OCT 2026/VOL.1/NO.4



CCM HIGHLIGHTS

COUNCIL OF CHURCHES OF MALAYSIA MONTHLY ONLINE NEWSLETTER



REV. PHILIP LOK
GENERAL SECRETARY

MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH

Dear Leaders, Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Welcome to the October edition of our CCM Highlights online newsletter. This issue brings together key updates and milestones from our journey honouring fellowship and shared ministry.

Inside, you will find a recap of the CCM Women's Ministry visitation to Ipoh Lutheran Church (26–27 September 2026), celebrating a blessed weekend of cross-denominational sisterhood and shared learning.

Looking ahead, we share an important update on the St. Jude's Anglican Church Groundbreaking Ceremony in Sungai Way, officially officiated by Rt. Rev. Dr. Stephen Soe Chee Cheng on 10 October 2026. We also feature a final prayer reminder for the upcoming World Day of Children's Prayer 2026, as well as a call to intercession for the ACWC Worship Service on 14 November 2026.

Keeping the Faith in Christ,
Rev. Philip Lok
Council of Churches of Malaysia

INSIDE : SPOTLIGHT / HAPPENINGS / CONTACT US

SPOTLIGHT



CCM WOMEN'S MINISTRY VISIT TO IPOH LUTHERAN CHURCH

From 26–27 September 2026, the Council of Churches of Malaysia (CCM) Women's Ministry conducted a visitation to Ipoh Lutheran Church in Perak. Organized under the leadership of Rev. Lau Thong Hoong, Pastor of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, First Garden and Sister Linda. This visit was part of the ministry's ongoing efforts to strengthen relationships and encourage participation in ecumenical women's ministries among member churches.

Objectives and Welcome

The primary goals of the visit were to introduce the roles and programs of the CCM Women's Ministry to the local congregation, build connections, and create broader awareness of ecumenical opportunities. The program opened with a welcome reception where the team expressed appreciation to the host church. To encourage interaction, three ice-breaking games were conducted, resulting in active participation from the local churchwomen.

Ministry Presentations and Programs

Following the introduction, DSS Sis Jasmine shared about the structural role and purpose of the CCM Women's Ministry within Malaysia. Her presentation highlighted the practical importance of bringing women together across different denominations for fellowship, mutual support, and ecumenical participation.

The afternoon sessions focused on regional and global prayer networks:

- **The ACWC Prayer:** Sis Shanty, Advisor to the CCM Women's Ministry, presented on the Asian Church Women's Conference (ACWC) Prayer. She emphasized prayer as a tool to strengthen unity and solidarity, allowing women from different countries and traditions to stand together while addressing societal issues affecting women across Asia.

- **The World Day of Prayer (WDP)**: Our moderator, Sis Sosamma, shared about the World Day of Prayer (WDP) global ecumenical movement. She explained how WDP brings women together to learn about the lives and faith experiences of global communities. She also shared a reminder regarding financial stewardship: all WDP offerings collected in Malaysia must be forwarded to the CCM Malaysia account. These funds are then channelled to WDP International, with a portion returning to support the specific country organizing that year's program.

SPOTLIGHT

Fellowship and Worship

After the presentations, an informal fellowship session allowed the CCM team and the women of Ipoh Lutheran Church to discuss their respective ministries and exchange experiences. The next morning, Sunday, 27 September 2026, the visitation team attended the Holy Service at the Lutheran Church in Malaysia (LCM) to worship alongside the local congregation.



Ice-Breaking Session In Full Swing

Outcomes and Recommendations

The visitation achieved its goals of strengthening local fellowship, increasing awareness of the ACWC and WDP networks, and building relational foundations for future collaboration.



Rev. Lau Thong Hoong Taking Part In Activities With The Participants

Gratitude and Warm Thank Yous

The visitation achieved its goals of strengthening local fellowship, increasing awareness of the ACWC and WDP networks, and building relational foundations for future collaboration.

The CCM Women's Ministry expresses its sincere appreciation to Rev. Lau Thong Hoong, Pastor of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, First Garden, the women of the congregation, and the traveling team members who contributed to the program.

Based on the positive feedback and engagement, the CCM Women's Ministry recommends that similar church visitations and fellowship programs continue as a regular part of its ministry efforts. We also would like to extend our thanks to all those who had prayed for the success of the event and the safe travels of the team.

Report Credit: Extracted and condensed from the original 5-page Visitation Report submitted by Moderator Sis Sosamma.

