



**CHURCH of CHRIST**  
— PASIR PANJANG —



23 February 2020

**2020 Year Theme:**  
**Be Strong and Courageous! Joshua 1:9**

**Worship Theme:** To offer a real reason for joy in our broken world  
**Today's scripture texts:** Isaiah 63:7-9; Hebrews 2:10-18; Psalm 148

**Isaiah 63:9 IN HIS LOVE AND PITY**

Jesus Christ is with you in your misery. Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego never realized the presence of the Son of God so blessedly until they were thrown alive into Nebuchadnezzar's burning furnace (Dan. 3:20). There, His presence was so manifest that even the heathen king exclaimed, "I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire; and they are not hurt, and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God." (Dan 3:25)

Many children do not receive special love while they are healthy, but when illness comes their mother's abundant love is poured on them. The Lord says to you who need comfort, "As one whom his mother comforts, so I will comfort you; and you shall be comforted." (Is. 66:13)

It was to His ancient people that God gave this gracious promise, "In all their affliction He was afflicted, and the Angel of His Presence saved them; in His love and in His pity He redeemed them; and He bore them and carried them all the days of old." (Is. 63:9) He still tenderly and lovingly deals with His tested and afflicted people. This thought should make you forget your poverty and misery.

Be of good courage weary pilgrim, for the years are flying fast and trials and troubles are flying just as fast. This world is, to the believer, like a country inn, where there are so many comings and goings that one cannot rest. Never mind. You are tarrying here only for one short night, and then you will be up and away to your eternal home.

During the most intense difficult time in my life I happened to see this poem on a secretary's desk, and it changed my life. Let me list it for you, just in the rare case you never read it.

One night I dreamed I was walking along the beach with the Lord. Many scenes from my life flashed across the sky.

In each scene I noticed footprints in the sand. Sometimes there were two sets of footprints, other times there was one only.

This bothered me because I noticed that during the low periods of my life, when I was suffering from anguish, sorrow or defeat, I could see only one set of footprints, so I said to the Lord,

You promised me Lord, that if I followed you, you would walk with me always. But I have noticed that during the most trying periods of my life there has only been one set of footprints in the sand. Why, when I needed you most, have you not been there for me?"

The Lord replied, "The years when you have seen only one set of footprints, my child, is when I carried you.

