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EQUIPPING THE GRACIANS: We grow in extraordinary faith

One of the key strategic thrusts of Grace is equipping the gracians. This thrust is vital to build strong missional disciples in our vision to become a missional family church (MFC) that will impact the world. It is important that every Gracian catches the vision and moves together.

We thank God that since the beginning of 2018, we have begun to run monthly equipping for all our English Grace Missional Group (GMG) adult leaders on the MFC strategy. If you belong to a GMG, you would have begun to receive some of this 11-session MFC training as well. This MFC training will be offered church-wide every year should you miss it.

Going forward, we will map out the three levels of equipping process namely missional learning, missional living and missional leading to help you to grow as a missional disciple in different life stages.

There are three paradigm shifts of missional equipping pedagogies that we need to make to equip strong missional disciples in our information saturated internet generation.

Gospel-Centred

So faith comes from hearing, and hearing by the word of Christ. (Romans 10:17)

There is a crisis of what the gospel is today. You would think that the gospel is so simple, how could it be corrupted. 2000 years ago, Paul in the book of Galatians faced the same problem as he said in Galatians 1:8-9, "cursed is the one who preaches a different gospel from mine". Paul was facing two enemies of the gospel namely liberalism and legalism. We face the same onslaught today from the liberal hypergrace gospel whereby the gospel is all about you and what you can get from Jesus. Traditional denominations react by strongly condemning and enforcing legalistic salvation by obedience and works. Paul brings out the beauty of the gospel in highlighting the finished work of Jesus upon our sinful past, resulting in a grace-filled life of obedience (Galatians 2:20-21). Only when our preaching and teaching are imbued with the word of Christ (the gospel) can we tune our hearts and lives to align with His.

Life-on-life Missional Community

Then Jesus appointed twelve, that they might be with Him (Mark 3:14a)

In the proliferation of social media, we have increased the breadth but decreased the depth of our relationships. The world is crying for authentic community. The world does not need just Hellenistic academia-styled lectures but Hebrew-apprentice model employed by Jesus. The disciples caught kingdom living by spending time with Jesus and one another in a life-on-life community. Lesslie Newbigin says that "the hermeneutic of the gospel is the local congregation" which means that no one can appreciate the reality of the gospel unless they see it being exercised by a physical community living out God's values. Do life and grow with your missional group.

Spirit-Led Praxis

Jesus might send them out to preach, and to have power to heal sicknesses and to cast out demons: (Mark 3:14b-15)

Information without application leads to constipation. In order to grow as disciples, we need to intentionally find avenues for faith expression and ministry. We never really know something unless we do it and practice it. Be intentional in your individual and missional group to reach out to do ministry to others. Be sensitive to the Spirit to join God in what he is already doing in your community, schools and workplaces and allow him to use you in extraordinary ways in 2018.

Ps. Alvin Lim

INTRODUCING **GRACE MISSIONAL COLLEGE MODULE MARCH 2018**

BICC176: FOUNDATION OF CHRISTIAN COUNSELING

15-17 March

Professor: Dr Irvin Rutherford

This course examines three aspects of counselling within the Christian context: (1) a theological foundation for Christian counselling, (2) communication and relationship building skills necessary for being an effective helper, and (3) helping theories and their application for the Christian counsellor or for a ministry of people-helping in the context of a Christian community.

Rev Irvin Rutherford, received a Master's Degree in Cross-Cultural Communication and Counselling. He has served in Asia for 40 years and has worked in the field of drug abuse counselling through Teen Challenge, and various government's drug organizations. He received numerous awards for his humanitarian work in drugs and AIDs programs worldwide. He is founder and director of Asian Ministry Teams, Global Ministry Teens, and Association of Global Motivational Training with offices in countries like Kuala Lumpur, US England, Australia, Vietnam and various African nations. These facilities utilize positive training approach for the next generations of young leaders in humanitarian aid and NGO approaches to the solving of social issues globally.

Closing date for registration: 12 March 2018

REGISTRATION DETAILS

Fee for non-credit or audit students: \$15 Fee for 3-credit module: \$130

Register @http://www.graceaog.org/missional-college Or, at Grace Bookstores located in 2nd level Koinonia, Grace@Tanglin Road, and 1st level, Grace@Bukit Batok

Further enquiries, please email to gmcollege@graceaog.org

UPCOMING MODULES - 1ST HALF OF 2018

BIBT321: Christology, 5-7 April 2018, Professor: Dr Jerry Horner

Closing date for registration: 2 April

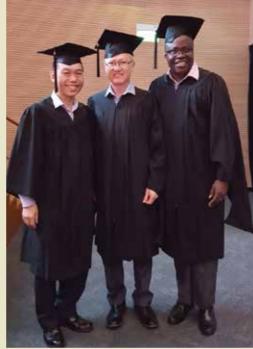
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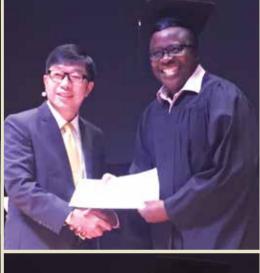
10-12 May,

Professor: Dr Jerry Horner Closing date for registration: 7 May All glory be to God for the 1st batch of graduates from the inaugural graduation exercise of Grace Missional College on 28 January 2018!

Congratulations to our 3 graduates who have successfully completed the Diploma of Theological Studies with Oral Roberts University, USA!

Group photo





Adeyeye Adeyekunle



David Yeoh

Kenneth Kwa



WOMEN OF GRACE

Saturday Bible Study (SBS)

Genesis Part 2 - The Fall, the Flood, and the Nations (Chapters 3-11) [not dependent on Genesis Part 1]

Adam and Eve, the serpent and an apple; Noah's Ark and a worldwide flood; the Tower of Babel. Are these real or imagined? Stories or fact? What difference does it make anyway?

The Book of Genesis holds the keys to understanding the origin of sin and evil, the justice of God's judgment, and the mercy of God's plan for the redemption of mankind, and hope for a lost and dying world. Truths found in chapters 3-11 lay a solid foundation for the rest of the story.

Discover God's precepts, purposes and promises for yourself, and go deeper into God's Word in fellowship with other Women of Grace in this 8-week inductive bible study.

