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# **WELCOME TO WESLEY**

On-Site & Online Worship Services - https://worship.wesleymc.org

#### **SATURDAY WORSHIP SERVICES | 2 Aug 2025**

Youth Service

[On site | Wesley Hall - 2.00pm]

Revelation 1: The Church In The World | Rev Raymond Fong

The Saturday Service

[On site | Wesley Hall - 5.00pm]

Revelation 1: The Church In The World | Rev Raymond Fong

#### **SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES | 3 Aug 2025**

Traditional Worship Services

[On site | Sanctuary - 7.30, 9.30, 11.30am & 5.00pm | Live-streamed - 9.30am]

Revelation 1: The Church In The World | Rev Raymond Fong

Prayer & Praise Worship Services

[On site | Wesley Hall - 9.30 & 11.30am | Live-streamed - 9.30am]

Revelation 1: The Church In The World | Rev Raymond Fong

Filipino Worship Service

[On site | Plaza Hall - 2.00pm]

The Old And The New | Rev Michael Tan

Mandarin Ministry Worship Service

[On site & Live-streamed | Wesley Hall - 2.30pm

为教会劳苦 | 洪秀琪牧师

Labouring For The Church | Rev Lilian Ang

#### CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

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#### WESLEY METHODIST CHURCH

#### TRADITIONAL SERVICES

Wesley Sanctuary 7.30am | 9.30am (Live-streamed) | 11.30am | 5.00pm

#### 3 August 2025 | 8th Sunday after Pentecost

Liturgical Colour: Green (Ordinary Time)

Lectionary: Hosea 11:1–11, Psalm 107:1–9, 43, Colossians 3:1–11, Luke 12:13–21 Songs: Ye Servants of God (UMH 181), Just As I Am, Without One Plea (UMH 357),

Praise the Lord Who Heals (Ps 147), Go to the World

Sermon: The Church in the World (Rev 1:1 - 3:22)

#### I. GATHERING

We gather in the Lord's name weekly to be renewed in our hearts and minds. Our worship of God is a response to his revelation as he reveals his truth to us through Scripture, sermon, prayers and songs.

#### MEDITATION VERSE

"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is, and who was, and who is to come, the Almighty." Revelation 1:8

#### PREPARATION PRAYER

by Robert Blezard

God, our guide and our protector,
as we gather today in your holy house,
open our minds and souls and hearts,
that we may be inclined to hear the gentle direction
of your Spirit in our lives.
Help us follow you as you lead us
to the land you have created for us,
where we may dwell with you and in you. Amen.

#### **PRELUDE**

#### GREETING

- L: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God the Father, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- P: And also with you.

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: God of glory, you sent Jesus among us as the light of the world, to reveal your love for all people.

We confess that our sin and pride hide the brightness of your light. We turn away from the poor; we ignore cries for justice; we do not strive for peace.

Forgive us, God. In your mercy, cleanse us of our sin, and renew us once again with your Spirit, so that, as forgiven and renewed people, we may reflect the love and life of Jesus Christ into our world. Amen.

#### CALL TO WORSHIP \*

by Dr. Lisa Hancock, 2025

Children of God, we gather as people who have received new life in Jesus Christ.

We come to set our minds on Christ, who surrounds us in love.

The world tries to distract us with anxious rumours, worrisome lies, and misleading half-truths.

We come to set our minds on Christ, who surrounds us in love.

In this place, we gather to remind, remember, and renew our commitment to dwell in the love of Christ. We come to set our minds on Christ, who surrounds us in love.

Children of God, come! Let us worship God, who clothes us in new life and renews us in grace.

Come, let us worship as we set our minds on Christ, who surrounds us in love.

OPENING HYMN \* Ye Servants of God

**UMH 181** 

SCRIPTURE READING

Just As I Am, Without One Plea PRAYER HYMN UMH 357, St. 1 to 4

SILENT PRAYER

#### UNISON PRAYER

All: God, our guide and our protector, open our minds and souls and hearts, that we may be inclined to hear the gentle direction of your Spirit in our lives, through your living Word. Amen.

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

#### II. SERMON SERIES – BOOK OF REVELATION 1 of 9

Sermon Title The Church in the World Scripture Text Revelation 1:1 - 3:22 Speaker Rev Raymond Fong

#### III. WE RESPOND IN SHARING AND GIVING

We respond to God's Word through the sharing of peace, participating in and praying for the programs and initiatives of the church, as we seek to grow in our discipleship journey, offering time, money, and gifts where help is needed as God's stewards.

#### PEACE AND OFFERING

Welcome

Shalom to You Sharing of God's Peace \* **UMH 666** 

Family News Offertory Prayer Tithes and Gifts to God

> Dawnbreakers 7.30am Let God Be Praised and Glorified

> > Words: Fred Pratt Green Music: John F. Wilson

Text © 1972 and Music ©1982 Hope Publishing Company

John Wesley Choir 9.30am Nearer, My God, to Thee

> Words: Sarah F. Adams, 1841, alt. Edward H. Bickersteth Jr. Music: Lowell, Mason, 1856; Arranged by Dan Forrest

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Cellist: Jacob Lean

Colossians 3:1-11

11.30am Here I Am to Worship

Wesley Chorale

Words and Music: Tim Hughes, William R. Featherston and

Adoniram J. Gordon; Arranged by Larry Shackley © 2001 and this arr. © 2005 ThankYou Music

5.00pm The Prayer with Lead Us, Lord

Wesley Heralds

Words and Music: Carole Bayer Sager and David Foster

Arranged by Tom Fettke

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Communion Offering for TRAC Lease Renewal Fund

Doxology \* My Tribute UMH 99

THE APOSTLES' CREED

#### RITUAL FOR HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation

The Great Thanksgiving (spoken responses)

The Lord's Prayer (ASAS)

Giving the Bread and Cup Praise the Lord Who Heals

Words and Music by Norman Agatep

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Partaking of Bread and Cup

Thanksgiving Prayer

#### IV. SENDING FORTH

Having been renewed in our hearts and minds, we are to go forth into the world as Christ's ambassadors in the ministry of reconciliation.

CLOSING HYMN \* Go to the World

Words: Sylvia Dunstan © 1991 GIA Publications, Inc. Music (ENGELBERG): Charles Villers Stanford, P.D.

(To the tune of UMH 68 - When in Our Music God Is Glorified)

Go to the world! Go into all the earth.

Go preach the cross where Christ renews life's worth,

baptizing as the sign of our rebirth.

Alleluia!

2. Go to the world! Go into every place.

Go live the word of God's redeeming grace.

Go seek God's presence in each time and space. Alleluia!

- 3. Go to the world! Go struggle, bless, and pray; the nights of tears give way to joyous day. As servant Church, you follow Christ's own way. Alleluia!
- 4. Go to the world! Go as the ones I send, for I am with you till the age shall end, when all the hosts of glory cry "Amen." Alleluia!

BENEDICTION \*
POSTLUDE

#### Prayer Ministry at the Altar

If you need someone to pray with you, please proceed to the inner rails of the altar area. If you wish to pray alone, please use the outer rails.

Visit https://wesleymc.org/wm/resources for the newer songs covered this year.

<sup>\*</sup> Congregation may stand.

3 AUGUST 2025 WORSHIP SERVICE TEAMS						
	7.30am	9.30am	11.30am	5.00pm		
Preacher	Rev Raymond Fong					
Congregational Pastor	Rev Adrian Ng	Rev Lilian Ang	Rev Gladwin Lee	Rev Chia Chin Nam		
Worship Leader	Henry Tan	Philip Oh	David Mok	Aw Choon Hui		
Conductor	Binsar Tobing	Catherine Wan	Yuko Kamimoto	Vivien Goh		
Choir	Dawnbreakers	John Wesley Choir	Wesley Chorale	Wesley Heralds		
Pianist	Tan Suat Kian	Dabria Yiong	Cheong Sook Fun	Aaron Goh		
Organist	Joanna Low	Evelyn Lim	Tan Wei Sein	Lee Shea Lin		
Sound	Keefe Quek	Ronnie Yeo	Edwin Tan	William Chan		
Slides	Loh Wai Meng	Lydia Khan	Charmaine Chen	Jovan Kam		
Camera	Wong Chi Kong	Shaun Wee	Shaun Wee	Gloria Thong		
Live-streaming	N.A.	James Phoen Melvin Png	N.A.	N.A.		
Head Usher	Lawrence Koh	Leong Wing Kong	Peter Chow	Alan Lam		
Congregational PTM	Victor Chan Trixie Chin	Alvena Khoo Chow Yuen Peng Eddy Chan Felix Yeo	Jairus Thomas Kayyona Lim	Gerhardine Foo Kevyn Lai Tina Khoo		
Service Manager	Dorcas Kwok	Dorcas Kwok	Dorcas Kwok	Ivonne Lo		
Floral Arrangers	Cassandra Lee (Leader), Betty Lee, Michelle Lim, Irene Lai, Jenny Lim, Maureen Wong WL, Shirley Quek					

# Prayer & Praise Service

#### INTO HIS PRESENCE

PRE-SERVICE PRAYER

#### CELEBRATE GOD'S MIGHTY ACTS!

WORSHIP THROUGH SONGS OF PRAISE

Sing and worship in the Spirit focusing our minds on Jesus,

- ... with all our hearts to the Lord,
- ... with freedom.

Let everything that has breath PRAISE THE LORD!

