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## MOVING BACK, MOVING FORWARD!

It has been six months since we moved back to 355 Tanglin Road. I'm very thankful to God for the smooth transition back and at the same time, we are moving forward on many fronts.

We made some strategic moves to further strengthen the NEXUS ministry. One of which is the starting of Emerge (Preteens ministry) and the other is moving of Elevate (Youth service) to Saturdays. Both are doing great with this move.

The new Hokkien service on Saturdays at 1.30 pm is averaging about 70-80 people and we are seeing new people from the community joining the service.

The Saturdays now are very different from before. There are more people and of course more noise with the young people (good noise). It's certainly a welcome change and definitely the atmosphere is much more vibrant.

Khush Khabri Fellowship has also settled down and it's a joy to see this special group of people coming for worship every Sunday at 5.00 pm.

The other important forward move was the launch of Grace Missional College in January. At the launch of the 1st course, we have 45 students and it's just beyond my expectations. Now that we are an institutional member of APTA, it will further strengthen this important equipping arm of Grace Assembly.

As you know, we started GI Cafe and it is wonderful to see members coming for breakfast and connecting with one another. I'm looking forward to the birth of the Kindergarten in Y2017 and you will hear more about it in due time.

Indeed, we are moving forward and my prayer is that Grace Assembly will grow stronger and stronger as a Missional Family Church.

I'm very grateful to the Lord for His gracious hand upon us. Please continue to pray with us.

**Rev Calvin Lee**  
Senior Pastor

# FOUR KEY THRUSTS OF GRACE ASSEMBLY

## EQUIPPING THE GRACIANS

By Ps Lee Meng Cham

It's been said that the knowledge and understanding of the Bible of a typical Christian today is 1 km wide and 1 cm deep. That is to say that we know a little about a lot.

Of course, we are impassioned to change that. We want to see every Gracian equipped to be a Missional disciple; one who is

1. **A Student of the Word** – committed to life-long learning of the Word of God
2. **A Person of the Word** – having a conscientious and consistent application and living out of God's Word in everyday situations
3. **A Transmitter of the Word** – leading by being an exemplary Doer and Teacher of the Word of God

To this end, we offer the Grace Discipleship Process (GDP) and the Grace Missional College (GMC).

For April and May, we are conducting the following:

### Under GDP ([www.graceaog.org/gdp-calendar](http://www.graceaog.org/gdp-calendar))

2 Apr*	GDP Seminar: "Forgotten Virtues" – Ps Benny Ho
9 Apr – 14 May, 28 May*	Women of Grace (WOG): "In & Out"
9 Apr – 14 May, 28 May*	Women Saturday Bible Study (SBS): "Becoming a Friend of the Faithful God"
9 Apr – 14 May (every Sat)*	Men Bible Study: "Money & Possession: The Quest for Contentment"
14, 21, 28 Apr*	GDP Class: "SHAPEd for God's Purpose"
12, 19, 26 May	Foundations of Our Faith: A pre-requisite for those wanting to sign up for baptism & membership classes

### Under GMC ([www.graceaog.org/grace-missional-college](http://www.graceaog.org/grace-missional-college))

#### BINT115: New Testament Survey I (14-16 April 2016) \*\*

Professor: Dr Jerry Horner

#### BIPT340: Dynamics of Effective Communication (21-23 April 2016) \*\*

Professor: Dr Randal Langley

For further information, enquiries and registration, you can write to [gdp@graceaog.org](mailto:gdp@graceaog.org) and [gmcollege@graceaog.org](mailto:gmcollege@graceaog.org)

(\* registrations already closed, \*\* register by 10 April)

## EMPOWERING FAMILIES

By Ps Benjamin Wong

### What does family means in Grace Assembly?

From the beginning of the creation of mankind, God already has the biological families in mind when He blessed Adam and Eve saying "Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it." (Genesis 1:28a). Biological Family means a family related by blood (parents and children) or marriage (husband & wife). Through the bible stories of God's dealings with man, we know that His redemptive plan is fulfilled through the biological families. However, His plan extended to the spiritual families when Jesus said: "Who is my mother, and who are my brothers? ... For whoever does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother and sister and mother (Matthew 12:48 – 50)." Thus it is vital for both our spiritual and biological families to work in tandem and with synergy to become the Missional Family Church. Our biological families must view itself as a spiritual family, mirroring its dynamics in relating one to the other. Our spiritual families must recognize the special role biological families play in bringing Christ to other families.

### What characterizes God's family in Grace Assembly?

Colossians 3:11-17 encapsulates what characterizes God's Family. The first characteristic we share is "WE BELONG TOGETHER". There's no difference because Christ is all and is in all (Col 3:11). We all share a common identity as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved (Col 3:12a). This shared identity gives us a sense of belonging to something bigger than ourselves. Men are not meant to be alone. God didn't create us as individuals, He created us within a family and a family within a community. When we come together, there's strength. When the enemy tries to attack us, he doesn't stand a chance when he sees God's family. There are many out there who have yet to experience the benefits of being in God's family. Let's be inclusive in our relationships, take time to know someone new every Sunday.

The second characteristic we share is "WE BOND TOGETHER". Shared values bond us together. Values that define us as God's family are values of the kingdom; Grace, Peace, love and Gratitude. (Col 3:12b-15). These values speak of who God is and His character. Although we are uniquely different individuals, we can bond with each other through the love of Christ. So let's take time to bond with one another in this family.

The third characteristic we share is "WE BUILD UP ONE ANOTHER". A plant cannot grow unless it is planted in the soil. The soil represents the community of believers God has planted us in. Just as the soil provides the nutrients, the community provides the spiritual food for our growth. As written in Col 3:16 "Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms,

hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts." So let's take time to gather regularly for worship and the teaching of the Word.

The fourth characteristic we share is "WE BECOME TOGETHER". The vision that God gave to Grace cannot be accomplished by individuals no matter how talented the individual is. The only way for us to accomplish it together is by the authority and empowerment of the one who called us just as it is written in Col 3:17 "And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him." So let's be Missional together, take time to reach the lost - together as a family.

### What should you do now?

Join a Grace Group if you have not. Through it you are connected to the wonderful Grace family, a place where you can Belong, Bond, Build, and Become! The pastors and leaders are here to walk with you as God's family.

Leverage on the resources provided by the Family Life Ministries to strengthened your biological family. Take a look at this month's Grace Bulletin for resources, helps and events provided by our Family Life Ministries. Invest in your family!

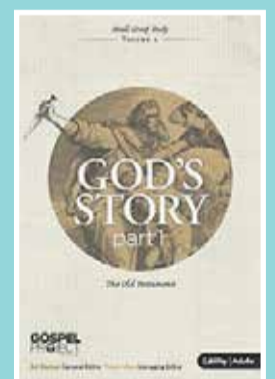
## GRACE COMMUNITIES

Grace Groups will be embarking on a new bible study series titled "The Gospel Project" from May to August 2016. The Bible is not just a collection of moralistic stories for life applications, it is so much more. The Gospel Project helps us see the Bible as the story of redemption through Jesus Christ; God's salvation plan to rescue the world from sin and death.

