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God's Economy

There has been no shortage of financial news and commentary in the media over the past few months. Just about every time you open a newspaper or turn on the television you will be confronted with an item dealing with the economy and its effects on people during the current downturn. Grace News is no exception, but with one important difference: we have tried to present the world's current economic problems from God's perspective (see page two). Let us acknowledge that only God is in control – of financial systems as much as in any other area of life, and that our security is to be found only in Him. This time of crisis is also an opportunity for us to reach out in love to those who need help, both inside and outside the church.

On a happier note, turn to page four to read an article by our incoming Senior Pastor Arnold Wong introducing himself, his family and his ministry, and sharing some of his thoughts as he and Effie prepare to move to Singapore to serve in our midst. And as Yap Kim Meng prepares to step down as full-time elder don't miss his article on the right of this page as he looks back on his experiences over the past year.

Also in this issue there are articles on:

- Outreach in Pua, Thailand;
- New ministry leaders at the Youth Ministry and Young Adults Ministry.

May you be blessed as you read.

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Pastor's Message

Full-Time Elder for a Year

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YAP KIM MENG, ELDER

I felt led of the Lord to help cover the gap in the pastoral leadership at GBC for one year when Peter left in mid-July 2008. The 'fleece test' was whether the Navigators leadership would approve my request for leave of absence, which could have been viewed as unreasonable as I had just taken a short break on medical grounds. But contrary to expectation, as the Lord worked out the circumstances, approval was given.

It has been a great time at the church office working closely with Pastor Dick and Pastor Bobby, and also having close interaction with Wing Cheong, Pauline, Pei Fen, Pastor James and Pastor Lay Thok. It has helped me appreciate in a deeper way the role of a pastor, and I now have great admiration for pastors called to serve in a local church. I think it is a more difficult role than that of a missionary.

Keeping a regime together with the rest of my fellow church workers has been stimulating and has provided a lively interactive context for involvement and spurring one another on in the ministry of the church. Meals, especially lunch, have been significant markers each day, and the discussions, sharing and praying that happen spontaneously have been uplifting and encouraging.

A key part of my concern was the pulpit calendar and the care groups study materials – so we had the study of 1 Thessalonians, Titus, the Upper Room Discourse and the Christmas outreach period in 2008. We also had the unusual opportunity of the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association picking 2008 as the year when they launched My Hope Singapore. In addition we had our own

My Hero Christmas Outreach, and this Easter (09) we are having another outreach effort when we will be screening the movie Fireproof.

In the midst of all that was happening there was also a growing realisation that the church's 50th anniversary was coming up in August 2009. Being the full-time elder with pastoral oversight, it became my role to help put all this together with the help of various others. So we parcelled out the workload such that Swee Hin helped with the Grace News special publication, Soo Hee with the Anniversary Lunch on Sunday 16 August, Bobby with a Carnival on Saturday 15 August and Dick with the Missions Conference on 21 – 23 August (Friday – Sunday). Dick managed to get hold of a keynote Missions speaker, the Rev Roger Welch, and also committed the Missions Committee to bring back our missionaries for this celebration. I had the celebration service on Sunday 16 August as my main responsibility. While in the States accompanying Deborah for her exchange at the University of California, Berkeley, I was led to study the Jubilee from Leviticus 25 and eventually focused on Isaiah 61. The idea of release, rest, redemption, renewal, rebuilding and restoration really caught my attention. I am praying that we will experience all the Rs for our anniversary, the year of the Lord's favour. Let's look forward to our Lord Jesus Christ once more affirming the call of our church to move forward in faith, looking expectantly to the arrival of our Senior Pastor and the response of our people to press forward in faith and belief for the Lord to do a deepening work in our midst.✝

The Current Global Economic Crisis

SEAH YEN GOON & BRYAN CHAN

We have all been affected by the current economic crisis, and to help give us a better insight of this crisis, the GN team posed a series of questions to a couple respected church members, Fock Siew Wah and Seck Wai Kwong, to share their views and advice. Siew Wah is currently the Chairman of PSA, while Wai Kwong is the Executive Senior Vice-President of the Singapore Stock Exchange. We also invited Dr EN Poulson, our Pastor Emeritus, to comment from a pastoral perspective.

