transfer (e.g. Pledges, Offerings, Donation, etc.)
- b) **PayNow** to KKMC's UEN: **\$87CC0537K**, and the Church's name 'Kampong Kapor Methodist Church' will appear. Do indicate under "Remarks" your Name and the Purpose of the funds transfer (e.g. Pledges, Offerings, Donation, etc.)
- c) Crossed cheque to be made out to Kampong Kapor Methodist Church and mailed to 1 Kampong Kapor Rd, Singapore 208673 and on the back of the cheque, kindly state your Name, Telephone number and the Purpose of the payment (e.g. Pledges, Offerings, Donation, etc.)

The Church will send an acknowledgment of the funds transfer/payment set-up by email or by post for the first transaction in the following month.

Those of us who attend Worship Services on-site may fulfil our pledge commitments and contribute offerings by dropping them into the Offering Boxes at the entrances to the Church Sanctuary. For those who attend Worship Services online, you may use any of the 3 payment methods indicated above.

In accordance with the provisions of the Personal Data Protection Act, we will need members/friends and their spouse (if combining pledges) to sign the Pledge Card or complete the online form (indicated above) to authorise the Church to collect, use or disclose your personal data for purposes of maintaining and up-dating the Church's records in respect of their pledges for FY24/25. Please be assured that your pledges will remain strictly confidential.

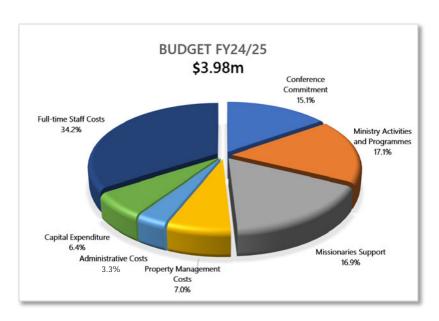
May God continue to grant His grace, mercy and provision on all of us and our loved ones.

Together in the Service of our Lord

ev Tay Kay Leong Pastor-in-charge

LCEC Chairperson

Finance Committee Chairperson



[&]quot; Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. 8 And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work." 2 Cor 9:7-8