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BULLETIN

THANKFUL!

As we come to the end of the year, I'm thankful and always grateful for three key areas.

Firstly, I give thanks to our Lord Jesus Christ for His unwavering faithfulness to us as a church.

Psalm 106:1 NIV

Praise the Lord. Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever.

Indeed, the Lord has been so good to us. He is the Giver of 'every good gift and every perfect gift,' and worthy of our thanks. As our loving Shepherd, He tenderly cared for all our physical, financial and spiritual needs. From time to time, we experienced His amazing leading and provision. He has proven Himself beyond a shadow of a doubt, to be our refuge and strength in every challenging situation. Surely, we have numerous reasons to wholeheartedly give thanks to Jehovah. Only He is worthy of our highest honour, praise, and thanksgiving!

May we as a church, not take God's blessing for granted. If we are not careful like the Israelites, we can become ungrateful and lose appreciation for all the blessings we have received from Him.

Again, we have tasted of His goodness and are awed by His faithfulness.

Secondly, I give thanks to God for all the operation staff, ministers and pastors of Grace Assembly.

Ephesians 1:16 NIV

I have not stopped giving thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers.

Words alone can never truly express my heartfelt thanks to every staff who served unreservedly with love and dedication. Their unwavering support, hard work, and commitment have helped strengthen the church to what it is today. Their selfless and tireless act of service has brought about a positive impact on many Gracians. They are gifts from the Lord to equip and bless the house of the Lord. Their faithful services have moved the church forward in many different ways.

We are blessed with a devoted and passionate team of staff.

Thirdly, I thank God for people in Grace, the Gracians.

2 Thessalonians 1:3 NIV

We ought always to thank God for you, brothers and sisters, and rightly so, because your faith is growing more and more, and the love all of you have for one another is increasing.

I am so blessed to be the Senior Pastor of Grace because this church is filled with wonderful Gracians who love God and the church. Their love for God, a dedicated labor of love in different ministries, prayers, acts of love and faithful giving have indeed built up the church. Gracians are our partners in ministry.

To all Gracians, thank you once again, for giving to the Lord.

Let us together as a family move forward in love and always look to Jesus, our Extraordinary Saviour.

Charis and I would like to wish all Gracians a blessed Christmas and an extraordinary New Year.

Senior Pastor
Ps. Calvin Lee



5 December

No J333

12, 19 December 7.30pm

GI – Emmaus Hall / GII – Agape Room

26 December

No Combined J333

*"Pray in the Spirit at all times and on every occasion.
Stay alert and persistent in your prayers for all
believers everywhere."*

Ephesians 6:18 (NLT)

DECEMBER PRAYER POINTERS

Pray for Gracians reaching out to lost souls in local communities and foreign missions this Christmas season!

1. Pray for all Gracians to get missional in this Christmas season of outreaches!
2. Pray for many to discover the Lord through our Christmas services and outreaches in Singapore and other nations.
3. Pray for the Lord's guidance for all workers in the planning, execution and follow-up of the Christmas programmes in the different congregations of the church.
4. Pray for the many December missions teams to be spiritually prepared for the work and war they are sure to face and that they will learn to trust God's plan, not their own, and be spiritually discerning as they bring the Christmas joy and love to people of other cultures .
5. Pray that all believers in this nation will respond to the call to serve the lost this Christmas season, and fulfil every purpose, every faith-filled act of service by His Power.

Gracians

If you have a prayer request and need the church to pray for you, you can write to:
PrayerRequest@graceaog.org





GRACE MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

GENESIS 3-11: The Fall, the Flood and the Nations!

Grace Men Bible Study will be embarking on a new series of inductive bible study on The Fall, the Flood, and the Nations. These fascinating stories in the Bible are not only meant for children in Sunday schools. Some may wonder if they are real or allegorical. We have seen occurrences of major floods and natural disasters in different parts of the world, but can you imagine a flood on a global scale that wiped out everyone (except Noah and those with him in the Ark)?

Packed in these stories are many faith-building lessons about the human condition and God's salvation of mankind. Join us to unpack seven fascinating sessions as we journey through Genesis, chapters 3 to 11.

Dates: 26 Jan (Intro), 23 Feb / 2, 16 Mar / 6, 20 Apr / 4, 18 May

Time: 10am – 12pm

Venue: GI, Zion Room, Level 5

Cost: \$18 (includes workbook)

Register at event.graceaog.org from 1 Dec -13 Jan! For further enquiries, email mbs@graceaog.org or call 64100804.



This one of its kind life coaching course creates a space and framework for your exploration by combining the word of God with biblical life principles and life coaching strategies. This course enables you to discover your gifts, skills, abilities, core values and passion as well as your calling through the power of the Holy Spirit, allowing you to step into God's design for your life.

WOMEN OF GRACE – DAY BIBLE STUDY

The Significant Woman

Dates of class : 13, 20, 27 Feb / 6, 27 March /
3, 10, 17, 24 April / 8 May 2019
(Wednesdays)

Time : 10.00 am – 12.00 pm

Venue : GI L1 Gethsemane & GII L3 Agape Hall

Cost : \$24

Register at www.graceaog.org/gdp from
1 Dec – 6 Jan 19.
For further enquiries, email dbs@graceaog.org or
call 64100804.



WOMEN OF GRACE

Saturday Bible Study (SBS)

EXODUS

(A Precept Upon Precept Inductive Bible Study)



Photo by Yeo Khee on Unsplash

The Book of Exodus chronicles the Israelites' epic journey from slavery to freedom. Learn powerful truths about who God is and what His ways are like as you observe His dealings with a people full of fear, doubt and distrust of Him, a people much like many Christians today. Watch Moses develop into the greatest leader in the history of mankind, and see God deliver His people by judging their enemies. Learn if the Ten Commandments are still relevant for believers today. Let the Tabernacle give you insights on how to worship a holy God.

