



The 13th Annual Evangelistic Meeting The Blade Runner - Overcoming Adversities

The 13th Annual Evangelistic Meeting was successfully held on 9th June, 2021 at Concordia Lutheran School - North Point. The theme of this year was "The Blade Runner - Overcoming Adversities". All participants were deeply inspired by the testimony of Ms Janice Chak who has been the chairperson of the Hong Kong Amputees Association Limited and fully empowered by the gospel and blessings from God.



Supervisor Mr Chu delivered the welcoming speech which introduced the guest Ms Janice Chak for her witness in God

The sermons were carried out amidst the singing of Young Life and the school's worship team. With a heart of gratitude, every participant chanted the good news of "What Faith Can Do" and "Love Never Ends". After Reverend Kwan prayed for the meeting, our school supervisor Mr Chu introduced to the congregation the guest speaker Ms Janice Chak who has strong determination to overcome all difficulties in her life. To show students' appreciation of Janice's great perseverance, the Spiritual and Nurture Department jointly organized a series of competitions namely "The Blade Runner - Chinese Writing Competition" with the Chinese Department, and "Bible Scripture Design Competition" with the Visual Arts Department. Winners of the aforementioned competitions received prizes and certificates from Reverend Kwan and Janice with great honour.



Karene from Young Life and the School's Worship Team led all in the worship

Janice's testimony began with her miserable yet blessed childhood experience. She suffers from congenital vascular tumors and her doctor once concluded that she could not live beyond twenty years old. What makes her life even more difficult is that her mother died at a young age and her father suffers eye diseases. Although Janice is severely tortured by her illnesses and some people would even say she is cursed by her fate, the Holy Spirit actually has planted a seed in her heart. Fortunately, during her secondary schooling, she participated in church worship, and was deeply moved by the unconditional love of her church brothers and sisters. Since then, she has felt the grace of God and promised herself to face all challenges in her life with much courage.

Later after an accident, Janice received a considerable amount of compensation which allowed her to undergo surgery and wear a prosthesis. Although the operation was successful, the postoperative recovery period was long and painful. The pain of adapting to the prosthesis was so unbearable that Janice had countless thoughts of giving up. However, she started to pray and found much peace and power in her prayers. God also sent angels to comfort and support her such as her prosthetic therapists, doctors, and church sisters.

To face all adversities in her life, Janice is a warrior. Now, she has made a breakthrough and attained so many achievements. Not only is she a physical therapy assistant, but also serves as the chairperson of Hong Kong Amputees Association Limited. With the power of faith, Janice has accomplished many seemingly impossible attempts. She not only participated in high-altitude rope netting, rock climbing, triathlon, but also completed a ten-kilometer marathon. The Bible says, "Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one gets the prize? Run in such a way as to get the prize." (1 Corinthians 9:24). Today, keeping her strong faith in God, Janice can run freely on her wonderful life track, rushing out all adversities. And the congregation was greatly moved by Janice's inspirational testimony and were amazed by the power of God. To conclude the meeting, Reverend Cheung led a prayer and shared a bible verse "but whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give them will become in them a spring of water welling up to eternal life" (John 4:14). It is hoped that everyone can stay hopeful and shine brightly despite all adversities faced.

In recent years, Hong Kong has encountered many challenges. Yet, we firmly believe God will protect us and guide us through all difficulties. May the Lord's goodness flow abundantly over the Concordians and Hong Kong.



Ms Janice Chak shared her experience as a witness. Although there were obstacles, she overcame them by relying on God



Dr. Samuel Yung Wing Ki, SBS, MH, JP, The Director of Hong Kong Examination and Assessment Authority, attended the prayer meeting



Reverend Cheung responded to Ms Chak's sharing and led the ending prayer



Reverend Kwan led the opening prayer