

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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God demands that His worshippers separate themselves from all worldliness and devote themselves to know and to do all that are pleasing to Him. Scripture says, "And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God" (Romans 12:2). True worshippers live to do His will and glorify Him.

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SCRIPTURE MEMORISATION

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Discipleship

Luke 14:27

And whosoever doth not bear his cross,
and come after me, cannot be my disciple.

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

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Call to Worship

Elder Ng Poh Kok

*Hymn 36: High in the Heavens, Eternal God

*Invocation & Gloria Patri

*Responsive Scripture Reading

Matthew 26:36-46

Hymn 216: Jesus Shall Reign

Collection of Offerings

*Doxology & Prayer

Hymn 112: Redeemed

Scripture Memorisation

*Pastoral Prayer

Sermon

Pastor Prabhudas Koshy

"The King in His Sorrow"

Matthew 26:36-46

Holy Communion

Hymn 191: Ivory Palaces

*Hymn 185: Hallelujah, What a Saviour!

*Benediction & Threefold Amen

**Congregation Standing*



TODAY, 5 MAY 2019

NEXT LORD'S DAY, 12 MAY 2019

8.00 – 9.00am	CHURCH CHOIR	CHURCH CHOIR
9.00am	CHINESE SERVICE	CHINESE SERVICE
	ADULTS' BIBLE STUDY (GBI-REVELATION)	ADULTS' BIBLE STUDY (GBI-REVELATION)
	CHILDREN'S CHOIR & CHILDREN'S BIBLE STUDY	CHILDREN'S CHOIR & CHILDREN'S BIBLE STUDY
11.00am	<p>Worship Leader: Elder Ng Poh Kok Preacher: Pastor Prabhudas Koshy Musicians: Dorcas Koshy, Sarah Lee Ushers: Gerry Lee Cornelius Koshy, Danial Wong Jonathon Lim, Cayson Chok Marcus Lim, John Peh Greeter: Violet Quek AV Ministry: John Ku, Andy Lee, Rayson Tan Aidan Kang, Jonathon Lim Flowers: Stephanie Lee Refreshments: Violet Quek, Stella Yang Cecilia Siah, Corliss Ooi Junior Worship: Melissa Mah, (Stella Tan) Pr Jeremiah Sim, (Cecilia Siah) Carolyn Koshy</p>	<p>Worship Leader: Elder Francis Lee Preacher: Pastor Prabhudas Koshy Musicians: Eunice Choy, Sarah Teo Ushers: Benny Skariah Ng Kwan Teng, Benjamin Quek Marcus Peh, Low Chip Hung Chong Khai Siang, Chan Tuck Whye Greeter: Winnie Yap AV Ministry: John Zhang, Gideon Lee Goh Yong Wei, Zacharias Tan Flowers: Angela Ang Refreshments: Catherine Choy, Khoo May Ping Mary Lee, Mary Chan Junior Worship: Pr Kelvin Lim, (Rhodora Resuma) Dn Low Boon Siang, (Cornelius Koshy) Elder Alan Choy</p>
2.00pm	FILIPINO FELLOWSHIP	FILIPINO FELLOWSHIP
	Preacher: Pr Ho Kee How	Preacher: Pr Daniel Lim
	MALAYALAM FELLOWSHIP	MALAYALAM FELLOWSHIP
	CATECHISM CLASS	CATECHISM CLASS
	YOUTH CHOIR PRACTICE	YOUTH CHOIR PRACTICE
3.30pm	<p>Venue: 487 Bedok South Ave 2 English Speaker: Elder Ng Poh Kok Dialect Speaker: Bro. Stephen Yap</p>	<p>Venue: 9 Bishan Street 13 English Speaker: Bro. Arvind Pawa Dialect Speaker: Pr Jeremiah Sim</p>

5 May 2019

Testimony of God's Deliverance

Prabhudas Koshy

"I waited patiently for the LORD; and he inclined unto me, and heard my cry. He brought me up also out of an horrible pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock, and established my goings" (Psalm 40:1-2).

What an inspiring testimony David bears here! He tells us how he handled his dilemma. He responded to his peculiar trouble by waiting patiently for the LORD.

He was in a very distressing situation. He described his situation in verse 2 as "an horrible pit of miry clay". It was a picture of helplessness and despondence that David painted with those words. He was sunken in deep and dark depression. No one could deliver him, not even he himself.

But he knew that there is help with the LORD. So he cast himself and his situation completely upon the LORD as the only possible way out. He cried out to Him in prayer. It is all that he could do, and he did it with utmost earnestness and eagerness.

When David "waited patiently for the LORD", he was not passively sitting down and muttering fatalistically, "Oh, the LORD has deserted me. There is no one to deliver me." Instead, his patient waiting for the LORD consisted of crying to the LORD. Prayer is the channel that God has ordained for His afflicted people to receive His deliverance and help in times of distressing situations.

