MY LIFE IN FEBC
2002 ~ 2005

CLASS 2005
INTRODUCING FEBC

It is the Bible College

There are many Bible colleges and seminaries in the World. But how many colleges actually preach the Word of God? How many still believe the Word of God as the actual Word of God? How many believe there is the power in the blood of our Savior Jesus Christ? Where is sin? Where is hell? Where is repentance? Indeed, schools are many but true Bible training schools are few. Far Eastern Bible College is one of those few which holds to the Word of God faithfully and sincerely. It is THE BIBLE COLLEGE for me.

Founder of the School

FEBC is founded by Rev. Timothy Tow. He is a true scholar who holds the Word of God faithfully. Also, he is most sincere pastor who feeds his flocks with love and care. He founded the school 1962, and he has been serving as principal and as one of the favorite lecturers in FEBC.

Bible

Holding forth the Word of Life" (Phil 2:16) and "Holding fast the Faithful Word" (Titus 1:9) are two biblical watchwords of Far Eastern Bible College. FEBC is set up for the orthodox teaching of the Sacred Scriptures to nurture a new generation of "evangelists, pastors and teachers" is being assailed more and more by the counter-forces of liberalism, neo-orthodoxy, neo-evangelicalism, charismatism, and neo-fundamentalism.

(from http://www.fabc.edu.sg/bible.htm)

Program

Far Eastern Bible College provides various degree courses.

Certificate of Religious Knowledge
Certificate of Biblical Studies
Diploma in Theology
Bachelor of Religious Education
Bachelor of Theology
Bachelor of Ministry
Master of Religious Education
Master of Divinity
Master of Theology
Doctor of Theology

for further details please visit http://www.fabc.edu.sg/programmes.htm
School Scene

RIGHT
FEBC Hall

BELOW
Life Church Sanctuary for Night Class

ABOVE
Library

ABOVE
Scene of main Entrance

RIGHT
Night Scene of Bell-tower

Other facilities include the internet room, language classrooms, and additional library rooms which are not on the list above.

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One thing I really enjoyed in FEBC was the morning prayer meeting. Every morning from 7:30 till 8:00, students open the day with devotion and prayer. It really helps to make a day. Also, the students edify one another with encouragements and prayers during this time.

**Pray**

“Pray without ceasing”

1 Thessalonians 5:17

**Grow**

“Seest thou how faith wrought with his works, and by works was faith made perfect?”

James 2:22

**Read**

“All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness.”

2 Timothy 3:16

Indeed, many mornings, I was challenged by the word of God. He spoke to me through His Word, and fulfilled all my needs. Thank God for the precious moments in the mornings.
After a prayer meeting in the morning, all students participate in the morning chapel hour. On Monday, Rev. Timothy Tow, a well-experienced pastor, delivers practical messages to the students. On Tuesday and Friday, the lecturers such as Rev. Koa, Rev. Tan, Dr. Khoo, Rev. Quek, Rev. Koshy, and Rev. Sin give various messages to challenge the students. On Wednesday, under the instruction of Rev. Tow, the appointed students practice homiletics. On the Thursday, guest speakers from local churches come to preach the Word of God to the students.

The morning chapel is beneficial for every theological student because the students are fed by the spiritual bread. Also, students can learn homiletics by hearing from other speakers as well as by preaching at the pulpit once in a while. Thirdly, Rev. Tow who has been preaching for more than half a century gives the clear and standard way to preach.
ORIGINAL LANGUAGES

If someone were to ask me what is my favorite subject in FEBC, I would say the Biblical languages are my favorite classes. Even though I do not have good linguistic talent, I really enjoyed the language. In fact, as I learned theology, I realized the importance of languages.

Greek

The New Testament of the Bible is written in Greek. FEBC offers three years of Greek. Our Matron Mrs. Ivy Tow teaches Elementary Greek. Dr. Khoo and Mr. George Skariah took turns to teach Greek Reading and Greek Exegesis.

Hebrew

The Old Testament of the Bible is written in Hebrew. FEBC offers two years of Hebrew language studies. Rev. Prabhudas Koshy teaches the elementary Hebrew and Hebrew Reading is taught by Rev. Quek Suan Yew.
Every Wednesday afternoon, the whole students body go for practical evangelism. Holding tracts in one hand and an invitation in the other, students fan out to various places such as HDB estates, MRT stations, China Town, Bugis Junction, etc. Some people get to know Jesus Christ as their personal Savior as students witness Jesus as He commanded. People are also invited to a special “Gospel Rally.” Students have to organize the meeting during the semester.

