



# GALILEE

## BIBLE-PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

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### Church Theme Verse 2023:

Luke 14:23

"And the Lord said unto the servant, **Go out** into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, **that my house may be filled.**"

Pastor	:	Rev Dr Simon Nagarajan	9858 4865
Associate Pastor	:	Rev Freddy Yong (MWS)	8309 8157
Advisory Pastor	:	Rev Philip Heng	9792 9183
Ministry Staff	:	Pr David Cher	9737 9150
	:	Dness Lee May San	9618 9160

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

### Lord's Day, 21 May 2023, 9.30 am

#### PRELUDE

Pianist: Mr Irvin Ling

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

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

Dn Ricky Chng

#### PRAISE & WORSHIP

Mr Daryl Tan

**HYMNS** #139 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"  
 - "Before The Throne Of God Above"  
 #348 "My Saviour's Love"  
 #408 "How Firm A Foundation"

#### INVOCATION

**GLORIA PATRI** #812 "Glory Be To The Father"

**SCRIPTURE READING** [Responsively] Psalm 138:1-8

Mr Marcus Ho

#### OFFERINGS & TITHES

**DOXOLOGY** #815

(Creche/Nursery/Kindergarten/Primary children leave for Sunday School)

#### PASTORAL PRAYER

**MESSAGE:** "The Covenant-Making God"  
 Genesis 12:1-4; 15:1-6; 17:1-14

Rev Dr Simon Nagarajan

**CLOSING HYMN** #410 "Standing On The Promises"

#### BENEDICTION & 3-FOLD AMEN

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### POSTLUDE

### WELCOME

In-Person Worship Service &  
 Broadcast Live on  
 Galilee Website

### GALILEE MANDARIN WORSHIP SERVICE 9.15 am

Preacher: Elder Seah Soon Huat (Grace BPC)  
 Message: "Commitment, Renewal,  
 Complement One Another"  
 Philippians 1:1-11

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And I will establish my covenant  
between Me and thee and thy seed  
after thee in their generations for an  
everlasting covenant to be a God  
unto thee, and to thy seed after thee.

Genesis 17:7

## Attendance

### Worship Service

14 May 2023

274

(Online)

62

(In-Person)

212

- Pre-Worship Prayer Meeting 5
- Sunday School 49
- Young Adults' SS 5

### Mandarin Worship Service

14 May 2023

26

### Wed Bible Study

17 May 2023

35

### Wed Prayer Meeting

17 May 2023

30

## Church Announcements

1. **Flower Contribution today:** Mr & Mrs Ong Ju Heng
2. **Holy Baptism – 63rd Anniversary, 4 June 2023**  
Baptismal interviews would be on 28 May 2023 at 11.15am @ Church Library.
3. **CF/JF Sports Day 2023 – Saturday, 27 May 2023,**  
Time: 1.30 pm to 4.00 pm  
Venue: Galilee BP Church Fellowship Hall  
Speaker: Preacher David Cher  
We welcome all children between 5-12 years old to join in the fun.  
Register with Mrs Sherry Wong (97110708) by 23 May 2023.
4. **Session Meeting today:** 1.30 pm @ Church Library.

**Wednesday** 7.30 pm **Bible Study/8.30pm Prayer Meeting**  
**24 May** Pastor Simon Nagarajan - The Second Epistle Of Peter  
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) - The Book Of Galatians  
Zoom ID: 815 6829 8000; Password WEDLADBSPM

**Saturday** 1.30 pm **CF/JF – Sports Day**  
**27 May** Speaker: Preacher David Cher  
I/C: Sis Diana Chan, Sis Korina & Sis Lata B



### Youth Worship Service

#### "Angry With God?"

Speaker: Mr Lim Chien Chong

Text: Jonah 4

Saturday 27 2023, 5.00 pm

**Lord's Day** 9.00 am **Pre-Worship Prayer Meeting** (on-site only)  
**28 May**

9.15 am **MANDARIN WORSHIP SERVICE**  
[On site & available on Galilee Website same day evening]  
Preacher: Rev Lee Fatt Ping (Grace BPC)  
Message: "Steadfast Faith In Life"  
Ephesians 1:13-14

