



11 February 2024

3 THINGS TO REMEMBER ABOUT SINGLENES

Singleness in this world can be a struggle. Our culture tells us that we are incomplete, defective even, without a romantic partner. How can singles stand firm in Biblical truths even as the world tells you to find identity in romantic relationships? How can you honour God in your singleness? Here are three things to remember:

1. Singleness is a gift for the work of the Gospel

While the world tells us singles that we need a partner to have significance, the bible in 1 Corinthians 7:32-34 describes the advantage a single can have. The undivided focus on God's work and the spreading of the gospel is a precious gift that singles should embrace, making a profound contribution to the expansion of the Gospel. Singleness, when embraced with purpose and dedication for Christ and His Gospel, is a gift for the church and the unreached. To my single siblings in Christ, remember that your season in life is meant for greater focus and energy to glorify our loving Lord.

2. Singleness is not a permanent state

While not everyone will get married in this life, we can be certain that every believer will be found in perfect union with Jesus one day. Revelation 19:6-10 describes the end of time, when the church will be the Bride of Christ, describing the intimate and permanent relationship we as the church will have with our Saviour and Lord, Jesus. Marriage on earth is just a small shadow of that, a looking forward to that day when we all will have a relationship that makes all other relationships on earth pale in comparison.

3. Find companionship in the church

In Ephesians 2:11-22, Paul exalts the unity between Jew and Gentile, the oneness of the church bought by the precious blood of Christ. With the biggest divide in the bible shattered by the Gospel, our oneness in the church should likewise be held as wonderfully precious. If Jews and Gentiles in the New Testament were to see each other as full participants in Christ and the church, we too should view our brothers and sisters, whether married or unmarried, as full participants in the church and community. While the world tells us that without romantic relationships we are alone and lonely, God tells us that companionship can be found in the church. Let us view our church community as God sees it, and find friendship and companionship in your wonderful brothers and sisters in Christ!

Conclusion

To the marrieds in our midst, let me encourage you to remember your single brothers and sisters around and walk alongside them, showing them the companionship as fellow siblings in Christ. To our singles, your worth is not found in marriage or companionship, but a relationship with God. Can I encourage you to thoroughly make much of your relationship with God and not make an idol of romance or marriage? Take refuge in Christ and the church, connect yourselves meaningfully with this community of people God has blessed us with even as we wait for the good gift of marriage.

In Christ,
Brother Raynor Cheng



CLASSES & MINISTRIES

• CHURCH COMMITTEE & SUB-COMMITTEES

In preparation ahead of the church ACM (23 March 2024), it is now the time to begin our nomination process for **potential** Church Committee leaders for 2024.

We are looking for **godly**, faithful and qualified candidates with the following professional experience:

- a. Finance (Accountancy / Treasury)
- b. Governance (Risk Management / Audit / Compliance)
- c. Human Resources (HR Operations / Talent Management / Learning & Development)
- d. Building and Security (Building Operations and Maintenance/ Mechanical and Electrical/ Fire Safety/ IT/ Logistics)
- e. IT (Infrastructure/ Cybersecurity/ Governance)
- f. Internal Auditors (Internal Control/ Accountancy/ Regulatory Knowledge)

For more details on the requirements to serve, please click <https://bit.ly/3HSpMc>.

Gospeliters may submit their own names or recommended names to shine@gospellight.sg by 3 Mar 2024 and state the position that the individual is recommended for.

• HOPE: EXPLORE THE FAITH IN A 1-TO-1 STUDY

Whether you're a seeker with doubts or a skeptic about Christianity, we're here to help! Exploring the faith may seem daunting, but we want to help you find hope in a world filled with brokenness and suffering.

Explore the truths of the bible in a 4-part 1-to-1 series with a personal facilitator, Join a series that has helped many come to understand the evidence for God better.

For more information, email: sue.choo@gospellight.sg or call 9776 1377.

• CONVERSATIONAL ENGLISH

Course 1 (Basic) - suitable for those with little or no knowledge of English.

Date: 1 Mar - 10 May

Time: 2.00pm – 3.00pm

Venue: Hall 1 (L2)

Duration: 10 lessons

Material fee: \$5

Course 2 (Higher Basic) - suitable for those who can speak simple English.

Date: 5 Mar - 16 Apr

Time: 2.00pm – 3.00pm

Venue: Hall 1 (L2)

Duration: 7 lessons

Material fee: \$5

Please contact Sue @ 9776 1377 to register and for more details. Registration closes Sun, 25 Feb.



CHURCH HAPPENINGS

• WOMEN'S SURVEY

Calling all ladies out there at Gospel Light! We would like to invite you to fill up a simple survey to ascertain the spiritual needs of the ladies here at Gospel Light. An explanation on the purpose of the survey can be found at the beginning of the survey.

Please visit this link: <https://bit.ly/42pOXoM> to fill up the survey by Thu, 15 Feb.

