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## GOING FOR GOD IN 2023

As we begin a new year, it is timely to reflect on how we can be more faithful and fruitful in our faith journeys.

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Several people have started to travel this year. You would have noticed how the dutiful pilots are always in the planes early, verifying the cockpit gauges and flight systems to ensure that the plane is *worthy* for the flight ahead. Likewise, when my family was travelling often to Malaysia, the first important task for me was to send my car early to the workshop. The car technicians would be informed about the long road trip, and they would inspect the car to deem it *roadworthy*. Of course, the consequences if something goes wrong in these situations are high. Therefore, early preparation is important for pilots and anyone going on a long road trip.

To be ready for 2023 and 'Going for God', you might start by seeking to weigh what is 'worthy' and how to be 'worthy'. We could learn from Paul as he wrote to the Philippians:

"Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ." (Phil 1:27a)

Paul used 'only' to emphasize that if there is ONLY one thing the Philippians should place first, it is that their lived-out lives be truly worthy of the Gospel. Nothing should be

more important than this, as Paul exalted the Philippians. Remember, the Philippians wanted to encourage Paul, as he was imprisoned and living almost every day in mortal danger. Instead, Paul responded by pointing the Philippians to a greater mission -- to do just ONE thing. That was to press on in their walk against the weight of the price of Christ's redemption.

Dear brethren, make 2023 an impactful year for Christ, by examining our manner of life (now and ahead) and carefully preparing it for the purpose of the Gospel, just like a responsible pilot prepares the plane for its flight. Are there areas we need to surrender to God? Have we been distracted by the lures of the world, dulled by our own fleshly pursuits, or derailed by unwise decisions? Have we been busy with our ministries, and yet the outcome is only emptiness? Ministries that cost nothing accomplish nothing. Is there Gospel-centricity in your ministries or has this been moved to the periphery?

For 2023, let us be going for God by first being single-minded (only), examining our lived-out lives (manner) and weighing this against the goal (the gospel) of our faith. Paul reminded us that we are pilgrims here and citizens of heaven. The phrase 'manner of life' signifies living like citizens of Christ's kingdom. We are reminded to be the aroma of Christ and bring the fragrance of life to those around us.

Elder Eugene Cheng  
Vice Chairman Church Committee



# CLASSES & TRAININGS

## • 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:

Starting: Sun, 19 Feb  
Time: 1:15pm – 3:15pm  
(Course duration: 13 sessions)  
Venue: Attic, Hall 3

Register at <https://bit.ly/2X7D0nH>  
Registration deadline: Sun, 5 Feb

## • 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 12 couples.

Dates: Thursdays starting 2,9,16,23 Mar via Zoom  
Time: 8:45pm – 10:30pm  
Duration: 4 sessions

Click to register: <http://bit.ly/39bBsPt>  
Registration deadline: Mon, 13 Feb

For more enquiries, contact Sis May Lim at [kayhong.lim@gospellight.sg](mailto:kayhong.lim@gospellight.sg) or 9859 4684.

## • MEMBERSHIP CLASSES

Membership in Gospel Light is only for baptized believers of the Lord, and must be of age 16 and above. Attendance at both membership classes 1 & 2 is a prerequisite for membership application. Classes will be conducted on-site.

### English

Date: Sun, 19 Feb & 26 Feb  
Time: 12:45pm – 1:45pm  
Venue: Light 2 (L3)

### Chinese

Date: 19 Feb & 26 Feb  
Time: 12:45pm – 1:45pm  
Venue: Hall 1 (L2)

Register at <https://bit.ly/3WO71VL>  
Registration deadline: Sun, 22 Jan

## • EXPOSITORY BIBLE STUDY – BOOK OF ROMANS

Due to CNY, the class will take a break on 17 & 24 Jan and will resume on 31 Jan.

By: Brother Jerry Koh  
Date: Tues, 31 Jan 2023  
Time: 8pm



# CHURCH HAPPENINGS

## •RECRUITMENT

ShineKidz (Afterschool Care) Executive.

If you or anyone you know would be interested to serve with us for the above position, please visit <https://bit.ly/3QD0DhL>.

