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"IN GALILEE ... there's a great light"

Church Theme Verse 2021: Romans 12:10

"Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love;
in honour preferring one another"

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Ministry Staff	: Pr David Cher	9737 9150
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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Lord's Day, 23 May 2021, 8.30 am

PRELUDE

Pianist: Ms Magdalene Simon

INTROIT # 216 "The Lord Is In His Holy Temple"

CALL TO WORSHIP

Dn Tan Siong Teck

PRAISE & WORSHIP

Mr Josiah Wang

HYMNS --- "Before Jehovah's Aweful Throne"

--- "God The Omnipotent"

--- "Meekness And Majesty"

--- "The Lord Is My Salvation"

INVOCATION

GLORIA PATRI #812 "Glory Be To The Father"

SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 68:19-35

Mr Seet Tiat Hee

OFFERINGS & TITHES

Special Praise Item "King of Kings, Majesty"

Praise & Worship Team

DOXOLOGY #815

PASTORAL PRAYER

MESSAGE "Pulling Down Of Strongholds"
2 Kings 17

Rev Dr Simon Nagarajan

CLOSING HYMN #11 "Come, Thou Fount Of Every Blessing"

BENEDICTION & 3-FOLD AMEN

ANNOUNCEMENTS

In compliance with
MCCY Covid-19

Advisory:

Congregational

singing

Not Allowed

in the Sanctuary

WELCOME

In-Person
Worship Service &
Broadcast Live on
Galilee Website

GALILEE MANDARIN WORSHIP SERVICE 10.30 am

Preacher: Preacher Tan Thiam Hong
(Life BPC)

"Are You Really Free?"

John 8:31-36

LIVING IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Preacher David, 23 May 2021

Beloved Brethren,
Greetings in the Precious Name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. From 19 May, we have recently just entered into COVID-19 Phase 2 (Heightened Alert) in an attempt to minimise and slow down the spread of COVID-19 in our national community. **How do we as followers of Christ respond to the introduction of this heightened alert? Would we respond to it with a heightened sense of fear or a heightened sense of the Presence of God?**

First, we should recognise our real need for the Presence of God in our lives especially during such times of crisis and uncertainty. Facing the onset of COVID-19 since late 2019 and its continuing and escalating effects even up till now would seem like an unavoidable and insurmountable giant in our lives. We would do well to learn from how Joshua in the Bible faced up to his tremendous challenge of stepping into the shoes of his predecessor Moses. Having the assurance of the Presence of God with him enabled Joshua to have the courage and not fear to lead the entire nation of Israel to conquer the various giants of the peoples in the Promised Land of Canaan (Joshua 1:9). **Having God with us would also enable us to face these present tumultuous times of COVID-19 with courage and confidence.**

Second, having God's Presence would also bring His peace into our lives. The economic and social impact of COVID-19 has surely reminded us of the futility of us seeking our sources of peace and stability in our education (studies), jobs, money, and other worldly possessions. Thus, instead of placing our dependence and trust on all these earthly and transitory things, God is reminding us that we should be seeking and focusing on

our true sense of peace and security in the Presence of God (Phil. 4:7).

After knowing the importance of having the Presence of God, we should then know how to cultivate it in our lives. **Cultivating the Presence of God in our lives is not a natural but an intentional process for which we must indeed put our whole heart and soul into it (Matt 22:37-38; Col 3:1-2).**

First, we are to intentionally make space and time for God to speak to us, and us to Him too. We who are living in such a modern and fast-paced society are living hurried and on-the-move lives, constantly not only physically but mentally moving from one task or thing to do to the next and so on. Dallas Willard said, "Hurry is the great enemy of the spiritual life." Thus, there is a great need for us to slow down our lives such that we are then able to listen and speak (pray) to God with maximum clarity and minimal distractions.

Second, we are not to allow any area of sin or disobedience of God's Word to negatively affect our close and intimate fellowship and walk with God (Ps. 66:18). The more we allow any sin to grow and fester in our lives, the more difficult it is for us to draw back near to God. Instead, we are to confess and repent it to God so that our fellowship and communication with God will not be obstructed and become distorted. When we do so, we would then be God's instruments instead of that of sin (Romans 6:13).

As we seek after God's Presence, we would then have the assurance of His spiritual blessings and sustenance in our lives (Jeremiah 17:7-8).