As we learn about God's plan of salvation for us, we will begin to have a deeper understanding of Him and appreciate all He has done for us in order to redeem us. Our lives will be transformed into His living gospel. In these four months, we will begin our journey from Genesis. The study will take us through The Creation, The Fall, The Abrahamic Covenant, The Exodus and The Law.

So... wait no more! Become God's living gospel! Join us in this 4-month journey with other like-minded believers.

Keen to join but not currently in any Grace Group? You may express your interest to join a Grace Group for just these 4 months only! Call Esther @ 64100841 or email [esther.koh@graceaog.org](mailto:esther.koh@graceaog.org) by 26 April 2016.





## ENGAGING THE COMMUNITY: COMMUNITY OUTREACH

By Ho Siew Cheong

If we look at the Singapore Social Statistics (2015) published by Ministry of Social and Family development (MSF), as of end 2014, the Singapore population is made up of Chinese 74.3 %, Malay 13.3%, Indian 9.1%, and others 3.3%.

Yet if we look at the profile of the general church population in Singapore today, our demographic distribution differ very significantly from the national profile.

As a piece of casual one-point evidence, I am told, for instance, that we have only 4 youth with ethnic Indian background in a population of about 300 youth in our youth ministry today. In percentage terms this accounts only for about 1.3%. Why is there such a gap? Are we reaching out sufficiently to friends and neighbours from minority groups in our community? Or are we too rigidly fixing our focus on people who are like ourselves only?

When Jesus died on the cross for the sins of world, He shed His blood to redeem us all, regardless of our colour, language, race, culture or religion. There was no filter that some should be saved and not others.

Therefore In Community Outreach, where we seek to connect with the community and share the love of Christ, we must be prepared to go out to other people who are not like us. While it is usually easier and probably more convenient for us to reach out to people like us, we must not neglect to also be intentional in establishing bridges with others who are different, albeit it takes more effort, and often times inconvenience.

People who may not share our language, may not think the way we think, or value the things the way we would. They may not eat our favourite food, or live the way we so. Yet God loves them all the same, and expects us to do likewise.

We need to remind ourselves to get out of our comfort zones, and to be that bridge that enables us to have the opportunity to connect with, connect with Christ's love.

Our contacts may have a world view very different from ours. But when we are given the opportunity to make those connections with them, we must try to bridge these contacts with Christ himself. Through RCSS, Grace members will have better opportunities to build such bridges. But effort is needed on our end to make the necessary adjustments.

In very similar ways, during the dawn of Christianity in this part of the world, about a century ago, many of the missionaries that came to introduce the Gospel to our forefathers are non-Asians. Many of them came from far flung places in Europe, and America, where they live very different lives back home from the immigrant melting pot they have come into. These missionaries do not naturally speak our Asian languages and dialects, nor do they eat fish-head-curry nor enjoy durians, nor were they dressed the way we do. But they made the necessary adjustments so to be in the community they have been called to reach out to.

And when they arrived, they were met with distrust, resistance, and even animosity. They often stretched out their hands to feed, but often got bitten by the very ones they were trying to feed. Yet they persisted, and continued to hold up the bread of life, overcoming evil with good, and hatred with love.

Because these ambassadors of good news were color blind, they pressed on, and persisted in building and strengthened bridges, driven by the love of God and the obedience to the Commission and the Commandment, we live today to see their fruits. So today, dare we put on filters that exclude some from the privilege of experiencing God's love, and the opportunity to receive salvation through Christ?

Sometimes the adjustments we need to make are not that difficult. We are often fearful because of the lack of knowledge. So the answer is really to get ourselves educated and informed. How many of us have eaten a meal scooping rice and food with only our hands, or attend a Malay wedding, or a Sikh funeral? The first time we do it, it may be a bit uncomfortable, but as we do, we soon realize that it is not so difficult, and not so "frightening".

Connections are made when we are prepared to go that additional mile to get to know more about others unlike ourselves. With acceptance, comes trust. With trust, bridges can be built.

With Community Outreach, we bring the Church out to the Community. We allow those who would otherwise not come to church and as such not hear the Gospel, now know about who we are, know the awesome God we believe in, hear the message of salvation, and see the work of the Spirit in our lives, and a chance to desire also for themselves what they see in us. Let's begin by becoming colour blind.

## EXPANDING INTO THE WORLD: MISSIONS AS AN APOSTOLIC MINISTRY

By Ps Matthew Tan

The word 'apostle' means "one who is sent away". This person is usually a messenger and ambassador. This term is made popular during the rise of the Roman empire.

Whenever the empire conquers a region, the Roman emperor 'caesar' will send people out to the various places to set up offices. Their purpose was to transform the place and establish the Roman culture in these newly conquered places. The aim is that when anyone from the headquarters in Rome goes to these far-away places, they can see their own culture and practices in the places that they conquer. These sent out ones were called 'apostles'. Everyone at that time knew this.

In Matthew chapter 10, when Jesus used the term "apostle" on his chosen disciples, everyone at that time knew that Jesus intended his disciples to be sent out and transform cultures, from a culture that is hostile to the name of Jesus, into a culture of the kingdom of God. So that one day when Jesus comes back, he will find familiar culture and practices among the people.

This is what Grace Missions sets out to do. God has given Grace Missions a strong apostolic vision to plant churches in unreached places. Some of these places are so remote that people have not heard about the name of Jesus. To date, over the span of 16 years, we have supported the planting of more than 1,600 churches in 11 countries around Asia. Our prayer is that every church that we plant and support financially, that very place will be a lighthouse of influence that brings people to Jesus.

Back in Grace Assembly we want to mobilise people to take part in the apostolic vision that we have. As we "Expand into the World", let us remember to take the wonderful gospel of Jesus and be missional wherever we are. Wherever we are, we can be that person to transform cultures. Be it work practices and ethics, or even a heart that just cares for others. Let these be an overflow of how Jesus has loved us.

Let it be that when Jesus comes back, he can see a familiar kind of people and a familiar culture — a culture that shouts the name of Jesus and moves in the power of the Holy Spirit. Let this be the same in Singapore, as well as overseas, in the places that we do church planting works.



**FEB-APR 2016: SERMON SERIES**

**SYNOPSIS:**

“He spies His beloved in the garden ... Ah, how He has laboured to create their life together. But tragedy strikes — love betrayed, rejected and broken, and the beloved falls into the clutches of a diabolical enemy. The Lover does not give up. He relentlessly pursues the Beloved though she proves to be distracted and unfaithful time and again. Finally, He pays a heavy cost to redeem her and woos her back. Now engaged, the couple is awaiting the Day. Will they make it? How will this story end? “

From February to April of this year, we will be drawn right into the midst of the most intriguing love story of all time and all eternity! We will explore the core essence of our Father God, his character of Love and how this is played out in the whole gospel story — the story of God’s incredible love, and be challenged to respond to the outpouring of the passion and compassion of the ultimate Lover. As we gain a fresh revelation and a deeper understanding of the love of God, it will enable us to anchor our faith life in Him, empower us to face life’s challenges and embolden us to share His Love Story.

