



7 January 2024

AIMING FOR SPIRITUAL SUCCESS IN 2024

The archer stretches his bowstring while divining the prevailing wind direction and velocity. He pauses to estimate the distance to his target then proceeds to anchor his stance. Trusting his sharp instincts, honed over years of experience, he releases the arrow. The crowd erupts into a roar of applause as the arrow impales the target.

But the archer's masterstroke belies the hard work prior. The choice of the bow, the choice of the arrow and the importance of his grip and amount of strength to utilize. Clearly, there is much to learn and do to achieve mastery over a seemingly simple sport like archery.

The archer's story brings to mind the years we need to devote to learning God's truths, braving hard knocks to grow in spiritual maturity, fumbling through ministries to gain experience and acquiring skills so we can "hit the mark" (Phi 3:14).

An exceptional archer understands that one of the most important factors in determining his performance is "core stability". This is the ability to control and harmonise control, balance, strength, breathing posture and steadiness of his body as he prepares to fire his arrow.

There are many wonderful truths found in Scripture. I am sure we have our favourite verses, some of which are deeply etched in our hearts. There can also be passages we turn to for encouragement or verses carrying promises that we need reminders of when we are downtrodden.

Can I also interest you in foundational verses (essential and necessary verses) that will bring out the best in us and teach us to be a "servant of all"?

The Pharisees found a "delightful activity" with Jesus Christ - finding ways and means to corner Him. In one of these encounters, they asked Jesus, which was the greatest commandment in Biblical law. Jesus' reply was:

1. 1st Greatest Commandment "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind."
2. 2nd Greatest Commandment: "Love your neighbour as yourself. All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments."

These 2 greatest commandments summarise not only the law but the whole bible - love God and love people (esteem others better than yourself)

To guard myself against hypocrisy, which is a negative quality Christ often reminded us of during His interaction with the Pharisees, I have embraced 1 John 3:21, "Dear friends, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have confidence before God". This means we must have a clean and clear conscience in serving God and man otherwise Christ will expose us as mentioned in Matt 7:21-23

What counts most in our life? I trust it is Spiritual Success – sacrificial serving, generous sharing and going the 2nd mile.

Let our aim be true and as the arrow flies, it will cut through deceptions, lies, hypocrisy, fraud, pretense and untruths.

Elder Thomas Teh
Head (Pastoral Care)



CHURCH HAPPENINGS

• REUNION 2024 (团圆 2024)

Invite family, friends, neighbors, colleagues to our 团圆 2024 (Reunion 2024), our first CNY outreach since 2020.

Date: Sat, 17 Feb 2024

Time: 5:00pm to 8:00pm

Venue: Gospel auditorium (L2) followed by dinner at foyer (L1)

To register, please visit this link <https://bit.ly/41GKBcm>.
Registration closes Tue, 6 Feb 2024.

If you want to find out more, please write to community@gospellight.sg.

• CHURCH CAMP 2024 – GREATEST HITS

Hit songs from every generation have left their mark. But for the believer, the ageless songbook of all time is the Psalms.

The Psalms, God's divinely authored songbook, draws our adoration and worship to Him in joy, lamentations and heartfelt prayers.

At Church Camp 2024, come hear our speakers teach us from well-known Psalms, and draw near to God!

Click here for the camp FAQ: <https://bit.ly/3SFvjIK>.

To register, please visit this link:

<https://bit.ly/GLCCcamp2024>.

Early bird 7 Jan - 31 Jan 2024.

Normal registration 1 Feb - 17 Mar 2024.

Church camp booth at front desk and Connections Corner (L1) is available from 10:00am to 2:00pm.

• MOBILE PHONES FOR MISSIONS

Pastor Paul and a GLCC mission team will be in Philippines from January 11 – 19.

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, 7 Jan, from 8:15am to 8:30am, 10:00am to 10:15am and 11:45am to 12:00pm.

• LIVESTREAM AT 10.15AM (2024)

As we move to three services in 2024, our live stream will be shifted from 9am to the new 2nd service time slot of 10.15am. The live stream of our English service continues to be made available to serve the needs of those who are physically unable to join us. We encourage all to attend worship services in person.

• CHIT CHAT! (NEWCOMERS EVENT)

Are you new to Gospel Light? Did you discover us through a friend, our online services or social media? We'd love for you to get to know us better! Chit Chat is an informal social session onsite where you get to mingle with our Pastor, Elders and leaders. Ever wondered what kind of church we are and where are our roots? What does our mission and vision statement mean? Save the date and we look forward to a great time of chit chat!

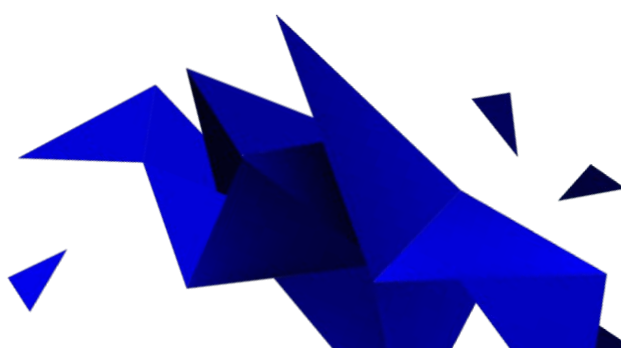
Date: Sun, 21 Jan 2024

Time: 11:30am to 1:00pm

Venue: Gospel auditorium (L2) followed by lunch at foyer (L2)

To register, please visit this link <https://bit.ly/3Sa2viF>.
Registration closes Sun, 14 Jan 2024.

If you want to find out more, please write to sue.choo@gospellight.sg.