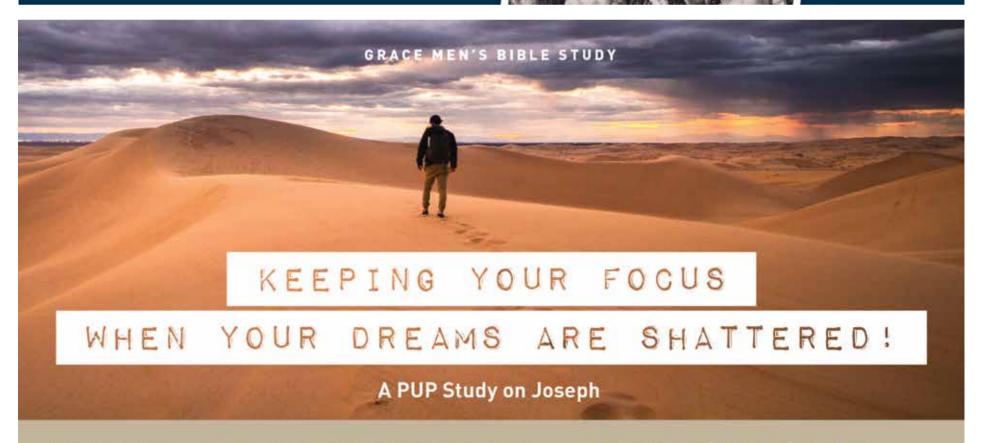
Dates: Saturdays, 24 March / 7-28 April / 5-19 May

Time: 10am - 12nn Venue: GI, L5, Zion Room Cost: \$15 (includes material)

Register at event.graceaog.org from 18 February - 15 March.







bible study sessions as we journey with Joseph and learn to let God use us in the hard times, as well as the good times.

Dates: 24 Mar / 7, 21 Apr / 12, 26 May (5 Saturdays) Time: 10am - 12nn Venue: GI Eden Hall

Register at event.graceaog.org

from 1-12 March



A PERSONAL TRIBUTE TO BILLY GRAHAM

Billy Graham, world-famous evangelist passed on at 99 years old to eternal glory on 21 Feb 2018 having lived a full, Godhonouring and glorious life. Because of him, I got to know John Tan Eng Peng, my husband.

In 1978, John was then officially assigned by the Singapore Police Force to be the personal bodyguard of Billy Graham during his 11 days' ministry including several days' evangelistic rallies at our National Stadium. A friend who knew John would regularly keep us (intercessors) posted with prayer pointers for Billy Graham and his related ministries in



Singapore. I had not met John and was curious about this godly policeman as in my mind, most policemen I had encountered were less than honourable. Later, I asked this friend to introduce me to this man. We became close platonic friends and eventually got married.

On 22 Feb 2018, Thursday, the Straits Times featured an article on Billy Graham's death with a screenshot of him preaching in the Singapore National Stadium. John spotted himself right behind Billy Graham's left elbow.

Among John's treasures were a photo of Billy Graham and John taken in Hyatt Hotel. Another, which was even more precious, was a personal letter dated 11 Dec 1978 that Billy Graham wrote to John by snail mail, a few days after his return to USA. One can detect from it how gracious, humble and personal Billy Graham was. That such a great man would even bother to pen this letter to his bodyguard of a few days speaks great volumes of his pastoral heart.

One interesting fact the world might not know of Billy Graham was that he asked John where he could pray for Singapore when he first arrived. John took him to the Botanical Gardens where both of them prayed. And to think that decades later, the Botanical Gardens would become a World Heritage Site! The ways of God are past finding out.

John recalled that wherever they went during those 11 days, Billy Graham talked mostly of saving souls. He paid a courtesy visit to our late President Benjamin Sheares and presented a Bible to him. Billy Graham spoke not just to crowds but to individuals. He made an effort to give personally-autographed Bibles to hotel staff, especially those who served him. His personal inscription on John's Bible is Philippians 1:6. Such was the measure of the man!

Friends used to tease John that the anointing of the evangelist in Billy Graham had rubbed on him. Indeed, it was so. Hence, it had been John's and my burden for the past four decades to pray for souls to be saved and share the gospel of Jesus Christ. That has been the purpose of our lives and our ministry. We thank God for Billy Graham. Indeed, "The memory of the just is blessed" (Proverbs 10:7a).

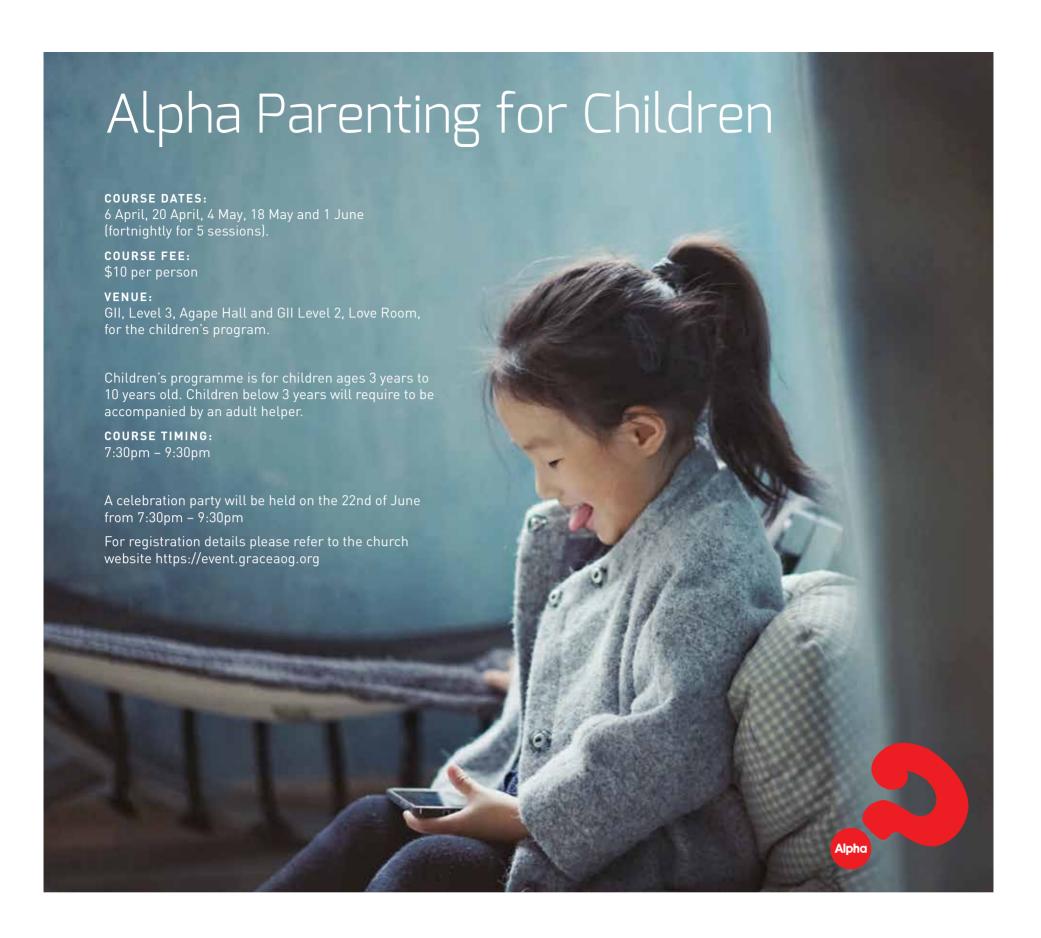
Tan Siew Kuan

23 Feb 2018, Friday

PRAY FOR THE LEADERS IN THE CHURCH 1. Pray they have a servant's heart and serve God faithfully not losing heart even when the ministry gets tough. 2. Pray God teach them His ways so that they know God and find favour with Him as they lead the flock. 3. Pray they be men and women of prayer and the Word. 4. Pray they be filled with God's Spirit and be operating in wisdom as they carry out their responsibilities as spiritual leaders in the church. 5. Bless their households with peace and joy and the blessings of the Lord.