#### CORPORATE PRAYER

SCRIPTURE READING Revelation 1:9-20

#### HOLY COMMUNION

#### ONE IN CHRIST

SHARING OF GOD'S PEACE CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

#### FOR YOU ALONE, GOD!

PRESENTATION OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERING 2ND/COMMUNION OFFERING FOR TRAC Lease Renewal Fund

#### DOXOLOGY To God Be The Glory, To God Be The Glory

To God Be The Glory For The Things He Has Done With His Blood He Has Saved Me With His Power He Has Raised Me To God Be The Glory For The Things He Has Done

#### GOD'S WORD FOR US

TSS Sat 5.00pm,

P&P Sun 9.30am and 11.30am Revelation 1:1-3:22

#### SERMON

TSS Sat 5.00pm,

P&P Sun 9.30am and 11.30am Revelation 1: The Church In The World

**Rev Raymond Fong** 

#### YES, LORD!

SONG OF RESPONSE

#### BENEDICTION

SERVICE LEADER/

TSS Sat 5.00pm P&P Sun 9.30am & 11.30am Rev Benjamin Lau Rev lan Lee

CONGREGATIONAL PASTOR/HOLY COMMUNION CELEBRANT

TSS Sat 5.00pm P&P Sun 9.30am & 11.30am Rev Benjamin Lau Rev Ian Lee

CONGREGATIONAL STAFF

TSS Sat 5.00pm Loke Ai Mei

P&P Sun 9.30am & 11.30am Jabez Fong, Rebecca Yong

& Samuel Tan

SERVICE COORDINATOR

Suzanne Yong TSS Sat 5.00pm P&P Sun 9.30am & 11.30am Matthew Peter

WORSHIP TEAM

TSS Sat 5.00pm Matthew Peter, TSS Band P&P Sun 9.30am & 11.30am Michael Ong, P&P Band

TSS COMMUNITY BUILDERS/P&P HOSPITALITY TEAM IN-CHARGE

TSS Sat 5.00pm Chia Shi Jin P&P Sun 9.30am Amberle Ann Ng & Feyone Ng P&P Sun 11.30am Herman Ching & Aquila Tan

TSS COMMUNITY BUILDERS/P&P HOSPITALITY TEAM

TSS Sat 5.00pm Emest Yeo, Desmond Lam.

Gan Wee Hoe, Kathy Leong Mervin Tan & Nijendra Mahendra

P&P Sun 9.30am Ade Olopade, Ariya Ho

Chia Nyook Kheun, Eagle Bala, Elizabelle Pang, Eric Ang, Janice Ong, Joanne Lo, Karen Tan, Lee Chee Soon, Matthew Ong, Tabitha Tan & Yvette Yeo

P&P Sun 11.30am Andrea Tan, Diana Tan,

Eileen Yong, Florence Lim Jesudas Menon, Kelly Chan, Regan Lim, Stella Cheong & Vincent Loo

TECHNICAL TEAM

TSS Sat 5.00pm Service/Stage Manager Justin Chia Sound Crew Daniel Heng Charlie And Liahts Crew Geoffrey Khoo Projectionist

P&P Sun 9.30am & 11.30am

Service Manager

Joel Ng Gerald Lim, Xunliang Lin Sound Video Director Darren Tan Amelia Swee, Donny Tan. Video/Camera Crew

lan Kwan, Khoo Wei Tjin & Yong Wei Hong

Livestream Crew Lights Crew Jenny Hui & Joshua Chng Projectionist Alex Chee Errol Goh & Qi Zhen

WESLEY DEAF MINISTRY

Stage Crew

TSS Sat 5.00pm Joy Chia, Karen Lim P&P Sun 9.30am Caroline Chua & Victoria Ng

HOLY COMMUNION STEWARDS

Caroline Ong, Jeff Lim, Mona Kunalan, Pauline Ong, TSS Sat 5.00pm

Doris Hui, Jocelyn Teo, Martin Goh, Nijendra Mahendra, Philip Yuen & Keith Woo Janice Ong, Henry Lim, Adriel Loh, Alvin Chia,

P&P Sun 9.30am

Alex Lai, Joyce Lo,

Cheryl Seow, Frances Ann Lines, Joanna Tng, Tony Tng & David Mok

P&P Sun 11.30am

Charis Lim, Lydia Lim, Justin Ong, Shirley Ong, Carole Pang, Nij Mahendra, Eric Ang, Eugene Lim, Chan Wai Lup & Joy Chan

ALTAR MINISTRY

TSS Sat 5.00pm Christopher Tham, Ernest Choo & Yulia Jomono

P&P Sun 9.30am & 11.30am Ernest Choo, Bobby Tay & Julie Seet

#### SONG OF THE QUARTER

#### Hallelujah For The Cross

CCLI # 7107551

Ben Glover, Chris McClarney and Jeff Pardo

This declarative song speaks of what we are most thankful and grateful for which is the sacrifice made on the cross. Isn't it amazing that our God who created everything in the universe actually knows who we are, and would even go so far to give His only son to die on the cross for us? Hope that we will be blessed by the lyrics which reflect themes of healing, mercy and

#### Remember Christ

CCLI # 7254088

Ben Fielding, David Ware, Reuben Morgan

"For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes." 1 Corinthians 11:26

This verse is at the heart of why we selected "Remember Christ" by CXMMXNS as our Song of the Quarter. The Apostle Paul reminds the Church that every time we participate in the Lord's Supper, we are not only remembering Jesus, but we are also proclaiming Him.

This proclamation is not just a silent act but a bold declaration of faith, hope, and allegiance to Christ, for all that He has done for us, giving Himself fully that we may be clothe with His righteousness.

This song is simple yet powerful and captures our remembrance of the sacraments in thankfulness, beautifully giving us a way to respond in worship.

May this song not only be a reflection but a bold declaration each time we sing "remember Christ," we are preaching the gospel to ourselves and one

We declare His death, His love, His sacrifice, and the promise of His return.

3 Aug

#### Rev Raymond Fong

9 Aug

No Service (National Day)

16 Aug

Rev Raymond Fong



The Saturday Service Saturdays, 5.00pm Wesley Hall

# 华语主日崇拜 Mandarin Worship Service

程序表Order Of Service | 03.08.2025 | 2.30pm | 卫斯理礼堂Wesley Hall

会前祷告 Pre-Service Prayer

崇拜前的公告片 Pre-Service Slides

宣召 Call to Worship

赞美敬拜 Praise & Worship

牧祷 Pastoral Prayer

圣餐 Holy Communion

奉献 Offering

奉献诗 Offering Song

三一颂 Doxology

欢迎及彼此问安 Welcome & Sharing Of God's Peace

证道 Sermon:

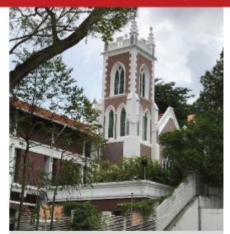
为教会劳苦 | 洪秀琪牧师 Labouring For the Church | Rev Lilian Ang

回应诗歌 Song of Response

家讯 Family News

主祷文(颂唱) The Lord's Prayer (Sung)

祝福 Benediction



我们的使命

在卫理公会卫斯理堂, 我们以敬爱神. 以与信徒彼此相爱, 以爱邻舍如爱自己, 在主耶稣基督里荣耀神。

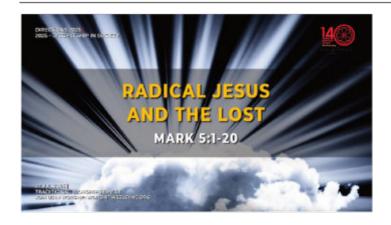
# 华文事工

活动		日期与时间	地点	带领
主日崇拜 Sunday Worship Service		星期日下午2点30分	卫斯理礼堂	洪秀琪牧师/ 谢明峰传道
每日读经【生命之粮】 Daily Bible Reading "Spiritual Food"		星期日 下午1点15分-2点15分	3楼礼堂	华文事工 各领袖
华文儿童事工 MM Children's Ministry		星期日下午2点30分	2楼礼堂	刘燕霞姐妹
喜乐欢唱 Joyful Singing		每月第一个周日 下午4点15分-5点15分	B2底层1号课室	谢明峰传道
小组团契交流 Small Group Fellowship		每月第二及第四个 星期日 下午4点 - 4点45分	B2底层课室及 3楼课室	各小组组长
祷告会 Prayer	同心同步祷告会 Synchronised Prayer	每晚8点 - 9点	各自家里	各领袖及 小组组长
	联合祷告会 Wesley Prayer Service (Online)	每月第一个星期三 晚8点	ZOOM 平台	牧师
	华语线上祷告会 Mandarin Prayer Service (Online)	每月第二及第四个 星期三 晚8点	ZOOM 平台	洪秀琪牧师/ 谢明峰传道

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#### TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICES 27 Jul 2025 Radical Jesus And The Lost

Rev Adrian Ng | Mark 5:1-20

Summary | Freed from hellish darkness to Hope-filled restoration. That's what Jesus did for a spiritually oppressed man, reigned and ruined by a legion of demons.

The Master took His disciples across the Sea of Galilee to a place shunned by the Jews. Gerasenes was an inconvenient foreign location with a paganistic culture, an unreached people group. During the arduous journey, Jesus' disciples had a foretaste of His divine authority over the wind and waves in a storm that threatened to sink their boat. What they witnessed next on land would have transported their newly awestruck reverence for Him to higher ground.

Stepping out the boat, Jesus was met by a man who "came from the tombs". Possessed by a legion of demons, he was unstoppable by any means of restraint. Bowing down in worship of "Jesus, Son of the Most High God", the impure spirits in him pleaded hysterically not to be sent away but into a large herd of pigs feeding nearby. With Jesus' permission, Legion exited the man and entered the pigs which rushed down the lake and drowned. (v2-13) Unlike the exorcised man who gratefully begged to go with Jesus, the people of Gerasenes pleaded with Him to leave them for they had suffered a huge financial loss. (v14-18)

"Living in the tombs" and being "eternally bound" are the default state of every person who knows no true hope. "The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers, so that they cannot see the light of the gospel that displays the glory of Christ, who is the image of God." (2 Corinthians 4:4) It is the Devil's aim to blind humanity and bind them in unclean tombs of darkness that separate them eternally from God. They are "darkened in their understanding and separated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them due to the hardening of their hearts." (Ephesians 4:18) "Night and day" they "cry out and cut (themselves) with stones". (v5) Those who are lost and depressed need our mercy and compassion.

- Why Do OUTREACH? To reach and lead the lost from eternal death to eternal life. Even more powerful than the symbol of an inescapable tomb is the EMPTY TOMB of Christ. Jesus broke the curse of sin and death to set us eternally free. Gone are dark ignorance and hopeless, helpless bondage. In Christ there is joyful reconciliation with God and fullness of an everlasting life with Him. It is worth battling a storm to impart Living Hope to even one lost soul who is so very precious to God.
- 2. What Is OUTREACH About? Showing who Jesus is. Many saw the impossible miracle performed by an all-powerful sovereign God greater than any Legion. Jesus gives His disciples spiritual authority to partner Him in faith, and to witness how He transforms their good works into miracles. Showing someone that Jesus loves them, remains just that — but miracles

happen when good works bring about transformed lives. In churched medical and crisis relief, missioners proclaim that Jesus is a far better Healer than the limited medicines they have brought. At every station, from screening to triage and treatment, they pray with every patient. There is deliverance, healing, and binding of the broken hearted when we show who Jesus is.