• APIIS ENROLMENT

Dear Gospeliters,

As you may know, GLCC has a ministry called Asia-Pacific Institute of International Studies (APIIS) to train Asian Christian leaders. Since its inception in 1995 it has trained over 4000 Christian pastors/leaders. During the Covid lockdown, APIIS started a 2-year online Master of Ministry (MMin) program. So far, 535 Asian leaders have graduated from this program.

APIIS has received over 1300 applications for its MMin (2024/25) program. About half of these applicants are pastors and the other half are church leaders/members who want to serve God more effectively.

APIIS is inviting Gospeliters who want to “master their ministry,” and who are willing to:

- spend 15 hours/week of self-study (using MMin videos and study guides)
- take weekly online MCQ tests
- attend a weekly 2 hour Zoom discussion

To find out more about this course through:

- <http://www.apiis.org>
- Facebook: APIIS MMin Program

To register, please visit this link: <https://bit.ly/4aL7gIP>.

Application for Gospeliters closes on Fri, 19 Jan.

If you want to find out more, please write to

apiis.mmin@gmail.com.

Pastor Paul Choo
President,
APIIS



Leading Generations into a Life-changing Relationship with Jesus Christ





• MISSIONS – VOLUNTEER RECRUITMENT

Do you have experience in writing English curriculum or teaching English? Volunteer your skills with us to engage and bless the refugees!

If you want to find out more, please contact Sister Lena at 9677 6812.

• MINISTRY - SERVE WITH US!

Abundant opportunities await us as a church as we move towards three services in 2024. But workers are needed to step up to serve! Jesus said, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few.", and this appeal continues today. If you feel inadequate or unready to serve, we encourage you not to look at your LACK, but look to the LORD.

Find out about the many roles today:

<https://bit.ly/3uM3MFr>.

or email/whatsapp your questions to shine@gospellight.sg / 9117 6000.

• SILVERJOY (SENIORS) MINISTRY

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: 1st, 3rd & 5th Wed for the month of Jan 2024

Time: 9:45am - 12:30pm

Venue: Connections Corner (L1)

Upcoming events coming your way. Join us!

Contact CE Hotline – 9753 7964 for enquiries

Date	Programme	Activity
17/1/2024	3D Jelly Floral Art (Demo only)	Baking
31/1/2024	CNY Handicraft	Art & Craft

• EXPOSITORY BIBLE STUDY – GOSPEL OF JOHN

This Tuesday, 9 January 2024, we will study John 5:31-47 and learn about the witnesses to Jesus Christ. The Zoom dial-in details for our session are as follows:

Date: Tue, 9 Jan 2024

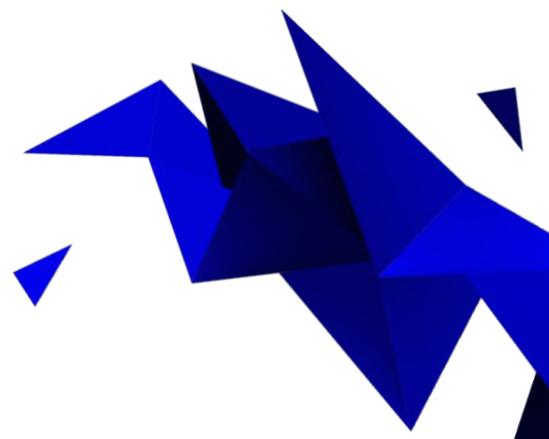
Time: 8:00pm

Join Zoom Meeting

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

Meeting ID: 851 8603 0760

Passcode: 211761





WORSHIP SERVICE 2024

- **Wednesday Prayer Meetings – 8pm**

Venue: Hall 3, Attic

- **Sunday Prayer Meetings – 7:45am**

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	Livestream Link
English @ Shine Auditorium (L4)	Sunday at 8:30am, 10:15am and 12:00pm	https://bit.ly/3SH45uZ (only available at 10:15am)
Chinese @ Gospel Auditorium (L2)	Sunday at 8:30am and 10:15am	http://bit.ly/2Ng0TXT (only available at 10:15am)
Filipino @ Gospel Auditorium (L2)	Sunday at 2pm	http://bit.ly/30FjYFU
Youth @ Gospel Auditorium (L2)	Saturday at 4:30m No service on 4 th & 5 th week	Subscribe to Youth announcement channel https://t.me/+Yd524QzAjKk2Yzll
Varsity @ Light 1 & 2 (L3)	Sunday at 2:30pm	Subscribe to Varsity announcement channel https://t.me/+WDu3myEwijpcxZWU1
Bahasa @ Reception Room (L1) *For more info, please contact 9117 6000 / 9628 5061	Alternate Sunday at 10:30am	<u>Nil</u>
Telugu @ Gospel Auditorium (L2)	Sunday at 5pm and 7:30pm	http://bit.ly/30G4fXl

(B) Children Service

Children's services are at **8:30am and 10:15am**:

- (i) Playgroup (12 months - 35 months): Hall 3 at Attic Level
- (ii) Preschool (36 months - 6 years): Eshkol Valley premise at Attic Level
- (iii) Primary (Primary 1 to Primary 6): Light Auditorium at Level 3

2024 BOOKING FOR PRESCHOOL/ PRIMARY SERVICES

Bookings opens on Wed, 8:30am for 1st service and Wed, 10:15am for 2nd Service

- Follow this link to complete your booking: bit.ly/cmbooking
- Bookings will be valid till the respective service start time, thereafter they will be released for walk-ins.
- Children with no bookings are welcome to walk-in but subject to available capacity

A step-by-step guide and FAQ can be found at bit.ly/cmbookingfaq. For assistance email us at children@gospellight.sg.



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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