



INTERVIEW WITH ELDER SONNY

Elder Sonny Argote was appointed a Shepherding Elder at this year's Leaders Forum. This short interview provides an introduction to his background, and describes his passion for ministry.



1) Can you share with us some of the past areas of ministry before your appointment as an Elder?

Reaching out to the lost, the last, and the least has always been my desire and passion. The Lord has allowed me to minister to shipyard workers and to them about Christ and the wonderful salvation that He has planned for all. We gather them together on Saturday evenings, play basketball, share home-cooked native dishes, and then engage in Bible studies and life discussions. It is a real blessing to see changes in their lives. When their work contracts end, they go back to the Philippines and we hope and pray that they can be a blessing to their families and carry the good news of salvation.

2) It's wonderful you provide spiritual care for many of these workers who are far from home and are in Singapore temporarily. Is this your main ministry?

The GLCC brothers who are with me have also grown in their love for the Lord and they have become good preachers as well.

I also belong to a Care Group led by my brothers who have spiritually matured through these years. I am so blessed to see my brethren involved in the worship, music, serving and Scripture study ministries. My desire is that they will continue to be faithful and encourage others to do the same.

3) Few people know that for nearly 3 decades, you have been the primary caregiver to your disabled son Japheth. We can only imagine the enormity of that role. Can you share some lessons that God has taught you as his father?

God blessed me so much with a wonderful family. My wife Evelyn as well as sons Mark and Japheth are gifts from God. Japheth is a special blessing to us. We pray for his healing daily, as we have done for the last 26 years. It is a comfort to know that a lot of people are also praying. We find so much joy that God has given us the opportunity to care for him. Caring for Japheth reminds me every day that our total dependence is on God alone.

4) To those who aspire to be godly leaders in the church, what word of advice would you give?

The words from Proverbs 3:5 "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart..." is a wonderful, daily and active reminder for me. I find so much encouragement from it and I think it is an excellent advice to all my brothers as well!

• JOBS AVAILABLE – SHINEKIDZ (AFTER SCHOOL CLUB) PART-TIME STAFF

If you or anyone you know would be interested to serve with us as a ShineKidz After School Club Part-Time Staff, please contact Benita Teo at benita.teo@gospellight.sg. Details of the job position are available via our website under gospellight.sg > **Contact** > **Careers**

• SHINEKIDZ (AFTER SCHOOL CLUB)

ShineKidz is Gospel Light's after-school club for primary school children. Since opening its doors in 2016, ShineKidz provides a fun and conducive environment for students. Our experienced and dedicated teachers are passionate about your child's learning and want to see them develop and grow. Enrichment programs like music lessons, sports, and culinary projects, make the learning holistic and memorable.

Find out more today - Whatsapp: 97765405 or email shinekidz@gospellight.sg

• REQUEST ON PRAYER/BEREAVEMENT UPDATES

To all Gospeliters: if you wish to be updated on any bereavement details or weekly prayer updates, please write in to shine@gospellight.sg

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

• "LIFT OFF!" KBC 2019

Kids Bible Camp is happening between 28 - 29 Nov. Anyone who loves Jesus and wants to impact the kids with the message of the gospel should join us! You can serve the children in many ways, from preparing games, supporting the food team, to facilitating small group discussion and running games! Training will be provided. If you're interested in signing up as a volunteer, visit gospellight.sg > **Connect** > **Events**

• TUTORS

We are looking for volunteer tutors in **English tutoring for Primary 1 and 2 students** at Shinekidz student care on weekdays. If you are interested in either area, please contact Zhen Wah at 85909105 or zhenwah.tan@gmail.com

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

CLASSES AND TRAINING

• BAPTISM

Those who have believed in Jesus Christ as their Lord 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 downloaded via our website at Connect – Events.

Registration closes on 13 Oct

Baptism Class Date: 20 Oct

English

Time: 1:15pm – 2:15pm

Venue: Light 1 Auditorium, Level 3

Chinese

Time: 1:15pm – 2:15pm

Venue: Hall 2, Level 2

Baptism Date: 17 Nov

Venue: Shine Auditorium, Level 4

• MEMBERSHIP

Membership Class 1 starts next Sunday, 6 October. Attendance for both membership classes 1 & 2 is a prerequisite for membership application. For queries, please contact Valerie at valerie.fong@gospellight.sg or 91176000.

Date: **6 & 20 Oct**, Sunday

English

Time: 1:15pm - 2:15pm

Venue: Light 1 Auditorium, Level 3

Chinese

Time: 1:15pm - 2:15pm

Venue: Level 2 Foyer

SERVICES AND BIBLE STUDIES

NEXT WEEK'S SERMONS

• ENGLISH SERVICE (SATURDAY AND SUNDAY)

Sermon Series: Messiah Revealed

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.

• CHINESE SERVICE

Sermon Series: The Book of Acts

Sermon Title: The Witness of Philip

传道系列: 使徒行传

传道主题: 腓利的见证

By Pastor Seethor Chee Keen

9am & 11am | Gospel Auditorium | Level 2

<http://www.youtube.com/user/GLCCchinese>

<http://i.youku.com/GLCCchinese>

• FILIPINO SERVICE

Sermon Series: 1 Corinthians

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

• BAHASA SERVICE

By Sister Lai Fei Lin

11am | Hall 2 | Level 2

• YOUTH MINISTRY (SATURDAYS)

By Brother Sin Yu Fei

4.30pm | Light 2 Auditorium | Level 3

Follow us on Instagram @GospelLightYouth for updates

(Special Youth program on 4th, 5th week, contact Yu Fei @ 9128-5331 for details)

• YOUNG ADULTS (FRIDAYS)

Topic: Matthew 19 Study

By Brother Mark Chia

4 Oct | 8pm | Light 2 Auditorium, Level 3

(Contact Luzerne @ 92701730 for more details)

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION PROGRAMME

Programme Series:

Marriage

Programme Title: The Marriage Package [Conflict]

By Elder Thomas and Sister Pamela

Sunday 29 Sep | 1:30pm – 2:30pm

Light 2 Auditorium | Level 3

For the next few sessions until 20 October, we will seek to answer more questions such as: **Why are many Christian marriages failing and equally many, on shaky ground? Why is knowing what Scripture has to say about marriage insufficient? As we discuss and share our views, we aim to discover the hidden pitfalls of the marriage journey, understand both genders better and unveil the many blessings that God has placed into a marriage.**

BREAKFAST@GOSPELLIGHT

Wednesday Morning Talks

8:30am – 10:30am

Foyer | Level 1

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

**2 Oct: Household Electric Faults/ Maintenance 2
9 Oct: DIY – How to Change Watch Battery**

EVENTS FORECAST

| October | November | December |
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| Membership Class Baptism Class New Believers Class/ Seekers Class Christian Education Programme | Baptism Expository Bible Teaching Church Anniversary Kids Bible Camp New Believers Class/ Seekers Class | Block Visitation Christmas Service |
| For details. Please refer to gospellight.sg > Connect > Events > 2019 Calendar | | |

SERMON REFLECTIONS

View our past sermon series at gospellight.sg > Sermons > Sermon Library