

# GETHSEMANE

BIBLE-PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*"Not my will, but Thine, be done" – Luke 22:42*

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## A WORD ON WORSHIP

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The way to come to God the Father is through Christ. He is the sure and only way to God (cf. John 14:6). "Now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ" (Ephesians 2:13). All those who have trusted in Christ's atoning sacrifice on the cross can now draw nigh to God, rejoicing in that wonderful privilege. Paul said, "For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life. And not only so, but we also joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received the atonement" (Romans 5:10-11).

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## SCRIPTURE MEMORISATION

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*Dressing*

### **Deuteronomy 22:5**

The woman shall not wear that which pertaineth unto a man, neither shall a man put on a woman's garment: for all that do so are abomination unto the LORD thy God.

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## ORDER OF WORSHIP

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### **Call to Worship**

*Elder Alan Choy*

\* Hymn 49: How Great Thou Art!

### **\* Invocation & Gloria Patri**

### **\* Responsive Scripture Reading**

*Psalm 46*

Hymn 390: Something for Thee

### **Collection of Offerings**

### **\* Doxology & Prayer**

Hymn 376: O to Be Like Thee!

### **Scripture Memorisation**

### **Pastoral Prayer**

### **Sermon**

*Pastor Prabhudas Koshy*

"Little Faith Rebuked and Revitalised"

*Matthew 14:23-33*

### **Holy Communion**

Hymn 194: Alas! and Did My Saviour Bleed?

\* Hymn 350: Jesus, Saviour, Pilot Me

### **\* Benediction & Threefold Amen**

*\* Congregation Standing*



## TODAY, 7 MAY 2017

## NEXT LORD'S DAY, 14 MAY 2017

9.00 – 10.00am		CHURCH CHOIR & CHILDREN'S CHOIR		CHURCH CHOIR & CHILDREN'S CHOIR	
		MALAYALAM FELLOWSHIP		MALAYALAM FELLOWSHIP	
10.30am	CHINESE SERVICE	<b>Worship Leader:</b> Pr Daniel Lim <b>Preacher:</b> Pr Daniel Lim <b>Musician:</b> Eunice Choy <b>Flowers:</b> Francis Tan <b>Ushers:</b> Cayson Chok & Chan Tuck Whye	<b>Worship Leader:</b> Elder Alan Choy <b>Preacher:</b> Pr Daniel Lim <b>Musician:</b> Dyllis Teo <b>Flowers:</b> Winnie Yap <b>Refreshments:</b> Roscelle Lim <b>Ushers:</b> Francis Tan & Lawrence Ng		
	ENGLISH SERVICE	<b>Worship Leader:</b> Elder Alan Choy <b>Preacher:</b> Pastor Prabhudas Koshy <b>Musicians:</b> Ellyzabeth, Sarah Lee <b>Ushers:</b> Amoz Choy, Lee Shing Shyan Benny Skariah, Stephen Yap John Peh, Linus Kok <b>Greeter:</b> Aileen Tan <b>AV Ministry:</b> Crew No. 4 <b>Flowers:</b> Carolyn Koshy <b>Refreshments:</b> Catherine Choy, Esther Quek Edeliza Ballega, Rhodora Resuma <b>Junior Worship:</b> Melissa Neo, (Stella Tan) Aileen Tan, (Esther Quek) Low Siew Lian	<b>Worship Leader:</b> Dn Kelvin Lim <b>Preacher:</b> Pastor Prabhudas Koshy <b>Musicians:</b> Eunice Choy, Dorcas Koshy Cornelius Koshy, Edwin Quek Jason Low, Low Chip Hung Marcus Lim, Ho Kee How Low Siew Lian <b>Greeter:</b> <b>AV Ministry:</b> Crew No. 1 <b>Flowers:</b> Pansy Ng <b>Refreshments:</b> Roscelle Lim, Nancy Lau Jolyne Cho, Chairine Chayadi <b>Junior Worship:</b> Dorothy Ng, (Lok Qian Hui) Elder Mah Chin Kwang, (Jasmine Tan) Adrian Lim		
1.30pm	FILIPINO SERVICE	<b>Worship Leader:</b> Eric Delina <b>Preacher:</b> Pr Dennis Kabingue <b>Musician:</b> Duaine Kabingue <b>Usher:</b> Anthony Evangelista <b>Refreshments:</b> Joy Del Rosario	<b>Worship Leader:</b> Norefel Resuma <b>Preacher:</b> Pr Dennis Kabingue <b>Musician:</b> Dorcas Koshy <b>Usher:</b> Julius Del Rosario <b>Refreshments:</b> Edeliza Ballega		
3.30pm	LIONS HOME	<b>Venue:</b> 487 Bedok South Ave 2 <b>English Speaker:</b> Elder Mah Chin Kwang <b>Dialect Speaker:</b> Kenneth Wong	<b>Venue:</b> 9 Bishan Street 13 <b>English Speaker:</b> Elder Ng Poh Kok <b>Dialect Speaker:</b> Pr Jeremiah Sim		

