

Bethany III ... 6 November 2016 ... Holy Communion Sunday!

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"DEAD JN TRESPASSES AND SJNS"

HAVE WE TAKEN OUR SALVATION FOR GRANTED?

If we are honest with ourselves, we would have to admit that we have taken our salvation too much for granted!

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OUR PRE-SALVATION STATE

What is our pre-salvation state? The Apostle Paul wrote about this solemnly.

And you He made alive, Who were dead in trespasses and sins,

In which you walked according to the course of this world, According to the prince of the power of the air, The spirit who now works in the sons of disobedience,

Among whom also we all once conducted ourselves
In the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh
And of the mind, were by nature children of wrath,
Just as the others.

Ephesians 2:1-13

- 1. Dead in trespasses and sins
 - a) Deadness- this word is most sobering
 - b) Our trespasses and sins can cause us to be spiritually dead
 - i) We are unable to respond to the Lord
 - ii) We are unable to find God real
 - iii) There is no spiritual sensitivity to the Lord at all
- 2. Our life's walk
 - a) According to the course of this world

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MEDITATION

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- i) We become worldly
- ii) We are influenced by the world so much
- iii) Our thoughts and pursuits are worldly
- iv) We are not inclined to anything spiritual
- b) According to the prince of the power of the air
 - i) This is an even more sobering word
 - ii) There is a spiritual power at work that we are not even aware of
 - iii) The reference here is to the Evil One himself

3. Consequences

- a) We are called "sons of disobedience"
- b) We live according to the lusts of our flesh and mind
- c) We become "children of wrath"

SALVATION IN THE LORD

It would take no one less than the LORD God to redeem us from our sinful state. May the Spirit of God help us to understand our true spiritual state. May we desire to have the full salvation of God that He has planned for us! \Im

Write to me at: charlestan@bethanyipc.sg

We are glad that you have chosen to worship the Lord Jesus with us today. May your heart be lifted up through worship and fellowship. †





COMBINED WORSHIP

We will be having Combined Worship until the end of the year. បំ

HOLY COMMUNION TODAY

We will be partaking of Holy Communion today. Those who have been baptized/confirmed may partake of The Lord's Supper.

The Bread

And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to the disciples and said, "Take, eat; this is My body." Matthew 26:26

The Cup

Then He took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you. For this is My blood of the new covenant." Matthew 26:27 \$\frac{1}{3}\$

PULPIT THEME FOR NOVEMBER-DECEMBER 2016

This is inspired by Isaiah 12:2

"Behold, God is my salvation."

The theme is on Salvation. Let us seek to reach out to loved ones who may not know that there is salvation to be found in the Lord. Let us ever seek to be faithful witnesses for the Lord. \hat{V}



CATECHISM CLASS TODAY

Time: 1.00pm Venue: 4th Floor Auditorium **V**

MINISTRY IN BETHEL

Thank God for a meaningful ministry in Bethel last week. Let us continue to pray for the Lord's blessings to be outpoured on Bethel. $\hat{\mathbf{v}}$

congratulations to Jonathan and mickelle

On the occasion of their wedding on 5 November 2016. May the Lord's glorious blessings be yours in the years ahead! \$\forall 1\$

WEDDING INVITATION

12 November 2016

11.00am Chiam Dao Hua and Peh Shi Yun

19 November 2016

11.00am
Eugene Seow and Yvette Chua

All are cordially invited. पे



A & A PROJECT

- 1. Let us continue to seek the Lord in prayer
- 2. Let us do our part in giving faithfully to this Project

TOP SUCCESS

Let us thank God that we have been granted TOP for Phase 1. The approval came on Friday, 4 November 2016.

This has been a tremendous boost to our hearts. We have every reason to rejoice as we worship the Lord today!

CONTINUING IN PRAYER

Let us continue to pray for the Lord's grace and mercy.

