

NEW GRACE

Filled with JOY

We are already halfway through the sermon series on the Book of Philippians. The theme is Joyful Living and I trust you have been blessed by the messages thus far.

It is heartening to see many Gracians posting on the 'Wall of Joy', sharing about what gives them joy. I would certainly like to see more Gracians expressing their joy on that 'Wall' in the days to come.

As for me, let me share briefly what has given me great joy in these two months.

Firstly, what a joy to see the wonderful response to the call to serve the church in the different ministries. Since the launch of the Ministries Recruitment Drive in March, we have about 250 sign-ups. Many Gracians have busy schedules and yet they still made the

commitment to avail themselves to serve. Indeed, they serve beyond their constraints and cheerfully give their time and talents to the Lord.

Secondly, I am so encouraged by the turnout for J333 since we made the change in April. I sense there is an awakening in the spiritual atmosphere of the church and hearts are filled with a renewed faith to pray. This gives me great joy. My prayer is that this momentum will continue to grow and on a weekly basis, we will see hundreds of Gracians coming to J333 to pray corporately.

Thirdly, I am thankful to see the new Saturday 5 p.m. English service at Grace II working out very well. Frankly, I did not know what to expect when we started the service, but the turnout has been especially

encouraging and seeing many newcomers filled my heart with joy.

Lastly, we had wonderful Good Friday services for both the English and Chinese ministries at both locations. We had more than 1,100 people who attended the Chinese services and more than 2,100 at the English services. Most importantly of all, my heart leapt with exceeding joy seeing people accepting Jesus as their Lord and Savior at the services.

Where there is joy, there will also be hope.

Therefore, let me encourage all Gracians to invite pre-believing friends to the Celebration of Hope that will be held at the National Stadium from 17 to 19 May. Please check out the information at

celebrationofhope.sg as there are special services in different languages.

Let us pray earnestly that many people will find hope in God at the Celebration of Hope.

In the months to come, I hope to see the church rising up with greater passion for the Lord through praying together, serving the Lord and in reaching out to touch more people with the love of God.

To every Gracian, may the Lord fill your heart with much joy and hope.

Pt Calvin Lee
Senior Pastor



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The Power of Voice
Command

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Would you like to have
some apricots?

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CELEBRATION OF
Hope

**THERE IS
HOPE!**

The Celebration of Hope.

A festival of hope filled with stories of hope.
Invite someone along to the National Stadium!

17 ——— 19 MAY 2019

ENGLISH
7.30PM

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**TICKETS
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FREE!**

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BIOT115: Old Testament Survey

Rev Wendy Ching

Dates: 30 May – 1 June

Venue: GRACE @Tanglin, L3 Emmaus

The course is an overview survey of the Old Testament. Special attention will be given to the cultural background, theological and contextual perspectives. An emphasis on this study will guide students in the practical application of the major Old Testament themes relevant to their lives and ministries. It is useful for teachers of the Word, ministry leaders, Bible Study facilitators, and those who desire to have a better understanding of the Books in the Old Testament.

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

Fee for 3-credit module: \$130

Register at

<https://event.graceaog.org/>

Or register and make payment at:

- Grace@Tanglin (GI),
Grace Bookstore at L2 Koinonia, or
- Grace@BukitBatok (GII),
L3 Church Reception

Closing Date: 28 May 2019

For further enquiries, please email to gmcollege@graceaog.org



Rev Wendy Ching, holds a Master of Theology from Regent College, Vancouver, Canada, and a Master of Divinity from Asia Theological Seminary, Philippines. She has pioneered and pastored two Cantonese congregations in Malaysia and was principal of a short-term Christian lay leaders' training school. She joined Bible College of Malaysia as a faculty member in August 1992. She is the Academic Dean of the Bible College of Malaysia for the last 23 years. Rev Wendy conducts seminars and preaches frequently in churches of different denominations.

Calling Gracians, let's come together to be disciplined and equipped with God's Word, and to become an intentional missional disciple-discipler for Christ.

1 May

No J333 (Public holiday)

15 May

GI Galilee Hall

8, 22 May

GII Agape Hall

29 May

GI Bethel Hall

J333

We shall never see much change for the better in our churches in general till the prayer meeting occupies a higher place in the esteem of Christians

CHARLES SPURGEON

MAY Prayer Pointers

CELEBRATION OF
Hope

Pray for Celebration of Hope

1. Ask God for a historic outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon our land.
2. Pray that the Church in Singapore will proclaim Jesus Christ, the One Name that gives the World solid Hope.
3. Pray that evangelism will not be an option but a priority and a lifestyle for every Christian in our land.
4. Pray that God will move many more Churches to move as One with Celebration of Hope for His Great Harvest in our City.
5. Ask in faith that God will supernaturally awaken the lost to the futility of life without Christ, and cause them to suddenly experience deep and great desire to know Him.

