

# 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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Worship arises from hearts that contemplate God and His glory. 1 Chronicles 16:10-11 exhorts us, "Glory ye in his holy name: let the heart of them rejoice that seek the LORD. Seek the LORD and his strength, seek his face continually." Each time when we draw unto Him in worship, we must grow in affection towards Him and His greatness and goodness. "Glory ye in his holy name: let the heart of them rejoice that seek the LORD" (Psalm 105:3).

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## SCRIPTURE MEMORISATION

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**Matthew 6:12**

And forgive us our debts,  
as we forgive our debtors.

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## ORDER OF WORSHIP

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**Call to Worship**

*Dn Low Boon Siang*

\*Hymn 8: Holy, Holy, Holy

**\*Invocation & Gloria Patri**

**\*Responsive Scripture Reading**

*Isaiah 40:1-10*

**Gethsemane Children's Choir**

Hymn 26: Come, Thou Fount

**Collection of Offerings**

**\*Doxology & Prayer**

Hymn 106: Christ Liveth in Me

**Scripture Memorisation**

**\*Pastoral Prayer**

**Sermon**

*Pastor Prabhudas Koshy*

"A Foretaste of the Future Kingdom Glory of Christ - II"

*Matthew 16:27-17:6*

\*Hymn 223: What If It Were Today?

**\*Benediction & Threefold Amen**

*\* Congregation Standing*



**TODAY, 17 SEPTEMBER 2017**

**NEXT LORD'S DAY, 24 SEPTEMBER 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> Elder Alan Choy <b>Preacher:</b> Pr Daniel Lim <b>Musician:</b> Eunice Choy <b>Flowers:</b> Roscelle Lim <b>Refreshments:</b> Roscelle Lim <b>Ushers:</b> Cayson Chok & Jonah So	<b>Worship Leader:</b> Gan Chin Hwi <b>Preacher:</b> Pr Daniel Lim <b>Musician:</b> Dyllis Teo <b>Flowers:</b> Tay Soo Thian <b>Refreshments:</b> Gan Sheu Hoong <b>Ushers:</b> Chan Tuck Whye & Lawrence Ng
	ENGLISH SERVICE	<b>Worship Leader:</b> Dn Low Boon Siang <b>Preacher:</b> Pastor Prabhudas Koshy <b>Musicians:</b> Jasmine Low, Dorcas Koshy <b>Ushers:</b> Bernard Lim (i/c) Amoz Choy, Lee Shing Shyan Lijoy George, Arvind Pawa John Peh, Linus Kok <b>Greeter:</b> Violet Quek <b>AV Ministry:</b> Crew No. 4 <b>Flowers:</b> Mah Lean Choo <b>Refreshments:</b> Roscelle Lim, Edelize Ballega Lena Chan, Rhodora Resuma <b>Junior Worship:</b> Melissa Mah, (Evelyne Lee) Pr Andrew Koh, (Jean Tindaan) Dn Lok Kwok Wah	<b>Worship Leader:</b> Elder Mah Chin Kwang <b>Preacher:</b> Pastor Prabhudas Koshy <b>Musicians:</b> Sarah Lee, Ellyzabeth <b>Ushers:</b> Dn Low Boon Siang (i/c) Cornelius Koshy, Edwin Quek Jason Low, Low Chip Hung Marcus Lim, Ho Kee How <b>Greeter:</b> Low Siew Lian <b>AV Ministry:</b> Crew No. 1 <b>Flowers:</b> Gina Sim <b>Refreshments:</b> Catherine Choy, Chong Shu Mun Jolyne Cho, Lim Hua See <b>Junior Worship:</b> Elder Mah Chin Kwang, (Stella Tan) Pr Dennis Kablingue, (Elvin Siew) Samuel Yong
1.30pm	FILIPINO SERVICE	<b>Worship Leader:</b> Eric Delina <b>Preacher:</b> Pr Dennis Kablingue <b>Musician:</b> Duaine Kablingue <b>Usher:</b> Jomart Tindaan <b>Refreshments:</b> Roscelle Lim	<b>Worship Leader:</b> Norefel Resuma <b>Preacher:</b> Pr Dennis Kablingue <b>Musician:</b> Ayn Tindaan <b>Usher:</b> Randy Laurencio <b>Refreshments:</b> Jean Tindaan
3.30pm	LIONS HOME	<b>Venue:</b> 487 Bedok South Ave 2 <b>English Speaker:</b> Elder Ng Poh Kok <b>Dialect Speaker:</b> Elder Alan Choy	<b>Venue:</b> 9 Bishan Street 13 <b>English Speaker:</b> Edwin Quek <b>Dialect Speaker:</b> Kenneth Wong

