

FOCUS



CHURCH of CHRIST
PASIR PANJANG, SINGAPORE

Sunday Morning Worship



21 November 2021

Experiencing the Holy Spirit

By Romaine Jackson
Live @ 11am

What makes a Christian different from non-Christians? While there could be many answers, one of the most important differences is that we are vessels of the Holy Spirit. God lives in us in a way that no other faith system can claim--and that is a wonderful thing.

This week, let us consider how the Holy Spirit works in us. We will hear from the pulpit about how He grounds and shapes our identity in Christ. The Spirit equips us with boldness to live as Christ in every part of our lives, from how we conduct ourselves in the marketplace to the sports we play.

*This week, reflect on these questions: **Where is the Holy Spirit present and working in your life? What impossible obstacle in your life can you surrender to Him this week?***

COVID-19 Guidelines

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

- You must be fully vaccinated to attend come to church.
- Unvaccinated children under 12 years old are allowed to attend.
- Adults, Youth and GEMS Bible Classes have resumed in-person. FFF will remain online until further notice.
- We are allowed to sit in zones of 100. However, we still need to be seated in groups of 2.

Giving

Last Week's Giving: **\$10,174**



General Fund
S76SS0008AGFD



Missions Fund
S76SS0008AMFD



Building Fund
S76SS0008ABFD

Bible Classes



21 Nov | 9:30am

Adult Bible Class

"When Christ Comes Again"

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

By Kuek Lee Hock

Youth Bible Class

"Boundaries in Dating"

Relationships and Dating

Contact John Lim (8689 2008)

FFF Bible Class

Walking in the Light (1 John)

By Khoo Li Fang

Contact Dorothy Tay (9363 1260)

GEMS Bible Class (Cradle Roll)

Contact Audrey Lee

(9855 4957)

GEMS Bible Class (Toddlers)

Contact Koo Hwee Yee

(9173 2365)

GEMS Bible Class (Nursery)

Contact Agnes Lim

(9858 5935)

GEMS Bible Class (Kinderkids)

"Jonah's Call and Flight"

Jonah 1-2

Contact Josephine Seow (9170 4343)

GEMS Bible Class (P123)

Character First: Joyfulness

1 Thess 5:16; Psalm 118:24

Contact Eunice Chen (9176 1667)

GEMS Bible Class (P456)

"David and Jonathan were Friends"

1 Samuel 19-20

Contact Rosalind Lee (9621 9006)



24 Nov | 7:30pm

Wednesday Bible Class

"You Are Saved"

Ephesians 2:1-7

By Simon Goh



25 Nov | 7:45pm

Online Prayer Warriors

Elders, Deacons, Ministers

Family News



AGM 2021 (See page 10 for full notice)

Get ready to join our Annual General Meeting on Saturday, 27 November, via Zoom. Scan the QR code to retrieve all the relevant documents and information. If you are unable to attend the general meeting, you may appoint the chairman to vote on the listed resolutions by way of proxy. **Proxy forms must reach the Secretary before 12:00 noon, Friday 26 November 2021.**



bit.ly/ppagm2021



SCRATCH

Programming Workshop

Cameron and Tristan Lim are conducting free programming workshops for everyone aged 9 & above. All are welcome, especially children of PPCOC and Moulmein COC. Scan the QR code to sign up by 21 November!

Ages 9-10: 29 Nov, 9am-4:30pm

Ages 11 & Above: 22-23 Nov, 10am-1pm

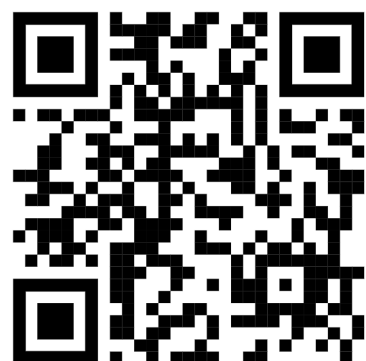


tinyurl.com/scratchcourse2021



Ladies Reconnect

Calling all ladies! Mark 18 December, 2-4pm in your calendars for a special fellowship organised by Sisters Lucy, Theresa, and Lai Fun. Scan the QR code to register by 5 December and join in an afternoon of spiritual and social renewal!





Wedding of Basil and Wyncy | 28 Nov

From Winston & Hong Ngee Chong

We are delighted to invite you to the marriage of our son Basil to his bride, Wyncy.

Due to social distancing and travel restrictions, in-person attendance will be kept to just 50 people. Even so, Covid 19 has opened fresh opportunities for us to extend the reach of such a wonderful occasion to include those whom we appreciate, honor and love.

We would be honored and blessed for you to join in celebration of this occasion with us via a live stream broadcast from the solemnization venue - the Secret Patio on Duxton Hill.