Gracians

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

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pray.
WE
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Restored to Wholeness

SEMINAR

19, 20 & 27 July 2019
GII Love Room

God desires us to attain complete and lasting healing in our journey with Him. New topics on dealing with abuse and trauma, and sexuality issues are included in our new materials. You will be taught the keys to help you walk out your healing and freedom to receive God's promises for your life.

7:00pm – 9:30pm (on Friday, 19 July)
9:00am – 4:30pm (on Saturday, 20 & 27 July)

\$40 (include materials, Friday dinner/
Saturday 2 lunches & 2 refreshments)

Payment: Cheque or exact cash amount upon registration

Venue for Payment: Grace@Tanglin (GI) L5 Office
Grace@BukitBatok (GII) L3 Office



Online Registration:
<https://event.graceaog.org>

- Participants must have attended Grace Assembly of God for at least 3 months.
- **Deadline for Registration: Capped at 40 participants or by 14 July 2019.**
- Individual ministry sessions are held at GI, subject to availability of facilities.
- Due to the nature of the ministry, participants are required to attend all sessions to receive ministry



"As for me and my family, we will serve the LORD."

JOSHUA 24:1

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 PRAYER OF A DESPERATE PARENT SERIES

by Uma Rudd Chia

THE POWER OF VOICE COMMAND

"Siri, how much is 25x25?" Sarah asked loudly as I walked down the corridor. I thought she was speaking to me. She was supposed to be doing her homework and had decided to enlist Siri's help. Obviously it wasn't allowed and she was incredibly sheepish when she found me standing behind her trying to hold back my smile whilst giving her my sternest glare.

Our kids are digital natives and understand the power of voice activation better than us. Alexa and Siri are their friends. In fact, I work in communications and often explore various voice activated technology solutions for my healthcare clients that use artificial intelligence (AI) to detect depression and health issues in children.

So when I started teaching my kids the power of the spoken word and how to command their situations and environments to align themselves to the Word of God in Jesus' name, they laughed and asked how what they say will affect their reality. The Holy Spirit prompted me to explain it to them as voice-activation technology.

In this article I want you to be able to understand the importance of teaching your kids to take authority over their situations using their voice and God's Word in Jesus' name. Here are a few principles to help you do just that and maybe even help you explain this concept to your children, in a way they understand.

1. The world was created through voice-activated commands.

In Genesis 1, God spoke and the world came to pass. Creation was voice-activated. That's why Romans 10:17 says *faith comes by hearing and hearing from the Word of God*. The Word of God should not just be ingested, memorised or read in silence. Teach your kids to speak it out loud, into the atmosphere. When faced with fear or doubt, teach them to speak out, commanding their situation in Jesus' name. Help them replace their negative environment with a positive voice-command based on what God says about the situation.

2. What we voice-activate in the spirit world become the building blocks of our human world.

Hebrews 11:3 says, *by faith we understand that the entire universe was formed at God's command, that what we now see did not come from anything that can be seen*. We are spirit beings with souls. We live in a body – that's a shell. Our human

body has human senses that don't naturally allow us to see the spirit world. That doesn't mean the spirit world is not there.

Christians have a strange relationship with the spirit world. While we pray and read our Bible, we behave like the spirit world is a distant land, too far to access. It's out of sight and therefore out of mind. But in reality we need to see it as a parallel dimension, one

we are existing in simultaneously because despite being flesh and blood, we are spirit beings. Our spirits link up to God who is a Spirit being. What we say with our mouths affect the spirit world, whether we see it or not. Eventually it will become concrete and affect our immediate lives.

So parents be mindful of what you speak over your children's lives. Don't call them stupid or stubborn each time you are frustrated. Encourage them to speak words of life.

Daniel and Sarah sometimes comes home from school and flippantly say things like, "It's so hot that I'm going to die, Mum!" Or "I can't do this, Mum. I'm lousy at it." And I will turn around and rebut them – "That's not what God says about you. God says that you will live and not die and declare His works. God says that you can do all things through Christ who strengthens you."

I've done it so often that they're slowly growing more conscious of their words. In Matthew 4, when Jesus was tempted by the devil, he did not stand down. He knew words are the building blocks of the spirit world. He was after all, the Word manifested in flesh. So each time the devil said something, he rebutted it boldly and clearly, speaking out the Word of God. He knew the impact it had in the spirit world. Teach your kids to do the same. Give them an extensive vocabulary and personalised scriptures so they can do this easily and naturally.

