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BIRTH OF REACH COUNSELLING CENTRE

On 11 April 2015, we witnessed another milestone of REACH Community Services! We witnessed the official opening ceremony of REACH Counselling Centre by Mr Hri Kumar Nair, Member of Parliament for Bishan-Toa Payoh GRC. This Centre is located at Block 307, Shunfu Road.

Looking back, REACH started in 1999 as the social arm of Grace Assembly and we had the first Centre in Bishan. It has been 16 long years since. What can we learn from this development?

To me, it's timing. It's in His Perfect Time! We can plan and pursue our dreams but ultimately things will only come to pass in His time. We have always wanted to expand the work of REACH but somehow it did not work out the way we desired. However, in the fullness of His time, the floodgates opened! 2015 becomes the year of expansion for REACH.

Now, by the grace of God, we have the Family Service Centre in Bishan, Counselling Centre in Shunfu, Youth Centre in Bukit Batok and the Elderly Centre in Jalan Membina! We also submitted an application to run another Family Service Centre in Jalan Besar. Well, we submit to the Lord for His will to be done.

The timing of the development for these new centres is significant because it's in alignment with the whole missional thrust of the church at this point. It opens up new and more opportunities for us to make a greater impact on our society.

I want to see more Gracians moving into the communities to touch more lives with the love of God. It's already happening as many Gracians become involved with REACH in one way or another, but I would like to see more.

Indeed, I'm thankful to the Lord for His provision and favour upon us and most of all, His hand upon REACH. So, let us reach out together!

**Senior Pastor
Pastor Calvin Lee**



J333 PRAYER MEETINGS FOR MAY

DATES PRAYER FOCUS

6 May	Church Matters – Grace Communities
13 May	World Prayer – Praying for Pakistan
20 May	Healing @J333
27 May	SG Jubilee

Venue: St John's St Margaret's Church (SJSM), L3 Glory Sanctuary, 30 Dover Avenue, Singapore 139790

Time: Wednesdays, 7.30 – 8.30pm



J333

WORLD PRAYER @ J333



"My house will be called a house of prayer for all nations." - Isaiah 56:7

This month we will be praying for **PAKISTAN**.

Over the years, Grace Missions church planting works have been steadily growing from just 3 to more than 200 churches. However, 97% of the Pakistani population is still unreached. There is a considerable degree of freedom to openly share the gospel in that land. But we still need to cover those who are in the family of Christ in prayer, as they are constantly faced with oppositional threats. Let's unite as a church to pray for God's global church!

Focus: **Grace Missions Partners in Pakistan**

11 March 2015

7:30pm - 8:30pm

St John's St Margaret's Church

For enquires, please send an email to **matthew.tan@graceaog.org**

THE HOLY LAND TOUR

An Israel & Jordan Biblical Tour (12 Days 10 Nights) is planned on 5-16 December 2015!

The estimated cost* per person is as follows:

Adult @ S\$3,730* (twin sharing)

* includes airfare, majority of meals, local transport/transfer by coach buses & accommodation, excluding airline fuel surcharge & airport taxes (approx \$650).

We are left with a few more vacancies only. If you are interested, email

your name and contact details to jacilia.ong@graceaog.org

Note that due to limited spaces, reservations are on a first-come-first-served basis. The Tour is

organized solely for GRACIANS only. More detailed information will be emailed to you.



CALLING ALL GRACE PIONEERS – WE WANT TO HONOUR YOU!

As we celebrate our homecoming to the new Grace building this year, we want to honour pioneering Gracians who have been with the church through thick and thin, and are today still with the church along with their families and their next generations.

If you were attending Grace Assembly since 1975* (or know someone who did), and who are still in Grace today: please let us know, as we have a very special surprise in store for you!

* the year before the demolition of the bungalow, which was the first church building

Please email your following details to GracePioneer1975@graceaog.org before 30 June 2015:

Name in full [Chinese if applicable]:

Year started attending Grace Assembly [must be 1975 or before]:

Mailing address:

Email (if available):

Contact no:

Service attending now: [For example, English services at G1 or GII/Cantonese Service, Mandarin G1 or GII service, or Hokkien service]

Hurry – don't miss out on this opportunity to stand alongside other Grace Pioneers who are our history makers!

SERMON SERIES: APRIL – JUNE 2015



SoulBIZ NOT ShowBIZ

2015 Q2 SERMON SERIES – SOUL BUSINESS NOT SHOW BUSINESS

“Did you not know that I must be about My Father’s business?” Luke 2:49b, NKJV

The Lord Jesus has sent each one of us on a mission: to be and to take the gospel to where we are. It is an exciting and worthwhile challenge to do that as individuals and as a church, but sometimes we all can become discouraged and feel unmotivated to share our faith. This second quarter’s sermon series will answer the question: why should I embrace the missional life? The series comes in three main parts: Saviour, Souls and Salvation. We will discover the father-heart of our Creator God, the precious value of each soul, the dire consequences of sin, the sacrifice and love of our Saviour Jesus to free us from that, and the utter delight and joy when we see each person in heaven! Throughout each sermon, let us ask God to help us recapture the passion of sharing our faith. That is our calling and purpose of being His church. Let’s be His missional family church and be about our Father’s soul business!

Sermon 1 – The Glory Of God
Sermon 2 – The Father’s Heart
Sermon 3 – Reality Of Hell
Sermon 4 – If I Were The Devil
Sermon 5 – A Glimpse Of Heaven
Sermon 6 – Cost Of The Soul
Sermon 7 – That None Should Perish

EVENTS CALENDAR 2015

Churchwide Events: May - July

9-10 May	Mother’s Day celebrations	MSC*, Furama, GII
8-11 Jun	Grace Retreat (Chinese)	Equatorial hotel, Melaka
14 Jun	Official Launch: Family Life @Grace	GII L1 Café area, Furama L3
13-14, 21-22 Jun	Father’s Day celebrations	MSC*, Furama, GII
18-22 Jun	Grace Retreat	Putrajaya Marriott Hotel KL
27 Jun - 19 Sep	Alpha Course	GII L1 Fellowship, 12pm
1-29 Jul	Lunchtime Prayer & Fasting (Weds)	GII L4 Chapel, 12pm
1 Jul	J333 SJSM (combined)	SJSM^, 7.30pm
4 Jul	Official Launch: REACH Youth Centre	Bukit Batok
5 Jul	Jubilee Day of Prayer	SportsHub, 4.14pm

Ministry Events: May

1 May-2 May	GDP Encounter Weekend	Orchard Plaza, 9am
9 May-23 May	Women of Grace WOG-SBS (Sats)	GII Sanctuary, 10am
17 May	CAM Connect with John W Stevenson	GII L2 Sanctuary, 1.30pm
23 May	GDP Seminar 1 “Galatians: The Gospel of Grace	GII Sanctuary, 9.30am
28 May	GDP Class 102: Foundations of Faith	GII L1 Glory Rm, 7.30pm

* My Saviour’s Church (MSC)

^ St John’s St Margaret’s church (SJSM)

Event details are subject to changes, please refer to www.graceaog.org for latest info & updates.