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GALILEE BIBLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**Wednesday
26 May**

**- PUBLIC HOLIDAY –
No Bible Study / Prayer Meeting**

**Saturday
29 May**

All Fellowship Group Meetings via Zoom

2.45 pm Junior Catechism Class (via zoom) [Pr David Cher]
3.45 pm TF/YF: Bible Study 4 – “Resisting Temptation” Genesis 39
IC: Colin Chung
YAF: No meeting

**Lord’s Day
30 May**

8.00 am Pre-Worship Prayer Meeting (on-site & via Zoom)

8.30 am ENGLISH WORSHIP SERVICE**

Chairman: Preacher David Cher
Worship Team Leader: Mr Roy Chia
Scripture Reader: Mr Joshua Ng (Psalm 69: 1-13)
Preacher: Rev Philip Heng
Message: **“God Promises A Suffering Servant”
Isaiah 52-53**

All Sunday School Classes via Zoom

9.30 am Crèche/Nursery/Kindergarten 1 & 2
10.30 am Primary/Secondary/Seniors
11.15 am Young Adults [Dn Sandeep Choppara]
11.15 am Adults [Pastor Simon]
11.15 am Senior Adults [Rev Ong Hock Khee]

10.30 am MANDARIN WORSHIP SERVICE **

Preacher: Rev Lee Fatt Ping (Grace BPC)
Message: “Life’s Turbulent Faith”
Matthew 4:22-23

** [Broadcast Live & available on Galilee Website]

CHRONOLOGICAL BIBLE READING MAY 2021



	Week 1 (2 - 8 May 2021) ▪ Jeremiah; 2 Kings						
	Week 2 (9 - 15 May 2021) ▪ Jeremiah 47 – 51; Obadiah						
	Week 3 (16 – 22 May 2021) ▪ Lamentation; Ezekiel 1-5						
	Week 4 (23 – 29 May 2021) • Ezekiel 6 - 17						
	23 May Sun	24 May Mon	25 May Tue	26 May Wed	27 May Thurs	28 May Fri	29 May Sat
	Ez 6-7	Ez 8-9	Ez 10-11	Ez 12-13	Ez 14-15	Ez 16	Eze 17
Week 5 (30 May – 5 June 2021) ▪ Ezekiel 18 - 26							

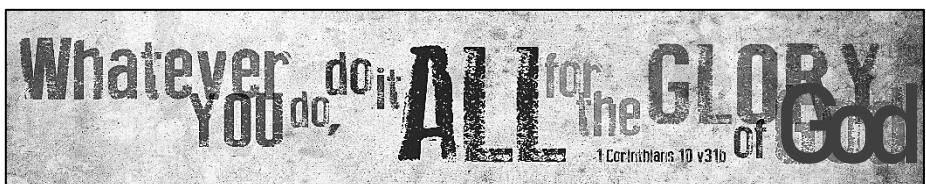
CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

In compliance to MCCY requirement under Phase 2 (Heightened Alert) tighter measures, the following will be observed at Galilee:

- EWS to be held at 8.30am and MWS at 10.30am. Both services to limit to 50 worshippers.
- No singing during service.
- No intermingling after service. Kindly go home immediately.
- Booking is required.

All Sunday School classes will be conducted via Zoom.

(Crèche/Kindergarten/Primary/Secondary/Youth/Young Adults/Adults/Snr Adults)