GN: How would you characterize this economic crisis?

FSW: This economic crisis is a global synchronised recession that is severe and deep. No country is spared and Singapore is no exception. It is likely to be the worst we have experienced in our lifetime. The crisis which started with the collapse of the U.S. sub-prime mortgage market and highly over leveraged household financials quickly led to the bursting of a series of bubbles of major proportion that deteriorated with frightening speed and intensity into the massive destruction of core capital of most major financial institutions, collapse of stock markets globally and even the collapse of inter-bank markets around the world.

These led to a major global credit crunch of such severity that it shocked even the most seasoned and experienced. The almost instant stoppage of credit facilities to finance trade, industries, businesses and infra-structure projects forced many corporations, business enterprises, SMEs and even households into bankruptcy. Fear, loss of confidence and risk-aversion became universal and wide spread. A world-wide deep and complex recession of large proportion has begun the likes of which the world has not seen since the great depression of the 1930s. Almost instantly, consumers seized by fear drastically reduced or stopped buying, investors overwhelmed with a great sense of uncertainty and the lack of financing dared not and could not invest and even banks no longer trusting each other retreated from lending to each other and caused the inter-bank market to collapse.

SWK: This is probably the worst economic downturn we have seen in our generation. The closest precedent may be the Great Depression of the 1930s.

ENP: I can remember The Great Depression, and we certainly have not reached that low level—yet.

GN: Is it similar to past economic crisis?

FSW: This economic crisis is dissimilar to other recessions in that it is globally synchronised tearing through economies and countries across the world with unexpectedly frightening speed and intensity like a wild raging fire that is completely out of control.

It packs a huge devastating force that is never seen before, the force born of the bursting of a series of bubbles of major proportion. In the past we only had the bursting of a single bubble at any given time like the dot.com bubble that did not affect other segments of the economy. Even then the dot.com bubble took the markets two years to recover.

In the current crisis all segments of the economy have been badly hit concurrently. This unfortunately besides industries, businesses and households also include the critical elements of financial

institutions, financial markets and even governmental finances. When all these most critical elements and so called life-blood of any economy are hit and go down at the same time, it spells major disaster. This also explains the frightening speed, intensity and devastating impacts that we have witnessed thus far.

SWK: In the last 30 years we had the Latin American debt crisis of the early 1980s, our own Pan Electric crisis in 1985, the US Savings & Loans crisis in the late 1980's, the Asian financial crisis of 1998, the dot.com bust of 2000 and the SARS crisis in 2003: these were all confined to certain geographies or industries.

The current crisis is a global one, no doubt accentuated by the increasingly globalised and interdependent nature of our economic and financial systems. The breadth and depth of the crisis would likely exceed those listed above. The closest precedent may be the Great Depression of the 1930s.

GN: What is the cause of this turmoil?

FSW: The root causes of the turmoil can be traced to the convergence of the following factors:

- the lamentable laxity in regulatory controls in the U.S.
- the appalling misguided liberal mind-sets and U.S. monetary policies that provided easy and abundant availability of cheap financing that in turn fuelled the “living way beyond one's means” dreams
- excessively high gearings or over leveraging in financials of corporates and households.
- frenzied activities of greed without regulatory restraints in the blind pursuit of wealth absent of ethics and honesty among the smartest minds in the financial services and business sectors.
- complexities in the structuring of financial instruments that can only be understood by the small number of smart minds with the aid of advanced computing enabling. Such instruments were then distributed and sold to all and sundry especially the man in the street who like many CEOs and board directors of banks never understood the embedded complexities and risks but willed themselves to believe that they understood because of the promise of much higher capital gains and yields. Greed finally makes mirage look real. One of those absolutely hard to understand instruments embedded with the most complexities and risks is called the “accumulator”. It sounds like “I'll kill you later” and it actually turned out to be exactly that for most of the participants because of the built-in multiple layers of escalating risks.

ENP: “Blame” is ascribed to a variety of individuals and institutions. The one common denominator indicates greed as to chief cause.

GN: How long will this economic storm last?

FSW: Thus far, all the actions taken by various governments have not been able to stem the profuse recessionary bleeding or to reverse the tide of fear, loss of confidence and risk-aversion. This economic storm is so severe, deep and complex that no one government or even a grouping of governments can stop in the short term. At the end of the day what is needed is to allow for all excesses in the system to be squeezed out before a sustainable recovery can come about.