CONGRATULATIONS TO NEW MEMBERS OF GRACE ASSEMBLY!

Water baptism: 5 April 2015

Acceptance of membership: 6 April 2015

Alexander Ong
Justin Wong
Lee Yew Cheong
Nigel Lian
Serene Aw
Shamus Ming Mohan
Soh WanXian

Transfer of membership: 6 April 2015

Chu TingFang Sarah



weddings at grace

Heartiest congratulations to the following couple, may the Lord continue to bless, protect & guide them with love & wisdom as they embark & commit to new journeys in their lives together!

2 May - Shamus Ming Mohan and Chu Ting Fang Sarah

Wedding Bookings At New GI

For those who are planning to get married next year as of 1 January 2016, and would like to have their wedding event at the new GI building, wedding bookings for the new Sanctuary will be open from 1 July 2015 onwards. Please email your Request Form to Sis Jamie at jamie.lim@graceaog.org

All couples who are getting married in Grace Assembly are required to complete the Marriage Preparation Program (MPP) before their wedding event. For more information on this course, please email to Ps Benjamin at benjamin.wong@graceaog.org



RCSS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE 2015-2017



RCSS is proud to announce their new Management Committee for 2015 – 2017, elected members at the 17th Annual General Meeting on 11 April 2015.

President

Sin Lye Kuen

Vice-President

Sia Siew Kien

Honorary Secretary

Rodney Chang

Honorary Treasurer

Chan Hock Hui

Committee Members

Cham Lee Fin

Clement Chung

Ng Chze Han

Patrick Liew

Sandy Low

Thomas Owyong

FEATURED STAFF CALEB KHOO



My childhood was a difficult one, so I have always felt compassion towards the poor. When I was in my early twenties, during my first missions trip to Myanmar, I was filled with sorrow as I came face-to-face with the plight of those living in poverty. They were sorely lacking in food, healthcare and proper housing. I cried out to God, "Now that I am financially stable, please show me what I can do

to lift this burden from them!" God's answer surprised me - He challenged me to share the gospel with them and serve Him in missions. While I wanted to see them receive material riches on this earth, He showed me that He had something much better in store for them - spiritual riches for eternity. Knowing and following Him would be the best investment of their lives.

Having heard God's clear call for me to serve Him full-time in missions, I quit my job in the Singapore Police Force and joined Youth With A Mission (YWAM Singapore), where I worked for four

years. It was there that I met my wife to be, Su-Lin, who was also preparing to serve God on the missions field. After getting married, we moved to China in 2012 to serve as missionaries, and our family (now including almost two year old little girl, Keziah) just returned to Singapore early this year. In April 2015, I took the exciting step of coming on board the Grace Assembly of God family to work under Grace Missions.

Most people in Singapore have heard the gospel, but there are countless many in other nations that have never encountered the glorious name of Jesus Christ. My deep desire is that every one of those who have not heard will have a chance to hear and receive this incredible message of eternal hope and salvation. My dream and prayer is that every Gracian, young or old, will go for at least one missions trip under Grace Missions, as soon as possible. It would bring me so much joy to serve alongside as many Gracians as possible in the area of missions, in whatever capacity God has called each one to. The fields are white for harvest - let's go to the nations together!

How then will they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in Him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!" (Romans 10:14-15)

GRACE DISCIPLESHIP PROCESS



Galatians is Paul's great declaration on Christian liberty. It is the heart of his theology. It is crucial to understand biblical grace. It is not legalism—must do or else. True biblical grace is freedom and desire to be and do what pleases God. It is lived out by Holy Spirit power.

Biblical grace is so powerful it changes our lifestyle. It is not just positional sanctification, it is practical sanctification. It is not perfection, but growth in Christ. As Tim Keller says, "we are saved by grace alone, but grace that remains alone is not biblical grace". This seminar teaches us the heart of Paul—and the heart of God!

GDP Seminar with Dr David Lim

Galatians—The Gospel of Grace

Date: 23 May 2015 (Saturday)

Time: 9.30 am - 1.30 pm

Venue: GII L2 Sanctuary

Cost: \$10 only. Light refreshments provided.

Please register at the GDP counters outside respective halls. Registration closes 17 May.

For more information, please visit www.graceaog.org/gdp

Most churches belong to a certain denomination. So who are we as Grace Assembly? What do we subscribe to? What are our beliefs & accompanying praxis? What are the fundamental doctrines that make us an Assemblies of God church? What are the foundations of our faith?

"**Foundations of Our Faith**" helps us to discover, understand and align to the 16 Tenets of our faith.

If you are planning to be baptized or to transfer your membership to Grace Assembly, it is a **pre-requisite** to attend this class.

GDP Class 102: Foundations of Our Faith

Dates: 28 May, 4 & 11 June 2015 (Thursdays)

Time: 7.30 - 9.30 pm

Venue: GII L1 Glory Room

Register via www.graceaog.org/gdp-calendar by 24 May

WHAT IS LOVE?

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES: WHAT IS LOVE?

– by Ronnie Lee

On 3 April 2015, congregations at both the Good Friday services at GII Bukit Batok were in for a treat – a mini musical on the sacrificial love of Christ!

After worship, Oops! Asia performed a musical on stage at the Sanctuary, depicting the final hours of Jesus, from the trial before Pontius Pilate, to the crucifixion, and finally to His resurrection. Members of the talented Oops! entourage acted and sang songs. Our very own Grace talent – Freda, Fabia and Lit Siew – also acted and sang during certain sections of the musical.



