



NO MAN IS AN ISLAND (BIBLICAL FRIENDSHIPS)

“No man is an island” may not be a quote from the Bible, but it is still a principle that can be found there. In these unprecedented times of navigating social gathering sizes and dining-in policies, good friendships have never been as important. God has blessed me with many genuine Biblical friends, and I am especially grateful for them for the following reasons.

1. Biblical friendships provide Community

Times of isolation can negatively affect us, much like Elijah felt alone in a depressing world. The Bible teaches that we were created to have community. God gave Christians in the church one another, describing us using analogies such as a body, a building, or a family.

Biblical friends have provided me with a place of belonging because of our common bond in Christ: as people who love God and love one another (1 John 3:23). They can relate in a deeper way compared to non-Christian friends, allowing space for spiritual conversations. Close friends in church have also greatly encouraged me when ministry work was tough, as they strived beside me for the faith of the gospel (Phil 1:27). The community we can enjoy through Christ is a wonderful form of God’s grace.

2. Biblical friendships provide Correction

Iron sharpens iron, and one man sharpens another (Pro 27:17). We can all agree that as individuals with limited perspective, we often have shortcomings we never realised. Biblical friends have been crucial in providing much-needed feedback when I’ve made unwise decisions or thoughtless comments. Although it’s good to reflect on criticism, no matter the source, it is more pleasant to receive faithful feedback from a friend because I know they come from a heart of honesty and concern. Having such friends creates a healthier environment for spiritual growth, as we build each other up and restore one another in a spirit of gentleness (Gal 6:1).

3. Biblical friendships provide Care

Not long ago, I was served a Quarantine Order. While thankfully I did not contract COVID-19, the time of isolation was mentally taxing. Biblical friends lifted me up and kept my sanity in check when I was feeling down (Ecc 4:9-10). There have been many other times when Biblical friends came alongside in my time of need and provided support. Even if they could not physically help, it was reassuring knowing that others were lifting me up in prayer. A friend loves at all times, and a brother is born for adversity (Pro 17:17). We face many trials, but we can count on Biblical friends to share our burdens.

I hope this season pushes us to invest even more in building strong Biblical friendships. At the same time, let us remember that Jesus is the friend that sticks closer than a brother, and our connection with Him is something no social distancing measure can affect.

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Youth Ministry Assistant Leader

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• PRESCHOOL MINISTRY VIA ZOOM

Preschool Ministry will be starting a weekly online zoom service for children aged 3-6 from 6 March 2022, on Sundays from 10:15am – 11:00am.

Email hannah.chee@gospellight.sg to register.

• OFFICIAL CHURCH EMAIL ACCOUNTS

In light of recent scams, we would like to inform all Gospeliters that these are our official email accounts:

email@fellowshipone.com

shine@gospellight.sg

children@gospellight.sg

chinese@gospellight.sg

If you have queries, please write to shine@gospellight.sg for clarification.

• SERVING IN THE CHURCH COMMITTEE

We are looking for godly, faithful and qualified candidates with the following professional experience to serve in the Church Committee:

a. Finance (Accountancy / Treasury)

b. Governance (Risk Management / Audit / Compliance)

c. Human Resources (HR Operations / Talent Management / Learning & Development)

For more details on the requirements to serve, please click <https://bit.ly/3nLtIA2>.

Gospeliters may submit recommended names to shine@gospellight.sg by **6 Feb 2022** and state the position that the individual is recommended for.

• GOSPEL LIGHT BANK ACCOUNT

Please be informed that the Punggol contributions account (**DBS 015-902803-8**) and the corresponding PayNow **UEN S88SS0082APF3** has ceased collections temporarily. Further contributions to this account will be put in abeyance. Our other bank account details (General Offerings and Mission Offerings) are at the end of this bulletin.

• VOLUNTEER FACILITATORS NEEDED

Migrant Worker Care Ministry is organising outings for our TCGC brothers and their pre-believer friends to Gardens by the Bay, in conjunction with Corporate Alliance for Good. Each event will cater to 40 workers. The trip plus food will be fully covered by sponsors and Singapore Rediscover Vouchers donated by the public for participants. We need a team of at least 10 volunteer facilitators who will take care of 4 brothers each during the tour. Appended below are the dates:

1. Mon, 28 Feb 2022 from 3pm to 8pm

Please register using following link:

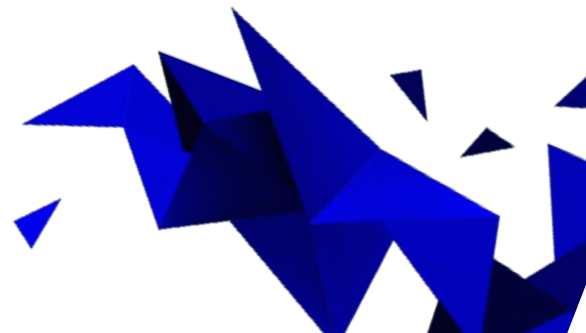
<https://bit.ly/33oVOUL>

There will be a zoom briefing for all volunteers and a link will be emailed to all volunteers nearer the event date.