This book contains foundational truths about deliverance, redemption, the Law and the Tabernacle. Come join the Women of Grace in this 12 week in-depth and practical study that will transform your life and walk with God.

DATES: Jan 5 (Intro), 12 & 26, Feb 9 & 23, Mar 9 & 23, Apr 13 & 27, May 11 & 25 and Jun 1

TIME: 10am – 12pm

VENUE: GI, Eden Room, Level 2

COST: \$25 (includes workbook)

Register at event.graceaog.org from 24 Nov – 23 Dec! For further enquiries, email sbs@graceaog.org or call 64100804.



Grace
Discipleship
Process

New to Grace and want to be part of this body of Christ?

Want to deepen your walk with God in a loving faith community?

Join our
NEW GDP Level 100:

MISSIONAL LEARNING

(2019 GI Cohort)

Dates: 18 Jan – 5 Apr, Friday
Time: 7:30-9:30pm
Venue: GI

Level 100 will cover the following

- 102 Foundations of Our Faith (18, 25 Jan, 15 Feb)^{1,2}
- 103 Water Baptism (22 Feb)¹
- 105 Building Faith at Home (1 Mar)
- 106 Gospel-Centred Missional Identity (8 Mar)
- 107 Be My Witnesses (15 Mar)
- 108 Missions for All Believers (29 Mar)
- 104 Church Membership (5 Apr)^{1,2}

¹Courses compulsory for Water Baptism

²Courses compulsory for Membership

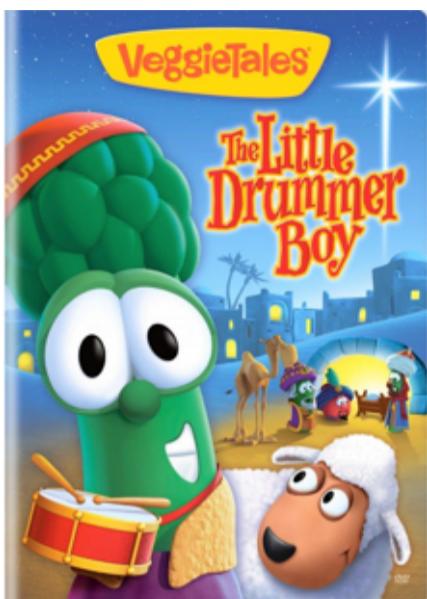
If you are preparing to be baptized or transfer your membership to Grace, please sign up for Level 100.

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

For further enquiries, please contact Bee Lian at gdp@graceaog.org or 64100804.



Grace Family Life Ministry Library is proud to present the following DVDs:

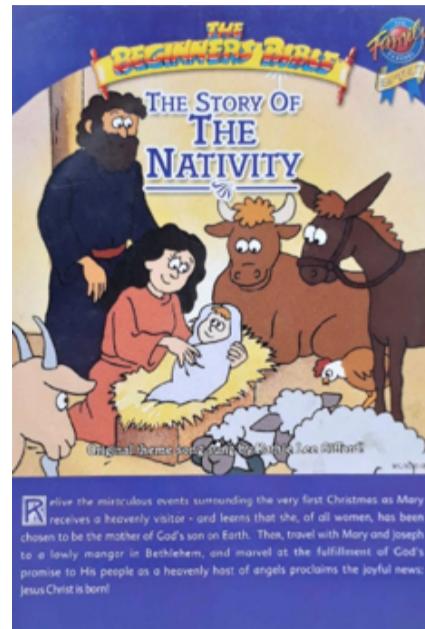


THE LITTLE DRUMMER BOY *The Birth of the Baby Jesus*

In this Veggie-version of a holiday classic, Junior Asparagus stars as The Little Drummer Boy, a lonely child who finds the true meaning of Christmas when he stumbles upon the birth of the baby Jesus.

A story of generosity, hope and love.

This timeless tale will warm the hearts of children everywhere!

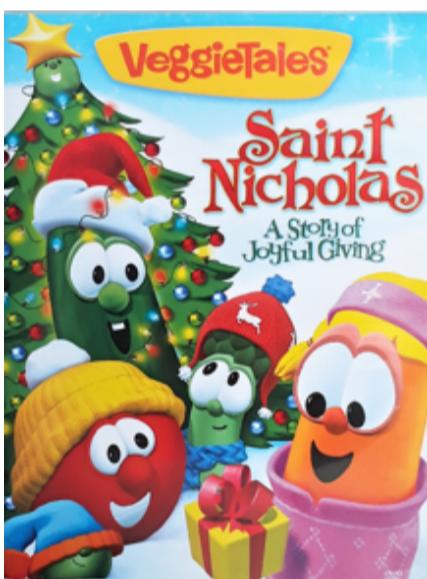


THE STORY OF THE NATIVITY *The Beginner's Bible*

Relive the miraculous events surrounding the very first Christmas as Mary receives a heavenly visitor - and learns that she, of all women, has been chosen to be the mother of God's son on Earth. Then, travel with Mary and Joseph to a lowly manger in Bethlehem, and marvel at the fulfillment of God's promise to His people as a heavenly host of angels proclaims the joyful news: Jesus Christ is born!

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A delightful new way to introduce young children to the timeless stories of inspiration, courage and faith.



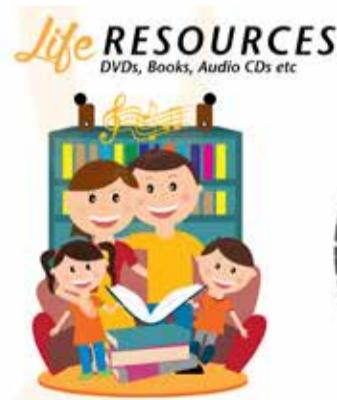
SAINT NICHOLAS *A Story of Joyful Giving*

When Junior Asparagus and his Veggie friends learn that Laura Carrot's dad has lost his job on Christmas Eve, Bob the Tomato decides to tell the kids a very special story about giving.

