



**"THE ATTRACTIVE CHRISTIAN LIFE"
- PART 1**

Jesus referred to believers as the light of the world [Matt 5:14]. Isn't it a beautiful metaphor? We must be as attractive as a city on a hill, with thousands of lights. And just as a lamp is intended to illuminate the room, the thought of hiding it inside a basket is ridiculous. Thus, Jesus commands us to glow before others through our good works. [Matt 5:16]

A light that fascinates a moth also scares bed bugs away. Similarly, Jesus drew sinners unto Himself, but antagonized the self-righteous Pharisees. If men love darkness, they will hate the godly as a result. Thus, Paul said, "Indeed, all who desire to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted." [2 Tim 3:12]

Jesus is the epitome of beauty, demonstrating a servant's attitude during His earthly ministry. "The Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." [Mark 10:45] "He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him." [Acts 10:38] And, His good work was perfected at the cross. Ironically, it was when He "had no form or majesty... and no beauty", that He shone the brightest at the cross. [Isa 53:2]

Hence, despite the stigma of the cross's ugliness, Jesus transformed it into a symbol of beauty. It's only the crucified life that is a beautiful life. The believer who actualizes the statement "I have been crucified with Christ" is the only one who actualizes the reality that "Christ lives in me". [Gal 2:20] Are we not charmed when we see a life changed by Christ? It is like kids chasing a beautiful butterfly, forgetting it was once a disgusting worm.

To be irresistible for the gospel, we must adopt John the Baptist's principle, that is, "Jesus must increase, but I must decrease." [John 3:30] Our ugly self must be subdued, even mortified, through the power of the Spirit. [Rom 6:13-14, Gal 5:16] If our 'self' is not crucified, we would not count others as more significant than ourselves. We would look only to our own interests, and not to others. We would not have the mind[attitude] of Christ among us. [see Phil 2:3-5]

Interestingly, aside from saying that we are the light of the world, Jesus also said: "I am the light of the world." [John 8:12] There can't be two separate lights. One must be subservient to the other, just as the moon is to the sun. Similarly, Christians exude the life of Christ in themselves. Simply put, it's not us but Christ, who makes us attractive for the glory of the Father in heaven.

Pastor Sinon
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• CHIT CHAT! (NEWCOMERS EVENT)

Are you new to Gospel Light? Did you discover us through a friend, our online services or social media? We'd love for you to get to know us better! Chit Chat is an informal social session on Zoom where you get to mingle with our Pastor, Elders and leaders. Ever wondered what kind of church we are and where are our roots? What does our mission and vision statement mean? Save the date and we look forward to a great time of chit chat!

Date: **Saturday, 15 May**
Time: **11:00am**
Click Zoom link: <http://bit.ly/3oXHQij>
Meeting ID: 856 5201 9857
Password: **chitchat**

• RESUMPTION OF ON-SITE CHILDREN SERVICE

Children Service will be resuming on-site from 16 May 2021 at 11am for Primary 1-6 children. We will be starting with a pilot phase of 24pax and increase gradually to the maximum capacity of 48pax at Level 3, Light 1/2. Weekly online children's service will continue on Zoom while in this hybrid mode.

Registration details for on-site children's service will be available in May. If you would like your child to join the ongoing online service via Zoom, please write in to children@gospellight.sg.

• CROSS FIT: Fit our souls>carry our crosses (Church Camp 2021)

Church camp will be held from Friday 11 June (8pm) till Sunday 13 June (12:30pm). Registration for camp is already open and will close on Sun, 16 May. Details can be found on gospellight.sg > Connect > Events > Church Camp.

• WORSHIP SERVICE

Details of our onsite services are given below. The Lord's Supper will also be observed on the 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month.

Sunday Services*

Worship Service	Timing	Location	Registration Link
English	9am / 11am	Shine Auditorium – Level 4	https://bit.ly/2SvNREO Opens on Sun, 4pm Closes on Fri, 9am
Chinese	9am	Gospel Auditorium – Level 2	https://bit.ly/3ljdvcb Opens on Sun, 4pm Closes on Fri, 9am
Filipino	2pm	Gospel Auditorium – Level 2	https://bit.ly/3mnOvRK Opens on Sun, 4pm Closes on Fri, 9am
Bahasa	11am	Hall 3 - Attic	Nil
Varsity	2:30pm	Shine Auditorium – Level 4	https://bit.ly/3v3NP95 Opens on Sun, 4pm Closes on Fri, 9am
Telugu	5pm	Gospel Auditorium – Level 2	https://bit.ly/33DksP Opens on Sun, 5:30pm Closes on Fri, 9am

Saturday Service

Worship Service	Timing	Location	Registration Link
Youth	4.30pm	Gospel Auditorium – Level 2	https://bit.ly/2HYp5Lm Opens on Sun, 4pm Closes on Thu, 1pm

Children Service will resume on-site service from 16 May. Their current online services remain. For Bahasa service to register with Sis Fei Lin @ 9488 0363.

