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### Caging generations INTO A LIFE-CHANGING RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS CHRIST.

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### Going for God in 2025

Article by Elder Eugene Cheng, Shepherding Elder

As we begin the new year, it is timely to reflect on how we can be faithful and fruitful in our faith journey.

Many Gospeliters have either just returned from traveling or are planning their next trip already. You may have noticed how diligent pilots arrive early to check the cockpit gauges and flight systems to ensure the plane is fit for the journey ahead. Similarly, when my family used to travel frequently to Malaysia, my first priority was to send the car to the workshop. The mechanics were informed about the long road trip so they could inspect the vehicle and ensure it was roadworthy. The stakes were high, and early preparation was essential for both pilots and anyone embarking on a long journey.

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As we prepare for 2025 and commit to "Going for God," we might begin by reflecting on what is truly "worthy" and how to live a life that is "worthy." We can learn from Paul's exhortation to the Philippians:

"Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ" (Philippians 1:27a).

Paul uses the word "only" to emphasize that the Philippians must prioritize this above all else—their lives must reflect the worthiness of the Gospel. Nothing else should take precedence. Remarkably, Paul penned these words while imprisoned, facing mortal danger daily. Yet, instead of dwelling on his plight, Paul pointed the Philippians to a higher calling: to live out the Gospel worthily in light of Christ's immense sacrifice.

Dear brothers and sisters, let's make 2025 an impactful year for Christ by examining our lives and preparing them for the purpose of the Gospel—just as a responsible pilot ensures their plane is ready for flight. Are there areas in our lives that we need to surrender to God? Have we been distracted by the allure of the world, dulled by selfish pursuits, or derailed by unwise decisions? Perhaps we've been busy in ministry, yet the outcome feels empty. Remember, ministries that cost nothing accomplish nothing. Is the Gospel central to our ministries, or has it been pushed to the margins?

For 2025, let us focus on "going for God" by being:

- Single-minded (only): Prioritize living for Christ above all else.
- Self-examining (manner): Assess how our lives align with God's calling.

3. Gospel-driven (worthy of the Gospel): Let the Gospel shape every aspect of our lives and ministries.

Paul reminds us that we are pilgrims here and citizens of heaven. The phrase "manner of life" calls us to live as citizens of Christ's kingdom, bringing the aroma of Christ into the lives of those around us.

May 2025 be a year where we walk faithfully, prepared and committed to living out the Gospel for God's glory.

### **INTRODUCING GOSPEL LIGHT'S WOMEN'S MINISTRY**

Calling all Ladies of Gospel Light - get ready for an exciting 2025! We're launching something special just for you - a dedicated Ministry by women, for women, designed to connect, engage and equip the ladies of **Gospel Light!** 

Mark your calendars and join us for our kick-off event on Saturday, 15 Feb 2025.

Our Mission - "Engaging Women to Grow in Truth, Love, and Service for the Glory of God."

#### What to Expect in 2025

- Quarterly gatherings exploring Biblical Womanhood, through biblical teaching and small group discussions.
- No preparation needed just come with an open heart!
- Fellowship over shared meals at each gathering.

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#### Save these dates!

- Sat, 15 Feb 2025: 10 AM 12 PM (Followed by a delicious lunch!)
- Sat, 03 May 2025: 2 PM 4 PM (Includes a lovely tea!)
- Sat, 02 Aug 2025: 10 AM 12 PM (Followed by another scrummy lunch!)
- Sat, 1 Nov 2025: 2 PM 4 PM (Yes, more tea!)

As we get this ministry rolling, our priority will be all the wonderful ladies (18 years old and above) who are currently worshipping with us at Gospel Light, so let's come together to grow, support each other spiritually, and have a blessed time!

Free Ready to join? Click here to register for 15 Feb's event: [Event registration closes on 31 Jan 2025]

Stay in the loop! Click here to join our WhatsApp Community for updates on Women's Ministry related matters.

We can't wait to see you and embark on this exciting journey together!

#### **CHURCH CAMP 2025**

Come spend time with the family of God from 10 - 14 June 2025.