The critical issue is not liquidity which governments have been frantically pumping into the financial systems but the massive destruction of core capital of financial institutions. Without the necessary capital adequacy financial institutions can no longer lend and worst in many cases they need to down-size their balance sheet by calling back loans. It is estimated that financial institutions

“Do not work for food that spoils, but for food that endures to eternal life...” John 6:27

around the world have lost conservatively at least US\$1.5 trillion in core capital. This means that the world has lost at least US\$15 trillion of lending capacity. That explains the major global credit crunch and the inability of banks to lend despite the plentiful supply of liquidity.

SWK: That depends on how quickly the governments can clean up and fix their banking system, get lending going again and businesses back on their feet; restore public confidence so that consumers will spend, businesses can sell and factories can run. Many governments have begun unprecedented monetary and fiscal stimulus to jump start their economies (Singapore, for example is dipping into its reserves for the first time in its history). The world is operating in uncharted waters.

More important than ever we will need to pray for government and business leaders in Singapore and around the world, that they may have wisdom to implement the right policies, in the right measure, at the right time.

GN: What changes do you see in the economy post-recession?

FSW: This global synchronised and deep recession has pushed us into an era of de-leveraging. This means substantial down-sizing of businesses and trading activities, consolidation of financial services, industrial and business sectors everywhere - many will collapse and disappear, sharp write-down of asset valuations - this affects all classes of asset and slow down in world trade. The net net result will be major retrenchments in every sector of economic activities and services.

SWK: The weaker economic players will be weeded out so that the economy rebounds on a stronger footing. Unfortunately there is likely to be a human toll, and there is where the church needs to be alert and ready to minister.

GN: What investments make sense during this tough time?

SWK: It's truly difficult to give general investment advice. Investments must be tailored to one's situation: assets and liabilities, stage in life, family situation, needs, financial objectives, and risk tolerance.

FSW: But if you are one of the wise and prudent—holding on to cash and not borrowings—and if you can tolerate an investment duration of at least 3–5 years, it may make sense for you to study carefully the possibility of the structuring of a small portfolio of investments in financially sound and well-managed companies that will likely survive the recession and come out of it the stronger.

Timing is really hard to call, but good investment value should present itself in the latter part of the year. At any rate you should seek expert advice before you make a move. At any rate you should seek expert advice before you make a move. Depending on your risk appetite you may want to put up to 20% of your cash holdings in such a portfolio. The rest should be held in cash or near cash type of safe investments given the uncertainties of the bleak and gloomy economic environment.

GN: What does the Bible says about economic crises, and what is God saying to us during this particular one?

ENP: Read the story of Joseph (Gen. 37–50). He was given strength by God to graciously endure undeserved hardship, wisdom to solve the international crisis, and the grace of God to forgive his adversaries. In the end, he could testify that his oppressors had

meant him harm, but that God had used the adversity to save many lives (Gen. 50:20).

Read the story of a godly man (Job) who lost everything, but through all adversity gained a new understanding of God. Read how the members of the first church rallied to help those who were in great need. (Acts 2:44–47). It is amazing! Often those who have less are the most generous in sharing with those who have the least.

GN: How should Christians view any economic crisis? What are the learning lessons for Christians in this crisis?

ENP: [We should treat this] as a reminder that the things of this world do not offer real security. This is an opportunity to move from theory to reality with regard to our Faith. Bad things happen because we live in a sin-infected world, but we are the people of God, endowed with assurances that, in the final analysis, “all things work together for good, to those who love Him” (Rom. 8:28). That is not “escapism” but “faith.” While others panic and lapse into depression; we can know by experience that God will provide all of our needs. We must not be caught in the worldly concept that we have a right to whatever we want. We will learn that we can get by very comfortably with much less than the standards of the community; and that we can do much more than just survive, without a sense of futility and failure, by receiving with thanksgiving that which God works out in our life.