Register to attend our worship services. For registration and more details, pls click on the **above link**.

There will **NOT** be bus services to our on-site services.

For any queries, please write to shine@gospellight.sg.

• MEET YOUR PASTOR!

Date: **Sundays** | Time: **10:30am to 11:00am**
Click Zoom link: <https://bit.ly/2SMYSH4>
Meeting ID: 836 428 872 | Password: **Pastor**

RECRUITMENT

• JOBS AVAILABLE

1. Admin Executive
2. Building Maintenance Technician

If you or anyone you know would be interested to serve with us for the above positions, please contact Benita Teo at benita.teo@gospellight.sg. Details of the job position are available via our website under gospellight.sg **Contact >**

Careers.

CLASSES AND TRAINING

• BEGINNING INDUCTIVE BIBLE STUDY (BIBS)

Come let us study **Nahum, Zephaniah and Habakkuk** to know the Lord who is our refuge, our stronghold, our hope when life is bleak, cold and dark.

Classes are conducted via Zoom

Dates: Every Monday, starting *17 May – 5 Jul.

Time: 7:30pm to 9:00pm

Instructor: Brother Michael Lau

We will be using the study guide from **Precept NISS: Finding Hope When Life Seems Dark for Part A to C.** Book costs: \$12.

Register at <https://bit.ly/3nQA7lv>

Registration closes Sun, 9 May

*14 June 2021: Holiday Break for Church Camp (11-13 June)

For more info visit gospellight.sg > **Connect > Events**

• EXPOSITORY BIBLE STUDY – BOOK OF MARK

This Tuesday, 4 May 2021, we will be studying Mark 7:24–37, which comprises two parts. In Mark 7:24-30, we study the encounter between Jesus and the Syrophenician woman, which stands in stark contrast to the controversy with the Pharisees in the preceding story. In Mark 7:31–37, we study Jesus' Gentile itineration concerning the healing of a hearing- and speech-impaired man in the Decapolis.

By: Brother Jerry Koh

Date: **Tues, 4 May**

Time: **8pm**

Click Zoom link: <https://bit.ly/3u6188d>

Meeting ID: 879 3895 9155

Passcode: 653678

EVENTS FORECAST

May	June	July
Expository Study, Book of Mark Inductive Bible Study New Believers Class Seekers Class Membership Classes Chit Chat! Baptism	Expository Study, Book of Mark Inductive Bible Study Church Camp Youth Production	Expository Study, Book of Mark Inductive Bible Study Baptism Class Chit Chat!

For details. Please refer to gospellight.sg > Connect > Events > 2021 Calendar

GIVING ONLINE

You may give your offerings in the following ways:

1) PayNow

Under the UEN/Bill Reference No. section you can:

- State "NA" - Offering will go towards General Fund
- State IFL or Missions - To designate the offering

(a) Via "Scan and Pay"

- Open up your bank app and select "Scan and Pay"
- Scan the QR code below:



(b) PayNow UEN

You can also opt to key in the UEN: **S88SS0082AGF1**

2) Internet Banking

- Add payee as Gospel Light Christian Church
- Account Number: **033-021695-5**
- Name of Beneficiary Bank: DBS Bank
- Under the Remarks section, you can leave it blank for the offering to go towards the General Fund or indicate IFL or Missions if you want to designate the offering.

3) Cheque

- Crossed cheque made payable to "Gospel Light Christian Church"
- On the reverse of the cheque, write **Gospel Light Christian Church** and the respective bank account numbers:
 - General Fund - **033-021695-5**
 - Missions Fund - **001-042653-2**
 - Punggol IFL Repayment - **015-902803-8**
- Cheques can be deposited at any POSB or DBS bank into the church's accounts.

SERVICES AND PRAYER MEETINGS

• English Service - Sunday 9am / 11am:

<https://bit.ly/33X72MN>

• Chinese Service - Sunday 9am: <https://bit.ly/3akSf0v>

• Filipino Service - Sunday 2pm: <https://bit.ly/3dABVen>

• Telugu Service - Sunday 5pm: <https://bit.ly/2xma2WL>

• Youth Service - Saturday 4:30pm - 6:00pm:

<https://bit.ly/2AaF8C3> (Zoom ID: 659 128 5331)

Password: Gospel

(For more details contact Yu Fei @ 91285331)

• Bahasa services - Please contact Fei Lin @ 9488 0363.

• Varsity (19-25 y/o) - Sunday 2:30pm:

Topic - **Salvation 101**. For more details contact

Luzerne @ luzerne.cheng@gospellight.sg

• Wednesday Prayer Meetings - 8pm:

<https://bit.ly/35HS8uy>

• Sunday Prayer Meetings - 8:15am:

<https://bit.ly/3drPHPn>

If you are interested to receive our weekly prayer list, please email shine@gospellight.sg

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