3. How Can We OUTREACH Easily and Powerfully? Go home to those around you and tell how God showed you mercy and compassion. The restored man, "dressed and in his right mind" listened to Jesus and remained among his people. "He began to tell in the Decapolis how much Jesus had done for him. And all the people were amazed." (v20) So did a villager treated in a recent medical mission for a huge and growing lump in her throat. She praised the Lord testifying that it had disappeared after being prayed over by the same medical team six months earlier! We are not to fear negative naysayers or those who may misunderstand our work in the Lord. Even a languagetranslated prayer by Google heals the sick in foreign lands to know that God is alive and real. God transforms hearts miraculously as we partner Him using our stories, whether personally experienced or witnessed by serving Him in a community, or on a mission trip.

The Almighty One is more powerful than any stronghold, greater than any fear. Evangelism happened because the transformed man obeyed Jesus. God desires that many more receive His freedom and love. When we commit our good works to God's glory, He restores the lost to wellness and fullness of life in Christ.

(Sermon notes by Marjorie Tan)

#### SERMON NOTES

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#### PRAYER & PRAISE WORSHIP SERVICES 26 & 27 Jul 2025 In The Company Of Friends

Rev Gladwin Lee | Romans 12:9-10

Summary | Romans 12:9-21 is often seen in two parts: verses 9-16 focus on love within the Christian community, while verses 17-21 deal with love toward enemies. But the heart of it all is verse 9: "Let love be genuine." Paul teaches that Christian love must be authentic; not a performance or pretence. As Joseph Fitzmyer puts it, "Affection masked as a pretence of friendship is odious. Christian love cannot be that. Our love must reflect Christ's love. "Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us" (Ephesians 5:2). This is how faith comes to life through love.

Aristotle, in Nicomachean Ethics, described three forms of friendship that reflect how we often relate to others. These provide a framework for evaluating our relationships:

1. Friendship of Utility

These are based on mutual benefit; helping with tasks, sharing resources or working together. They are practical but temporary, often fading when the shared need disappears. Many friendships begin here like in neighbours, classmates or colleagues; but often don't deepen beyond convenience.

Friendship of Pleasure

Formed through shared enjoyment; like sports, hobbies and social interests. These friendships can bring deep connection and camaraderie but are fragile when life seasons change. When interests shift or time becomes scarce, these friendships often dissolve.

Friendship of Virtue

This is the deepest form that is rooted in mutual respect, shared values, and a commitment to help one another grow. These friendships endure because they are built on something lasting and true, not on utility or pleasure alone.

Do you have friendships rooted in virtue in your church or small group? These don't form by chance. They require commitment and intentional practice. As Tim Suttle reminds us, virtue is a habit, not a trait, and it grows slowly, like spiritual maturity. This is why small groups matter as they are where genuine friendships and Christlike character are cultivated. But we must ask if our groups are truly welcoming, or just briefly accommodating?

To grow friendships of virtue, we need to cultivate three pillars:

Stability - Staying Rooted

In a fast-moving world, we're tempted to seek new communities, churches, or friendships when things get difficult. But deep relationships only grow when we stay put. Christine Pohl writes, "We want community on our own terms, with easy entrances and exits." Yet true growth comes through long-term commitment, even when it's difficult. Jonathan Wilson-Hartgrove compares stability to a tree. it only bears fruit when its roots grow deep. Constant uprooting leads to shallow living. Friendship of virtue begins with rootedness in Christ and in the community where God has placed us.

Solidarity – Walking with One Another in Our Mess

Solidarity means choosing to walk with others through pain and brokenness. It requires tearing down walls of fear, pride, and prejudice to see others as beloved by God. In the parable of the prodigal son, Jesus shows how grace offends the self-righteous. The older brother couldn't accept love shown to the undeserving. If we reflect Christ's love, we must be willing to lose the approval of those who prefer tidy, comfortable communities. Solidarity

- Naming our mess with vulnerability the courage to be seen and known. Extending empathy and gentleness walking with others through hidden struggles like grief, mental illness, or addiction, not minimising their pain, but being present in it.

Paul urges us in Romans 12:10 to "love one another with mutual affection." This kind of love is only possible when we also share our mess and embrace

Grace – Choosing Forgiveness and Reconciliation

Conflict is inevitable in our community. When it happens, we may be quick to withdraw but God calls us to press in with grace. Jesus teaches in Matthew 18:15 that we are to speak truth in love and not to vent anger, but to restore relationship. As Chris Rice writes in Grace Matters, "You grow into God's love not by making demands but by giving grace." Grace means forgiving when we've been wronged, loving when it's undeserved and returning even when we'd rather walk away.

We become more like Christ not just by knowing grace, but by living it especially when it's hard. And even when we fail, we keep trying. Don't assume people are okay based on appearances. Spiritual struggles often hide behind high performance. Be present, listen well, and offer grace.

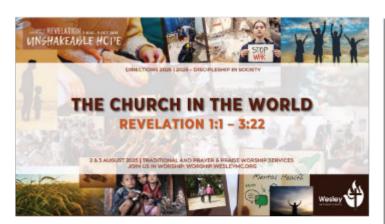
We are called to live out a love that is genuine, not superficial or short-lived. This love flourishes in friendships of virtue formed by:

- Stability remaining rooted in Christ and committed to community.
- Solidarity embracing one another's mess with empathy and courage.
- Grace offering forgiveness and seeking restoration even in conflict.

Let's build small groups and friendships where virtue can grow. Let our church become a community where people are seen, loved, and transformed. May our love be real. May it reflect the love of Christ. And may it bear fruit that lasts.

(Sermon notes by Alex Choe)

Sermon Recording • Scripture Reading • Sermon Notes • Reflection Questions → use this link: https://tidings.wesleymc.org/sermon-reflection/



#### ALL WORSHIP SERVICES 3 Aug 2025 Revelation 1: The Church In The World

Rev Raymond Fong | Revelation 1: 1-3:22

#### Reflection Questions Study Scripture (Mark 5:1-20)

a. Read Revelation 1-3. What stands out to you?

#### 2. Recall Sermon

- a. How can we lose our first love for God? What can we do to return to this original love for God? Think of specific steps.
- How can tolerance and permissiveness lead us into deep spiritual decline?
- Why did the church in Laodicea assume that it had all it needed? How can we falsely depend on our wealth, health and attractiveness and not recognise our need for Christ?
- d. Reflect on the spiritual condition of Wesley, what would Jesus say
- e. Which of the rewards outlined in the sermon really resonated with you? Why do you need that in this season of your discipleship?

#### 3. Relate Personally

- a. What about the message that really spoke to you?
- b. What is one discipleship lesson you have gleaned from the message?

#### 4. Commit to Action

- a. In what ways is God calling you to act in response to the message?
- b. What steps will you take this week to apply the lessons learned from the sermon?

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**DSALM 16:8** 



#### SATURDAY

5.00pm CM@TSS

(Combined Age Groups)

Wesley Hall

#### SUNDAY

#### 9.30am Services

 Primary 3 - 4 (9 - 10 yo)
 L2 Hall & Classrooms

 Primary 1 - 2 (7 - 8 yo)
 L3 Hall & Classrooms

 Kinders & Nursery (3 - 6 yo)
 Plaza Hall

 Little Lambs (18 mo - 2 yo)
 PR 1 / 2

#### 11.30am Services

Primary 3 - 4 (9 - 10 yo)

Primary 1 - 2 (7 - 8 yo)

Kinders, Nursery & Little

Lambs (18 mo - 6 yo)

L2 Hall & Classrooms

Plaza Hall

Lambs (18 mo - 6 yo)

#### 5.00pm Services

Pig Fish Primary 1 - 4 (7 - 10 yo)

Small Fish Kinders, Nursery & Little

L2 Hall & Classrooms

Lambs (18 mo - 6 yo)

PSCom (For Special Friends)

Plaza Hall







#### 2025 TRAC Special Session (19 July 2025) At Living Hope Methodist Church Conference Highlights & Updates

#### **Board of Ministry Report**

1.1. Elected to the Office of Elder Rev Isaac Tan

1.2. Elected to the Office of Deacon

Pastor Joshua Kwok & Pastor Rufus Chan

1.3. Admitted as Member-on-Trial

Mr Anthony Peh (Living Hope MC), Mr Bryan Ho (Cairnhill MC), Mr Simon Lam (Christ MC) & Mr Timothy Chew (Christ MC)

#### 2. Board of Finance Report

- 2.1. The Conference adopted TRAC Budget for FY2025/2026 as presented with budgeted income of \$16.27m, budgeted expenditure of \$16.11m and budgeted surplus of \$0.16m. The Conference commitment remains at \$495 per member.
- 2.2. The Conference also adopted the following recommendations:
  - To pay a Mid-Year Bonus of 0.4 months to all eligible pastors and CMS.
  - 2.2.2. To pay the full Variable Bonus to all eligible admin staff.

#### 3. Board of Governance Report

The Conference adopted the recommendation to appoint Lo Hock Ling & Co as TRAC's external auditor for the TRAC Financial Statement ending July 2025.

#### 4. Amendment to Constitution of The Methodist Church in Singapore

The Conference adopted the Amendment to the Constitution by adding a new Article 3A.

¶3A. Article 3A. Purpose. The purpose of the Methodist Church in Singapore is to bring the Good News of Jesus Christ to all in Singapore and around the world; love God and our neighbour; share God's love with all, especially the poor and needy; "spreading Scriptural Holiness throughout the land"; and evidence our desire for salvation by following the General Rules of The Methodist Church (elaborated in ¶71):

- 1. Do no harm
- 2. Do good
- 3. Attend upon all the ordinances of God.

#### 5. Conference Sunday

Sunday, 9 November 2025 was designated as TRAC Conference Sunday.

#### Interim Appointments w.e.f. 1 August 2025

Detailed pastoral appointments may be obtained from the TRAC website www.trac-mcs.org.sg.



# New Episode OUT NOW!



#### **DIS\* Conversation Series**

\*Discipleship in Society



**EPISODE 1: Loneliness** 



**EPISODE 2: A Fulfilling Journey -**Faith, Ageing, and Purpose







https://wesley.sg/wesleypodcast-spotify

https://wesley.sg/wesleypodcast-apple

Spiritual Companions Ministry



Spiritual Companionship is a ministry of soul care where a spiritual companion journeys with you through spiritual conversations and prayer to be more aware of God's presence, purpose, and power in your life.

