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Dear Members of The OFA and Fellow Frees,

This year marks the 200th anniversary of Penang Free School. All Old Frees are invited to attend the memorial service of Reverend Robert Sparke Hutchings, Founder of Penang Free School:-

On: Friday, 21st October 2016 at 7:00 am

At: The old Protestant Cemetery in Jalan Sultan Ahmad Shah (Northam Road), Penang.

This Thanksgiving Memorial Service is steeped in history and tradition. On the 21st of October each year (anniversary of Penang Free School's founding), prefects, teachers and school representatives from Penang Free School and SMK Hutchings will gather at the tomb of Reverend Hutchings to commemorate his life and service to the school. The thanksgiving memorial service will be led by Reverend Ho Kong Eng, an Anglican Priest who is also an alumni of Penang Free School. For more information, please contact: Reverend *Ho Kong Eng* at: *017 - 550 3084*.

We look forward to welcoming all to uphold this meaningful tradition of commemorating the life, ministry & work of the esteemed founder of Penang Free School.

Over the past years, the media have provided coverage of this memorial service. Here are some past press clippings:-

- http://www.thestar.com.my/metro/community/2015/10/23/tribute-to-school-founder-penang-free-school-and-smk-hutchings-students-honour-legacy-of-rev-hutchin/
- http://www.thestar.com.my/News/Community/2013/10/22/Schools-founder-remembered-in-memorial-service/
- http://www.thestar.com.my/News/Community/2014/10/23/Tribute-to-school-founder-PFS-students
 -and-teachers-honour-legacy-of-Rev-Hutchings/
- http://berita.cari.com.my/news.php?id=2349&lang=en

Andrew Lim Chong Huat Honorary Secretary

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