7 May 2017

# REMEMBERING BRETHREN IN BOGO & SAN ANTONIO

*Mah Chin Kwang*

The Lord was pleased to use His servant – the late Pr Dominino dela Cruz, Jr (husband of Sis Sharon and father of Nehemiah) – to establish a mission church in Bogo, Cebu, the Philippines in 2008. In the following year, another mission church in San Antonio (which is a nearby village where he grew up) was also inaugurated. Despite the many trials and oppositions encountered, our missionary and the two congregations stood steadfast and pressed on. He served joyfully together with his family for 3 years, before the Lord called him home on the Lord's day, 7 July 2013 to his eternal rest after a hard-fought battle against cancer.

Elder Eliezer Ortega, who was then taking care of The Gethsemane Care Ministry in Cebu City, an outreach to former drug addicts and offenders of the law, yielded to the Lord's call to lead the much-saddened flock. He was commissioned on 28 July 2013. Together with his wife, Sis Arlaine, they moved from Cebu City to serve in Bogo, leaving their three children behind in Cebu City.

They have been serving faithfully since, amidst the increasingly difficult and demanding work.

Mission Bogo 2017, which aims to encourage our missionary and the brethren in Bogo and San Antonio, was the fourth in a series of mission trips initiated by our Gethsemane Encourager's Ministry (GEM). Over the past 2 years, similar mission trips were made to Cebu City, Pangasinan and Kuching. By God's grace and leading, the Lord provided a strong team of 28 brethren from our midst (that included 5 young children) to serve and fellowship with brethren of our mission churches in Bogo and San Antonio from 27-30 April 2017.



DVBS at San Antonio

All praise be unto the Lord for this large team, which accorded many blessed opportunities to preach and teach God's Word to unbelievers, and to fellowship with the saints. With much grace and help from the Lord, the team was able to, in the short space of three and a-half days, visit 9 homes, have a full-day DVBS, including an "oral hygiene" instruction class in both Bogó and San Antonio, as well as conduct 3 evangelism sessions in Bogó and the areas around San Antonio and Libjo, where many tracts were distributed and the Gospel shared. All of these were held concurrently. The team also had the joy of being able to co-labour and participate in the combined Prayer Meeting held on Friday evening in Bogó, as well as the Worship Service on the Lord's day, where our Pastor brought the Word.

Mission Bogó 2017 is different from earlier mission trips in several ways, besides the size of the team. This mission trip, though initially planned for March 2017, was rescheduled to take place just before the Philippines churches' Combined Camp (planned to be held from 1-4 May 2017), as suggested by Pastor Koshy and Rev Reggor Galarpe, pastor of the mission church in Cebu

City. This provided another opportunity for many brethren to serve and be blessed by the teaching of God's Word during the camp, where Pastor Koshy was the camp speaker. A total of 17 brethren from the mission team stayed on for the camp. Pastor and Sis Carolyn, as well as Pr Dennis Kabingue and his family extended their mission visits in the Philippines further in ministering to the brethren in Bohol and Davao/Cebu City respectively, by arriving a few days prior to the arrival of the other mission team members on 27 April 2017.

For many in the mission team, the opportunities to serve alongside our brethren in the kitchens and meeting halls of the two churches in Bogó and San Antonio, as well as in travelling to and fro from our hotels to the church premises and to homes in remote rural areas, were enriching and blessed experiences. The ready



Street evangelism in San Antonio

smiles of brethren and non-believers that we encountered during evangelism were heart-warming. The warm welcome we received in the early hours of 27 April from Rev Reggor, his family, Eld Eliezer, his wife, Bro Allan and his family at Mactan Airport, Cebu set the tone of brotherly love that we continued to receive during our short stay. Through Bro Allan's contacts in the airport, the 31 large pieces of communal luggage – comprising Pastor's devotionals, Bible Witness magazines, tracts, etc. weighing more than 300kg, together with the team's personal belongings – were accorded special consideration through customs. We were able to get out of the airport without any of our luggage subject to close examination. May the Lord be praised for His providence.

