



26 March 2023

THE INTERCESSORY PRAYER OF JESUS (JOHN 17:1-26)

“When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, “Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you...” John 17:1



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As I reflect on the High Priestly Prayer (John 17:1-26), I am amazed by how much humility is displayed by the Lord Jesus, and such deep love and compassion He has for us. Jesus indeed gives us a magnificent example of the need for prayer. If the Son of God who knows all things, who has power over all things, recognised that He should submit to the Headship of God and ask that the Word be fulfilled; how much more are we, as mere mortals, supposed to be dependent on God?

Jesus begins in the first 5 verses by praying for His glory. He acknowledged the power and glory of the Father firstly, then He prays for His own glory. Jesus recognised that it was first important for God the Father to glorify Him. With Jesus being glorified, He can then intercede for us (v3 “And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom

you have sent”), and bring many sons to glory. God the Father would be most glorified. We see here that Jesus speaks of the glory that the Father and Son are giving one another, and we can see the unity and oneness in this relationship.

Jesus was also impeccable with the timing of this prayer, as prior to that, he had only just encouraged His disciples not to lose heart but to endure the tribulations to come. He makes it clear to them that He has(had) “overcome the world” (John 16:3). Jesus prayed for His followers of Christ to come together in unity and connection; just like how He and the Father are One.

Jesus did not ask for His people to be removed safely from this World, but instead, only asked that they be protected from the evil one (v15). He asked for us to be filled with the sacrificial love of God. It is His love for us that can only then compel us to share this good news to the utter ends of the earth.

As a body of believers, Christ is the one that unites us as we share the Gospel and live our lives with love from above. May the Lord be glorified in our lives, as we look to share the truths in His Word to those around during this Easter season.

Joshua Chong
Care Group Leader



CHURCH HAPPENINGS

• COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND MINISTRY FAIR 2023

Not all of us will cross the seas with the gospel, but all of us can cross the street with the gospel. The church is a body of believers and Christ is our head, but for the body to function, every believer has to embrace their role to serve and bless one another with their gifts.

We're excited to bring back our Community Engagement and Ministry Fair! Discover how you can be part of Gospel Light's mission to bless the community with Christ-centered service. Also, meet the volunteers who are part of our weekly Sunday Experience, and find out about their passion for service and the many areas of ministry your talents can be used for God's glory.

Date: Sun, 30 Apr
Time: 10:00am to 1:00pm
Venue: Foyer (L1)

• GOOD FRIDAY 2023

Why is the focus of Christianity the suffering and degradation of its God? Why is the cross the unifying symbol of the Christian faith? The message of the cross is not an inherently attractive message. Onlookers see weakness, irrationality and hate, but the scandal of the cross is the key to the most important message in history. Come join us as we celebrate the message of Good Friday.

Date: Fri, 7 Apr
Time: 8pm
English Service: Shine Auditorium (L4)
Chinese Service: Gospel Auditorium (L2)

• REFORMATION TODAY CONFERENCE (WITH DR JOEL BEEKE)

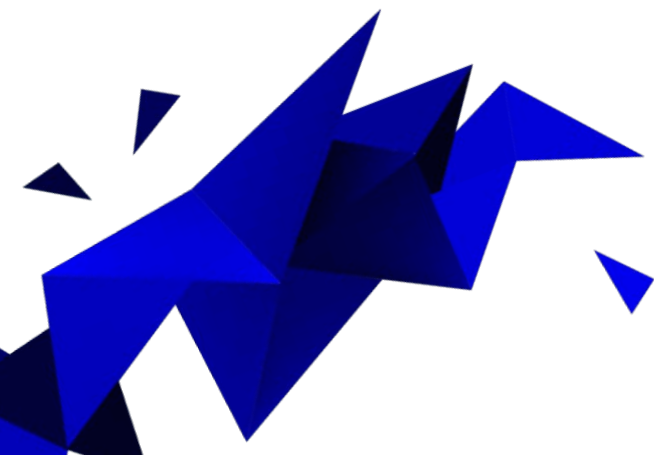
There is a chasm between what we know as Christians and what we practice as Christians. But this chasm is not uncrossable. For the Christian, through all of life's circumstances and ever-changing conditions, growing in grace is our priority.

The Reformation Today Conferences with Dr Joel Beeke will inform your mind and warm your spiritual affections. Come and be transformed by the Spirit's grace as we plunge into the wealth of the doctrines of God in key areas of Christian living.

