



28 August 2022

PASTORAL THOUGHTS ON THE REPEAL OF 377A

During the National Day Rally 2022 on 21 August, Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong announced the Government's intention to repeal Section 377A of the Penal Code. This means that when enacted, consensual sex between men will no more be criminalized in Singapore.

As a church, Gospel Light upholds the biblical definition of marriage and the family unit as a monogamous union between a man and a woman. We are thankful that the Government has made clear its commitment to put in place measures to ensure that the repeal of Section 377A does not trigger further social changes. This includes a proposed constitutional amendment to protect the current legal definition of marriage – as being between one man and one woman – from legal challenge in the courts.

We also welcome the Government's assurance that freedom of religion remains a cornerstone in Singapore, and that religious groups will continue to be free to practice their faith and express their viewpoints, without compulsion.



We are thankful that the Government has made clear its commitment to put in place measures to ensure that the repeal of Section 377A does not trigger further social changes.



We appreciate the engagement and dialogues the Government has had over the years with the different communities in Singapore (religious and non-religious) regarding Section 377A, and understand that this is a difficult "balancing act" in a diverse society like ours. We must continue to honour, submit to, and pray for our government, as Singapore society continues to evolve.

As a church, we do not lose hope. The call of Jesus for His church has never been social or political activism. He commanded us instead to preach the gospel, and to make disciples. The real hope for all sinners has never been the Law. Moses' Laws cannot save. Singapore's laws certainly cannot too! Jesus is the real hope! We rejoice that it is the preaching of the gospel of Jesus Christ that saves. 1 Corinthians 1:18 "For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God."

So, let us re-double our efforts in the gospel ministry. People living in homosexuality need the gospel, like all of us do. So let us welcome, reach out to, and love them that we may point them to the cross. We can also continue to honour God by strengthening our own marriages and families, as we strive to live according to His Word. May Gospel Light continue to shine that gospel light! Let us be leading generations into a life-changing relationship with Jesus Christ!

Pastor Jason Lim
Senior Pastor



Come witness and encourage eleven of our brothers and sisters in Christ at their baptism this Sunday at 11am! Baptism is a step of obedience and a public declaration of faith. If you're a believer we encourage you to honor God's command in baptism.

Teo Si Min Jessica

Abby Tan

Esther Lai Chunhui

Faith Lee Zifei

Madeline Tan Li Tsi

Sam Ang

Thaddeus Lim Xuyi

Tilda Tan

Lisa Chan Lai Mun

Jennifer Fong

Yeap Swee Chin

Leading Generations into a Life-changing Relationship with Jesus Christ





CHURCH HAPPENINGS

• REQUEST FOR MOONCAKE SPONSORS

Our Chinese congregation and a group of volunteers are organising a mid-autumn festival outreach on Sat, 10 Sep.

We would like to invite Gospelites to sponsor **baked skinned mooncakes*** for this outreach event.

*not snow skinned

Collection is scheduled **ONLY on Sun, 4 Sep from 10:30am to 1:30pm** at level one small reception room in front of the newcomers corner.

Please contact Joshua Foo at [9661 7792](tel:96617792) if you have any questions. Thanks for your contribution and do pray for this outreach event.

• 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 onsite 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: Sun, 18 Sep 2022

Time: 12:30pm to 2:00pm

Venue: Gospel Auditorium, L2

To register, please visit <https://bit.ly/3Sa2viF>

*Registration closes **Sun, 11 Sep**

If you want to find out more, please write to sue.choo@gospellight.sg.

• KIDS BIBLE CAMP 2022 – SAVE THE DATE!

P1-P5 children & parents take note! KBC will be back in 2022.

Date: Thursday - Friday (24 - 25 November 2022)

Venue: Church

More details to follow soon, stay tuned!

• CHURCH CAMP 2023 – SAVE THE DATE!

Church camps can be huge catalysts for change. Studies show that convictions for change happen best in environments away from day-to-day life. A 4-day camp can possibly reignite your spiritual flourishing more than just months of church attendance.

Date: Wed - Sat (7-10 June 2023)

Venue: Four Points Sheraton, Desaru

Registration begins in January 2023. More details to follow.

• SHINEKIDZ EXECUTIVE RECRUITMENT

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 at [Careers](#).