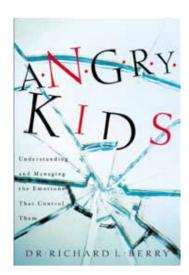


"But as for me and my family, we will serve the LORD." Joshua 24:15

If you need to make counselling appointment, please contact: Pastor Benjamin Wong 9066-2994

All counselling sessions are strictly private and confidential

Grace Family Life Ministry Library is proud to present the following books and DVD collections:



ANGRY KIDS Understanding and managing the emotions that control them

In Angry Kids, Dr Richard Berry draws from his experience as a marriage and family therapist to provide some answers about angry kids to parents, teachers, youth workers, counselors, and school social workers.

His biblical perspective challenges parents and children to be accountable for their actions while working out solutions.

It also explains how parents can inadvertently contribute to that rage, how they can help their children discover the real feelings behind their anger, and how to then teach them techniques for expressing and defusing that anger.

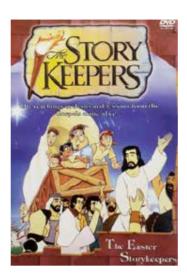
MAGDALENA (DVD) Released from shame

An original film that traces Jesus' interactions with biblical women as seen through the eyes of one of His followers, Mary of Magdala.

After spending three years following Jesus, Mary Magdalene has seen it all - lives changed, miracles performed, the sorrow of death and the triumph of

Mary has watched in amazement as Jesus taught a whole new way of looking at life and at people. Jesus radically transformed her own life when he healed her from demon possession, so much so that she became his follower.





THE STORY KEEPERS (DVD)

From Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem, to his crucifixion, to the open tomb, the Easter story comes alive through the vivid story telling.

This DVD will captivate children while it teaches them about faith, family values, and the wonderful significance of Easter.

A great film to use to teach your little ones about Jesus.

FamilyLife@ Grace Event Calendar 2018!

MARCH

- Father's Workshop first quarter
- Family Footprint Trip
- Restored to wholeness Seminar
- Short-Term Mission Trip Tanjong Pinang

• ALPHA Parenting for children

- MPDP 2nd Run
- ALPHA Parenting for children
- Counselling Workshop

JUNE

- Father's Workshop second quarter
- Short-Term Mission Trip Tanjong Pinang
- Parents' Workshop

JULY

• Couples' Workshop + Dinner

AUGUST

- MPDP 3rd Run
- Alpha Marriage
- Alpha Parenting for teenager
- Family Bonding Event
- Restored to wholeness seminar

SEPTEMBER

• Father's Workshop second quarter

OCTOBER

• Sexual Wholeness Workshops

DECEMBER

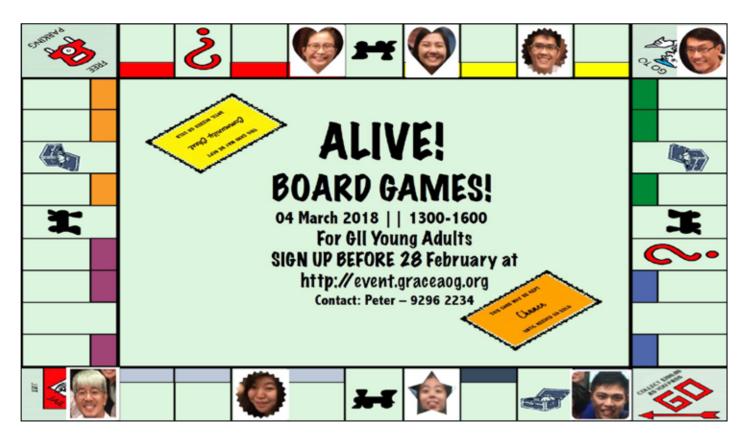
• Short-Term Mission Trip - Tanjong Pinang





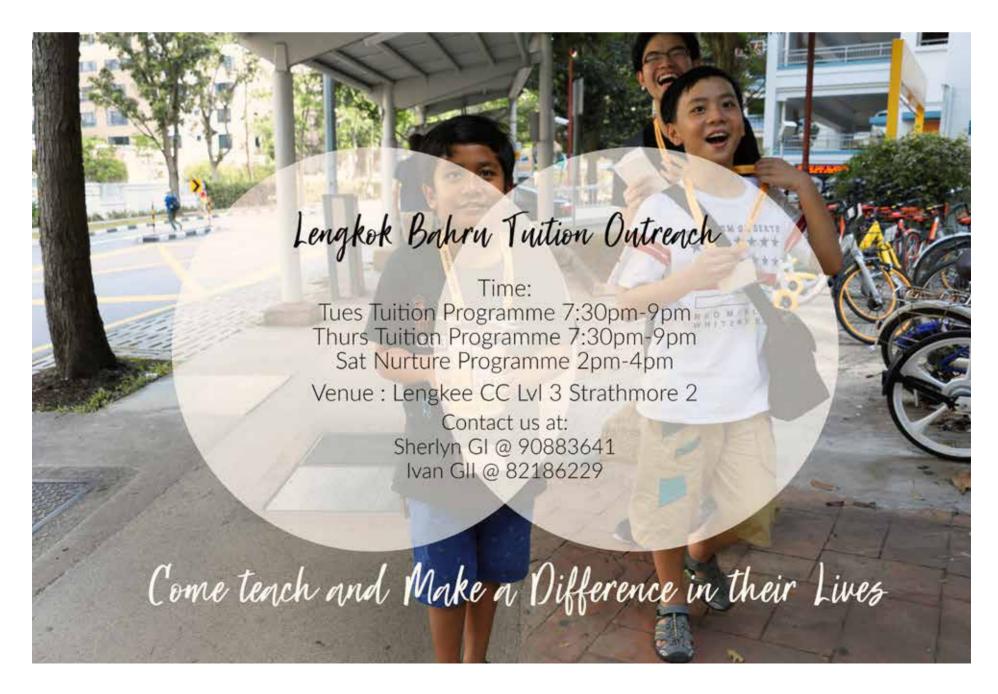
MAY THE BOARD, REDUCE YOUR BORE

"And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching." – Hebrews 10:24-25



Starting this year, we will have a Young Adult gathering every first Sunday of the month. Join us this month as we continue to build up a community of young adults at GII by pitting against your table mates in a friendly competition of wacky board games. You can expect games such as Sushi Go, Exploding Kittens and many more!

