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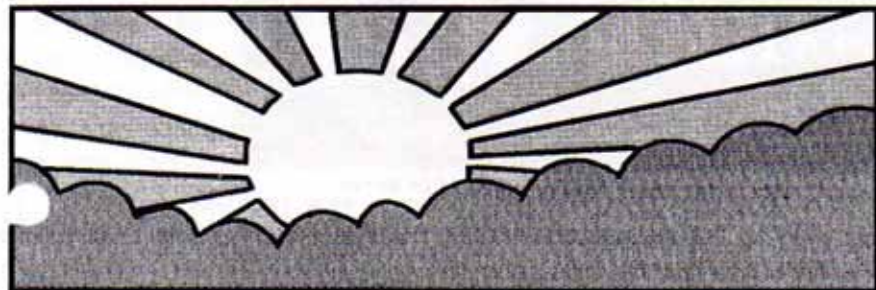
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# DAYBREAK

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Disabled Adults & Young Being Rewarded, Encouraged & Accepted in Kinta

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## *Thanksgiving and Blessing Ceremony of New Daybreak Complex*

This Ceremony was held at 3p.m. on 3 March 2001 at the new Daybreak complex in Pengkalan Pegoh, Ipoh. It was a bright and sunny Saturday afternoon and we had more than one hundred and fifty guests present for the memorable occasion.

Mr. Siu Tack Chuan, Chairman of Persatuan Daybreak, expressed his sincere thanks to all the distinguished guests for their presence. He remarked in his welcoming speech that many of the guests were also present at the Ground Breaking Ceremony for the new building on 21 September 1999. We rejoice that our Vision to have our own building has become a reality and we now have an impressive building with a training centre. He praised the caring attitude of the founders of Daybreak for initiating the setting up of the centre for the disabled. He was grateful to all the committee members, staff and volunteers for their commitment and untiring service. He thanked the public, private enterprises and the Government for their generous donations and grants. We are also grateful to the anonymous benefactor who donated a one acre plot of land for this building. Our Centre has succeeded in reaching out to a large number of disabled people in Kinta.



*Declaring their commitment to serve*

They are provided transport to and from the Centre in our vans and are taught new skills to help them to regain their self-esteem and get employment. They are then able to integrate into society and some of

them even to live an independent life. The Praise and Worship that followed his speech was led by Cell Group 15.

Rev. Ashok Amarasingham, Pastor of CGMC, said that he was present at the launching of Daybreak on 17 October 1992 and was indeed happy to officiate at this Thanksgiving and Blessing Ceremony. The setting up of Daybreak Centre was in accordance with one of the 4 Visions of our Church, which is "To Touch a needy community with God's transforming love and justice". He commended Persatuan Daybreak for its caring and continuous efforts in the expansion of this service to the people with disabilities in our community. Then the pastor consecrated the New Daybreak Centre for its continued service to the disabled. His Scripture Sharing was from John 10:1-10. Our Lord Jesus is the Good Shepherd and cares for his flock, the believers who follow him. The Good Shepherd was the appropriate prophetic image of the Messiah as given in the Old

Testament. In the sheep pen, 'e shepherd functioned as a gate to let in the sheep and to protect them. Jesus Christ is the gate to God's salvation for us and He is also our protector.



*Guests at the Blessing Ceremony*

Then the Chairman and Committee members of Daybreak declared their commitment and dedication of themselves for the service of God and people in Persatuan Daybreak. The pastor prayed for God's blessing on the special people in their learning of skills and vocational training. Then several Church leaders prayed for blessing and protection on the new building and surroundings of Persatuan Daybreak. The guests were then served with light refreshments in the dining room.

## *Daybreak Family Day*

Our Family Day was a reunion for our former trainees who had been placed out to work, present trainees and Daybreak staff. Besides them there were several family members of the disabled as well as our church members. There were about two hundred people gathered for this annual occasion in the Kesselring Hall, Canning Garden, Ipoh at 4p.m. on Sunday, 22 October 2000.

The Organising Chairperson, Mrs. Selina Lee, made a welcome speech and thanked all guests present at the party. Later we had a period of singspiration led by Mr. Anthony Seow and assisted by the musicians Messrs. Ah Bee, Felix and Rodney. This was an enjoyable session of lively songs and music. Mr. Anthony, a gifted guitarist and singer, coaxed our trainees and guests to sing and dance to the exciting rhythm of music.

This was followed by a Comedy Magic show by Ravi who is also known as Spotty the Clown. He performed a sleight of hand tricks and also sculptured balloons into different types of animals and objects. Ravi also distributed these balloons to our disabled guests. Then he entertained with his puppet named 'Banana'. He performed skillful ventriloquism along with some witty remarks that thrilled the audience. There were many happy faces and peals of laughter as our disabled guests enjoyed themselves.



*Dancing to lively  
music*



*Spotty the Clown*

Then we had an enjoyable buffet dinner of a variety of delicious food that were mainly donated by some generous donors.

The love and care shown to these special children of God will surely add some joy to their mundane lives. We would like to thank the Social Concerns Committee for organising this wonderful Family Day for our disabled guests.



## *New Daybreak Complex*

Our new address, telephone, facsimile, e-mail and website with effect from 2 January 2001 is as follows:-

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**DONATIONS:** We would be grateful for any donation to us. Cheques should be crossed and made payable to Persatuan Daybreak.