Using a big storybook and a little imagination, they all travel back to ancient Greece to meet Saint Nicholas, the world's greatest giver.

Find out as the Veggies discover the true joy of giving to others – at Christmas time and throughout the year!

Grace Family Library @ GI is open on every 1st Sunday of the month.
Grace Family Library @ GII is open on every 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month.



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

If you need to make a counselling appointment, please contact:

Pastor Benjamin Wong (HP: 9066 2994)

All counselling sessions are strictly private and confidential.

The Married Life Mentors' Retreat

There is a time to serve and give and there is a time to rest and receive. The Married Life Mentors came together and were nourished with spiritual food, kindred fellowship, and fellowship over BBQ and coffee.

Pastor Wilson appreciated the mentors for their service to the Lord and to the body of Christ. He also reminded the mentors to take care of their own marriages as they journey with other couples.

Brother Ronald Seet shared on the topic "The heart of a mentor". He shared how he has been shaped by people who have positively influenced him through small and yet powerful acts. In the same way, we can also make an impact in the lives of those we mentor.

It was a good time for all of us to catch up with one another and be encouraged by one another.



Family Life Ministry Worker's Appreciation & Thanksgiving Night

Family Life Ministry had their workers appreciation and thanksgiving night at the close of this year to celebrate God's goodness and faithfulness. We started with a sumptuous dinner and had the opportunity to get to know others serving in different divisions over dinner.

After dinner, we proceeded to the hall and started with the worship song "Give Thanks". It was a wonderful time expressing our gratitude to God who had led us through the years and brought us to where we are today purely by His grace.

We had the privilege to hear from our Executive Pastor, Pastor Wilson. He shared on Hebrews 6:10-11. All were greatly encouraged knowing that God remembers all who labour for him in His house.

After the sharing of the word, we had different representatives from different family life programmes to share their testimonies; our marriage mentors Tien Yung & Joyce for marriage preparation and discipleship programme, our parenting life facilitators Wilson & Polene for our alpha parenting programme, our family event champion Kenneth Kwa for our family bonding events, our ministry giver Geraldine for wholeness ministry, our associate counsellor Alicia Poon from our counselling ministry, and our editor Tanya for our editorial team.

We also thank God for all the new initiatives launched this year; Grace Nuggets – a Youtube video series messages to empower families, GPN – a grace parenting network for young parents and parents in need, Fathers Mentoring Group for mentoring fathers in their Godly role and Alpha Marriage for reaching out to pre-believing couples.

We ended the night by praying for the representatives of the different divisions, committing the next lap of the family life ministry into the Lord's hand.

The evening ended with all being filled with greater faith to pursue God's destiny of seeing Grace Assembly become a missional family church.

Hey God! It's Me Checking In.

During crunch times, how do we as parents keep God as our true north? All my previous articles have been on principles parents can utilise to draw their kids closer to Him. But this article is a little different. I dedicate it to you, dear parents – a Christmas gift that will not only change the way you parent, but also change the way you live.

I wrote this because I have come to understand that unless we take care of ourselves and our needs in God's presence, we can't minister to those closest to us – our spouse and our kids.

The Bible commands us in 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 to "*Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, and in everything give thanks, for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.*"

How do we pray without ceasing? When I was 13, I read a book entitled *The Practice of His Presence* by Brother Lawrence. A monk who spent most of his time doing menial work in a monastery, Brother Lawrence talked about a constant consciousness of God's presence. He repeatedly experienced the tangible presence of God and a manifestation of God's glory while he was washing pots and pans. He found joy in his daily chores. Things we would otherwise deem as boring and meaningless, he saw as worship to God. And he invited the Creator to show up in a conscious and purposeful way while carrying out these tasks.

This guided me in understanding how to pray without ceasing. It taught me to turn each hour of every day into God-conscious moments. And it helped me retain my sanity as I wore my many hats as a wife, mum, daughter, creative director, sister, keynote speaker, lecturer on creativity, writer, author and worship leader. People ask me how I do it. The answer is, I do it by checking in with God on a regular basis. And here's how you can do so too.

1. Take two minutes out of every hour. I take two minutes out of every waking hour to check in with God. Just two short minutes every 60 minutes.

Let me just point out that this is not the same as your quiet time. This is check-in time. At first, I used to set an alarm. But now, I no longer need to, as it has become a habit. If I'm at a meeting, I excuse myself and walk to the toilet to have a chat with Him. If I'm on the way to work in a train, I speak to Him under my breath for two minutes.

2. Keep it candid and unreligious. I talk to God about everything in these two minutes. No censoring. My true intentions, my imperfections, the things that annoy me, the things that make me laugh. It's not a prayer nor a formal spiritual conversation. It's casual, honest and real. I download my last hour of madness or celebration, stress, even moments of pride. I've talked to him about Mark, my ex-boss who made some inappropriate remarks and how I wanted to punch him in the face. Hey, I'm only human. About Daniel, my son, who is really testing my patience and how desperately I want to smack him but I know I shouldn't correct him out of anger. When I need to come up with the 20th skincare campaign of the year for the same product and I am desperate for fresh ideas, I talk to God, frantically. And amazingly, I get ideas. I start feeling better. And if nothing else happens, at least, I end the conversation feeling hopeful.

