



Installation of Bishop and the Executive Council 22 July 2017

On the afternoon of Saturday 22 July 2017, the Lutheran Church in Singapore (LCS) rejoiced and gave thanks to God together in a memorable worship service for the installation of Rev. Terry Kee as Bishop of LCS for a third term of four years.

Bishop Aaron Yap of the Lutheran Church in Malaysia kindly came to officiate the installation, despite his tight schedule and a scare caused by a flight delay due to a tow truck accidentally damaging his plane on the airport tarmac in KL and the need to change flight.

A bouquet of flower was presented to Mrs Sally Kee as appreciation for her role as Bishop's wife too. The Executive Council elected in its Annual General Meeting of 20 May was also installed by Bishop Terry Kee during this service.

Gracing this event were Bishop Rennis Ponniah of the Anglican Diocese of Singapore and Rev. Dr. Clement Chia, the Principal of Singapore Bible College.

Bishop Terry Kee in his sermon expressed concern and exhorted the church to take heed in three areas i) the church need to proclaim the gospel outside its walls to those who have yet to know and receive Christ noting the declining proportion of Christians and the rise in numbers who profess no religious faith in Singapore ii) the aging clergy and the need for renewal of pastoral leadership ii) the importance of maintaining interfaith religious harmony while not comprising our Christian faith.

Bishop Rennis Ponniah offered words of greetings and highlighted the threats to Christianity from various quarters while noting Bishop Terry Kee's significant contributions to the Christian community and also the interfaith relations in Singapore. To God be all glory.

在2017年7月22日的下午，新加坡基督教信义会与属下堂会的众会友齐聚一堂，用感恩与喜乐的心参与为纪木和会督举办的就职仪式，庆贺纪会督再一次连任新加坡基督教信义会的会督。

这是纪会督连续担任信义会第三届的会督，一届任期为四年。

马来西亚基督教信义会的叶泉清会督也在百忙中抽空前来主持就职礼。当天上午在吉隆坡机场，由于一辆拖车意外撞上了叶泉清会督所乘搭的飞机，造成了延误。但我们感谢神的安排，使他平安并及时抵达会场。

在仪式中，教会也预备了鲜花答谢纪木和会督夫人 - 纪林雪莉女士。

圣公会新加坡教区潘仁义主教和新加坡神学院院长谢木水博士也受邀担任就职礼上的嘉宾。在纪会督的讲道中，他劝请各方注意三方面的事项：

- i) 新加坡的基督徒人口比例下降，无宗教信仰的比例则上升；因此教会更加需要向那些尚未识和接受基督的人传福音。
- ii) 教牧的老化，使更新教牧领导团队的需要更加迫切。
- iii) 保持宗教和谐的重要性，同时在信仰上不妥协。

潘仁义主教也发表问候语，并强调了来自多方面对基督教的威胁。他也感谢纪会督为基督教社群和新加坡宗教间的友好关系所付出的重大贡献。荣耀归于神！