Invite your friends, and come and be part of our ALIVE! young adult community. Sign up at https://events.graceaog.org before 28 February 2018. Free feel to contact Peter at 9296 2234 if you have any enquiries.



GMF Region C Missional Project: Jurong Street Evangelism

The Great Commission was given by Jesus in Matthews 28:19-20. He mandated that, "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

Blessed are we, Singaporean believers, that we can easily make disciples of all nations in our own backyard, comprising about 2.2 million non-Singaporeans, which is approximately 39% of Singapore's population. The passion of Brother Wallis Sultan – a Gracian who attends G1 English Service and the author of the book Evangelism Made Simple – in doing street evangelism has rubbed off on some Gracians after he was engaged to conduct a street evangelism training workshop for cell group members

in GMF Region C. This sparked off the launch of a missional project on street evangelism in Jurong by the Regional Pastor Rev. Lim Bee Ngor. A WhatsApp group was created in April 2017, and soon the membership grew to about 30. At present, the group has a steady membership of about 40, with most being Gracians and the rest are believers from other churches who have attended similar street evangelism training workshops conducted by Brother Wallis.

The team goes out to evangelize at Jurong East MRT Station and the surrounding area every 5 to 6 weeks with an average of





about 20 members participating in each outreach. Normally team members are organized into smaller groups of 2 to 3 to evangelize. Many seeds have been sown and watered. With God's blessing, at least one prebeliever accepted Jesus Christ in each outreach after hearing



the Gospel from team members. The Christmas Eve outreach was particularly fruitful with 2 pre-believers and 4 Catholics accepting the Protestant faith. The most recent outreach held on 4 February 2018 also yielded 4 salvations

Details of the next street evangelism outreach at Jurong East MRT Station are as follows:

Date: 18 March 2018 (Sunday) Time: 4.00pm to 6.00pm

Meeting point: Jurong East MRT Station - on Ground Level, at the void

deck between the MRT Station and Gateway West

Contact person: GMF Region C Regional Pastor, Rev. Lim Bee Ngor (HP: 9828 0347)

All Gracians are encouraged to fulfil the great commission by joining this evangelism outreach program as individuals or as a cell group. Briefing to a cell group could be conducted upon request. Those who are interested may contact Rev. Lim. Gracians who are interested to attend the street evangelism training workshop conducted by Brother Wallis Sultan (HP: 9724 4323) may contact him directly.

Cheng Tee Hiang

GMF Region D Missional Project Outreach Event



Overcomers Grace Missional Group was started in 2015 by Pastor Scott with about six members meeting in Grace II premises. I was called to lead the GMG eventually.

In 2016, Pastor Scott introduced Wilson and Polene Chan from Bukit Panjang to the GMG. Praise God, they were also willing to host the meetings and continued to meet fortnightly on Thursday. Its name was changed to Overcomers' Bukit Panjang GMG to reflect its vision to reach out to the community of Bukit Panjang and its vicinity. Praise God the GMG grew strongly.

Last Christmas, we had a blessed Outreach Party with 29 participants including GMG families, new members and 4 pre-believers. Also thanks to GMG members for their valuable contributions and participation. There was so much Makan and Makan which included Christmas turkey, ham, sashimi, durians, catered and contributed food. Wow! We had so much food leftover to bring home too.

Indeed, the games & testimonies were impressive with sharing of messages of the meaning of Christmas, that was all about Christ's

and God's love for all of us. As the seeds of His words were sown into hearts, the GMG would continue to pray and believe that one day those pre-believers who came, would accept the most precious gift (Son of God) from the Heavenly Father. Surely ,our labour of love in the Lord shall not be in vain. All glory be to our God.

Stephen Auw Yong Regional Leader (Region D)

NEPAL MISSIONS TRIP TO POKHARA BY CONSTANCE KOH



Kids' Program

After booking and paying up for everything, we learnt that there would be an election day during the trip when we wouldn't be able to carry out any ministry. We were tempted to cancel the trip as we had planned to carry out programmes in schools but schools were closed that week. However, we de-cided to go in faith, believing that God would achieve His plans through us. Much time was spent travelling over the bumpy and narrow mountain roads of Nepal. Over the two days of ministry, we conducted workshops and training sessions for different groups of people and received many thanksgivings and blessings.

We conducted Women's Training and shared topics such as, 'Be Transformed by God's Love' and 'Building A Wholesome Family'. The Nepali women were moved to kneel and intercede for their families, crying out and experiencing emotional healing by the Holy Spirit. On Day 2, Nerina, our trained nurse taught the women simple first-aid and Urinary Tract Infection management. Everyone participated actively and was forthcoming with questions on the topics.

The team also conducted worship, games and activities at the Dream School, based on bible topics. As school was temporarily closed due to the elections, more children turned up at the training venue than expected. Our driver Lila, tried his best to cram 30 children into the 14 seater, (with some being lifted in from the windows!) but we still had to charter a bus for the additional children. We had 12 salvations that day!

One day, after catching the sunrise at the summit of a hill in Sarangkhot at 5am, we went to visit a village church in the hills. The pastor's father

had had a bad fall and was injured so we laid hands to pray for him, the family and the small congregation.

In Nepal, people go to church on the Sabbath (Saturday). It was a special moment to be in sync with God's people, worshipping Him on a Sabbath. Our team split up and visited a few churches to preach a short sermon. Hearts were receptive and people came forward to pray for healing, anointing and rededication.

During this trip, one thing that left an indelible impression was the level of commitment shown. Due to the election, some had made 24 hour journeys on foot and by road, to come for the training and rush off right after the training to return to their hometowns to vote.

I believe we were transformed by the hunger, passion and commitment to the faith shown by the people who had come. We pray for the rising up of the next generation of leaders in the Shalom AG church so that they can send out more CPs for the revival in Nepal.

Leaders





GRACE MISSIONS INTERNSHIP 2018

Have you been going for missions trips and wanting to explore if you have a calling into full time missions?

If so, the Grace Missions Internship Program is for you. We aim to equip and spur on Gracians who have a possible full-time missions calling through a practical and robust training program with opportunities to apply skills learnt in our many church planting works throughout Asia. In the course of our 6-month internship (July to December 2018), there will be intensive training to equip you to thrive in a cross-cultural setting. What you have learnt will be put into practice in a field internship where you will have the privilege of serving many. This internship allows you to shadow Missions Pastors as they go about their work as well as serve in foreign mission fields together with a missionary.

For more information, write to missions@graceaog.org



RISE UP AND GO FORTH TO MYANMAR!