Be entranced by the coming episodes of The Greatest Love Story:

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| 1. The Lover   | 5. The Dowry      |
| 2. The Beloved | 6. The Proposal   |
| 3. The Breakup | 7. The Engagement |
| 4. The Pursuit | 8. The Wedding    |

**EVENTS CALENDAR 2016**

**CHURCHWIDE: APRIL - JUNE**

26/02 - 27/05	Adult Alpha course (Fridays)	GI L2 Eden, L5 Zion 6pm
02/04	GDP Seminar - “Forgotten Virtues” by Ps Benny Ho	GI L3 Bethel 9.30am
30/03 - 11/05	Women of Grace WOG-DBS (Weds)	GI L5 Zion 10am & GII L2 Praise Room 10am
08 - 09/04	Marketplace Ministry	GI L1 Galilee 6pm (Sat) & 9am (Sun)
09/04 - 14/05	Men’s Bible Study MBS (Sats)	GI L1 Gethsemane 10am
09/04 - 28/05	Women of Grace WOG-SBS (Sats)	GI L2 Eden 10am
14/04 - 28/04	GDP Seminar - S.H.A.P.E.d for God’s Purpose	GI L2 Eden 7.30pm
27/04	J333 Prayer meeting (combined)	GI L1 Galilee 7.30pm
12/05 - 26/05	GDP Class 102 : Foundations of Our Faith (Thurs)	GII L1 Glory Room 7.30pm
25/05	J333 Prayer meeting (combined)	GI L1 Galilee 7.30pm
26/05 - 27/05	AG Annual General Council Meetings	GI L3 Bethel & L1 Galilee 9am
29/05 - 02/06	Grace Retreat (Chinese)	Katerina Hotel, Batu Pahat, MY
01/06	Grace Retreat Briefing (English)	GI L3 Bethel 8.30pm
09/06 - 13/06	Grace Retreat (English)	Hotel Pullman, KL Bangsar, MY
29/06	J333 Prayer meeting (combined)	GI L1 Galilee 7.30pm

Event details are subject to changes, please refer to [www.graceaog.org](http://www.graceaog.org) for latest info & updates.

J333  
PRAYER MEETINGS  
FOR APRIL 2016

**Prayer Focus: Loving the family of Grace**  
Dates: 6, 13, 20 April 2016 (Wednesdays)  
Time: 7.30pm – 8.30pm  
Venues: GI L3 Emmaus  
G2 L4 Chapel

**COMBINED J333 (ENGLISH & CHINESE)**  
Date: 27 April 2016 (Wednesday)  
Venue: GI L1 Galilee



Heartiest congratulations to the following couple, may the Lord continue to bless & guide them with wisdom & strength as they embark on their new journey together!

**Mr Li Xiao Hui and Ms Goh Lee Li Sethrine**  
**30 April 2016**

# Grace Missional College

## UPCOMING MODULES - 1ST TERM OF 2016

If you would like to register for either of these 2 modules, please submit your registration, or enquiry to gmcollege@graceaog.org by 10 April 2016.

### BINT115: New Testament Survey I (14-16 April 2016)

Professor: Dr Jerry Horner

An overview of the historical, political, and social contexts of the Gospels. Attention is given to authorship, date, canonicity, structure, styles and themes with emphasis and exposition of key passages and their doctrinal significance.

*Dr Jerry Horner, received a Th. D. degree from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, and has served as dean of the School of Theology at Oral Roberts University, and as founding dean of the School of Divinity at Regent University, USA. He is the author of many books and articles in theological and educational journals, commentaries, biblical encyclopedias and dictionaries.*

### BIPT340: Dynamics of Effective Communication (21-23 April 2016)

Professor: Dr Randal Langley

A comprehensive study targeted for both beginning and veteran speakers in the art of public speaking and communication. Students will be taught the SCORRE system – a creative and relevant communication model used by leaders to effectively penetrate today's culture.

*Dr Randal Langley, D Min, is the current president of Christian Life Educators Network-Christian Life School of Theology Global. He has served as Vice President of Beacon Institute of Ministry, Columbus, GA, National Conference Speaker, Bible School Teacher, Television Host and Senior Pastor of Evangel Cathedral, Spartanburg, SC.*

## INTRODUCING MODULES – 2ND TERM OF 2016

19-21 August

BIBT726: Kingdom of God

Professor: Rev Peter Tsukahira

8-10 September

BIBT325: Pneumatology

Professor: Dr Jerry Horner

27-29 October

BIPT502: Theology of Missions

Professor: Elder Dr Khoo Hin Hiong

17-19 November

BIPT235: Conflict Management & Resolution

Professor: Dr Joseph Umidi

Registration of the above modules will commence from mid-June onwards.

## GRACE DISCIPLESHIP PROCESS (GDP)

# Foundations of Our Faith

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 transferred your membership to Grace, it is a **pre-requisite** to attend this class.

### Class 102: Foundations of Our Faith

Date : 12, 19, 26 May (Thursdays)

Time : 7:30 - 9:30pm

Venue : GII Glory Room

Info & registration via [www.graceaog.org/gdp-calendar](http://www.graceaog.org/gdp-calendar) by 8 May.

## GRACE DISCIPLESHIP PROCESS (GDP)

# S.H.A.P.E.d For God's Purposes

Have you ever wondered God's purpose for your life? Come and discover your spiritual giftings as you consider the area to serve the Lord in. This course will help you understand your S.H.A.P.E. and purpose and gain awareness to the various ministries of the church. Join us in this exciting journey of self-discovery!

Dates : 14, 21, 28 April 2016 (Thursdays)

Time : 7:30 - 9:30 pm

Venue : G1

Visit us at website: [www.graceaog.org/gdp](http://www.graceaog.org/gdp)

Registration closes on 10 April

## TRAFFIC SIGNS & RULES AT GRACE @ TANGLIN ROAD

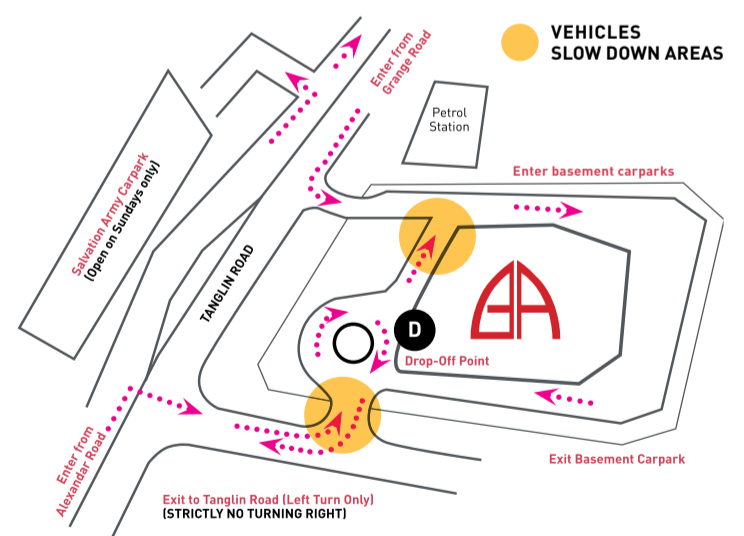
We seek your co-operation to observe the following traffic rules, to ensure a safe place and environment for yourself and everyone in the church:

### FOR DRIVERS OF VEHICLES

- (1) SLOW DOWN when you reach the pedestrian crossing, the right-turn into Basement carpark coming from L1 roundabout, and from Tanglin Road to Basement carpark.
- (2) FOLLOW diligently the traffic SIGNS and DIRECTIONS displayed in all basement car parks.

