

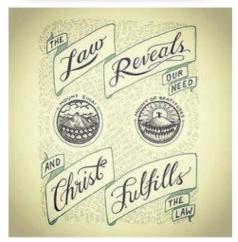


## **2020 YearTheme:**Be Strong and Courageous! Joshua 1:9

### **Worship Theme:**

The Tension between Our New Nature & Old Flesh Rom 7:15-25a; John 13:1-5; Psalm 145:8-14

Any concept of grace that makes us feel more comfortable sinning, is NOT Biblical grace.



The psalmist shows us that God's work exists to allow people to discover the splendor of His kingdom (Psalm 145:12).

This Sunday, we will find, emerging from the Book of Romans' texts, the power of discovery.

The Apostle discovers that regardless of intention, evil is never far away (Romans 7:21). The text asks, "Is the law itself evil or does the law cause sin?"

Today's passage should actually begin with verse 13. It is in verse 13 that Paul begins to deal with the role and function of the law. Later Paul adds to his argument an explanation of the power that sin holds over non-Christians. In last week's reading [Romans 6:12-23], Paul dealt with the question, "Without the law, are we sinners?" This week, Paul first deals with whether or not the law itself was evil or caused sin.

Next, Paul moves from a discussion about the law to a description of the constant human struggle with sin.

Hence, we find that there is a constant struggle between our new nature and old flesh.

Paul concludes by saying that the only power great enough to conquer the power of sin is the power available through faith in Jesus Christ.

### **EVENTS**

20 – 22 Dec 2020 Youth Camp Contact John Lim for details https://bit.ly/3m6r3ss

13 December 2020 Young Adults Year End Party!!! 1.30pm https://bit.ly/3m4kTZO

6 December
9.30 am Online Bible
Class
The Parable of Lowest
Seat at Feast by Vincent

11.00 am Live Stream Worship The Tension between Our New Nature & Old Flesh by Kenneth Kuek

## 9 December7.30 pm Online Wed

People and Government for God by John Lim

Zoom Prayer Warriors 8.00 pm Every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tue Lim Lian Chye

Gladiolus Place
Devotions
7.30 pm Every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Mon

In-person Congregational Worship Service continues today (up to 100 persons maximum). Members who intend to worship in the church premises on Sunday are to register and submit the online form on the PPCOC website each week. You may also use the QR code on back of this FOCUS Newsletter.

You can join us in worship by going to <a href="www.ppcoc.org">www.ppcoc.org</a> and click on our Online Worship under Resources tab or Quick Links. You can also check the Donate tab on how to make bank transfers to the church for tithes and offerings.

# YOUTH CAMP 2020

# COMING HOME

December 20 - 22



There's no place like home, so that's why Youth Camp 2020 is happening in the homes of PP members! Love, laughter, and growth guaranteed! Sign up by 11th December to secure your slot!



The Chens The Lims The Tans

Chen Yi & Eunice Swee Aun & Lai Fun The Leows Peng Liam & Catherine Beng Chuan & Woon Ching

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SIBI update: Introducing our 3 students for 2020 – 2021 study Video Link in Focus <a href="https://bit.ly/3g3byzl">https://bit.ly/3g3byzl</a>

### **Terry Harrison:**

The continued support of the members of PPCoC make it possible to train these excellent young men and women to work in the kingdom of God. Thank you all! This is your work and it is bearing fruit in the lives of the students of SIBI-Singapore and the lives they reach in their own countries.



### Jamicah Delayun:

Harrison,

Dean SIBI-

Singapore

Jamicah is delightful in spirit, dedicated as a student and very smart. Her sincerity is obvious to everyone. God will do wonderful things through her.

### Nan Li (Lydia):

Before enrolling, Lydia was a full-time English teacher working with elementary students. She has a strong desire to better understand the Bible so that she can share it with others, both verbally and in writing. She is bright and has a great humble spirit about her.



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### **Paul Palacio:**

Paul is earnest in his desire to do well in his studies with SIBI-Singapore. He is helping his father, Elmer, work with the congregation there is Lapu-Lapu, so is getting real world experience to go with his studies. Paul is not sure about what exactly he will do when he complete his courses, but he desires be a leader in the kingdom.

### Thanksgiving and Prayer Requests

- 1. Thanks be to God for the PSLE results of our children, and may God guide them to schools that are suitable for their physical growth & character development.
- 2. Pray for our youth to make time for togetherness and spiritual bonding during the Youth Camp in Dec 2020.
- 3. Thank God for overseeing the recent AGM such that members approved the ratification of certain transactions and adopted the year end accounts.
- 4. Pray that God will bless our church leaders with good health, courage, wisdom and humility to lead the church into 2021 with a deeper commitment to honour, love and serve Him...making an impact to our community.
- 5. Pray that God's spirit will move more men to step up to serve the church in its various ministries in 2021.

### A Prayer for Thanksgiving

Loving God,
We turn our hearts to you on
this day for giving thanks,
mindful of your many gifts.
For each one, we are grateful.
For each one, we are blessed.
For each one we are opened to
the abundance of your love.
May this Thanksgiving Day
offer a reminder to be generous
with others, as you are with us.
We praise you.
We rejoice in you.
We give you thanks.
Amen.

### **SUNDAY GIVING**



29 November GF - \$7,653 MF YTD - \$103,466.51

## **WAYS TO GIVE**

## (C) Donate via PayNow (QRCode)

- 1. Scan the QR code using your mobile banking app
- 2. Verify that it shows: Church of Christ PPG, S76SS0008AGFD
- 3. Indicate your name in the "Reference No." (optional)
- 4. Enter the amount you wish to contribute
- 5. Click next, verify the details and confirm.







## Church of Christ Pasir Panjang Sunday Worship Attendance

Starting today, a maximum of 100 persons is allowed for the In-person Congregational Worship Service every Sunday. Members who intend to worship in the church premises must register before Friday noon for successful balloting.

Registration is open from Monday and the cut-off date/time for submission will be Friday, 12 noon, for the coming Sunday Worship Service.



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