There are special guest speakers for the messages

**LEFT** Dr. Khoo (left)

**BELLOw** Teo See Hock (left)

There are also special guests for the meeting

**ABOVE**
Sister Deborah Mac and Judith

**RIGHT**
Brother Edsel Locot (left)
College Choir

The college choir practice once or twice a week for the Gospel Rally. They take a part of the program to preach with music and to challenge the audience.

**ABOVE**
English Choir is formed by international students

**BELOW**
Chinese Choir is generally formed by Singaporeans and Chinese-speaking students from other countries such as Indonesia and Malaysia.

Dorm Prayer Meeting

371 Pray

Sweet Hour of Prayer
Willaim W. Walford, 1772 - 1830

“For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.”
Matthew 18:20

Every Thursday night, there is a special dorm prayer meeting. Students take time to share their testimonies and their burdens.
4th Thursday of the Month

Every 4th Thursday night, there is combined prayer meeting. All students gather at the FEBC hall for the prayer time.
Tuesday Sports

Physical Training

Spiritual Growth is very important; however, physical training should also be taken into consideration.

Every Tuesday afternoon, students gather together under the instruction of the sports secretary. Most students participate in the sports and games like basketball, Captains ball, table tennis, volleyball, soccer, etc. Once in a while, lecturers spend time with students for their edification and encouragement.

Trophies are awarded by the sports secretary to those who did well in the games.
I have fought a good fight,
I have finished my course,
I have kept the faith:
2 Timothy 4:7

The Graduation Service is one of the important event of the year. The moment of graduation does not mean a student is finished with his study since he must study all the days of his life. But this is the moment of dedication to a life of actual ministry.

Even though it is a day of celebration, every student should have a conviction and willingness to serve God faithfully until the end.

Dean Burgon Oath

I swear in the Name of the Triune God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit that I believe “the Bible is none other than the voice of Him that sitteth upon the throne. Every book of it, every chapter of it, every verse of it, every word of it, every syllable of it, every letter of it, is direct utterance of the Most High. The Bible is none other than the Word of God, not some part of it more, some part of it less, but all alike the utterance of Him that sitteth upon the throne, faultless, unerring, supreme.”
The ceremony begins with the FEBC anthem. It is written with great concern and love by Rev. Tow for the whole student body.
Mersing Trip

At the end of the semester, the school holds a retreat at Resort Lautan Biru which is located in Mersing, Malaysia. It takes about three hours of driving from Far Eastern Bible College to get there.

The trip has become a tradition for the school. We enjoy a relaxing time after the final exams.

The retreat is more like a Bible camp for the college students. It is a time of worship, fellowship, testimony and spiritual development.
Worship

The retreat in Mersing is a time of spiritual revival through the preaching of God’s Word.

“God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.”

John 4:24
Praise

Thanksgiving

It is time of thanksgiving. Many students share their testimonies to encourage, to edify, and to praise the Lord.

RIGHT from TOP
Brother Phan
Brother Sokhom
Brother Salai

BELOW
Rev. Khoo, Dr. Khoo,
Sister Roska, Rev. Quck

BELOW
Faculty

RIGHT
Brothers from Indonesia

BELOW
Students from Nagaland

ABOVE
Brothers from Nepal

LEFT
Students from Korea
Fellowship

Students present skits to present to teach certain spiritual lessons. Students also enjoy playing table tennis, soccer, basketball, volleyball, and badminton with one another.
One bright and sunny day, the whole student body went to Changi beach for a school outing. The students enjoyed the time of entertainment, refreshment, and fellowship.
LEFT
The Story of Joseph

Various Groups pictures
At Changi beach

ABOVE & LEFT
The Group Exercise
INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

FEBC is an international school. The School is well-known in various countries and the churches send their students to be trained with solid doctrines. Countries represented are Cambodia, China, India, Indonesia, Kenya, Korea, Malaysia, Myanmar, Nepal, Philippines, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Tanzania, Thailand, and Vietnam.
PEOPLE IN...

Kenya

Korea

Thailand

Myanmar

Nepal

Malaysia

Singapore
“But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.” Acts 1:8
George Skariah

Nationality: India    Course: ThD

Testimony

I was called to the ministry at the age of 17. I underwent basic theological training at FEBC. During that period, the Lord transformed my life. I experienced His love and mercy so much in my life.

