



12 & 13 Oct 2019



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4 QUESTIONS WITH PASTOR JASON

This year marks the 13th anniversary of Pastor Jason as Gospel Light's senior pastor. We asked him some personal questions to uncover his heartbeat and passion for the gospel.

1) What does it really mean to be a gospel-centred church?

The gospel is the central message of the Bible. It is the good news of Jesus Christ dying and rising to save man from his sins, to reconcile sinful man to the Holy God. To be centred in the gospel means we are to:

- a) **Believe the gospel** - One **must repent and believe** that Jesus is the Christ / Messiah / Promised Saviour who saves us from our sins (Rom 1:16).
- b) **Live the gospel** - This is what many people miss. We think the gospel is only for the unsaved. But the **gospel is imperative for the believer too**. To live the gospel means God's love in the gospel is the motivation or fuel of our worship and service to His name.
- c) **Give the gospel** - We must be **witnesses for Jesus and His saving work**. My prayer is that I will be a gospel-centred man and that Gospel Light will be a gospel-centred church indeed!

2) What are the challenges and blessings you regularly experience in ministry?

I have never regretted being in the pastoral ministry after 13 years! People often say that it is such a waste that I have to give up a medical career, but the reality is that I believe it will be such a waste if I live for medicine and not the gospel of Jesus Christ! Nothing wrong with holding jobs in the secular workplace, but I do not want to refuse God's clear calling for my life in the pastoral ministry. Sure, there are challenges and feelings of discouragement stemming from people's expectations and misunderstandings. But these are nothing compared to the peace and joy of doing God's will, and the exciting adventure of following Jesus! I feel so privileged also to see lives changed by the gospel. The stream of testimonies of gospel transformation in Gospel Light thrills my heart.

3) What would be the 3 big lessons God taught you in 13 years of pastoring?

a) God can be trusted.

Over and over again, I've seen how God provides and leads. I think of the monthly financial figures - how we came close to being in the red so many times - and how God always provides in a timely way. I think of the massive \$44 million Punggol Church Building project. I think of how God has raised many of you as labourers for the necessary ministries of the church. I think of our progress in the discipleship ministry - a small mustard seed that is beginning to blossom and bear fruit. There are too many stories to tell. But they all remind me that God can be trusted!

b) The Gospel must be central.

Gospel-centred theology is so important (see Question 1 above). But it was not easy for it to get through my thick skull! It was a convergence of 3 things that "enlightened" me: (a) We were going through the Book of Romans in our preaching series, (b) we had to understand why some of our people were buying into false antinomianism teachings, (c) I came across helpful resources on The Gospel Coalition (TGC) website. I've dived deeper and deeper into the gospel since, relishing it and urging one and all to keep the gospel central in their lives.

c) Servant heartedness is key.

It is hard to serve man. I find it much easier when I realise that I serve Jesus first and foremost. I am a bondsman to Him. When my identity is clear here, it is so much easier to serve people. Servant heartedness flows from knowing Jesus gave His life for me. And I want to give my life for Him.

4) You celebrated your 60th birthday (sorry 43rd!) birthday this year, what advice would you give to your 21-year-old self?

I will say what I said in Question 3! And I will add, "Marry Winnie!" :)

GENERAL NOTICES

• SHINEKIDZ (AFTER SCHOOL CLUB) OPEN HOUSE

ShineKidz is Gospel Light's after school club for Primary school students. Since starting operations in 2016, we have provided a conducive and fun environment for students. Our experienced and dedicated staff are passionate about your child's growth and development. We have daily enrichment programs like Ping Pong, Art & Crafts, Bible stories and Character building.

Come to our Open House on **Sat, 30 Nov** from 2:00pm to 5:00pm to find out more about our club and programs. Kindly contact us via 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

• ESHKOL VALLEY CHILDCARE @GOSPEL LIGHT

The Eshkol Valley approach is well balanced. We arouse a love of learning in our children, even as we prepare them academically for the rigours of Primary One. For this, the preschool seeks to give the best of the play-based approach and the academic approach. Our curriculum is implemented through thematic-learning and our bilingual program provides the immersion the child needs to be school-ready.

Contact us via WhatsApp @ 8323 2245

• LOST AND FOUND

Lost and Found items will be kept at the Level 1 Front Desk for up to 3 weeks. If item is unclaimed by **27 Oct**, it will be discarded.

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**

• ST LUKE'S ELDERCARE

Weekly at St Luke's Eldercare, Rivervale and Sumang our team of volunteers lead in worship and befriend the seniors to build bridges for the Gospel. Find out more about how you can support these activities and serve the elderly in our community.

Email us at shine@gospellight.sg or call: 9117 6000

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 20 Oct

Baptism Class Date: 27 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 2 starts Sunday, 20 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: **20 Oct**, Sunday

English

Time: 1:15pm - 2:15pm

Venue: Light 1 Auditorium, Level 3

Chinese

Time: 1:15pm - 2:15pm

Venue: Hall 2, Level 2

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: Effective Personal Evangelism

传道系列: 使徒行传

传道主题: 有效的个人传福音

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=GLCCFilipino>

• 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 20 Study

18 Oct | 8pm

(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 13 Oct | 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.