David had always been a man of action, especially in the midst of adversities. He was not one who feared adversity. In his youthful days, he had bravely acted to deliver lambs from the mouth of a lion and of a bear (1 Samuel 17:34-36). Who does not know of David's exploits such as his victory over Goliath, who had struck paralysing fear into the army of Israel (1 Samuel 17:39-51)? However, in this particular situation, he who had previously overcome many an adversity found himself buried under insurmountable problems.

Still, David believed that the LORD would deliver him. So he prayed unto the LORD as he waited patiently for His deliverance. He waited on the LORD patiently because He had confidence in the LORD. Great heroes of faith are men who, amidst their troubles, wait with unwavering faith and hope in the LORD. They wait on the LORD even when there is no man to help. They never quit their faith and duty while in trouble, but remain steadfast in faith.

In the next verse, David gratefully says, “He brought me up also out of an horrible pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock, and established my goings.” Are you mindful to remember and praise God for the deliverance He has given to you in your life? What has the LORD done for you? Recount the recent deliverance that God has granted you in answer to your prayers. Mention them before the LORD and praise Him for those answered prayers.

When one makes it a habit to recollect the goodness of the LORD that one has received, one’s deep affection for the LORD will also grow. On the contrary, when the LORD’s goodness is disregarded, one’s devotion and spiritual enthusiasm will also be adversely affected. This is especially so when one is going through sore distress.

In our text, God’s delivering grace is gratefully reminisced in the most apt and beautiful emblematic language. The psalmist says that the Lord has lifted him up out of a “horrible pit” into which he has fallen, and has set him upon a “rock”! What a vivid and moving depictions of God’s deliverance! How would you describe God’s deliverance in your life?

The psalmist’s description here sets forth the phenomenal change that the Lord has granted him in response to his penitent prayers. He was being weighed down by his sins and their consequences. This, he alluded to in verse 12: “For innumerable evils have compassed me about: mine iniquities have taken hold upon me, so that I am not able to look up; they are more than the hairs of mine head: therefore my heart faileth me.” So he cried unto God, saying, “Be pleased, O LORD, to deliver me: O LORD, make haste to help me” (v. 13). Also in the midst of this psalm, with eyes of faith, he spoke prophetically concerning Christ the Saviour (vv. 7-10). The New Testament cited these words as a predictive reference to Christ’s obedience to the Father in becoming a sacrifice for our sins (cf. Hebrews 10:5-10). The repentant sinner is thus made to stand firmly on the Rock of Ages, even our Lord Jesus! If you are sinking in your sin, cry out to Christ at once with absolute faith; He will surely deliver and sanctify you by His blood.

A Thanksgiving Testimony in the Offering Bag

Dear Pastor Koshy,

We thank God for another opportunity to give to our church building project. God has given us a church with a faithful pastor, faithful elders and fellow brethren. We as a family are greatly blessed by the many fellowship meetings and spiritual feedings. God does not need us to provide for His needs, or to help Him in any way, as He is all-sufficient and needs nothing at all; the whole world is His and the fullness thereof (Psalm 50:12). Yet, it is our great joy that our God has enabled us to give to this important project of our church (cf. 1 Chronicles 29:9). Our Lord deserves our very best, and it is our privilege to be able to offer to God, who is the great Creator and the Lord of the universe. We continue to pray to our Father in heaven for the building project, that the remaining funds will be collected as soon as possible. We also pray that God will give wisdom to our leaders so that all the remaining works will be completed in time, and this new facility (together with its resources) will be a great blessing to the generations to come.

Praise ye the Lord—Hallelujah!

A Gethsemane family
27th April 2019



FAR EASTERN BIBLE COLLEGE

Daily Vacation Bible College

Dates: 6th to 11th May 2019

Topic: Bible-Presbyterianism—History and Theology

Venue: Life BPC Sanctuary, 9A Gilstead Road, Singapore 309063

Junior Worshipper's Page

Disciples are Cross-Bearing

"And whosoever doth not bear his cross, and come after me, cannot be my disciple."

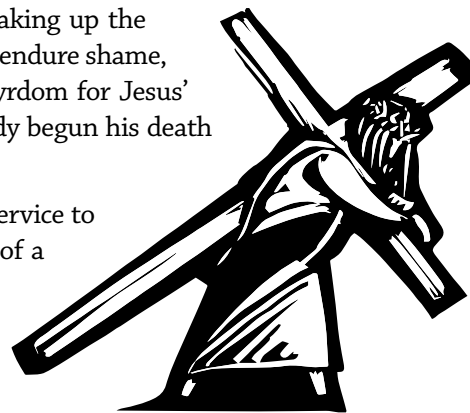
Luke 14:27

According to the above words of Jesus, a disciple of Christ or a true Christian will have to "bear his cross". What does it mean to bear one's cross? The people of Jesus' day would easily understand the meaning of bearing the cross. In those days, the cross was the instrument of torture and execution which the Roman government used against its worst enemies. The word "cross" thus became a symbol of pain, suffering and death. It was an indication of one's total humiliation.