I desire to preach and teach His truth of the Gospel to my own country-men back in India. I also desire to establish a Bible-Presbyterian mission station in India, supported by Maranatha BPC.

Most Memorable Time

I have taught Greek Exegesis for the last three years. It was a wonderful time of learning and hard work. Also, interactions with students, and the mental and spiritual growth experienced are most memora-

Favorite Subject

Two subjects I have enjoyed most are Charismatism and Bible Preservation. Teaching was thorough, very informative, and very interesting.

Advice to other students

Life is very short, redeem the time, work hard, serve the Lord with humility and faithfulness.
Michael Koech

Nationality: Kenya  Course: ThM

Testimony

As I have done since I first graduated from FEBC in 1987, I will continue to teach at Bomet Bible Institute and also shepherd the church there. With the lessons learned from the current course, by the grace of God, I hope to improve the quality of my service.

Most Memorable Time

Every occasion at the college has been exciting; I have been delighted by the devotional times, lecture room sessions, meal times, and fellowship with students. All are memorable times.

Favorite Subject

I have special interest in subjects that directly involve my ministry. Systematic Theology has been of interest to me, since this is what I expect to teach in my future ministry.

Advice to other students

When one comes to Bible college, regardless of education or Christian background, there is always something new to learn. So approach every subject with enthusiasm, and look forward to putting into practice the lessons that you have learned. Above all, “Fear God and keep His commandments; for this is the whole duty of man.” (Eccl. 12:3)
Yip Moh Chung
Teresa

Nationality: Singaporean    Course: MDiv

Testimony

Before I entered FEBC, the Lord led me to serve among the Mainland Chinese people in Singapore. He gradually confirmed my call to serve my Chinese people even until now, and in the future after my graduation.

Most Memorable Time

One of the most memorable events is the Mersing Camp after exams where both lecturer and students could gather together in a casual manner to share and enjoy the fellowship with joy and various interesting activities. Another most treasured time in FEBC would be the time I spent in the girl’s dorm, whereby we shared both good times and difficult times together.

Favorite Subject

One of my favorite subjects was OT History because I learnt many new insights into OT passages and characters, and I enjoyed the discussions arising from Rev. Quek’s questions too. I also enjoyed the original languages, Greek and Hebrew lessons, because learning a new language is always interesting for me. Being able to understand God’s Word in the original language spurs me on.

Advice to other students

Time passes by very quickly. Do not stay in FEBC if you intend to “while” your time away. Make sure you learn something that would help you to serve in the ministry or even become a better Christian.
Nelson Noel Were

Nationality: Kenya  Course: MDiv

Testimony

My call to the ministry came about the same time as my salvation. Shortly after I was born again, God placed a burden in my heart for full-time service. This burden did not go or grant me peace until I made a vow to serve the Lord full-time (after discussing with my parents and pastor). When I finished my diploma, both my pastor and circumstances reminded me of my promise and I entered into Bible school with the aim of being a pastor. When I came to FEBC, my vision for ministry broadened as I saw the need for teachers who can train pastors and also the involvement with the FCM has opened my eyes to the need of a fundamental tertiary students outreach in my country. It is my prayer and desire to teach in the Bible school and start a students outreach in addition to being a pastor.

Most Memorable Time

In FEBC all the time spent is memorable from dorm life to sports and recreation, from class interactions and projects to turbulent seas off Tioman island; but for me the most memorable would be the time spent in the kitchen. Starting from just normal kitchen duty of preparing breakfast and washing utensils, to being one of the cooks at FEBC as well as being involved in marketing has taught me a lot and given me many precious memories and also helped me grow.

Favorite Subject

I enjoy all subjects I learn and when I register for a subject it is because I desire to learn but if asked which subjects are my favourite then I think it is the languages (Greek and Hebrew) because they bring the Scriptures to life and give me a deeper appreciation of God's Word. Old Testament History is a subject I wouldn't mind repeating for I enjoyed it very much.