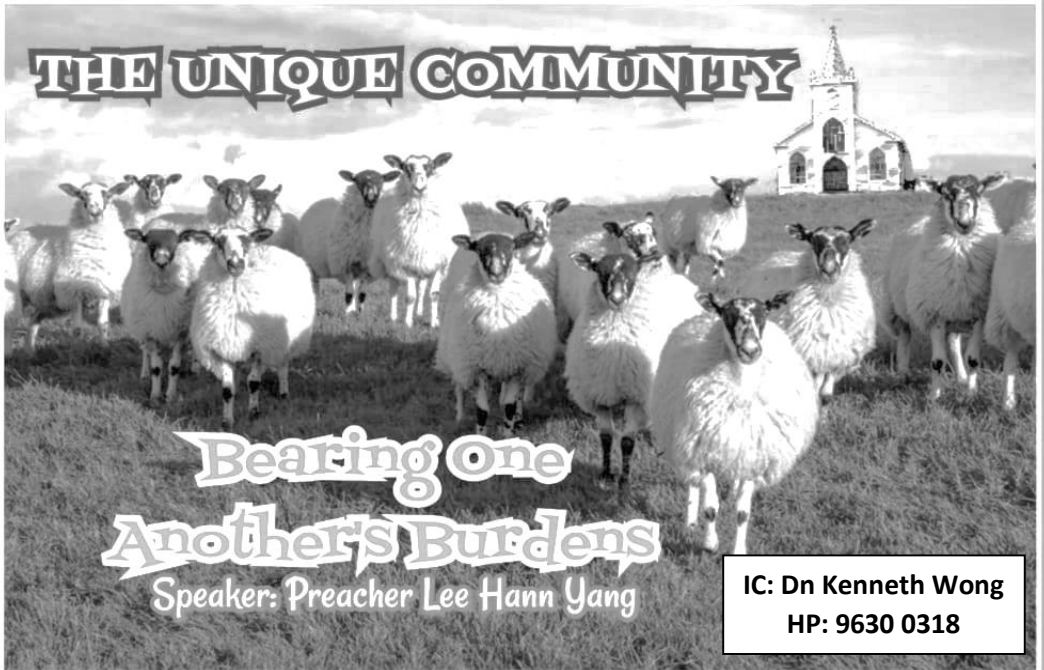


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GALILEE ADULTS' FELLOWSHIP

January - May 2021

THE UNIQUE COMMUNITY



**Bearing One
Another's Burdens**
Speaker: Preacher Lee Hann Yang

IC: Dn Kenneth Wong
HP: 9630 0318

Message 5 of 5

Doing Life With One Another

Saturday, 29th, May 2021
Zoom Fellowship @ 3.15pm

Our Speaker



Preacher Lee Hann Yang
with his wife, Hazel,
and their 4 wonderful kids:
Esther, Michelle, Zann & JJ.

Gratitude Journal

The Salvation of my brother, Chung Ji Seng and sister-in-law, Chen Li Hua

(parents of Colin Chung)

“Call unto me and I will answer thee and shew thee great and mighty things which thou knowest not.” Jeremiah 33.3

My brother, Chung Ji Seng, had a serious foot injury after a fork lift reversed into him on Friday, 30 April 2021. He was admitted to Ng Teng Fong General Hospital.

I was able to visit him from 1 May till 4th May, before further restriction on visitation was implemented on 5 May. I had intended to witness to him on the evening of 5 May but was informed that only 2 SAME registered visitors could visit for 30 minutes each day throughout his whole hospital stay. As Colin and his mum are my brother's closest kin, their names were registered and only they can visit with immediate effect. I was discouraged. I had also intended to witness to him the day before but fell ill. However, I was reminded that God makes no mistake and His timing is perfect. ***Proverbs 16:9 A man's heart deviseth his way; but the Lord directeth his steps.***

The next evening, 7 May, the consultant called me to explain the 2 surgery options for my brother. After explaining, she asked if I would like to meet her at the hospital the next morning so that she could show me some photos to help me understand the surgery better. God is so good. He opened the door for me to visit my brother albeit the new visitation restriction. He even pathed the way for my sister to meet the doctor too. The nurse so kindly initiated to seek the approval from her manager for 2 persons when the default is only one person allowable. After the consult with the doctor, the nurse told us that she could only give us 10 minutes to speak to my brother. Praise the Lord! I took the opportunity to share the gospel with my brother while my sister prayed. My brother did not a make decision then but seemed receptive to the gospel. We prayed for him before we left. When I returned home, God gave me the wisdom to record my sharing to send to my brother together with the pictures I had used so that he could listen again. My sister found a complementary gospel song which reinforces the gospel which was also sent to him.

On Sunday, 9 May, my sister-in-law, Li Hua (Colin's mum) was at my mum's house for dinner. The Holy Spirit prompted me to share the gospel with her. She listened but did not decide then. Whilst there, we video called my brother and prayed for him. I sent her the same complementary gospel song and encouraged her to listen to it.

The next night, Monday, 10 May, Li Hua told me that she heard the song and felt very "comforted". She asked me to teach her how to pray. Thank God for this great opportunity to check out her decision. By God's grace, after going through the salient points in believing in the Lord Jesus Christ, she affirmed her faith. I immediately arranged for a video call for Colin, my sister and Roy to witness her confession of faith. God is so merciful to our family.

My brother video called me on the next morning, 11 May, to tell me that his major operation will be on the next day as scheduled. I asked him whether he believes the gospel I shared with him on last Saturday. He said YES!! Thank God for the gift of simple faith. I was overjoyed!

However, our faith was put to the test when my brother had to be rushed back to the OT on 14 May early morning, less than 12 hours after his 10-hour operation on 13 May. We pleaded with God to see my brother through this operation and to seal the faith of the two new believers. God answered our prayers and the operation was successful. His skin grafting operation on 16 May was successful too. By God's grace he will soon be transferred to Jurong Community Hospital next week for rehabilitation.

Our heartfelt thanks to all the Pastors and the brothers and sisters in Christ who have been praying for us during this challenging time. Thank you Pastor Heng, Sis Evangeline and Bro Joe Mok for all your timely and invaluable advices.

My brother is on the road to recovery. We will continue to look up to God for His blessings and healing. All glory to our Almighty God.

1 Thessalonians 5:17, 18

Pray without ceasing. In everything give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.

Written by Shirley Chia

18 May 2021