



# from the leaf's...

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## Leaving Behind, for the Left Behind

Spring came and went. Summer blasted its might on us this year, with temperatures reaching towards 40 degrees! Our second VBS started on the last week of July. At first, we were sure that it was God's perfect timing for it, seeing it was the only week we would have help from Sis. Charlene and Yipin's niece who had prior experiences with VBS. Yet, when we gave out flyers to the kids that have come to know us, only a couple of kids responded. Most said they wouldn't be able to make it because of summer tuition which is the whole of July. As faith started to falter as to whether the timing was indeed perfect, our Father again showed us He is at work, and all we had to do was obey and serve. On the first day, fifteen kids came! Our Lord did not need us to spread His gospel, because the kids were the ones bringing their friends to come listen. They were His messengers. We are all humbled and comforted at the reminder that we are servants serving a Master that directs and moves hearts. Three girls accepted Christ as they see Him through the witness of John and seeds were planted in many more hearts. In the midst of a scorching summer, the Lord sent rain to bring the temperature down to the low 30s where it stayed till the end of VBS! We were privileged to see Christ and His love through the eyes of kids that were knowing Him for the first time, that the Creator of the world loves them. What a reminder for us when we numb ourselves to the wonder of the gospel stories, and lose sight of His love!

When summer ended and school started in September, we saw a steep decrease of kids coming on Sunday. Many that were with us during the summer were secondary kids.

Secondary school here means being at school as early as 530am and being dismissed as late as 8pm, and for the Sec



- We are able to come back this month to catch up with you all in person.
- Kezia can talk!
- Song does not have to visit NUH this time round :D

**Prayer**

3 students, as late as 1030pm. Some are required to go back to school on some Saturdays. With the overwhelming school load, many will sleep in on Sunday. Yet, every night at 830pm, when the Sec 1 kids are coming back from school, they would holler either for us or for our kids as they passed our house. We would yell goodnight to each other and they would be on their way. Those precious seconds are treasures from God, knowing that with this bond between us, they would come back in His time, in His way.

The second year of our English school started in September. Our numbers increased from 5 to 8 students. We are careful not to mention “God” or “religion” in these classes, to ensure a wary community that we are not trying to sneak God onto these kids. Yet, the kids would ask about “the other class” as they have seen the VBS poster or the map of Israel on our wall. We would ask the parents after if they would like to let them come on Sunday, telling them frankly that we will be teaching about Christ. God again moves hearts and they brought the kids on Sunday. The reward we reaped from the school is not how well their English progressed, but that we are able to let them know that there is a God who loves them, and they do not have to face the world alone.

From the Ye Family,  
Yipin, Song, Hadassah, Melchizedek, Melchiah, and Kezia

- Pray for wisdom in teaching English, to reach these kids and their parents.
- Pray for wisdom to teach our own children, remembering they are our lifelong ministry handpicked for us by God.
- Pray for adult members that seldom or can't come due to choices made that bring them away from home.
- For Song's upcoming visa renewal in Jan.
- For us to remain humble in reminder that this is God's Work, not ours.
- For safety in a world where believing God is barely tolerated

