

# EDITORIAL

Dear readers,

We are not surprised that the modern world has readily taken to the relatively new phenomenon known as social media. Man has always been keen to communicate, for he is created as a social being, with an innate need and ability to relate to others. God created us in His own image and has instructed us to communicate with one another in truth, love, wisdom and purity. Jesus said, “But let your communication be, Yea, yea; Nay, nay: for whatsoever is more than these cometh of evil” (Matthew 5:37).

As man constantly invents and embraces new and effective methods of communication, “evil communications”, being propagated by the same means, also become rampant. This is particularly the case with social media. The Bible warns us in Colossians 3:8, “But now ye also put off all these; anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth.” In this issue of Bible Witness, Elder Richard Tiu (academic dean of Gethsemane Bible Institute, Cebu, the Philippines) scrutinises social media in the light of Scripture.

We pray that our readers, both young and old alike, would benefit spiritually from the articles inside. May our communication with one another be always God-honouring and mutually edifying!

On a different note, I would also like to keep our readers informed that this year, two retreats on the theme “Christology” are being planned by Bible Witness Media Ministry – the first in March (16th – 18th), and the other in September (7th – 9th). We hope many of you will be able to join us in these retreats for a blessed time of fellowship, prayer and study of the doctrine of Christ.

The glorious truths about Christ are not mundane matters which Christians can ignore or neglect. Clarity of understanding concerning the Person, Natures, Works and Offices of Jesus Christ is very crucial to proper worship, spiritual growth and spiritual fruitfulness. Moreover, there is an urgent need to give Christians a biblical grounding in the truths of Christ, for much of the preaching of Christ we hear today is seriously flawed, with some being even outright heresies! Let us be sure that the Jesus whom we trust and preach is the real Jesus whom the Bible reveals to us.

Here is an excellent opportunity prepared for you in the upcoming Bible Witness Retreats to learn about the foundational truths concerning Christology. So, come and rejoice in the truths about our Lord Jesus Christ so that you, “being astonished at the doctrine of the Lord” (Acts 13:12b), may truly believe.

Heartily in His service,  
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