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Answer the Call...

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On the afternoon of 11th June 2009, Zion Full Gospel Church departed from Singapore Cruise Centre at Harbour Front, for her 4 days 3 nights annual church camp at Batam.

Upon arrival at Planet Holiday Hotel, the church was grateful as she gave thanks and worship to the Lord for a successful, smooth journey and an enjoyable event ahead in Batam.



The congregation in Planet Holiday Hotel.

Following on, Rev Alfred Yeo, Senior Pastor of Zion Full Gospel Church gave an opening address to the 175 participants from the Hokkien, Chinese, English and Youth groups. The theme for this year was “One Life, One Destiny.” He hoped that all participants would find a greater purpose and passion in their lives through this meaningful and refreshing church camp.

As Christians, our eternal purpose is to enjoy His presence and to seek His righteousness while on earth.

He also encouraged all participants to attend the services faithfully, with expectations and an open heart to allow God to touch each life. Lastly, through this camp, everyone can have a great time through fellowship and to know one another better. Without any delay, each group proceeded with the programs for the day.

This year, the youth camp was titled “Detonate Camp 2009” and the theme is “Answer the Call.” The objective of this camp was to let the Youth understand the importance of their calling in their lives and to motivate them to seek God with all their hearts. For the start, the Youth had several icebreaker games which enabled them to know each other better. In addition, the Youth was further divided into 4 smaller teams – Reinhard Bonnke; Hudson Taylor; Darlene Zschech and Nick Vujicic. Each team consisted of 5 to 6 people and they were given a short briefing by Brother Bernard; the head of the committee in this event.

Shortly after, they checked into their respective accommodations before their first dinner in the hotel. After which, they had their first Youth service by guest speaker, Pastor Rupert from Cornerstone Community Church, who shared about seeking the Lord earnestly, hungering and hearing from the Lord in the church camp.

“Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Come near to God and he will come near to you. Wash your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded.” (Jas 4:7-8)

After the end of the service, the Youth retreated back to their respective teams and prepared the team’s cheer and banner. Once all were done, they decided to call it a day.

On the morning of 12th June 2009, the Youth had their first morning exercise in the aerobic room, led by Brother Bernard and Sister Jialing. Soon after that, they had a morning devotion session led by Sister Grace, who shared about being 2 types of people, one who is not desperate for his calling and the other one being desperate for his calling and how to keep seeking God.



Youth morning devotion.

Brother Bernard also shared that giving up in seeking God’s calling for our purposes in lives is very easy. Therefore, we must persevere, endure and continuously seek God.

Soon after breakfast, Pastor Rupert reminded the Youth in the service that God already has a plan for each life even before birth. It is not by accident that lives are being borne into the world, but according to God’s sovereign will and purpose. That truly encouraged every hearer to continuously seek God earnestly for their calling in lives.

“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations.” (Jer 1:5)

Shortly after lunch, the Youth carried out their game programs. Each team was given the opportunity to present their cheers and banners which they had prepared the night before. Next, games such as Tug of War and Treasure Hunting competitions were introduced and they lasted the whole afternoon. Truly, everyone had a great time fellowshiping and understanding each other’s character better through these programs.



Tug of War.

After a sumptuous dinner, the Youth had her second service for the day by another guest speaker from Trinity Christian Centre, Pastor Bryan. He spoke about how all things work together for the good of those who love God. In addition, he also shared about consecration, faith and obedience.

“And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.” (Rom 8:28)



It was a moment of heartwarming experience when the Youth gathered together for “Strings of Life”. It was an encouraging and meaningful game where one will throw a roll of string to someone who has blessed him or her in midst of the church camp. Eventually, the roll of string will be thrown around to form a beautiful network of relationships.

Strings of Life.

Everyone shared their experiences and was thankful to God Almighty for the wonderful time together.

On the morning of 13th June 2009, Brother Ivin happily led the morning devotion on the topic of “Called” from Isaiah 49: 1-3. Calling is special and it is personal. It is by the Holy Spirit that empowers Christians. Christians who are called fit into the big picture of God’s will and they are to be used as a channel of blessing. Lastly, Brother Ivin closed the session with a challenge for every hearer, “Are you willing to take up the call?”

The day entered into its first morning English service and God ministered to His people during the breathtaking worship time. It was the highlight of the whole church camp. It was the moment which many had long awaited and hungered for. Everything from administrative to fellowship was possible because of this purpose. Above all, that is to enjoy His presence.