### FOR PASSENGERS IN TAXIS

- (3) Those who come in by taxis, please DO NOT ALIGHT OUTSIDE MAIN ENTRANCE of the church, as it will cause traffic congestion during weekends, when there are cars coming in from both sides of the main road.



### GRACE ASSEMBLY ON FACEBOOK

Have questions? Or just want to be kept updated on the latest news that's happening in Grace Assembly? Connect with us via Facebook at [www.facebook.com/graceaogsingapore](http://www.facebook.com/graceaogsingapore)



# THE PROSPERITY GOSPEL: A BIBLICAL EVALUATION (PART 2)

BY FRANK D. MACCHIA

## PROSPERITY GOSPEL EVALUATED

Evaluations of this teaching should not be reactionary and one-sided. Christians can gain valuable insights from this message. God is indeed good and generous, faith does resist defeatist attitudes, and those dedicated to God and to the way of Christ will experience a flourishing or prosperity of life that involves both body and soul.

The vast success of the prosperity message globally is not simply due to deception by preachers who prey on the false hopes or greed of their congregants. People sometimes abuse the prosperity message in this way, but that isn't always the case. This preaching connects with the hunger of many to discover a life that flourishes because it is generous and moves in harmony with a generous God. A biblical response to the prosperity message must respond to that desire in a way that preserves the best of what it upholds but offers a more biblical framework for understanding it.

A careful study of what the Bible says about prosperity of life exposes the prosperity gospel as dangerously one-sided, especially in some contexts. In general, its strong emphasis on financial and material prosperity stands in stark contrast to the Bible's emphasis on spiritual blessing. By spiritual, I do not mean something entirely otherworldly, removed from one's concrete cares and concerns. Rather, spiritual here refers to something that is rooted in our deepest yearnings for God as well as for community, purpose, and value.

Jesus said, "Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God" (Matthew 4:4). To live on bread alone is a living death. Even living primarily on bread is misguided and lethal to the spiritual life. Jesus reminds us that we must always seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness and then trust God for the rest (Matthew 6:33). Our prayer for daily bread follows our prior prayer for the arrival of God's kingdom (Matthew 6:9-11). We are meant to flourish and prosper in life by living primarily from something deeper than financial blessing — namely, devotion to God, following in the self-sacrificial way of Christ, living by the leading of the Spirit, joining with the community of the faithful, and caring for the lost and the outcasts. This is our most essential "food." Jesus thus said His food was doing the will of His Father (John 4:34).

The prosperous life does involve wholeness of spirit and body but only as we place the priority on the kingdom of God in the world. Financial health can be a component of a Christian's experience of wholeness, but we must not single out this element and grant it dominance over everything else. A distortion occurs when that happens. Neither can the concern for financial prosperity dominate the Atonement. In Galatians 3:13,14, the blessing of Abraham that comes as a result of Christ's bearing the curse on the cross is justification by faith and the gift of new life in the Spirit. One can claim by faith both reconciliation with God and the gift of new life in the Spirit according to Galatians 3 (verses 1-5, 13,14), but one cannot claim material prosperity with the same confidence.

Paul knew in the Spirit that he was a child of God (Romans 8:15,16), and he received in the Spirit a foretaste of liberty from the burdens of sin and death in the world. Yet he still groaned for the full liberty from this burden (8:21-23). He implies that the groaning will continue throughout this earthly life. The expectation that one can claim material blessing in the same way that one can claim forgiveness or new life in Christ often leads to unrealistic expectations and crushing disappointment.

In God's kingdom, everyone is equally valued (Galatians 3:28), regardless of social status. Christ's followers face trials and frustrations, but they bear one another's burdens (Galatians 6:2). The blessing of the justified and Spirit-filled life carries profound implications for a life that flourishes in every way, but only as God wills and directs. Within this biblical framework of the prosperous life, we discover God's generous grace in times of want and in times of plenty. Paul wrote about this in Philippians 4:11-13. In business ventures and in all areas of life, we learn to yield to God and submit to His will (James 4:13-17).

Faith does indeed resist defeatist attitudes. But the Bible writers do not harness faith to a hard and fast principle of sowing and reaping that applies in every situation. God is good, but He is also sovereign. We cannot reduce Him to a dispenser of financial blessing on demand. Scripture acknowledges that sometimes the unrighteous prosper financially while the righteous suffer hardship (Jeremiah 12:1). But true prosperity of life comes from a deeper source. Though God's ways are not always easy to understand, we know that His love makes us more than conquerors, even in the face of famine or nakedness (Romans 8:35-37).

According to 1 John 5:14, "If we ask anything according to his will, he hears us." Even those texts that say we will receive what we ask in Christ's name (John 15:16) imply a harmony with God's purposes for the world as revealed in the story of Jesus. To approach God in Jesus' name, we must first submit to Jesus' authority and lordship. That name implies a Spirit-led path dedicated to God's purposes for the world. That name is not a magic formula guaranteeing the acquisition of whatever one desires. Not all prayers are fittingly in Christ's name, even if the name is used.

Certainly, a giving and generous spirit will prosper in life but not primarily or always in ways that involve material wealth. God is faithful to provide in times of hardship but not always to the degree that one might wish. Just confessing it will not make it so. God's Spirit is not a power for humans to use as they wish. In the Book of Acts, the Spirit — not the Church — directs and leads. The Church follows the Spirit.

Testimonies in the Christian media abound of God's generous provisions in life, but prosperity preachers often silence or ignore testimonies that do not have perfect endings. What about testimonies from folks who did not receive the provision for which they prayed but still made it through by God's sufficient grace? Are we helping the people of God if these stories never see the light of day? Abundance of blessing cannot always be measured in dollars and cents. We need bread to live, but there is something even more important at the core of life than this.

TO BE CONTINUED IN MAY ISSUE ... PROSPERITY GOSPEL AND POVERTY

*This article is written by Frank D Macchia, Professor of Christian Theology at Vanguard University, US and Associate Director of the Centre for Pentecostal and Charismatic Studies at Bangor University, Wales. He has recently published *The Trinity, Practically Speaking* (InterVarsity Press, 2010).*



## NICE FROM FAR. FAR FROM NICE!

**Nurturing Closeness in Marriage**  
**A Public Talk by Dave Carder**  
**Brought to you by REACH Counselling Centre**

Marriage often appears nice and calm on the surface but reality may suggest a different picture. Singapore couples find themselves strapped between being excellent employees, responsible parents and affectionate partners. Couples face pressures in decisions and expectations related to career, family and financial management. When the stress gets overwhelming, tensions and conflicts invariably arise. Come and hear from Dave Carder on how couples can manage these pressures and stress while remaining confident that their partner stands by them. Dave Carder is a Marriage and Family Therapist, bestselling author and founder of Torn Asunder: Recovering from an Extramarital Affair programme.