• **EXPOSITORY BIBLE STUDY –
BOOK OF ROMANS**

We will take a break next Tue, 30 Aug and will resume class on Tue, 6 Sep.

By: Brother Jerry Koh

Date: Tues, 6 Sep 2022

Time: 8pm

• **4 SEP CHILDREN'S SERVICES!**

From 4 Sept 2022, there will be two children's services at 9am and 11am for:

- (i) Primary Levels (7 - 12 years) at Level 3; and
- (ii) Playgroup (~ 18 months till 2+) at Hall 3 @ Attic

Preschool (3-6yrs) will remain @ 11am due to a lack of volunteers

*If your child is born in 2019, but not yet 36mths of age, a caregiver must accompany the child for the duration of the service.

VOLUNTEER FOR CHILDREN'S MINISTRY!

Children are precious to Jesus and they must be precious to the Church. Our Children's ministry is in urgent need of committed and devoted volunteers. Apply today or find out more by contacting Hannah at children@gospellight.sg.



• WORSHIP SERVICE

- No need for online registration to attend worship services.
- Free seating, no zoning required.
- Congregational singing is permitted with masks on.
- On-site prayer meeting on Sundays at 8.15am in Shine Auditorium.
- Food will be served after the 9am worship service (simple breakfast) and after the 11am worship service (lunch).

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

Congregational Service	Day and Time	Capacity for On-site	Livestream Link
English @ Shine Auditorium (L4)	Sunday at 9am and 11am	800 pax	http://bit.ly/38BU0rA (only available at 9am)

- Vaccinated individuals refer to those who have:
 - o Been fully vaccinated, i.e. has received the appropriate regimen of World Health Organisation Emergency Use Listing (WHO EUL) vaccines including their respective duration post-vaccination for the vaccine to be fully effective, and had their vaccination records ingested in MOH's national IT systems; or
 - o Recovered from COVID-19 within the last 180 days
- From 14 February 2022 onwards, persons aged 18 years and above who have completed the primary vaccination series of COVID-19 vaccines and are eligible for booster vaccination will be considered as fully vaccinated for 270 days after the last dose in their primary vaccination series. The same will apply to persons aged 12-17 years old from 14 March 2022. Persons who have recovered from COVID-19 and have completed their primary series vaccination do not require an additional booster dose at this point in time.
- Only vaccination records that are available via HealthHub app or TraceTogether app/token are accepted.
- We seek your understanding that worshippers who do not fulfil the above vaccination criteria will be turned away on-site.

(B) Worship Services for **Vaccinated and Unvaccinated Worshippers**

Congregational Service	Day and Time	Capacity for On-site	Livestream Link
Chinese @ Gospel Auditorium (L2)	Sunday at 9am and 11am	240 pax	http://bit.ly/2Ng0TXT (only available at 9am)
Filipino @ Gospel Auditorium L2	Sunday at 2pm	240 pax	http://bit.ly/30FjYFU
Youth @ Gospel Auditorium (L2)	Saturday at 4:30m	240 pax	https://bit.ly/2AaF8C3
Varsity @ Light 1 & 2 (L3)	Sunday at 2:30pm *no service on 5 th week	140 pax	Subscribe to Varsity announcement channel https://t.me/+WDu3myEwjpcxZWU1
Bahasa @ Hall 1 (L2)	Alternate Sunday at 10:30am	20 pax	<u>Nil</u>
Telugu @ Gospel Auditorium (L2)	Sunday at 5pm and 8pm	240 pax	http://bit.ly/30G4fXl

(B) Children Service

For details on Children's Service, please refer to page 4 of this bulletin.



WEEKLY MEETINGS

- **Wednesday Prayer Meetings – 8pm**
Venue: Hall 3, Attic
- **Sunday Prayer Meetings – 8:15am**
Venue: Cry Room at Shine Auditorium (L4)
- **Our weekly Meet the Pastor has ended. But do check back [here](#) for future Q&A sessions with Pastor Jason Lim. For further questions about, the Church, God and the bible, please drop us an email at shine@gospellight.sg**
- **Varsity Ministry Sermon Series – Exodus: Freed to Follow**

• 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:

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 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.

Gospel Light Christian Church | 39 Punggol Field Walk, Singapore 828753

T: +65 6386 6702 | M: +65 9117 6000

shine@gospellight.sg | www.gospellight.sg