# Information on Candidates for Election to the Church Session 2017–2019

The election to the Church Session (2017-2019) will be held along with the Annual Congregation Meeting next Lord's Day (24th September) at 1.45 pm. All communicant members are advised to attend the ACM as it is our constitutional duty.

As it was mentioned before from the pulpit, the Board of Elders has decided that all the present members of the Session will be nominated to serve for the next 2-year term of the Session. The BOE has also approved the proposal to nominate Dn Francis Lee to be an elder of the church, having interviewed and determined his calling, giftedness and biblical qualifications to be an elder. All other candidates are also assessed according to the Scriptures and our Church's constitution.

Information on the candidates' prior service is published below. This information is not exhaustive. In fact, all of them have been actively serving the Lord in our midst, both as members and leaders, for many years. We thank God for their faithfulness in their appointed areas of service in the past and for their readiness to continue in the service to which the Lord has called them.

Let us continually pray for them and their families to remain faithful, humble and diligent in their lives and ministries. Please join this Tuesday night prayer meeting, as we will be especially praying for the ACM, election and for each of the candidates.

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## Rev Dr Prabhudas Koshy

*Candidate for the office of Pastor and Chairman of the Session*



- Since 1990, Pastor Koshy has been preaching God's Word in Gethsemane and was ordained as the Pastor of Gethsemane Bible-Presbyterian Church in 1994. Since 1999, he has been leading the Church Session as its Chairman.
- His main areas of ministry have been the preaching and teaching of God's Word during Sunday worship services, Tuesday Prayer Meetings, various fellowship meetings, seminars, retreats and camps of Gethsemane B-P Church.
- He regularly provides pastoral counselling to the

members and worshippers, and also leads the Pastoral Visitation Ministry.

- He also gives pastoral supervision and leadership to the Bible Witness Media Ministry (as the Editor of the Bible Witness magazine), The Gethsemane Care Ministry, and all the fellowship groups of the church.
- He is also actively involved in training men for the ministry through FEBC, Gethsemane Bible Institutes in the Philippines and Ethiopia. He also conducts lectures on Systematic Theology for GBI-online. He also corresponds with our missionaries and visits our church's mission stations.
- He is married to Carolyn, and they have 3 children, Cornelius, Andronicus and Dorcas, and they serve the Lord as a family in Gethsemane BPC. Cornelius, having received the Lord's call, is undergoing theological training in FEBC.

### **Eld Mah Chin Kwang**

*Candidate for the office of Elder & Session Member*



- Since Gethsemane BPC's inception in 1988, Eld Mah has been serving in the leadership of Gethsemane as an elder. He served as the chairman of the Interim Committee till 1994, and of the Session (1995-1999).
- He has laboured in various leadership roles of Gethsemane:

Clerk-of-Session, Leader of Gethsemane Encouragers' Ministry, Finance Committee Member, Building Committee Member, etc.

- He regularly teaches in Catechism class, Seniors' Ministry, The Gethsemane Care Ministry. From time to time, he also preaches in fellowship groups. He also serves as worship chairman on Sundays and renders his advice and help in many areas of church administration, such as Finance Committee.
- In the recent years, Eld Mah has led several mission trips to places like Kuching, Pangasinan, Cebu, etc.
- He is married to Lean Choo, and they have two children, Melissa and Matthew, and a young grandson, Ethan. Melissa serves the Lord in BWMM and Matthew, who is married to Fidelia, serves in GYAF and other areas of the church ministries.