There are two Phases in the A & A Project

- 1. Phase One
 - a) The Sanctuary which will now include a Balcony
 - b) The Church Office
 - c) The new Auditoriums on the Bubble Lift side
 - d) The Server
 - e) The new AVA system
 - f) The new lightings/ curtains
- 2. Phase Two
 - The Mezzanine Floor extending to the Side of the Church away from the Bubble Lift
 - b) The Auditoriums
 - c) Refurbishing

Phase Two will conclude in March 2017

We hope to have a Dedication Service on Saturday, 18 March 2017. បំ



CHRISTMAS PROGRAM 2016

1. Christmas Baptismal Service

11 Dec. 2016

2. Christmas Carolling

17 Dec. 2016 Time: 4.00pm

Followed by Dinner

- a) Those under 12
- b) Those 65 and above (senior citizens)

Please register

3. Christmas at Shangri La

25 Dec. 2016

Please book your table.

DOWN MEMORY LANE

31 December 2016 Time: 8.00pm

We will be having a special Testimony Service. Let us prepare to give glory to the Lord for His goodness and mercy bestowed on us! \$\forall\$



WEEKDAY MINISTRIES

We will be in recess for the rest of the year.

We resume in January 2017. ₺

WORSHIP



PSalm 69:29-30

But I am poor and sorrowful; Let Your salvation, O God, set me up on high.

I will praise the name of God with a song, And will magnify Him with thanksgiving.

- 1. The plight of a desperate man
 - a) Poor
 - b) Sorrowful
- 2. The Plea of the desperate man
 - a) Pleading for salvation
 - b) And with this deliverance to be set on high
- 3. The Promise of the desperate man
 - a) To praise God with a special song of praise
 - b) To magnify the Lord with thanksgiving **†**

POETRY CORNER

I WILL NOT REMEMBER YOUR SINS

With shame and sorrow, I come to Your Table, Lord, My failures, my sins make me afraid to come to God. "I, even I am He who blots out your transgressions," From these words, I am filled with needed inspiration.

My sins are ever before me, and I hang my head in shame, I have not kept Your word, I have dishonoured Your name. "I will blot out your transgressions, for My own sake," With these words, I draw near, my deep thirst to slake.

How I wish I could be stronger but I am but a mere man, I fall all too easily, and I ruin my carefully laid out plans. "I will not remember your sins!" What precious words of love! My heart is greatly moved to draw nearer to the Lord above!

So many sins in life beset me and I am often distressed, But the Lord bids me come and find in Him the needed rest. I come to Your table, remembering the price that was paid; Upon the Lord Jesus Christ, all my transgressions are laid!

How thankful we must be that we have such a salvation! Our transgressions are blotted out in His great redemption. The Lord will not remember our sins for the sake of His name, Now may we lift up our head and not be covered in shame!

> Inspiration: Isaiah 43:25 Charles Tan 🕆

BIBLE MEMORY WORK

Today, 6 November 2016

Isaiah 12:2 Behold, God is my salvation

Behold, God is my salvation, I will trust and not be afraid; for YAH, the LORD, is my strength and song; He also has become my salvation.

- 1. Declaration of trust in the Lord
 - a) That God will give salvation
 - b) That salvation is to be found in the Lord
- Determination expressed
 - a) To overcome fear
 - b) To find strength in the Lord
 - c) To sing to the Lord in thanksgiving for His salvation

Next Sunday, 13 November 2016

Isaiah 12:3 Wells of salvation

Therefore with joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. I

THEME: BEHOLD, GOD IS MY SALVATION

This Week @ Worship

- COMBINED WORSHIP SERVICE — 10.30 AM . CHURCH SANCTUARY

"Zion shall be Redeemed" Isaiah 1~7 Chairmen

The Pastoral Team

Speaker

Rev Dr Charles Tan

Pianist

Mrs Sally Tan

<u>Interpreter</u>

Mr Foo Yit San

— TEENS' WORSHIP SERVICE —

NO TEENS WORSHIP SERVICE

– CHILDREN'S CHURCH —— 10.30 AM

"Why are you fearful, O you of little faith?" Matthew 8:23~27 COMBINED CC (P1—P6)