Oops! Asia Singapore is a Christian music ministry and a music production house, involved in songwriting, album, musical productions and radio programs. Their vision is to release God-inspired, uplifting, original music, to transform lives and impact Asia.

Pastor Calvin Hong then delivered a message from the gospel of Luke, speaking about the various people who encountered Jesus, how their lives were changed forever:

- When Peter encountered Jesus, he received Purpose (Luke 5:1-11);
- When Zaccheus encountered Jesus, he received Salvation (Luke 19:1-10);
- When the thief on the cross encountered Jesus, he received Everlasting Life (Luke 22:33-43)

After the sermon, Pastor Calvin and Grace pastoral staff ministered to those who came up to be prayed for, to overcome their various needs and challenges, to encounter Jesus the giver of Purpose, Hope, Life!



THE UNREACHED ILLITERATE BY JASMIN LOW

John Stott, a leader of the worldwide Evangelical movement, and ranked among the 100 most influential people in 2005, said, "We must be global Christians with a global vision because we serve a global God."

I am not an experienced missions tripper, but my heart carries a burden for the global vision of our global God. I've only been to four countries for short-term missions, and only one of which can I speak their language fluently. In the past two months, I had the opportunity to go for missions trips to Myanmar and Cambodia. It dawned upon me that while I'm there struggling with language constraints to share the gospel, there are still many unreached tribes and peoples that can neither read nor write. So my thoughts were, 'No, we can't hand out tracts to them; no, we can't distribute bibles to them...Then, what?' According to the latest UNESCO Institute for Statistics, a whopping 781 million adults cannot read or write! That's just the statistics for illiteracy among the adults; just think about the women and elderly. However, we need to know that illiterate people are not less intelligent or capable, and while literacy is important for believers, it is not a requirement for salvation. Illiteracy shall not be the hindrance to them from receiving the gospel, nor shall it be a hindrance for them to grow in the Word as disciples of Christ! Hence, it is in our faithfulness and trust in the Lord, to learn how to convey the Word to these souls who continue to live in darkness.

In April 2015, Grace Missions sent workers to minister to the family of Christ in East Asia and Nepal! About 100 delegates from five countries gathered in Nepal, Kathmandu, for a conference organised by Grace Missions. On top of that, the church gathered during World Prayer to pray for the kingdom of Nepal! The works of Grace Missions involves reaching out to the illiterate, and I would like to ask for your prayers and support for the furthering of these works. For the glory of God and for the building up of the church, let us witness this - that more souls be saved, more believers be discipled and more pastors and leaders be equipped!

LEARNING FROM THE MYANMESE BY ESTHER CHAN, R-AGE

In March 2015, a group of nine of us from R-AGE embarked on a missions trip to Myanmar.

Last August, I finally got out of my 'dry season' and subsequently as I rebuilt the relationship I once had with God, I somehow felt compelled to go on a missions trip this year. Then, my cell leader asked if I wanted to go on one such trip to Myanmar. I agreed as I believed it was not a coincidence that I was asked to go, right after I felt the urge to embark on a missions trip.

In Myanmar, I witnessed the fire the people had for God. Everyone gave their absolute best to God, no one shortchanged Him of what He deserves despite the humble settings they were in. During worship sessions, I feel like sometimes we hold ourselves back due to fear of judgment from our peers but I now realised that it is really between us and God, and nothing should distract us from our worship unto Him. This has taught me that the atmosphere should not determine how bright our flame is for God, but should actually be our love and desire for wanting to worship Him.

The people of Myanmar also exhibited child-like faith. Their intentions for having such a relationship with God is so pure and transparent simply because they believe in Him. This reminded me that I should not think that being a Christian would grant me my worldly desires; I used to treat God like a wishing well. God has shown me that there is so much more to Him than just being a big genie in a bottle and I find a lot of comfort in that. He is a God that loves us with a love no one can understand.

Despite the language barrier, some of them broke down in tears while I was praying for them and I found a lot of comfort in that because I know that God was moving in them.

In this day and age, we are hindered from building stronger relationships with God due to our hectic lifestyles and schedules. For them, it is the persecution they might be subjected to. One of the pastor's wife was telling me about how it was so difficult to stay strong in their faith due to the fact that their country is majority Buddhist, and it really touched my heart how they were willing to endure all the hostility and judgment just so that they could "bring people to Christ." Their goal in life is very simple, and that is to reach out to as many pre-believers as they can. It dawned upon me how urgent we need to evangelise to those who have yet to know the truth. That should be our ultimate purpose in life.

I admit I did have reservations before going on that trip, but after experiencing this, I have no regrets. I felt like God has brought me to Myanmar to realise what it means to be a child of God, and how much He wants pre-believers to let Him into their lives. I encourage all Gracians to sign up for a missions trip at some point of their lives, because I believe no matter how spiritually mature or well-versed (pun intended) we think we are in His Word, we will always be reminded of what it really means to sing "it's all about you Jesus". Let us step out missionally in faith, just as He did.



KINGDOM BREAK FORTH CONFERENCE, NEPAL BY MATTHEW TAN

From 13 - 17 April 2015, Grace Missions hosted a missions conference for our missions partners in South Asia. It was a rare sight to see our partners from five countries gathered in Kathmandu, Nepal. It was even more encouraging to see them sharing updates of their ministries and receiving a fresh touch from the Lord for the next leg of their ministries. This region is so precious to Jesus.

Grace Missions have supported 1500+ church planting works and more than one-third of them comes from this region. In Grace Missions, we believe in church planting and we appreciate their long-time partnerships with us. Through this conference, we are looking forward to a tighter synergy with the church planting work of this region. Do keep Grace Missions in prayer as the we claim the nations for Jesus!

TESTIMONY – GOD HEALS! BY CALEB GAU

In 2013, I develop a ITB injury accumulated over 12-15 years of too much running. The condition became so serious that there is swelling on the outside of both my knees. I can hardly walk, let alone jog again, I started to limp as I walk.

I was referred to a sports injury specialist, Dr Benedict Tan. (SEA games gold medallist sailor). It was so serious that he called in all his interns to learn about ITB. Through their conversation, I realise my case is considered "irreversible" and it's a severe form of ITB. Dr Tan told me that I had a "chronic" condition and I won't be able to run for the next 1-3 years and for how long he doesn't know.