Dr. Joel Beeke is President and professor of systematic theology and homiletics Puritan Reformed Theological Seminary. Pastor of Heritage Reformed Church, Grand Rapids, Michigan. And author and co-author of over one hundred books.

Dates: 13 – 17 Jun
Admission: Free
Registration opens 15 Mar and closes 30 May.

Conference synopsis and registration:
<https://ferc.org.sg/ReformationToday>.





• MOBILE PHONES FOR MISSIONS

Pastor Paul and a GLCC mission team will be in Philippines from April 4 – 13.

If you have any unused, working mobile phones (with their chargers) and will like to donate them to our mission partners and beneficiaries, please bring them to GLCC front desk at L4 on Sun, 26 Mar & 2 Apr, from 8:30am to 9:15am and 10:30am to 11:15am.

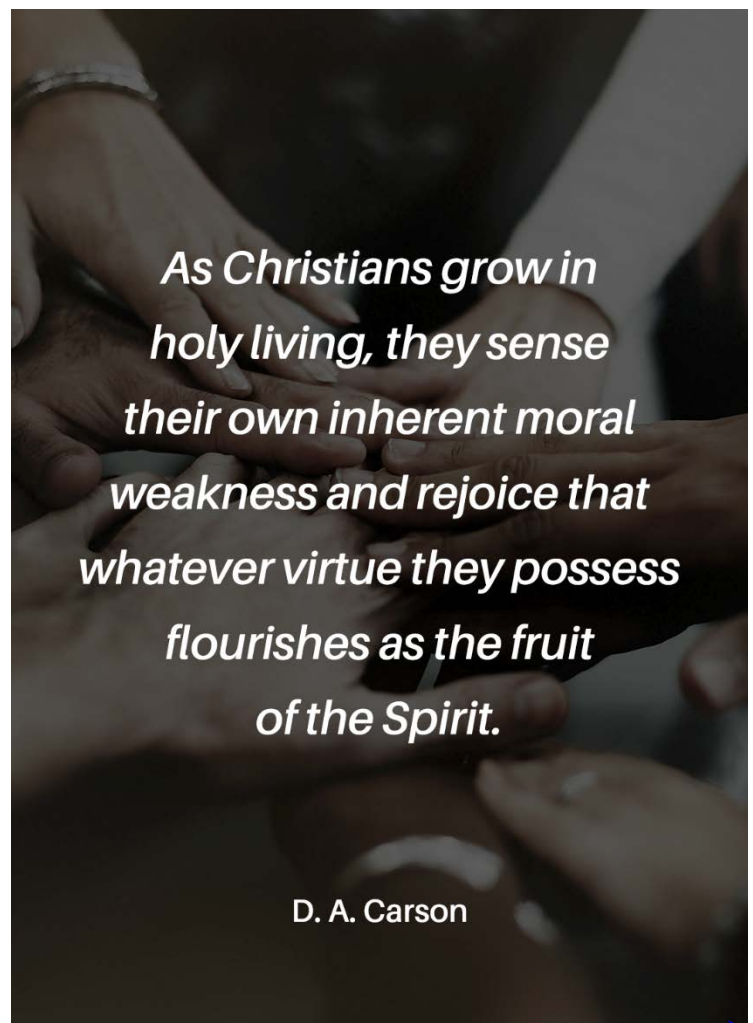
• JOB RECRUITMENT

1. ShineKids 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 at [Careers](#).

• HOSPITALITY FOR MISSIONARIES

From time to time, missionaries pass through Singapore and need a place to stay. If you have a spare room(s) and are willing to bless these missionaries by hosting them, please let us know by filling up the form <https://bit.ly/3Se5o28>.





CLASSES & TRAININGS

• BAPTISM

Those who have believed in Jesus Christ as their Lord and Saviour are encouraged to be baptized. Attendance at Baptism Class is a prerequisite. Submission of written testimonies with completed application forms is a must. Classes are conducted on-site. Register and download application forms via our website at <https://bit.ly/3Ft6DEw>. Registration closes on Sun, 2 Apr.