### **Eld Ng Poh Kok**

*Candidate for the office of Elder & Assistant Clerk-of-Session*



- In 2008, Eld Ng and his family joined Gethsemane B-P Church. Prior to that, he served as a deacon in Sharon BPC (1978-2002) and as an elder (2002-2008). He also served in Sharon BPC as a Sunday School teacher and as its Superintendent.
- Eld Ng was elected as an elder of our church in 2013. During the present term of

the Session, he has served as the Treasurer. He has also served on the committees of Gethsemane Adults' Fellowship and Gethsemane Men's Fellowship. He now co-labours with Pastor in the leadership of the Pastoral Visitation Ministry.

- His wife Dorothy, and their two daughters, Sarah and Sharon, are also members of Gethsemane BPC. Sarah is married to Samuel Yong, and they both actively serve the Lord in our church. Sharon, who was married to our late missionary Dominino dela Cruz Jr, now serves the Lord in our midst together with her son Nehemiah.

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### **Eld Alan Choy Weng Heng**

*Candidate for the office of Elder & Session Member*



- Since 1995, Eld Choy has been a member of Gethsemane BPC. From 1997 to 2003, he served as a deacon. In 2003, he was elected and ordained as an elder of Gethsemane BPC.
- In the Session, he has laboured in various leadership roles: Clerk-of-Session, Treasurer, etc., as well as being a member of the Finance Committee and Building Committee in recent years. He presently leads the GYF committee with Pastor.
- He attended FEBC as a part-time student and graduated with Certificate of Religious Knowledge in May 2013.
- He regularly teaches in Catechism class and ministers at the Lions Home for the Elders, etc. In the Chinese

Service, he serves as a worship chairman and preaches God's Word, when the need arises.

- He is married to Luan Kheng; and they have three children, Eunice, Jenice and Amoz. As a family, the Choys serve the Lord actively in various areas of Gethsemane BPC.

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### **Dn Francis Lee Kek Gee**

*Candidate for the office of Elder & Clerk-of-Session*



- Dn Francis and family joined Gethsemane as members in 2008. Before that, he was a member of Life B-P Church (since 1988), and True Life B-P Church (2003-2007). Upon joining Gethsemane, he rendered his services in various ministries of the church.
- He became a deacon in Gethsemane in 2011 and diligently served in the Session to date. He has faithfully served in the Session as the Clerk-of-Session and also as the Treasurer. He is a member of the Finance Committee of the church.
- He has given his service as the Camp Master in annual church camps, Committee Member of Gethsemane Adults' Fellowship and Gethsemane Men's Fellowship. Presently, he also serves in Gethsemane Defenders' Ministry. He also served along with Eld Mah in recent mission trips to our mission fields.

- He sought theological learning through FEBC as a part-time student and graduated with Certificate of Religious Knowledge in 2008, and Certificate of Biblical Studies in 2010.
- His wife Stephanie and their four children, Sarah, Michelle, Samuel and Moses, worship and serve the Lord in Gethsemane BPC and various fellowship groups.

### **Dn Daniel Lim Hoe Chiang**

*Candidate for the office of Deacon & Session Member*



- In 2005, he was appointed as a preacher in the Chinese Service of Gethsemane BPC and has faithfully devoted himself to ministering to the brethren in that ministry. Preacher Daniel Lim, after obtaining his Diploma in Theology from FEBC, served with The Helping Hand (2000-2005) as a missionary in the Philippines, and then upon his return to Singapore, as a counsellor and a director of The Helping Hand.
- Since 2007, he has been serving as a deacon in the Session of Gethsemane BPC.
- He conducts weekly Bible Study in The Gethsemane Care Ministry (TGCM) and assists Pastor in counselling and in the leadership of TGCM.
- He serves together with Pr Jeremiah Sim and Eld Mah in the Seniors' Ministry on Thursdays and also

preaches God's Word regularly in Changi Prison. He also frequently travels to Malaysia (Kemaman, KL, etc.) to preach God's Word in sister churches.