A week after the specialist appointment, I went to church on a Sunday. I was about to leave during the closing worship, when the song "Amazing Grace" rang in my ears. I decided to respond to the altar call and Pastor Scott prayed over my injury.

I was healed of the ITB condition immediately! On that same night, I went running and I am totally healed until today, it's been 2 years since. I want to give praise to the Lord, and I want to share this testimony to give glory to God, and to put the devil to shame.

UPCOMING MISSIONS TRIPS

Please pray with the missions trippers for God's protection to rest on them, and that they would be sensitive to the Holy Spirit's leading:

25 Apr - 02 May	East Asia	Rev Richard Wee
27 Apr - 02 May	Cambodia	Rev Au Wai Ching
01 - 05 May	Bhutan	Rev Tan Shwu Eng
05 - 09 May	East Java	Rev Matthew Wai, Rev Chan Peck Yin & Trippers
02 - 07 May	Cambodia	Soon Kim Tat & Trippers
05 - 08 May	Cambodia	Rev David Lim & Rev May Lim
16 - 17 May	Tg Pinang, Bintan, Indonesia	Rev Chan Peck Yin
17 - 23 May	East Asia	Rev Siew Woh Kit
18 - 25 May	India	Ps Joey Asher Tan & Trippers
22 - 27 May	Pekanbaru, Indonesia	Rev Chan Peck Yin
29 May	Batam, Indonesia	Rev Chan Peck Yin



FamilyLife@Grace

If you need to make counselling appointment, please contact:
Pastor Benjamin Wong - 9066-2994 - benjamin.wong@graceaog.org
Chang-Goh Song Eng - 6301-0730 - rc@reach.org.sg
 All counselling sessions are strictly private and confidential

REMEMBERING MUM, WITH LOVE

MOTHER'S DAY TRIBUTE - Peter Lim shares his memory of his beloved Mum who passed away in 2010 at the age of 76.

A month before Mother's Day in 2010, I officially became an orphan. Mum succumbed to cancer five months after she was diagnosed with it; the same killer disease that took Dad four decades ago.



I will always remember the day in November 2009 when my elder sister June called me with the news of Mum's cancer. In the last few years, Mum had been losing weight and strength. Her ability to recover from minor injuries deteriorated. She was coughing more. Finally, a routine review of her recovery from a mild stroke confirmed our greatest fear – she was surviving on half her lungs, and was quickly losing what was left to cancer.

When June called, I was driving to an appointment, and had to stop the car to cry.

Growing up, I wasn't particularly close to Mum. Widowed at 42 years old and left to take care of nine young children (with one intellectually disabled), life had definitely dealt her a cruel blow. Her relationship with Dad in his living years weren't exactly great either – I recall the many heated quarrels which often ended in violent fights, often with police intervention.

I was never Mum's favourite kid and my own childish explanation was that she simply disliked the fact that Dad loved me the most. So while many of my peers enjoyed the perks of being the "youngest boy", I was often punished, sometimes with Dad shielding me from her canings. Once, after a caning session which I felt I did not deserve, I vowed to do well in my studies to prove to Mum that I was deserving of her love.

In my teenage years, I became more committed to my Christian faith and that was when Mum openly ostracised me.

"Let the church feed you!" she once shouted as she chased me away from the dinner table. I walked out of the house hungry that night, but remained steadfast to my faith. As difficult as it was for a 14-year-old, I wanted her to know that embracing my faith did not mean she had lost me as a filial son. As such, I learnt to fend for myself and did practically every household chore - I was the help around the house and, as my older siblings left home one by one, I became the only one supporting Mum, my disabled younger sister and at one time, our stroke-stricken grandmother.

In my pre-university days, I applied and successfully obtained a scholarship as I did not want to burden Mum financially. The

money paid for my university tuition fees and hostel lodging, and because I had always been thrifty, there was even enough left over to give Mum her occasional pocket money.

I remember Mum with love.

Despite the rather dysfunctional childhood I had experienced, I remind myself of all the sacrifices that Mum had made for the family. I recall how late and hard she had to work to support us when Dad was ill and dying of cancer. And I cherish every memory that I have of her bringing me on outings, even if those were trips to the temples or wet markets.

Mum's tough discipline taught me that life is not all about fairness, but being strong in the face of injustice.

Her discipline motivated me, as a very young boy, to push myself to perform academically to secure a better "future".

Her disapproval of my Christian faith in fact made me a stronger believer, which in turn taught me to honour and obey her as my Mum.

In the last two weeks of her life, I took time off work and was with her every day. I spoke to her and updated her about her grandson Linus Mark, what I was going through at work, and assured her that she could go in peace. Most of all, I repeatedly told her that I loved her – something I had never consciously done before.

In the early hours of 4 April 2010, I had just left Mum's house when June called and asked me to rush back. When Dad died, I wasn't at his deathbed but I was glad I was there the night Mum left. I kissed her sunken face and held her frail hand as I whispered "Mum, I love you".

These days, I still sometimes want to pick up the phone to call Mum to check on her, only to realise she is no longer around. But I take comfort that in her last days, she had chosen the path I did many years ago and embraced the Christian faith that had taught me to be a better son.

I know she is in good hands.

Peter Lim

The writer's then 6-year-old son Linus Mark, with his paternal grandma in the last few months of her life.



MOTHER'S DAY SPECIAL

Let's hear it from the MEN!

Now who says men cannot express themselves. FamilyLife@Grace caught up with some of them and asked them to write a line or two for their wives, to thank them on this Mother's Day.

They wrote more than two lines. One used Math, one used Pas. David's quote and we even have one who composed a poem! Kudos to all the men.

"One of the greatest things a father can do for his children is to love their mother" Howard W. Hunter



Ps Ben Wong to Tricia

Thanks Tricia (mummy), for always being there for me, Reuben & Jaekan. You're simply wonderful and incredible!

James Lee to Joan

Dedicated to Joan, The Godly Mum
I know it has been an uphill task,
To play the role of a Godly mum.
But all thanks be to our God,
Who alone helped you fulfill the task!

I'm thankful for a wife like you,
Our children are grateful too.
With a heart so big, loving and kind,
You make troubles cease and bad days fine.

So for all the trust and commitment,
For all the toil and strife,
For all the love and contentment,
"Blessed Mother's Day, My dearest wife!"