3. The power of our words is reduced when we use our words loosely.

James 3:1-7 talks about taming the tongue.

Sometimes my kids love to confuse Siri by asking multiple questions simultaneously, from "Siri, what's the weather today?" to "Siri, do you have a boyfriend?" or "Do you prefer Steve Jobs to Tim Cook?" After a while, Siri stops computing and starts spouting random nonsense. I find Alexa a little smarter than Siri because she's AI-powered. But even then, when the commands become contrary and confusing, Alexa's responses become garbled and random.

I used this analogy with my kids and immediately, they started to become more conscious of their words. They started making sure they weren't creating a muddy landscape for their lives in the spirit world.

As parents we too need to keep our words in check – not just how we speak to our kids but to each other, and how much of a God-centered view and opinion we proclaim over our circumstances. A lot of us are guilty of loosely speaking doom and gloom into our atmosphere and then wondering why our home lacks joy. I am incredibly conscious about the power of the spoken word, in my home, my family and my office. That doesn't mean sometimes I don't say stupid things. But I can feel the internal niggling each time, as the Holy Spirit holds me in check.

Don't forget parents, that you are raising royalty – sons and daughters of the High King of heaven. And their voice activation carries weight no matter how little they are. Proverbs 18:21 says, *Death and life are in the power of the tongue, and those who love it will eat its fruit*. Remind your kids, their words are exacting change in the spirit world. This means, they need to develop a habit of speaking words of life, words that aligned to God's Word that would manifest themselves as life-giving fruits in their everyday lives.



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Praise the Lord! CAF is growing!

By Michael Tan

We had Rev Oh Beng Khee as our speaker at the Chinese New Year Christ Ambassadors Fellowship (CAF) service. Every year, we look forward to him and his wife ministering to us as we fondly remember him from the early days of Grace Assembly. He gave us a very interesting sermon based on pigs this year. Referencing verses from the Scriptures, he shared lessons on why, in the year of the Pig, we need to be wise and not squander our privileges as God's children.

We had a chance to use the John 1 and John 2 rooms for our CAF service one evening before it was turned into a Cry Room for the new Saturday English service at GII. The two rooms can be converted into one big room and it was surrounded by full-length glass windows. We wanted to capture the moment of having a service with a full view of the outside on a Saturday evening.

That service was memorable for us. We had another great turnout as we opened our hearts in worship and our minds to the teaching of God's Word in a brand new room with a great view. We also thank God that our attendance has increased by 20%, as compared to the year before.



26 people (a record for us) joined us in our quarterly walk in April. We took the nature trail from Beauty World to Bukit Timah Nature Reserve towards the Railway Mall. Then we took a turn that ended up at the Ford Factory Museum for an informative guided tour of the events leading to the Japanese Occupation and the events in Singapore after that. It was another great time of getting to know one another and the new members. We also had great fun taking photos on the railway tracks.

CAF Malacca Adventure Camp

In July, the CAF will be having a A'Famosa Malacca Adventure Camp. The trip will be a two-day stay at the A'Famosa Resort with entry to the Safari World, Old West Cowboy Town plus telematch teambuilding activities and 4D rides included. All meals are also included. On the return trip, we will stop at Malacca town centre before heading back to Singapore.

For more information and registration details, join us at the next CAF service. It is held every last Saturday of the month at GII. If you attend the Saturday English service at 5pm, do join us for dinner before our CAF service commences at 7.30pm.



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CHOA CHU KANG MRT
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SERVING THE NATIONS HERE AND THERE

By Jasmin Low



Grace Missions is doing a great work in the nations! It has been an exciting 2019 for me personally thus far, as I was involved in the planning of various meetings with different stakeholders of Grace Missions. It was a privilege working with these stakeholders which included the Grace Missions committee and all our country directors, as we discussed the future of Grace Missions and how we can continue to be a vessel to build the global church.

Moving forward, our country directors will be doing a review of our existing works and looking into helping our church planters grow theologically, ministerially, as well as practically in terms of being financially sustainable in running seed-funded projects. We hope to give holistic support to our church planters just as how Jesus himself meets us our needs.

A testimony from Cambodia

There is a story I must share with you about how a church in Cambodia multiplied. It started only with a single church planter who evangelised to a gravely ill man, Sokhorn, and is now being multiplied into a second generation church!

Sokhorn lives in a village in Kampong Speu and is married with three children. His life is a testimony of God's healing power—not just to his family but to his fellow villagers as well. Before Sokhorn believed in Jesus, his life was rough and his body stricken with many illnesses. For three years, he was held captive in that sickly body with no money to consult a doctor. And even when he managed to, none of the doctors gave him hope regarding his situation.