So, when the disciples and the crowd heard Jesus speak of taking up the cross, they immediately knew that only a person who is willing to endure shame, embarrassment, reproach, rejection, persecution and even martyrdom for Jesus' sake, can be His disciple. A man who took up his cross had already begun his death march, carrying the very beam upon which he would be hung.

So, as a disciple of Jesus Christ, you must be willing, in your service to the Lord, to suffer the indignities, the pain, and even the death of a condemned criminal. In other words, "if ye suffer for righteousness' sake, happy are ye" (1 Peter 3:14)!

Prabhudas Koshy





COLLECTIONS

LORD'S DAY on 28th April 2019

Tithes: 5,620.00

Offerings: 8,609.00

GBWL: 42,795.00

Designated Gifts: Rev. Ephrem 100.00;
GBPC-Ethiopia 100.00; Rhodora
Resuma 200.00; 50.00; Carolyn Koshy
200.00

Non-Sunday Love Gifts

GBWL: 1,000.00

LOVE GIFTS TO GBWL

Please direct all love gifts related to the renovation and operational costs of 33 Ubi Crescent to Gethsemane Bible Witness Limited (DBS Current Account 025-904568-2). The Building Fund account has been closed.



PASTORAL VISITATION PUNGGOL/SENGKANG REGION

Date & Time: Fri, 10 May 2019, 8.00pm

Venue: Home of Mr & Mrs Marcus Lim
Blk 677D, Punggol Drive,
(Waterway Brooks),
#08-752, Singapore 824677

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



GETHSEMANE MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Speaker: Pastor Prabhudas Koshy

Chairman: Dn Low Boon Siang

Date & Time: Sat, 11 May 2019, 4.00pm

Venue: Home of Mr & Mrs Gerry Lee
121 Jalan Jurong Kechil, Terrene at
Bukit Timah, Singapore 598679

A concurrent, separate programme will be catered for children aged 4-12.



GETHSEMANE LADIES' FELLOWSHIP

Topic: "Poor, Yet Enriching"
(2 Corinthians 6:10b, c)

Speaker: Pastor Prabhudas Koshy

Chairperson: Sis. Sarah Yong

Date & Time: Sat, 18 May 2019, 2.00pm

Venue: Home of Sis. Carolyn Koshy
Blk 826, Tampines Street 81, #02-92,
Singapore 520826

A concurrent, separate programme will be catered for children aged 4-12.



GAF SEMINAR

Theme: "Minor Prophets – Part I"
(Hosea & Amos)

Speaker: Pastor Prabhudas Koshy

Date & Time: 25 May 2019, Saturday,
2.00pm-6.00pm

Venue: City Beach Resort
8 Port Rd, Singapore 117540

(Please avail yourself of the seminar flyers for more details.)

Please sign up at the reception table to facilitate arrangements for seating and refreshment.

A concurrent, separate programme will be catered for children aged 4-12.



CHURCH CAMP 2019

Theme: "The Inexhaustible God"

Dates: 10-14 June 2019 (Mon-Fri)

Venue: Holiday Inn Resort, Batam, Indonesia

Camp Fees Payment: All brethren who have yet to submit their payment, please do so at the reception table after the worship service.



MISSION CEBU 2019 (UPDATE)

Dates: 18th-21st July 2019
(Thursday-Sunday)

A group of 15 brethren, including Pastor & Sis. Carolyn, have confirmed joining the Mission Team. Brethren prepared and led of the Lord to serve in this mission trip are asked to contact Elder Mah by 12th May 2019.



BIBLE WITNESS MAGAZINE

The latest issues on
"Heavenly-Mindedness (Parts I & II)"

(Volume 19, Issues 1 & 2)

are 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.)

POST-WORSHIP ACTIVITIES

Please stay back after worship to join us for:

Refreshment & Fellowship

1.00pm – 2.00pm

Filipino Fellowship, Malayalam Fellowship, Catechism Class, Youth Choir Practice

2.00pm onwards

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Tuesday Night Bible Study & Prayer

8.00pm @ L5 Auditorium, SingPost Centre

Wednesday Lunch Hour Bible Study

1.00pm at Bible Witness Bookroom

Thursday Seniors' Ministry

11.00am (Please contact Pr Jeremiah Sim)

Campus Bible Study

Break @ NAFA

Break @ SUTD

Sunday Lions Home Ministry

Please contact Pr Jeremiah Sim

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



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Time & Place of Worship:

11.00am

Singapore Post Centre,
Level 5 Auditorium,
10 Eunus Road 8,
Singapore 408600

(next to Paya Lebar MRT Station)

Prayer Hotline:

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*SMS or WhatsApp
your prayer item*

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Deacon Low Boon Siang