Francis Lee to Lindai

Dearest Lindai,
ONE can be expressed in many forms:

$$1 = 1^2$$

$$1 = 2 - 1 \text{ or}$$

$$1 = \frac{2}{2} \text{ or}$$

$$1 = 2^0 \text{ or}$$

$$1 = \cos^2 x + \sin^2 x.$$

Thank you for being there for each and every one of us. You mean so much to each of us and to each one of us, you mean so differently. I thank God that He has made you the perfect ONE for me and the children.

Happy Mother's Day to our Special ONE!



Albert Sng to Margaret

Dearest,

You are doing a great job in caring for the kids and home. It's tough! But you did it!



Rev Ronald Yow to Jean

To my lovely wife, Jean

You have been a pillar of support in my life and a source of strength in our children's lives. Your sacrifice for the family has not gone unnoticed. Our lives are better and brighter because of you!

We love you very much! Happy Mother's Day.



Lee Chian Chau to Siew Yeen

You mean the world to me. It was as Pastor David Lim always said, "the whole world can be against me but if my wife is for me, then all is right."



Ps Alvin Lim to Geok Hong

Geok Hong,

You are greatly loved for being such a loving wife to me and a sacrificial mother to Isabelle, Iris, and Isaiah. We thank God for you are God's gift to us!



Alex Ng to Lucy

Dear Lucy,

His grace abounds in our lives.

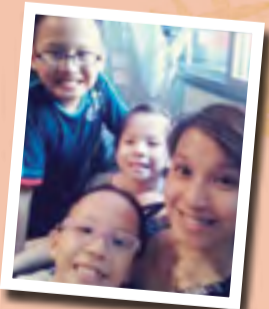
My heartiest gratefulness to you for taking care of baby Angeline and the home.



Dan Lim to Evangeline

For this family, thank you for giving your all,
Your love, every attention and effort you give is not too small.

My best friend, lover and beloved mother of my three,
To our God, we give our eternal praise for thee.
XOXO



Soon Kim Tat to Joan

To my wife, my lover, Joan. I can't say enough how much I appreciate you for being the most wonderful mother our children can ever have. You have poured out so much love on them, sacrificed so much of your life to nurture them, and invested so selflessly into our family. Thank God for bringing you into our lives.

Happy Mothers' Day!



The month of June is an exciting month for all of us at FamilyLife@Grace, look out for a brand new look coming your way!

THE GOOD SAMARITAN

- exemplifies the Love of God and Love for Others

By Rachel Leong

"But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he saw him, he had compassion. He went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he set him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him." Luke 10:33 - 34 (ESV)



"Sorry, we cannot accept him."

No tuition centre wanted to take in David* as their student. He paid no attention in class, refused to listen to instructions and is socially anomalous.

David*, is a 16-year-old boy, who suffers from behavioural disorders since young. Over the years, he was deemed a trouble-maker, a delinquent youth to friends, schools and the society. His parents, like David himself, felt helpless. Feeling distraught, they came to REACH for help.

While there seemed to be no hope for them, they found hope within REACH! The social worker encouraged his parents to join our REACH parenting programme, which helped them understand David's special needs. She also appointed a volunteer tutor to give David personalised coaching and help him keep pace with his school work.

Love Builds Up

The volunteer, although not specifically trained to manage special needs students like David, but together with the help of our social worker and school counsellor, gave all he has to help David. With time and lots of patience, their selfless contribution paid off. David began to show progress in his studies!

David has been on the REACH academic assistance programme (Programme Esperanza) for about 3 years, and is progressing well. In the meantime, David's parents continued with our parenting programme.

David is one good example of the many beneficiaries who have received help from REACH. The patience, love, dedication and selflessness of our faithful social workers, counsellors, volunteers and supporters have made that possible.

** David is not a real name for the protection of our beneficiary's identity.*

Love Put into Action

Members of Grace Assembly have helped in many ways too. Some are donors to REACH, several are staff at REACH, while a good number of Grace Assembly members regularly volunteer at REACH. We want to thank everyone for their contribution to advance the social mission of the church through REACH.

Your sacrifices and belief in our work, as well as your steadfastness, have helped REACH to expand our work from

a Family Service Centre at Bishan to three more centres - REACH Counselling Centre located at Shunfu, and REACH Youth Powerhouse located at Bukit Batok.

Your prayers, your encouragement, your giving, and your faith in our work, have supported REACH in expanding our footprint and impact from a Family Service Centre operating at Bishan, to a 4-centre operation, which includes REACH Counselling Centre at Shunfu, REACH Youth Powerhouse at Bukit Batok, and REACH Senior Centre at Jalan Membina.

Currently REACH is also actively pursuing the opportunity to operate a new Family Service Centre at Jalan Besar. Pray with us, and if the Lord is willing, we will know the outcome in our bid by end May 2015.

Love Flourishes

In 2014, RCSS attended to:

- over 3,000 community enquires, doubled the number in 2103
- over 1,000 clients through casework and counselling, a 7% increase over 2013
- over 150 couples through marital counselling
- over 100 youths through casework, counselling and sports engagement
- over 500 children, families, youths and seniors in programmes and activities with the help of more than 200 volunteers

Love Compels

As the Lord opens doors, and provide opportunities for REACH to increase her footprint, and impact more lives and bigger communities, such growth need to be matched by a corresponding increase in resources and funding.

Whether as an individual or through the businesses we own, members can lend a hand to REACH in supporting the ministry.

Many business owners who are members of Grace Assembly, or who are associated with Grace Assembly are already doing that. Our gratitude goes to the key partners that have journeyed with us in 2014:

- Success Resource Pte Ltd
- Joshua Research Consultants Pte Ltd
- Golden Flower International Pte Ltd
- Network J
- Will and Legacy Pte Ltd
- Cargill International Trading Pte Ltd
- The Ascott Ltd
- Ardent Associates LLP, and more

We believe there are more of such enterprises owned or managed by fellow Grace members worshipping amongst us. We would like to encourage more members to join us in

fuelling this exciting time of growth, such as adopting REACH as your Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) partner. Through the partnerships, the much needed funding will help REACH to continue her growth, and also provide the opportunity for REACH to minister to your staff's needs, and through REACH, to engage your staff in worthwhile social mission's projects. It will be a win-win for everyone, while advancing the kingdom of God, the compassionate love of Christ is preached and practised to the communities.