However, during that time, a church planter whom Grace Missions was supporting, visited his village and shared with him about the healing power of Jesus Christ. He encouraged Sokhorn to believe in Jesus and be healed in the name of Jesus. At that time, Sokhorn was unsure as he could not see hope in his situation. However, by faith, he received prayer after prayer for healing. Soon, he was surprised to find that he felt better in his body

and mind. And in the span of one week, he was completely healed. At that time, he couldn't believe what he had experienced. With a heart of awe and surrender, he gave his life to Jesus. Because of God's healing power in his life, his family received Jesus Christ as their Lord and saviour too.

After receiving Jesus, Sokhorn's heart was filled with joy and he found it a privilege when God called him into full-time ministry. Now, he is a church planter himself under the support of Grace Missions and is currently pastoring a church of 20 members, all of whom are from his village. Every week, they will meet in a humble animal shed, where they will sit on wooden planks as they worship God, have fellowship and read His Word. Praise God for His power and might! The gospel is truly good news to the poor, the captives and the oppressed!

This is an amazing story of how Jesus used a single man to bring hope to another, who in turn brings this same hope to his family and an entire village! And it is our burden at Grace Missions to support our fellow workers in building up God's kingdom in different areas.

Join us in local missions!

Lastly, I would like to strongly encourage you to sign up as a volunteer for the local missions project that Grace Missions is embarking on. We are working with a non-profit organisation to provide physiotherapy and Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) care to workers who might be suffering from chronic pains and aches due to the nature of their work. This is cross-cultural outreach that requires much learning and training on the part of our volunteers. But isn't it always exciting when we have opportunities to learn and serve God? I especially hope to urge my brothers-in-Christ, as you are greatly needed for this ministry where many of the migrant workers are men. I'm sure through the godly lives of the men in His church, we can win more men into His kingdom!

OUR LOCAL MISSIONS PROJECT NEEDS:**Operations Volunteers**

We need volunteers to serve as part of the registration team or help out as clinical assistants. It's not too hard a task and you can always learn on the job!

**Befrienders**

This is really simple. All you need to contribute is your love and time. Make a visit or two, chat with our migrant workers and perhaps also bond with them over board games!

**Coordinators for:**

- English classes
- Computer classes
- Cultural exchanges in art, music and dance

Counsellors

Many of our migrant workers leave the comfort and security of their homeland to make a living in a foreign land. Sometimes, it is hard for them to adapt and some go through unnecessary hardships due to various reasons such as cultural shock, discrimination, etc. If you are trained in this area and have a little time to spare, why not consider using your skills for a mighty purpose?

To sign up as a volunteer, email missions@graceaog.org and we will advise you on next steps.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO HAVE SOME APRICOTS?

by Lim Nan

"Would you like to have some apricots?" A simple question. Nothing complicated nor is this a trick question from your lecturer. But till today, this question still resonates deeply with me. To find out why, let me take you on a journey of discovery and critical reflection.

Between the years 2007 to 2013, my wife, Christy, and I worked with refugees from the Middle East and Africa. Planted in an alien culture with a strange language, against the backdrop of a landscape that would make you believe Star Wars was filmed there, we called this foreign land home for many years.

Now that we are back in Singapore, part of what I do, as a volunteer, other than conducting talks, is to organise vision trips on behalf of a missions agency during my term holidays. On one such trip last year, I

All this would suddenly disappear as planes roared overhead and bombs fell.

was in Lebanon with my team interacting with the Syrian staff and children at a Christian NGO. During our break, I took out a pack of apricots and offered them to a Syrian teacher. I did not expect any response other than her accepting it or politely declining it. What she said surprised me. She replied, "I used to have an apricot tree in my garden."

She then held the apricot in her fingers and looked longingly at it for a few seconds before consuming

it. During those few seconds, which seemed a long time to me, I had an image of both of us being teleported back in time to her garden where an

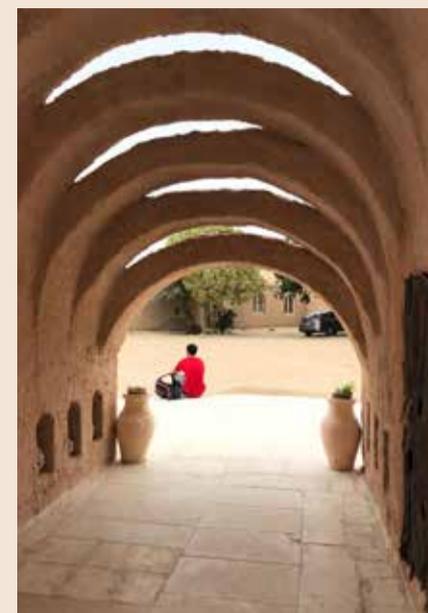
apricot tree stood right between us. I could see her daughter on the swing and her mother playing and laughing with her. All this would suddenly disappear as planes roared overhead and bombs fell.