SWK: Our sovereign Father has a purpose for everything, even this economic crisis. Throughout history, God has used crises to accomplish His purposes for His people. This crisis is a reminder of the fleeting nature of this material world and where our true Security lies. As an individual, as a family and as a church, we can be alert to what the Lord wants us to learn and do in this environment. Crises could be a test of our faith; crises could awaken us to reset our priorities in life; crises could open doors to a new career or calling; crises could create opportunities to minister to others. Above all, crises could be a way God draws us closer to Himself.

GN: What practical action can the church and members take to support members who are suffering during this crisis?

ENP: This is primarily a matter of personal response to Biblical principles. In each circumstance, we must have genuine sympathy and never project a spirit of pride and superiority. A small gift is never to be despised. Words, if spoken in sincerity, can encourage the person who is distressed. I heard of a Care Group that rallied around one of their members who had been retrenched. All of them modified their budgets so that the family did not suffer as much as if they had to stand alone. As you pray, God will show you just how you can be His agent to meet a need.

SWK: We are taking steps to buffer up the Welfare Fund (formerly known as the Deacon's Fund). If anyone is aware of members in financial need, please do let the Elders know. Often it may not be a financial need. Some may just want a listening ear. We could minister to one another, pray for and encourage one another. When I was jobless in 2003, Pastor Peter Lin helped me with my resume! Now that's practical help. ❖

Help in Time of Need

The GBC Welfare Fund

Are you a church member or regular attendee in need of short-term financial assistance and/or financial counselling?
Or do you know someone who is? >>



The Extended Wong Family

“Did You Plan it to Happen This Way?”

When people meet Effie and me for the first time, they are shocked to hear that we have seven children – all girls. Then we tell them we have eight grandsons. At this point, you can see the look of shock and awe on their faces. Then we tell them that God is good – He gave us our first granddaughter about a month

ago! People are always surprised to hear that we have such a large family and that my wife went from being a registered medical nurse and me from being a pharmacist to being in the ministry. It is not uncommon for people to ask us, “Did you plan it to happen this way?”

If we were in charge of writing the story of our lives, we could never have dreamed our lives would have turned out the way they have. It would be pure fiction. But the Lord had plans for us that were way beyond anything we could imagine. First, my wife and I grew up in the same church. We were blessed to see God work through our Pastor and his dear wife as they started a church from scratch in their apartment, which then moved into a house and subsequently into its own church building. We and many other young people grew spiritually as we had to trust the Lord to make it all possible. God was at work in some very young hearts.

After two years of community college I went into the army and my wife went on to finish nursing school. When I returned we got married and I went to pharmacy school. After pharmacy school we returned to the San Francisco Bay Area in California to work and raise our family. But we had no idea what God had in store for us. We were very active in our home church – sponsoring youth groups, teaching college Sunday School, helping with young adult ministries, etc. In time, the Lord even opened doors for us to speak at other churches in the area. It was then that we asked ourselves, “If we had 40 hours in a week, what would

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Just before my second year at DTS, we had the privilege of serving as the pastor of the Chinese Chapel, First Baptist Church, Dallas. Who would have thought that an American-born Chinese who does not speak fluent Chinese would be pastoring a bilingual church, where the sermons are translated each week? In the end we served the flock for ten precious years. Only God could have thought of something like this.

Next, God led us to start the Asian American Baptist Church (AABC). The assignment from God for this church was to reach the diverse Asian community using English as its primary means of communication. Soon after the church was started God brought to us the people He had prepared AABC to minister to, with the relocation of some of the world’s largest technical companies to the Dallas Fort Worth (DFW) area. These companies brought with them all their English-speaking Asian workers. We had the joy of serving the Asian American community for the Lord for almost 15 years. God knew these relocations were going to happen and prepared a church just for them and their families.

From AABC, God led us to ministry opportunities around the DFW area and even out of state. We got a chance to really see what God was doing in churches in different parts of the United States. The work is great, but the workers are few. And then the Lord led us to start the Calvary Fellowship Church, first in our home and subsequently in a spacious commercial space. The church family was small, but their heart for the Lord and each other was as large as the state of Texas. Who would have thought that God would use us to minister to a flock of people from such diverse cultural backgrounds? It was hard for us to imagine too – but what a joy. God continues to amaze.

