

# Sunday Morning Worship



## Wrestling in Prayer | 28 May 2023

Today we have the joy of having brother Jay Jarboe preach for us on the subject of wrestling in prayer. Brother Jay does leadership training and equipping of church leaders with Missions Resource Network based in Dallas, TX, and is a familiar face to many of us.

As I (John) was picking songs for this service, I noticed that the songs we have about prayer tend to present it as a peaceful, refreshing activity. Some titles include "Sweet Hour of Prayer," "Just A Little Talk With Jesus," and even the children's song, "Read Your Bible, Pray Every Day"!

What we'll explore today is another side of prayer - prayer that is a hard work, a discipline, and even a war zone! Yet rather than repelling us because "it's so hard," the battleground of prayer should inspire us because this is precisely how God fights for His creation against the forces of darkness. And He calls us to take up arms - by falling to our knees.

## **Sunday Morning Worship**

## **Order of Worship**

Welcome & Announcements
Call To Worship

Lord We Come Before Thee Now We Will Glorify

Scripture: Psalm 104:31-35

**Opening Prayer** 

**Every Time** 

Open The Eyes Of My Heart Sermon

Nearer My God To Thee

Communion & Giving

Shepherd's Benediction

Shepherd's Prayer

No Other Gods

# Giving

## Last Week's Giving: \$12,031



General Fund S76SS0008AGFD



Missions Fund S76SS0008AMFD



Building Fund S76SS0008ABFD

If you plan to make a contribution via cheque, please make sure it is made payable to "Church of Christ, Pasir Panjang, Singapore". Please ensure that you write the full name so that the cheque can be processed smoothly.



## **Upcoming Events**



## 🔽 28 May | 9:30am

#### **Combined Bible Class**

Jonah 3A

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

Solomon (1 Kings 2-11)

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

Thank You God For Everything (Creation)

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

The Brothers Forgive (Genesis 32-33)

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

Jonah

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

Do Not Judge Or Boast (James 4:11-5:6)

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

**Boy Jesus** 



#### **Wednesday Bible Class**

Greater Works Than These (John 14:8-14)

# Family News



## A Prayer for Anxiety

During last Sunday's Bible class, we had a group activity where groups got together to write prayers using the language of the Psalms. We explored how powerful prayers can be when we apply metaphors and imagery to everyday situations. We want to highlight a prayer written by our Youth (Christine, Jabez, Gwyneth and Kavin) about facing anxiety during exams. It's a great example of taking Biblical prayers and turning them into our own!

O Lord I call out to you,
my exams are done
So cast all my anxieties, fears and worries
into the deep waters.
When I was drowning on the seas of anxieties,
I know you hear my cries;
Lift me up onto dry sunny land.



# Donation of Pre-Loved Items for India and Papua New Guinea

Sister Pearly Kwa is coordinating a collection of pre-loved items for the next two Sundays (4 and 11 June), including:

- Clothes for babies and children up to 16 years old
- School bags
- English story books (biblical and others) that promote good values



Please place these items in bags and place them at the designated place outside the Oasis auditorium. These items will be passed to brothers Kiran Babu and Arthur Tartara, two of our SIBI graduates who are joining us at the upcoming church camp.

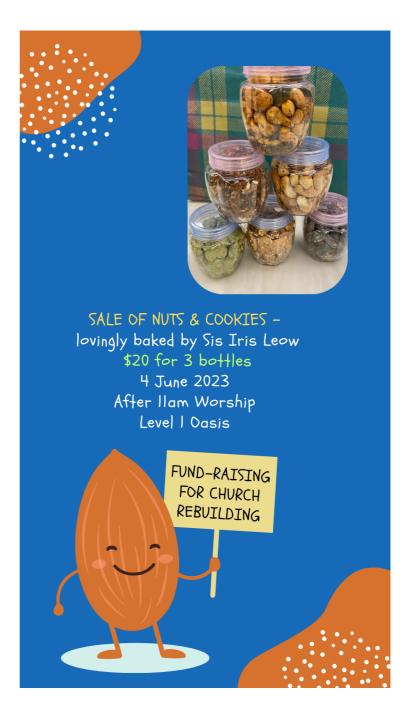
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## **Fundraiser: Sale of Nuts and Cookies**

Sister Iris Leow will be baking her unique range of nuts and cookies to raise funds for the Church Rebuilding. All sales proceeds will go to the Church Building Fund. With Fathers' Day round the corner, it is also a perfect opportunity to get something special for Dad!

Sales begin next Sunday, 4 June. Payment will be by cash only, so prepare some spare change and fill your tummy and your soul (or better yet, someone else's!)





## **Envisioning**

May God be at the centre of our Envisioning process
May God show us who we are called to become as His people
May God reveal to us what we are called to value as His people
May God's values guide us in our season, as we enter our new building and learn to be a new people in the Pasir Panjang community and beyond

## Discipleship

May we **discover** who God is in the Scriptures

May we be **transformed**, not merely informed, as we read Scripture May we develop the **skills** and dispositions to discover God in the Scriptures

May we grow in our sense of **belonging** to this family of God through reading Scripture together

### **New Prayers**

Wai Leng - hairline fracture in upper arm
Eric Goh - thanksgiving for baptism; pray for
continued spiritual growth and community
Jolene (Roger's elder sister) - recovering
from acute stroke; pray for salvation
Chen Yi - emergency operation for hole in
his stomach; pray for healing
Ryan Tan - recovery from COVID; to grow in
relationships, wisdom, academics and faith
Tay Ze Yuan - dislocated knee
Seniors Event (13 May) - thanksgiving
Lee Hock - thanksgiving for smooth
procedure to treat retinal tear

## **Past Prayers**

**Edward Lee** – thanksgiving for shrunken tumour, good recovery and appetite **Wan Fook Weng** – one more cycle of chemotherapy

**Selvaraj** - uveitis in left eye; thanksgiving for recovery from shingles

Roger's mother-in-law – thanksgiving for successful brain surgery; pray for salvation

Elsie Lee (Betty's sister) – pray for growth in faith and trust as a new Christian

**Sister Lim** – thanksgiving for a place in St John's nursing home

**Rebuilding** - to complete giving of \$920k

## **Connect With Us**



# Meet Our People

#### **Elders**

Simon Goh Peter Lim Lim Swee Aun Pang Tee Liang

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