



22 & 23 June 2019





A QUICK LOOK AT SAME-SEX ATTRACTION

When I was barely 7, I had my first glimpse of the great big world after meeting a friend of my parents. I had just reached home after school and my parents introduced us. For the next two hours he thrilled us with stories. He told us about countries and people around the world which we had never heard of. Political upheavals, lost civilizations, as well as advancements in science and technology.

Growing up, we were also curious about sexuality and our friend told us things our parents would never have dreamt to tell us. He opened new worlds to us – about SSA (Same-Sex attraction) as well as gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) lifestyles. Over the years, we made more friends like him, all of whom would regale us with a variety of views. They convinced us to be sympathetic towards the homosexual movement and not be too quick to judge them.

When I came to know the Lord in my early 30s, my views were often corrected by Scriptures. The Word taught me why I should not judge people with homosexual lifestyles but to love them instead. Scripture revealed the times when judgment had to be meted out, like the Flood (Gen 6-9) and the fiery destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah (Gen 19) because of sin (homosexuality included). The hand that administered the destruction was God's and not man's. His Word warned against the severity of sins in Sodom and why He released His judgment (Lev 18:22, 20:13, Rom 1:26-27). Homosexuality is an age-old issue and not just a present day concern.

The SSA community needs God's love through God's people.

- 1. Show love and understanding. This makes it easy for the person to talk about their struggles and failings with you.
- 2. Do not he sitate to refer the person to someone who has experience in such matters if you feel unable to handle the situation.
- 3. Speak the truth in love (Eph 4:15) and use Scriptures to guide the person to discern between truths and lies. This also means advising the person to avoid sites and people who advocate these lifestyles.

4. Walk in patience and prayer as this will be a prolonged journey. Always keep the person or persons in prayer. Let us not be weary in well-doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we do not faint (Gal 6:9).

Oh! And I forgot to tell you the names of my friends.... television, mobile phone and laptop.

If you are struggling with SSA or need help to journey with a friend or family member. Contact our Biblical Counselling Ministry today. Email: shine@gospellight.sg Call: 9117-6000.

Elder Thomas

Head (Pastoral Care Ministry)



GENERAL NOTICES



UNLOCKING YOUR CHILD'S POTENTIAL

Every child is created in God's image and with the potential to shine. But all children face different challenges with their studies and in their lives. How can we help them bring out their best? Let parenting expert and performance coach, Alan Yip share about the essential life skills children can acquire so their potential can be reached. Invite your friends and family and join us for our next community engagement event!

Date: **Sat, 13 Jul** | Time: 2:00pm to 4:30pm Venue: Light 1 Auditorium, Level 3 Closing date of registration: **Mon, 8 Jul**

Fees: \$30 per person or \$50 per couple

(FUNtastic Parenting book and audio CDs available @ \$20 (UP: \$29.95)

To register visit **gospellight.sg** > **Connect** > **Events** or call 91176000 for more infomation.

D6 FAMILY CONFERENCE

The family is God's original small group and parenting is the privilege God gives to join him in a miracle. For God's transforming grace to happen in our children, it needs to happen in us first. The D6 family conference is here for churches and families, to help align the church and home to fulfil God's design of family discipleship. Hear keynote speaker Dr. Tim Kimmel founder of Family matters and a panel of speakers as they equip you on effective strategies for family ministry.

Date: **Fri & Sat, 26 & 27 Jul** | Time: 9am to 5.30pm Venue: Faith Methodist Church Register at: <u>d6family.sq</u>

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



RACIAL HARMONY CARNIVAL

The Racial Harmony Carnival is attended by more than 10,000 residents from Punggol North annually. This platform gives us the opportunity to introduce our church and ministries to the community. Volunteer your time and join the activities at our church booth, as we engage residents as ambassadors of Jesus.

Date: **Sun, 21 Jul |** Time: 3:00pm – 9:00pm Venue: Gospel Light Booth @ Punggol Field Road

Briefing date: **Sun, 14 Jul |** 1:30pm Venue: Shine Auditorium, Level 4 Closing date of registration: **Mon, 8 Jul**

To volunteer, scan the QR code either here, at the Front Desks or visit gospellight.sq > Connect > Events

To find out more, email: trevor.tan@gospellight.sg or Call: 91176000

PASTORAL CARE MINISTRY

Gospel Light's Pastoral Care Department oversees the following:

- a) **Family Life Ministry**: Equipping couples for marriage and mentoring them.
- b) **Visitation Ministry**: Comforting and encouraging those who need companionship and evangelizing should opportunities arise.
- c) **Biblical Counseling Ministry**: Using gospelcentered principles to provide direction and guidance to those who are facing life issues or crises.

