

DRINKING IN THE GOSPEL IN THE MINISTRY OF RECONCILIATION (2COR 5:18)

Partaking in the ministry of reconciliation allows us to drink in the gospel. It strengthens our faith and anchors our soul in the firm foundation of God's promise

As a young believer, I used to think that the ministry of reconciliation was for missionaries who travel to remote countries where the gospel is unknown or unheard of. They plant churches and reach out to these communities. Therefore, this ministry ought to be a unique calling, exemplified by Hudson Taylor and Jim Elliot. And I reasoned, this ministry was not so relevant locally because the Bible and churches were freely accessible and available. Fortunately, I was wrong, and over the years, my mindset has been renewed.

First, I discovered that it is such a privilege to be used by God to proclaim the gospel. Frankly, God does not need me or anyone to fulfil His sovereign plan to call His elect into His kingdom. He can do all things, and no purpose of His can be thwarted (Job 42:2). But, at the same time, God is ready to use anyone who is humble and broken for His service (Isaiah 6:8). Just as John the Baptist was used to proclaim "repent, for the Kingdom is at hand" (Matthew 3:2), we can proclaim the good news.

Second, the ministry of reconciliation reaffirmed my conviction that it is the power of God unto salvation to

everyone who believes (Romans 1:16). This truth miraculously takes away any performance on my part, any human persuasion, or "negotiation" to convince someone of his/her sin and their need of a saviour that is only found through Christ. I do not need to package the gospel to make it more appealing or compelling. My aim is to present it faithfully and accurately. And then I trust that God will do the miracle!

Third, the ministry of reconciliation is meant for everyone who has been renewed by the gospel. Much like the man who found the pearl of great price, he is ever ready to proclaim how this treasure in Christ has transformed him with new desires, motivations, and commitment for the gospel. How can he keep silent? Moreover, as he sees more of the ugliness of sin and appreciates the full weight of the reality of hell, he should be moved with compassion for the lost, and marvel at the wonder of the cross that saves sinners.

Finally, partaking in the ministry of reconciliation allows us to drink in the gospel. It strengthens our faith and anchors our soul in the firm foundation of God's promise. The gospel not only saves, but also fuels our desire to walk in the ways of our Lord. It enlarges our faith in the midst of trials and sufferings. Therefore, let us endeavour to speak the good news daily to ourselves, our family, our brothers and sisters in Christ, our neighbours, and friends, and rejoice when it calls sinners out of darkness into His marvellous light.

Deacon Lim Chwee Ming



• 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.

E<u>nglish</u>

Date: Sun, 13 & 20 Aug Time: 12:45pm – 1:45pm Venue: Hall 2 (L2)

<u>Chinese</u>

Date: Sun, 13 & 20 Aug Time: 12:45pm – 1:45pm Venue: Hall 1 (L2)

Register and download application forms via our website at <u>https://bit.ly/3TaiYEb</u>. Registration closes on Sun, 16 Jul.

• **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 onsite. Register and download application forms via our website at <u>https://bit.ly/3Ft6DEw</u>. Registration closes on Sun, 25 Jun.

Baptism Class (English) Date: Sun, 9 Jul Time: 12:45pm to 1:45pm Venue: Light 2 (L3)

Baptism Class (Chinese) Date: Sun, 9 Jul Time: 12:45pm to 1:45pm Venue: Hall 1 (L2)

Baptism Date: Sun, 27 Aug Venue: Shine Auditorium (L4)

• EXPOSITORY BIBLE STUDY – GOSPEL OF JOHN

We will be resuming our weekly Expository Bible Study at 8pm on 20 June 2023. We will be commencing the study of the Gospel of John. This Gospel presents a striking series of remarkable insights and revelations of the power and glory of Christ, the divine Son of the living God. Please come join us.

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• **BIBLICAL COUNSELLING MINISTRY**

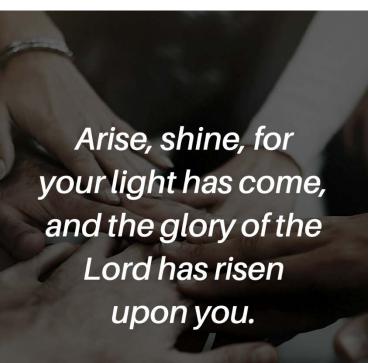
We live in a broken world, and Christians are not spared from pain. Whether your suffering is from personal sin, or from being sinned against by someone. The gospel is the source of freedom from afflictions and addictions. Our biblical counsellors are here to walk with you through the trials you are facing.

Make an appointment today: shine@gospellight.sg / 9117 6000

• 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, 15 Jun Time: 9:00pm to 10:00pm Click Zoom link: <u>https://bit.ly/39TmGNQ</u> Meeting ID: 865 7673 8143 Password: mums



Isaiah 60:1



- 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 No service on 4 th & 5 th week	240 pax	https://bit.ly/2AaF8C3
Varsity @ Light 1 & 2 (L3)	There will be no Varsity service for the month of June	140 pax	Subscribe to Varsity announcement channel <u>https://t.me/+WDu3myEwjpcxZWU1</u>
Bahasa @ Hall 1 (L2)	Alternate Sunday at 10:30am	20 pax	Nil
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.

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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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