BY CHENG TEE HIANG

A team of 19 of us went for a trip to Myanmar in December 2017. As with other trips, this trip was filled with joy and laughter, good food and companionship, and the presence and glory of God! Our team consists of 11 adults, and 8 children and teenagers, ages ranging from 9 to 17. What impressed me about this team was the maturity and love shown by all the children and teenagers, reflecting their godly upbringing and how the mission trips have moulded them.

Our team put together a well-choreographed performance called Worthy is the Lamb and performed it 5 times! During one of our performances, a few local children cried. The acting and stage set up was so real, especially the part when Jesus, with wound and blood on the back, was whipped mercilessly by two Roman soldiers. We were also requested to put up an unscheduled performance in a Karen Christian household where it was performed on the street outside the house and drew a lot of positive attention from the neighbours. The performance along with the Gospel message was translated into Burmese by the local pastor, addressing the pre-believers in the neighbourhood.

Another highlight of the trip was the evangelistic rally we held at two different villages. The carnivals put up along with the rallies helped to draw many people. Many pre-believers responded to the altar call; and more than a hundred children did too. After the altar call, the team invited those who were sick to come forward to be prayed for. Many healings were testified, and most spectacularly, a boy who was born mute was able to utter some words after being prayed for; and another mute young man was able to give thanks to God when he was healed.

I am deeply amazed and encouraged by the readiness of the hearts of the pre-believers we reached out to in Myanmar. It reminds me of the Uganda revival story shared by Uganda Pastor John Mulinde when he preached at our church. It is clear to me that God has opened up the door and prepared the hearts of the people for evangelism in Myanmar. To conclude, I strongly encourage more Gracians to rise up and go forth to take the land of Myanmar, which God has given to us!



TOP PHOTO Photo taken after the dance and drama performance on the street.

RIGHT PHOTO A team member hugged the mute young man who was able to speak after being prayed for.



HOW HE LOVES INDONESIA BY CHENG SU QI

Multiple temples of different shades of red and blue greeted us as we drove through this part of Indonesia. I thought, surely spiritual strongholds would hinder our ministry work. I was wrong.

On the first few days of altar ministry, we witnessed people being overwhelmed by God's grace as they surrendered their hurts, unforgiveness and sins. Indeed, nothing can prevent Him from moving.

During the trip, we were also involved in prison ministry. As we drove into the cold and grim prison ground, we went past five barricades and finally entered a church painted in pink, juxtaposing against the cold exterior walls within the prison. During the ministry, one inmate said, "Many people think we are bad people, but we are already changed by God." We witnessed this for ourselves as we saw the inmates worship God with passion and share about their brokenness and complete



reliance on the Lord. Truly as Psalm 51:17 says, "My sacrifice, O God, is a broken spirit; a broken contrite heart you, God will not despise."

We also had the privilege to clean the house of an

old woman who could not control her bowel movements. Hence, her house was infested with waste and insects. She shared with us how she had believed that nobody would ever dare to clean her house, and was happy with our clean-up efforts. We pray that she experienced the love of God through our practical actions that day.

We also went to a school which provides free education for students who cannot afford to go to school. We were astounded by their polite mannerisms – a testament of the good upbringing by their caretakers (fondly known as Mama and Papa). Before we left, we prayed with them. Instead of asking for good grades, many asked for their parents' salvation. As we prayed with them, we cried out to the Lord to hear

their desperate cries. It was a tear-filled yet heart-warming experience that will leave an indelible mark in our hearts.

Psalm 103:8 says, "The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love." This missions trip made me wonder, if we who are mere humans can feel such great compassion for His people, then how much greater does God love His people?





MISSIONS CORNER BOOK REVIEWS

The Missions Libraries at GI and GII Missions Corner stock books on world mission and equipping for missionary work, books on various nations and people groups, practical books for ministry such as preaching and leadership, and many biographical titles that will inspire and motivate you in your faith journey.

In this first article of a two part series featuring books from the two libraries are six recommended titles to help Gracians like you get started on Christian mission literature. Check out the libraries to enjoy these titles and more. Happy reading!

GII MISSION CORNER

Located at the Level 1 Fellowship Area (Carpark behind the Cafe)

For more great resources on missions and missionary work, visit the GII Missions Library located at the Level 1 Carpark!

The Heavenly Man Liu Zhenving with Paul

Liu Zhenying with Paul Hattaway

The Heavenly Man is an intense and inspiring true story of the Chinese Christian Liu Zhenying, otherwise known throughout the book as Brother Yun. The gripping story follows how God took the young,

half-starved boy from a poor village in Henan Province and used him mightily to preach the gospel despite horrific opposition.

Brother Yun became one of China's house church leaders, suffering prolonged torture and imprisonment for his faith. The book is filled with instances of how Scripture became real to him, demonstrating the power of God's *Rhema* Word as it came to Yun through his diligent memorization of Scripture at a young age. The book takes us up to 2001 where, by God's leading and not merely for escape, Yun moved to the West. Read of God's miraculous power to reach the lost and his faithfulness to His servant. May this story encourage your faith and give you boldness to follow after God.



Breakthrough (DVD)

Adapted from Mountain Rain, the biography written by Eileen Fraser Crossman, Fraser's daughter, Breakthrough is an inspiring half-hour docudrama about the life and ministry of James O. Fraser, missionary to the Lisu



people of China in 1908. For 6 long years, J.O. Fraser labored amongst the Lisu people, learning their language and creating their written script, all the while preaching the good news. Yet, this pioneering work bore little fruit. Breakthrough came only after his partners back home took up the challenge to pray. The Lisu now have a strong body of believers who are also sending out workers to other groups around them. Watch this DVD and witness the truth that God indeed hears prayers.

In April 2010, BREAKTHROUGH: The Life of James O. Fraser and the Lisu People was awarded a Gold Remi Award from the WorldFest-Houston International Film Festival. English, Mandarin, Cantonese, Spanish, German, Thai and Lisu language are available on this DVD. Subtitles include English, Simplified and Traditional Chinese, Netherlands (Dutch) and Korean.

Clean Hands, Pure Hearts and Beautiful Feet (Children's book)

Flora Man and Emily Soh

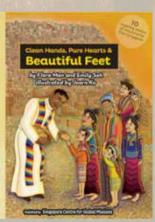
Isaiah 52:7 (ESV)

'How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings good news, who publishes peace, who brings good news of happiness, who publishes salvation, who says to Zion, "Your God reigns."

In 2017, the Singapore Centre for Global Missions (SCGM) published a Children Story Book on 10 Inspiring Stories of *Missionaries from Singapore*, entitled "Clean Hands, Pure Heart and Beautiful Feet" by Flora Man and Emily Soh. The 10 missionaries served in countries as diverse as China and Japan in East Asia to Nepal and Indian sub-continent in South Asia, and from Bolivia in South America to Saipan in the South Pacific.