## •CHINESE SERVICE UPDATES FOR 22 JAN

Due to Chinese New Year celebrations, there will be no 11am service, however, 9am service will continue as per normal. Both regular service times will resume on Sun, 29 Jan.

## •CHILDREN SERVICE UPDATES FOR 22 JAN

Due to Chinese New Year celebrations, there will be no Primary Level, Preschool and Playgroup services. Regular service will resume on Sun, 29 Jan.

## •KITCHEN CLOSURE

Please be informed that Kitchen will be closed on:

CNY - 22 Jan and 29 Jan 2023.

## •COFFEE CONNECTS

Please be informed that Coffee Connects will be closed on:

CNY- 22 Jan and 29 Jan 2023.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your past patronage. We look forward to serve you and your support this year.

## •CHURCH CAMP 2023: ONE PASSION

At this year's church camp, our preachers are tasked to condense their life's passion for God's word into standalone sermons that convey what matters the most for God's glory. Find out what is their singular heartbeat for the gospel and how they have been mastered by it to live for God's glory. Join us as the church family meets together for a time of refreshment and enrichment.

Date: 7 to 10 June 2023

Venue: Four Points by Sheraton Desaru, Johor, Malaysia

Read the church camp FAQ [here](#).

Register at <http://bit.ly/3C5Gzyx>.

OR you may visit the Church Camp booth every Sunday (starting 1 Jan to 12 Mar) at Level 1 Front Desk, between 10:30am to 1:15pm to register.

Registration deadline: Sun, 12 Mar.

## •YOUNG MUMS PRAY AND SHARE

Are you a young mum of a newborn or primary school children? Mothering is a high calling and not an easy one. We understand and hope to support you in your parenting journey. Join us twice a month on Zoom to connect, be encouraged and equipped to be the mum that God wants you to be!

Date: Thu, 19 Jan | Time: 9pm - 10pm

Click Zoom link: <https://bit.ly/39TmGNQ>

Meeting ID: 865 7673 8143

Password: mums



# WORSHIP SERVICE

- **Wednesday Prayer Meetings – 8pm**

Venue: Hall 3, Attic

- **Sunday Prayer Meetings – 8:15am**

Venue: Cry Room at Shine Auditorium (L4)

If you are interested to receive our weekly prayer list, please email [shine@gospellight.sg](mailto:shine@gospellight.sg)

## (A)Worship Services

Congregational Service	Day and Time	Capacity for On-site	Livestream Link
English @ Shine Auditorium (L4)	Sunday at 9am and 11am	800 pax	<a href="http://bit.ly/38BU0rA">http://bit.ly/38BU0rA</a> (only available at 9am)
Chinese @ Gospel Auditorium (L2)	Sunday at 9am and 11am *22 Jan – 9am only	240 pax	<a href="http://bit.ly/2Ng0TXT">http://bit.ly/2Ng0TXT</a> (only available at 9am)
Filipino @ Gospel Auditorium (L2)	Sunday at 2pm	240 pax	<a href="http://bit.ly/30FjYFU">http://bit.ly/30FjYFU</a>
Youth @ Gospel Auditorium (L2)	Saturday at 4:30m	240 pax	<a href="https://bit.ly/2AaF8C3">https://bit.ly/2AaF8C3</a>
Varsity @ Light 1 & 2 (L3)	Sunday at 2:30pm	140 pax	Subscribe to Varsity announcement channel <a href="https://t.me/+WDu3myEwjpcxZWU1">https://t.me/+WDu3myEwjpcxZWU1</a>
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	<a href="http://bit.ly/30G4fXI">http://bit.ly/30G4fXI</a>

## (B) Children Service^

All children's services are at **9am and 11am**:

- (i) Primary Levels (7 - 12 years) at Level 3.
- (ii) Preschool\* (3-6 yrs) at Attic.
- (ii) Playgroup (12 mths till 3yrs) at Hall 3 @ Attic.

^22 Jan – No children services for all levels.

\*Preschool are for children age 36 mths to 6 yrs.





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.

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