

# FOCUS



CHURCH of CHRIST  
PASIR PANJANG, SINGAPORE

## Sunday Morning Worship



31 October 2021

### Building Eternity

By Chew Chong Lin  
Live @ 11am

Today we celebrate 57 years of God's faithfulness to PPCOC! We give thanks to God for those who have come before us to make this day possible, and for those who will lead us into the future.

As we celebrate what God has done for this congregation, let us also consider how we are but one chapter in God's grand narrative from the dawn of time. Scripture tells us that God is always faithful to His people through thick and thin, through our obedience and rebellion.

Celebrating the past also builds our hope for the future. God has proven Himself faithful, and He will continue to be so, until His kingdom is fully come to earth as it is in heaven. Come, let us build eternity together!

# COVID-19 Guidelines

We have resumed in-person worship services and Bible Classes (except FFF). Please take note of the following:

- You must be fully vaccinated to attend in-person worship (unvaccinated children under 12 years old are allowed to attend).
- Members above 60 years old are encouraged to reconsider attending to reduce social interactions.
- Adults and GEMS Bible Classes resume in-person this week. Youth and FFF will remain online until further notice.

## Giving

Missions contribution (to date): **\$88,123**



General Fund  
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Missions Fund  
S76SS0008AMFD



Building Fund  
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We are very much encouraged by the generous contributions to the Mission Fund. We have achieved 73% of this year's Mission Fund Budget target (\$120k). If you missed last Sunday's Mission giving, you can still give to the Mission Fund and meet our 2021 target. Your generosity is very much appreciated and every mission dollar goes a long way in sustaining the kingdom work of our mission partners.

# Bible Classes



**31 October | 9:30am**

## **Adult Bible Class**

"Walk in a Manner Worthy of God"  
*1 Thessalonians 2:1-12*  
By Lim Cher Kiat

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## **Youth Bible Class**

"God's Design of Marriage"  
*Relationships and Dating*  
Contact John Lim (8689 2008)

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## **FFF Bible Class**

Singing to Educate: Why  
Christians Sing  
Contact Dorothy Tay (9363 1260)

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## **GEMS Bible Class (Cradle Roll)**

Contact Audrey Lee  
(9855 4957)

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## **GEMS Bible Class (Toddlers)**

Contact Koo Hwee Yee  
(9173 2365)

## **GEMS Bible Class (Nursery)**

Contact Agnes Lim  
(9858 5935)

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## **GEMS Bible Class (Kinderkids)**

"Daniel Makes Good Choices"  
*Daniel 1*  
Contact Josephine Seow (9170 4343)

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## **GEMS Bible Class (P123)**

"Jesus Ascends to Heaven"  
*Lk 24:50-53; Acts 1:9-12; Mk 16:19-20*  
Contact Eunice Chen (9176 1667)

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## **GEMS Bible Class (P456)**

"David Anointed as Second King"  
*1 Samuel 16*  
Contact Rosalind Lee (9621 9006)



**3 November | 7:30pm**

## **Wednesday Bible Class**

"You Are Redeemed" (Ephesians 1:7-10)  
By Simon Goh



## Celebrating Our Staff



Tan Beng Chuan  
(7 years)



Patrick Ong  
(37 years)



John Lim  
(4 months)



Annie Koh  
(38 years)



Barnabas Thng  
(30 years)

As the church celebrates her 57th anniversary, we want to take the opportunity to thank our full-time staff for their faithfulness and commitment in serving the church for many years (and welcome a new member of staff!)

Do take time to show your heartfelt appreciation to them. The church has gone through many challenges and have experienced both ups and downs along the way, and they played a significant role in PP's achievement and where we are today.

To all our staff - Thank you and may God bless you richly for your service in His kingdom work.



## PP'22 Dialogues - Concluded



After seven weeks of Zoom conversations, feedback, story-telling, and inspiring insights, the PP'22 Dialogues have concluded. The ministers thank everyone who participated in these Dialogues and will be getting to work on the insights we have gathered. We will use them to discern God's direction for PP in the new year, as well as work on the constructive suggestions we have received. Please pray for us as we embark on the next step of this journey!



## IT Support Team

As we shift towards a more digital format for many of our church activities, we understand that some of you may need personalised assistance to get your devices up and running.



We praise God that brothers John Then and KC Cheang are volunteering their time and services as PP's own IT Support Team! They will be offering assistance to members who need help with church-related technology, such as Facebook, WhatsApp, and Zoom.

There are several ways you can contact them for help:



### Direct Contact

For small queries, you may contact either of them directly at their phone numbers (see above).