Date : 21 May 2016  
Time : 9.30am - 11.30am  
Venue : ACC Edu Hub, #13-19  
9 Penang Road, Park Mall  
Singapore 238459

Register your interest at  
[www.tinyurl.com/TAseminar-REACH](http://www.tinyurl.com/TAseminar-REACH)

**Early-bird registration (register and pay by 8 April)**

\$25 per couple  
\$15 per person

**Standard registration**

\$30 per couple  
\$20 per person

For enquiries, please contact Catherine at 68010730 or email [rc@reach.org.sg](mailto:rc@reach.org.sg)



Please sign up for the talk at  
the RC booth,  
after the service.

## REACH COMMUNITY FLAG DAY 2016 30 APRIL, ISLANDWIDE

### MY SHOES BROUGHT ME TO THE PRESIDENT...

Just this February, the Elderly of REACH Senior were invited to the Istana for the President's Challenge Lo Hei Lunch. It was a rare opportunity for them who had not been to the Istana, let alone dined with the President.

Mdm Mala\*, 83 years old, was getting ready to attend the President's Challenge Lo Hei Lunch and realised that she had no proper shoes to wear to the occasion. Her kind neighbour, Mdm Wee\*, promised to bring her shopping and buy her a pair of shoes as a gift.

As Mdm Mala and Mdm Wee were browsing and trying different shoes, they started chatting with the shop owner. Guess what? The shop owner offered to give her the pair of shoes for free upon finding out that Mdm Mala was going to meet with the President of Singapore. Through the act of kindness and love of her community, Mdm Mala made it to the Istana and dined with the President along with her peers. That day, she had a memorable experience and a dream come true.

You have the power to help more people like Mdm Mala, to fulfil their dreams and be a part of a once-in-a-lifetime experience for them!

\* Not their real names



picture for illustration purpose only

## VOLUNTEER for our FLAG DAY!

Join us in our first ever flag day! Every dollar collected will go into the work in REACH Senior and REACH Youth. Let's give what we can to the pioneers and the future of Singapore!

## SIGN UP AT [WWW.REACH.ORG.SG](http://WWW.REACH.ORG.SG) NOW!

## WE'RE COUNTING ON YOUR SUPPORT, GRACIANS!

We want to give thanks to God and 50 Gracians who have given generously to REACH Community Services Society through the Local Missions Awareness Weekend on 30 and 31 January 2016.

Through this, we received a total of \$34,250 in one-time donations and \$1,250 monthly donations. This money will go towards the mission of helping the least, the lost and the lonely people as preached in the message of Matthew 25:31-46. We believe God will provide and more Gracians can be counted on to meet the target of donating at least \$20 a month.

If you wish to donate to REACH Community Services Society, simply make an online donation at <http://tinyurl.com/donate-REACHcomm> or pick up a donation form today!



# TESTIMONIES FROM TRIPPERS TO RIAUI ISLANDS, INDONESIA

## TANJONG UBAN | 05 - 06 March 2016

"It was a great opportunity to serve God and to bond with my son."

~ *King Ming went with his son Joash*

"It is a powerful and amazing trip where God moves powerfully in our midst."

~ *Alex Ngew*

"It is not about the language barriers. With God we can still love and bless the people for God is love."

~ *Eileen Yong*

"It is a big privilege to serve and share with fellow brothers and sisters from another country."

~ *Jack*

"By God's divine appointment, we prayed in unity, served in humility and saw breakthroughs in Tg Uban."

~ *Lynn Hwang*

"We came to bless others."

~ *Alfred*

## BATAM | 04 - 05 March 2016

"This trip has been very rewarding!!! The students/children has touched me so much. They have shown me so much and their love for our Lord. And yes, I will certainly look forward for more trips!!!"

~ *Shen Luna*

"Having taken a great step of faith for my first missions trip, I found it to be very rewarding. The team that led me was very encouraging and the people and children I met in Batam was really full of love for our Lord. I sincerely thank Ps Peck Yin, Cynthia and Harjeet for the patience in guiding my cousin and I on our first missions trip. I found joy in serving God and certainly look forward to more of such trips!

~ *Esther Goh*

"Even though this was just a one-day trip, it was powerful! Food was great, fellowship was awesome and team was swift & adaptable. Praise the Lord for all that was done!"

~ *Cynthia Tan*





## 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.

### **ORISSA, INDIA**

29/03/2016 – 07/04/2016  
Ps Matthew Tan and  
R-AGE Youth team

### **MYANMAR**

01/04/2016 – 06/04/2016  
Rev Lim Bee Ngor

### **EAST ASIA**

01/04/2016 – 11/04/2016  
Rev Richard Wee

### **EAST ASIA**

01/04/2016 – 08/04/2016  
Ps Patrick Lee

### **WEST KALIMANTAN, INDONESIA**

09/04/2016 – 14/04/2016  
Rev Chan Peck Yin

### **TANJONG PINANG, RIAU ISLANDS, INDONESIA**

16/04/2016 – 17/04/2016  
Roger Tan

### **EAST ASIA**

18/04/2016 – 29/04/2016  
Ps Walter Lim

### **BATAM, RIAU ISLANDS, INDONESIA**

22/04/2016  
Jasmin Low

### **EAST ASIA**

24/04/2016 – 03/05/2016  
Rev Richard Wee

### **VIETNAM**

27/04/2016 – 04/05/2016  
Caleb Khoo

### **CAMBODIA**

29/04/2016 – 05/05/2016  
Rev Au Wai Ching

### **EAST ASIA**

29/04/2016 – 06/05/2016  
Peter Lim and YAYP team

### **KARIMUN, RIAU ISLANDS, INDONESIA**

30/04/2016 – 01/05/2016  
Rev Chan Peck Yin





**“But as for me and my family, we will serve the LORD.” Joshua 24:15**

If you need to make counselling appointment, please contact:  
**Pastor Benjamin Wong 9066-2994 OR Chang-Goh Song Eng 6801-0730**  
 All counselling sessions are strictly private and confidential

## A Family in Grace

Two such as you with such a master speed  
 Cannot be parted nor be swept away  
 From one another once you are agreed  
 That life is only life forevermore  
 Together wing to wing and oar to oar ~ Robert Frost

*A lady so full of love and warmth. When you walked pass her, you would surely get a warm and firm handshake and a kiss on your hand. Standing beside her, you will never miss a man, characterized by a calm but solid fortitude. If you managed to catch them during worship session, you would be able to see the man helping his wife to stand, raising her hand to praise the Lord. Such scenes never failed to tuck at your heartstrings. This same man, with so much in his hands, was also in the Logistics Team when we were in Furama Riverfront for our Grace Assembly services. Who is this man? FLG caught up with him.*

**FLG** – Family Life@Grace

**PK** – Peter Koh

**FLG:** Hello, please tell our readers about yourself

**PK:** Hi, I am Peter Koh, 61 years old, married to Jessie Yeo for 35 years.

**FLG:** Tell us about your family

**PK:** There are 6 members in my family, including son Lionel Koh, daughter-in-law Jeanine Quek and 2 grandchildren, Titus and Ruth.

**FLG:** And home is...

**PK:** Home for my wife and I is a 4-room HDB flat at Tiong Bahru.

**FLG:** How long have you been in Grace Assembly?

**PK:** I first came to Grace in 1970. Steven Yap brought me to Grace. I left Grace in 1973 but returned in 1990 when we shifted back to Alexandra.