SPOTLIGHT

GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY

MARKS NEW ERA FOR ST. JUDE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH



Gereja St. Jude Official Ground Breaking Ceremony

PETALING JAYA - St. Jude's Anglican Church officially entered a new chapter on 10 October 2026 with the successful celebration of its Groundbreaking Ceremony at the new church site in Jalan PJS 5/4, Taman Desaria, Sungai Way.

The historic event was officially officiated by the Rt. Rev. Dr. Stephen Soe Chee Cheng, Bishop of the Anglican Diocese of West Malaysia. In alignment with the church's core vision, the new site is solemnly dedicated to the worship of God, the fellowship of believers, and dedicated service to the surrounding local community.

A distinguished assembly of community and church leaders gathered to mark the occasion. Notable attendees included the Council of Churches of Malaysia (CCM) General Secretary Rev. Philip Lok, Bukit Gasing State Assemblyman YB Rajiv Rishyakaran, along with clergy members and faithful parishioners from across the diocese. The milestone event stands as a profound testament to the growth and enduring spiritual mission of the St. Jude's congregation.



Rt. Rev. Dr. Stephen Soe With YB Rajiv RIshayakaran Alongside YB Ng Sze Han And Dato' Ng Suee Lim



Gereja St. Jude Plaque

HAPPENINGS

UPCOMING

WORLD DAY OF CHILDREN'S PRAYER 2026



AT A GLANCE

Location: CCM's Ecumenical Centre
Date: 14 November 2026 Saturday
Time: 9.30am-12.15pm

This year's program features exciting themes and interactive activities prepared by the Women Ecumenical Group of Nigeria. Centred around the 2026 theme **"I Will Give You Rest, Come"** (Matthew 11:28-30), the event is specially designed to teach children how to receive God's rest and extend kindness to those carrying heavy burdens.

The children will participate in a vibrant lineup of activities, including:

- **Worship & Music**: Learning a specially selected theme song.
- **Story Time & Drawing**: Creative storytelling sessions.
- **Group Prayer**: Guided moments of fellowship and reflection.

For further details on the program, please do contact **Ms. Sosamma at +60 18-970 4495.** We cannot wait to see the little ones there!

ACWC WORSHIP SERVICE 2026



AT A GLANCE

Location: CCM's Ecumenical Centre
Date: 14 November 2026 Saturday
Time: 3.30pm

The CCM Women's Work Ministry will be participating in the upcoming ACWC Worship Service 2026 on Saturday, 14th November 2026 at 3:30 PM. The regional service will be hosted at the CCM Ecumenical Centre, P.J., centred around the theme **"Together We Win"** with materials thoughtfully prepared by the Myanmar Sisters.

This gathering highlights the importance of prayer to strengthen unity and solidarity among Christian women across Asia. It brings together women from diverse countries and traditions to stand collectively in faith and compassion, remembering global communities, churches, and social issues.

Please keep this event in your intercessions:

- Unity and solidarity among all the Christian women representing different traditions across Asia.
- The event's ultimate success, smooth logistics, and a powerful spiritual impact.
- Strength and blessings for the organizers and the CCM Women's Work Ministry team.

For further details regarding the program, please contact **Ms. Sosamma Thomas at 018-9704495.**



MULTIPURPOSE HALL



EXHIBITION HALL



COUNCIL OF CHURCHES OF MALAYSIA

GUEST ROOMS & EVENT HALLS AVAILABLE



FUNCTION ROOM ONE



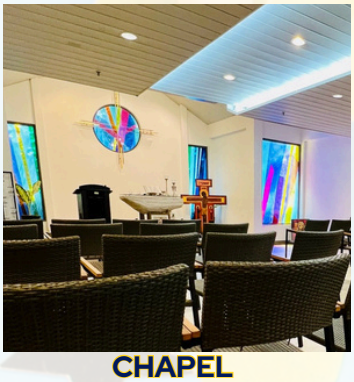
FUNCTION ROOM TWO



CAFE



PUBLIC PARKING



CHAPEL

The Ecumenical Centre opens its doors to the community!

Our facilities are made available to all.

Council Of Churches Of Malaysia
Ecumenical Centre:
No.26 Jalan Profesor Diraja Ungku Aziz
Sekysen 11, 46200 Petaling Jaya, Selangor Darul Ehsan.



SINGLE ROOM



SUITE ROOM



TWIN ROOM



OKU ROOM

CONTACT US

GUEST ROOMS & EVENT HALL AVAILABLE

03-7956 7092/ 03-7960 8926
https://ccmalaysia.org/
booking@ccmalaysia.org