3. Do it anywhere. Everywhere. It doesn't have to happen in a quiet room, away from prying eyes. I remember a couple of times, I've run into the toilet and kicked the bowl insisting that God smite my boss with lightning. There are times I'm in the toilet whispering. If you know me, you'll know I have a loud voice and even my whispers can be heard across corridors. For this very reason, in my office, I am known as the toilet whisperer. I talk to God a lot in the plane when I'm travelling. I don't know why, perhaps because I'm closer to heaven, but I've had some amazing God-encounters in the plane where my two minutes turned into hours as His presence engulfed my seat, mid-air. I remember the day I found out I won my first One Show advertising award. I excused myself for two minutes, ran to a corner, lifted up my arms to heaven and jumped up and down in the corridor throwing kisses at God. Sometimes that's all it is. Two minutes of throwing kisses heavenwards. If you're going to do something embarrassing like that, I strongly suggest you find a more private space.

4. Remember, He is Present. This is not a ritual or some misguided act of piety. God is actually present. It may just be two minutes, but you need to have faith and believe that in these two minutes, irrespective of whether there is thunder, lightning or nothing, God is there in all His glory. And when you allow yourself to believe this truth, you'll find these two minutes fast becoming the most powerful 120 seconds of your hour.

I haven't made my kids do this yet because at this point in their lives, Daniel and Sarah have no sense of time. But if they happen to be with me during the 2 minutes, I get them involved in the chat. I speak loudly to God and ask them if they want to say anything to Him cos He is here with us.

God is just waiting for you to invite Him into your every moment and situation, to allow Him to be your everything. So get started today. Two minutes aren't daunting. They'll be the spark that stirs a revival in your life and the environments you're in. It's a good way to bring God into everything you do - your family, your job, your exercise regime, your cooking, your next decision. Start checking-in and watch how your life starts transforming for the better this Christmas season.

Uma Rudd Chia is an award-winning advertising creative director. She's married to her childhood sweetheart, Colin Chia. Both Uma and Colin serve in the worship ministry at GI, while their children Daniel, 10 and Sarah, 7 attend Sunday School. She'd love to hear if you've been blessed or encouraged by her articles at uma.tan@hyperisland.sg

A FATHER'S DIARY

Little Things Count

BY FRANCIS LEE



At a recent graduation ceremony, my student reflected on his journey during the years he was in school. His memories of the school were founded on the little things his classmates did.

With family members, there are many little things that our children build their relationships on as well. It could be lying on the bed to have small talks with the family, preparing a meal for the family, preparing Christmas cookies for friends or silly unharful jokes about themselves.

These may be insignificant and easily forgotten. But these are the little things that connect the hearts together, through spending time with one another.

School holidays and the end of year have finally arrived. Create some experiences with your spouse and children. These experiences will be the foundation of building good relationships and they will be inroads for you to guide your children in many things including the ways of the Lord.

Event Calendar 2018

DECEMBER

Short-Term Missions Trip –
Tanjong Pinang

2 GMGS IN REGION C EMBARKED ON A MISSIONS TRIP TO MYANMAR

BY CHAN LAI CHUAN



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Ephesians 3:20 "Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us."

This is how it all started for our recent missions trip to Myanmar on 3-8 Nov 2018. During one of our combined GMG meetings last year, Pastor Bee Ngor challenged us to go for a missions trip together as a Grace Group this year. Eventually, eight of us from Shalom and Shammah GMG, together with five other Gracians, signed up for our very first missions trip to Myanmar.

What a trip this turned out to be! We witnessed many miracles on the trip! In one of the evangelistic rallies, our team prayed for a 17-year-old boy whose legs were weakened as a result of a trauma he suffered when he was young. He was unable to walk properly and he would drag his feet as he walked. We prayed earnestly for God's healing power to be upon him. God's power was evident when we noticed that he was slowly gaining strength and his sense of balance improved and he was able to bend his knees and even walked without help! He was overjoyed with tears! Praise the Lord!

During our women ministry, we also witnessed God's healing power over those who were sick and those who were emotionally hurt. Two of the ladies were touched by the Holy Spirit during our prayer time. Many of them shared their testimonies of how God touched and healed them.

Our two evangelistic rallies attracted more than 150 people of whom 27 of them accepted Jesus as their Lord and Personal Saviour. We thank God for a good harvest of souls into His kingdom!

We were able to apply what we have learned in our GMG lessons on 'The Missional Family Church' and 'The Extraordinary Gospel' which is based on the book of Galatians during our home-visitations to the villagers. We shared the 4-chapter gospel with 28 homes and that resulted in 26 villagers accepting Jesus as their Lord and Saviour!

We are so amazed by how God worked through us during this trip as we surrendered ourselves to Him to be His vessels. Truly, we serve an Extraordinary God who does extraordinary things through ordinary people like us. Praise the Lord and all Glory to Him!

1. The missions team with our missions partner.

2. The 17-year-old boy who had weak legs healed by the Lord.

3. Shammah GMG leader & member ministering to a girl.

4. Shalom GMG leaders visiting the home of a villager.

GRACE FILIPINO MINISTRY LEADERS RETREAT 2018

BY SIS JEREMY RETUTA



The theme for this year's Leaders Retreat is "Back to the Basic". It was held on 28 October at GI – Power House and attended by 35 leaders from various ministries.

The event commenced with a short worship followed by an icebreaker called "Spot It" which tested each player's agility to identify similar images on a card. This contrasted with the next game, which involved discovering potential skills/gifts each one has that will be useful in the furtherance of the ministry.

In the short exhortation of Ps Rosita Cristobal, she emphasized on where the source of anointing comes — through prayer; this being the foundation of each believers' faith. As leaders, we are to take care of our spirituality. We are to lead our members with wisdom that comes from above; we are to serve with integrity and humility and we are to function with the anointing of the Holy Spirit. These are achievable only when we only when we are consistently communicating with God. Four P's, namely Power, Presence, Provision and Protection were expounded from Matthew 6:9-15; the scripture when the disciples of Jesus asked to be taught how to pray. Everyone was encouraged to go back to the basics of prayer as this is where power and anointing can be drawn.