If you are a member and have a burden or gifting in any of these areas and wish to contribute your time and availability, we would love to hear from you. Find out more today or apply: email bcm@gospellight.sg or call/message 91176000.

CLASSES AND TRAINING



• NEW BELIEVERS' CLASS

Beginning a new life as a Christian is about growing in your Those who have believed in Jesus Christ as their Lord relationship with Jesus Christ. Start your exciting journey of faith by learning and understanding from the Bible what the glorious life Jesus intends for us is all about.

Registration closes this Sun, 23 Jun

Commencement date: Sun, 7 Jul

Time: 1:15pm - 3:15pm Venue: Hall 3, Attic

Course duration: 13 weeks

Register at gospellight.sq > Connect > Events or scan the QR code at the Front Desk.

BAPTISM

and Saviour are encouraged to be baptized. Attendance at Baptism Class is a prerequisite. Submission of written testimonies with completed application forms is a must.

Application forms are available at the Front Desk or our website at Connect > Events.

Registration closes on 21 Jul.

Baptism Class Date: 4 Aug

Time: 1:15pm – 2:15pm

Venue: Light 1 Auditorium, Level 3

For Chinese congregation Time: 1:15pm - 2:15pm

Venue: TBC

Baptism Date: 25 Aug

Venue: Shine Auditorium, Level 4

SERVICES AND BIBLE STUDIES

NEXT WEEK'S SERMONS

ENGLISH SERVICE (SATURDAY AND SUNDAY)

Sermon Series: Behold Your King By Pastor Jason Lim (SAT) 5pm | Gospel Auditorium | Level 2 (SUN) 9am & 11am | Shine Auditorium | Level 4 www.gospellight.sg

Transcriptions available when servants step up. Step up for sermon transcription/review at GLCCtranscription@gmail.com.

FILIPINO SERVICE

Sermon Series: Snapshots of Jesus By Pastor Nazario Sinon 2pm | Gospel Auditorium | Level 2 http://www.youtube.com (type - GLCC Filipino)

TELUGU SERVICE

By Pastor Jacob Bethapudi 5pm & 7.30pm | Gospel Auditorium | Level 2

CHINESE SERVICE

Sermon Series: The Book of Acts Sermon Title: The Gospel and Wealth 传道系列: 使徒行传 传道主题:福音与财物 By Pastor Seethor Chee Keen http://www.voutube.com/user/GLCCchinese http://i.vouku.com/GLCCchinese

BAHASA SERVICE

By Sister Lai Fei Lin 11am | Hall 2 | Level 2

YOUTH MINISTRY (SATURDAYS)

Youth Outreach By Brother Sin Yu Fei

Follow us on Instagram @GospelLightYouth for

(Special Youth program for 4th, 5th week: please call Yu Fei at 9128 5331 for details)

BREAKFAST@GOSPELLIGHT

Wednesday Morning Talks 8:30am - 10:30am Foyer | Level 1

For all talks, please register with Jenny Low via WhatsApp at 96736744

26 Jun: Talk: Beware of Scams **DIY - Basic Carpentry** 3 Jul:

EVENTS FORECAST

July	August	September				
SMCI E-Camp	Ministry Fair	Mid-Autumn Carnival				
Membership Class	Baptism Class	New Believers Class/ Seekers Class				
Racial Harmony Carnival	Baptism	Christian Education Programme				
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For details. Please refer to gospellight.sq > Connect > Events > 2019 Calendar

sonshine CLUB Sunday, 9am & 11am		PRAYER MEETINGS				
PLAYGROUP	(1-2 years) Kindergarten (Attic)					
тотѕ	(3-4 years) Kindergarten (Attic)	Church- wide	Wednesday	8:00pm	Hall 3 (Attic)	
KINDERS	(5-6 years) Kindergarten (Attic)	Church-	Cd	8:00am	Cry Room (Level 4)	
JUNIORS	(7-9 years) Light Auditorium (Level 3)	wide	Sunday			
KIDS	(10-12 years) Light Auditorium (Level 3)	Youth	Saturday	3:00pm	Level 2 Foyer	
Volunteers N	Volunteers Needed! Visit: <u>gospellight.sg/sonshineclub</u>					