In the book of Acts, like Aquila and Priscilla, a couple who were in the tent-making business, and Lydia, a dealer of purple cloth, who were followers of Christ, led exemplary missional lives. Their love for God was immense and their hospitality and kindness to others and apostles were unreserved. This resulted in God's abundant blessings upon their ministries, businesses and spiritual lives.

"The churches in the province of Asia send you greetings. Aquila and Priscilla greet you warmly in the Lord, and so does the church that meets at their house." - 1 Corinthians 16:19

"... I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me." Matthew 25:40

Join us on this exciting journey!

\$1,000: Provides for 10 seniors for weekly enrichment activities
\$2,000: Aids 10 at-risk youth in character building through sports and activities
\$5,000: Helps save marriages for 15 couples facing marital crisis and family breakdown
\$10,000: Motivates 25 needy children or youths to achieve their potential through bursaries
\$10,000: Provides 15 conducive home environments through the Home Improvement Programme
\$20,000: Provides 20 needy children or youths to achieve their potential through academic support
\$30,000: Provides 10 at-risk youths to achieve their potential through life skills training, such as in culinary or barista skill barista

AN EXCELLENT TIME TO GIVE – DOUBLE THE GIFT AND TREBLE TAX OFFSETS

In celebration of Jubilee Year SG50, the government has announced that the Care & Share Movement has been extended till 31 March 2016. As a selected charity under this scheme, every donation made to REACH will be matched dollar for dollar by the government. Your single contribution gives a double impact to our work! Also, as Singapore celebrates her 50 years of independence, for every donation to REACH, you will be eligible for a 300% tax deduction on the amount donated. Here's a golden opportunity not to be missed!

So, join us and share the Love of God to the community!

For more details, please contact Ho Siew Cheong or Ms Rachel Leong at 62522566, email rcss@reach.org.sg or visit us at www.reach.org.sg

TESTIMONIES:

"My daughter's results have improved because of the free tuition provide by REACH, Ying Ying has been receiving REACH Bursary Award for the last few years and it has really helped us financially. I've been saving the money for her tertiary education."
- *Ying Ying's mother, Mrs Lim*

"Coming to REACH Dodgeball helped me lead a healthy lifestyle by not smoking or hanging out with the wrong kind of friends. REACH Dodgeball has become my second family."
- *Azri, captain of Team Ignighters*

"There's a stigma associated with attending marriage seminars. But I realised that, just as athletes train to get better and better, these seminars are training for me to continue my way with my spouse and soulmate, so that we can run the race well and effectively. A marriage is precious and you'd want to protect it. When you protect your marriage, you protect your spouse, your family, yourself, your children, even your finances and career. When every couple does that, communities and nations are transformed."
- *Gurmit & Melissa Singh, married for 20 years*



▲ A warm handshake at the REACH Charity Fund-raising Dinner

Staff from Ardent Associates LLP at the Home Improvement programme ▼



Innervate CrossFit raised funds exceeding \$10,000 for REACH Youth to support and wider the youth outreach ▼



▲ Families "shopping" for foods sponsored by Joshua Research Consultants Pte Ltd at our annual Project Neighbour



\$60,000 was raised through the charity auction and the seminar fees ▼



▲ Over 35 low income families benefitted from the monthly food distribution sponsored by Cargill Asia Pacific Holdings Pte Limited



YAYP RETREAT 2015 REKINDLE



7-9 August
Le Grandeur Palm Resort Johor

	Group (6 Pax)		Individual	
	Early Bird	x Normal	Early Bird	x Normal
Student	170	190	180	200
Working/NS	205	225	215	235

"To fall in love with God is the greatest of all romances.
To seek Him the greatest adventure.
To find Him the greatest human achievement."
- Saint Augustine

The Father is calling. It's time now to return to the gospel
and rediscover the grace of the Lord.

Sign up 16 May-14 June at yaypretreat.graceaog.org



JOB OPENINGS

FACILITIES DEPT

The church is inviting suitable candidates to apply for the following positions, to assist in the maintenance, operations & upkeep of buildings & premises at Tanglin Road or Bukit Batok locations.

FACILITIES OFFICER

Responsibilities:

- To maintain and upkeep all aspects of facilities and building, including M&E & plumbing, lighting, furniture and fittings, air-conditioning and safety compliance
- Logistically assist in all events as required by staff and church members
- Manage and oversee contract cleaners in the upkeep and cleanliness of premises
- Oversee traffic controllers and car parking at premises

Requirements:

- Diploma in Mechanical and Electrical (M&E) or relevant qualifications
- Preferably minimum 3 years of working experience
- Experience in building maintenance and M&E skills would be advantageous
- Bilingual in English and Mandarin

FACILITIES ASSISTANT

Responsibilities:

- Assist in maintenance of building, repair work of fixtures, fittings & furnishings
- Perform daily schedule to supervise cleaning & inspection of fixtures, fittings & furnishings
- Assist in opening & closing, securing the building premises before & after office hours

Requirements:

- At least O levels or ITE vocational certificate
- Preferably minimum 2 years of working experience
- Experience in building maintenance and M&E skills would be advantageous
- Attention to details of building assets – fixtures, M&E fittings, furnishings etc

Interested applicants are invited to submit detailed resume (indicating position applying for, work experience, current and expected salaries, and recent photograph) to: sally.chow@graceaog.org

SUPPORT STAFF

The church is looking for someone who has the passion to serve and join the administrative team as:

Responsibilities:

- Provide administrative support to the pastoral team of Grace Communities (GC), including taking minutes of team meetings
- Maintain and update all related monthly statistics records
- Assist in planning and maintaining of computer folders pertaining to leaders' meetings and Leadership Development Training
- Co-ordination and distribution of Grace Groups (GG) materials
- Arrange and coordinate ministry events and the use of resources
- Maintenance and updating of database

Requirements:

- At least a good 'O' level certificate
- Good Knowledge and application of Microsoft Office 2010
- Good communication, interpersonal and organizational skills
- Has initiative and able to work in teams

Interested applicants are invited to submit detailed resume (indicating work experience, current and expected salaries, and recent photograph) to: sally.chow@graceaog.org

GRAPHIC DESIGNER

The church is inviting suitable candidates to apply for the above position, to lead in producing ideas, concepts, themes and visual solutions, for the purpose of corporate communications.

