

# Kairos καίρος Research Centre

## Christian Faith Seeking Understanding Intellectual Witness and Spiritual Renewal

The Church in Malaysia urgently needs to develop a thoughtful and comprehensive answer to contemporary challenges to its life and mission. In response to this task Kairos Research Centre was set up in 1993 as a non-profit entity by a group of evangelical leaders with the following objectives:

### 1. To encourage and facilitate Christian research and scholarship on issues relevant to Malaysian Christianity.

Given the complexity of the Malaysian society, we seek to encourage Christian scholars to work together in an interdisciplinary venture drawing from a variety of modern fields of knowledge such as theology, philosophy, science, and socio-political theory for the purpose of formulating an integrated Christian knowledge. This will facilitate the development of Christianity in contemporary society, particularly in Malaysia with its multi-religious context.

### 2. To contribute towards the intellectual development of Christian leaders and thinkers.

We also seek to identify and nurture younger Christian leaders who have a contribution to make to the wider Christian community through their scholarship and research. It will conduct specialized seminars/lectures to help such leaders develop their Christian scholarship on relevant issues. The Centre will publish works by Malaysian Christian researchers and scholars and is committed to making its research materials available to the Church in a user-friendly form.

### Doctrinal Affirmations

As a group of Malaysian evangelicals who affirm the historic universal creeds – the Apostles' Creed, the Nicene Creed and the Chalcedonian Creed, we uphold the following beliefs:

*The Bible:* The Bible, in its entirety, is the infallible, inerrant, and inspired Word of God. It is the final and sufficient authority for all matters of Christian belief and conduct.

*The Trinity:* We believe in the Triune God – The one God who eternally exists in three distinct persons who are the same in substance and equal in power and glory – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*The Sovereign God:* We believe the Triune God is the creator, sustainer and ruler of everything that exists. By his eternal decrees he has established the universe, governs it according to his sovereign will and accomplishes salvation of the human race which fell in Adam.

*The Person and Work of the Lord Jesus Christ:* We believe in the full deity and humanity of the Lord Jesus Christ, in His virgin birth and in His sinless life. We believe that Christ accomplished our redemption through his sacrificial death on the cross which was penal substitutionary and redemptive.

*Holy Spirit and Salvation:* We believe salvation is wholly by grace and not on the basis of human merit or works. The Holy Spirit applies Christ's work of redemption to individuals who repent of their sins and trust in Christ alone for salvation. The Holy Spirit's ministry is to glorify Jesus Christ and empower the believer for godly living and service.



*Christian Mission and Common Grace:* As Christians who enjoy God's special grace by which God redeems, sanctifies and glorifies his Church, we believe that God exercises common grace to restrain sin and to bless all humanity with diversity of gifts and talents for the flourishing of human society. We affirm that God made Adam and Eve to complement one another and their relationship provides a normative pattern of marriage and faithful sexual relationships. Because of common grace Christians are committed to promoting moral values based on God's commandments that ensure a well-ordered society and care of creation.

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