



24 March 2024

ALL CREATION STOOD STILL

“ **It’s only when we understand the weight of the debt that Jesus took on our behalf that we can appreciate the words: “It is finished”. It’s only in light of the debt we owed that we see the glory and the beauty of Good Friday.** ”

A must-have travel itinerary for my wife and I in all our travels is to catch sunsets. There’s something breathtakingly glorious to watch the sun slowly descending into the horizon. The sky changes from bright blue to a multi-layered and multi-coloured sky. (We call this a paddle pop sky!). Time stands still. For that moment, the cares of life, the bills, the people problems, the stresses of work all disappear for that moment.

While you might not be sunset enthusiasts like us, as humans, we are all drawn to glory, we are drawn to beauty. We all stop to admire glory and beauty. That’s what Good Friday calls us to do. To stop and admire glory and beauty.

What makes Good Friday so majestic, glorious and beautiful that it is worth stopping for and admiring? Luke tells us in Luke 19:28,30 – *“After this, when Jesus knew that everything was now finished that the Scripture might be fulfilled, he said, “I’m thirsty.” ... When Jesus had received the sour wine, he said, “It is finished.” Then bowing his head, he gave up his spirit.”*

Twice the word “finished” is brought up, it communicates the picture of completion of a debt owed. Hence to say it is finished, is also to say: “It is

paid in full”. That is also to say that there is a debt incurred, hence a debt needs to be repaid. As Singaporeans, we are all familiar with debt. Be it your student loan, car loans or the mortgage for your house. Debts can be a heavy load, and we all long for the day where we can fully pay off our debt, where we can finally be free!

Good Friday reminds us of the repayment of our debt. However, unlike our financial debts where we have a scheduled payment plan with an end date. The debt we incurred has no end date, it’s a debt we could never fully pay. The debt we incurred was the eternal wrath of a Holy God who absolutely hates sin that in His righteousness, He had to crush us for our sin. But on Good Friday, He crushed His Son instead. So that we can be debt-free!

So why is Good Friday worth stopping and admiring? It is only when we understand how much we owed, how insurmountable the debt, how burdensome the weight of it is. It’s only when we understand the weight of the debt that Jesus took on our behalf that we can appreciate the words: “It is finished”. It’s only in light of the debt we owed that we see the glory and the beauty of Good Friday. This Passion Week, I pray that we pause to admire the glorious plan of salvation that God has set for us and also the beauty of God’s love for us that He would crush His Son to pay our debt. Come, survey the wondrous cross where the Prince of glory died. Let that set our hearts aflame.

Luzerne Cheng
Varsity Shepherd



CHURCH HAPPENINGS

• CHILDREN'S MINISTRY CLOSURE (5th SUNDAY)

Please be informed that there will not be any children's services on Sunday, 31 March 2024. You can bring your child with you to attend the worship service at Shine (English service) or Gospel (Chinese service) Auditorium. Alternatively, we will stream the English service at Hall 3 and Level 1 Canteen.

• 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 Apr 2024

Time: 11:45am to 1:00pm

Venue: Gospel Auditorium (L2)

Lunch is provided.

To register, please visit this link <https://bit.ly/3Sa2viF>.

Registration closes Sun, 14 Apr 2024.

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

• INTERNSHIP

Wonder if full-time ministry is what you have been called to? Come explore under Gospel Light's Internship programme, especially tailored for those who are keen in shepherding/pastoral work. To find out more details on the application criteria, please visit our website at [Internship](#).

• GOOD FRIDAY 2024

Date: Fri, 29 Mar

Time: 9:00am and 11:00am

English Service: Shine Auditorium (L4)

Chinese Service: Gospel Auditorium (L2)

Children's Service*: Light Auditorium (L3) & Attic Level

*To book for Children's Service, please visit:

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

• JOB RECRUITMENT

Do you have a heart for missions and for connecting Christians who have a heartbeat to reach the lost? If so, join us to further the kingdom of God.

1. Connections Executive (Missions)

For more details of the job position, please visit our website at [Careers](#) or email Benita Teo at benita.teo@gospellight.sg.



CLASSES & MINISTRIES

• COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND MINISTRY FAIR 2024

Not all of us will cross the seas with the gospel, but all of us can cross the street with the gospel. The church is a body of believers and Christ is our head, but for the body to function, every believer has to embrace their role to serve and bless one another with their gifts.

