

GETHSEMANE

BIBLE-PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

A WORD ON WORSHIP

Worship is the tribute which we pay to the King of kings, who has saved us and made us His people. We acknowledge His sovereignty over us, and our dependence on Him. Let us be filled with inward reverence and praise, that we may offer them outwardly in songs, prayers, meditation of His Word and service unto His glory. May we come to Him with a true heart, confessing, "The LORD our God will we serve, and his voice will we obey" (Joshua 24:24).

SCRIPTURE MEMORISATION

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Romans 13:8

"Owe no man any thing, but to love one another: for he that loveth another hath fulfilled the law."

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Call to Worship

Elder Ng Poh Kok

*Hymn 88: Praise Him! Praise Him!

*Invocation & Gloria Patri

*Responsive Scripture Reading

Psalms 24

Hymn 108: I've Found a Friend

Collection of Offerings

*Doxology & Prayer

Hymn 401: Yield Not to Temptation

Scripture Memorisation

*Pastoral Prayer

Sermon

Pastor Prabhudas Koshy

"A Foretaste of the Future Kingdom Glory of Christ"

Matthew 16:27-17:6

Baptism, Affirmation of Faith and Transfer of Membership

Holy Communion

Hymn 199: The Old Rugged Cross

Hymn 201: According to Thy Gracious Word

*Benediction & Threefold Amen

** Congregation Standing*



TODAY, 10 SEPTEMBER 2017

NEXT LORD'S DAY, 17 SEPTEMBER 2017

9.00 – 10.00am		CHURCH CHOIR & CHILDREN'S CHOIR	CHURCH CHOIR & CHILDREN'S CHOIR
		MALAYALAM FELLOWSHIP	MALAYALAM FELLOWSHIP
10.30am	CHINESE SERVICE	Worship Leader: Gan Chin Hwi Preacher: Pr Daniel Lim Musician: Angeline Wong Flowers: Winnie Yap Ushers: Robert Ooi & Lawrence Ng	Worship Leader: Elder Alan Choy Preacher: Pr Daniel Lim Musician: Eunice Choy Flowers: Roscelle Lim Refreshments: Roscelle Lim Ushers: Cayson Chok & Jonah So
	ENGLISH SERVICE	Worship Leader: Elder Ng Poh Kok Preacher: Pastor Prabhudas Koshy Musicians: Eunice Choy, Sarah Teo Ushers: Dn Lok Kwok Wah (i/c) Samuel Yong, Andrew Teong Gerry Lee, Randy Laurencio Arvind Pawa, George Chee Greeter: Mah Lean Choo AV Ministry: Crew No. 3 Flowers: Diana Koh Refreshments: Violet Quek, Cecilia Siah Chairine Chayadi, Corliss Ooi Junior Worship: Kenneth Wong, (Daryl Kablingue) Karen Quek, (Sophia Zhang) Adrian Lim	Worship Leader: Dn Low Boon Siang Preacher: Pastor Prabhudas Koshy Musicians: Jasmine Low, Dorcas Koshy Ushers: Bernard Lim (i/c) Amoz Choy, Lee Shing Shyan Lijoy George, Stephen Yap John Peh, Linus Kok Greeter: Aileen Tan AV Ministry: Crew No. 4 Flowers: Mah Lean Choo Refreshments: Roscelle Lim, Edeliza Ballega Lena Chan, Rhodora Resuma Junior Worship: Melissa Mah, (Evelyne Lee) Pr Andrew Koh, (Jean Tindaan) Dn Lok Kwok Wah
1.30pm	FILIPINO SERVICE	Worship Leader: Norefel Resuma Preacher: Pr Kelvin Lim Musician: Ayn Tindaan Usher: Jordan Ballega Refreshments: Daryl Kablingue	Worship Leader: Eric Delina Preacher: Pr Dennis Kablingue Musician: Duaine Kablingue Usher: Jomart Tindaan Refreshments: Roscelle Lim
3.30pm	LIONS HOME	Venue: 9 Bishan Street 13 English Speaker: Elder Mah Chin Kwang Dialect Speaker: Pr Jeremiah Sim	Venue: 487 Bedok South Ave 2 English Speaker: Elder Ng Poh Kok Dialect Speaker: Elder Alan Choy

10 September 2017

Mission Report from Vizag, India

Sujith Samuel

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ!

I thank the Lord for helping me to be in Vizag for the last three months. I was totally new to the city. But God helped me to slowly settle down here. There are many difficulties, but God is sovereign and He is guiding. Through this report, I like to update the church regarding the work here.

When I came here, I did not have a place to stay. I stayed in a hotel. After searching fruitlessly for a place myself and also through my contacts here, I thought I would not be able to get a place to stay. Many house-owners were not giving rooms to single persons. Every time I make a call to a flat-owner, he would say that he would rent out only to families. After much enquiry, I saw an advertisement about the current flat in a rental service website, and the owner who is staying abroad was willing to give the place for me to stay. Thank God for His provision. There are many restrictions though. I cannot conduct meetings

or religious activities there; but I am thankful to the Lord that I got a place at least to stay.