Whether you are in a season of joy, struggle, transition, or searching, our spiritual companions are here to walk alongside you—to "help you hear His voice, be aware of His presence and see His footprints as you walk through life." (Benner, David. Sacred Companions)

Visit our SC website for more ministry details, testimonies, and to sign up to meet with a Spiritual Companion. https://wesley.sg/spiritual-companions



For enquiries, please email spiritualcompanions@wesleymc.org



Wesley Methodist Church presents "Light on the Hill: Island Celebrations" to commemorate SG60 and its 140th anniversary.

Experience the kampong spirit of early settlers, explore Singapore's oldest Methodist church and immerse in uplifting choral music. Sing, dance and play under the moonlight with ukulele performances and origami art for all ages. Capture picture perfect moments at our tropical-themed photo booths with costumes, props and fascinating augmented reality filters. All activities are free for everyone to enjoy and celebrate this enchanting island we love!

#### Dates:

Friday, 22 – Sunday, 24 August 2025 Friday, 29 – Sunday, 31 August 2025 Friday, 5 - Saturday, 6 September 2025

> Time: 7.00pm to 11.00pm

Venue: Wesley Methodist Church | 5 Fort Canning Road Singapore 179493

# WESLEY@NIGHT FESTIVAL 2025

https://wesleymc.org/nightfestival

Organised by Membership and Volunteer Care Ministry



## BAPTISM & MEMBERSHIP CLASS (BMC) 3/2025

Saturdays, 30 Aug – 1 Nov 2025 9.30am-12.00pm | Nine ON-SITE sessions

Prayer Retreat: Sat, 8 Nov 7.30pm–9.30pm, Sanctuary (On-site)

Baptism Service: Thu, 13 Nov 8.00pm, Sanctuary (On-site)

Confirmation & Reception into Membership (CARIM) Service: : Sat, 15 Nov, 5.00pm TSS;

Sun, 16 Nov (Sun Services TBC) (On-site)

Cost: \$30 (non-refundable)

If you have been worshipping at Wesley Methodist
Church regularly or have been baptised here as a child
(below 16 years old), we would like to invite you to apply
to join the Baptism and Membership Class, either for
baptism, confirmation, or transfer of membership. Please
read the information on the website carefully for the
requirements to join the Class.

Closing date to apply for BMC 3/2025: **5 Aug 2025** (or when all places are taken up).

Application form is only available online on the website https://wesleymc.org/baptism-membership

Please note that those baptised as infants or children are not automatically members of the church. They must attend the Baptism and Membership Class before being confirmed and received into membership of the church.

For enquiries and assistance, please contact Emmeline Tan at 6837 8568 or email bmc@wesleymc.org





For we are God's handinark, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

EPHESIANS 2:10

**40**.Days 40. Voices 40.Prayers



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### **40 DAYS OF FAST & PRAYER FOR SINGAPORE**

1 July - 9 August 2025

Continue steadfastly in prayer. Colossians 4:2

From 1 July to 9 August 2025, let us join our hearts to FAST & PRAY for Singapore.

#### Let's PRAY

3 prayer pillars are:

- Turning Singapore Godward
  - · Winning the Youth
  - Blessing the Nations

#### Pray Daily

From 1 July to 9 August, 40 city leaders will share their revelations and reflections from the Word and Spirit of God.

Video devotional with article reflection, questions and prayer pointers are available from the LoveSingapore webpage: https://lovesingapore.org.sg/

#### Join: Wesley Synchronised Prayer (WSP)

Every Wednesday (9, 16, 23 & 30 July 2025) Online via Zoom

https://wesleymc-org.zoom.us/j/84810079945

Meeting ID: 848 1007 9945 Passcode: WSP CLICK HERE FOR POINTERS > wesley.sg/prayer-pointers

#### Let's FAST

- Fast from 9pm (Tue) to 9pm (Wed)
- Decide what you would do during the fast
- Decide what kind of fast partial or full?

# DAY OF **HIS POWER**

Day of His Power (DOHP) is an annual event in Singapore where Christians gather to pray and intercede for the nation on the eve of National day.

It is the culmination of the 40 Davs of Praver season organised by LoveSingapore.

This year, Wesley Methodist Church is one of the 31 prayer centres across Singapore open to believers to come and pray in unity, to seek God together and pray for Singapore.

> Date 8 August (Friday)

> > Venue

Wesley Methodist Church, Sanctuary

> Time 8-10pm

For enquiries, please send email to prayerministry@wesleymc.org.

**40**.Days 40. Voices 40.Prayers



# **IFAST**

Let any hunger pangs be a prompting to pray, to give thanks or to feed on God's Word.

#### DECIDE

to fast from 9.00pm Tues to 9.00pm Wed?



# FASTING

#### DECIDE

what you will do during the fast – pray for someone? Pray for your family or organisation?



#### DECIDE

what kind of fast – partial or full? Abstain from surfing the internet? Abstain from caffeine?



For enquiries, please send email to prayerministry@wesleymc.org.



wesleymc.org/prayer-needs



# Day of His Power 2025



#### LoveSingapore's Day of His Power (DOHP)

is an annual prayer event where Christians gather to intercede for our nation on the eve of National Day.

Wesley Methodist Church is one of 30 prayer centres this year, marking Singapore's 60th National Day and our 140th Anniversary.

Come with your small groups, friends, and family, to be part of a joyful house of prayer and be renewed by the presence and power of God through prayer.

FRIDAY, 8 AUGUST 2025 8.00 - 10.00 PM SANCTUARY, WESLEY METHODIST CHURCH

#### Be blessed as you come and pray!

For enquiries, please email: prayerministry@wesleymc.org





Dear Wesley Family,

The Wesley Family is experiencing remarkable growth in online worship, with viewership now exceeding in-person attendance. We're deeply grateful to our online community for faithfully joining from various locations and forming a vital part of our extended family. Our hope is that your worship experience—online or onsite—remains deeply meaningful.

To better serve our congregation, we're conducting a survey for all who've attended our online services. Your responses will help us refine programs and plan future initiatives.

We warmly encourage everyone to take part in this anonymous, 10-question survey. Your input is truly valuable in helping us grow as a united faith community.

The survey is also available for our Chinese congregation: 请帮助我们完成调查。谢谢。

Thank you for being part of our journey. God bless!



Online Worship Survey The online viewship survey is available in both English and Mandarin.

#### Submission closes on 27 August.

Thank you for participating in the survey and helping us grow together as a community!

#### How to take part:

Scan the QR code or open the survey link:



https://wesley.sg/ows-ww





As part of Directions 2025: Discipleship in Society, we invite you to journey with us through the Book of Revelation in our new sermon series, Unshakeable Hope.

In a world of uncertainty, Revelation anchors us in the secure hope of Christ's return and calls us to live ready, pure, and missional lives.

#### THE HEART OF THE SERIES

- Discern the Times See today's world through the lens of Revelation.
- Live Ready Embrace a life of purity, purpose, and expectancy.
- Cling to Hope Stand firm in the hope that Christ's return brings.

#### WAYS TO ENGAGE

- Attend Worship Services onsite or online each week.
- Invite a Friend to share the journey.
- Share a Reflection on Shared Canvas
- Join a Study Session or Discussion Group
- Attend Mid-Week Teaching Sessions name and the extension of His kingdom.

#### SERMON SERIES OVERVIEW

Date	Sermon Topic/Text/Emphasis

Revelation 1: The Church In The World 3 Aug (1:1-3:22)

Revelation 2: Who's On The Throne? 10 Aug (4:1 - 8:1)

17 Aug Revelation 3: Warning For The World (8:2 - 11:18)

24 Aug Revelation 4: Unseen Spiritual Battles, Unshakable Hope (11:19 - 15:4)

**Revelation 5: Punishment For The World** 31 Aug (15:5 - 16:21)

Revelation 6: Babylon The Whore 7 Sep (17:1 - 19:10)

14 Sep Revelation 7: The Drama Behind History (19:11 - 21:8)

Revelation 8: Jerusalem The Bride 21 Sep (21:9 - 22:19)

Revelation 9: The Epilogue 5 Oct

#### INTRODUCING SHARED CANVAS

A new way to reflect and respond! Each week, contribute to our Shared Canvas by:

- Posting reflections, prayers, songs, or images
- Encouraging others with comments or emojis
- Weaving your insights into a collective tapestry of faith

Look out for the Shared Canvas link each week on the sermon series webpage!

#### SMALL GROUP STUDY SESSIONS & DISCUSSION GROUPS

Want to go deeper into Revelation? Join a group and explore the message together in community.

☐ Small Group Study Sessions

Meet weekly or fortnightly to study Revelation in a relaxed, supportive setting. Groups meet on Thursday mornings, Friday evenings or Saturday mornings or afternoons.

□ Discussion Groups

Engage in focused conversations around sermon themes in groups that meet on Friday mornings or evenings, or Saturday mornings.

There's a seat waiting for you—come grow in faith together!

Sign up at this link: https://wesley.sg/revstudy or scan the QR code.

#### MID-WEEK TEACHING SESSIONS

Deepen your understanding with two special sessions:

- □ "Overview of Revelation"
  - with Dr Mark Chan
  - 31 July 2025, 8.00-9.30pm, online via Zoom
- □ "Ask Anything: Revelation"
  - with Bishop Emeritus Dr Robert Solomon
  - 9 October 2025, 8.00-9.30pm, onsite and livestream

For further details and updates, please refer to the Revelation Series webpage: https://wesley.sg/revelationseries

Let's grow together as a church family—discerning the times, living ready, and staying missional, while holding on to an Unshakeable Hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.





What Happens at

# THE END?

Lecturer:

**Rev Dr Simon Chan** 

Dates:

19, 26 Aug and 2 Sep 2025

Time:

8 to 10pm

Mode:

Online via ZOOM

# DISCIPLESHIP



#### SYNOPSIS:

The study of the End Times or eschatology often elicits curiosity rather than serious reflection and sober living. This course will look at some key events in Eschatology. We will focus on the most essential aspects of the subject and seek to answer some of the questions Christians frequently ask such as: Are we nearing the time of Christ's return? What happens after we die?

#### 19 August:

- The Importance of Eschatology
- The Return of Christ: The Pivot of Eschatology

#### 26 August:

- The Millennium
- Death and the Intermediate State

#### 2 September:

- · Resurrection and Judgment
- · New Heavens and New Earth



Rev Dr Simon Chan taught theology and other related subjects such as liturgical, spiritual, and contextual theologies at Trinity Theological College for more than 30 years. He is the author of several

publications including *Liturgical Theology: The Church as Worshiping Community* (2006).

