



CHURCH of CHRIST
— PASIR PANJANG —



2 February 2020

2020 Year Theme:

Be Strong and Courageous! Joshua 1:9

Worship Theme: Open our eyes to God's glory!

Today's scripture texts: Isaiah 60:1-6: Matt 2:1-12; Psalm 72:1-7

When I was a youngster, my mother would awaken my siblings and I every morning, with a call from the bedroom door, "Arise and shine for the day has come." It was not enough that the call always came earlier than desired, but it also came in such a happy and expectant voice. There is only one thing worse than being awakened from a wonderfully deep sleep and that is being awakened by someone who seems to relish the task. My mother's early morning cheerfulness was salt in the wound of another day of school or chores.

Isaiah 60:1 - Arise, shine; for thy light is come.

For long the night had brooded on Mount Zion, and the beautiful city had sat in the dust, desolate and afflicted; but at last the watchers saw the sky brightening into the splendour of dawn, and the cry went forth that the day was at hand, calling her to arise and shine.

Whenever the glory of the Lord rises upon thee, be sure to reflect it. Arise, shine! Arise, to catch as much of it as possible. Shine, that others may also catch as much as possible. Behold as in a glass the glory of the Lord, in long and loving fellowship, till you reflect it in full-orbed glory; and as you reflect it you will be changed into the same image from glory to glory, by the Lord the Spirit. Arise to the highest pinnacle of the mountain to catch the dawn, and then begin to shine with a glory that never shone on sea or shore.

Sometimes Christians seek release from their positions in business or social life, on the plea that they are so uncongenial and ungodly. Yet these are the very circumstances under which Zion is bidden to arise and shine. The darker the staircase, the more need of the candle. Because darkness covers the earth, and gross darkness the people. However, there is more need for her towers to gleam with light. The Lord has given us the light of his countenance that we may flash it forward. In loneliness and solitude let us still shine for Jesus, like the stone-white steeple of a church, smitten by a searchlight in the night.

"Yet not in solitude! if Christ anear me
Waketh Him workers for the great employ!
Oh, not in solitude! — if souls that hear me
Catch from my joyance the surprise of joy."

By F B Meyer

Our Vision
To Be A Vibrant, Growing Community Where Every Member Ministers to One Another



Equipped by Ministry Leaders

Supported by Mission Interest Groups & Partners

Reached out to by Care Teams

Our Mission
We are Called Out To...



Worship God

Testify to the Nations the Gospel

Make Disciples



2 Feb (Sun)
8.00 am & 11.00 am
Simon Goh
Isaiah 60:1-6
6.00 pm
Naveen
Jeremiah 9:23, 24

3-14 Feb (Mon-Fri)
9 am - 3.30 pm
SIBI Class
Sacrificial System
Teacher: Terry Harrison

5 Feb (Wed)
7.30 pm
Wed Bible Class
Ecclesiastes
Vincent Lim
Chinese Worship Hall



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LEARN TO COOK A SIMPLE PERANAKAN
MEAL!

COOK FOR FUND

for Youths and Young Adults



Contact Charmaine (9625 2950) or Mag (9221 0770) to sign up by 29 Feb 2020

Fee: \$150 (All proceeds go to
the church rebuilding fund)

Date: 11 April 2020

Time: 9am - 12pm

Location: Cooking Studio (tbc)

Dishes: Ngoh Hiang, Sambal
Kang Kong, Chicken Pongteh

Cook For Fund

There is a mini fund-raising event specially for the Youth and Young Adults call "Cook For Fund". Here they will learn how to cook a simple Peranakan meal and help contribute towards the church rebuilding project. Book your place now as there are limited places for this event. Contact Charmaine (96252950) or Mag (92210770).

Heartiest congratulations to KC & Irene Cheang on the wedding of their daughter. Here's wishing Cassandra & Jonathan (who tied the knot on 1 Feb 2020) a lifetime of joy and happiness. Cassandra will be worshipping with her hubby at the church he attends, so we will miss her dearly.



Congratulations to Pearl Mayor and Chris Topacio on their marriage on 4 Jan 2020 held in Philippines. Chris was baptised in Jan 2018 at PPCOC whereas Pearl hails formerly from Barretto COC in Olongapo City Zambales Philippines. Both are currently working in Singapore. We wish them lots of love and happiness in their married life. Please get to know this beautiful couple.