**FLG:** Many have known you and Jessie for many years in Grace. Could you share with us your love story?

**PK:** I met Jessie in 1977. She was an assistant nurse in Alexandra Hospital and I was doing my National Service (NS). After my NS, I went to work in Brunei. We would write to each other every day. Today, I still have the letters from her. In 1981, we decided to get married. It was a simple Chinese wedding ceremony. After our wedding, she went to Brunei with me. In 1983, we had our son, Lionel.



Peter and Jessie at the 'Celebration of Marriage'

**FLG:** We understand that for a period of time, Jessie was ill. Would you be able to share more on that?

**PK:** About 7 years ago, Jessie had a massive stroke due to sudden onset of brain arterio-venous malformation (AVM). It is a bunch of abnormal blood vessels formed during foetal or early infant development that will eventually bleed. After her stroke, she developed speech and cognitive impairment and paralysis of her right upper and lower limbs. She is wheel-chair bound and need maximal assistance except for feeding.

**FLG:** How did you cope after her illness?

**PK:** Initially, I did not know what to do. I was overwhelmed because Jessie used to do everything in the home. I was helpless and could only pray and commit everything to God. During her stay at Tan Tock Seng Hospital Rehabilitation Centre, she was very emotional as she struggled to come to terms with her situation. I have never seen her cried so much since our wedding. There were also catastrophic reactions whenever we did not do what she wanted. I had to stop work for 6 months and my son took unpaid leave for the next 6 months to care for his mother. I just lived one day at a time. Every day was a big challenge, trial and error, hits and misses. Over time, I managed to get the rhythm of life back, thanks to the help from family members and church friends.

**FLG:** Your love and commitment towards your wife, Jessie are admirable and very touching. We understood you drove both your father and Jessie for many Grace Retreats. Every Sunday, without fail, you would attend the first service with Jessie.... What drove you to do what you do?

**PK:** If I am the one needing care instead of her, I am sure she would do more. She used to say, “Everything I do, I do for you.” Yes, she did much for our family during the first 30 years of our marriage, it is only natural for me, as her husband to take care of her. My care towards her are not unrewarded. Every day, she shows her appreciation with hugs and over 300 quick kisses on my chin and cheek.





Peter and Jessie at Lionel's graduation

**FLG:** What were your challenges?

**PK:** I cannot do heavy lifting due to my old back injury. Whenever I have back pain and muscle spasm, I have to stop Jessie's physiotherapy exercises. I tried training my domestic helper but there is no chemistry. I still need to do it. Jessie wants to live up to 80 years old.

**FLG:** Share with us, some of your victories.

**PK:** I have learned to accept Jessie's impairments and also to celebrate small improvements. To enjoy what she has. Let go and let God because God is sovereign. I have to trust Him for grace and strength for each day. I simplify my life, a lot of things are no longer important now.

It is a joy to see Jessie smile and giving her thumb up sign to strangers especially elderly folks and fellow wheelchair users. It is her way of saying 'jia you' (press on!). Once I overheard an elderly woman asking her helper, "Why is she so happy?" People will never understand what it means of 'the joy of the Lord is my strength' until they have experienced it.

During one lunch time at ABC Food Centre at Redhill, a sister from another church walked over to our table and prayed for Jessie. She said that it blessed her to see Jessie raised her left hand and gave me a kiss after I gave thanks to God for food.

Sunday is always the best day of the week. She looks forward to worshipping God in church. She will choose what to wear, pick her jewellery and insist that I have my shirt to match the colour of her blouse. With assistance, she will stand about 10 minutes for the first two songs. When seated, she would grip her right limb with her left hand and raise them. I used to serve as an usher but now she takes over and greets Grace members with her left hand grip, quick kiss and hugs. She can sing too. Whenever she hears a familiar tune, she will sing audibly.

**Be grateful and give thanks to God in all circumstances. Love your family, enjoy every moment. Don't fight because a lot of it doesn't matter in the end. We are all imperfect people but love makes everything good and beautiful. Give more and take less.**

**FLG:** How has God played a part in this extraordinary journey of your family?

**PK:** Looking back, the last 7 years was an extraordinary journey by the grace of God. I really did not know how to cope. His Word and hymns, they comforted me and gave me strength. He is faithful because I got help and encouragement from Grace members, friends and neighbours. He heals progressively. Her quality of life has improved. My parents and siblings now meet once a month at my home for fellowship, dinner and to celebrate birthdays. My father accepted Christ and was baptized in August 2013. Mostly due to Jessie's missional effort to reach out to him years before her stroke. After what I have gone through, I am now able to help other caregivers.

**FLG:** Thank you, Peter for a heart-warming sharing. What would you like to tell Grace members.

**PK:** Be grateful and give thanks to God in all circumstances. Love your family, enjoy every moment. Don't fight because a lot of it doesn't matter in the end. We are all imperfect people but love makes everything good and beautiful. Give more and take less.

*"Trust steadily in God, hope unswervingly, love extravagantly. And the best of the three is love". 1 Cor 13:13b (The Message Bible)*

Please send your feedback to [familylifegrace@gmail.com](mailto:familylifegrace@gmail.com)

## FAITH BEGINS AT HOME

### A Workshop and a Family Trip

*(Albert Ang and Frank Boey (G1), Parenting Life - Family Life@Grace)*

After more than a year of preparation, the Parenting Life @Grace finally kicked off the first run of Faith Begins at Home in conjunction with the Kiasu Parent JB trip. On 10 March 2016, the first session of Faith Begins at Home induction workshop was attended by 20 parents.

The goals of the induction workshop are to make Gracian parents aware of the need to teach their children about God and to encourage parents to be teachers of faith to their children. During the workshop, the participants were asked to identify the reasons children, as second generation Christians, stop attending church when they come of age, and the current and potential issues they face as second generation Christians at home and in school. The workshop also discussed at length what the Bible mentions about the role of parents of second generation Christians and also what parents need to do to inspire their children to know and love God.

The workshop ended with a demonstration on how to create a family photo frame as a commitment to teach and learn about God at home. This is in line with the biblical instruction to create 'signs' and rituals at home to remind our second generation Christian children to remember the goodness of God.

For those who are interested to attend our future induction workshop, please let us know your interest by sending us a note to the following email address: [AskFamilyLife@gmail.com](mailto:AskFamilyLife@gmail.com).

46 parents with their children from G1 and G11 participated in the one day family bonding trip to Johor Bahru. This trip started with a health-beneficial exercise at an indoor trampoline park (Zoom Park). According to a study carried out by NASA, bouncing or jumping on a trampoline for just 10 minutes is equivalent to running for 30 minutes. Beside trampoline bouncing, a mini-scale rock climbing was included in the park. After lunch at a local mall, families had fun exercising their creativity during a visit to the "Kuso 3D trick eye Art Gallery". 3D trick eye art is an art technique that transforms two-dimensional paintings into three-dimensional images using optical illusions. Parents and children took turns expressing their imagination by either being a photographer capturing the most creative pictures or participating as an object of these 3D realistic artworks in order to be photographed. These photographs will serve as reminders of the wonderful time that was spent together as a family. In the evening the families were treated to a sumptuous meal at a local Chinese restaurant before returning to Singapore. Here are some of the unedited feedback and comments from the parents.

