



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

Church Theme Verse 2022: Psalm 133:1

"Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!"

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ORDER OF WORSHIP Lord's Day, 23 October 2022, 9.30 am

PRELUDE		Pianist: Ms Phoebe Tan
INTROIT #216 "The Lord	Is In His Holy Temple"	
CALL TO WORSHIP		Dn Ricky Chng
#207 "We Have - "As We G	The Power Of Jesus' Name" Come To Join In Worship" ather/The Steadfast Love" at Is Our God/How Great Thou Art"	Mr Josiah Wang
INVOCATION		
GLORIA PATRI #812 "GI	ory Be To The Father"	
SCRIPTURE READING: [Re	esponsively] Psalm 119:1-16	Mr Joshua Ng
OFFERINGS & TITHES		
DOXOLOGY #815		
(Creche/Nursery/Kindergarten/Pri	mary children leave for Sunday School)	
PASTORAL PRAYER		
	Dur Call To Proclaim Christ" ebrews 1:1-3; 8:1-6; 10:11-18	Rev Dr Simon Nagarajan
CLOSING HYMN "Stand	Up, Stand Up For Jesus"	
BENEDICTION & 3-FOLD	MEN	
ANNOUNCEMENTS		
POSTLUDE		

WELCOME

In-Person Worship Service & Broadcast Live on Galilee Website

GALILEE MANDARIN WORSHIP SERVICE 9.15 am

Speaker: Rev Moses Tan (Mt Carmel BPC) Message: "Be Ye Holy To The Lord" 2 Corinthians 6:14 -7:1

THE WEEK 24 Oct – 30 Oct 2022

Wednesday 26 October	7.30 pm	Bible Study/8.30pm Prayer Meeting Pastor Simon Nagarajan The Book of 2 Corinthians Zoom ID: 605 758 5352; Password BS/PM Rev Philip Heng The Gospel of Mark https://meet.google.com/hjx-pkcp-dye?hs=151 Dness Lee May San (Ladies' BS) will take a break and resume on 2 November 2022
Saturday 29 October	2.00 pm	CF/JF – The Cleansing Of The Leper I/C: Sis Lata B.
	2.45 pm	Junior Catechism Class (via Zoom) [Pr David Cher]
Lord's Day 30 October	9.00 am	Pre-Worship Prayer Meeting (on-site only)
	9.15 am	MANDARIN WORSHIP SERVICE [On site and available on Galilee Website same day evening] Preacher: Rev Peter Ch'ng (Life BPC) Message: "Contend For The Faith" Jude 3-4
	9.30 am	ENGLISH WORSHIP SERVICE REFORMATION SUNDAY [On site & Live Broadcast available on Galilee Website]
		Chairman: Dn Samuel Lim Worship Team Leader: Bro Joshua Ng Scripture Reader: Bro Collin Lee (Psalm 119:17-32) Preacher: Rev Freddy Yong Message: "Walking By Faith" Hebrews 11:1-12:2
	10.00 am 11.00 am 11.00 am 11.00 am 11.00 am	All Sunday School Classes on-site Crèche/Nursery/Kindergarten 1 & 2/Primary 1-6 Secondary/Senior Class Young Adults [Preacher David Cher] Senior Adults [Rev Ong Hock Khee] Adults [Rev Dr Simon Nagarajan]

Sunday School Camp 2022 **Back to** Basics

After a hiatus of 3 years (the last Sunday School camp was in 2018), 202 Pandan Gardens will be filled with opportunities for learning spiritual lessons, fellowship with the saints, and serving others in God's love.

We invite parents, children and youth (K1 to J2/ Poly) to save the dates and prayerfully consider setting aside time for God's Word. We also pray for older youth to serve in this church effort to minister to the campers.

5 to 9 December 2022

Camp Speakers

Secondary Rev Lawrence Ong Ms Mary MP Primary Preschool Mrs Yap Sook Peng

Camp Fees

Pri. 3 to J2/Poly \$60 (5d 4n stay-over)

K1 to Pri. 2 \$40 (day camp till 4:30pm)

More

Registration forms are available at the Sanctuary from today. Please approach Bro Michael Chew or Dness Lee May San for questions.