- He is married to Roscelle, and they have two young children, Mehetabel and Jesimiel. As a family, they participate in church fellowship activities and ministries.

### **Dn Lok Kwok Wah**

*Candidate for the office of Deacon & Assistant Treasurer*



- Since 2001, he has been faithfully serving in the Bible Witness Media Ministry as a full-time worker. He transferred his membership to Gethsemane BPC in 2005 from Life BPC and became a deacon of Gethsemane in 2007.
- In the Bible Witness Media Ministry, he supervises the printing, distribution of the Bible Witness magazine. He also assisted Pastor in organising BW retreats, Holy Land Bible Study Tour, etc.
- He has been serving as a deacon in the Session of Gethsemane BPC since 2007. He has served in the Session in various roles: Assistant Treasurer, Assistant Clerk-of-Session, etc. He led the Ushers' ministry (2009-2016).
- He also helps out in the day-to-day matters of the church in the church office.

- Together with him, his wife Jenny and three children, Qian Hui, Qian Yi and Qian Ning, worship and serve in Gethsemane.

### **Dn Kelvin Lim Cheng Kwang**

*Candidate for the office of Deacon & Session Member*



- In 2000, he was baptised in Gethsemane BPC and became an active member of the church.
- The Lord called him into full-time ministry in 2002, and in 2004 he joined FEBC for theological training. He completed the Bachelor of Theology in 2008 and was appointed as Assistant to the Pastor in Gethsemane Children's Ministry.
- He was elected as a deacon in 2009.
- He leads the Gethsemane Children's Ministry. He also avails himself to preach and to teach God's Word during worship service, at prayer meeting and different fellowship meetings, and in TGCM.
- He travels to Malaysia to preach God's Word in Kemaman Life BPC, Calvary Jaya B-P Fellowship, Kuching Mission outreach.
- His wife Jasmine and their three children, Joash, Jorim and Joses, worship and serve the Lord in Gethsemane BPC.

### **Dn Low Boon Siang**

*Candidate for the office of Deacon & Treasurer*



- Dn Boon Siang was saved and baptised in Gethsemane in the year 2001.
- Over the past 14 years, as he steadily grew spiritually, he served the Lord in Youth Fellowship (2002-2008); Ushers' Ministry (2005-2009); Young Adults' Fellowship Committee (2008-2012); Audiovisual Ministry (2009 till now); Men's Fellowship Committee (2013 to present). He also served in committees of Church Camp (2009 and 2012).
- As a teacher of God's Word to children, Bro Boon Siang served in Junior Worship (2006 to present) and in GCM (2008 to 2013). He also served the Lord in the Fundamental Christian Ministry of NTU and NIE (2006-2008), and the B-P Combined Youth Conference Committee (2007-2008).
- Upon his election as a deacon in 2015, he was appointed to be a member of the Finance committee, and was given the leadership of Young Adults' Fellowship. In 2017, he was appointed to lead the Ushers' Ministry. He laboured much in organising the recent 5th Missionary Conference held in Kuching.
- His wife Hui Lin and their two young sons, Christopher and Caleb, worship in Gethsemane BPC and participate in many fellowship groups and ministries. ■

## **How A Diligent Christian Student Glorifies God – III**

Dear children, I would like to write one more article on this topic. I pray that all the three articles will encourage you to study for the glory of God.

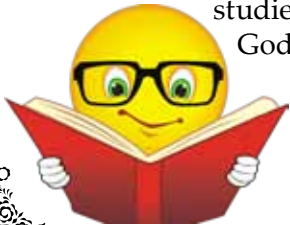
### **HE SUPPORTS GOD'S WORK WITH HIS ACHIEVEMENTS**

In Romans 12:11, we are taught to be “not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord”. In other words, Christians ought to be diligent to do well in all business of life – whether it be study or work – that they may serve the Lord. A lazy person cannot serve the Lord. Even though not all will achieve great success, everyone must develop the habit of hard work.