• RECRUITMENT

1. ShineKidz Executive

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





• EXPOSITORY BIBLE STUDY – BOOK OF ROMANS

This Tuesday, 8 February 2022, we will continue with our study of Romans where we will recap what we have learned from Romans 1:18-32 before CNY. If time permits, we will also begin the study of Romans 2:1-11 and learn about God judging the self-righteous. Do come and join us. The Zoom dial-in details for our session are as follows:

By: Brother Jerry Koh
Date: **Tues, 8 Feb 2022**
Time: 8pm

<https://bit.ly/3ARcrVS>
Meeting ID: **842 3033 7943**
Passcode: **543906**

• SILVER JOY MINISTRY TALKS

Topic: **Nutritional Needs for Seniors**

Date: **Thur, 17 Feb 2022**
Time: 10:00am to 11:30am
Speaker: Penelope Seah, Senior Nursing Manager (Retired)
Registration is required via Registration Link.
<https://bit.ly/3GGCUXR>

More info at gospellight.sg > **Connect > Community Engagement > Silver Joy Ministry**

• NEW BELIEVERS CLASS

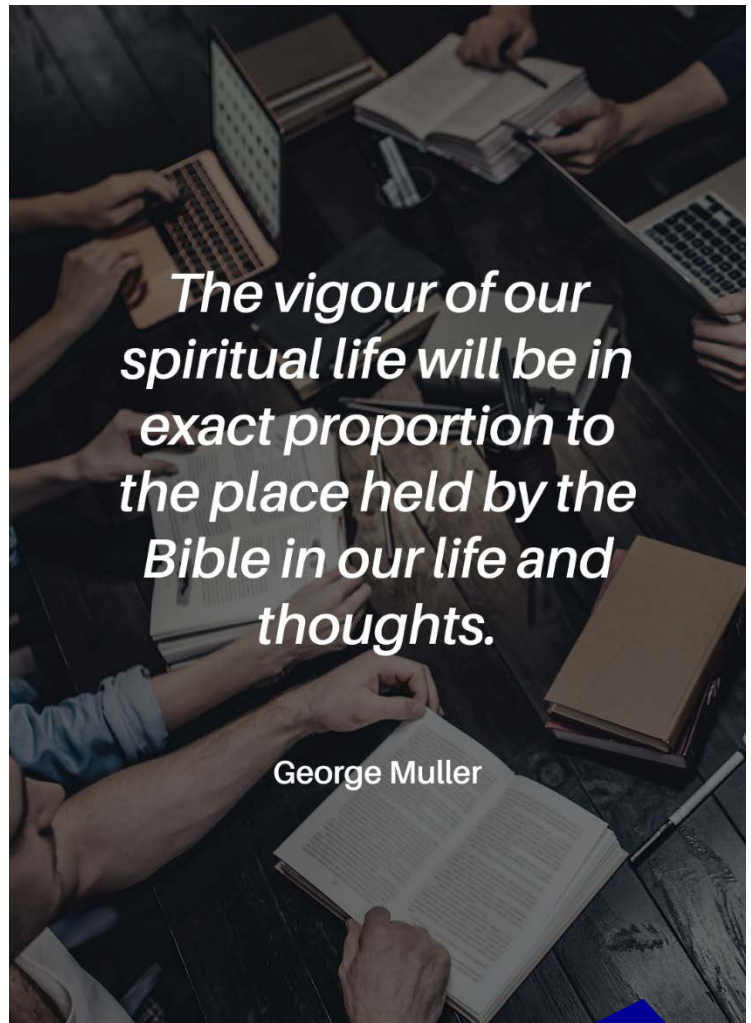
Beginning a new life as a Christian is about growing in your relationship with Jesus Christ. Start your exciting journey of faith by learning and understanding from the Bible what the glorious life Jesus intends for us is all about. Commencement date:

Option 1: Sun, 20 Feb
Time: 1:00pm – 3:00pm
Option 2: Thu, 24 Feb (for homemakers)
Time: 10:00am – 12:00pm

Course duration: 13 sessions)
Venue: Zoom

Register at gospellight.sg > **Connect > Events** or scan the QR code.