“Don’t worship God from afar, we must go and worship God where He is,” said Sister Esther, as she challenged the congregation to enter the heart of worship. Truly, it was the moment where the Holiness of the Almighty God could be felt by His people. Many were refreshed and reminded of God’s faithfulness and His sovereignty. All glory to God!

With the wonderful encounter with the Lord still captivated in the minds of many, the Youth had their free and easy time for the afternoon. Some went to the nearby stores out in the town to gather local products as well as shopping. Some chose to remain in the hotel for swimming, massage and resting.

The church had installed for herself a night of celebration, the “Oscar Night.” Recognitions and awards were given to respective church personnel, who worked behind the scenes, teachers, pioneers in undertaking new programs, guest speakers, church event committee and many others for their faithful service in the Kingdom of God.



Oscar Night.

Moving on, there was buffet dinner, birthday celebrations, dances and exciting games which involved the mass. Both young and old had a happy night together. All thanks to the Lord!



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As the night was still young, the Youth had her Appreciation Night. Prizes were given out to all teams for their efforts and the whole night ended with a series of team photos.

On 14th June 2009 morning, Pastor Rupert advised the Youth to keep the momentum going and constant fanning of the ferventness for the Lord.

He constantly stressed the importance of gathering of the Saints and to pray strong in the Spirit together.

“Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.” (Heb 10:25)

“So I say, live by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the sinful nature.” (Gal 5: 16)

Besides that, he also cleared the air of doubt about praying in tongues. He wanted all to continue to live by the Spirit and he also forewarned on the negativism of being a Diotrefes in 3 John 9-11.

He stated, “Don’t be a wet blanket, don’t be a spectator but get involved, don’t be a sower of discord, don’t gossip and don’t allow others who are not moving in the same flow to affect and influence you.” With all these godly advices in mind of every

hearer, he invited those who hunger for the baptism of the Holy Spirit to step forward and receive it by faith. As the service closed, the Youth went back to their rooms and prepared for their return back to Singapore after lunch.

Shortly after that, the church made her way back to Batam Ferry Terminal for a smooth touchdown to homeland after a memorable 4 days 3 nights stay.

As the Zion Full Gospel Church Camp 2009 came to a close, many were touched by God throughout the whole course and went home with a fervent spirit and burning passion for the Lord. Truly indeed, "One Life, One Destiny." Amen!

Testimonies of Zion Full Gospel Church Campers 2009

“I went to the camp with an open and expected heart, seeking for God to speak to me. Indeed the Lord is good as He gave me this phrase: “Endure, for you will have victory.” Truly, God is my overcomer. The camp was smooth, from planning to games and the youths were actively participating in it. I want to thank God on how the youths under my care were touched by the Lord. It really blesses me and pushes me on in my relationship with the Lord and the people around me.” shared Brother Bernard.

“I wanted to know my call and destiny that God has installed for my life, as my expectations for the camp. I was unsure about my spiritual gifts all those while and I wanted to know for certain. In fact, this year I was looking forward to attend the services more than the youth games. Pastor Rupert challenged us to hear from God throughout the four days of the camp, and of course, beyond the camp as well. I asked, and all I received was an impression of the word “trust”, and I thought it was regarding to the call that God was giving me. On the second day of camp, I was caught in a sudden wave of abnormal vision. I was uncomfortable and was distraught at what was happening. I was gripped with fear initially then, until the word “trust” came back to me and Pastor Bryan’s constant emphasis on the verse, “Not by might, not by power, but by my Spirit, says the Lord.” God brought me to another level of trust when I trusted Him wholeheartedly with the worship on the third day. I was still very disturbed and uneasy about my eye condition as it was still present, so I did not manage to prepare myself fully which I would have if not for my eye condition. It has never crossed my mind that that day God would overwhelm me with His Spirit so strongly that I could hardly stand, let alone leading the worship. And right there, where I stood, God answered my prayer when Pastor Bryan prophesied over me something so specific which I have never received before. God was calling me to a new season. I finally understood what it meant to trust in Him. Not by anything else, but by His Spirit.” testified Sister Esther.

“Things happened unexpectedly. Prior to the camp, the second hand on my watch suddenly stopped working, so I laid my hands on it and it was back to normal! It was during the camp itself when God showed me about how everything fitted into the big picture. The Lord pointed me to the passage in 1 Chronicles chapter 11, regarding David’s mighty men, in that how each and every individual who supports the ministry will build the ministry up, be it youth or even at cell. God also spoke to me clearly something which I should be working on and be firm on. I thank God for this camp because His presence was just so real.” said Brother Eric.