Individually; the Exco leading the various ministries shared accomplishments and targets for the coming year. The various GMG leaders shared their year's achievements in terms of missional accomplishment in terms of growth in numbers, members' involvement in ministry, commitment towards water baptism, discipleship class involvement as well as what to achieve the rest of the year. A remarkable increase in attendance of about two hundred GFM to date showed that each ministry's tireless efforts, prayers and submission to God's leading paid off.

It was in this retreat that the four newly inducted leaders involved on the Praise and Worship ministry and Grace Missional Group were welcomed. They are Bro Gerald Casuncad, Sis J'nine Zate, Sis Merlita Rillon and Sis Jomae Baysantos. Changes in the leadership stemmed from leaders having to migrate overseas and continuous improvement of existing ministries.

GFM 2019 Project Plan Themed Living in Extra-Ordinary Times was expounded in detail by Ps Rosita. The various ministries conceived to embark on activities that encompass the 5 Key Thrusts, namely, Enthrone the King, Equipping GFM, Empowering the Families, Engaging the Community and Expanding into the World, after which the weekly and monthly activities were disseminated as well.

The concluding event was to reflect on how personally each had contributed to the growth of GFM this year and on what possible ways each can contribute to the qualitative and quantitative growth of the ministry. The leaders were paired to bring these responses before the Lord to its accomplishment for His glory.

Ps Rosita wrapped up the event by thanking everyone for their contribution to the great accomplishment this year, and posed a challenge to reach 300 this year, in line with GFM's Vision 1000. She reminded everyone that serving the Lord is a privilege. Faithfulness and fruitfulness in whatever we do for the glory of God; was the benediction for every leader to meditate upon in serving the one and most deserving master of all, our God!

GIVE THE GIFT OF FRIENDSHIP

BY HO SIEW CHEONG

Once again December has arrived, a time of thanksgiving, a time where REACH Community Services (RCSS), the social service arm of Grace Assembly counts her blessings. It has been a great year where RCSS has seen the fingerprints of our Sovereign God in many instances where He has come through for her in many ways.

Two new touch points will be added to RCSS in coming weeks, bringing a total of six Community touch points around Singapore. This includes the Senior Activity Centre (SAC) at Bukit Gombak Vista to serve more seniors. RCSS is also the appointed service provider for Community Befriending Programme (CBP) for Tanjong Pagar, Hong Kah North and Pioneer Constituencies.

Engagement through activities at SAC is therapeutic and can help to draw seniors out from social isolation. However, a greater platform for impactful outreach is through befriending them. We believe CBP provides the Church the opportunity to be salt and light to the community. As such, in this spirit of giving season, we would like to encourage YOU to sign up as a befriendee by giving your time to make a difference in the lives of these lonely seniors. To sign up as a befriendee, please visit our website: www.reach.org.sg/volunteer

Last but not least, on behalf of our beneficiaries and staff at RCSS, we would like to take this opportunity to thank all Gracians for journeying with us in 2018. May the abundant blessings of our Lord be upon you always.



"Their Happiness is my Happiness"

A Gracian, Mdm Tiew Sang Lai volunteers as a befriendee in the Community Befriending Programme. Mdm Tiew shares her experience as a befriendee.

Q: Why did you join as a befriendee?

A: Because I found that there are many isolated and vulnerable seniors living in Singapore, I hope that I can do my best to help them and care of them. Therefore in 2015, I decided to join the Community Befriending Programme (CBP) with REACH Community Services.

Q: What does a befriendee do?

A: Our main responsibility is to build rapport with the lonely and vulnerable seniors through home visits fortnightly. We chat with them and listen to their sharing. Occasionally we play board games together and exercise together at the fitness corner. Through these, we hope that they can get out of the house to engage with the community.

Q: What have you gained as a befriendee?

A: I gained a lot of satisfaction when I witness how the life of these seniors improved gradually; their happiness is my happiness. I hope that our brothers and sisters in Christ will do likewise to step out to help these seniors in need.

Mdm Tiew Sang Lai, 81
Member,
Grace Assembly of God



Mdm Tiew (second from left) and her befriendees

Would you like to make a difference to the life of a senior?

Be a Befriendee

Come on this journey to impact the lives of vulnerable seniors



Locations: Hong Kah North, Pioneer & Tanjong Pagar

Outreach Volunteer Volunteer Befriendee

Role	Conduct needs assessment	Provide regular companionship and support for seniors
Age Limit	17 and above	18 and above
Experience	Not required. Training will be provided.	
Language	Able to converse in Chinese dialects, Malay or Tamil is an advantage	
Commitment	Not applicable	2 phone calls & 2 home visits a month

Sign up at bit.ly/reachcbp
volunteer@reach.org.sg 97712755

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CALLED TO BE A "TREE" IN GLOBAL MISSIONS

BY JASMIN LOW, GM MISSIONS AWARENESS

"You are like a big tree, with strong trunks that bears fruits and provide shelter for the animals."

Four years ago, as I was exploring my calling in missions amidst uncertainty and confusion, I received this word of prophecy. Immediately, an image of a huge banyan tree standing alone in a vast meadow appeared in my mind.

"But you are not standing alone. You've got many other trees with you. All standing hand in hand. You are not alone." Oh, like a forest?

I always thought being a missionary was a lonely journey. I always thought God would call me to devote my life to evangelism and discipleship in a cross-cultural context. So, I thought.

