

# GETHSEMANE

## BIBLE-PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

### WORD ON WORSHIP

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).

### SCRIPTURE MEMORISATION

*Doorkeeper*

**Psalm 84:10**

For a day in thy courts is better than a thousand.  
I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my  
God, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness.

### ORDER OF WORSHIP

#### Call to Worship

*Elder Alan Choy*

\*Hymn 81: Lord of the Sabbath

#### \*Invocation & Gloria Patri

#### \*Responsive Scripture Reading

*John 10:1-18*

Hymn 86: Safely Through Another Week

#### Collection of Offerings

*Gethsemane Church Choir*

#### \*Doxology & Prayer

Hymn 53: Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts

#### Scripture Memorisation

#### \*Intercessory Prayer

#### Sermon

*Pr Jeremiah Sim*

"I am the Good Shepherd"

John 10:11-18

\*Hymn 532: Saviour, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

#### \*Closing Prayer & Threefold Amen

*\* Congregation Standing*



# LORD'S DAY WORSHIP AT 11.00AM

**TODAY, 23 FEBRUARY 2020**

**NEXT LORD'S DAY, 1 MARCH 2020**

<p><b>Worship Leader:</b> Elder Alan Choy  <b>Preacher:</b> Pr Jeremiah Sim  <b>Musicians:</b> Eunice Setiawan, Jeremy Teo  <b>Ushers:</b> Gerry Lee                  Jonathon Lim, Low Chip Hung                  Sean Lee, Chong Khai Siang    <b>Greeter:</b> Low Siew Lian  <b>AV Ministry:</b> Aron Ong, Gideon Lee                  Tan Yeh Wen    <b>Flowers:</b> Tomei Tan  <b>Refreshments:</b> Karen Quek, Corliss Ooi                  Mary Lee, Clara Tai  <b>Junior Worship:</b> Kamala, (Esther Quek)                  Pr Kelvin Lim, (Adlucia Lim)                  Pr Samson Hutagalung</p>	<p><b>Worship Leader:</b> Elder Ng Poh Kok  <b>Preacher:</b> Pastor Prabhudas Koshy  <b>Musicians:</b> Sarah Lee, Choong Kai Shuin  <b>Ushers:</b> Benny Skariah                  Ng Kwan Teng, Chan Tuck Whye                  Andrew Teong, Randy Laurencio    <b>Greeter:</b> Violet Quek  <b>AV Ministry:</b> Zacharias Tan, Goh Yong Wei                  John Zhang    <b>Flowers:</b> Stella Yang  <b>Refreshments:</b> Violet Quek, Charlene Mae Bince                  Cecile Batrina, Amanda Leong  <b>Junior Worship:</b> Evelyne Lee, (Sarah Yap)                  Neo Kian Seng, (Jean Tindaan)                  Carolyn Koshy</p>
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*Chinese Worship Service is held concurrently at 11.00am at the foyer area.*

## OTHER SUNDAY MINISTRIES

**TODAY, 23 FEBRUARY 2020**

**NEXT LORD'S DAY, 1 MARCH 2020**

2.00pm	FILIPINO FELLOWSHIP <i>Preacher: Pr Ho Kee How</i>	FILIPINO FELLOWSHIP <i>Preacher: Pr Kelvin Lim</i>
	MALAYALAM FELLOWSHIP	MALAYALAM FELLOWSHIP
	CATECHISM CLASS	CATECHISM CLASS
	YOUTH CHOIR PRACTICE	YOUTH CHOIR PRACTICE
3.30pm	LIONS HOME MINISTRY  As a precautionary measure against the coronavirus, the management of the Lions Home for the Elders has temporarily suspended our entry into the premises. Please pray that the elderly in the homes will continue to encourage themselves in the LORD during this period.	
6.00pm	EVENING TEACHING SERVICE (GBI) @ GMC	EVENING TEACHING SERVICE (GBI) @ GMC

23 February 2020

# Quit You Like Men!

*Prabhudas Koshy*

In 1 Corinthians 16:13, the apostle Paul wrote: “Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong.”

What does the phrase, “quit you like men”, in 1 Corinthians 16:13 mean? It is the translation of a Greek verb (*andrizesthai*) which has its origin in the root word (*aner*) that refers to adult males. Hence, the word denotes two ideas: (i) male as opposed to female, and (ii) adult as opposed to child. The twin emphases of the word in the ancient world were masculinity (vs. feminineness), and maturity (vs. childishness).

The phrase, “quit you like men”, was used to call people to manliness, which is characterised

by courage, bravery, resoluteness and strength. The apostle Paul used that phrase to demand that Christians put away every smidgen of fear, insecurity, nervousness and reluctance, and then to rise to fulfil their duties with courage and strength.