Illustrated by Jearn Ko, this 120-page story book, with full-colour illustrations, is a visual treat and suitable for personal reading and learning about God's calling in life and mission. Read of amazing miracles, like how God provides for and protects the lives of those who gave up all they had for the sake of the gospel and how He uses His servants greatly. The book is a follow-up from the National Christian Children Ministry conference in April 2017, organized by SCGM in partnership with the 4/14 Window movement, TRAC Board of Children Ministry and the (Anglican) Diocese of Singapore. Parents may use this book for reading and reflection with their children in their family devotional time!





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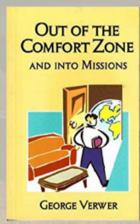
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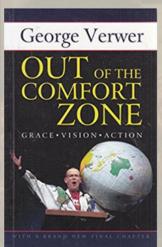
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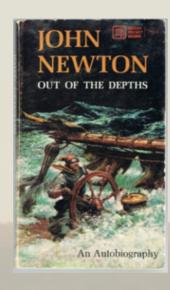
Out of the Comfort Zone and Into Missions

George Verwer

George Verwer is the founder and International Director of Operation Mobilisation. A respected missionary and Christian leader, in Out Of The Comfort Zone And Into Missions he reflects on his forty-three years as leader of Operation Mobilization. Sharing his life lessons and continuing relevance to missionary work today, George Verwer unravels an approach to mission that is down-to-earth, honest and thoroughly biblical. This book will challenge you to step out of your comfort zone and adjust your view of how missionary work is being done. A great read for anyone interested in mission work. A thorough mental exercise for those keen on being sent out. Grab a copy from the GI Missions Library today!







John Newton: An Autobiography

John Newton

A beloved hymnist in Christendom, John Newton famously penned the well-known hymn 'Amazing Grace'. In this collated series of fourteen letters written to a friend, John Newton autobiographically recounts his own dramatic journey to salvation and attests to the many acts of Providence that led him there. Having experienced hardships as a boy and later involved in slave-trading, John Newton writes of the great depths from which God had saved him. In these letters, he recollects God's love and mercy in delivering him and later using him as an effective weapon against the evil one whom he once served.

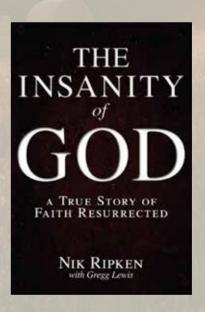
Discover the timeless story of John Newton's conversion and the true meaning of the familiar words, "Amazing grace! How sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me. I once was lost, but now am found; was blind, but now I see."

The Insanity of God

Nik Ripken with Gregg Lewis

The Insanity of God is a compelling story by Nik Ripken about the persecuted church in places of life that are overcome with the darkness of sin, despair, and hopelessness. Writing from an experience of twenty-five years on the mission field, Nik tells the story of being taught by believers in persecution "how to follow Jesus, how to love Jesu<mark>s, and</mark> how to walk with him day by day." Filled with heartbreaking anecdotes of life and faith in war-torn countries and persecuted nations, The Insanity of God is an exciting read of the work of the Holy Spirit and the faith of believers who shout that Jesus is worth it; He is worth my life, the life of my spouse, and the lives of my children.

Nik Ripken is the world's leading expert on the persecuted church in Muslim contexts and has primarily served in North Africa and the Middle East. The Insanity of God has since been made into a film of the same name. Highly recommend this book!



ANNOUNCEMENT

MISSIONS PLEDGE CARDS

If you have not submitted your missions pledge cards, please do so by 31 March 2018. You can put them into the offering bags at the service halls.



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

MARCH				
1 Mar	GDM Membership Connect	GI L2 Koinonia 7pm		
1 Mar	GDP 104 Membership	GI L5 Zion 7.30pm		
3 - 31 Mar	Kairos Course	GII L2 Praise Room 9am		
6 Mar	Healing Room @ GI	GI L3 Emmaus 7.30pm		
7 & 28 Mar	WOG DBS	GI L1 Gethsemane 10am		
9 Mar - 15 June	Alpha Course	GI L2 Eden, 7pm		
13 Mar	Healing Room @ GII	GII L3 Agape 7.30pm		
15 – 17 Mar	GMC: Foundation of Christian Counseling	GI L2		
16 & 17 Mar	Restore to Wholeness Seminar	GI L3 Emmaus 7pm / GI Eden 9am		
23 Mar	57th Annual Business Meeting	GI L3 Bethel 7.30pm		
24 Mar	WOG SBS	GI L5 Zion 10am		
24 Mar	Men Bible Study	GI L2 Eden 10am		
28 Mar	J333 Prayer Meeting (Combined)	GI L1 Galilee 7.30pm		
30 Mar	Good Friday	GI L3 Bethel 9.30am / GII L2 Sanctuary 11.30am		
APRIL				
1 Apr	Water Baptism	GI L2 Baptism Pool 10.30am		
3 Apr	Healing Room @ GI	GI L3 Emmaus 7.30pm		
4, 18 & 25 Apr	WOG DBS	GI L1 Gethsemane / GII L2 Praise Room 10am		
5 – 7 Apr	GMC Christology	GI L2		
6 Apr – 15 June	Alpha Course	GI L2 Eden 7pm		
7 & 14 Apr	Kairos Course	GII L2 Praise Room 9am		
7 - 28 Apr	WOG SBS	GI L5 Zion 10am		
7, 21 Apr	Men Bible Study	GI L2 Eden 10am		
10 Apr	Healing Room @ GII	GII L3 Agape 7.30pm		
6 Apr – 4 May	Alpha Parenting	GII L3 Agape 6.30 pm		
25 Apr	J333 Prayer Meeting (Combined)	GI L1 Galilee 7.30pm		
MAY				
1 May	Healing Room @ GI	GI L3 Emmaus 7.30pm		
2 May	WOG DBS	GI L1 Gethsemane / GII L2 Praise Room 10am		
3 - 4 May	AG 90th Anniversary	Outside Grace		
4 May	Alpha Parenting	GII L3 Agape 6.30 pm		
4 May – 15 June	Alpha Course	GI L2 Eden, 7pm		
5 - 19 May	WOG SBS	GI L5 Zion 10am		
8 May	Healing Room @ GII	GII L3 Agape 7.30pm		
10 – 12 May	GMC Pneumatology – Grace AOG	GI L2		
12, 26 May	Men Bible Study	GI L2 Eden 10am		
17, 24 & 31 May	GDP-102 FOF Class	GII L1 Glory 7.30pm		
30 May	J333 Prayer Meeting (Combined)	GI L1 Galilee 7.30pm		
30 May	English Retreat Briefing	GI L3 Bethel 8.30pm		

NOTICE OF 57th ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING (ABM)

Please be informed that the 57th ABM will be held on:

Date: 23 March 2018, Friday Time: 7.30 p.m. sharp

Venue: Grace I, 355 Tanglin Road, Singapore 247960

Bethel Hall, Level 3

Those who have requested for a physical copy of the ABM Annual Report, please collect it on 10 & 11 and 17 & 18 March at the following locations:

- Grace Assembly, Tanglin Road: Main Entrances of Level
 1 Galilee Hall & Level 3 Bethel Hall
- Grace Assembly, Bukit Batok: Main Entrances of Level 2 Sanctuary & Level 4 Chapel

Those who requested for an e-copy of the ABM Annual Report, it will be sent to you via email.