Responsibilities:

- To design, develop, coordinate and produce visual solutions to communicate messages for church and ministries use
- To assist ministries and departments in artwork and design for events and projects
- To create layout and artwork for publicity and publications, including magazines, posters, banners, photography
- To produce visual material and images for website

Requirements:

- Diploma in Graphics or Media Design or relevant qualifications
- Preferably minimum 2 years of working experience
- Knowledge in design software (Adobe Illustrator, Photoshop, Dreamweaver) would be advantageous
- Meticulous in design details, visual balance and proportions

Interested applicants are to submit portfolio of their work/product and detailed resume (indicating position applying for, work experience, current and expected salaries, and recent photograph) to: sally.chow@graceaog.org

GRACE MEDIA IS LOOKING FOR AV EXECUTIVE

Grace Media Department is looking for a dynamic and dependable individual, who can work independently with a minimum of 1-2 years' experience as an audio visual technician, to join the Grace Media family as a full-time AV executive. Candidates must have knowledge in handling professional sound, lights, video and/or other production tools commonly used in the industry.

If you have a passion for digital media technologies, a heart to serve God and His people, and enjoy working in a team filled with dedicated and fun professionals, this is your opportunity.

Requirements:

- Strong customer service with good interpersonal and communication skills
- Able to manage various tasks within a fast-paced environment and to meet deadlines
- Proficient in both English and Mandarin languages
- Must possess a class 3 driving license
- Motivated team player with positive attitude, with desire for learning, and delivering high-quality work

If you are the one we are looking for, please send your details to christopher.soh@graceaog.org. Only shortlisted candidates will be notified within 4 weeks from the date of submission.

恩典—华语堂见证—胡来春姐妹

在我小时候大概九岁开始，我时常会重复做同一个梦。我梦见自己走进一条阴暗的路，路旁有些看似幽灵的人物，他们的样子不但恐怖，而且很痛苦，有些甚至血淋淋的。每次我都是在睡梦中被吓醒，有时还冒着冷汗醒来。这一幕又一幕的出现是促使我走上做乩童的其中一个原因。

在我二十二岁时，我最至爱的父亲生了场大病。我误信人的谎言，以为当了乩童就能为父亲求福添寿。怎知在七天后，我父亲还是过世了。深受打击的我，还是无知地相信这是我的宿命，结果还继续利用业余时间，为人开坛作法。但总叫我不明白的是，作法时我看似有某种能力，但缠绕我的恶梦并没因此离开我。

我的健康问题时常困扰着我。因头部曾受伤，我的头顶上长了有一个小肿块，我因此时常感到头痛。当严重的头痛来时，连用手指轻撩头发都痛。我也患有肾结石和面对胃酸的问题。感情的挫折，再加上经济窘境和不时有的工作压力，我感觉到活着真没意思，好几次尝试自杀，但总是不成功。

圣经马太福音11:28节说道：“凡劳苦担重担的人可以到我这里来，我就使你得安息”。慈爱的上帝知道我在精神和肉体所受的痛苦，几年前，祂让我认识了一位基督徒的同事美珠姐。美珠姐时常鼓励我，跟我说上帝的儿子耶稣祂如何死而复活，如何医治病人，行奇事。她也常常邀请我信耶稣。但碍于我偶而开坛作法，我开始躲避她。一直到我的一位好友的女儿得了血癌，我感到很痛心，就去找美珠姐为她祷告。刚好那天晚上恩典堂有个祷告特会，我就跟美珠姐去参加。原以为我去，是为别人的需要代求，但回家后才发觉多年来自己头顶上的小肿块不单不见了，而且用手大力按头顶也不痛了，我终于相信上帝是位又真又活的真神。

二零一三年十一月七日，我接受了耶稣成为我个人的救主。其间，牧师和弟兄姐妹不断为我祷告，教导和鼓励我多读和多听主的话。二零一四年的五月二十五日，我在恩典一的华文堂洗礼。洗礼当晚，我祷告上帝说，由于当天我很早就起床，我很想好好的睡一场。结果晚上我又做了一个奇特的梦。这个梦让我看到一双很扎实脚，站立在地，但身材很高大，很魁梧，而且身穿白袍。我没法看到这位身材高大“人物”的脸，但可看到“他”穿过片片云彩。奇妙，这次的梦境我并不感到害怕，反而很平安，一觉到天亮。从信主到现在，借着祷告，我之前常有的恶梦，已不再有了。

以前无知的我开坛作法让人以为我能够为他们消灾解难。但我这位假“神”是体弱多病的，连个人问题都无法解决。如今我认识到这位上帝是位可畏的真神。经历过祂慈爱的拯救，医治和释放，我的日子不再是灰暗，而是充满着阳光和喜乐。现在的我和家人的关系比以前更好，和人交往也更有信心。即使碰到困难，我都会凡事祷告交托给主，让祂掌权。主常常让我从圣经中学习祂对我的教导和指引。我再也不感到孤单和害怕。我感谢天父如此爱我。我想大声的说：“阿爸天父，谢谢你先爱我，我要好好爱你，事奉你，专心跟随你。愿荣耀归主名，阿门。”



耶稣受难节崇拜

主题：耶稣的脚踪 出席人数：724人

今年耶稣受难节的活动是布道性的。感谢神，我们有大约100位来自恩典一和恩典二社区的居民以及堂会新朋友参加，也有人接受了耶稣为生命的主，福音的种子已经撒在他们的心田里。荣耀归给神！

一年一度的耶稣受难节对恩友来说是一个重大和难忘的日子，我们不单是纪念耶稣基督在两千多年前为我们舍弃天堂的荣华富贵，道成了肉身降临在世上。并且，为我们牺牲死在十字架上，流宝血救赎了我们。祂无条件的爱和恩典，是我们数之不尽的。

我们盼望每一年的耶稣受难节，能带给恩友反思、默想、回应和与神恢复亲密关系的管道，给恩友留下深刻的回忆，这就是我们的目的。

在耶稣受难节当天，我们不只有崇拜聚会，而且聚会前我们也穿插了耶稣生平展活动，一系列圣经记载耶稣所行的事迹，透过画作和道具一一的展现出来，述说耶稣所走过的历史足迹。在耶稣生平展其中一个高潮的部分，就是让恩友体验耶稣基督背十字架的过程，虽然这个举动对耶稣所经历的根本不能相比，但是当它们背着沉重的十字架往前走时，我们看到很多人都流下眼泪。