Please register at

https://wesley.sg/coreseries Registration will be closed when it has reached its maximum capacity.



For more information or enquiries, please contact discipleshipnurture@wesleymc.org

Prayer Ministry

# WALKING IN FELLOWSHIP WITH GOD: CIPLE'S PRAYER

by TW Hunt & Catherine Walker

Do you desire to commune with the Lord our God, heart to heart whatever your circumstances?

Wesley Prayer Ministry will be conducting a weekly course (Onsite) on the Disciple's Prayer Life beginning this August.



Cost: \$20 for book Disciple's Prayer Life

https://weslev.sg/dpl2025





DATES (THUR) 13 SESSIONS:

14, 21, 28 Aug; 4, 11, 18, 25 Sep; 2, 9, 16, 23 Oct; 6, 13, 20 Nov

10.00am - 12.00pm

Disciple's Prayer Life Fellowship Night To Be Announced Later

Wesley Methodist Church, Level 2

CLASS SIZE:

Max 50

APPROACH:

Interactive - Lecture, Small Group discussions & sharing

FACILITATORS: Ps Lilian Ang

**Christina Tan Poh Khim Audree Tan** 

**Jackie Teo** 

Another Musical Workshop Series by The Creative Expression Ministry





# **Taiko & Percussion Workshop**

Date: 14 & 21 Aug (Thurs) | Time: 7.30 - 9.00pm | Venue: Plaza Hall | Closing Date: 12 Aug

We invite all Wesleyans and friends to join our fast-paced & fun-filled Taiko & Percussion Workshop in preparation for the The Healing Nation Celebratory Concert in celebration of the 140th Anniversary of The Methodist Church in Singapore and year-end Christmas Outreach Events.

#### What is expected:

- 1. We are inviting drummers & percussionists with some drumming experience to join us for The Healing Nation Celebratory Concert at The Star Vista as well as the year-end performances at Orchard Road.
- 2. You will be required to commit to a series of training & rehearsals, and experience a lively, fast-paced and fun-filled drumming journey with us.

It will be an excellent opportunity to perform with various Church performing groups.

Together, let's make a joyful noise unto the Lord!

For enquiries, contact wefriends@wesleymc.org



https://wesley.sg/TDWF0ERF

Workshop Leader: Stephen Tan

Stephen Tan is the founder and head of the Creative Expression Ministry (CEM) and has been an active member of Wesley Methodist Church since the early 1980s, initiating and serving in various ministries. He has conducted numerous musical workshops both locally and regionally, equipping worship teams and evangelistic outreach ministries. CEM is an evangelistic outreach ministry where like-minded believers with diverse artistic and musical talents come together with one shared expression of love for God and His people.







#### Theme:

**Every Wesleyan** a Missional Disciple Matthew 9:36-38

Date: 27 Sep 2025 (Saturday)

Time: 9.30am - 5.00pm

Venue: Wesley Methodist Church

Conference Fee: \$10

#### What if your faith could change someone's life?

Learn how to share your faith authentically and confidently.

Join us at the Outreach Conference with Pastor Benny Ho, as he shares his personal journey in outreach.

Be inspired through real stories, panel discussions, and five dynamic workshops led by experienced speakers who bring deep insight and hands-on wisdom from their respective fields.

Explore Outreach Ministries and partner agency booths to discover how you can be part of the Great Commission.

Let's be equipped to live missionally -together.

For more information and to register, go to: wesley.sg/oc2025 or scan this QR code

#### Keynote Speaker: **Pastor Benny Ho**

#### Conference Workshops

- Befriending & Reaching Out Helping Seniors Age-in-Place Dr Lai Junxu, Medical Director of OmniMed Healthcare Holdings
- Everyday Outreach Mr Fu Yu Da, Chairperson of Witness & Evangelism; Master of Arts in Apologetics, Biola University
- Creative Missions Ms Ling Zi, Serve Asia Coordinator, OMF International
- Digital Outreach in the City Mr John Knox, Leader of Enterprise Al Implementation at Gloo; Co-founder of Christians in Web3
- Love Your Neighbour in Crisis Dr Adrian Tan, Senior Consultant Community Physician; pioneer Chairperson of Crisis Relief Wesley (CRW)



Registration closes on: 15 Sep 2025 (Monday)



#### HAPPY HOUR

GYM Happy Hour is an event on the first Monday of each month where our seniors meet for Worship. Devotion, simple and fun physical exercises, games, crafts and fellowship over refreshments!

> Speaker: Rev Lilian Ang Date: Mon, 4 Aug 2025 Devotion Title: Still On Fire! Scripture Text: Acts 2:1-13, Acts 2:41 Time: 2-5pm, followed by refreshments Venue: Plaza Hall

#### ALL SENIORS ARE WELCOME!

#### KOPITIAM.

for Homebounds

Date: Mon, 18 Aug 2025 Time: 10am-12pm, followed by refreshments Venue: Plaza Hall

#### HARMONICA

Open to all harmonica enthusiasts!

Second & Fourth Wednesdays Time: 10.30am-12.00pm Venue: Basement Room 3 & 4

#### BIBLE STUDIES

#### Alpha Bible Study

via Zoom

Second & Fourth Thursdays Time: 10.00am-12.00pm

#### **Emmanuel Bible Study**

via Zoom

First & Third Saturdays Time: 2.00-4.00pm For more information, please WhatsApp Theresa Yap at 9338 6696

#### BLESSINGS CRAFT

Doing Craft to Bless Others

**Every First & Third Friday** Time: 2.00-5.30pm Venue: Level 3 Hall

#### WALK4HEALTH

Monthly fellowship over prayer, scripture reading, stretching, walking and eating!

> For more information, please contact Caleb Sim at 6837 8573.

Participants need to be fit and in good health to join the leisurely walks.

#### Le L'UKE UKELELE JAMMING SESSIONS

Open to all ukelele enthusiasts!

First & Third Wednesdays (1.30pm-5.00pm) Venue: Level 2 Hall

For more information, please contact Raymond Ang at 9827 3128

# Wesley WSCS

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths. Prov 3:5-6 (NKJV)



Tuesday Fellowship:

12 Aug 2025 at 11am, in Plaza Hall.

Speaker: Dr Roland Chia

Chew Hock Hin Professor of Christian Doctrine, Trinity Theological College.

He has a PhD in Theology, from King's College, University of London. He is the Theological & Research Advisor of the Ethos Institute for Public Christianity, and has written many papers on behalf of the National Council of Churches in Singapore (NCCS). He has spoken at UNESCO Conferences on Bioethics, Human Rights, Social Justice.

To register, text your name to 9178 9338/9484 6652.

#### Psalm 121

The Book of Psalms was the hymnal of Israel, in Old Testament times. It comprises 150 songs of Prayer and Praise. Included are 13 **Songs of Ascents**. (Psalm 120 to 134). According to the Law of Moses, every male Israelite is required to "appear before the Lord God" in the Temple in Jerusalem, three times a year, during the following **3 Pilgrimage Feasts**: (Exod 23:14-17/Deu 16:16)

Feast of Unleavened Bread (Passover/Pesach):

Spring: March/April. Barley harvest.

Commemorates: Deliverance from Egypt. 7 weeks/49 days later:-

Feast of Weeks/Harvest (Pentecost/Shavuot):

Spring: May/June. Wheat harvest.

Commemorates: Giving of the Law at Mt Sinai.

Feast of Tabernacles/Booths/Ingathering (Sukkot):

Autumn: Sept/October, Grape/Fruit harvest.

Commemorates: 40 Years Wilderness Journey with God's provision and protection.

The Songs of Ascents were sung by the pilgrims as they climbed upwards upon the hills on which Jerusalem and the Temple were located. **Psalm 121** reminds the pilgrims of **God's Faithfulness** and encourages them to **Trust in Him** in times of trouble.

 I lift up my eyes to the mountains – where does my help come from?

2. My help comes from the Lord,

the Maker of heaven and earth.

**NB:** The Jewish pilgrim from the surrounding regions heads for Jerusalem, setting his eyes upon the mountains. While looking upwards, to the mountains, he "sees" beyond them, by faith, the **unseen Creator**— the Maker of heaven and earth. He is reminded of **God's Mighty Power and Sovereignty** over the whole of creation. He exclaims that the **ultimate source of his help is from the Lord!** 

Today, the follower of Jesus can say: "This is my Father's world"! She/he can look upwards, lifting her eyes, "above" all disturbing circumstances/challenges she is facing, to what is beyond! From the seen which is transient, to the unseen Maker of the universe(s), who is loving, faithful, powerful and eternal! (ie. Look "above" the children's less than "perfect" grades/vaping addiction/bullying experience in school/undesirable internet influences; "Above" spousal infidelity/domestic violence; family conflicts; workplace discrimination/harassment; daunting deadlines/targets; financial struggles; loneliness or isolation; medical or mental health issues...)

No problem is too big for our Creator. The Christian can trust in His unfailing love, help and plans/purposes for her life.

He will not let your foot slip –

he who watches over you will not slumber;

Indeed, he who watches over Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

**NB:** The road the pilgrim travels on is likely to be rocky. Yet his God can protect him from spraining his ankle or suffering a fracture, by slipping. This watchful God will (Hebrew: shamar) **keep/watch over/guard/ preserve** the pilgrim, without pausing to sleep! He watches over the pilgrim with ceaseless attention. Indeed the psalmist indicates that God has a **special relationship** with Israel! The repetitive use of the word "keep"/"watch over" (occurring 6 times in this psalm) emphasizes the **watchfulness and vigilance** of the Covenant-keeping God of Israel.

**Today**, the follower of Jesus is assured of **His constant guidance and protection**. He watches over her with unwavering attention. How reassuring, in such uncertain times! Though life's pathways may sometimes be "rocky"/difficult, the steadying hand of **God Most High** will strengthen and sustain His people, both young and elderly.

In Jesus, she/he can Stand Firm: (as urged by Paul)

"Stand firm in the faith, be strong." (1 Cor 16:13)

"Stand firm... in the Lord." (Phil 4:1)

"Take up the **whole armour of God**, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm." (Eph 6:14) (Armour of God: Belt of **Truth**, Breastplate of **Righteousness**, Shoes of the readiness given by the **Gospel of Peace**, Shield of **Faith**, Helmet of **Salvation**, Sword of the Spirit= **Word of God**... Praying at all times in the Spirit."

