

### **UN-SOLITARY CHRISTIANITY**

There is nothing more unchristian than a solitary Christian. Isolation and being a follower of Jesus are incompatible.

In just 2 months, we would be celebrating Gospel Light's 36<sup>th</sup> anniversary and almost 7 years since settling down in Punggol. In these 7 years that we have sunk roots here, we have been blessed with a growing congregation during our worship services. With the increase in size of the church, one could easily slip in and out of services unnoticed, if we do not take time to build relationships or fellowship. I believe that this is certainly not desirable, and having a spiritual community is important. In my own journey, I have come to realise that care groups or discipleship groups are essential for every Christian.

John Wesley once remarked that "there is nothing more unchristian than a solitary Christian". Jesus chose not to live solitarily, but gave himself to community and loved His people very much. Our Christian journeys will be filled with hills and valleys, and challenges that test our faith. In the times where I have faced difficult spiritual battles in my life, I am very thankful to have had brethren who showed concern by praying for me, and encouraged me by pointing me back to Christ. It is in moments like these where true Christianity is demonstrated.

Hebrews 10:24-25 (ESV) reminds us that it is important to "stir up one another to love and good works" and to "encourage one another". The early church in the book of Acts provides us a good example of that community to strive toward.

I have experienced different journeys with care groups in GLCC. My current care group is made up of people with different backgrounds and interests, some young parents and a couple currently without children. Yet we have in one thing in common that ties us together -- the Gospel. We are far from perfect as we have our share of struggles, as trust, bonds and accountability take time to be built up. It is only when we are reminded about our common bond in Christ that we will continue to see value in journeying with each other. May God continue that transforming work in us. Ephesians 4 reminds us that we must be "eager" and put in every (maximal) effort to protect the unity of the body of Christ, through humility, gentleness and patience. And it is the love from our Father that ultimately compels us to outdo each other in love as well. May we truly, by God's grace, be an Acts Church for today.

Joshua Chong Family Life Ministry

Find out more about our Care Groups!

Visit gospellight.sg > Connect > Care Groups



#### YEAR-END LOVE GIFT

We are collecting our year-end love gift for overseas mission workers and local workers via our General Fund account.

Collection Start Date: Sun, 22 Oct 2023 Collection End Date: Sun, 5 Nov 2023

\* Love gifts received after 5 Nov 2023 will go towards the general offering.

You may give in the following ways:

- i) Internet banking PayNow and internet bank transfer. Indicate "**Love Gift**" or "**LG**" at the bill reference section.
- ii) Cheque Indicate "**Love Gift**" or "**LG**" on the reverse of the cheque.
- iii) Offering boxes Enclose your offering in a sealed envelope and indicate "**Love Gift**" or "**LG**" on the envelope.

If you would like to specify the recipient of the love gift, please indicate as follows:

- 1) Indicate "**LG overseas**" for overseas mission workers
- 2) Indicate "LG local" for local workers

# •SILVERJOY (SENIORS) MINISTRY RELAUNCH (22 OCT)

Every chapter of life is a gift from God. And our ministry for seniors celebrates that gift. SilverJoy isn't just a place for seniors to gather, it's a spiritual community of friendship and support.

Invite your pre-believing friends, neighbours or family members.

Date/Time: Every 1st & 3rd Wed of the month

(10:00am - 12:00pm)

Venue: L1 Connections Corner

Program:

10:00am - 10:30am: Light exercise

10:30am – 11:45am: Health talk (1st Wed); Crafts or

Games (3<sup>rd</sup> Wed)

11:45am – 12:00pm: Wind down

12:00pm – 13:00pm: Lunch fellowship

Quarterly outings will be planned for 5<sup>th</sup> Wed.

Contact CE Hotline – 97537964 for inquiries.

# • HEALTH SCREENING FOR DOMESTIC HELPERS

The Migrant Care Ministry is organizing a health screening for domestic helpers within our congregations. Invite your non-church friends and join us on:

Date: Sun, 22 Oct 2023

Venue: L1 foyer (semi-circle area)

Programme:

- Health & Dental talk
- Medical screening (BMI, Blood Pressure, Blood Glucose)
- Dental screening

To register, please visit this link

https://bit.ly/3PS72XO.

Registration closes Sun, 15 Oct.



## •MENTOR A CHILD FROM A TROUBLED FAMILY

Make a difference in the life of a child from a vulnerable and low-income family! You can be part of the work of intervention and holistic development to change their lives.