• CHURCH CAMP 2024 – DAY-TRIPPER

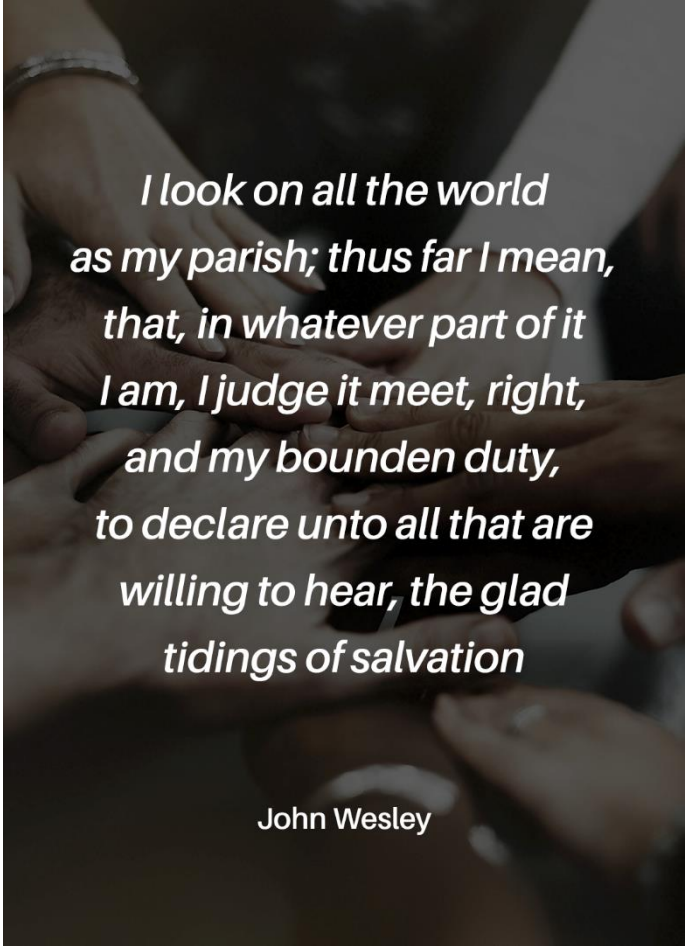
Due to overwhelming response, we have managed to get 50 day-tripper slots from the hotel. These day-tripper slots do not include accommodation, transport or meals. If interested, please write to shine@gospellight.sg to enquire about day tripper rates (inclusive of hotel charges).

• KITCHEN CLOSURE (CNY)

Please be informed that kitchen will be closed on 11 and 18 Feb.

• COFFEE CONNECTS CLOSURE (CNY)

In line with the closure of the kitchen for CNY, Coffee Connects will also be closed on 11 and 18 Feb.



*I look on all the world
as my parish; thus far I mean,
that, in whatever part of it
I am, I judge it meet, right,
and my bounden duty,
to declare unto all that are
willing to hear, the glad
tidings of salvation*

John Wesley



CLASSES & MINISTRIES

•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, 3 Mar.

Baptism Class (English)

Date: Sun, 7 Apr
Time: 1:30pm – 2:30pm
Venue: Hall 2 (L2)

Baptism Class (Chinese)

Date: Sun, 7 Apr
Time: 12:00pm – 1:00pm
Venue: Hall 2 (L2)

Baptism Date: Sun, 12 May

Venue: Shine Auditorium (L4)

•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 (first come first serve).

Dates: **Thursdays** starting **7,14,21,28 Mar** via Zoom

*Subsequent workshops will be conducted in Jul

Time: 8:30pm – 10:15pm

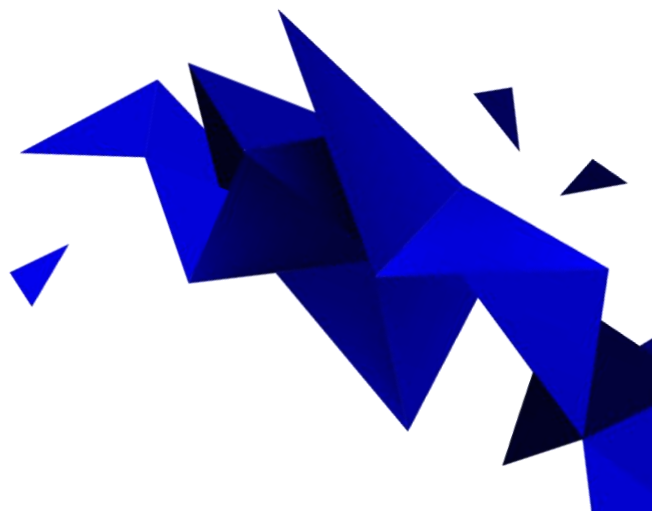
Duration: **4 sessions**

To register, please visit this link: <https://bit.ly/39bBsPt>
Registration closes Tue, 20 Feb.

For more enquiries, contact Ken at 9783 0984 or Caroline at 9616 8403.

•EXPOSITORY BIBLE STUDY – GOSPEL OF JOHN

We will be taking a break for CNY and will resume class on Tue, 27 Feb.



- **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/+WDu3myEwjpcxZWU1
Bahasa @ Reception Room (L1)	Alternate Sunday at 10:30am	For more information about our services contact 9628 5061/ 9117 6000
Telugu @ Gospel Auditorium (L2)	Sunday at 5pm and 7:30pm	http://bit.ly/30G4fXI

Notice – Service timings on CNY Sun, 11 Feb

English service – 8:30am and 10:15am only

Chinese service – 8:30am only

Youth service – no service on Sat, 10 Feb

Varsity service – no service

Filipino (2:00pm), Telugu (5:00pm and 7:30pm) and Children's (8:30am and 10:15am) service as per usual

(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

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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