Back to reality, the Syrian teacher thanked me and left. I was dumbstruck and took some time to process the episode. A simple apricot. A powerful encounter. This was not your typical classroom lesson.

A few months later, I recounted this situation in my lecture in the university. I could see that some students, like myself then, were brought back in time to the Arab Spring of 2011. Today, eating an apricot will never again be the same for me.

Then the Lord said to Cain, "Where is Abel your brother?" (Genesis 4:9) May we not read the parable of the Good Samaritan and treat it only as a bible study. Action is required of us this day. My prayer for all of us is that we, as a first world church, with our eyes open and our hearts broken, do more to help the suffering, the oppressed, the poor and the marginalised of the world — refugees.

**From the website of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), there have been 68.5 million people forcibly displaced from their homes.*



THE HOUSES OF GOD IN INDONESIA

By Babe Chen

In March this year, I went on a supervisory and exploratory trip to Indonesia with Pastor Peck Yin and Brother Kim Tat.

One of the highlights for this trip was home visitations to where our church planter, Pastor Dave, is actively building Grace Ministry. Since its inception in October 2017, Grace Ministry in Indonesia now has about 20 people attending its services on Sundays, a Bible study class, as well as prayer and fasting meetings. God is indeed among His people in Indonesia!



I remember visiting Ibu Barbara, who is in her seventies. She lives in a wooden house and the only way to get to her house is to navigate through an expanse of padi fields from the main road. It was the dry season, so we had no problem treading on the footpath. But imagine if we had to visit in the rainy season! Ibu Barbara demonstrated the love of God because even though she is unmarried and could have

lived quite comfortably—by subletting the extra rooms in her house—she chose to take in three children. These children are poor in health and abandoned. Her prayer requests were that God would make a way for her to have a proper path to access the main road directly and that the children will be healed. She teared up when she met us and was grateful for our visit. I was deeply moved by her love for the marginalised and her faithfulness to go to church, walking on those muddy paths through the padi fields.

Another family that we visited was Ibu Diva's. She whipped up a favourite local dish for us that was so tasty that even Brother Kim Tat went for a

second helping! She would also prepare meals for the children attending the outreach program. Free English classes are conducted weekly by Pastor Dave and his wife and is also open to children from other faiths. I was amazed when I learnt that Ibu Diva gave up one of her rented rooms to hold weekly classes. Her generosity overwhelmed me.

The last house that we visited was Ibu Eve's. As it was already dark when we arrived, I couldn't tell what sort of house it was from the exterior, except that it was also a wooden house. There were a lot of mismatched furniture in the house, but everything was functional. There was also a small antique TV which you probably won't find in Singapore now. But I can imagine that Ibu Eve and her family are quite happy and contented as they must have known that these things have no eternal value. I believed that Ibu Eve has made a better choice—investing in the lives of people. I realised she is the lady who generously provided a place for Pastor Dave and his wife to stay for free when they arrived in that area to plant a church. It is still partially renovated as there wasn't enough funds for completion, but at least it has a liveable space for the couple. The couple, in turn, sectioned off an area from the one given to them to create a classroom space for a children's outreach programme.

The homes that we visited may be poor in material terms, but their inhabitants are by far richer than me with their generous spirit of giving, as well as their untold sacrifices and investment choices with a kingdom perspective. The image of the poor widow in Luke 21 inadvertently came to mind. She gave two very small copper coins despite her poverty and earned our Lord Jesus' commendation. Will the Lord be pleased with our giving? It also dawned on me to find new meaning by investing in lives rather than laying up treasures on earth.