The Lord is to be praised too for the protection and safety of the team throughout all our travels from/to the airport and hotel, walking on unfamiliar roads and riding in small motorcycle cabs to the church in Bogo, with several brethren having to ride these cabs to and fro between Bogo and San Antonio (a distance of 10 km)! Though it was an interesting experience to 7 members of

the team, it was nevertheless a somewhat risky and uncomfortable pillion-ride at the back seat on motorcycles across small unpaved, bumpy paths – sometimes even at the very edge of a steep slope – to visit a brother's home. The Lord was good to also grant good health to all in the team, without anyone suffering severe illness.

I am certain that the mission trip has opened the eyes of the team to the needs of our brethren in Bogo and San Antonio. More than their physical needs, there is a dire need for spiritual encouragement and strengthening. May the Lord use brethren who have been given this glimpse of the lives of our brethren there to encourage them in the Lord, especially our missionary Eld Eliezer and his wife, to stay steadfast and to persevere for the Lord Jesus' glory.



Elder Mah sharing the Word

# A WISE CHILD - IV



**P**roverbs 23:24 says, “The father of the righteous shall greatly rejoice: and he that begetteth a wise child shall have joy of him.”

The above verse talks about the joy of a father. The reason for the father’s joy is his son who is righteous and wise. A truly wise child lives righteously.

Do you know what it means to be righteous? A righteous person is one whose life is not stained with sin. But the Bible says that

“There is none righteous, no, not one” (Romans 3:10). All – even children – have sinned and become unrighteous. So, how to be a righteous child when you have many sins?

Firstly, in order to be righteous, all our sins must be removed. Jesus Christ died on the cross to make us righteous by taking away all our sins. If we believe that He died to remove our sins, we become righteous. When we confess our sins to God, we will be cleansed of all our unrighteousness. “If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins,

and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness” (1 John 1:9).

Secondly, those who are made righteous by Christ must watch their words, that they may not sin in their speech. Proverbs 10:11 says, “The mouth of a righteous man is a well of life: but violence covereth the mouth of the wicked.” The righteous man must make sure that he will not hurt and trouble others with his words. Be kind and courteous in your speech! Be encouraging and comforting with your words! Avoid all rude and bad speech if you are to be a righteous and wise child. Proverbs 10:32 reminds us that “The lips of the righteous know what is acceptable”. In other words, the righteous will not speak offensively.

Thirdly, the righteous person will guard his heart from desiring anything that is evil. Proverbs 11:23 says, “The desire of the righteous is only good”. Children, make sure that you will not desire anything that is displeasing to God. A righteous child will entertain only good thoughts. Proverbs 12:5 says, “The thoughts of the righteous are right”.

When your thoughts are righteous, your actions will also be righteous. This is because our actions are the result of our desires and thoughts. So watch your heart, that your actions may be righteous. As you live righteously, you will be a wise child!

*Prabhudas Koshy*

## COLLECTIONS

LORD'S DAY on 30 April 2017

**Tithes:** 5,620.00

**Offerings:** 9,401.00

**Bldg Fund (Project):** 1,000.00; 1,000.00;  
650.00; 2.00

**Missionary Conf Fund 2017:** 200.00  
(Chinese Svc)

**Designated Gifts:** Kelvin Lim 50.00; Andrew  
Koh 50.00; Aron Paiva 100.00

### NON-SUNDAY GIFT

**Bldg Fund (Project):** 500.00

**Missionary Conf Fund 2017:** 1,600.00

### SPECIAL FUND UPDATE

*(as of 30 April 2017)*

**Building Fund (Project):** \$2,246,589.50

**Missionary Conf Fund 2017:** \$44,875.00

*"And now, behold,  
I have brought the firstfruits of the land,  
which thou, O LORD, hast given me.  
And thou shalt set it before the LORD thy God,  
and worship before the LORD thy God"*

*Deuteronomy 26:10*

## FEBC 42<sup>ND</sup> GRADUATION

**Date & Time:** 7 May 2017, 6.00pm

**Venue:** Calvary Pandan B-P Church  
201 Pandan Gardens, Singapore 609337

Congratulations to our FEBC students  
who are graduating today:

Sujith Samuel (MRE)

Eric Delina (BTh)

Samuel Gan (CertRK)

Cornelius Koshy (CertRK)

## PASTORAL VISITATION CHOA CHU KANG/BUKIT BATOK REGION

**Date & Time:** Fri, 12 May 2017, 8.00pm

**Venue:** Home of Sis Sarah Cheng  
Blk 125 Pending Road, #04-36  
Singapore 670125

## GETHSEMANE MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

**Speaker:** Pastor Koshy

**Chairman:** Bro Gerry Lee

**Date & Time:** Sat, 13 May 2017 at 4pm

**Venue:** TGCM premises  
202B, Ponggol Seventeenth Avenue  
Take LRT (West Loop) from Punggol MRT  
station to Punggol Point LRT station.