### Wednesday House Visits

If you need someone to physically come to your house to provide help, the team has set aside Wednesdays, **10:30am-2pm**, to meet with whoever needs help. If you need other timeslots, they will arrange on a case-by-case basis.



### WhatsApp Group

Scan this QR Code to join the IT Support WhatsApp group. This is a platform to ask questions to brothers KC and John. You may also ask them to send you a link if you prefer.

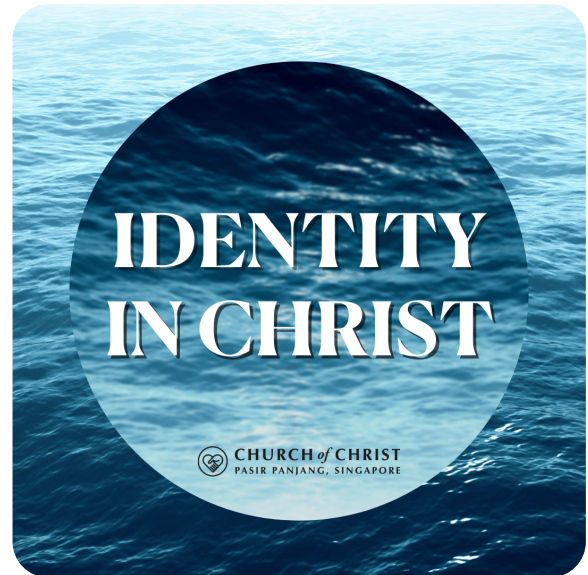




## New Worship Series | November - December

As we move into the final months of the year, we are probably thinking about what the new year will look like (for those of you who attended the Dialogue sessions, you have already begun doing so!)

Among the new year resolutions and post-pandemic travel plans, perhaps we should think about who we are, and who we want to be, as children of God.



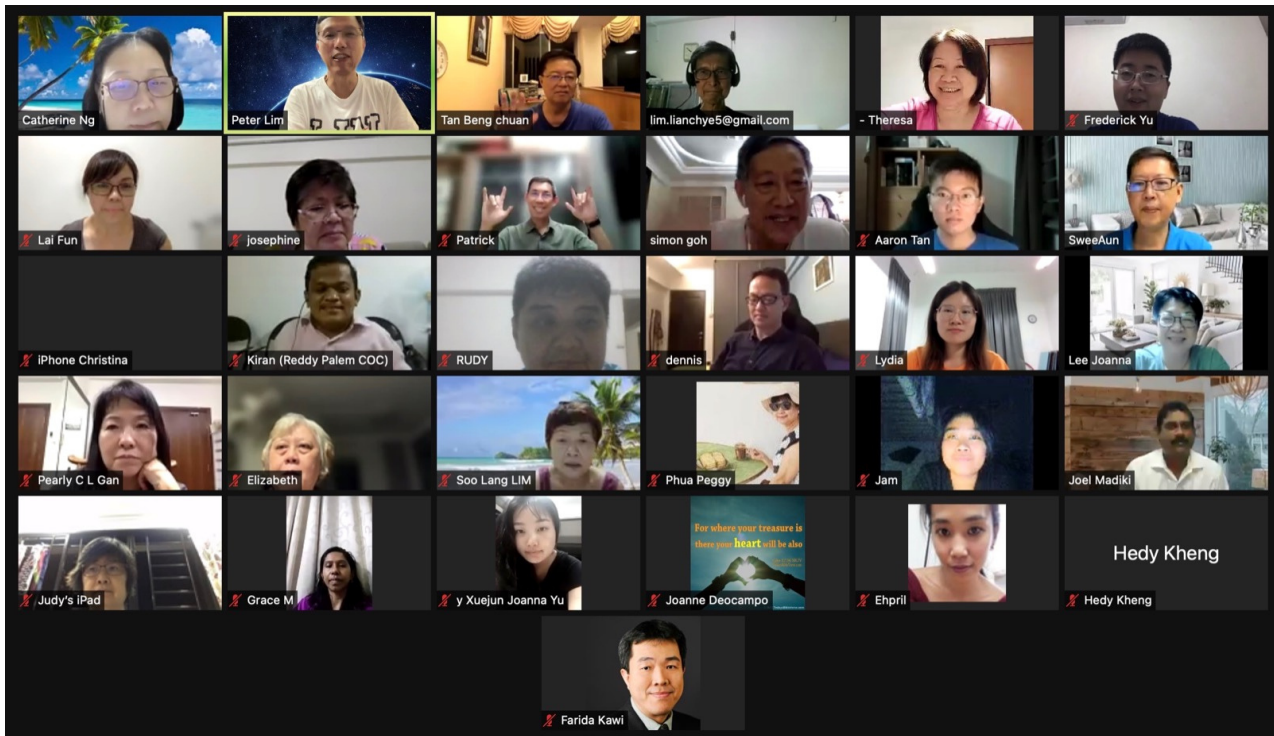
Starting on 7 November, brother Irvin Wan will kick off our new worship series on our Identity in Christ. This series will revisit some of the themes we have been through in the past, such as our Discipleship and Missions series, and also explore fresh ideas.