**Names in this article have been changed for security reasons.*

MAY 2019

2, 9, 16, 23, 30 May	Grace Discipleship Process 201: Emotionally Health Spirituality	GI L1 Gethsemane, 7.30pm – 9.30pm
4 & 18 May	Men's Bible Study	GI L5 Zion, 10am
4 & 18 May	Marriage Preparation & Discipleship Programme	GI L3 Cry Room, 10am
7 May	Healing Room @ GI	GI L3 Emmaus, 7.30pm
8 May	Women of Grace – Day Bible Study	GI L1 Gethsemane / GII L2 Love, 10am
11 & 12 May	Mother's Day Celebrations	GI / GII
11 & 25 May	Fathers' Mentoring Group	GII L1 Hope, 8.30am
11 & 25 May	Women of Grace – Saturday Bible Study	GI L2 Eden, 10am
14 May	Healing Room @ GII	GII L2 Praise, 7.30pm
15 May	Combined J333	GI L1 Galilee, 7.30pm
17 – 19 May	City-Wide Celebration of Hope	National Stadium
20 May	Grace Family Day @ Tanglin (by Chinese Ministry)	GI, 9am – 1pm
29 May	Grace Retreat 2019 Briefing	GI L3 Bethel, 8.30pm – 9.30pm
30 May – 1 Jun	Grace Missional College: Old Testament Survey	GI L3 Emmaus

JUNE 2019

1 & 15 Jun	Marriage Preparation & Discipleship Programme	GI L3 Cry Room, 10am
1 & 15 Jun	Women of Grace – Saturday Bible Study	GI L2 Eden, 10am
4 Jun	Healing Room @ GI	GI L3 Emmaus, 7.30pm
6 – 10 Jun	Grace Retreat 2019	Sunway Putra Hotel, Kuala Lumpur
11 Jun	Healing Room @ GII	GII L2 Praise, 7.30pm
15 & 16 Jun	Father's Day Celebrations	GI / GII
16 – 19 Jun	Grace Chinese Retreat 2019	Batam, Indonesia
22 Jun	Grace Discipleship Process 102: Foundations of our Faith	GI L5 Zion, 9.30am – 12.30pm
28 Jun	Combined Leaders' Meeting	GI L3 Bethel

JULY 2019

2 Jul	Healing Room @ GI	GI L3 Emmaus, 7.30pm
6 Jul	Marriage Mentoring Training by Focus on the Family	GI L2 Eden, 10am – 4pm
9 Jul	Healing Room @ GII	GII L2 Praise, 7.30pm
13 & 14 Jul	Grace Missions Emphasis Weekend	GI / GII
13 & 27 Jul	Men's Bible Study	GI L5 Zion, 10am
13 & 27 Jul	Women of Grace – Saturday Bible Study	GI L2 Eden, 10am
13 & 27 Jul	Fathers' Mentoring Group	GI L5 Love, 8.30am – 11.30am
17 Jul	Combined J333	GI L1 Galilee, 7.30pm
19, 20, 27 Jul	Restored to Wholeness Seminar	GII L2 Love 19/7 (Fri): 7pm – 9pm 20/7 & 27/7 (Sat): 9am – 4.30pm
24 & 31 Jul	Women of Grace – Day Bible Study	GI L1 Gethsemane / GII L2 Love, 10am

Event details are subject to changes, please scan this QR code or go to Grace App for latest information & updates.



Weddings at Grace

MAY 2019

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!

18 May 2019

Low Kim Huat & Leanne Tan Yi Lian
Wedding at GI

18 May 2019

Keith Yeo Tze Liang & Chua Yi Xian
Wedding at GII Sanctuary

25 May 2019

Paul Weng Jin Jie & Teng Mei Ling
Wedding at GI

分享服侍感言



时间如箭，迅速流逝。回想在这十多年的事奉生涯，其间都面对自己许多的不足，人事的磨练，大大小小的挑战和事奉的冲击，若不是神的恩典，也不能走过去；倘若没有神的大爱和怜悯，不断的鼓励及鞭策，我也不能坚守岗位到如今。所以，今天能走到这个阶段，委实全是神的恩典；正如圣经的话：“然而，我今日成了何等人，是蒙神的恩才成的。”(林前15:10)

今天我怀着感恩的心来谢谢我一生所事奉的神。年青的时候很想为神做大事，年纪愈大，发觉世上没有什么大事，所有的大事耶稣已经成就了，其余都是小事，神要求我以最大的爱心—爱神的心、爱人的心来做这些小事。有了爱，就能尽心竭力，遇到困难也能忍耐下去；有了爱，事奉就有喜乐，工作

就算看不见果效，爱本身就是一个报偿；有了爱，就能放下自己，原来自己是事奉神最大的拦阻。有了爱，该挑起责任就有勇气，该放下责任让别人来做也不为难。就算我不能常常做到爱神爱人，我起码了解到一点：服事神、服事人不过是为我在地上所占有的空间付上一点房租而已，换句话说：我不要白占地土，服事是人之为人的本份，就像路加福音十七章10节所教导的：“我所作的本是我应份作的。”