No man is without feelings of fear, anxiety or frailty, especially Christians who have to face troubling, frightening, even life-threatening situations as they live for and serve Christ. Nonetheless, Christians should not succumb to those powerful, debilitating emotions within them. They must set aside those emotions, and bravely confront the adverse situations that threaten to undermine their pursuit of Christ’s kingdom.

Christians should not only be bold and determined, but also be matured in their responses to the challenges that arise in the midst of their service for the Lord. They should not act like little children, who lack maturity. Paul exhorted the Corinthian Christians, “Brethren, be not children in understanding: howbeit in malice be ye children, but in understanding be men” (1 Cor. 14:20). As we grow in the Lord, we should be able to say, “When I was a child, I spake as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child: but when I became a man, I put away childish things” (1 Cor. 13:11). When a child becomes a man, he puts aside childishness, with all its limitations and immaturity. His increased knowledge and understanding will equip him to act wisely, and he is ready to be tried and tested. A matured person acts with a sense of control, confidence and courage – having outgrown the immature, childish person that he once was.

Paul’s command to the Corinthian Christians to “quit you like men” was a summon to act differently from their past mannerisms, which were anything

but spiritually matured. The Corinthians needed to wisen up. Paul knew that they did not make any progress since their early years when he was pastoring the church in Corinth – “And I, brethren, could not speak unto you as unto spiritual, but as unto carnal, even as unto babes in Christ. I have fed you with milk, and not with meat: for hitherto ye were not able to bear it, neither yet now are ye able” (1 Cor. 3:1-2). Paul was upset that he could not speak to the Corinthian believers as unto spiritual men. Since they had come to faith in Christ, they had gone no farther. Most of them were acting as if they had just been born again. They were still “babes in Christ”! Their immaturity and childish behaviour was so upsetting to him that he chided them, saying, “What will ye? shall I come unto you with a rod, or in love, and in the spirit of meekness?” (1 Cor. 4:21).

The schisms, immorality, abuse of sacraments, etc. found among the people of the Corinthian church were evidence of their immature, childish mindset. They needed to be watchful of their own condition to make a difference as mature

Christians. So he wrote, “Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong.”

If Christians remain childish, timidity and immaturity will act together to wreck their testimony and service for the Lord. Cowardice and foolhardiness must be quickly expelled from the lives of every Christian. How can we attain such manliness as what the apostle Paul summons us to? How can we grow to the maturity and strength of a strong spiritual man?

Paul expected the Corinthian believers to watch over their thoughts, emotions, words and actions. He wanted them to bring themselves under subjection to the Spirit and the Word, and thus be spiritually strong and valiant. Fortitude of a matured, godly man is what Paul is urging all Christians to exhibit.

We must be nourished up in the grace and wisdom of God through His Word. The apostle Peter exhorts us in 1 Peter 2:2, “As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby”; and in 2 Peter 3:18, “But

grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.” We must think and act according to the counsels of God’s Word. If we ever act without the Word of God, we will be immature and imperfect in our actions. Hence, Paul reminds us in 2 Tim 3:16-17 that “All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: that the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works.” Likewise, we are admonished in Ephesians 4:14-15, “That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; but speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ”.

Refuse all childish cowardice and immaturity!  
Rouse yourselves to be spiritually strong Christians  
– biblical, Spirit-led men and women of God!

## Junior Worshipper's Page

# A Delightful Doorkeeper in God's House!

*"For a day in thy courts is better than a thousand. I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness."*

*(Psalm 84:10)*

The psalmist tells us in the above verse that his best time was the worship time in God's house and his best place was the house of God. To a child of God, the best time and place in this world of sin ought to be where God's people gather together to worship and pray.

There is no time like the time spent in God's house! One day in the house of God ("thy courts") was more beneficial than living a thousand days elsewhere! So the psalmist said, "I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God". Even serving the Lord at the door of the house of God is a very great and delightful experience.

In His courts, our minds are drawn to His greatness and goodness. There, we enter into His presence and have the blessed opportunity to rejoice in His wonderful truths and works. When we go to the house of our heavenly Father, He teaches us His wonderful, glorious, beautiful truths. In His house, we are blessed by hymns, prayers, reading of the Scriptures. Through the meditation of His Word, we hear God speaking from heaven to us! In the sacraments (baptism and Holy Communion), we have blessed communion with our Saviour! Oh, how wonderful it is to draw near to God in His house!

So David said, even serving at the door of God's house is better than enjoying luxurious pleasures offered in houses of wickedness. "God's (so-called) worst is better than the devil's best!" God's doorstep affords a happier rest than the majestic pavilions of sinners living the high life and pursuing a lifetime of luxury!