Above all, we pray that this series will be more than just education, but will inspire transformation in each of us. For our identity in Christ is not something to be merely understood with our minds, but to be embraced in our hearts and lived out in our bodies.





## October Online Prayer Warriors



Last Thursday, our elders led our Online Prayer Warrior session for Overseas Missions. There were a total of 37 participants, among whom were our India mission partners, Kiran Babu and Joel Madiki.

After an overview of PP's Mission strategy, objectives and desired outcomes, we prayed over the six countries where PP has mission partners. We also celebrated God's goodness and answered prayers, including His merciful healing of our members suffering from COVID-19 and those recovering well from surgeries.

Continue to pray for:

- Our international mission partners - Philippines, India, Indonesia, Myanmar, Papua New Guinea, China.
- Students taking O and A level examinations in November.
- The health of Lim Li Chhoan, Leow Teng Tee, Ban How Leong, Lucy Kwan and family, Nancy Tay and husband (everyone is doing well and recovering!)



## 57 Years of God's Faithfulness - A Reflection

*By Elder Peter Lim*

What does our church directory have to do with our anniversary celebration? As I flipped through the pages of our past directories and reflect on where we were to where God has brought us here today, I can't help but be truly amazed by God's hand at work in our lives, in helping the church grow and prosper through the years, often in ways that sometimes we fail to see or acknowledge.



From the past church directories, I can see that many of us came from humble beginnings and by the grace of God, many have done well in their careers, rising to positions of significance and influence - from principals to head of departments, directors, judge, doctors and so on. Many are also blessed with wonderful families, having their children become Christians and taking on leading roles in the church.

The church also had humble beginnings, meeting first in a HDB apartment, then a shophouse, a rented auditorium and eventually settling in our present location.

As PP grew over the years, we have also become a channel of blessings to others, especially our overseas mission partners and we even had our foreign brethren while they were based here in Singapore embracing PP as their “home away from home”. Such wonderful memories of God’s bountiful blessings and for that, we give all glory and praise to our Almighty God.



# Special Feature

As we celebrate PP's 57th anniversary today, let each one of us take time to thank God for preserving our faith in Him and to count our blessings.

We don't know what the future holds but we know who holds the future. From our experience with how God has guided and blessed us, we can confidently look forward to a future of physical and spiritual growth as we continue to trust and lean on God and not on our own understanding, and faithfully serve in His Kingdom.

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**I press on toward  
the goal for the prize  
of the upward call of  
God in Christ Jesus.**

Philippians 3:13

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## Reflecting on the Dialogues

*By John Lim*

While I was at Harding, my Bible and Ministry professors often reminded me to love and listen to the congregation. The minister, though educated and hold a degree, is only one person with one brain. But the Lord has called many people to be His church, and His power and wisdom come through the entire Body of Christ.

I am honoured to be able to see that in the last seven weeks of dialogues with members of the church. Though I have grown up here my whole life, I see PP in deeper and richer ways after listening to so many stories of hope, struggles, and dreams from members both young and young-at-heart.

I now begin to realise the weight of responsibility that the ministers have. Those of you who took part opened your hearts to us about what you hope to see in the church, and many of you expressed your desire to play an active role in the future. We thank you for those sacred gifts.

Now it is our turn as leaders to discern God's voice out of all that we have heard; to hear God's voice leading us into the years ahead. Yes, we are thinking about specific improvements to improve your church experience. Yes, we are thinking about activities and initiatives to become a more faithful church and provide you with avenues to serve.

Above all, we want to discern our identity as the PP church - a body of believers handpicked by God to serve our community and country in the 21st century. I will be honest: we need all the support and prayers we can get!

# Connect With Us

## Prayer Requests/ Feedback



<http://bit.ly/35FTEyp>



## Meet Our People

### Elders

Simon Goh	8833 0899
Peter Lim	9274 5457
Lim Swee Aun	9335 9955
Terry Wan	9845 2878

### Deacons

Dennis Law	9681 1068
Lim Kok Hin	9679 6027
Vincent Lim	9451 7382

### Ministers

Tan Beng Chuan	9639 3008
Patrick Ong	8200 5250
John Lim	8689 2008

### Pledge and Building Fund Committee

Peter Lim	9274 5457
Jim Kawi	9825 8792
Grace Mariaraja	9060 7585