Click on the respective camp FAQ : <u>English</u> / <u>Chinese</u>.

Click <u>here</u> to register. Early bird 5 Jan - 31 Jan 2025 Normal registration 1 Feb to 28 Feb 2025

Church camp booths on Sundays will be open from 10.00am to 2.00pm. **Chinese Booth at Front Desk (L2) and** 

### Foyer 2 English Booth at Front Desk (L1) and Connections Corner (L1)

### NEW CHILDREN'S SERVICE LAUNCHING 9 FEB 2025

We're excited to announce a **third children's service** for kids aged 36 months to 12 years (preschool and primary), supporting families attending the afternoon English service.

Time: 12.00pm – 1.15pm (Check-in counters open at 11.45am) Venue: Attic Level, Eshkol Valley

Seats are limited and allocated on a firstcome, first-served basis.

With this expansion, we need more volunteers to minister to these precious young hearts. If you feel led to serve, <u>register</u> today!

Let's nurture the next generation in Christ together!

#### **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, 19 Jan 2025 Time: 11.45am - 1.15pm Venue: Gospel Auditorium (L2) Lunch is provided.

Connect with us – <u>Register</u> now! Registration closes on Sun, 12 Jan 2025.

If you want to find out more, <u>email</u> Sue.

#### **EXPLORE CHRISTIANITY**

Are you a seeker with doubts or skeptical about the claims of Christianity?

Exploring the faith may seem daunting, but we're here to help! We want you to know the hope of the bible in a broken world.

Explore the truths of the bible in a 4-part 1-to-1 series with a personal facilitator. Be part of a series that has helped many come to understand the message of the bible better.

For more information, **email** Sue or call

#### 9776 1377.

#### **OTHER NOTICES**

#### COFFEE CONNECTS CLOSURE

Please be informed that Coffee Connects will be closed on 26 Jan and 2 Feb for CNY. Here's wishing you 新年蒙福,主恩满溢,喜樂平安.

#### **KITCHEN CLOSURE**

Please be informed that the Kitchen will be closed on 2 Feb and 9 Feb for CNY.

#### **FOUNDATIONS OF FAITH CLASS**

Foundations of Faith (previously known as New Believers) class. A strong foundation is crucial for any building or structure. The same goes for our spiritual life. However, not many of us have the privilege of receiving proper grounding in the faith.

The Foundations of Faith class aims to ground you in the essentials of the faith as well as inculcate the spiritual disciplines of bible reading, prayer and devotional time with God so that you will be rooted and built up in the faith.

This class is open to new believers as well as those who need grounding in the faith.

#### Sundays - Commencement date: Sun, 16 Feb 2025

### Course duration: 13 weeks Time: 2.00pm - 4.00pm Venue: Attic Level, Eshkol Valley rooms

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Thursdays - Commencement date: Thu, 20 Feb 2025

Homemakers \*for ladies only Course duration: 13 weeks Time: 10.00am – 12.00pm Classes will be conducted via Zoom.

Click <u>here</u> to register. Registration deadline: Sun, 2 Feb 2025



#### **SEEKERS CLASS**

Are you seeking for peace and direction in life? Does God exist and does He really care about me? Is Christianity just another religion? How can Jesus help me?

Perhaps these are some of the questions that have been bugging you. Why not enrol in the Seekers class and find answers to these and other questions concerning Christianity?

Commencement date: Sun, 16 Feb 2025 Time: 2.00pm - 4.00pm

Course duration: 6 Sundays Venue: Attic Level, Eshkol Valley rooms

Click <u>here</u> to register Registration deadline: Sun, 2 Feb.

### **BULLETPROOF MARRIAGE WORKSHOP**

Who should attend? Pre-Marriage prep and married couples who want to work on their marriage. We would like to emphasize 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).

#### Workshop format:

1 onsite session (6 Mar, 7.30pm - 9.15pm at GLCC, L2 Gospel Auditorium) 3 online sessions via Zoom (13,20,27 Mar,

8.30pm - 10.00pm) \*Subsequent workshops will be conducted in July 2025 Time: 8:30pm – 10:00pm Duration: 4 sessions

To register, click <u>here</u>. Registration closes Mon, 10 Feb.