The Lord watches over you — (ie. "The Lord is your Keeper"...)
 The Lord is your shade at your right hand;

The sun shall not harm you by day,

nor the moon by night.

## Wesley WSCS

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths. Prov 3.5-6 (NKJV)

**NB:** God is the Keeper of Israel . . . and of the individual soul (reference to "you")! He cares for the spiritual, physical, emotional, mental needs of Israel and all who put their trust in the Lord Jesus, and His substitutionary sacrifice on the Cross, as the Perfect Lamb of God. The Lord is **beside** the pilgrim, **actively shielding** the pilgrim, from the scorching sun by day and the chilly drop in temperature at **night**. (Day and Night implies "all the time".) What God permits into our lives, (His permissive will), may hurt us but will not "harm" us.

**Today**: Our Heavenly Father watches over us from His Throne, the Lord Jesus actively intercedes for us, seated at the right hand of the Father, and the Holy Spirit lives within every true believer (not necessarily every "churchgoer"...)

Sincere, repentant believers may wonder why they are still stricken by injuries/Covid/pandemics? In this fallen world, the assurance of **protection from "harm"** refers to the **eternal safety of each true believer's soul!** 

She/he is kept safe on Earth, as long as it is within the will of God, in accordance with His plan for her/his life.

- The Lord will keep you from all harm he will watch over your life;
- The Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore.

**NB:** It is the Almighty God who will protect the pilgrim from "all harm", watch over **his life**, his **coming and going** (ie. his pilgrimage journey and return, his daily activities, including **minor details**.) His watchfulness extends both "**now and forevermore**". In the Parable of the Good Samaritan, though the pilgrim was robbed and beaten on the road between Jericho and Jerusalem, and though the Levite and priest passed by without rendering assistance, **the Good Samaritan did!** He (1) bandaged his wounds, pouring oil and wine (2) put the man on his own donkey (3) brought him to an inn (4) took care of him (5) paid the innkeeper to look after the pilgrim (6)promised the innkeeper to reimburse him for any additional expense, upon his return. Jesus was teaching about being a good/helpful neighbour. (Luke 10:25-37)

(**Thought:** The needy pilgrim would likely be **thanking God** for watching over him and bringing help in his time of need, despite the adverse consequences of a fallen world.)

Today: Our Heavenly Father continues to maintain constant watch over his beloved children. All that happens in your lives, your daily busy activities, take place under His watchful eye. The stress, attempts at work-life balance, the demanding needs of caregiving of elderly parents, work schedules and parenting of teenage/little loved ones, often take a toll on the physical, mental, emotional well-being of God's kingdom people. May the "Maker of heaven and earth"/our Good Shepherd, who maintains vigilant watch over each beloved soul/sheep, strengthen and help you, "now and forevermore".

#### Grace and Peace to all.

- Q1. Are you looking upwards, beyond life's circumstances/world events, and keeping close to your Keeper? (ie. praying, reading the Bible, trusting in His unfailing love and faithfulness.)
- Q2. Would you help by sharing the Good News of: God's Amazing Grace and Jesus' Sacrificial Love with those whom you are in contact with within your home, workplace and community?

Memory Verse:

"Fear not, for I am with you; Be not dismayed for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand."

Isaiah 41:10

Saturday

#### WSCS Bible Study (Sat) Group

#### "Psalms of Prayer and Praise!"

The Psalms is the most often quoted OT book in the New Testament. It is much loved because it expresses a wide range of human emotions and life experiences, which all readers can identify with. It also reminds us to **trust God** who is **loving**, **faithful and sovereign** over human affairs, history, nations and creation.

#### Next Meeting: 23 Aug 2025 at 2pm (online)

The WSCS Bible Study (Sat) Group "meets" on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays of the month.

We study Holy Scripture to know God better, and gain a better understanding of His work in the world and His ways. In the process, we encourage one another along our personal pilgrimage.

We welcome ladies of all ages! (online)

Please text enquiries to Ms Khoo Heng Keow at 9484 6652.

# Wesley WSCS

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths. Prov 3:5-6 (NKJV)

#### WOMEN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE WESLEY METHODIST CHURCH

1 August 2025

To: All Members of Wesley WSCS

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of Wesley WSCS will be held onsite on Saturday, 16 August 2025 from 10am to 12pm at Level 3 Hall of Wesley Methodist Church.

#### AGENDA

- 1. Prayer and Worship
- 2. Devotion by Rev Raymond Fong
- 3. Confirmation of Minutes of Annual General Meeting held on 10 August 2024
- 4. Matters Arising
- 5. Reports of Officers and Co-ordinators
  - a. Consolidated Report comprising President's Report, Vice-Presidents' Report and Co-ordinators' Reports
  - b. Tuesday Fellowship Chair's Report
  - c. Treasurer's Report
- 6. Election of Wesley WSCS Delegates and Reserves to attend TRAC WSCS AGMs in 2025 and 2026
- 7. Any Other Business
- 8. Closing Prayer

On behalf of the Executive Committee

May Chew Secretary

"For I will restore health to you. And heal you of your wound," says the Lord, "Because they called you an outcast saying: "This is Zion; No one seeks her."

Jeremiah 30:17

Withou Ceasing

Please note that prayer items will be posted on a three-week cycle. To regulate a flow for other and new prayer requests, repeated prayer items and updates will be featured on alternate cycles after the first. Please send your prayer request to Lindsay Lim at lindsayl@wesleymc.org

#### UPDATES

- SC to be able to remain calm and controlled when she gets upset. Forgiveness and healing to take place with her loved ones.
- PL twisted her left ankle. X-ray revealed a hairline fracture. To heal well with rest, protective footwear.
- AC's thyroid levels to be in the normal range. Thanksgiving for a clear Brain MRI. Pray for:
  - Lung CT to also be clear.
  - AC's faith to arise and to overcome fear.
- 4. HT is undergoing chemo treatment for uterine cancer, which was diagnosed three months ago. Pray for:
  - Faith, immunity and strength to increase.
  - HT to regain strength in her legs as she recovers with rest and nursing care.
- 5. LK had surgery for pancreatic cancer. Pray for an effective chemo cocktail treatment.
  - Chemo port to be successfully inserted and LK to be able to cope with the drugs given.
  - Strength for the family to support him on this journey.
- 6. CG's oncologist to have new and latest options for treatment of peritoneal cancer. CG is a mother of two young school children. Pray for a miracle. Strengthened immunity as she was recently admitted for a bacterial infection.
- 7. B to handle family finances well and clear off existing debts. Thanksgiving the couple has sought counselling to save their marriage. Pray for:
  - The cycle of borrowing and being in lack to break.
  - Productive secure ways to clear off debts through proper channels. Family patience and love to help B recover.
- S's dad was diagnosed with lung cancer.
  - To open his heart to Jesus and receive Christ as his Lord and Savior. ☐ Peace and trust to allow God to journey with him through his treatment.
    - ☐ Thanksgiving. S's father has completed his radiation treatment and is comfortable.
- CL to call on Jesus in his time of need. Holy Spirit to touch him to have full physical, emotional and spiritual recovery. Pray for healing of family relationships.
- 10. JY, 23 years old, was diagnosed with stomach cancer with metastasis to her ovaries. Started chemo treatment. Pray for:
  - J's body to respond positively to the chemotherapy prescribed.
  - Systemic chemo to be effective to grant full recovery. Safety as she begins chemo and immunotherapy.
  - ☐ The Lord to protect, comfort, heal and envelop J and the family with peace.

- S, 25 years old, has lymphoma and is receiving chemo treatment. Pray for S:
  - To trust God to heal her.
  - Strengthen her body and give her good appetite to care for her 2 young children.
  - ☐ Faith to arise as S seeks God's protective covering to handle difficult family demands.
- 12. Z who had a brain bleed had 3D Clinorplasty Skull Implant done on 22 May. Thanksgiving surgery went well. Pray for:
  - ☐ The Lord to re-awaken Z's brain cells with excellent healing of her memory and faculties.
  - Caregivers to be continually strengthened to love and care for her.
    - Protection for husband ML as he travels for work overseas.

#### MINISTRIES

#### 13. Preachers & Pastors

Pray for:

Worship Services	2-3 Aug	9-10 Aug	
Traditional	Rev Raymond Fong	Rev Lilian Ang	
Prayer & Praise		Rev Ian Lee	
TSS	nernaymonarong	No Service (National Day)	
Mandarin Ministry	Rev Lilian Ang	Rev Raymond Fong	
Wesley Filipino Fellowship	Rev Michael Tan	Rev Raymond Fong (recorded sermon)	
Youth Ministry	Rev Raymond Fong	No Service (National Day)	

#### 14. Weekend Worship Services

- Our love for God to grow with a greater passion for worship, prayer and the Word, knowing that all things come from Him.
- ☐ Love: Pray that love and concern for one another will grow (John 13:35).
- Thanksgiving for the smooth resumption of all onsite services & live-streamed Saturday worship services (YM & TSS), Sunday worship services (9.30 am: Traditional and 9.30 and 11.30am P&P 2.30pm MM in Wesley Hall and WFF at Plaza Hall).
- Blessings on BeTween, CM and PS Com as leaders, teachers and students grow in the Lord.
- Reconnection, unity and a prayerful heart to envelope the congregation as they worship onsite or from home.
- ☐ Thanksgiving for all our volunteers serving tirelessly in our worship services.

#### **PRAYER**

carried out.

#### Staff

Pray for all staff: His protection and grace over the staff team. ☐ To seek growth and excellence in all they do, embrace change, have an teachable hearts and to carry out their roles faithfully. To have love, unity and submission to God and to one another out of reverence for Christ. ☐ To embrace Intentional Discipleship in society and incorporate this theme in their ministry programmes. Thank God for their families understanding and support, especially those with children and elderly family members who need their time and attention. God's protection and providence on each family member; that even as they have sown to the Lord, they will be fruitful. Staff to depend on God for strength in times of difficulties, for peace in times of stress, and patience in times of pressure. Understanding and patience from worshippers as duties are being

<u>Prayer Focus 2025</u> **30 Jul:** Wesley Synchronised Prayer (40 Days of Prayer & Fast with Love Singaporé)

8 Aug: Day Of His Power



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For more information, please contact missions@wesleymc.org.