We're excited to bring back our Community Engagement and Ministry Fair! Discover how you can be part of Gospel Light's mission to bless the community with Christ-centered service. Also, meet the volunteers who are part of our weekly Sunday Experience, and find out about their passion for service and the many areas of ministry your talents can be used for God's glory.

Date: Sun, 28 Apr

Time: 9:00am to 2:00pm

Venue: Foyer (L1)

• SERVE WHERE THE 'SON' ALWAYS SHINES!

Sonshine club, Gospel Light's children's ministry is the epicenter of where faith and fun collide! Every week we have the privilege of impacting preschoolers and primary school kids with the gospel. Join us to minister to the spiritual needs of our children, in the spirit of Jesus' calling to, "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them." (Mat. 19:14)

To find out more about the volunteer experience email: children@gospellight.sg.

Apply as a volunteer by following this link:

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

• SERVE WITH US! (USHERING, MARSHALLS, BEFRIENDING & KITCHEN)

Perhaps you've heard the appeal for workers. But thought I'm not gifted in that area. I'm not called to serve in that area of ministry. Using "Calling" as a reason can be dangerous, if you place your perceived 'calling' above the need to love our neighbours and serve one another in the body of Christ. But when we serve outside of our comfort zones, it reveals our weaknesses in ways that will cause us to come before the Lord in desperate need of help, so that He gets the glory.

To volunteer or find out how you can be part of our Ushering, Marshalling, Befriending or Kitchen teams, email us at shine@gospellight.sg.

• SEEKERS CLASS

Have you been seeking after God and He feels far away? Have you wondered if God really cares about you? Don't all religions teach you to do good to get to heaven? Perhaps these questions and others have been bugging you. Why not discuss this in a group setting by enrolling in the Seekers class?

Start date: Sun, 7 Apr

Time: 12:00 pm

Course duration: 6 Sundays

Venue: Hall 3, Attic

Register at <https://bit.ly/3SZlihy>.

Registration closes on Sun, 24 Mar



• 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.

English

Date: Sun, 28 Apr & 5 May

Time: 1:30pm – 2:30pm

Venue: Hall 2 (L2)

Chinese

Date: Sun, 28 Apr & 5 May

Time: 12:00pm – 1:00pm

Venue: Hall 2 (L2)

To register, please visit this link:

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

Registration closes on Sun, 31 Mar.

• 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 Wed of the month

Time: 9:45am – 12:30pm

Venue: Connections Corner (L1)

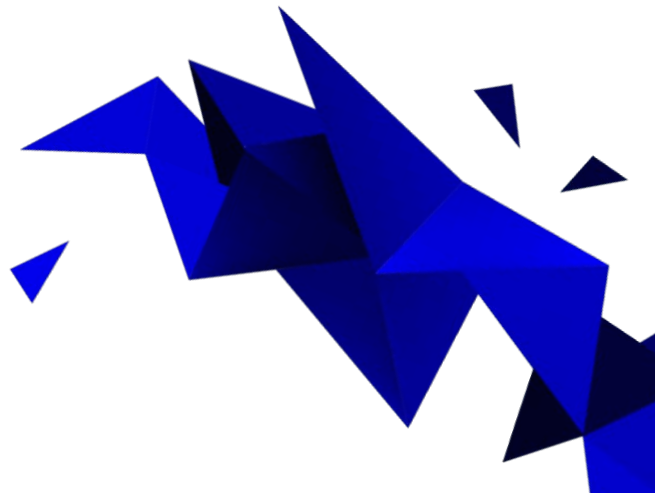
Upcoming events coming your way. Join us!

Contact CE at 9753 7964 for enquiries

Date	Programme
03/4/2024	A Walk Through Memory Lane
17/4/2024	Game, Art & Craft
1/5/2024	Labour Day - No Fellowship
15/5/24	Outing - Local Veg Farm Tour (need to register)

• EXPOSITORY BIBLE STUDY – GOSPEL OF JOHN

We will take a break on Tue, 26 Mar and class will resume on Tue, 2 Apr.





WORSHIP SERVICE

- **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/30FiYFU
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

(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.

**There will be no Children's service on Sun, 31 Mar.*

BOOKING FOR PRESCHOOL/ PRIMARY SERVICES*

Children's service bookings for this Sun, 24 Mar.

- 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.

**Please be informed that you will no longer be required to make a booking for your child for Sunday services from April 2024 onwards. Registration will be on a first-come, first-served basis.*



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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