"Indeed, my family have enjoyed ourselves very much and we look forward for more activities organized for the family!"

"Thank you for sharing all the pictures and really appreciate you & your committee hard effort, and indeed a great job well done; our family look forward to the next one :) I pray the Lord will continue to use your team & yourself mightily on what He is already doing! I pray the Lord abundant blessing upon you n your team, Amen!"

"Thanks for the Family KIASU JB committee for organizing the trip. Bravo. God bless and indeed we had an enjoyable and blessed time."

"This was certainly a cross-family outing exemplifying the missional Grace families in action, sharing lives at play, at meals and at the customs."

"A memorable family outing. Appreciate the kindness and patience from all the families to allow a good bonding with our children and a nice meeting with G1 and G11 friends."





# SPECIAL NEEDS MINISTRY

By Constance Koh, Grace Kids

Hi, my name is Constance, and together with Sis Janice Chiu, we co-teach in the Special Needs Ministry under Grace Kids ministries. This ministry is a new initiative that started in Quarter 4 of 2014, under the charge of Sis Annabel Soon, a Special Education teacher.

The Special Needs Ministry started with an intimate class size of 2 children, with the intention of ensuring that every child will come to know God and His great love for them. Psalm 139:14 says, "I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are beautiful, I know that full well". Indeed, they are special and perfect children in God's sight and extremely loved by Him. We have now grown to a good class ratio of 3 children to 1 teacher.



Although the general media paints a picture of children with Autism Spectrum Disorder as being 'absorbed in their own world,' I found that our children can be warm-hearted and interactive. It has been a fruitful and rewarding year for me as I see the three children forging friendships, waiting for one another as we go for our small group class, asking about their classmate if he or she is absent and excitedly looking forward class activities with each other.

We plan quarterly themes using short Bible passages and allow the children to easily understand these verses, I usually pick out key phrases and ideas. From there, I like to plan role-plays, hands-on activities and games. We also have fun outdoor sessions to help them in remembering and generalizing the concepts they have learnt in the classrooms and apply to the outside world. An example was the lesson on 'Daniel and the Lions'. The children wore lion

masks and hid behind the grey rock wall at the playground outside our church, pretending to be the lions in their den. They had to roar and pretend to be fierce and when I said Daniel prayed, they stopped roaring and said, "God saved Daniel. God loves Daniel. God loves me."

There is never a dull moment when teaching this lovable group of children. When we did the lesson on 'Jesus Feeds The Five Thousand', I brought five loaves of bread and two smelly fish. We broke the bread into pieces and put them into a basket and they learnt that Jesus fed 5,000 people with 12 baskets of bread and fish leftover. I also brought 'kaya' jam to spread on the pieces of bread so the class could also have a taste. During the lesson recap, our conversation went as such:

**Me:** "How many people?"

**Children:** "5,000"

**Me:** "How many baskets?"

**Children:** 12

**Me:** "What did Jesus feed the 5,000 people with?"

**Ethan was quick to reply:** "Fish, bread and kaya."

To this day, I still laugh when I recall this unexpected and innocent reply from Ethan.

We celebrated festivities together as well, such as the recent Chinese New Year weekend when we did a floral arrangement to bring home. They were very enthusiastic and quick with their demands.

**Ethan:** "I want yellow flowers. Can I also have 3 birds?"

**Josh:** "Me too, yellow!"

**Hai Ting:** "Pink, pink!"

Enthusiastically, they poked their flower stems into the foam base and made their own creations. When all was done, Hai Ting pointed to my bag and said, "Phone," suggesting that she wanted a picture to be taken. So the happy little artisans proudly posed for a picture with their beautiful creations.

I enjoyed all the unexpected moments, the candid comments and affectionate gestures of this close-knit class. They have given me such joy and satisfaction in teaching them. We are indeed blessed by these precious ones and I look forward to more fun and laughter with them and watching them grow in the Lord. I leave you this quote by Albert Einstein.

**Everyone is a genius.**

**But if you judge a fish on its ability to climb a tree,**

**It will live its whole life believing it is stupid** ~ Albert Einstein

## SERVING IN SPECIAL NEEDS MINISTRY

Interested in loving and serving the special needs ministry? Currently this ministry is only held at GII, 9.00 am. We would like to open this ministry up in GI as well, we are looking for volunteers to help out in the Special Needs Ministry. Interested parties can contact Sharmaine at +65 93395397 or email [sharmaine.zeng@graceao.org](mailto:sharmaine.zeng@graceao.org)



## GFM MISSIONAL, SPIRITUAL AND SOCIAL

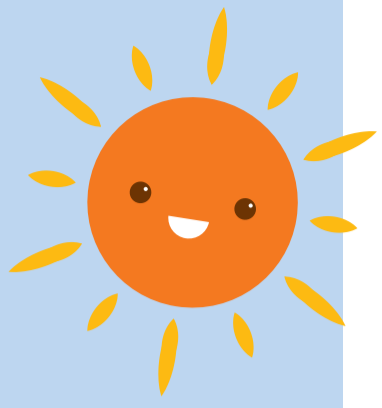
By Jeremy Retuta

As it is written in Hebrews 10:24 'And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds', as we are called to help one another. We are not only to nurture each other's spiritual growth but even our social relationships. Grace Filipino Ministry's (GFM) fulfilment of this verse was displayed on 21 Feb and 28 Feb 2016.

Home Safety and Emergency Response Awareness Training was shared by one of the leaders, Bro Aldwin Retuta on 21 Feb. In his sharing, the understanding of Fire Incident cases and statistics in Singapore surprised everyone upon hearing that there were thousands of such cases in 2015 alone! Everyone learned and were refreshed on the Causes of Fire, Fire Prevention, Emergency Contacts and most importantly on how to deal with them whenever we encounter one, how we'd be able to extend help or might even be able to save other people's lives and how we could have them encounter Christ into their lives in this circumstance. 51 members brought home the learning of this topic and awareness was once again heightened.

28 Feb was another exciting day for GFM's 'Friends Sunday' when selected members come to share their talents and gifts to the congregation during fellowship time. Bro Aaron Pangilinan shared his talent, his hobby and his love for coffee - a barista expert in his own way, together with his espresso machine! The congregation came to understand what "espresso" means and not only that, also to taste the promising aroma of it together with the different types of preparations possible in making coffee. Who could resist the tempting call of aroma of a freshly ground, freshly brewed and taken together with Filipino traditional bread "pandesal" which was also baked by our talented brother! Glory to God! 1 Thessalonians 5:11 'Therefore encourage one another and build up one another, just as you also are doing.'