Now the Lord has led us to the Grace Baptist Church family in Singapore! For a couple who has lived and served the Lord all their lives in


one country, bordered by the Pacific Ocean to the West and the Atlantic Ocean to the East, this is one gigantic change. But God cares about people, so much so that He sent His Son to die for them so they could be part of His family forever. Wherever there are people, there are needs, and God sends His servants to help meet those needs. Why us? Truthfully, we do not know why. Maybe it has something to do with our availability at this season of our life. Or, maybe it is the great opportunity to be in such a strategic and dynamic country as Singapore. Perhaps it is all of the above and more. All we know at this point in time is that God in His mysterious and incomprehensible plans has deemed it so. While God has not revealed everything to us, we are confident that our role is to be committed and faithful to Him, His word, and to His will.

So, to answer the question we are asked so many times, “Did you plan it to happen this way?” We would have to answer, “No, but God did.” Whatever plans we had, God has superseded them with His own plans. At times like this I am drawn to Proverbs 16:9, “The mind of man plans his way, but the Lord directs his steps.” (NASB95) All of us can and must do some planning for our lives, but be aware that God may have other plans – plans that go way beyond what you or I could ever ask or think.

Given God’s track record of doing the impossible, we look ahead with great anticipation to how He will use all of us together for His glory. ❖



Baby Faith, born 23 March 2009



The Gift of a Language:

English Camps at Kathy's Home

- Kathy's Home was started by Mak & Narola Sanglir for nine children six years ago.
- The Home now houses 45 children.
- It provides middle school children housing and immersion into Christian culture.
- Children are selected for stay at the Home based on merit.
- The children come from nine villages that are between 2-5 hours' drive from Pua.
- The children typically speak Hmong at home but need to master both Thai and English in order to compete in the job market.
- The first "English Camp" run by members of Beh's CG was held in March 2007.
- The Sanglirs are assisted by two sets of house parents and currently, a missionary from Nagaland.
- On Sundays, Mak visits different villages to plant churches, preach God's Word and train local village pastors.

Early background information extracted from 'Sanglirs and Their Ministry (Draft Dec 23rd 2006)' written by Dr Michael Chee

If you would like to be involved in this ministry please contact Beh Soo Hee: behsh@starhub.net.sg

PUA MISSION TRIP – MARCH 2009



Daily devotions in spartan conditions

impeccable Thai. They were a great help to us both in the Home and when we moved around, especially during meal times. They have three grown children who are staying away from home in Chiang Mai and the US.

We started the English camp for forty-odd children at the Home, called Kathy's Home, early on Saturday, and for the next four days or so we had a full ▶

DAVID CHAN

“Sawat dee!” We were greeted by Mak and Narola Sanglir in Thai when the six of us from GBC arrived at Pua on the evening of Friday 13 March. After a gruelling 11-hour bus ride from Bangkok we were eagerly looking forward to a nice meal and badly needed refreshment.

Our hosts, the Sanglirs, have been serving in Thailand for close to two decades and both speak

IN THEIR OWN WORDS . . .

Children at Kathy's Home express their thanks

Boonphet: “Thank you very much for the lunch and transportation money that you provide not only for me but also for all my friends. It is due to your love and support that I have attained the achievements you see today. You have supported me so much but there is no way I can repay you except that I am determined to study so that I will not disappoint your team. Even though I have nothing to give you back I know that God is going to bless you all. The things that men may not be able to pay back God will

pay back to you with His blessings. My GPA is 3.72. Thank you very much. God bless you.” (Translated from Thai) BOONPHET WILL BE IN GRADE 12 AT PUA HIGH SCHOOL. HE WANTS TO BE A DOCTOR.

“Hello, I am Wilaiwan. I want to say Thank you that you for your team helping me. That is the kind of you. May God bless your life and your family. My GPA is 3.79.” (Written in English and reproduced unedited) WILAIWAN WILL BE DOING HER 12TH GRADE AT PUA TECH.

“Dear Singapore team. My name is Nida. I'm study in Pua Industrial and community Education college. Thank you, your team very much for your helping. I promise I will study hard. God bless your team. My GPA is 3.15.” (Miss Nida Saewang) (Written in English and reproduced unedited) NIDA WILL BE IN HER 11TH GRADE AT PUA TECH.



Left, from top:

- The original Kathy's Home
- Kathy's Home as it is today



A typical English class

programme of English teaching involving reading, conversation and role playing. We have to thank Kim Song for preparing the lesson plans, which were a great help especially to those of us who are not trained teachers.