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

### PING PONG MINISTRY

Invite friends, neighbours, colleagues or family members who love playing ping pong to join us! The team led by Cyril Ong will be hosting sessions during the following day and time:

Venue: Level 3, Foyer Mon and Thu: 7.30pm - 10.00pm Sat: 10.00am - 12.30pm

To find out more, please contact: Cyril Ong - 9005 3446 Eddie Anwar - 9487 7808



### **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.

#### Register to join us!

Date	Programme
15 Jan 2025	Baking of pineapple cookies *registration required Table tennis (for men)

Contact 9753 7964 for enquiries / registration.

### EXPOSITORY BIBLE STUDY – GOSPEL OF JOHN

This Tue, 14 Jan, we will study John 17:1-26, and learn about the High Priestly Prayer. The Zoom dial-in details for our session are as follows:

Date: Tue, 14 Jan 2025 Time: 8.00pm Join <u>Zoom Meeting</u> Meeting ID: 851 8603 0760 Passcode: 211761





"We do not make requests of you because we are righteous, but because of your great mercy." Daniel 9:18



Wednesday 8PM | HALL 3 (ATTIC LEVEL)



Sunday 7.45AM | CRY ROOM SHINE AUDITORIUM LEVEL 4



Prayer List we can only move forward as a church by prayer. <u>Subscribe</u> to our weekly prayer list



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### WORSHIP SERVICES

English @Shine Auditorium (L4) Sunday at 8.30am, 10.15am, 12.00pm <u>Watch</u> our livestream service at 10.15am only

Chinese @Gospel Auditorium (L2) Sunday at 8.30am and 10.15am <u>Watch</u> our livestream service at 10.15am only

Filipino @Gospel Auditorium (L2) Sunday at 2.00pm <u>Watch</u> our livestream service at 2.00pm

Youth @Gospel Auditorium (L2) Saturday at 4.30pm Subscribe to our announcement channel on <u>WhatsApp</u> or <u>Telegram</u>.

### WORSHIP SERVICES

Varsity @Light 1 and Light 2 (L3) Sunday at 2.30pm \*no service on 5th week of the month Subscribe to Varsity announcement channel

> Bahasa @Reception Room (L1) Every alternate Sunday 10.30am For more info, please contact 9117 6000 / 96285061

**Telugu** @Gospel Auditorium (L2) Sunday at 5.00pm and 7.30pm <u>Watch</u> our livestream service at 5.30pm

### CHILDREN'S SERVICES

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#### **PLAYGROUP**

(12 - 35 months) @ Hall 3 (Attic) Sunday at 8.30am and 10.15am

#### PRESCHOOL

(36 months - 6 years) @ Eshkol Valley Premises (Attic)

#### Sunday at 8.30am and 10.15am

PRIMARY (Primary 1 - 6) @ Light Auditorium (L3) Sunday at 8.30am and 10.15am

Join our <u>Whatsapp community</u> for regular updates

<u>Contact us</u> if you're interested to explore serving in Children's Ministry!



### FULL GIVING DETAILS <u>HERE</u>



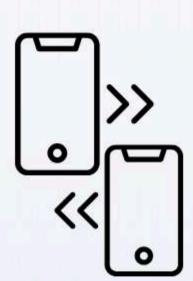
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All offerings will be directed to the "General" fund. State "Missions" in the UEN/Bill Reference No. section if you wish to designate the offering to our mission work.





> Internet Banking Transfer DBS Bank 033-021695-5

> Cheque Make Payable to: "Gospel Light Christian Church" Write "<u>Offerings</u>" behind.

For internet banking transfer, indicate "General" or "Mission" to designate where the offering goes to

For cheques, you can further indicate on the reverse: "General Fund" 033-021695-5 or "Missions Fund" 001-042653-2.

Cheques can be deposited at any POSB or DBS bank into the church's accounts.