



23 July 2023

## FOUR QUESTIONS WITH NICHOLAS TAN

Brother Nicholas Tan recently joined Gospel Light as a full-time staff member, as the Assistant Children's Ministry Shepherd. We asked him some questions to understand his passion for Children's Ministry and how the Lord led him to this calling.

### **Why did you choose to serve in full-time ministry?**

Full-time ministry is a great adventure that excites me and brings me lots of joy and fulfilment. I really love to journey with people and have a great passion to build up the local church. I'm really thankful that the Lord has given me this hunger and desire to serve Him, His people and His church!

I also love working with the younger generation, and it's really awesome that I get to be part of the Children's Ministry to share the gospel with these little ones, invest in them, and see them come to know Jesus!

### **What were some obstacles you faced before choosing this vocation?**

Two very practical obstacles were time and finances.

Full-time ministry can sometimes be 'anytime' ministry, because we are working with people. This isn't your typical 9 to 6 job, where you can drop everything when you leave the office. There's also the occasional night or weekend meetings to attend. This was something that I needed to be disciplined about, so that I do not leave my family behind in the pursuit of full-time ministry.

In terms of finances, you'll definitely be earning less compared to working in a for-profit organisation. I had to discuss with my wife to make sure that I was still able to support the needs of the family. I also have to be committed to making lifestyle changes even as I pursue full-time ministry.

### **What are you most excited about in your role?**

I love people and change. It's always very exciting to witness life change that you have had the privilege to be part of. It's simply amazing to see the children being excited about the things of God, responding to the gospel, and growing in their faith. It's also very exciting to see volunteers developing their grace gifts and being placed accurately in roles where they can flourish and bear good fruit.

Another exciting thing would be that I get to dream big about what church and Children's Ministry could be like. We hope to create a fun and vibrant community where children belong, and where they can find friends and leaders to journey with as they come to know Jesus through the gospel! Want to join me? :)

### **What would you say to those considering full-time ministry?**

Is this something that you're really passionate about? Can you see yourself waking up every morning excited about the work? Do you love working with people, even difficult people? Is there anything else that you would prefer to do than this?

Have you carefully considered the trade-offs in terms of your time and finances? Are you willing to make the necessary sacrifices in your pursuit to serve God full-time?

Don't forget to pray and seek the Lord about His will for your life. Seek wise counsel, speak to your family, and your leaders. It's a big decision to make, but we have a big God who will lead and guide and also provide.

Nicholas Tan  
Assistant Children's Ministry Shepherd



# CHURCH HAPPENINGS

## • BLOCK VISITATION

Join us for our community Block Visit to invite residents to our Mid-Autumn Carnival in September 2023. Our goal is to cover 27 blocks around the Kadaloor LRT area. Rally your friends, family, CG and DG members to walk the ground over 2 weekends.

Dates: Fri, 18 Aug & Sat, 19 Aug and  
Fri, 25 Aug & Sat, 26 Aug

To register, please visit <https://bit.ly/43oc02b>.

Registration closes Fri, 4 Aug.

## • DELIGHTFUL REUNION – A MID-AUTUMN CARNIVAL

Come and join us for a wholesome and delightful reunion for the family with food, games, learning journeys, competitions and performances for kids, youths, adults to seniors.

Date: Sat, 23 Sep

Time: 3:00pm - 8:00pm

Venue: Gospel Light Christian Church

We target to attract at least 800 participants to our 25 food stalls, 5 game stalls, balloon sculpting, caricature, pouch making, lantern making, lantern riddles and children art.

Performances will include Praise Dance, Opera, Recorder Duet, Ukulele and Sing Together.

Rally friends, colleagues, family, CG and DG members to set up stalls or volunteer. Join us for a briefing on Sun, 30 July at 1:00pm in the Shine Auditorium to find out more! To find out more, kindly email [community@gospellight.sg](mailto:community@gospellight.sg).

## • LEGAL ADVISORS

This is a call for lawyers in our midst to volunteer of their time to form a panel of legal advisors for Gospel Light Christian Church. For those who are keen to volunteer or find out more, kindly email [shine@gospellight.sg](mailto:shine@gospellight.sg). The Church Committee will get in touch with you thereafter.

## • YOUTH CAMP 2023 - SAVE THE DATE!

Date: 18 - 21 Dec. Registration starts in Nov.