Speaker

Miss Camille George
4th Floor Auditorium

— COMBINED EVENING-BILINGUAL WORSHIP SERVICE —

NO COMBINED EVENING-BILINGUAL WORSHIP SERVICE

Breakfast & Fellowship Lunch: Andrew & Hwei Li

Bethany Church Activities

	Day	Time	Venue	Location
WORSHIP SERVICES				
Morning Worship Service	Sun	10.30 am	Fellowship Hall	1 st floor
Children's Worship (P1 – P6)		10.30 am	4 th Floor Auditorium	4 th floor
Evening-Bilingual		4.00 pm	Fellowship Hall	1 st floor
Worship Service				
SUNDAY SCHOOL				
Crèche		8.30am	Church Office	3 rd floor
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Beginners' Sunday School	Sun	8.30am	3 rd Floor Auditorium	3 rd floor
Junior Sunday School		8.30am	4 th Floor Auditorium	4 th floor
Combined		8.30am	Fellowship Hall	1 st floor
Senior Sunday School		0.000111	1 3 3 1 1 1 1 1 1	
Senior Sunday School III	-	8.30am	BTS	4 th floor
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Singing Kakis	Thurs	8.00 pm	4 th Floor Auditorium	4 th floor
One Voice	Sat	5.00 pm	Fellowship Hall	1 st floor
Youth Choir	Sai	5.00 pm	4 th Floor Auditorium	4 th floor
Evergreens	Sun	1.00 pm	Sanctuary II	2 nd floor
BIBLE STUDY		3		
Church Bible Study	Tue	8.00 pm	4 th Floor Auditorium	4 th floor
Home Bible Study	2 nd and 4 th	3.00 pm	- Tioor Additionalii	- 11001
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Mandarin Bible Study	1 st and 3 rd	7.30 pm	4 th Floor Auditorium	4 th floor
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CATECHISM CLASS	Sun	1.00 pm	4 th Floor Auditorium	4 th floor
PRAYER MEETING	Mon	8.00 pm	4 th Floor Auditorium	4 th floor
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FELLOWSHIP GROUPS				
Young People's Group	Sat	3.00 pm	3 rd and 4 th Floor	3 rd & 4 th
			Auditorium	floor
Young Adults' Group	Sat	3.00 pm	Fellowship Hall	1 st floor

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COMBINED WORSHIP SERVICE 6 November 2016 Order of Worship

PREPARATION

Pre-Worship Singing Pianist: Mrs Sally Tan HWC No. 555 We're Marching To Zion

Prelude

Call to Worship The Pastoral Team

Invocation

PRAISE

Hymns

Century Praise 89 Praise To The Lord, The Almighty

Century Praise 308 Thanks To God For My Redeemer

Century Praise 218 Rejoice, The Lord Is King

HWC No. 278 Glorious Things Of Thee Are Spoken

PRAYER

Pastoral Prayer

SPECIAL SONG ITEM

"Lord Most High" Bethany Combined Choir

"PREACH THE WORD"

Message: "Zion Shall Be Redeemed"

Text: Isaiah 1—7

Speaker: Rev Dr Charles Tan

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Hymn

HWC No. 453 I Gave My Life For Thee

Partaking of the Bread

Hymn

HWC No. 466 Jesus, Lover Of My Soul

Partaking of the Cup

RESPONSE

Offering

Hymn

Century Praise 451

It Is Well With My Soul

Prayerful Meditation

Benediction

Postlude

PASTORAL LETTER

Senior Pastor: Rev Dr Charles Tan

6 November 2016

Dear Brethren,

THE LAST TWO MONTHS OF 2016

We have come to the last two months of 2016. Let us complete this year on a very strong note.

- 1. We will be able to worship the Lord in the new sanctuary
- 2. We will be rejoicing with all who are getting married in November and December 2016
- 3. Most of all we will be celebrating Christmas once again!





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THE MANY LESSONS LEARNED

What were some of the lessons learned this year that we should celebrate?

- 1. God's provision
 - a) Thank God for His bountiful provision
 - b) Thank God for those who have been His instruments of provision
 - c) So many have given significantly
- 2. God's protection
 - a) Thank God for His safe-keeping
 - b) Thank God for protection from untoward harm
 - c) Let us never take His protection for granted

LOOKING FORWARD TO CHRISTMAS

There is so much to look forward to as we celebrate Christmas! The theme for the Pulpit is about the salvation that we may find in the Lord.

"Behold, God is my salvation." Isaiah 12:2

Let us discover afresh the many tenets of salvation that we have in God's gracious plan. Let us deepen our appreciation of what it means to be redeemed by the Lord. There is so much in the salvation of the Lord that should rejoice our hearts!

Prayerfully,

Pastor Charlie