Almost every Sunday, I attended Sunday meetings in a fellowship group affiliated with the Free Presbyterian Church. There are four families attending these meetings regularly. All of them are very supportive and very friendly to me. They regularly pray for me and encourage me. The pastor of the group is very passionate about mission work and he preaches very well. He will be out of India for some weeks. Please pray for safe journey (to and fro) for him and his family. They also gave me opportunity to share from God's Word in their meetings on some Sundays. I thank the Lord for preserving such a small group in this city.

I had the opportunity to be involved in prison ministry in Parlakhemundi (Odisha) for some weeks before the jail authorities stopped the meetings and I am not going there anymore. (I request your prayers for the authorities to give permission to re-start the

meetings.) Bro Henjit who was involved in prison ministry there, started coming down to Vizag to learn theology in English. Though he had studied theology in a fundamental Baptist bible college in the Odia medium, he is very much interested in learning theology in English. Thus, I started teaching him Systematic Theology. Another person from the outskirts of Vizag also came for some classes. Please pray that these brothers will continue to come to learn from God's Word. Since the prison bible-study is stopped, Bro Henjit is trying to start a bible-study in his home. Pray that he will be able to get people to continue his work in that small village.

Some weekends, I visited some rural Baptist churches in Vizag. I went with a Christian doctor who goes for rural evangelism almost every weekend. He practises in the clinic from Monday to Thursday; and from Friday to Sunday, he will go out for weekend evangelism. His grandfather had planted some churches in the outskirts of Vizag and also in hill stations like Arakku. He will visit those churches. During most of my visits, I was given opportunity to preach, while this doctor would translate my messages from English to Telugu.

I also received opportunities to visit some "Naxal-affected" (i.e. by far-left radical communists) areas

in Orissa. The Christians there live in much fear. They are very poor and even mobile coverage is very limited. In many parts of Odisha, persecution is quite severe, but yet many Christians continue to remain faithful to the Lord. There are a lot of small churches in Odisha and in the border-areas of Andhra Pradesh. But most of the pastors do not have formal training. They are also not well-educated in English. Worse, good Christian resources are not available in English or in the local language. Thus, there is a need to educate these pastors and supply them with good resources so that the people under their care may benefit. If we can translate and publish some basic bible-study materials in the local languages, that will be very useful for them.

In order to continue the work here, we need to get a place which allows freedom of worship and also we need to get legal registration with the government. Philippians 4:6-7 says, "Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus." I thank Gethsemane B-P Church for your prayers and support. Please continue to pray for me and the work here.

Testimony of Sis Juvy Lynn Anaviso

Dear Pastor Koshy and brethren in Gethsemane BPC, Singapore,

Greetings in the blessed name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ!

I want you all to know that I am now in Cebu, the Philippines and currently studying as a full-time student at Gethsemane Bible Institute, Cebu. The Lord has been so good to me here. I am truly grateful to the Lord for how He has arranged for me a place to stay. I am staying now at Sister Ophelia's place. Sister Ophelia is one of the members of Gethsemane BPC, Cebu.

I am also thankful to God for leading my path here in GBI, Cebu, where I have enjoyed studying His Word. I thank God also for providing me lecturers who love God and love His Word. I thank the Lord for His provision of books and computers for GBI. I also want to thank God for the support I am receiving from the mother church, Gethsemane BPC, Singapore.

With all these provisions and goodness from the Lord, I take it as a double confirmation of His will for me. I can truly say that it is indeed His will for me to come here, for I can see and experience His cooperative will at work.

My brothers and sisters in Christ, please continue to uphold me in your prayers. And please continue also to remember Gethsemane BPC, Cebu and Gethsemane Bible Institute, Cebu in your prayers.

Thank you and all glory be to God!

How A Diligent Christian Student Glorifies God – II

Dear children, last Lord's day I explained to you that because a diligent Christian student honours his parents, he will also glorify God who gives him parents to care for him. Today, I shall mention more ways in which a diligent student glorifies God.

HE MEETS THE NEEDS OF HIMSELF AND OTHERS

Each Christian is expected to provide for himself and family by diligently labouring. God condemns those who cheat or steal to make a livelihood. It is also wrong to beg, without working hard through God-given opportunities to succeed in life. The apostle Paul wrote about the manner of life which is glorifying to the Lord, saying, "ye study to be quiet, and to do your own business, and to work with your own hands, as we commanded you; that ye may walk honestly toward them that are without, and that ye may have lack of nothing" (1 Thessalonians 4:11-12; cf. 2 Thessalonians 3:11-12).



God has always taught His people to be responsible in life through honest and hard work. His Word teaches that no man should neglect his duties and business. In fact, we are warned that laziness and neglect of our duty can bring about poverty and many troubles to an individual and his family. Proverbs 13:4a says, "The soul of the sluggard desireth, and hath nothing". (See also Proverbs 10:4 and 19:15).