FAMILY NEWS & CONCERNS



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Our condolences to **Sis Linda Kho** on the demise of her mother, **Chen Yoke Fong**, on 26 Jan. The funeral was held on 30 Jan (Thu). Also to the Neo family on the demise of their brother-in-law, **Chin Teck Charn**, on 27 Jan. The funeral was held on 29 Jan. The Chinese congregation conducted both the services.

Clarita Simon – Pray for Manilyn's health and her husband too. Bless my husband's business and may it be the channel of blessings.

Remy Kingsley – Pray for the victims of the Taal volcanic eruption and the work of Metro Manila Ministries and March Mission.

Teck Su – Thank you Lord for a fresh insight of the Lamb in Isaiah 53. Pray for the younger generation to be guided in their walk with God.

David Dass – Thank for praying for Bro. Philemon Raja. Pray for the pain in my left shoulder to heal.

Taal Volcano Relief Support

A call was made and members stepped up! A grand total of \$6,200 was raised and remitted to the Philippines to provide relief for the affected families. The MARCH team has expressed their gratitude. We thank you for your donation and prayers for those affected.

Worried about the Australian Bushfires? Taal Volcanic Eruption? Wuhan Flu Virus? Why not pray?

At any time we appear to have little or no control, we can and should draw encouragement from our Almighty and Sovereign Lord. He is the one who gives us the very breath of life (Genesis 2:7), who sustains all things by His powerful Word (Hebrews 1:3), and who commands even the elements (Matthew 8:23-27).

In Psalm 91, we are reminded that despite danger or disease, we can rest fearlessly in the refuge and embrace of our Heavenly Father. He alone can protect us and provide for all our needs, even as we take responsible precautions.

So let us spur one another to do our part and offer up united prayers of faith to our ever faithful God – on behalf of the nations, our government, colleagues, families and ourselves.

Thank you that we can come with these requests, knowing that we can 'cast all our cares on you because you care for us' (1 Peter 5:7). Have mercy, Lord, as we pray this in the precious and mighty Name of Jesus, Amen.



UPCOMING EVENTS

SING is held every **Saturday** afternoon from 2pm to 4pm at the church auditorium. Contact: Terilee or Dennis Law.

Prayer Warriors (PW) is held every **2nd & 4th Monday** of each month. Contact: Lim Lian Chye.

8 Feb (Sat)
10 am – 4 pm
CNY Open House:
Elders Terry Wan, Boo Chye & Swee Aun

29 Mar (Sun)
Ladies Day
12 noon Lunch
1 pm Program Starts

10 Apr (Fri)
Annual Advance
9 am – 12 pm

11 Apr (Sat)
Cook for Fund
9 am – 12 pm
Cooking Studio (tbc)

FEEDBACK on Church Matters



<http://bit.ly/38KH8wK>

Reminder for PPCOC Rebuilding Pledges and Donations

a) Members who have forgotten their pledge details or wish to know their pledge balance (for those giving in instalments), please contact the Pledge Committee (Peter Lim, Jim Kawi or Grace M).

b) Donations in:

i) Cash - to put the cash in the BF envelope or any envelope and indicate "Building Fund" on it. Drop it together with the Sunday collection.

ii) Cheque - the payee should be "Church of Christ, Pasir Panjang". Either indicate "Building Fund" on the back of the cheque or use the BF envelope for the cheque.

iii) Bank Transfer - inform the Pledge Committee your intention to do so and they will check the PPCOC BF account when you have made the transfer. The bank details are:

Bank: DBS Bank Account No: 063-007311-3



Advisory on the Wuhan Novel Coronavirus

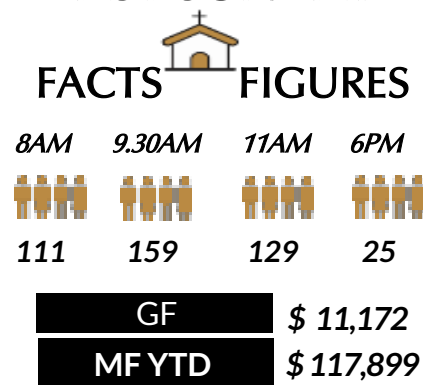
Dear brethren,

In view of the Wuhan novel Coronavirus situation, the church recommends the following;

- 1) If you are unwell or have fever, cough, runny nose or sore throat - please worship at home on Sunday and avoid church-wide activities.
- 2) if you have just returned from mainland China, please worship at home on Sunday and avoid church-wide activities for the next 14 days.

Let us know if you have the symptoms above. The Elders will pray for you. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

LAST SUNDAY



Send this FOCUS QR Code to an absent member



<https://bit.ly/2rxopUz>

Pledge & Building Fund Committee

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