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This Family Letter seems to be a good means of communication between members of the whole EFCA family and myself, even though this is merely one-way communication. As you know, I won't be able to split myself up and attend every worship service on a given Sunday, much less to take part in every one of your Fellowships and small groups. I've shared at the two English services last Sunday when I preached there that I'm learning a new management method called "MBDA", Management by Driving Around, the inspiration of which comes from "Management By Objectives" and "Management by Walking Around." My primary purpose / objective is to meet as many of you as possible and remember as many names and faces as possible. From there, I hope to understand your passion, dreams and ministries. I would like to get to know more of you in a more personal way.

I'm also working hard on knowing more about EFCA as a whole, including the 4Ps and SC (People, Programmes, Policies & Practices, Systems & Culture). This is an important step as we strive to bring the different congregations of EFCA together in harmony and unity. But I can't do it alone. Everyone in EFCA needs to work on it.

As I shared at my Inauguration Service in April, I hope to be a bridge-builder in connecting one congregation with another, as well as connecting people with people. John 17 is a prayer of Jesus for the unity of His disciples and it has been described as an unanswered prayer and the responsibility lies with us. Unity of Christians is not something that we create or begin. It falls within the "already but not yet" category because unity is essentially in Christ – but we should develop and maintain what He has begun. God will be pleased as our togetherness in Christ is more fully realized and as God is pleased, His blessings will flow more abundantly in EFCA corporately and in our lives individually. On the practical side, harmony and unity are the necessary fuel that propels our ministries to the next level to which God is delighted to take us. God is inviting you to be part of this great process. Are you ready?