9.30 am **ENGLISH WORSHIP SERVICE**  
[On site & Live Broadcast available on Galilee Website]  
Chairman: Dn Joseph Tai  
Worship Team Leader: Bro Josiah Wang  
Scripture Reader: Bro Seet Tiat Hee (Psalm 139:1-13)  
Preacher: Preacher David Cher  
Message: "A Priest Of Righteousness"  
Genesis 14; Hebrews 5:5-7; 7:1-10

**All Sunday School Classes on-site**  
10.00 am Crèche/Nursery/Kindergarten 1 & 2/Primary 1-6  
11.00 am Secondary/Senior Class  
11.00 am Young Adults [Preacher David Cher]  
11.00 am Senior Adults [Rev Ong Hock Khee]  
➔ 11.00 am No Adults SS in view of baptismal interview  
12.15 pm Senior Catechism (Church Library)  
I/C: Pastor Simon Nagarajan  
12.15 pm Junior Catechism (Level 3 Room 3)  
I/C: Preacher David Cher

# TIME FLIES!

*Pastor Simon, Lord's Day, 21 May 2023*

**B**rethren,  
Greetings in the Name of our Precious  
Lord & Saviour Jesus Christ!

Indeed, time flies! Our 63<sup>rd</sup> Church Anniversary is barely a month away, followed by our Annual Church Camp a few weeks later. Praise and thank God for His grace and mercies on all of us. Job observed: "My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle," Job 7:6. The various situations, events, programs, and occupations, numb our sensitivity to fleeting time. I guess the intensity of our business determines the "speed of time." Nevertheless, we have to do well with our time.

By God's grace, may we strive to be stewards of time. For good reasons, three themes on Stewardship keep recurring in the Holy Scriptures.

They are time, talent and finance. Talents and finance may vary from individual to individual; some are blessed with more, and others, less. But time is a constant. God gives each of us, irrespective of our gender, race and status, the same equal number of hours each day. The question to ask ourselves is how well we have spent our God-given time daily.

We are credited with 86,400 seconds per day. We don't get a single second more. Any second we don't use wisely is gone forever into eternity past. Time has no "carry-over" balance, and it allows no overdraft. There are no "roll-over minutes" for us to fall back on. We can't keep [save] time in a bottle. We can't stop time. There is no going back or drawing against the "tomorrow". We live only in the present, on today's deposit.

Brethren, the clock of life is running fast. You and I are to make the most of the time given to us each day to the glory of God. The brevity and

uncertainty of life prompts the Psalmist to pray: "So teach us [O God] to number our days that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom" Psalm 90:12. Let this be our prayer too.

Making the most of each day does not mean we cram 40 hours of work into 24 hours. Have you come across people who stay up late into the night, then sleep till the last second possible, only to wake up to grab a quick shower, get dressed, jump into the car, shave, touch up make-up at traffic junctions, and even handle a

few calls on the handsfree mobile, all the while driving to work? Cramming as much as possible into 24 hours isn't the way to go. What we need to strive for is work-life balance. There must be a rightful place for God, church ministry, work,

family, friends, rest, recreation and vacation.

Isn't it amazing that our Lord Jesus never seemed in a hurry during His earthly ministry? The crowds and many things needed His attention and time. In obedience to His Father's Will, He accomplished the most critical work in history (redeeming the world). Christ, our Saviour, knew that He had only a brief few years to "finish" His Father's mission for Him, yet He had time to consider the beautiful lilies of the valley and the birds of the air. He had time to put His hands on the little children, bless them, and grace a wedding function. Our Lord exemplified to His Disciples (and to us) how we prioritise our time to the various task and duties God has assigned to us. We should not attempt to divide roles as more or less significant. With God's wisdom, we make the right choices to do the right thing and do it well. Brethren, we need to live a balanced life, a purpose-filled life, a life well-pleasing to God and to the glory of His Holy Name. God Bless!

