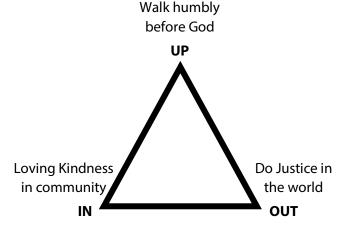


UP, IN AND OUT: THREE STEPS TO SPIRITUAL GROWTH THIS YEAR

In the blink of an eye, 2022 is over. And a new year is upon us. As you think of resolutions for the New Year, I'd like to offer three simple steps for spiritual growth in 2023. They are based on Micah 6:8:

"He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to **do justice**, and to **love kindness**, and to **walk humbly with your God**?"

In this verse, the prophet Micah admonished us to do three things with respect to three aspects of our lives: with God (walk humbly), in our community (love kindness), and out to the world (do justice). These can be represented by the triangle below,



In Luke 6:12-19, this was what Jesus did. He went up the mountain to pray to God (UP). Thereafter, he called his disciples (IN). Subsequently, he went with his disciples to minister to the crowds (OUT). Neglecting any of these aspects can result in an unbalanced Christian life. For example, focusing only on UP and IN can result in a "country club" mentality in church. Focusing only on UP and OUT can result in "lone ranger" Christianity. Finally, solely focusing on IN and OUT can result in burnout and even disillusionment.

So in 2023, let us focus on these three aspects in order to grow holistically.

• UP

Connect with God on a daily basis through prayer,
 Scripture, or through a devotional app or book.

• IN

- Be part of a Christian community (Care Group or Discipleship Group) if you are not in one. If you are part of a community, seek out ways to love and serve one another in 2023. Remember it is more blessed to give than to receive (Acts 20:35).
- o In your families, endeavour to be kind and loving to each other.

OUT

- Act with integrity and honesty in the world.
- Act against injustice or wrongdoing.
- Do good to others. Overcome evil with good (Romans 12:21).
- o Find opportunities to share the reasons for your joy and hope (1 Peter 3:15).

Concluding with Apostle Paul's words, let us forget what lies behind but instead let us strain forward to what lies ahead! Let us press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus! (Philippians 3:13-14)

In His service,

Elder Jeffrey Pang Shepherding Elder

Reference: Breen, M. (2014), Building a Discipling Culture. 3DM International.



RECRUITMENT

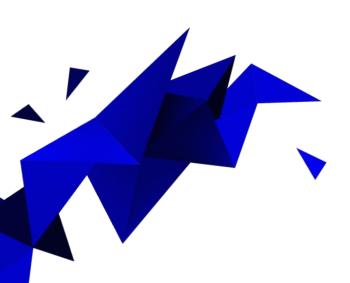
ShineKidz (Afterschool Care) Executive. If you or anyone you know would be interested to serve with us for the above position, please visit https://bit.ly/3QD0DhL.

• 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.

<u>OR</u> 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.



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 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



• 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

(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	http://bit.ly/38BU0rA (only available at 9am)
Chinese @ Gospel Auditorium (L2)	Sunday at 9am and 11am *22 Jan – 9am only	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	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^

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.

骨 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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