Proceedings will commence at 9:30am on Sunday, 28th November 2021. The bridal couple will be taking their vows, after which a few words will be shared in celebration of their holy matrimony. We expect livestreaming of the event will last an hour before we whisk off to lunch. The link will remain accessible even after the event.

In ways you may not realize, God has used you and all that you steward to impact and shape the lives of this couple. We are thankful to the One from whom all blessings flow, and for you - the conduits of His blessings.



<https://knottinvisuals.com/basil-wyncy>

Family News

Abide

Youth Camp 2021

D'Hotel
December 20-22





Movie Meditation - The Eternals

By John Lim

If you're a Marvel fan, you've heard about The Eternals: a team of powerful superheroes who overcome impossible odds to save the world. I really enjoyed it, but not in the usual way. Let me explain.



(By the way, potential spoilers ahead! You've been warned :D)

While the movie has some pretty cool visuals, a diverse cast, and (hyper) nerdy historical references, I enjoyed Eternals because it challenged me to think deeply about my beliefs. (Did I mention that I consider myself nerdy? Does anyone else watch Marvel movies for deep philosophical introspection?)

Basically, the story of Eternals is that a team of immortal superheroes are sent on a mission by Arishem, the God-figure, to protect earth from destructive demon-like creatures.

However, after 7000 years on earth of helping create civilizations and technology, they begin to question their purpose. They wonder if Arishem really knows what he's doing or if he made a mistake.

To simplify the plot twists, Arishem is shown to be a power-hungry authoritarian who abuses his power for selfish benefit and uses the heroes as mere tools. The heroes save the world by rebelling against their creator and their original purpose.

Perhaps that description of Arishem felt cringy—and also uncomfortably familiar. If you think about it, it's basically the Eden story but with a fundamental difference.

Minister's Musings

In Genesis 3, humans wrongfully rebel against a good God and earn their own suffering. But Eternals actually celebrates the rebellion of creation against its creator as a good thing, mainly because the creator isn't so good after all.

While we may complain about the anti-Christian/religion agenda of this one movie, it's just reflecting what most of our culture believes. God, or any authority figure, is considered inherently evil and selfish, even if he claims to be good and benevolent. Humanity must rebel against that authority and decide what is right for themselves.

How do we respond to that and stand up for God? We're bombarded with cultural messages like this all the time. They undermine our Christian belief system and celebrate a different sort of "gospel"--one where humans can (and should) thrive without God's interference.

I believe the best response to the story of Eternals lies in our own story--the true gospel.

Rather than a needy God who demands sacrifices, we find Christ who selflessly sacrificed His life for others. Rather than a god who manipulates mankind, we find Christ who allows Himself to be tortured and crucified by His own creation. Rather than an "angry policeman in the sky", we find a God who in love became flesh to walk with us in our suffering.

Arishem, the god of the Eternals, is (thankfully) not the God of Israel revealed to us in Scripture, who is "a God gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness (Exodus 34:6)."

As culture drifts further away from the "gospel truth", maybe the best response is to immerse ourselves more deeply in the timeless message of Scripture. So keep watching movies, keep engaging with culture; only let us do so when we are armed with the Word of God.

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



NOTICE OF MEETING

Notice is hereby given that an Annual General Meeting of Church of Christ, Pasir Panjang, Singapore will be held as follows:-

Date : Saturday, 27 November 2021

Time : 2 pm

Place : Online via Zoom (meeting ID: 832 0381 4480)

AGENDA

1. Opening prayer and Chairman's address
2. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 28 November 2020 and Matters Arising.
3. Annual Report of the Church
4. Audited Accounts
To receive and adopt the audited Financial Statements for the financial year ended 30 June 2021 and the Auditor's Report.
5. Appointment of Auditors
To resolve that Board be empowered to appoint an auditor for the next financial year and to authorise the Board to fix their remuneration.
6. Budgets for FY 2020/2021 for General Fund, Building Fund & Mission Fund
7. Resolutions
 - a. To amend Constitution clause 11.1(c)(iii) to align with clause 7.5.
See Addendum - Resolutions item 1.
 - b. To mandate the Board to sign all future MOUs with SIBI Lubbock so long as the MOU does not exceed 5 years and so long as the annual commitment is within 40% of Mission Fund Annual Budget (excluding Special Project and Relief Efforts).
See Addendum - Resolutions item 2.
8. Ministers Succession Plan
9. Church Rebuilding Project Update
10. Any other business
11. Closing prayer

By Order Of

Lim Swee Aun
Secretary, Church of Christ, Pasir Panjang
This notice dated: **7 Nov 2021**