Years went by and there I was planning the sharing sessions one after another for the missionaries and there they were taking the stage and sharing about all the amazing stories that happened on the missions field. ENVY. Filled with envy, I asked, 'Lord, when will it ever be my turn? What am I still doing here? Joyful times or challenging ones, Lord, I want to experience them all as a missionary.'

This year, while I was sitting in the crowd of attendees of a Christian conference listening to the pastor preach about the parable of The Prodigal Son, the Lord impressed upon my heart with this: I am calling you to let your brothers and sisters take the stage to share testimonies of my glory in the missions field. Will you help them to share their stories – my stories? Or will you be like the jealous older brother?

I knew the Lord was speaking.

That encounter I had with the Lord changed my heart and I repented. It's not about me, or even my experience with the Lord. It's all about God and His glory!

Recently, I received a gift. A prophetic painting from a sister. A painting of a forest with a dying tree that was glowing brightly - dying to self and shining Christ's light. Remember how trees were always considered insignificant roles at school plays? Yet, they were indeed

very important to the whole play. I'm called to be a tree! To support my brothers and sisters who are the ground workers – to create a platform for them to be storytellers for the glory of God! When the family of God is called to fulfil the Great Commission, even being called to be a tree is a privilege.

As the year is rounding up, we want to give God all the praise and glory for all the things that He is doing in the nations, especially through Grace Missions and our workers. Grace Missions is committed to planting churches, preparing leaders and propelling people. What kind of tree is God calling you to be? Trainers, encouragers, givers, organisers, administrators, prayers, promoters, writers, senders, speakers, and most definitely apostolic missionaries are important in our mandate to fulfilling the Great Commission! Offer up your five loaves and two fishes and see how the Lord can use it for your joy and His glory!

Here are the missions engagements that will be happening in Grace Assembly of God in the coming year!

- Short-term Missions Trips (Please refer to the missions schedule)
- Missions Convention Weekend (19–20 Jan 2019)
- Missions Corner at GI L2 Koinonia Fellowship Area or GII L1 Fellowship Area
- School of Missions for Indonesian Delegates (21–24 Jan 2019)
- KAIROS Course (Feb 2019)

If you would like to know how to volunteer or participate in any of the above, email Jasmin at jasmin.low@graceaog.org



PLANT CHURCHES, PREPARE LEADERS, PROPEL PEOPLE

BY JASMIN LOW, GM MISSIONS AWARENESS

Reaching the unreached for Christ has always been the heart of Grace Missions (GM)! Hence, GM adopted these three strategies in the form of 3Ps – planting churches, preparing leaders and propelling people!

In September this year, a member of the Grace Missions Committee (GMC), Sister Ho Pui Chan, together with her husband, Brother Lam Poh Wah, made trips to three places in North East India – Kolkata in West Bengal, Dimapur in Nagaland and Guhuwati in Assam! Despite the long and tiring journeys, Sister Ho and Brother Lam had the privilege of seeing what God is doing in the nations. That was when they met Brother Stephen Singh who found his true love in Jesus Christ.

Stephen is a member of AG Guhuwati Church located in India and pastored by one of our church planters (CP), Ps Prabat. Ever since knowing Christ, much tears and brokenness followed as Stephen's wife and son left him. Yet, a broken and contrite heart Jesus does not despise and God's love for Stephen compelled him to live a life worthy of God. Being a practitioner in autistic therapy, Stephen used his skills and talents to set up a healing home for pre-believing children who are mentally challenged. Stephen saw the need to reach out to these children and also to rally the youth of AG Guhuwati Church to catch the vision of caring for the marginalised.

The healing home is one of the ways we could go beyond the church walls to see what God is doing amongst the marginalised in the society. Praise God for people who are committed to fulfilling the Great Commission!

Plant Churches

Being disowned and betrayed by family and community wouldn't come as a surprise to those who come to know Jesus in these regions. But Sister Ho and Brother Lam could see much potential in so many partnerships!

Truly, Jesus lives up to His Word when He said, "I will build my church (Matthew 16:18)." There were many accounts of Acts 2:42 coming to life when new believers gave away plots of land and their own living quarters for church planting works as a response to God's touch. CPs whom GM had trained and sent out has built congregations of 30-50 members amongst the unreached people groups. It was an encouraging sight to witness how God led our CPs to emerge from positions of weakness to strength and from places of humiliation to glory!

Restrictions and persecutions are spreading across the country like wildfire, and it's a matter of time before it reaches this area. That is why we have to stand with our church planters and do the works of Him who sent us (John 9:4)!

Prepare Leaders

To assist in this, GM conducts trainings for the church leaders with the intent of discipling them holistically. The most recent training by Ps Ronald Seet garnered many good testimonies from the participants in the area of worship, love languages, finances, etc.

Through this trip, Sister Ho and Brother Lam could see that God is opening up a window of opportunities in these regions as they are still enjoying relative freedom and our church planters have experienced tremendous favours from the LORD for their faithfulness.

Propel People

Therefore, fellow brothers and sisters in Christ, can I encourage you to go? For God has called us to go and make disciples of all nations! Teaching his disciples of all nations to obey everything He has commanded us to, and surely He is with us till the very end of the age (Matthew 28:19-20). Will you take the step of faith to be propelled forward to see what God is doing and to take part in His work for His glory?



1. Cannan AG Church at Assam
2. Bamboo Churches
3. Hope Girl's Home at Kolkata
4. AG Immanuel Church at Assam

KAIROS COURSE

God's mission to reach all peoples of the earth starts in Genesis and is the common thread all the way to Revelation. Kairos will help you take a fresh look at scripture and understand it, and all of history, from God's perspective. It will call you to a truly biblical worldview, challenge you to embrace God's vision, and equip you to find your place in God's mission.