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GALILEE SUNDAY SCHOOL CAMP 2022 Registration Form

Date: 5-9 December Venue: Galilee BP Church Cost: \$40 (K1-P2, day camp) / \$60 (P3 -J2/Poly, 5d 4n stay-over)

"Back to Basics" Speakers: Rev Lawrence Ong/Ms Mary MP/Mrs Yap Sook Peng

Name	Age	Sex	Address

Parent's Consent

I/We the undersigned do hereby give permission for the abovementioned person to attend Galilee Sunday School Camp 2022. I/We authorise Galilee B-P Church and its representatives to obtain any necessary medical treatment for the said person during the conduct of any program, ministry or activity in connection with the camp. I/We will also not hold Galilee B-P Church and its representatives liable in any way.

Name and signature of parent or legal guardian)	Contact no.	Date
The child(ren) named above has medical need(s) as:		
The child(ren) named above has food allergies as:		

A Testimony of Thanksgiving by Jonathan Cher (19 October 2022)

"This is the day the Lord has made. We will rejoice and be glad in it." Psalm 118:24

This was the verse that I read for morning devotion on the day of my triple heart bypass surgery on 13 October 2022. No matter the outcome of the operation, this is the day that God has given me, and I should rejoice and be glad.

The doctors and nurses in NUH heart department are dedicated and professional. I was provided information on what to expect before, during and after surgery. I was wheeled into the operating theatre with the peace that passes all understanding, knowing that God is in full control. He knows the future and what's best for me. Hence, I was ready to go if God were to call me home.

The anaesthetic doctor was experienced and skilfully sedated me. I wasn't aware of what happened during the surgery. The next time I opened my eyes was in Ward 20, ICU for heart patients. The first thing I saw was a clock, hanging on a wall. It showed the time 1.05, however I didn't know whether it was night or day. As I drifted in and out of consciousness, I was aware of the time because of the clock. When I was fully awake, I realized that I was in pain. However, Nurse Liesel was reassuring and comforted me especially when the breathing tube was pulled out from my throat.

During my stay in ICU, I was encouraged by the nurses who looked after me, especially Timothy Chan and Janice Su. From the angle of my bed, I had a good view of 4 other beds (and the patients). I was able to observe and hear what was going on in the ICU. I was able to see patients transferred out of ICU to the general ward and new patients coming in.

Thank God that I made good progress in my recovery phase and passed the tests required to be discharged. God is good and he enabled me to discharge 1 day earlier than the normal discharge plan. I was not transferred to the general ward because no beds were available. Hence, I stayed in ICU and was discharged directly from ICU. The setback for staying in ICU was the centralised air conditioning system which I found very cold, even though I was covered with 2 blankets. The pain, stiff muscles and cold environment in my body made prolonged sleeping difficult and I only managed to sleep between 1 - 3 hours each time before waking up. However, God gave me the strength and grace to cope with the situation and I was able to adapt to make myself more comfortable.

On the night before I was discharged (17 October), I woke up to the sound of soft unfamiliar music, my surroundings were unfamiliar too. I was frozen stiff. Where was I? It was cold and freezing. The clock strangely showed 12.00. As I tried to make sense of what was happening, I realized that I was still in bed and the curtains surrounding my bed were fully drawn but I was able to see what was happening to the patient diagonally opposite me because of a huge gap in the curtains.

I sat up and observed that there were many Muslim people going in to see the patient diagonally opposite me. I remembered that this patient was wheeled into ICU at around 12pm on 17 October but remained unconscious after the sedation medicine was switched off. I saw the Iman (muslim priest) entering and realized that the family members have gathered for the last rites of this patient. I prayed for God's protection over me as I was staring at death right before my eyes.

When the nurse came in to take my temperature, I asked for permission to go to the toilet. (Normally ICU patients are not allowed to use the toilet. As my drainage tubes were removed from me a few hours ago, I had the privilege of walking to the ICU patient's toilet on the night before I was discharged.) When I returned from the toilet, the music I heard earlier was no longer playing. The family members were gathered outside the corridor. I felt that I was "walking through the valley of the shadow of death" when I walked back to my bed because the narrow passageway was flanked by rows of beds on either side. The family members made way for me to pass by and soon they left the ICU. I stayed awake and managed to see the mortuary trolley moving out before falling asleep.

My heart surgeon informed me that there was a 2% chance of death and complication for my triple heart bypass surgery. He said "the operation to save you could potentially kill you. The risk is 2% but we do not know who will be that two percent."

God has given me a 2nd chance in life. I want to use it to honour and glorify Him. I pray that the Lord's name be praised through my testimony. God is good all the time, even though it may seem not good for us. I would like end by sharing the lyrics of this song and a verse which adeptly describes what I have experienced.