Prabhudas Koshy



## COLLECTIONS

LORD'S DAY on 16th February 2020  
(11.00am service)

**Tithes:** 3,015.00

**Offerings:** 7,025.00

**Designated Gifts:** Cebu Building Fund 10.00; Missionary Conference Fund 100.00; Pr Samson Hutagalung 50.00; Pr Ho Kee How 50.00

(6.00pm Teaching Service)

**Offerings:** 862.00

NON-SUNDAY LOVE GIFTS  
(10th to 15th February 2020)

**Designated Gifts:** General Fund 1,000.00; Pastor Koshy 1,000.00

## FOR NON-SUNDAY GIFTS TO THE CHURCH

Use the QR code below (through PayLah! or PayNow) to send in your non-Sunday love gifts to Gethsemane Bible-Presbyterian Church.



## YOUNG MOTHERS' FELLOWSHIP

**Topic:** "A Different Motherhood"

**Speaker:** Pastor Prabhudas Koshy

**Chairperson:** Sis. Sharon dela Cruz

**Date & Time:** Fri, 28 Feb 2020, 4.00pm

**Venue:** Gethsemane Media Centre

## PASTORAL VISITATION

### PUNGGOL / SENGKANG

**Date & Time:** Fri, 28 Feb 2020, 8.00pm

**Venue:** Home of Mr & Mrs  
Danial Wong

Blk 298, Punggol Central, #14-473  
Singapore 820298

*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.*

## SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP LUNCH

With effect from 1st March 2020, there will be no Sunday Fellowship Lunch catered.

## EVANGELISM SESSIONS

Evangelism sessions will be temporarily suspended until further notice.

## GETHSEMANE DEFENDERS' MINISTRY (GDM) SEMINAR

**Topic:** Flat Earth Controversy & Evidence for a Young Earth

**Speakers:** Bro. Samuel Gan & Pr Ho Kee How

**Chairperson:** Bro. John Zhang

**Date & Time:** Saturday, 29 Feb 2020, 2.00pm–5.30pm

**Venue:** Gethsemane Media Centre

Please sign up today at the reception table. *(There will be a programme for children aged 4-12.)*

## YOUNG ADULTS' FELLOWSHIP

**Topic:** "The Growth of the Christian—  
By Adding to Faith, Virtue and Knowledge"

**Speaker:** Pr Samson Hutagalung

**Chairperson:** Bro. Christyasto

**Date & Time:** Sat, 7 Mar 2020, 4.00pm

**Venue:** Gethsemane Media Centre

## 32ND CHURCH ANNIVERSARY THANKSGIVING SERVICE

In view of the COVID-19 outbreak, the event originally scheduled for 29th March 2020 will be postponed to 12th July 2020. The venue remains unchanged at Swissotel Merchant Court Hotel. If any brethren who has registered require a refund, please approach Sis. Aileen Yan.

## MISSIONARY CONFERENCE 2020

**Dates:** 8th to 12th June 2020 (Monday – Friday)

**Venue:** Holiday Inn Resort, Batam, Indonesia

Please sign up early through the online form available from this link (<https://qrgo.page.link/eUrr1>) or scan the QR code at the side. Alternatively, you may take the registration form from the reception table. If you have any question, please approach Elder Choy.



Additionally, the church would require \$40,000 to fly in and accommodate all our missionaries. Please give to the Missionary Conference Fund as the Lord leads you.

Please submit your registration form by 29th March 2020, and make payment by 26th April 2020.

## WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

### Campus Bible Study

NAFA-Lasalle: Mondays @ 1.00pm  
SUTD: Fridays @ 1.30pm

### Tuesday Night Bible Study & Prayer

8.00pm @ L5 Auditorium, SingPost Centre

### Thursday Seniors' Ministry

11.00am (Please contact Pr Jeremiah Sim)

### Saturday Church Choir Practice

2.00pm @ Gethsemane Media Centre

### Sunday First Worship Service

8.30am @ L5 Auditorium, SingPost Centre

### Sunday Children's Choir Practice

9.30am @ L6 Powder Room, SingPost Centre

### Sunday Lions Home Ministry

Suspended until further notice

### Sunday Teaching Service (GBI)

6.00pm @ Gethsemane Media Centre

## PRAISE & PRAYER ITEMS

Please send your praise and prayer items for publication in the church prayer list to Bro. Norefel at [norefel.gbwl@gmail.com](mailto:norefel.gbwl@gmail.com) latest by 10.00am every Tuesday.

### Time & Place of Worship:

11.00am

Singapore Post Centre,  
Level 5 Auditorium,  
10 Eunos 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