- C H Spurgeon in "Beside Still Water" By F B Meyer



**23 Feb (Sun)**  
8.00 am & 11.00 am  
Ooi Boo Chye  
Isaiah 63:7-9  
6.00 pm  
Samuel Lim  
Micah 2:1-13, Micah 3:8-11

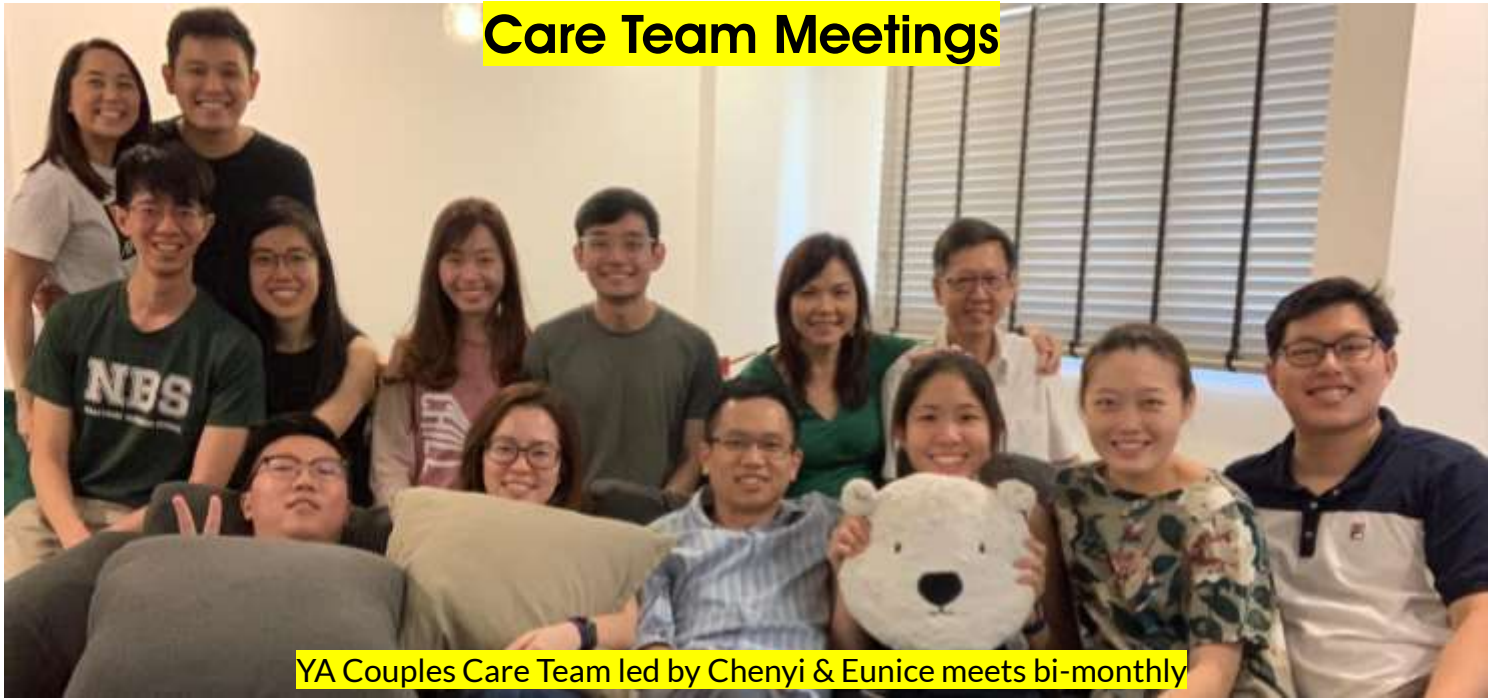
**23 Feb (Sun)**  
7.45 am - 8.00 am  
10.30 am - 11.00 am  
GEMS Club  
Collection of Sermon Notes  
Document Box

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





## Care Team Meetings



YA Couples Care Team led by Chenyi & Eunice meets bi-monthly



Xinyi's Care Team meets ad hoc



Lay Chai's Care Team meets Saturdays



Deanna's Care Team meets Thur/Fri

If you are not in a Care Team yet, join one or start one.

*Let us consider how we may spur one another on towards love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another - all the more as you see the Day approaching (Hebrew 10:24-25).*

Similar to Bible Classes and Church Worship services, we need not stop Care Team meetings so long as the necessary precautions are taken.

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## 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.

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

**10 Apr (Fri)**  
Annual Advance  
9 am – 12 pm  
Breakfast starts from 8 am onwards

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

**12 Apr (Sun)**  
GEMS Hour  
10.45 am - 12.15 pm  
Have you heard the Good News?

**31 May (Sun)**  
SIBI Graduation  
12.30 pm Lunch  
1.30 pm Ceremony

**25-29 July (Sat-Wed)**  
59<sup>th</sup> Asian Mission Forum  
Chennai India  
<http://amf2020.webflow.io/>

FEEDBACK on Church Matters



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

**GEMS Club** would like to help our children focus better during our weekly Church Worship services by introducing them to Sermon Notes.

Today before both morning worships, we will distribute all GEMS kids a hard plastic document case with colourful markers, for them to journal what they glean from the sermons on creatively crafted worksheets.

It will be helpful if parents use this opportunity to bond with their children, by helping them with the worksheet and discussing the sermon points with them at home. Once they complete 12 worksheets, endorsed with their parents' initials for review, they can submit them for token prizes at our GEMS counters at the end of May and August, during this 6-month pilot run.



***Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it. Proverbs 22:6***

Adults who are interested may pre-order a set at \$5 with Sis Jasmine, while stocks last.



Disinfecting the premises



Temperature Screening



### COVID-19 Preventive Measures

The leaders want to thank all the members for their cooperation and patience last Sunday in complying with the additional measures of temperature screening and no parking in the church premises. These and other measures like regular disinfecting of the church premises will continue until further notice. The leaders will continue to monitor the situation and update the church if there are changes. In the meantime, we advise members to continue practising good hygiene and remind those who are not feeling well, have a runny nose, cough or sore throat to stay home and not attend the church services.