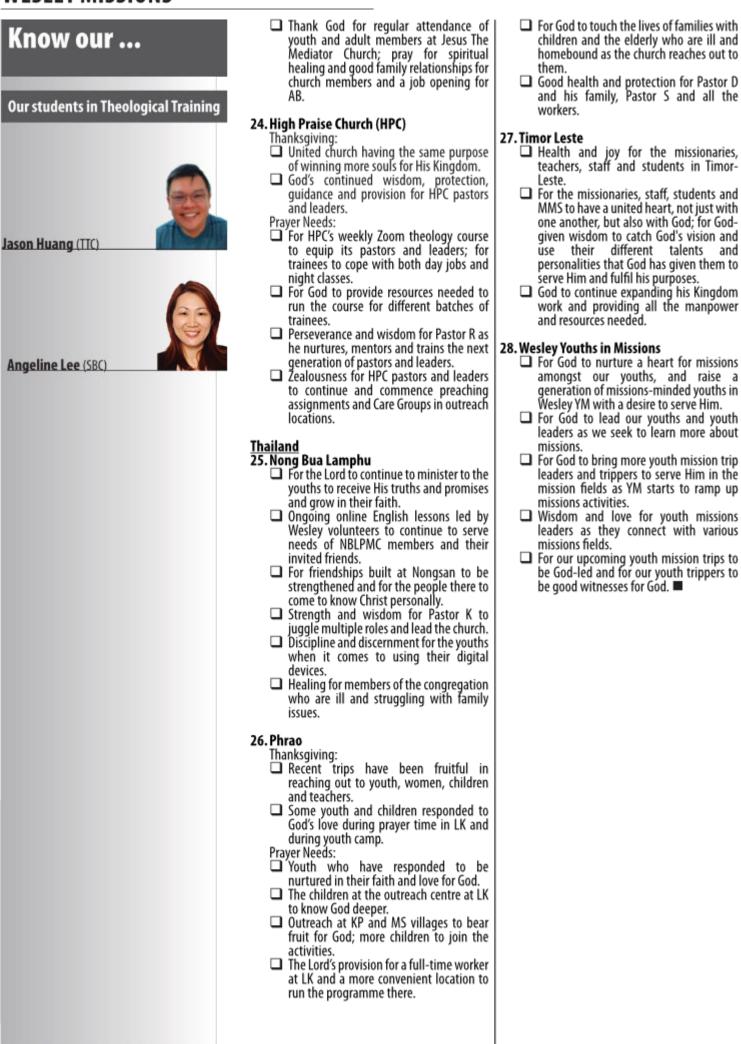
# Pray for our Missioners/ Missionaries...

1.	Leow Theng Huat – Serving with Trinity Theological College Prayer needs:  ☐ May God grant Theng Huat a good time of rest during his sabbatical, as well as strength and wisdom to complete the things he has set out to do.  ☐ God to help Theng Huat get ready for a new academic year at TTC come July 2025.  ☐ God to bless Theng Huat's parents and parents-in-law with good health, safety, joy and peace.  ☐ God to bless Theng Huat's children with good health, good friends and a close		Joel Choong — Serving with Singapore Youth for Christ Thanksgiving:  ☐ For being accepted into Singapore Art Book Fair! Pray that students will be able to make time to participate alongside too.  Prayer needs: ☐ Good time management as they jump into production mode, especially around this time of the year. There are a number of other SYFC meetings to attend, and it occasionally clashes with production timings. ☐ Christian volunteers and partners to be	8.	<ul> <li>□ As part of a network of marketplace, pray for ministry and church leaders to discern how to reach, equip, and empower the young adults to be salt and light where the Lord has planted them.</li> <li>□ Wisdom to lead regional leaders (in Asia) on how to strengthen their current ministries that are reaching leaders and to collaborate within and without, to also expand their current ministry boundaries while ensuring sustainability.</li> <li>Karen Hor – Serving with Cru Asia</li> </ul>
	Singapore Youth for Christ  Thanksgiving:  A Youth Guidance Ministry (reaching out to children and youth at risk) volunteer was given the opportunity to use Christianity Explored University (CEU) material with a young Christian. Pray that the CEU training will be effective in equipping her to teach the young Christian well.  For the Girls' Brigade (GB) to be attentive during the devotion sharing and may God's truth take root in their lives.  Prayer needs:  God's insight and wisdom to provide constructive feedback as she vets		Mark Suredhran — Serving with Cru Singapore Thanksgiving: ☐ For fruitful time of outreach with the students. Prayer needs: ☐ For Mark as he starts his first teaching session at EAST at the start of the academic year. ☐ For God's grace, strength, health and sustenance.  Stella and Phil Carter — Serving with Cru Asia Thanksgiving: ☐ His foregrand protestion for her spaces.	9.	month training as a Combat Engineer. Thank God for sustaining him throughout and for being commissioned as an officer.  For her parents who were both hospitalised recently. Her father's memory seems to be faltering a lot suddenly and her mom is at heightened risk of stroke. They reside with her sister and family who are feeling the weight of caring for them more this season.  Susan Lee – Serving with Cru Asia Thanksgiving:  That all three local internships of The Creatives' Journey (TCJ) mentoring programme are going well.
3.	teaching scripts for two staff.  For the GB recruits to take their drills training seriously.  Asholi and Puil Akamu — Serving in Thailand  Prayer needs:  Continue to pray for Bible training in N, scheduled till October. It is held at a new venue that's more convenient for workers. Pray also for God to meet the needs in developing the new Training Centre.  Pray for the four saved families in L, who are still in the same place and have not returned to their village. Pray for wisdom and discernment for a good decision. There are also nine families from another village who have left the village of their own free will. New believers in the villages are preferring to leave their villages. Pray for those in this situation in L.  They are hosting a big team from India, their home country, from 9-13 Aug. Pray for the preparation, good fellowship and ministry.	7.	<ul> <li>His favour and protection for her spouse, Phil's three-week training in Chiang Mai, ACTI 58th Batch; also for smooth process and excellent recovery of Phil's successful teeth implant.</li> <li>Prayer needs:</li> <li>God's protection and good health for Phil's 75-year-old brother who is living alone</li> <li>For Stella's 91-year old mother's salvation. Pray for her short-term memory which seemed to be worse. That her mum will always recognise her helper and the helper will take care of her well. Pray she will recover soon from a very bad cough and excessive phlegm with the prescribed antibiotics.</li> <li>Amos Ang − Serving with Cru Asia</li> <li>Prayer needs:</li> <li>Wisdom as he leads an ongoing collaboration between Cru LeaderImpact with Global Leadership Summit to help marketplace leaders grow professionally, personally and spiritually.</li> </ul>	10.	Prayer needs:  All the mentees to complete their assignments and mission trips well as they wrap up Phase 2 of TCJ.  Wisdom and strength for Susan as she coordinates both the TCJ Retreat to wrap up Phases 1 and 2, and also to launch Phase 3 on 2 Aug.  Chelsea Koh − Serving with Prison Fellowship Singapore (PFS)  Thanksgiving:  Salvation of Mr and Mrs A.  Prayer needs:  Successful adoption of B, child beneficiary.  Mdm L, in a nursing home, expressed interest to attend a church. However, the nursing home is currently locked down and does not permit residents to leave the nursing home. Pray for the locked down to be lifted and support from the volunteers and family to bring Mdm L and her special needs daughter to church and receive salvation.  The Family Care ministry workshop in August that would help their family beneficiaries to exercise self-care and care for family members.

### 11. Jason Huang (TTC) 15. Stanley and Lucy Ong Know our ... Prayer needs: Thanksgiving: Missioners/ Missionaries Holy Spirit to prepare his heart and mind Koko's recovery following her bone for another new semester of theological marrow operation in May. Prayer needs: Missioners ☐ Koko to be in remission from her A deepening relationship with God and a leukemia. She is still in the Intensive Care hunger to know Him more intimately. The well-being of his family and God's Unit as her immunity is not up to level. blessings on relationships with others. Lucy to be healed of her joint pains. The salvation of the families who attend Amos Ang Serving with Cru Singapore the church's monthly kids' club (more 12. Angeline Lee (SBC) Prayer needs: have been coming recently!) Smooth start to the new academic year and preparation for the term ahead. 16. More Wesley's Missionaries to be raised Karen Hor God's continued guidance, grace and and sent out into the field Serving with Cru Singapore strength throughout the semester. Luke 10:2 The harvest truly is great, but the labourers are few: pray ye therefore the Lord of More intimate relationship with God as she continues to study His Word and seek the harvest, that he would send forth His presence. labourers into his harvest. **Leow Theng Huat** ☐ God's protection, provision, and good Prayer needs: Trinity Theological College Faculty God's spirit to stir up the hearts of health over the family in the months Wesleyans to be missional and obedient ahead. to the Great Commission. 13.Jonathan & Phoebe Kong - Serving More Wesleyans will hear His clarion call Mark Suredhran with OMF to be missionaries in the harvest fields Serving with Cru Singapore Prayer needs: overseas. Praise God that they have completed conducting the baptism course and preparing the children and adults for ☐ Wisdom, grace, and clarity as they discern their calling and choose to bring the gospel to the least-reached people Stella & Phil Carter baptism on 27 Jul. Pray for a smooth and groups or hard places. protected process. Pray that those ☐ That God will grant them the assurance Serving with Cru Singapore receiving baptism will truly experience of peace to remove their fears, anxieties God's transforming power in their lives. and concerns for their loved ones as He □ God's sustaining grace and strength upon equips them for the field. local believers especially when they face sicknesses and challenges in their Boldness and courage to take the next step to prepare well for the ministry Susan Lee Serving with Cru Singapore which they are called in the harvest families. ☐ For God to use the Korean short-term fields. missions team coming on 16 Aug to God's leading and wisdom to mobilise a touch the lives of the villagers. great missionary movement from Wesley Joel Choong Journey mercies for the couple as they to reach the least, the lost and the last. Serving with Singapore Youth for Christ travel between locations for various administrative and ministry purposes. Field Development: <u>Cambodia</u> 17. Functional English Centre (FEC) 14. Shan — Serving in CAN Tan Chew Suan Prayer Needs: Thanksgiving: Serving with Singapore Youth For Christ Wisdom and favour from parents and for FEC has a good number of students in all required resources to be provided for three sessions (morning, afternoon, the start of Secondary evening), including children, youth and Confirmation of curriculum and provision young adults. Chelsea Koh of all teaching staff. For favour with local Prayer Needs: Serving with Prison Fellowship Singapore authorities and smooth process of God's protection, strength and guidance getting the approval to start the upon FEC staff and families. secondary school. ☐ FÉC students to learn well and remain ■ Wisdom and strategy for the SMS receptive to God's love and truth. development committee to look into the Pastor A has relocated to a suburban future plan of SMS, especially with the location. May God strengthen his space constraints at the current premises. relationship with the community and for For the seeds of love and care that were opportunities to reach out with God's sown to bear fruits in the hearts of the love and truth. village communities. ■ New teachers/short term workers to be Shalom peace and good health for Shan assigned to FEC as current teaching staff and her family. have a full teaching schedule with no To remain in Him and be joyful in hope, break. patient in affliction and faithful in prayer.

