

## **CREST OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT**

The Board of Directors is pleased to announce the appointment of Dr Yoong Sao Chin as the Executive Director of Crisis Relief Services and Training effective from October 1, 2023.

Dr Yoong has been an independent director of CREST since 2005 and will bring new ideas and move the organization forward in disaster response and recovery. He is married to June Poh, worships in Canning Garden Baptist Church in Ipoh, and has two children Rebecca and Michael.

He is a Medical Doctor by training and was in private medical practice before leaving for London to pursue his ***Master in Risk and Disaster Sciences at University College, London***. His first ***Master in Public Health was from the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine***. In addition to his ***postgraduate Diploma in Disaster Management from the University of Wisconsin at Madison***, he was selected for training by UNHCR and World Health Organization, Mediterranean region.

His field experience with CREST includes responding to overseas disasters and follow-up development of eight different countries in areas like water & sanitation, income generation, early child development centres, and animal husbandry projects. Nearer home, he has participated in local floods and during the CREST 2021 Covid quarantine centres. For his contribution in the disaster field, he was awarded the winner for Social Impact by the British Council, Malaysia in 2018

He hopes to bring his experience to the fore in this organization that has served vulnerable communities affected by disasters both locally and abroad. With the cooperation from churches and corporate bodies that have supported CREST all these years, we hope to continue our services to build resilience in vulnerable communities. It is our hope that God's love will be channelled through CREST and volunteers to serve the poor and needy in crisis situations.

Yours sincerely,



Rev Dr Ng Swee Ming MBBS; IDHA  
CREST Chairman  
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