Please remember to bring along your NRIC or other Identification Card and the Annual Report to the meeting. You will need your NRIC/Identification Card to register your attendance at the ABM. Registration begins at 6:30 pm.

If you have questions relating to the documents in the Annual Report, please feel free to email us at ecb@graceaog.org or fax us at 64100801 by 19 March 2018. Alternatively, you may hand in your questions to Sis Kong Poh Suan at the Church office on Level 5 of Grace Assembly, Tanglin Road.

Lastly, you may note from the Church Constitution that membership update must be done 2 weeks before the ABM, i.e. by 9 March. Those who did not manage to update the membership by this date, you are not eligible to vote. You can sit in the meeting as an Observer.

We look forward to seeing you at the ABM.

14 CHURCHWIDE MAR 2018

10 Essential Truths About Christian Giving

CHAN GIVING

Very often, people ask or wonder "what are the basic biblical principles for Christian giving?" Over the next 10 issues of Grace Bulletin, we will provide the 10 essential truths about Christian giving, one for each issue of Grace Bulletin. We hope these truths or principles will provide answers to that question as we contemplate our own giving to the Lord's church in response to the clear teaching of His word.

Essential truth No 1. The Lord Jesus expects and requires us to give. Jesus said to His disciples, "when you give" not "if you give" (Matthew 6:2)! Hence, Christian giving is not optional, but rather essential. We often hear folks say: "in the Old Testament they had to give, but not in the New - now we only give if we want to." This is clearly not Jesus' teaching. He expected all His followers to be givers. Christians will give. Are you giving?

TITHES, OFFERINGS AND PLEDGES — could be made through:

- 1. Placing Cash or Cheque in the Offering bag during services.
 - Cheque for Offering to the Church should be made payable to: "Grace Assembly of God"
 - Cheque for Missions Pledge should be made payable to: "Grace Missions"
- 2. Internet Banking to our bank account:

Electronic Funds Transfer for Tithes & Offerings, Missions Giving

Benefit of giving your tithe & offering through internet banking

- Giving can be anytime, 24 hours daily.
- No transaction cost to you, it is FOC.
- Transaction captured on your bank statement, easy record keeping.

For more information please go to our website: http://www.graceaog.org/online-giving/

HEALING ROOM MINISTRY

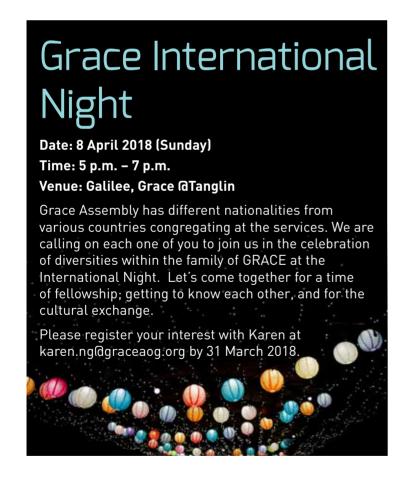
Now held at both Grace I and Grace II

06 March 2018

1st Tuesday @ GI (355 Tanglin Road) Level 3 Emmaus Hall 7:30pm

13 March 2018

2nd Tuesday @ GII (1 Bukit Batok W. Ave. 4) Level 3 Agape Hall 7:30pm



Facilities Assistant For Grace Assembly a Tanglin Road

Grace Assembly is seeking for suitably qualified candidate to fill the position of the Facilities Assistant for the church at Tanglin Road.

OVERALL JOB DESCRIPTION

The Facilities Assistant helps the Facilities Team to manage the day-to-day operations of the church building. The day-to-day operations cover maintenance, housekeeping, and upkeep of the facility, support the booking of hall/room facilities' set-up, follow-up/update on the compliance and practice of safety and security measures, perform 1st level trouble shooting of the electrical & mechanical work defects, liaise/supervise contractor during maintenance work & repair services, and handle building services/logistics during weekend & special event services.

QUALIFICATIONS/REQUIREMENTS

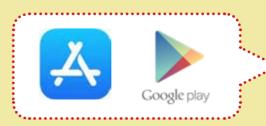
Minimum qualification: Possess a minimum NTC 3 in M&E or equivalent, knowledge of MS Office, minimum 1 year working experience with facility & security will be an advantage, preferably a PR or Singaporean, and with good communication skills, flexibility and physical dexterity for the job.

Interested Applicant, please submit your application for the above position to hr@graceaog.org by 30 March 2018. Or, you may send in your application to the Human Resource, Grace Assembly of God, 355 Tanglin Road, Singapore 247960

Get connected in 3 easy steps!

- 1. Search for Grace Assembly from your phone's app store,
- 2. Install the app
- 3. Sign-in using your email address

Looking forward to connect with you!





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恩典二社区外展事工

服侍人员沈赛娥的见证

感谢主能有机会跟随陈牧师 在社区里帮忙服侍居民,十 分感恩。在社区里可以看到 各种各样;各个阶层各种背 景的中老年人,也从服侍当 中看到许多的人生百态,成为 我们生活中的一面镜子,也 免以后自己重倒覆辙,也可 成为我们行走人生的借镜, 让我受益非浅。



在社区服务居民时,要有持久的爱心和耐性。当我们慢慢成为他们真正的朋友,他们也想要出来当义工。慢慢地也有人肯走进教会,这是我们最大的喜悦。在服侍时好像也觉得自己年轻起来,虽然必须牺牲许多个人时间精力和家庭生活,但是感觉是在帮助别人;服侍引导他们走向耶稣,是在做耶稣要我们做的事。每一次有一个人走进神的国度,我心里总是感到雀跃万分。

在这么多年的服侍当中,虽然也有遇到困难和气馁的时候,但有陈牧师和其他义工等人的共同扶持和鼓励,我没有放弃,也没有感觉到累,还希望有更多的人站出来和我们一起服侍,让更多失散的灵魂得救,使神的国度扩大。

世界那么大,希望我不管走到那里,都永远愿意在神的国度里服侍他人,把神的爱分享出去,更希望大家也和我一样服侍喜乐。感谢主!