Kairos is for all Christians at any point in their journey with God. **It is not a missions course for missions people, but an opportunity for all God's people to have their worldviews transformed and aligned with God's heart for the nations.** He has called us all to play a part in His mission, and there are many different roles to fill. Kairos wants to help you catch that vision and find your place.

This course is suitable if you have been on a missions trip or are thinking of going for a missions trip. In the course, you will have a bigger picture of what God is doing in the world and what part you play in what He is doing in history.

VENUE: Grace Assembly of God (Grace I),
355 Tanglin Road, Singapore 247960

COURSE FEE: \$50 (for Gracians) and \$70 (non-Gracians)

DATES: 23 Feb 19 to 13 Apr 19 (except 30 March), Sat 9am–12pm,

INTEGRATION DAY: 27 Apr 19, 9am–4.30pm

Register at event.graceaog.org or GI & GII Missions Corner
Email to kairos@graceaog.org or visit Grace website

CLOSING DATE : 31 JAN 2019



EVENTS CALENDAR

DEC 2018 – FEB 2019

Event details are subject to change. Please refer to www.graceaog.org for the latest updates.

DECEMBER

4 Dec	Healing Room @ GI	GI Emmaus 7.30pm
5 – 8 Dec	School of Power and Love	GI Bethel
11 Dec	Healing Room @ GII	GII Agape 7.30pm
24 Dec	十全十美, 圣誕最美	GI Bethel 7.30pm
25 Dec	Christmas Service – Extraordinary Gift	GI Bethel 9.30am GII Sanctuary 11.30am
31 Dec	Watch Night Service (English/Chinese)	GI Bethel 10pm

JANUARY 2019

2 Jan	Monthly Lunchtime Prayer & Fasting	GI Emmaus 12nn
4 Jan	Leaders' Meeting (English/Chinese)	GI
5 & 6 Jan	English Vision Casting Weekends	GI Bethel
8 Jan	Healing Room @ GII	GII Agape 7.30pm
5, 12 & 26 Jan	WOG SBS	GI Zion 10am
13 Jan	English Vision Casting Weekends	GII Sanctuary & Chapel
18 & 25 Jan	GDP 102 Foundations of Faith	GI Zion 7.30pm
19 & 20 Jan	Grace Missions Convention	GI Emmaus, Galilee & Bethel GII Sanctuary & Chapel
26 Jan	MBS	Board Room / Love Room 10am
30 Jan	J333 Prayer Meeting (Combined)	GI Galilee 7.30pm

FEBRUARY 2019

5 Feb	Chinese New Year's Thanksgiving Service	Bethel & Galilee 9.30am
9 Feb – 1 June	WOG SBS	GI Zion 10am
15 Feb – 15 Mar	Alpha Parenting for Children/Teenager	GI Emmaus Hall 7pm
16 Feb – 23 Mar	Fathers' Mentoring Group	GII Glory Room 8.30am
22 & 23 Feb	Restore to Wholeness Seminar	GII Praise Room
15 Feb – 5 Apr	GDP 102	GI Zion 7.30pm
12 Feb	Healing Room @ GII	GII Agape 7.30pm
13 Feb – 8 May	WOG DBS	GI Gethsemane / GII Agape 9.30am
21 Feb – 18 Apr	GDP 201	GI Zion 7.30pm
23 Feb – 18 May	MBS	GI Eden 9.30am
27 Feb	J333 Prayer Meeting (Combined)	GI Galilee 7.30pm

10 Essential Truths About Christian Giving



Very often, people ask, "What are the basic biblical principles for Christian giving?" Starting from March 2018 and over the next 10 issues of Grace Bulletin, we will provide 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 10. The Bible teaches that Christian giving ought to be cheerful giving.

As Paul says "God loves a cheerful giver." (2 Corinthians 9:7) This is a truly amazing assertion. Paul assures us here that the Lord takes a special delight in those who are joyful, energetic, merry givers. **Is there joy in your heart as you give? Can you truly be characterized as a "cheerful giver"?**

TITHES, OFFERINGS AND PLEDGES can be made by:

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 the church's bank account:
 - Electronic Funds Transfer for Tithes & Offerings, Missions Giving

Benefits of giving your tithes and offerings through Internet Banking:

- Give any time, 24 hours daily.
- No transaction costs for you.
- Transaction is captured on your bank statement for easy record-keeping.

For more information, please visit <http://www.graceaog.org/online-giving/>

WEDDINGS IN December



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Our heartiest congratulations to the following couples. May the Lord continue to bless and guide them with love, wisdom and strength as they embark on their new journey together!

1 DECEMBER 2018

Andrew Yap Yiing Hann &
Ong Jia Hui Elena

8 DECEMBER 2018

Soh Chuanyuan Elliot &
Sheena Lim En Hui



CAFE@GI

WILL BE CLOSED
ON
23 & 30 DEC

It will reopen on 6 Jan 2019.



A very happy Christmas and
blessed New Year from us to you!



Grace Assembly Of God



恩典二 华语堂



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恩典二 华语堂 服侍人员 感言

参与210恩典操不知不觉已有两年了！当初只是以玩玩的心态然后慢慢地把它当做我唯一的运动。现在成为带领者的心情可不一样，从吊儿郎当到战战兢兢，唯恐自己不能胜任，甚至有想退出的念头；直到学习以祷告交托由圣灵带领之后，到现在我已不害怕站在台前带领跳操。看见大家每个周末的出席给予我很大的鼓励。我心里常带着喜乐，享受和大家一起跳操的时光。哈利路亚！感谢赞美神的带领！

