



# Samantha's Newsletter

**AWANA INTERNATIONAL (Singapore)**

“Approved Workmen Are Not Ashamed” 2 Timothy 2:15

## FOOD FOR THOUGHT

"The branch of the vine does not worry, and toil, and rush here to seek for sunshine, and there to find rain. No; it rests in union and communion with the vine; and at the right time, and in the right way, is the right fruit found on it. Let us so abide in the Lord Jesus."

--- Hudson Taylor

John 15:5 "I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing. (NIV)

John 15:7 If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be given you. (NIV)

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Shalom, Dear friend and partner,

Have you ever wondered if your day lived or your deed is counted for the Lord? I have and sometimes it just scares me that my day or deed was in vain especially in the light of His Word and Ministry.

In the letters to the 7 churches in Revelation, Jesus spoke of the things He had against the 5 churches whose deeds are 'loveless' though doctrinally right; 'dead' that have appearance of faith and compromised teachings integrated with worldly practices (idolatry). This serves as a warning to check my deeds which often reveals my weakness in faith and in living out Christ's power according to His Word. In these letters, Jesus commendations emphasized on keeping His Word, holding fast to His name and not denying Him in the midst of persecution and evil (which shall determine the kind of deeds). Hence, I place my hope in **Rev 3:8 "I (Jesus) know your deeds, Behold, I have put before you an open door which no one can shut, because you have a little power, and have kept My word, and have not denied My name."** where our Lord gives ministry opportunities to those with little power and kept His Word and Name. May I always be one of them.

With the little power, I'm pleased to testify of the Lord's sustaining grace for your prayers of thanks ☺ and petitions ☹.

1. ☺ 4 churches had renewed their partnership to continue with their clubs.  
☹ **Pray for the pastors' and leaders' passion, commitment and wisdom to increase as they serve in these clubs. The clubs vibrancy and effectiveness depends very much on it to impact the children.**
2. ☺ 8-10 children continue to come to my home regularly to learn about God.  
☹ **Pray for God to keep the doors open for these children to come in spite of their school activities and tuition programme.**
3. ☺ Awana Presentations to 2 churches this quarter  
☹ to result in more children being reached through the ministry of Awana.  
☹ **Pray for Lord's opening and guidance to present Awana at a Presbyterian Pastors' meeting.**
4. ☺ Opportunities to study book of Revelation and Family Counseling  
☹ **Diligence in studying and understanding for application.**
5. ☺ Appointment to teach at Family Camp 8-11 June in Malaysia.  
☹ **Good preparation, effective teaching and receptive children.**

Lastly, please pray with me Psalm 25:4,5 "Shew me thy ways, O LORD; teach me thy paths. Lead me in thy truth, and teach me: for thou art the God of my salvation; on thee do I wait all the day." Thank you for your partnership.