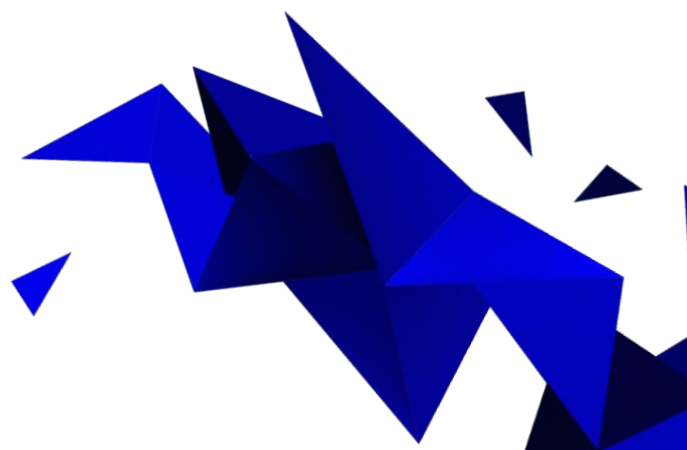
## • KIDS BIBLE CAMP 2023 - SAVE THE DATE!

Parents of P1 - P5 children, you won't want your child to miss this! Two full days of fun & games, friends & fellowship, and most importantly hearing the good news!

Date: 23 – 24 Nov (Thu & Fri day camp)

Venue: Gospel Light Christian Church

Camp & Volunteer registration begins in September 2023. More details will be shared soon!





### • CONVERSATIONAL ENGLISH

Conversational English is starting another season. We welcome your folks, helpers, neighbours or friends to join us (Basic Level).

Date: 4 Aug - 13 Oct, Fridays (10 sessions) \*no lesson on Fri, 1 Sep

Time: 2:00pm – 3:00pm

Venue: Attic Level, Hall 3

Please contact Sue @ 97761377 to register and for more details. Registration closes on 23 Jul.

### • EXPOSITORY BIBLE STUDY – GOSPEL OF JOHN

This Tuesday, 25 July 2023, we will study John 1:25-42 and learn about the Lamb of God and the two disciples. The Zoom dial-in details for our session are as follows:

Date: Tue, 25 Jul

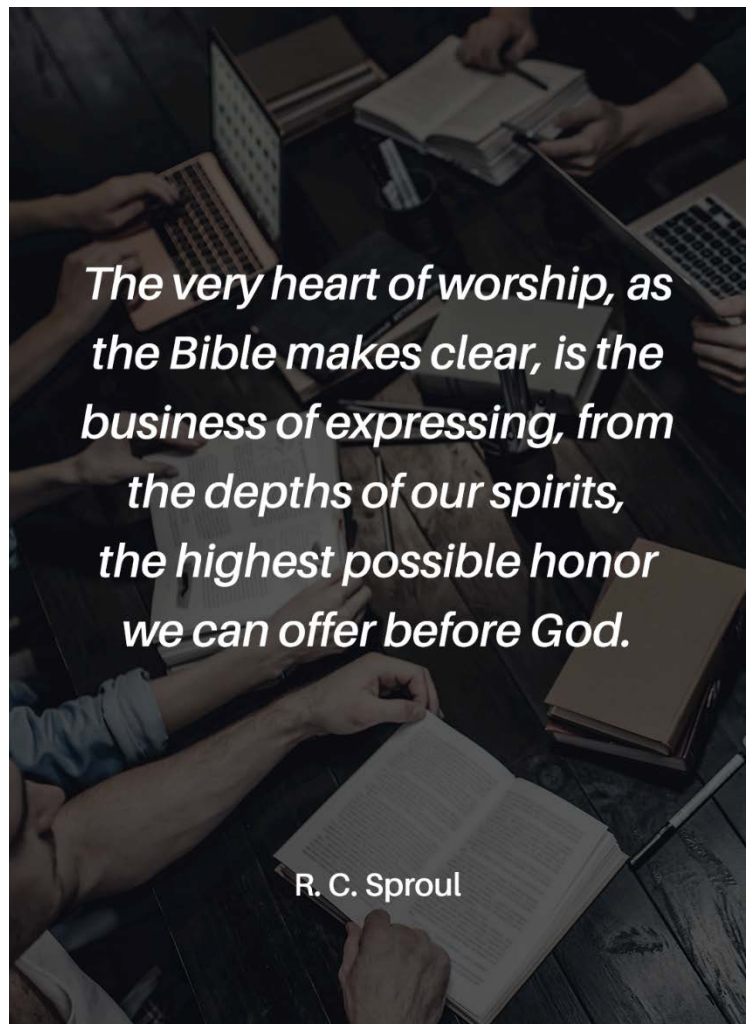
Time: 8:00pm

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://bit.ly/3pd7C7T>

Meeting ID: 851 8603 0760

Passcode: 211761





# 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	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 No service on 4 <sup>th</sup> & 5 <sup>th</sup> week	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/30G4fXl">http://bit.ly/30G4fXl</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. **11am** session, **no 9am** session (5th week volunteers meeting)

(iii) Playgroup (12mths till 3yrs) at Hall 3 @ Attic. No lessons (5th week). Hall 3 is still open for parents and children to watch service together.

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







# 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.

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