蔡春香姐妹

我在恩典堂服事很开心，在服事当中学习谦卑自己。弟兄姐妹对我很好，就像一家人一样，感觉很亲切。感谢主一路来的带领。

杨德录弟兄

感谢赞美主，让我认识神及教会的弟兄姐妹，愿一切荣耀颂赞都归我们的阿爸父。

陈明玉姐妹

感谢神让我在恩典二这大家庭里参与服侍，很开心能够认识许多主内的弟兄姐妹。

周盈盈姐妹

参与敬拜舞蹈服侍后，让我不只领受神所赐的力量与圣灵的触摸。最大的收益就是整个身心跟着成长，待人处事更加成熟。

蔡秋莲姐妹



教牧祝语



亲爱的恩友们，
耶稣爱您，我也爱您。
我为您向神感恩。因为您在这一年里为主忠心的、尽心的出席各项聚会，同心的、热心的参与服侍，开心的、用心的彼此团契，贴心的、耐心的互相关怀。谢谢您！

愿主赐您心、身、灵持续兴旺，全人成长，多结果子，荣神益人！

我和我家祝贺您：
圣诞蒙恩、新年蒙福！

萧牧师

亲爱的弟兄姐妹，
岁末年终之际，感谢上帝，在祂的恩眷顾下，在平凡的每个日子里，却是神无尽的慈爱与恩典。回顾过去与您一起服侍每个日子，有很多美好的回忆，让人喜乐感恩，令人回味和向往。为您尽心竭力为主摆上，献上感恩！

展望新的一年，
愿耶和华赐福你，保护你；
愿耶和华使他的脸光照你，赐恩给你；
愿耶和华向你仰脸，赐你平安。
我和家人在这里祝福您：
新的一年快乐无比、新的一年福杯满溢
愿主爱常常伴在您左右、愿您的路径都滴下脂油

丽珍传道

亲爱的弟兄姐妹，2019年即将来到，陈牧师在此祝愿你们，新年蒙恩，事事顺心。

让我们给自己一个目标
我们要为一个人流泪
我们要带一个人归主
我们要陪一个人成长
来吧！弟兄姐妹！
我们彼此鼓励
我们一起加油！
给自己一个 赞

陈成今牧师



亲爱的主内肢体们平安！
我为着您的生命献上感恩！
愿您在属灵上继续向下扎根，
向上结果子，更愿您这一生履行上帝在您生命中的旨意与托付，尽心竭力的献上自己成为活祭，荣神益人！

主赐福！

张玉碹牧师



主里平安！

2018年即将走入历史，感恩这一年里有您的同心同行，您竭力服侍主和爱主爱教会的心，使恩典堂如此的兴旺茁壮，全为有您的同工和陪伴。荣耀归给神！

2019年会是恩典大家庭丰盛又结果实累累的一年，愿主祝福您身心灵兴盛，坚定倚靠主的心不变。

新年新愿望，愿主赐福您：进深主话语/活出主的爱/跟随主脚踪/遵从主旨意

美莲传道在此，祝福您和您一家圣诞蒙恩 新年蒙福

黄美莲传道





弟兄姐妹你们好，很快2018年就要过去，在这一年里面看到神的恩典够我们用，也看到弟兄姐妹们在主里面不断的成长，也看到你们都忠心的服侍主，爱主，我为你们感谢神，也谢谢你们过去的摆上，也祷告神加倍的恩膏赐福给你们。

在未来一年，2019年，盼望我们继续为神的工作努力，把福音广传，活出使命人生，荣耀归主。

神赐福你
主仆，向阳传道



亲爱的恩友们，

神真好！

2018 年就快来到尾声了，让我们一同数算恩典，并且感谢神在这一年里为我们成就的一切。

其中要感恩的，就是神把我们放在一起，在这一年里，我们能够彼此服侍，彼此学习，彼此相爱，一同敬拜，荣耀，赞美我们的神。

愿我们在来临的新一年，我们能够恩上加恩，力上加力，在主里活出非凡，荣神益人。

我和我一家在此祝贺您：圣诞蒙恩，新年蒙福！

陈善瀚弟兄



讲员
艺人
小容哥
周黛兰
姐妹

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GRACE SERVICES

GRACE I SERVICES: 355 Tanglin Road, Singapore 247960

SATURDAY 1.30 PM

Hokkien Service	Galilee	Level 1
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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

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

SUNDAY 5 PM

Khush Khabri Fellowship	Emmaus	Level 3
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J333

12, 19 DEC, 7.30pm

GI L3 Emmaus Hall &

GII L3 Agape Room

5 DEC – NO J333

26 DEC – NO Combined J333

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

SATURDAY 2 PM

Elevate @ R-AGE Youth (15-19 Yrs Old)	Agape	Level 3
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SUNDAY 9 AM

English Service	Chapel	Level 4
Mandarin Service	Sanctuary	Level 2
Shine @ Grace Kids (7-10 Yrs Old)	Love	Level 2
Sparkle @ Grace Kids (3-6 Yrs Old)	Kindness	Level 4

SUNDAY 11.15 AM

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

SUNDAY 1.30 PM

Filipino Service	Chapel	Level 4
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Come celebrate what God has done in 2018 and countdown to 2019! Share your testimony and give God glory! Keep a look out for more exciting details.

WATCHNIGHT SERVICE

中英联合儆醒夜聚会

31.12
2018

Time: 10pm-midnight

Night Snacks available
from 9pm

Venue: GI Bethel Hall

Transport: 1 bus available from GII to GI,
departing at 8:30pm sharp. Transport also
available from GI to 4 destinations after the
service (refer to church website).

*God is
Good*

For the Lord is good
and His love
endures forever;
His faithfulness
continues through
all generations.
Psalm 100:5

Extra Ordinary Gift

“Do not be afraid; for behold, I bring you good news of great joy which will be for all the people; for today in the city of David there has been born for you a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.”

LUKE 2:10-11



25 DECEMBER 2018

GI Bethel Hall 9.30am
GII Sanctuary 11.30am