

Dear Alumni,

I bring you warmest greetings from Trinity Theological College. We are past the mid-way point in our calendar of celebratory events to mark TTC's 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Before the release of our August-November Trumpet later this month, allow me to share significant developments in our community for your continued prayers and support.

- The Anglo-Chinese School (International) gave an endowment of two million Singapore dollars for the establishment of our sixth professorial chair, the ACS Chair in the History of Christianity. Rev Dr Wilfred Ho has been appointed by the TTC Board of Governors as the holder of the ACS Chair. Installed on 17 February 2023, Rev Dr Ho's inaugural lecture was entitled, *In Search of Our Christian Identity: A Journey in History*.
- TTC's 73<sup>rd</sup> Graduation Service was held on 13 May 2023. We rejoice with the graduating cohort of 46 who matriculated during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic. They persevered through numerous disruptions over the last three years and have completed their training by the grace of God.
- Out of the 90 applicants who applied for admission into TTC for Academic Year 2023-24, 61 matriculated in July 2023. This new cohort raises the number of matriculated students at TTC to 209. We thank God for blessing us with an increase in the total number of matriculated students annually since 2020.
- The biennial Trinity Lectures was held on 1-4 August 2023. Professor Murray Rae of Otago University delivered four lectures on the subject, *The Resurrection of Jesus Christ: Its Meaning and Mission*.
- Open House 2023 will be held on 23 August 2023 from 8:30am to 2pm. Participants will have an opportunity to attend a lecture, chapel service, community lunch, and interact with students and faculty. More details may be found on our website and social media. Do help us publicise this event.
- We have upgraded our classrooms with interactive screens, increased the number of study cubicles for postgraduate students in the TTC library, and equipped the Multi-Purpose Hall with technological capability for running hybrid events. These upgrading initiatives are motivated by TTC's commitment to provide the best environment for theological training and enhance the experience of theological formation.
- TTC's 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Conference will be held on the 4<sup>th</sup> (English conference) and 5<sup>th</sup> (Chinese conference) October 2023, from 9am to 5pm. Based on the theme, *The Church in a Changing World*, Dr Mark Chan and Dr Simon Chan will be the keynote speakers for the English conference, and Bishop Dr Titus Chung and Rev Dr Caleb Soo, the Chinese conference. Registration details and publicity videos may be accessed <a href="here">here</a>.
- TTC's 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration will climax on 6 Oct 2023 with our Anniversary Thanksgiving Service at 11am, TTC Chapel, with Bishop Dr Titus Chung as our speaker. Held at the Orchid Country Club, TTC's 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner will commence in the evening at 7:30pm. After a hiatus of three years due to the pandemic, may I encourage you to join us on our special day to celebrate God's goodness and faithfulness. Do keep a lookout for the invitation that will be coming your way soon.

We are amazed at the way God has preserved and blessed TTC through the years of the COVID-19 pandemic. Serious challenges notwithstanding, our college continued to raise workers for God's harvest field; new faculty and faculty-in-development were added to our team of co-workers through the strong support of churches.

Your continued prayers, gifts, and encouragement have made a huge difference to our service of Christ and his church, for which we are deeply grateful. May God who is rich in mercy, keep you in the love and peace of Christ our Lord and Savior.

"Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances..." (1 Thess 5:16-18)

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