感谢神！在整个活动的筹划和运作，以及在台前幕后的工作上，有很多弟兄姐妹参与在其中。大家尽心尽力，同心合一摆上，一起完成这个有意义的特会。

黄美莲传道



GRACE SERVICES

GRACE I

MY SAVIOUR'S CHURCH: 2 Prince Charles Crescent, Singapore 159011 | Tel: 6474 2823 | www.mysaviours.org

Saturday 5 pm

YOUNG ADULTS & YOUNG PROFESSIONALS (YAYP) SERVICE	JEHOVAH'S SANCTUARY	LEVEL 2
CANTONESE SERVICE	SAVIOUR'S SANCTUARY	LEVEL 3
GRACE KIDS – CHILDREN'S CHURCH	SHELTER ROOM	LEVEL 2
GRACE KIDS – PRE-SCHOOL	PARADISE ROOM	LEVEL 2

FURAMA RIVERFRONT HOTEL: 405 Havelock Rd, Singapore 169633 | Tel: 6333 8898 | www.furama.com/riverfront

Sunday 9 am

ENGLISH SERVICE 2	VENUS I, II, III	LEVEL 3
MANDARIN SERVICE	MERCURY II, III	LEVEL 5

Sunday 11.15 am

ENGLISH SERVICE 3	VENUS I, II, III	LEVEL 3
FILIPINO SERVICE	MERCURY I	LEVEL 5
YOUTH SERVICE	MERCURY II, III	LEVEL 5

Sunday 9 am & 11.15 am

GRACE KIDS – CHILDREN'S CHURCH	JUPITER I, II; MARS II	LEVEL 3; 5
GRACE KIDS – PRE-SCHOOL	JUPITER III	LEVEL 3

GRACE II

1 Bukit Batok West Ave 4 Singapore 659125

Saturday 2 pm

YOUTH SERVICE	CHAPEL	LEVEL 4
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Sunday 9 am

ENGLISH SERVICE 4	CHAPEL	LEVEL 4
MANDARIN SERVICE	SANCTUARY	LEVEL 2

Sunday 11.15 am

ENGLISH SERVICE 5	SANCTUARY	LEVEL 2
HOKKIEN SERVICE	CHAPEL	LEVEL 4

Sunday 1.30 pm

FILIPINO SERVICE	CHAPEL	LEVEL 4
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Sunday 9 am & 11.15 am

GRACE KIDS - CHILDREN'S CHURCH	LOVE	LEVEL 2
GRACE KIDS - PRE-SCHOOL	GOODNESS & KINDNESS	LEVEL 4

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Every Wednesday, 7.30 pm, GLORY SANCTUARY, LEVEL 3

ST JOHN'S ST MARGARET'S CHURCH: 30 Dover Avenue, Singapore 139790 | Tel: 67770934 | www.sjism.org.sg

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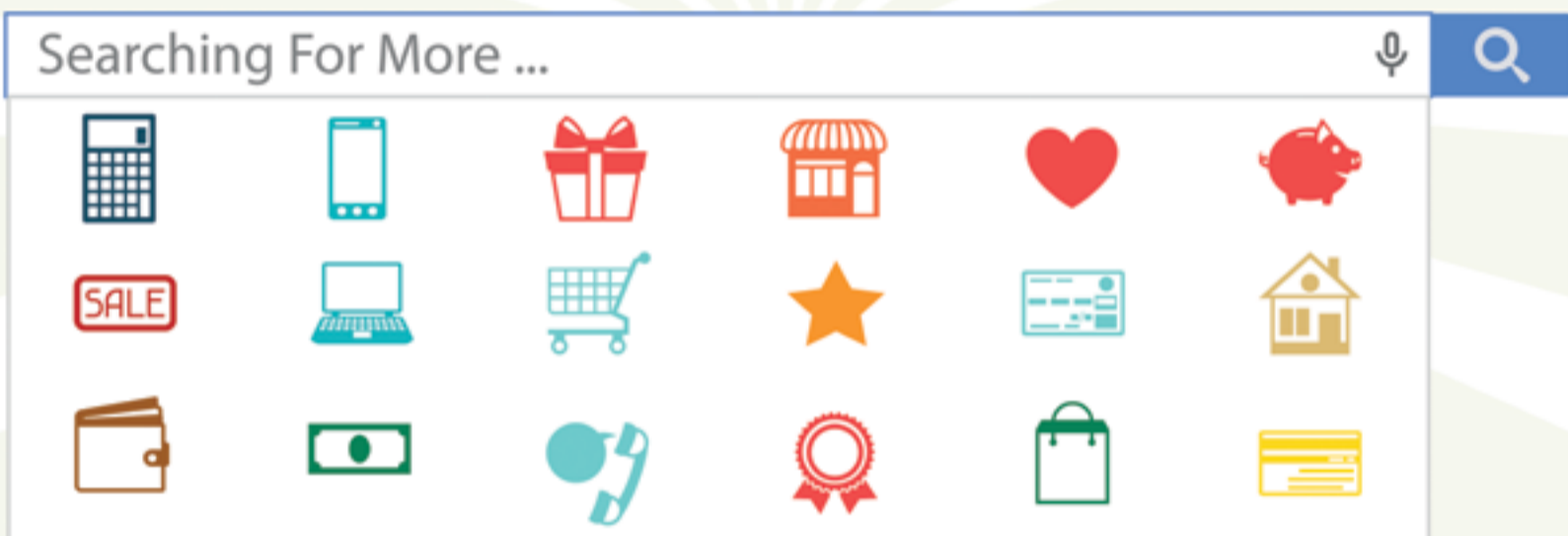
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Got Testimonies, Ideas, Suggestions?

If you would like to give testimonies, or provide feedback/ideas/suggestions/comments about Grace Bulletin, please email to: comms@graceaog.org

Life



Find out at The Alpha Course

The Alpha Course is specially for pre-believers, unchurched and new believers to explore Christianity. Invite them for the introduction talk! Invitation cards will be placed at the posters and booths.

Talk: Is There More To Life Than This

Date : 27 June (Sat)

Venue : GII (Praise Room)

Time : 12 noon - 3pm

Lunch is provided

Registration Booths will be open on 30/5, 31/5, 6/6, 7/6
Find out more and register at alpha.graceaog.org

**You're
Invited**