Life Community Services is a Christian Social service agency that provides mentorship and early intervention to provide a lifeline for hundreds of children from difficult family backgrounds.

Join us for a briefing to find out more about this exciting work and mentoring opportunities.

To register as a volunteer, please visit this link <a href="https://bit.ly/44luGKA">https://bit.ly/44luGKA</a>.

Registration closes Sun, 1 Oct.

Volunteer Zoom Briefing: To be confirmed via email.

#### BLESSINGS IN HARMONY

Blessings in Harmony 2023 is a social outreach project initiated by Al Islah Mosque in collaboration with members of the Punggol Racial and Religious Harmony Circles. Together with 7 other religious organizations, we will be distributing food items to 1950 needy families/households across all 7 rental blocks in Punggol.

Date: Sat, 28 Oct 2023

Distribution Time: 1:00pm - 3:00pm

Appreciation Tea Reception: 3:00pm - 4:00pm at One

Punggol

To register as a volunteer, please visit this link <a href="https://bit.ly/44P6hmG">https://bit.ly/44P6hmG</a>.

Registration closes Fri, 13 Oct.

Volunteer Zoom Briefing: To be confirmed via email.

#### 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, 5 Oct

Time: 9:00pm to 10:00pm

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

Meeting ID: 865 7673 8143

Password: mums



### •KIDS BIBLE CAMP (KBC) 2023 'SHINE'

Come, invite your friends to join in the fun and to hear all about people in the Bible who have met with Jesus and the life-changing experience He brings!

Date: Thu, 23 Nov & Fri, 24 Nov 2023

Time: 8.30am - 5.30pm

Camp Fees: \$25 (includes 2 lunches, tea breaks and a

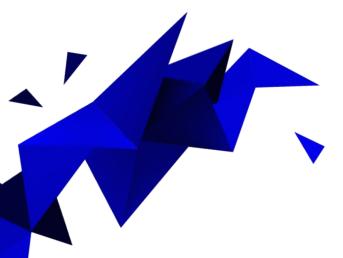
camp T-shirt)

Venue: 39 Punggol Field Walk, Singapore 828753

To register, please visit this link <a href="https://bit.ly/kbc23register">https://bit.ly/kbc23register</a>

Registration deadline: Thu, 12 Oct.

If you want to find out more, please write to <a href="mailto:children@gospellight.sg">children@gospellight.sg</a>.



#### •VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR KBC 2023!

Kids Bible Camp (KBC) is Gospel Light's annual twoday kids holiday camp. We want to serve the unchurched children in the community and engage believing kids in church.

We need volunteers to help us with facilitation, running games and supporting the daily activities.

Date: Thu, 23 Nov & Fri, 24 Nov 2023

Time: 8.30am - 5.30pm

Venue: 39 Punggol Field Walk, Singapore 828753

To register as a volunteer, please visit this link

https://bit.ly/kbc23volunteer.
Registration deadline: Thu, 12 Oct.

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### EXPOSITORY BIBLE STUDY – GOSPEL OF JOHN

This Tue, 3 Oct, we will study John 3:22-36 and learn about John the Baptist exalting Jesus. The Zoom dial-in details for our session are as follows

Date: Tue, 3 Oct
Time: 8:00pm
Join Zoom Meeting
<a href="https://bit.ly/3pd7C7T">https://bit.ly/3pd7C7T</a>
Meeting ID: 851 8603 0760

Passcode: 211761

#### BULLETPROOF MARRIAGE WORKSHOP

Who should attend? Pre-Marriage prep and married couples who want to work on their marriage. We would like to emphasise that it is a 4 session commitment and a subsequent 1:1 journey of several months with an assigned marriage mentor couple.

Registration is limited to 10 couples.

Dates: Thursdays starting 2,9,16,23 Nov via Zoom \*Subsequent workshops will be conducted in Mar

Time: 8:45pm – 10:30pm Duration: 4 sessions

To register, please visit this link <a href="http://bit.ly/39bBsPt">http://bit.ly/39bBsPt</a>. Registration deadline: Mon, 2 Oct.

For more enquiries, contact Sis May Lim at kayhong.lim@gospellight.sg or 9859 4684.





• 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 <a href="mailto:shine@gospellight.sg">shine@gospellight.sg</a>

#### (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 <sup>th</sup> & 5 <sup>th</sup> week	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)  *For more info, please contact 9117 6000 / 9628 5061	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.
- (iii) Playgroup (12mths till 3yrs) at Hall 3 @ Attic.

\*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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