For those who are worshipping at home, do note that there is a direct link to the live streaming of the worship services on the home page of the PPCOC website ([ppcoc.org](http://ppcoc.org)).

We thank God for His protection over us and ask that you continue to pray for the authorities as they manage this crisis, for the medical staff as they help and treat those affected and for everyone to stay calm and united in this fight against the spread of the COVID-19.

### Temperature Screening Process

- 1) All members and visitors are to proceed to the Temperature Screening Station (TSS) at the church lobby before proceeding to the auditorium or other areas of the church premises.
- 2) At the TSS, after your temperature is taken, a sticker will be given, and you are to complete a simple declaration form.
- 3) Follow the signage for movements within the church premises to minimize contact between those who have their temperatures taken and those who have not.

### Note for Drivers

- 1) There is **no parking** in the church premises with the exception of the handicapped who will park at the designated handicap lots.
- 2) Please park at the **Capricorn** and take the shuttle bus to/from the church premises.
- 3) There are 2 **drop-off points** – one in front of the church lobby and the other along the driveway with a drop-off sign to indicate the area. If unsure, follow the car marshal's direction.



## Family News & Concerns

We rejoice with Jasmine and Kok Shing on the baptism of **Fun Min** last Sunday. May she grow in the knowledge and wisdom of God and remain steadfast in her faith.

Pray for Mdm Annie Huan (Lian Chye's mum) who suffered a fall, fractured her leg and has to undergo surgery. She is warded at Sengkang Hospital, Ward 16 Rm 9 Bed 12.

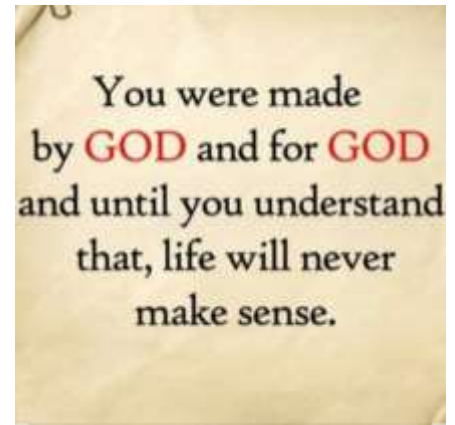
Pray for Lucy Kwan's 92-year-old mother who is critically ill with lung infection and who is not yet a Christian.

Pray for Pearl Mayor 's recovery from rash, fever and cough.

Pray for God's favour and healing for one and all.



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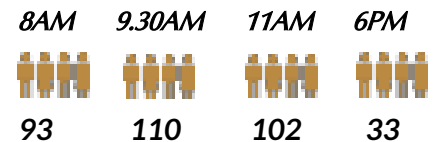


PPCOC leaders sent Beng Chuan and Terry Harrison to Seremban COC, to celebrate with them their Church Home Coming & Dedication Service, at their new church building at Sendayan. PP contributed \$50k towards their new building in 2016.

## LAST SUNDAY



### FACTS FIGURES



GF \$6,819

MF YTD \$117,999

## RE-BUILDING: A MILESTONE IN THE HISTORY OF PPCOC

Pledged Donations	S\$ 5,894,372
Pledged Loans *	S\$ 720,000
Ad-Hoc BF Donations (Cumulative collection to date)	S\$ 337,598
<b>Pledges &amp; Ad-Hoc BF Donations</b>	<b>S\$ 6,951,970</b>
<b>Amount to achieve \$8.7m goal</b>	<b>S\$ 1,748,030</b>
<b>Total Collection (Pledges Fulfilled &amp; Ad-Hoc BF Donations)</b>	<b>S\$ 3,476,878</b>

Note: \* Pledged Loans to be repaid from 1 year after TOP

## GOAL



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### Pledge & Building Fund Committee

Peter Lim  
Jim Kawi  
Grace Mariaraja

### Elders

Simon Goh  
Peter Lim  
Lim Swee Aun  
Ooi Boo Chye  
Terry Wan

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Vincent Lim

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Go to Internet browser link <http://welcome.ppcoc.org> via the Church WIFI to record your attendance