

# —President's Report 2017-18—

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## Thanksgiving

Thank God for giving me this undeserved learning opportunity to serve as the President of FLC in the past year. When I responded to God's calling for full-time ministry some 10 years back, I could have never thought that one day I would be involved in this very meaningful and vital ministry, both to the Chinese churches and to the wider Chinese community. In 2010, my wife and I were asked to serve as the MCs at the FLC thanksgiving dinner. The following year, I became a member and began serving on FLC's Management Committee.

So why serve at FLC?

***“He has showed you, O man, what is good.  
And what does the Lord require of you?***

***To act justly and to love mercy***

***And to walk humbly with your God.”***

***(Micah 6:8)***

We as Christians are called to serve the world, but this ministry does not and cannot be limited to those who come to the “church premises”. We also need to actively reach out to those within the wider community who are in need of God's love and mercy. And we do that not only through what we preach, i.e., the gospel, but also through what we do, i.e., in loving our neighbours as ourselves. Community service is not an optional ministry, it reflects who we are as the restored image bearer of God our Father who cares for us all.

Thank God that He has given godly, gifted, humbled, people-oriented, dedicated, Christ-centred and Spirit-led people to be members of the FLC Management Committee. We all have our different stories of how we are called to serve at FLC, and of how we responded by serving faithfully and fearfully. Most of all, we can all share with you how God has touched and transformed the lives of many through this ministry, including those who served there.

## Ministry

In April, FLC had invited Dr. Yu from Hong Kong to lead a series of talks at various venues. The highlight was our 20<sup>th</sup> Thanksgiving and Fundraising Dinner. Praise the Lord for His continual providence in times of our needs. We are once again assured that FLC is His ministry and He is the one who moves the hearts of His people to serve in various ways.

Our pastoral renewal ministry is in its fourth year running. People who are in full-time ministry, including pastors, missionaries, workers in para-church organisations, and theological students and their spouses, can now benefit from FLC's counselling and education programs.

## Looking Ahead

We ask that you may pray for our ministry at FLC:

- To keep up with the changing counselling needs of our society;
- To continue to seek God's guidance;
- To be faithful to His call to serve the Chinese communities, in English, Cantonese and Mandarin;
- To have more dedicated Christian counsellors, educators and supporting staff;
- To be effective in our ministry;
- To be a good witness of Christ; and
- To bring people to know Christ.

***“Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves have received from God.”***

***(2 Cor. 1:3-4)***