沈赛娥姐妹 笔

恩典二社区活动-1月25日 新春购物游





恩典社区事工活动 - 2月3日 狮城春节

购物团











GRACE SERVICES

GRACE I SERVICES: 355 Tanglin Road Singapore 247960

SATURDAY 1.30 PM

Level 1 Hokkien Service Galilee

SATURDAY 5 PM

Young Adults & Young Professionals (YAYP) Service Bethel Level 3 Cantonese Service Galilee Level 1 Elevate @ R-AGE Youth (15-19 Yrs Old) **Emmaus** Level 3

SUNDAY 9 AM

English Service Bethel Level 3 Mandarin Service Galilee Level 1 Shine @ Grace Kids (7-10 Yrs Old) Eden Level 2 Sparkle @ Grace Kids (3-6 Yrs Old) Zion Level 5

SUNDAY 11.15 AM

Bethel Level 3 **English Service** Filipino Service Galilee Level 1 Emerge @ R-AGE Youth (11-14 Yrs Old) **Emmaus** Level 3 Shine @ Grace Kids (7-10 Yrs Old) Level 2 Eden Sparkle @ Grace Kids (3-6 Yrs Old) Level 5 Zion

SUNDAY 5 PM

Khush Khabri Fellowship

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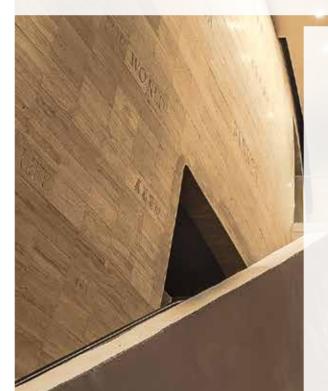
Chapel

07, 14, 21 MAR, 7.30pm @ GI L3 Emmaus Hall & GII L3 Agape Room

28 MAR - Combined J333, 7.30pm @ GI L1 Galilee

Level 4

Level 4



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

Level 3

SATURDAY 2 PM

Elevate @ R-AGE Youth (15-19 Yrs Old)

Emmaus

SUNDAY 9 AM **Enalish Service** Level 4 Chapel Mandarin Service Sanctuary Level 2 Shine @ Grace Kids (7-10 Yrs Old) Level 2 Love Sparkle @ Grace Kids (3-6 Yrs Old) Kindness Level 4

SUNDAY 11.15 AM

English Service Sanctuary Level 2 Hokkien Service Level 4 Chapel Emerge @ R-AGE Youth (11-14 Yrs Old) Agape Level 3 Level 2 Shine @ Grace Kids (7-10 Yrs Old) Love Sparkle @ Grace Kids (3-6 Yrs Old) Kindness Level 4

SUNDAY 1.30 PM

Filipino Service Chapel

GRACE ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Grace I: 355 Tanglin Road Singapore 247960 Office hours: 9am - 6pm (Mon-Fri), 10.15am - 1pm (Sun)

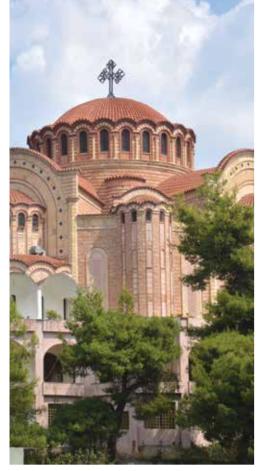
Grace II: 1 Bukit Batok West Avenue 4 Singapore 659125 Office hours: 10.15am - 1pm (Sun)

For More Information

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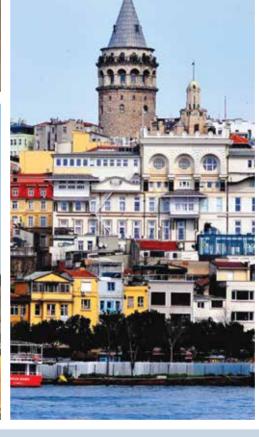














BIBLICAL TOUR OF TURKEY & GREECE 2018

08.12.2018 (Sat) - 20.12.2018 (Thu)

Departure: 8 December @0150 hours
Return: 20 December @0735 hours

Tour Fares: approximately S\$4000+ per person for

twin-sharing, excluding airline fuel surcharge

& airport taxes

Itinerary covers trips to Turkey/Istanbul, Sardis, Pamukkale, Ephesus, Smyrna, Pergamum, Philippi, Thessaloniki, Delphi, Athens.

The tour price includes one return economy class airfare on Singapore Airlines, one-way economy class airfare on Aegean Air between Athens and Istanbul, group transfers, English-speaking professional guides proficient in the Bible, all meals during the tour, 11-day of tour in an air-conditioned luxury bus, 10-night stay in good local touring category hotels, and all sites and entrance fees as stated in the itinerary.

Closing date for registration: 31 March 2018

Deadline for the deposit of \$1500 by 20 April and balance payment by 31 July.

Please email at **poh.suan@graceaog.org** for any query you may have, or to obtain the travel itinerary & information, or for the registration of the tour.



GRACE RETREAT 2018 7-11 JUNE

SUNWAY PYRAMID HOTEL, KUALA LUMPUR

REGISTRATION CLOSES 11 MARCH

REGISTER NOW @ WWW.GRACEAOG.ORG/GRACERETREAT

MAIN SERVICES:



MAIN SPEAKER:

DR JOHN ANDREWS

One Church, Gloucester Former Principal, British Assemblies of God Bible College

YOUTH SPEAKER:

REV JOSHUA OBENG

Youth Pastor & Incoming Senior Pastor Calvary Charismatic Centre, Kumasi, Ghana

WORKSHOP@GR18:

- + Giving An Answer For Your Faith
- + Marketplace Ministry Faith at Work

ALPHA@GR18:

+ Alpha Program is available for pre-believing relatives. Alpha provides everyone the opportunity to explore the meaning of life in a relaxed. friendly setting. Seize the chance!

RETREAT FEES:

MEMBERS OR REGULAR WORSHIPPERS					
CAT	AGE BRACKET	SINGLE ROOM	DOUBLE SHARE	TRIPLE SHARE	
		PER PAX	PER PAX	PER PAX	
ADULT	AGE > 12	575	385	365	
SENIOR	AGE > 60	535	360	345	
STUDENT	20 < AGE ≤ 30 FULL-TIME STUDENT IN UNIVERSITY	-1	270	245	
STUDENT	5 < AGE ≤ 30 Full-time student in Kindergarten / Pri / Sec / Ite/ Poly / JC	×	*	245	
+CHILD	5 < AGE ≤ 12 (NO BED)	115	115	115	
+INFANT/ TODDLER	AGE ≤ 5 (NO BED)	FOC	FOC	FOC	

- + All rates exclude the optional 2-way transportation fee of \$20/pax.
- + Gracian's rates is extended to pre-believing relatives only if they attend Alpha/Children/Youth programs.
- + Collection of payment will be over 3 weekends at all services on Mar 3/4, 10/11 and 17/18
- + For more info, please visit www.graceaog.org/graceretreat