Baptism Class (English)

Date: Sun, 9 Apr
Time: 12:45pm – 1:45pm
Venue: Light 2 (L3)

Baptism Class (Chinese)

Date: Sun, 9 Apr
Time: 12:45pm – 1:45pm
Venue: Hall 1 (L2)

Baptism Date: Sun, 28 May

Venue: Shine Auditorium (L4)

• 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, 7 & 14 May
Time: 12:45pm – 1:45pm
Venue: Light 2 (L3)

Chinese

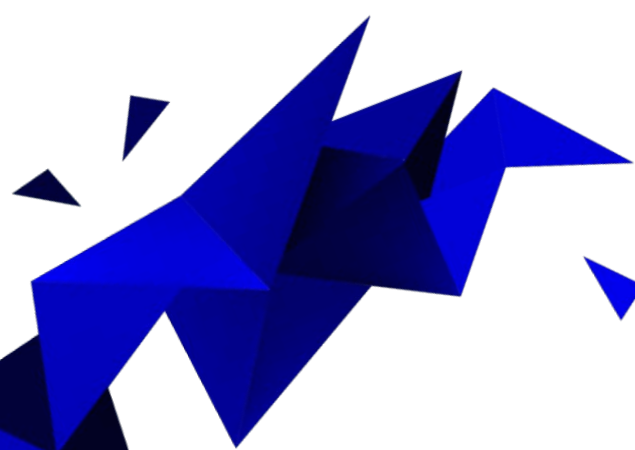
Date: Sun, 7 & 14 May
Time: 12:45pm – 1:45pm
Venue: Hall 1 (L2)

Register and download application forms via our website at <https://bit.ly/3TaiYEb>. Registration closes on Sun, 9 Apr.

• EXPOSITORY BIBLE STUDY – BOOK OF ROMANS

We will take a break on 28 Mar and 4 Apr. Class will resume on 11 Apr.

By: Brother Jerry Koh
Date: Tues, 11 Apr
Time: 8:00pm





• SEEKERS CLASS: GROUP STUDY

Have you been seeking after God but He feels far away? Have you wondered if God really cares about you? Don't all religions teach you to do good to get to heaven?

Perhaps these questions and others have been bugging you. Why not discuss this in a group setting by enrolling in the Seekers class?

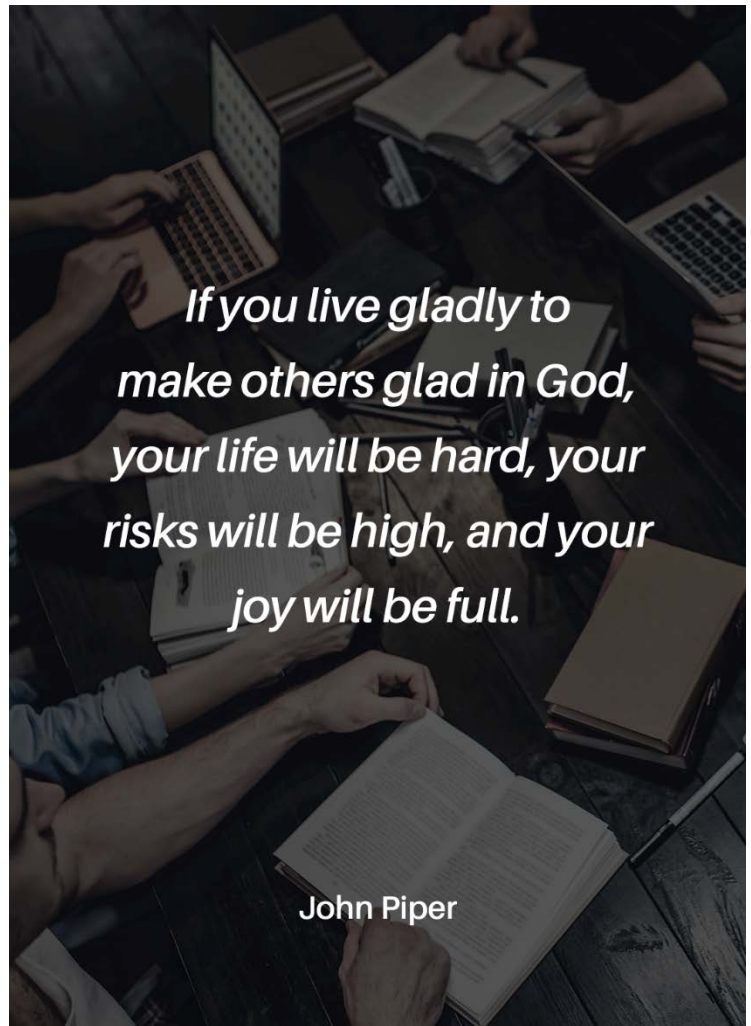
Start date: Sun, 9 Apr

Time: 1:15 pm Course duration: 6 Sundays

Venue: Hall 3, Attic

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

Registration closes on Sun, 2 Apr.





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

(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	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.

*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:

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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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