I don't know about tomorrow, It may bring me poverty; But the One who feeds the sparrow, Is the One who stands by me. And the path that be my portion, May be through the flame or flood, But His presence goes before me, And I'm covered with His blood. Many things about tomorrow, I don't seem to understand; **But I know who holds tomorrow, And I know who holds my hand.**

"I am convinced that nothing can ever separate us from God's love. Neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither our fears for today nor our worries about tomorrow – not even the powers of hell can separate us from God's love." **Romans 8:38**

3 WAYS TO GIVE OFFERINGS & TITHES		Attendance	
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1 Peter 5:10)		Wed Bible Study 19 October 2022	40
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Church Announcements

1. LON Outreach To Block 411 On Saturday 29 October 2022

As individuals or as SSGs, do join this opportunity to befriend and bless our neighbours in a practical way. Meet in church at 9.30am before heading out together. Contact Hannah at 94237464 for details.

2. Floral Contribution

The Worship Service Floral contribution chart is up on the Church Notice Board. Kindly indicate your contribution on the board.

Standing Tall for Christ Preacher David Cher, Lord's Day, 23 Oct 2022

eloved Brethren,

Greetings in the Precious Name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. It is surely our human nature that we measure ourselves by our physical stature or appearance, social status, and human succeses, accomplishments and achievements. Even the prophet Samuel in 1 Sam. 16, when God directed him to go to Bethlehem (v. 1, 4-6) to anoint Israel's next king after Saul, made his preference among Jesse's sons based on their strong and attractive physical appearance and stature. But God reminded Samuel that He only looked and determined according to the good spiritual condition of the person's heart (1 Sam. 16:7, 13:14; Acts 13:22) which pointed to the youngest son David.

Focusing on our strengths and advantages over others will result in us becoming more and more prideful in ourselves. Such a human-centered focus and attention on them would have the danger of distracting and side-tracking us from **entering into**, **developing**, **and maturing our relationship with God**. This happened in the life of the rich fool in Luke 12:16-21 whose self-absorption with multiplying, hoarding, and protecting his earthly possessions prevented him from having a rich relationship with God. This is what Jesus Himself says in Matt. 19:24 that "it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God".

Instead, we should be focusing on **the abundant** and overflowing grace of God working in our lives. It would prevent us from becoming prideful, but always humble and dependent on God (1 Peter 5:6; 2 Cor. 12:7). And as we humble ourselves to God, He would give us even more grace (James 4:6). Our human weaknesses and limitations, as well as challenges and trials in our serving, is a constant reminder that we can only be spiritually strong when we rest on and submit to the power of Christ (2 Cor. 12:8-10). In such situations, we are assured that God's grace would be more than sufficient in providing for, guiding, and strengthening us not only for the present, but also for the future path and challenges ahead of us (2 Cor. 12:9a "And He [Christ] has said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is perfected in weakness...").

Each of us also have our individual duties, responsibilities, and challenges to cope with and overcome. Some of which we are able to handle by ourselves with **God's gracious help** (Matt. 11:28-30; Gal. 6:5; 1 Peter 5:7). There are still others that are beyond our ability to handle them, and we find ourselves struggling under their load. In such situations, the Apostle Paul in Gal. 6:2 encourages us to be open to **graciously accept the help of others, as well as to have our eyes open to help those who are struggling**. When we do so as a Body of Christ, as well as toward those outside of our household of faith (Gal. 6:10), we can stand tall and walk forward together as a community of faith (Phil. 1:27).

God, out of His grace, has also given each of us **different spiritual giftings and natural talents** for us to primarily serve one another in the Body of Christ (Romans 12:6; 1 Peter 4:10), as well as to do His Kingdom Work in society-at-large (James 1:7; Matt. 5:16). God has certainly called, gifted, and equipped us to do His mission work of reconciling and bringing people back to Himself (2 Cor. 5:18-21). We are thus reminded to be intentional in being his ambassadors where he has sent each of us to spread the good news of the Gospel (John 20:21 "Then said Jesus to them [his disciples] again, Peace be unto you: as My Father hath sent Me, even so send I you").

Let us endeavour to grow and mature in our walk with God (2 Peter 3:18 "But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and for ever. Amen"), and have an ever-enlarging heart of love for God, His people, and His Kingdom and mission work. God bless all of us!