There will also be a concurrent children's  
programme.

## GETHSEMANE SENIORS' MINISTRY 12TH THANKSGIVING ANNIVERSARY AND GOSPEL OUTREACH

**Speakers:** Pastor Koshy  
& Rev Wee Eng Moh

**Date:** Wed, 17 May 2017

**Time:** 9.00am-4.30pm

**Venue:** Aloha Changi

Please invite your non-believing loved  
ones, relatives and friends to this meeting.

*For catering and planning purposes,  
please register early with Sis Gina.*

## GETHSEMANE LADIES' FELLOWSHIP

**Women & Gospel Missions**

**Speaker:** Pastor Koshy

**Chairperson:** Sis Sarah Yong

**Date:** Sat, 20 May 2017

**Time:** 3.00-5.00pm

**Venue:** Home of Sis Angeline Wong  
Blk 50, Telok Blangah Drive, #10-102  
Singapore 100050

*No transport is provided as the home  
is within walking distance from Telok  
Blangah MRT station.*

Children aged 4-12 will have concurrent  
GCM Programme.

## FUNDAMENTAL CHRISTIAN MINISTRY (FCM) CAMP 2017

**Theme:** The Fear of the Lord

**Date:** 22-26 May 2017

**Speakers:** Pr Joshua Yong, Pr Kelvin Lim

**Fees:** \$40 (full-time)

**Sign up link:** [tinyurl.com/fmccamp17](http://tinyurl.com/fmccamp17)

For more information, contact Odelia Wong (9093 2636)

## GETHSEMANE YOUNG MOTHERS' FELLOWSHIP

**Topic:** Trials in Faithful Motherhood (IV)

**Speaker:** Pastor Koshy

**Chairperson:** Sis Fidelia Mah

**Date & Time:** Fri, 26 May 2017, 4.00-6.00pm

**Venue:** Home of Sis Rhodora Resuma  
298D Compassvale Street, #13-46, Singapore 544298

*Please email any questions related to the above topic to [gethsemaneyoungmothers@gmail.com](mailto:gethsemaneyoungmothers@gmail.com) before the meeting.*

## MISSIONARY CONFERENCE 2017

Theme: "That the Truth of the Gospel Might Continue with Us"  
(Galatians 2:5)

**Date:** 5-9 June 2017 (Monday-Friday)

**Venue:** Hilton Kuching

**Please submit completed registration form and make your payment to Bro Ernest Lim / Bro Matthew Mah TODAY.**

If you have any questions, please approach Dn Low Boon Siang.

### POST-WORSHIP ACTIVITIES

*Please stay back after worship to join us for:*

**Refreshments & Fellowship**

12.30pm – 1.30pm

**Bible Study (Adults, Youths & Children)**

1.30pm – 3.00pm

### WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

**Tuesday Night Bible Study & Prayer**

8.00pm @ L5, SingPost Centre

**Wednesday Lunch Hour Bible Study**

Resume in June 2017

**Wednesday Campus Bible Study**

3.00pm-4.30pm @ SUTD

**Wednesday Night GBI-Online**

Semestral Break

**Thursday Seniors' Ministry**

11.00am (Please contact Pr Jeremiah Sim)

**Friday Morning Prayer**

7.45am – 8.30am @ Church Resource Centre

**Friday Campus Bible Study**

Semestral break

**Sunday Lions Home Ministry**

For enquiry, contact Pr Jeremiah Sim

*For more information, please call the church office at 6741 1910.*



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Church Weekly

### Time & Place of Worship

10.30am

Level 5 Auditorium

Singapore Post Centre

10 Eunos Road 8

Singapore 408600

(next to Paya Lebar MRT station)

**Prayer Hotline**

8138 8139

SMS or WhatsApp

your prayer item

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Deacon Lok Kwok Wah

Deacon Kelvin Lim

Deacon Francis Lee

Deacon Low Boon Siang