## 恩典艺术事工

《恩典艺术事工》的使命是分享福音，走入社区，进入人群，接触居民，认识居民与他们建立关系。并设立一个平台让恩友投入社区服侍，为主发光，为主赢的城市，活出使命人生。

恩典操展现了《操中有舞，舞中有操》的活力，以优美的音乐来提升气质，以肢体的动作来保持健康，身体要活就要动，每日一操，老和少，天天笑，容颜俏，身体健康不用药，神的祝福就来到。

目前我们有多个据点，分别在社区家庭服务中心、公园、运动场、组屋综合亭及教会等，都有恩典操活动。

林前9:23

凡我所行的、都是为福音的缘故、为要与人同得这福音的好处。

我们欢迎更多的恩友加入恩典操团队，担任亲善大使，义工和恩典操指导老师。

任何询问请联络黄美莲传道90072039或拨打64100800询问。



## 中文走出阴霾事工



“走出阴霾”是中文部一个重要的事工，此事工是在主日崇拜之外所开放给非信徒与基督徒的一场特别的聚会。“走出阴霾”聚会时间为每个月的第一个星期四，为每位与会者提供一个与圣灵个别亲近并见证神大能的时刻。此聚会以敬拜赞美、讲道和祷告的方式带领与会者来到神的面前，领受圣灵的触摸与医治。

自此事工成立到如今，无数的与会者在这个特别的聚会中经历神迹、被释放、讲方言、得医治，更有非信徒在当中决志信主。我们切实看到圣灵的能力彰显在每一场聚会中，安慰并充满凡寻求祂的人，很多与会者在当中见证圣灵在他们身上的大作为。感谢神借着每一次“走出阴霾”聚会的工作：翻转人的生命、医治他们的疾病、挪去他们的捆绑……愿神继续使用这个事工来成就祂的工作，荣耀归于祂。

任何询问请联络中文事工的张玉瑄牧师。9740 9882



## 2016 中文家庭退修会



日期：5月29日-6月2日  
地点：BATU PAHAT THE KATERINA HOTEL  
讲员：许顺明牧师，陈赞美牧师



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## 活动预告





# GC Gathering

SHARE A MEAL • IGNITE A CONVERSATION • BUILD A COMMUNITY

Grace Communities warmly invites you to a gathering over food and fellowship. Organized and hosted by the respective communities, you will get to meet the Community Pastor in charge of your community as well as other like-minded grace group members. So come join us!

Our journey of faith was never meant to be alone. We all need help and encouragement from fellow brothers and sisters in Christ to keep in step with the Spirit and walk faithfully in the Lord. Take the small step to join the GC gathering in widening your spiritual social circle in Grace and a big step in growing together in Christ.

The gathering is free for all to attend and is held concurrently at GI and GII after each English service on all Sundays in April. Please refer to the schedule below for the gathering date hosted by the respective Grace Communities. To facilitate catering, registration for the event is required. So sign up now at <http://www.graceaog.org/gc-gathering> or call Esther Koh at 6410 0841 by 20 March 2016.

DATE	GRACE COMMUNITIES	EVENT LOCATION
3 April	<b>GIA</b> Bukit Timah, Clementi, Commonwealth, Dover, Holland, , Queenstown, Ulu Pandan	<b>GI Level 2 Fellowship Hall</b>
	<b>GIIA</b> Bukit Panjang, Sembawang, Woodlands, Yishun	<b>GII Level 1 Fellowship Area</b>
	<b>GIIB</b> Choa Chu Kang, Teck Whye, Yew Tee	
10 April	<b>GIB</b> Bukit Merah, Bukit Purmei, Beo Crescent, Balestier, Havelock, Henderson, Kim Tian, Orchard, Outram, Redhill, Spottiswoode Park Tanglin, Tiong Bahru, Tanjong Pagar, Telok Blangah	<b>GI Level 2 Fellowship Hall</b>
	<b>GIIC</b> Jurong, Pandan Gardens, Teban Gardens, West Coast	<b>GII Level 1 Fellowship Area</b>
17 April	<b>GIC</b> Bedok, Changi, Eunos, Geylang, Kallang, Katong, Marine Parade, Telok Ayer, Tanjong Rhu, Tampines, Simei	<b>GI Level 2 Fellowship Hall</b>
	<b>GID</b> Bidadari, Hougang, Paya Labar, Punggol, Pasir Ris, Serangoon, Sengkang	<b>GII Level 1 Fellowship Area</b>
	<b>GIID</b> Bukit Batok, Bukit Gombak, Hillview, Toh Tuck	
24 April	<b>GIE</b> Ang Mo Kio, Bishan, Toa Payoh, Thomson, Yio Chu Kang	<b>GI Level 2 Fellowship Hall</b>



# GRACE SERVICES

## GRACE I SERVICES: 355 Tanglin Road Singapore 247960

### Saturday 1.30 pm

HOKKIEN SERVICE

GALILEE

LEVEL 1

### Saturday 5 pm

YOUNG ADULTS & YOUNG PROFESSIONALS

(YAYP) SERVICE

CANTONESE SERVICE

ELEVATE @ R-AGE YOUTH (14-19 YRS OLD)

BETHEL

LEVEL 3

GALILEE

LEVEL 1

EMMAUS

LEVEL 3

### Sunday 9 am

ENGLISH SERVICE

MANDARIN SERVICE

SHINE @ GRACE KIDS (7-10 YRS OLD)

SPARKLE @ GRACE KIDS (3-6 YRS OLD)

BETHEL

LEVEL 3

GALILEE

LEVEL 1

EDEN

LEVEL 2

ZION

LEVEL 5

### Sunday 11.15 am

ENGLISH SERVICE

FILIPINO SERVICE

EMERGE @ R-AGE YOUTH (11-13 YRS OLD)

SHINE @ GRACE KIDS (7-10 YRS OLD)

SPARKLE @ GRACE KIDS (3-6 YRS OLD)

BETHEL

LEVEL 3

GALILEE

LEVEL 1

EMMAUS

LEVEL 3

EDEN

LEVEL 2

ZION

LEVEL 5

### Sunday 5 pm

KHUSH KHABRI FELLOWSHIP

EMMAUS

LEVEL 3

## GRACE II SERVICES: 1 Bukit Batok West Ave 4 Singapore 659125

### Saturday 2 pm

ELEVATE @ R-AGE YOUTH (13-19 YRS OLD)

CHAPEL

LEVEL 4

### Sunday 9 am

ENGLISH SERVICE

MANDARIN SERVICE

SHINE @ GRACE KIDS (7-12 YRS OLD)

SPARKLE @ GRACE KIDS (3-6 YRS OLD)

CHAPEL

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ENGLISH SERVICE

HOKKIEN SERVICE

SHINE @ GRACE KIDS (7-12 YRS OLD)

SPARKLE @ GRACE KIDS (3-6 YRS OLD)

SANCTUARY

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CHAPEL

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KINDNESS

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### Sunday 1.30 pm

FILIPINO SERVICE

CHAPEL

LEVEL 4

**J333 6, 13, 20 April, 7.30 pm @ GI L3 Emmaus & GII L4 Chapel**  
**Combined J333 (English & Chinese) 27 April, 7.30 pm @ GI L1 Galilee**

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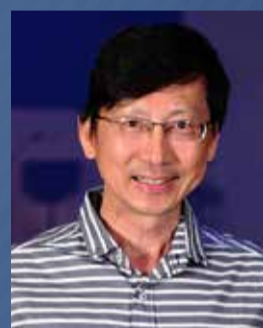
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