

THE ONE PICKLEBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Gala Dinner — Full Event Plan

Date: 3 September **Location:** Da Nang, Vietnam **Time:** 6:30 PM–9:30 PM

Purpose & Atmosphere

Bring players, coaches, leaders and guests from different nations together, build relationships, hear a personal faith story, and share the heart and vision behind The One Championship.

1. Full Gala Dinner Run Sheet

Time	Program	Details	PIC
6:30 PM	Doors Open & Registration	Guests arrive, register, find their tables, take photos and mingle.	Registration Team
7:00 PM	Dinner Begins	Dinner starts. Guests enjoy their meal and fellowship. Background music and championship highlights can be played.	Operations Team
7:30 PM	Official Welcome & Nation Cheer Challenge	MC pauses the dinner program and welcomes everyone. Each nation is introduced, stands with their flag and performs a 30-second cheer. Winner decided by crowd applause.	MC
8:00 PM	Worship	20-minute worship session led by the Worship Team.	Worship Team
8:20 PM	Testimony — Sarah Lim	10-minute testimony by Sarah Lim, Christian professional pickleball player from SYPiK, sharing her faith journey and experience as a Christian athlete.	Sarah Lim
8:30 PM	Find That Item!	Each nation sends one representative. MC announces an item to find in the hall. Last person back is eliminated each round until one nation remains. 20 minutes.	MC & Floor Coordinators
8:50 PM	Why The One Championship?	Chairman shares the vision, mission and future direction of The One Championship.	Chairman
9:15 PM	Closing & Finals Day Briefing	Appreciation, important announcements and Finals Day information.	MC
9:30 PM	End	Official end of the Gala Dinner.	—

2. Segment Notes

Doors Open & Registration: Guests arrive, register, find their tables, take photos and mingle.

Dinner Begins: Dinner starts at 7:00 PM. Allow guests to settle in and enjoy their meal before the formal program begins.

Welcome & Nation Cheer: At 7:30 PM, pause the dinner program and gather everyone's attention. Each nation shows its team spirit with a 30-second cheer.

Worship: 20 minutes. Worship Team leads; Tech and Stage Manager confirm songs, microphones and cues beforehand.

Testimony — Sarah Lim: 10 minutes. Focus on how she came to know God, her journey as a Christian athlete, and how faith shapes her life and professional pickleball career.

Find That Item!: 20 minutes. One representative per nation. MC announces an item, representatives find it and race back. Last person back is eliminated until one nation remains.

Why The One Championship?: Chairman shares the vision, mission and future direction.

3. Find That Item! — Game Guide

Step	Action
1	Each nation sends one representative to the front.
2	MC announces an item to find somewhere in the hall.
3	Representatives search and may ask/borrow the item from people in the room.
4	They race back to the stage with the correct item.
5	The last person back is eliminated.
6	Repeat until one nation remains.

Possible items: house key, RM1 note, water bottle, wristwatch, cap, sunglasses, hotel key card, shoelace, pickleball, paddle cover, country flag, tournament wristband/lanyard.

4. Organizing Team

Role	No.	Responsibilities
Event Director / Stage Manager	1	Oversees event, schedule, teams, speakers, Worship Team and MC; handles on-the-day issues.
Program Coordinator	1	Run sheet, speaker briefing, game materials, prizes and segment readiness.
MC	1	Hosts, leads Nation Cheer and Find That Item!, introduces speakers and closes.
Registration Team	2	Welcomes guests, registration, seating and event information.
Floor Coordinators	3	Participant movement, games, prizes, microphones and crowd flow.
Worship Team	4–6	Leads 20-minute worship and coordinates with Tech.
Technical Team	2	Sound, microphones, projector, slides, videos, lighting and music.
Media Team	2	Photography, videography and event documentation.

5. Pre-Event Checklist

- Confirm Sarah Lim and her 10-minute testimony focus.
- Confirm Chairman's sharing and timing.
- Confirm Worship Team song list and 20-minute set.
- Prepare nation list and country flags.
- Remind captains: one team colour, any shirt is fine, dress neatly for the hotel setting.
- Remind teams to bring their country flag and prepare their cheer.
- Prepare Find That Item! prize and item list.
- Confirm slides, music, microphones and technical requirements.
- Brief MC, Stage Manager, Program Coordinator and Floor Coordinators.
- Confirm registration and seating arrangements.

6. Key Team Reminder

Celebrate the nations, create genuine connections, and communicate the heart behind The One Championship. The evening should be enjoyable and welcoming while giving every player—believer or non-believer—space to hear a real story of faith through sport.