Registration deadline: 13 Feb





CLASSES & TRAININGS

• BEGINNING INDUCTIVE BIBLE STUDY (BIBS) – THE LETTERS OF JOHN

Of the twenty-seven books in the New Testament, five were authored by John the Apostle. In our study, we will look at three of his letters – to beloved Gaius, to the elect lady and her children and to my little children. Why were these letters written? What challenges were the believers then facing? How might they overcome these challenges?

We will be studying these letters inductively and see how we might be able to apply the principles in these letters in our lives today. Join us for the study of 1 John, 2 John, and 3 John. Your commitment is between one to three hours of personal study and two hours of group discussion each week. The discussion helps us to consolidate our personal studies and address any questions we might have as we reflect on our personal application for life in Christ.

Cost: \$15/- for the NISS study guide and Observation Worksheets.

Date(s): Sundays, 20 Mar to 29 May

Time: 1:30pm to 3:00pm

Instructor: Brother Michael Lau

Classes will be conducted via Zoom.

Registration deadline: **Mon, 7 Mar**

To register visit: gospellight.sg>connect>Events or scan the QR code.



• BULLETPROOF MARRIAGE WORKSHOP

Who should attend? Pre-Marriage prep and married couples who desire to strengthen their marriage. We would like to emphasize that it is a 4-session commitment plus, a 3-6 months of journey with a marriage mentor couple assigned to each couple.

Registration is limited to 16 couples.

Dates: Wednesdays starting **2,9,16,23 Mar** via Zoom

**Subsequent workshops will be conducted in Jul*

Time: 8:45pm – 10:30pm

Duration: 4 sessions

Click to register: <http://bit.ly/39bBsPt>

Closing date of registration: **7 Feb**

For more enquiries, contact Sis May Lim at kayhong.lim@gospellight.sg or 9859 4684.

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CHURCH HAPPENINGS

• WORSHIP SERVICE

Following the latest measures by MCCY (25 Jan 2022), only vaccinated individuals and children aged 12 and below, are allowed to attend worship services, regardless of the size of the worship service, with effect from 1 Feb 2022 onwards. This means that doing an ART at a MOH approved provider will no longer be permitted for admission to our worship services.

(A) Worship Services for **Vaccinated Worshippers ONLY**

Registration will open at 4:00pm every Sun and closes at 9am every Fri, or when event capacity is reached, whichever is earlier.

Congregational Service	Day and Time	Capacity for On-site	Registration Link for On-site Service	Livestream Link
English @ Shine Auditorium (L4)	Sunday at 9am	300 pax	https://bit.ly/2SvNREO	http://bit.ly/38BU0rA
Chinese @ Gospel Auditorium (L2)	Sunday at 9am	100 pax	https://bit.ly/3ljdv8	http://bit.ly/2Ng0TXT
Filipino @ Gospel Auditorium L2	Sunday at 2pm	100 pax	https://bit.ly/3mnOvRK	http://bit.ly/30FjYFU
Youth @ Gospel Auditorium (L2)	Saturday at 4:30m	100 pax	https://bit.ly/2HYp5Lm	https://bit.ly/2AaF8C3
Varsity @ Shine Auditorium (L4)	Sunday at 2:30pm *no service on 5 th week	300 pax	https://bit.ly/3v3NP95	Subscribe to Varsity announcement channel https://t.me/+WDu3myEwjpcxZWU1
Bahasa @ Hall 3 (Attic)	Every 1 st and 3 rd Sunday at 10:30am	50 pax	Register directly with Sister Fei Lin via whatsapp @ 9488 0363	<u>Nil</u>

Telugu Service will not resume on-site service until further notice.

(B) Children Service

Children Service will remain online until further notice. Please email hannah.chee@gospellight.sg to register. Online Zoom Service on Sundays as follows:

- 11am for Primary (currently on-going), and
- 10:15am for Preschoolers age 3-6 years (from 6 March onwards)

For detailed advisory, please visit gospellight.sg>visit>service venues and timings



WEEKLY MEETINGS

- **Meet Your Pastor! – Sunday 10:20am:** <https://bit.ly/2SMYSH4>
Meeting ID: 836 428 872 | Password: Pastor
- **Wednesday Prayer Meetings – 8pm:** <https://bit.ly/35HS8uy>
Meeting ID: 812 885 158 | Password: Wednesday
- **Sunday Prayer Meetings – 8:15am:** <https://bit.ly/3drPHPn>
Meeting ID: 858 855 0326 | Password: Sunday

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



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 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:

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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 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**
- Cheques can be deposited at any POSB or DBS bank into the church's accounts.

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