The children were divided into four groups depending on their level of proficiency in English. The most proficient group came under William Lenn who proved to be a very popular teacher, known to most of the children as he had made previous trips there ever since the start of our involvement two years ago. The three other groups were placed under the rest of the team with David Chan pairing with Jon Wee, Kim Song pairing with Samuel Beh, and Beh Soo Hee very ably and courageously managing the last and weakest group.

We also managed to participate in the children's regular devotion services, and on the last day attended a very enjoyable closing ceremony when the children put up items entirely in English to show what they had learnt during the camp.

It has been a blessing to be able to contribute to the education of these children. Most of them were very eager to learn and worked hard on the lessons. It was very rewarding to see their progress in mastering English. The Lord has indeed blessed this work, and we are praying that our relationship with this ministry will continue and be strengthened in time to come. The next few trips have already been planned and all GBC members are encouraged to participate. ❖



Clockwise from top left:
 • A time of worship
 • A message in song
 • Pastor Bobby shares the gospel

GBC Nonyas in Malacca (March 9-10 2009)

Right: How many ladies does it take to cook a Nonya curry?

Below: Participants of Ms GBC Nonya



An appeal for OLD PHOTOS



Do you have any old photographs of church members or church activities for possible inclusion in our special 50th Anniversary Publication? We are especially interested in photos dating from the earliest years after the church was founded. All original photos will be returned to their owners. Kindly pass any photos to Sandra Fox, Maggie Ho, Chan Kong Wah, Chan Poh Leng or Tan Sze Gar.

The New Generation



Liu Jiamin (above); Fu Peixian (below)

BRYAN CHAN

This is a year of transition. We are fast approaching 50 years of faithful service, and there is no better time to take stock of where we are and where we've come from. In 1959, a group of enthusiastic young people got together to start a church. Now, a generation or so later, the baton has been

passed to yet another group of youth to take us into the next half century.

As our very own Oliver Chia has gone on to pursue a seminary education, the mantle for the youth ministry has been taken up by Liu Jiamin. She shares her thoughts with Bryan Chan.

"As a child trying to grasp the concept of swimming, I often dreaded going to the deep end of the pool, and frequently hoped to stay on the shallow side with my feet touching the floor. However, as I acquired more skill and my body grew accustomed to the water, swimming to the deep end wasn't as dreadful as I once imagined. In fact, being able to consistently swim back and forth from the shallow to the deep end bolstered my confidence in swimming, and ultimately led to a growing interest and love for swimming.

"Likewise, the journey of the Christian life begins and develops in a similar way, as I understand it. The need to understand the mechanics of swimming parallels the need to understand the fundamentals of faith through the gospel. Each route back from the deep end is like a route back to the word of God, deepening our trust in Him, and eventually growing a desire and interest to know the Creator.

"Last year, the Youth Ministry embarked on a faith journey with God, pioneering many events including the Youth Bible Conference, Youth Fellowship and a new Care Group. This year, the Youth Ministry hopes to pursue a deepening desire for

God by the continued habit of meeting in small groups and studying the Word, by having fellowship with one another through outings, and, of course, the much anticipated Youth Camp. Most importantly, we hope to build friendships with one another as we learn about Christ and pray for one another. Please continue to pray for the leaders and the youth themselves; that we will grow and learn about Christ in an increasingly intimate way; that we will be a generation in awe of the Almighty God, in pursuit of a deepening personal relationship with Him!"

Also taking on a new role is Fu Peixian, who heads up the young adult ministry. Having been an active member herself for many years, she understands what an important role she has to play.

"I feel that God is giving me a lot of credit by asking me to serve in this role!" she tells us. "As this is my first time leading such a ministry, I need plenty of guidance and grace from Him and the young adults. I've been trying to be sensitive to God's leading as to where He wants the ministry to go. Apart from building relationships between young adults with fellowship and food, I'm also trying to plug the young adults into ministry within the church, helping out with various church activities. I'm enjoying getting to know each of the young adults better and praying for their needs. Do pray that God will guide this ministry so that through fellowship, study and service, the young adults will be faithful in their walk with Him and reflect His glory." ❖

The Economic Crisis



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