Pray for the Lord to continue growing the ministry and strengthening those who have opened their hearts and minds to Him; pray for the Pathway team as they follow up with people who have responded to the Lord.  □ Thank God for a growing children's ministry in the churches and preaching points. Pray for support for the ministry team as they seek to serve in this area. □ For good follow-up and spiritual growth of the children who came to know Christ during village outreach. □ Wisdom and strength for the teachers at Mustard Seed School (MSS). □ God's guidance and provision as MSS and the church that worships there need to relocate to a new place. □ God's provision, leading and continued open doors in medical ministry.  9. Wesley Phnom Penh Hostel (WPPH) Thanksgiving: □ Good closure of the WPPH after five years of ministry. □ Former hostel students have found good alternatives for their accommodation. □ Some remain connected to the church community and are serving in ministry. Prayer Needs: □ May youths who have received Him grow deeper in their faith and relationship with God and remain connected to the church community. □ May former hostel parents be encouraged and find suitable opportunities that will arise. □ May the former chaplain also find encouragement as they continue to disciple the youth in a church setting	<ul> <li>More opportunities to reach out to the community.</li> <li>Congregation to grow in their faith, love and service for God.</li> <li>Diligence for those who participated in a sewing workshop to develop their skills.</li> <li>Wisdom in planning missions trip to Batam and Bintan.</li> <li>More to step up to serve God routinely in Batam and Bintan.</li> <li>Children and youth are receptive to God's love and truth.</li> <li>Scholarship students are progressing well in their studies and developing godly character. Some are serving in the ministry.</li> <li>Prayer Needs:</li> <li>Ministry workers and teachers to be used by God to bless the children and youth.</li> <li>Students receiving scholarships to do well in their studies.</li> <li>Good follow-up and nurturing of faith for seekers, new believers and believers.</li> <li>Youth leaders to arise from within and outside of the ministry.</li> <li>Parents, adult fellowship and home visitation to be fruitful in reaching out to the community.</li> <li>Mission partners to keep up the spirit to serving God with love and humility. Protection, good health and providence for their families.</li> <li>Wisdom upon the nation's leaders to find ways to cope with the financial crisis and help the poor who are struggling with inflation and the high cost of living.</li> </ul>	Know our Missioners/ Missionaries  Rev & Mrs Asholi & Puii Akamu Serving in Thailand  Jonathan & Phoebe Kong Serving in Thailand  Shan Serving in CAN  Tentmakers  Stanley & Lucy Ong Serving in Japan
□ Future plans for ministry to be guided with His wisdom and anointing.  **Documental Plans of the English teaching ministry progressed well in learning the language.  □ Closer relationship with the students and teachers and opportunity to share God's love and godly values.  □ Women who joined the sewing ministry have gradually improved their sewing skills.  □ Recent trips have encouraged the pastors, leaders and teachers.  Prayer Needs:  □ Sustaining strength and wisdom for teachers to plan lessons and engage students effectively.  □ Students to learn effectively, diligent in their students, and nurtured in godly values and develop godly character.  □ Protection, good health, wisdom and anointing for pastors and leaders in providing leadership and care for the church.	<ul> <li>□ Protection, courage and good health for God's people especially those living in rural areas.</li> <li>□ Wisdom, sustaining strength, favour and perseverance for God's workers serving the least, the lost and the last.</li> <li>□ Open hearts and responsiveness to the good news by the locals.</li> <li>Philippines</li> <li>23. Payatas Zone 1</li> <li>□ Wisdom for church and community leaders in selecting the right livelihood projects for various local villages.</li> <li>□ For New Hope Antioch Church's prison ministry to transform lives; good health and strength for pastor VP.</li> <li>□ Thank God for new believers in Pinagpala Christian Community Church's outreach points; for more pre-believing families to be reached and more church members to serve as the ministry expands.</li> <li>□ A safe and suitable venue for Promised Land Christian Church's new outreach point as the current location floods often; for God's provision for various church ministry needs.</li> </ul>	

# WESLEY MISSIONS



# Recruitment Serving God in Wesley Methodist Church



The Church has vacancies for members and friends to serve in His Community here in Wesley. We are praying for committed Christians who feel that they can contribute to growing God's kingdom through the various positions in our ministries.

If you have a gift and passion to serve in Wesley, we ask that you prayerfully consider joining our team.

# Positions available:

- Facilities Assistant Manager
- Pastoral Team Lead (Missions)
- Pastoral Team Member (Pastoral Care Ministry)
- Pastoral Team Member (Small Group Ministry)
- Pastoral Team Member (Youth Ministry)
- Programme Coordinator (Communications)
- Programme Coordinator (Mandarin Ministry)
- Programme Coordinator (Youth Ministry)

Please visit our website at https://wesleymc.org for more job specifications or write in to recruit@wesleymc.org to connect with us. We would like to hear from you.







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# ■ WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

	13Jul	 20Jul	27Jul
• 7.30am • 9.30am • 11.30am • 5.00pm	315 914 624 275	337 835 511 256	315 814 520 236
Prayer & Pra • 5.00pm 58.135 • 9.30am • 11.30am		421 516 438	284 483 369
Filipino Serv • 2.00pm	<b>ice</b> 70	95	159
Mandarin Se • 2.30pm	rvice 115	105	124
Youth Service • 2.00pm	e (Sat) NoSvc	228	216

# CALLING ALL WESLEYANS, LET'S DO OUR PART AND BE SOFE Wesley

Here's what we can do:

- Be vigilant report all suspicious persons, activities and unattended items (bags and suitcases) to Ushers, Watchers or Pastoral Team Members.
- Do not leave our bags and personal effects unattended.
- Co-operate with our Safe@Wesley team if bag checks are required.
- Do be friendly to visitors and invite them to our welcome corner to be introduced.

Email us at **safe@wesleymc.org** for any enquiries or feedback.

# CONDOLENCES

# To the families of:

- Dr Ong Yong Wan who passed away on 25 July.
- Mdm Yeo Bee Yen Pauline on the demise of her daughter, Ms Tan Sock Hoon Sherry on 26 July.



# JOIN A SMALL GROUP!

Small Groups are key to experiencing life in a big church like Wesley! They are the primary places of care and ministry and it is in Small Groups that we experience love, build up and serve one another. At Wesley we have about 2,500 members in more than 250 Small Groups!

What are you waiting for?

Fill up the Small Group interest form at https://wesleymc.org/joinsg or visit https://wesleymc.org/get-involved/joina-small-group or contact Jairus Thomas at smallgroup@wesleymc.org.



# **Pastoral Care**

Pastoral Care at Wesley serves the church by providing hospital visits and visitations to members and their loved ones who are no longer able to attend church.

If you require any assistance kindly contact
Joanne Tan at 6837 9266
or email us at
pastoralcare@wesleymc.org.





AUGUST 2025

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# ABOUT WESLEY

Our Mission as Wesley Methodist Church is to 'seek to glorify God in Jesus Christ by loving Him, by loving one another and by loving our neighbour as ourselves'. (Deuteronomy 6:5 Luke 10:27; John 13:34)









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# **EVENTS IN TOWN**



# INVITATION TO THE NATIONAL DAY THANKSGIVING SERVICE 2025

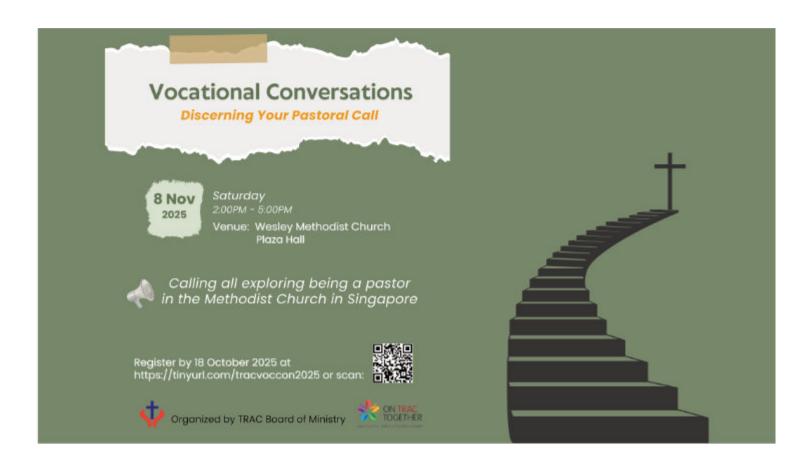
This is an invitation from the National Council of Churches of Singapore to the annual National Day Thanksgiving Service for a time of worship, prayer and thanksgiving.

DATE & TIME: Thursday 14 August 2025, 7.45pm

VENUE: Cathedral New Sanctuary, St Andrew's Cathedral

SPEAKER: Bishop Philip Lim (President of the National Council of Churches of Singapore, and Bishop of The Methodist Church in Singapore)

MESSAGE: "Coming to Jesus" based on Mark 2:1-12





66 I will heal my people and let them enjoy abundant peace and security. ??

Jeremiah 33:6

# Loving Our Neighbours Loving Our Nation

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# GATHER As a Methodist family at The Healing Nation Celebratory Concert

Redeem tickets with donations of \$40 and above.

Date: 1 November 2025, Saturday | Venue: The Star Theatre, The Star Performing Arts Centre | Time: 7.30pm

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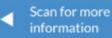




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# AfterCalen

**Methodist Youths and Creation Care** 

Date	Time	Venue
30 August Saturday!!	11.30am- 5.00pm	Covenant Community Methodist Church

Registration fee: \$5/pax. Lunch and tea break provided.



Creation Care through Biblical Lenses

Mr Dennis Tan, Our Father's World

Applying Creation Care in Church and Ministry
Ms Merilyn Ng, The Conscious Florist



How important is the environment to you?

A government poll showed that it's a top concern for Singaporean youths—so what does God say about climate and sustainability, and how can you, a young follower of Christ, make a godly impact?



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Let's rediscover our role in God's creation

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