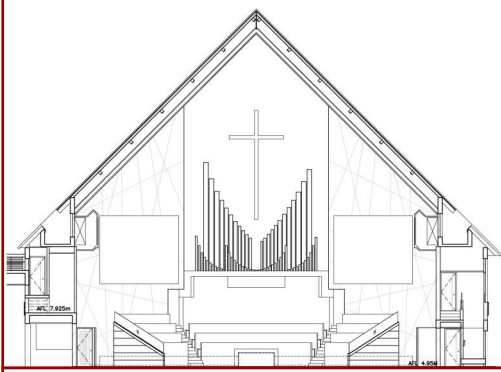




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## Masland Methodist Church, Sibü, Malaysia

New Combination Organ of 4 Pipe Stops  
with a Rodgers 788 Masterpiece console



*Organ design within architect's plan*

The Christian community in Sibü stems from the early 1900s when Rev. Wong Nai Siong negotiated with the second Rajah of Sarawak (Sir Charle Brooke) to resettle a group of largely Christian immigrants from Fujian province in China. Rev. James Hoover, an American Methodist missionary, was sent to lead this group, and as a result, the church which became Masland Methodist was founded in 1905.

Today the congregation has 5,000 members, and in December 2006 they embarked on a RM20mil (£4 million) project to re-develop the entire site, including three conference halls, a kindergarten, a primary school, a 3 storey car park, and a new 1,700-seat worship sanctuary.

Rodgers (via Singapore agent Sonata Music) was chosen to supply a new organ for this sanctuary. The

instrument is a 2-manual Trillium Masterpiece 788, integrated with 7 ranks of pipes. Mr Lim Chin Kai, of Sonata Music, invited MPOS to design and build all the pipe components, as well as to install and voice the completed instrument. The pipework, which includes a full 16' Principal, provides a firm foundation for congregational singing, and also gives a stunning visual 'lift' as part of the architects' design for the cross backdrop.



*Installing supports for the 16' pipes*



*New Organ (photo:David Wilson)*

The organ was installed and voiced on site in the Spring of 2009 by David Wilson, Paul Mortier (MPOS) and Mr CJ Lim (Sonata Music). The

new complex was dedicated in August 2009.

The organ integrates fully with the church's lively worship ministry, which includes all expressions of music from the choirs, and classical instrumentalists, through to contemporary music.



*Congregation at worship*