A well-educated, diligent man is an asset to the church and its ministry. There are many ways in which one can apply one's educational knowledge for the support of God's work. Following are just a few examples:

Today there are many excellent science graduates who promote God's Word by supporting the Scriptural truth of Creationism. They do it by scientifically disproving its satanic counterpart, “Evolutionism”. There are accountants who help to manage the church's finances. There are medical doctors, nurses and other medical personnel who help the poor and full-time servants of God in their medical needs. Some of them also hold medical camps in the mission stations by providing free medical consultation and medicine. There are engineers who help to set up and maintain the audiovisual ministry of the church. Those who did well in language studies help with the publication of Christian materials. Many Christians, who have studied well and obtained well-paying jobs, do support the church and its work in promoting God's Word with their generous and sacrificial giving.

We must study hard so that we may glorify God by fulfilling the goal He has set for us - “let him labour, working with his hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth” (Ephesians 4:28b).



*Prabhudas Koshy*



## COLLECTIONS

LORD'S DAY on 10 September 2017

**Tithes:** 3,490.00

**Offerings:** 10,567.45; A\$50.00

**Bldg Fund (Project):** 505.00

**Designated Gifts:** Bible Witness 50.00;

TGCM (local) 200.00; GBPC (Ethiopia)

100.00; Rev Ephrem 100.00; Pr Kelvin Lim

100.00; 100.00; Pr Andrew Koh 500.00;

Kenneth Wong 100.00; Cornelius Koshy

100.00; Aron Paiva 100.00

### SPECIAL FUND UPDATE

*(as of 10 September 2017)*

**Building Fund (Project):** \$2,302,381.70

**Give generously  
towards our  
Church Building Fund.**

*"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*

## 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.

## GETHSEMANE ADULTS' FELLOWSHIP

**Topic:** Book Study of 1 Thessalonians

**Speaker:** Pastor Koshy

**Chairman:** Dn Daniel Lim

**Date & Time:** Sat, 23 Sept 2017, 4.00pm

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

*(Transport from Kovan MRT station at  
3.40pm. Pls contact Dn Kelvin Lim  
@ 8268 2828)*

A concurrent separate programme will be catered for children aged 4-12 (4.00-5.30pm).

## 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.

## 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.

## CHINESE BIBLE CONFERENCE

**Theme:** Earnestly Contending for the Faith

**Speaker:** Pr Daniel Lim

**Date & Time:** Sat, 30 Sept 2017, 10.00am-2.00pm

**Venue:** City Beach Resort  
8 Port Road, Singapore 117540

*(Transport from Labrador Park MRT station from 9.30am.)*

We encourage Chinese-speaking brethren to attend this conference and to invite your Christian friends. Do sign up at the reception table. If you are joining the lunch (\$5.00 per person), please make payment to Sis Aileen Tan.

## REFORMATION LECTURES 2017

*in commemoration of the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation*

**Theme:** “Historical Relevance of the Reformation”

**Venue:** SingPost Centre, Level 5 Auditorium

**Time:** 1.30pm - 3.30pm

### Dates/Topics/Speakers

**1st October** – Pre-Reformation:

Ecclesiastical Corruption and Declension  
*by Pr Andrew Koh*

**8th October** – Reformation from Within:

“Morning Stars” and “Forerunners”  
*by Pr Dennis Kabingue*

**15th October** – Reformation Precipitated by the Times:

Social Developments and Intellectual Movements  
*by Pastor Prabhudas Koshy*

**22nd October** – Reformation Breakthrough:

Defining Moments and Key Figures  
*by Eld Richard Tiu*

## 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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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 Mah Chin Kwang

Elder Alan Choy

Elder Ng Poh Kok

Deacon Daniel Lim

Deacon Lok Kwok Wah

Deacon Kelvin Lim

Deacon Francis Lee

Deacon Low Boon Siang