Even if a child has everything he needs in life, he should work hard to contribute to others who are in need and also to support good efforts, such as the Gospel work. By being diligent, you will gain good knowledge and good skills that will help you to contribute to the church and society. Such an attitude will please and honour God.

Prabhudas Koshy

COLLECTIONS

LORD'S DAY on 3 September 2017

Tithes: 4,700.00

Offerings: 6,820.05

Bldg Fund (Project): 100.00, [50.00 (Filipino Svc)]

Designated Gifts: Charity Fund 50.00; Pastor & Mrs Koshy 50.00; Kelvin Lim 50.00; Ho Kee How 100.00; Kenneth Wong 100.00; Aron Paiva 100.00; Esther Ratnam 100.00

NON-SUNDAY GIFT

Bldg Fund (Project): 1,500.00

General Fund: 10,000.00

Designated Gifts: Pastor & family 500.00; Needy brethren serving in various ministries of GBPC (S'pore) 4,500.00

SPECIAL FUND UPDATE

(as of 3 September 2017)

Building Fund (Project): \$2,301,876.70

*"Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the LORD of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it."
Malachi 3:10*

BAPTISM/AFFIRMATION OF FAITH/TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP

10 September 2017

Adult Baptism:

- 1) Fion Goh Yi Shan
- 2) Kang Aidan Strahan

Affirmation of Faith:

- 1) Ruth Quek Mei En

Transfer of Membership:

- 1) Huang Huimei, Sophia
- 2) Khoo May Ping
- 3) Khoo Xin Hao
- 4) Lim Siu Chen
- 5) Lee Wei Xuan Sean

GETHSEMANE YOUNG ADULTS' FELLOWSHIP

Bible Study: Ecclesiastes

Speaker: Pastor Koshy

Chairman: Bro Ernest Lim

Date & Time: Fri, 15 Sept 2017,
7.30pm (Dinner provided by hosts)

Venue: Home of Mr & Mrs Andrew Teong
15 Ah Soo Garden,
Singapore 539971

GETHSEMANE YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

Topic: Book Study of 1 Timothy
Speaker: Bro Andrew Koh
Chairman: Bro Zacharias Tan
Date & Time: Sat, 16 Sept 2017
Choir Practice: 2.00pm - 3.30pm
Bible Study: 3.45pm - 5.00pm
Venue: Home of Sis Lee Kim Lei
Blk 408 Fajar Road, #10-349
Singapore 670408

PASTORAL VISITATION

JURONG/CLEMENTI

Date & Time: Fri, 22 Sept 2017, 8.00pm
Venue: Home of Mr & Mrs George Chee
Blk 10 Tao Ching Road, #14-23 Lake Life
Singapore 618725

If you live in this region, please check that your name is on the list placed on the reception table. If it is not, please add it in.

BIBLE WITNESS MAGAZINE

The latest issue on:
"In God Do I Trust"

is available at the reception table.

(Feel free to take as many copies as you need to give to others for their spiritual admonition and edification.)

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING (ACM) & ELECTION TO THE CHURCH SESSION

Date: Lord's Day, 24 Sept 2017

Time: 1.45 pm

Venue: SingPost L5 Auditorium

All Communicant Members, please collect your copy of the ACM documents available on the designated table at the foyer today.

NOMINATION TO THE CHURCH SESSION (SEPT 2017 – SEPT 2019)

The Board of Elders (BOE) has proposed that all the present members of the Session be nominated for election to the Church Session (Sept 2017 – Sept 2019). The Church Session has endorsed the BOE's proposal. In addition, the BOE has proposed that Dn Francis Lee be nominated to the office of Eldership, having affirmed his testimony of calling to be an elder through the evaluation of his life and service in Gethsemane, his family and his doctrinal convictions.

CHECKING OF ELECTORAL REGISTER

In view of the upcoming Annual Congregational Meeting and Elections, a list of the names of our church members who are in good standing/not inactive (as of 10 September 2017) is placed at the reception table.

All communicant members are advised to check the list and sign next to their names. If any member's name is either not found in the list or misspelt, please immediately inform the Clerk-of-Session, Eld Mah Chin Kwang, for verification.

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 Auditorium, SingPost Centre

Wednesday Lunch Hour Bible Study
1.00pm @ Bible Witness Bookroom

Wednesday Night GBI-Online
7.45pm-9.15pm @ TGCM

Thursday Seniors' Ministry
11.00am (Please contact Pr Jeremiah Sim)

Friday Morning Prayer
7.45am – 8.30am @ Church Resource Centre

Friday Campus Bible Study
SUTD 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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Magazine



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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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Our Session

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Elder Alan Choy

Elder Ng Poh Kok

Deacon Daniel Lim

Deacon Lok Kwok Wah

Deacon Kelvin Lim

Deacon Francis Lee

Deacon Low Boon Siang