闽南语堂会能够走到今天，靠的乃是主的恩手时刻牵引、看顾与保守！此外，弟兄姐妹的爱心支持、鼓励和祷告也是我事工的动力！

现在不论是恩典一还是恩典二的闽南语事工，虽然我们面临人力资源缺乏的挑战，但是我相信通过装备恩友策略的方针，能兴起更多的弟兄姐妹来参与服侍。

愿神继续施恩带领我前面事奉的路程，作忠心的仆人，尽心牧养神所托付的羊群。荣耀主名！

陈成今牧师

感谢主，一转眼，成为恩典堂中文事工的同工已经第三年了。

我是在2008年开始就读神学。当初只是单纯地抱着一个受装备的心态去读，好叫自己以后能更好的服侍主，也没真正地想过自己以后会全职服侍。然而就在2015读完了圣工硕士后，上帝就开始有更明确的带领。以至于在2016年，我辞去了职场的事业，也卸下担任了5年的教会执事会委员的责任，加入了牧会的行列，成为教会的同工。

在这三年里，我非常感恩。我得到了很多学习的机会。不论是讲道、教导、宣教、牧养、领诗、主办与策划活动、等等，都受到全方面的装备。我感谢主让我能从服侍事工上，以及过去的职场和执事的经验中，全面地成长，去看和处理事情。

身为一名年轻的牧者，我相信要学习的，可以加强的，需要改变的，任然还有很多。我求主继续带领我，保守我的心，在未来的服侍里，能力上加力，恩上加恩。我祈求我能继续走在上帝的旨意当中，成为多人的祝福。

我服侍上的负担，就是希望更多年轻人能看到需要，愿意来到中文部服侍，使这个事工能够延续。让我们凡事先求神的国和祂的义，不让语言成为我们的歌利亚。在神没有难成的事。欢迎更多英文部的弟兄姐妹加入我们中文事工，让我们一起彼此学习，彼此服侍，彼此相爱，一同敬拜，荣耀，赞美我们的神。让我们在主里活出非凡，荣神益人！

陈善瀚弟兄



我是在1988年信主，2009年进入恩典堂全时间服侍，一转眼就10年了。感谢神的拣选和呼召，恩典堂是我生命被点燃被翻转的地方，我在这里信主洗礼受装备，在这里我寻找到真爱（我的另一半），我在这里成长和服侍，这里是我属灵的家，在这里蒙神呼召进入神学装备，毕业后就进入全时间服侍。



有时候我会问自己，我是谁？神为什么拣选我？我跟神说我有很多不足的地方，神说我的恩典够你用。我觉得我并不完美，神对我说，在我眼中你是完美的。我说我不能，神说靠着那加给你力量的，你凡事都能作。于是，我跟神说我顺服，因为顺服就能蒙福。

在全时间服侍的这些日子以来，虽然经历许多的酸甜苦辣，有很多的眼泪和压力，甚至曾经被误会被伤害。但是，我深深的相信（路21:18）然而，你们连一根头发也必不损坏。深信神若帮助我们，谁能抵挡我们呢？即便是面对许多的考验和挑战，心中总是有一股非凡的平安和力量，我知道神与我同在，祂垂听我的祷告，祂的双手扶持我。

在全时间服侍的这些日子以来，我走在恩典的路上，一路走来我并不孤单，我是幸福的。我要感谢中文教牧团队，弟兄姐妹及家人们对我的爱，关心及包容，让我犯了错误却能够有机会重来，我心存感恩。感谢神！谢谢你们的爱。

取自《恩典的记号》歌词：

当我呼求，耶稣听见我的祷告。
千万人中，祂竟关心我的需要。
走过的路，有欢笑有泪水。
都留下主恩典的记号。
在风雨中，耶稣将我紧紧拥抱。
我深知道，祂是我永远的依靠。
走过的路，有欢笑有泪水。
将成为主恩典的记号。

在全时间服侍的这些日子以来，让我心里得到很大的满足和安慰。其中一件事，是看到弟兄姐妹生命的成长和改变，有一颗愿意爱主爱人爱教会的心，在福音的事上有份，在世上为主作光作盐作主福音的伙伴。

在全时间服侍的这些日子以来，心存感恩，感谢神！荣耀归给神！

主内：美莲传道

一个跨越语言、文化、饮食之旅 —— 斯里兰卡宣教感言



这次的宣教和过去所参与的服侍很不一样，好多孩子和成人信了主。我们到个别教会，家庭及在广阔的空地上分享神话语与作见证，也为他们祷告，有的人当场经历神的医治，我们到个别家庭分派食物给贫困家庭，也到一户贫困的家庭中油漆。