Advice to other students

Matthew 10:24-25 cf. Luke 6:40 are some of my favourite verses and they give me my perspective in ministry. Studies are not easy and hardships are many. But to those who seek after Him and desire like Him to be, to them His grace all-sufficient will be. To those who seek more like the Master to be, though trials be through the fire, to them precious are these trials when they remember His promise that when fully trained and perfect, then like their Master they shall be.
Richard M. Tio

Nationality: Filipino  Course: BTh

Testimony
Having come out from a Christian drug rehabilitation ministry, it has always been my desire to help lead drug addicts to know Christ and live a transformed life for His glory. This will be the main focus of my work in the coming years though I will also be helping out in the work of the Lord at Gethsemane BP mission Church in Cebu.

Most Memorable Time
That would be the very first week of classes during my first semester of study. After knowing all the course assignments and the stringent requirements that are expected of FEBC students, I almost wanted to go back home. I would have were it not for the encouragement of some of our classmates. Even now I can still remember that day and looking back I can only marvel with a grateful heart at how the Lord has seen me through four years of tough academic and spiritual training. FEBC is indeed the spiritual equivalent of SAFTI.

Favorite Subject
Church History. Being a former Roman Catholic, it was important for me to trace history and understand how and why the Church of Rome has become what it is today. It is my burden to let as many people in my country know what the Protestant Reformation is all about that they too may open their eyes to the truth.

Advice to other students
I am very thankful to the Lord that He did not lead me to any other Bible College and I think every FEBCian likewise should. I consider my four years of study here as some of the best years of my life. It did not only shape my doctrine but also my character because only the truth is taught and the faith zealously defended. I exhort all my fellow FEBCians to remain loyal to our alma mater and to the doctrines that we have been taught in this college. May the Lord find all of us faithful as we labour in His vineyard. For His glory!
Rio L. Espejón

Nationality: Filipino  Course: BTh

Testimony
I received my calling when I was still in the ministry of House of Hope-Cebu, Philippines, in the year 2000, when God impressed a burden in my heart to serve Him. Where and how? I don’t know? But as time passed by, God opened a door for me to study here in Far Eastern Bible College, Singapore, to prepare me and equip me for His vineyard. Again, just before my graduation, God opened a door for me to serve in the House of Hope, and minister to the former drug addicts there.

I am still praying for God’s clear leading for my life, for it is my desire that one day I may also serve Him in the church. But as for now I will give my best in serving in a drug ministry because it is my promise to God that I will be used in the ministry that had helped me out of the bondage of drug addiction (If God so wills.)

Most Memorable Time
My time of studies here in FEBC is already considered as the most memorable time. Many things I’ve learned, concerning God and concerning myself. I remember the first time I came here to FEBC, I have “zero” theology, but now by the grace of God I am founded and established by the fundamentals of the faith. (Covenantal Theology and Calvinism)

Favorite Subject
My favorite subjects are the Life of Christ, Harmony of the Gospels, and Eschatology. The reason is because the life and ministry of Jesus Christ is so wonderful to hear and meditate upon, His life is full of practical application and spiritual blessings and learning. Every time in class, the Word of God just comes alive! And also the doctrine of the last days is something that we Christians should learn and look forward to. It helps us and encourages us “to work while it is day for the night cometh when no man can work.” Christ is coming soon! Praise the Lord!

Advice to other students
I am surrounded by different students from different nationalities and culture, and each one has his own unique attitude and manner of life. Well, I learned to acknowledge it, accept it, and most of all, it helps me to change my own attitude too. I can’t change them, I can only change myself by the help of God and His Word. Generally, the students are helpful and kind, and sensitive enough for the concern of others. They are brother’s keepers.
Praise the LORD for my three years in FEBC. When I came to FEBC, so many people told me that I made the wrong decision. Even, I did not know why God led me to FEBC instead of another seminary in another country where I was already accepted. Throughout those three years, I was waiting upon the Lord for His guidance. And now, I am very thankful for His love and mercy on me, his little child. These years were very precious moments in my life. I was challenged so many times by the Word of God in this school, especially, concerning the Word of God itself. I am convinced and convicted. Concerning covenant theology, I am encouraged and delighted by His grace.

Also, it was my privilege to be with Rev. Timothy Tow who is one of the great Christians in the contemporary Christian world. I have learned from my parent and pastor about his sincerity, faithfulness, and conviction since I was young.

Indeed, there are not many Bible seminaries in the world where I can trust their theology. I rejoice that God has prepared FEBC for those who really seek the truth. And it is my prayer that

God preserve His people in FEBC who hold the truth.

God be glorified through FEBC.

God’s Kingdom be extended by FEBC.

Amen.

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