我相信将来神必兴起这些儿童成为福音的传承者，在每一个黑暗的角落为主作光和盐。经历神丰盛的恩典。

林惠兰姐妹

第一次分享就在大树下，以不同的语言分享经文，真是别有一番滋味。分享后，还看到了弟兄姐妹的回应，更加增强了自己的信心。

第二次我分享的时间，同样的是在大树下，我在想象耶稣跟门徒在树下分享的时候，是不是像我现在一样。

感谢主可以给我有这个会和情景像祂一样。

黄钰方姐妹

感谢神！第一次参与宣教，第一次在前面带领跳舞。

行程中看见一位行动不便的寡妇，可是却坚持去参加小组，为主多走一里路。为着她的生命来感谢主。

我们两参与儿童事工，语言不通，但是大家团队的扶持；路途虽然有一点累，但却非常有意义。荣耀归于主！

德福、德录弟兄

I got the opportunity to see a different world which I had forgotten since I came to Singapore. It brought back my memories of my childhood and my life in China before I came to Singapore. I got more from the people we met and the places we had been than what I gave them.

The trip is well planned and coordinated. I experienced my first mission trip with this wonderful team. I am grateful that we worked well as a team, and the activities were well coordinated and executed smoothly.

I am glad that I could contribute to the people we met by sharing my first testimony and training them. It made this trip even more special and fulfilling to me.

Praise the Lord! The mission trip to Sri Lanka was enjoyable and fulfilling.

Sis Hong Qing

This is my first mission trip to Sri Lanka. I have had reservations prior to the trip but I prayed for God's guidance and strength to be upon me. I felt rather nervous when I had to share my own testimony during one of the sessions. They hunger to learn more about the bible. This eventually led them to accept Christ during alter call. I am grateful that I am able to serve in the missions field. I have learnt how I could be a blessing to share more about God's faithfulness and love, as well as how I can contribute even more during my trips in future.

Sis Lynn Tan

在斯里兰卡的行程让我感觉自己太幸福了、不应该继续活在埋怨中。看到我们帮忙油漆的那户人家很简单的生活，什么都没有、只要有一个挡风遮雨的地方和三餐温饱就满足了。我们每餐不知道要吃什么、一直选不定主意、真的很惭愧。

想不到我在那做见证就有人前来信主，这是让我最感动的事，上帝真奇妙。

洪妍好姐妹

感谢神，短短七天的宣教，令我感触良多。

第一次参与儿童事工，没经验，不只要越过语言和食物的挑战。我也学会彼此关怀，忍耐和同心合一。

我个人觉得宣教不只造就，鼓励在基督里的弟兄姐妹；我们也学会做主的见证，分享神的话语，同时把神的爱传扬出去。

看到他们那么渴慕神，使我认识到原来敬拜可以很简单，因为神看重的是人的心而不是环境。

这次短宣虽然我们都很累，但是看见那么多灵魂得救，我们都很欣慰也感谢神的保守与看顾。荣耀归于主！

林美金姐妹

感谢神藉着此宣教使我的生命被突破、信心被提升。

我在出发前的一星期开始发烧、头疼又吐，看了医生吃药后病情仍反反复复，出发前的星期一去Polyclinic再看医生验血。做了两种测试，一个小时后看报告医生说有一点细菌感染，另一个伊蚊的测试报告要2-3天后才会出来。医生发信证明我不适合出国。叫我星期四若有发烧再去看他。但我们是星期三晚上出发的。当我下到楼下去拿星期四预约时间时，护士说星期四完全没有位子，剩下唯一一个在星期三早上。过后我就向神祷告求确据。

第一、从星期一起无烧无吐无头痛
第二、伊蚊报告在星期三中午12点以前要出来。

星期三早上医生证实了我的报告出来没有被伊蚊叮咬。一切都好了医生也说你的身体在复原中，医生很坚定的说我可以出国！我的身体就完全复原了。感谢赞美主！

这是我生平第一次在宣教中用英语做见证。站上去以前我向神祷告第一没有惧怕，第二翻译员听得懂我的英文，第三不会流泪。神听了我的祷告，我很顺利的完成我的见证分享。感谢赞美主！

张玉娥姐妹

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GRACE I SERVICES

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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GRACE II SERVICES

SATURDAY 2 PM

Elevate @ R-AGE Youth (15-19 Yrs Old)	Agape	Level 3
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SATURDAY 5 PM

English Service	Chapel	Level 4
Grace Kids (4-10 Yrs Old)	Praise	Level 2

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
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and make all your plans succeed.
May we shout for joy over your victory
and lift up our banners in the name of our God.*

PSALM 20:4-5

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