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A DISCIPLE-MAKING CHURCH: *Vision 2018*

**GROWING DEEPER IN CHRIST,
IMPACTING & TRANSFORMING LIVES**

10 March 2018 (*Saturday*)
8:00 pm

11 March 2018 (*Sunday*)
8:45 am

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT



Canning Garden Methodist Church

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Associate Pastor : Rev. Yu Chiew Song

Associate Pastor : Rev. Richard Leow

Order of Service

PRELUDE / PERSONAL REFLECTION & PREPARATION

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

C: And also with you.

L: Come and bow down before God, and glorify God's name.

C: For God is great and does wondrous things; who alone are God.

PRAYER (in unison)

We are Your disciples, Lord. How we want to be like You! We are Your servants, Lord. How we want to serve like You! Take our minds: enlighten them. Take our hearts: awaken them. Take our hands: enliven them — not that we might be made great through You, but that Your greatness might be seen through us!

ACT OF PRAISE

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (in unison)

OFFERTORY PRAYER (in unison)

God of mighty miracles, transform these gifts into great works of love and wondrous acts of ministry and grace. In Your holy name, we pray. Amen.

OFFERTORY & FAMILY NEWS

DOXOLOGY

PRAISE GOD

HYMN OF PREPARATION

NOW THANK WE ALL OUR GOD

UMH102

SCRIPTURE READING

GENESIS 20:1 – 21:34

L : This is the Word of the Lord.

C : Thanks be to God.

SERMON

HUMAN OBSTACLES, DIVINE PROGRESS

HYMN OF DEDICATION

HE LEADETH ME: O BLESSED THOUGHT

UMH128

BENEDICTION

THREEFOLD AMEN

PRAYER MINISTRY

If you would like someone to pray for you, please come forward and you will be prayed for.

DAILY PRAYER BAND SCHEDULE

DAY	PRAYER GROUPS	TIME	VENUE
Monday	Interceding for the Nation and Nations	10:00 - 11:00 am	Common Room 1
Tuesday	Jericho Hour	4:30 - 6:00 pm	Common Room 3
Friday	General Prayer	9:30 am	Common Room 3
Saturday	Morning Watch Pre-Celebration Prayer	6:00 - 7:00 am 7:30 pm	Common Room 3 SS Toddlers' Room
Sunday	Pre-Celebration Prayer	8:15 am	SS Toddlers' Room

Notes

1. Those who are interested to buy the Sermon CDs, please see Mr. Peter Yoong **after the worship service**.
2. If you wish to bank in your pledges/tithes/gifts directly to our church account (**Canning Garden Methodist Church CA No 2**) you may do so with **AmBank** account no: **218-201-200487-4**. Kindly put the bank-in slip into the envelope that the church provides, indicate what the money is for and drop the envelope into the offering bag. Receipts will be issued after bank confirmation upon request and are to be collected personally from Church Office.
3. **Disaster Relief Fund:** As this is a revolving fund you may top up the Disaster Relief Fund so that we are able as a church to help others in their sufferings. Those who wish to contribute can place your contribution into the envelope marked "**Disaster Relief Fund**" that the church provides and drop the envelope into the offering bag.
4. The church library, which is located at the Concourse, is open on Sundays from 10.15 am - 11.15 am.
5. Pledge and Offering Update

Income for Year 2018	Pledge Amount	Weekly Offering
Budget 2018	RM1,100,000	RM490,000 (52 wks x RM9,423)
Actual (as of 25th Feb)	RM 666,970 (124 Pledges)	RM68,306 (8 weeks x RM8,538)

Pledge Forms are available at the Foyer Rack.

WORSHIP ENABLERS

SATURDAY 8:00 pm	10 March 2018	17 March 2018
Preacher :	Rev. Dr. Andrew Tan	Rev. Dr. Andrew Tan
Scripture Reader :	Mrs. Lorraine Francis	Mr. Mark Chen
Scripture Text :	Genesis 20:1 – 21:34	
Liturgist :	Rev. Dr. Andrew Tan	Rev. Dr. Andrew Tan
Worship Leader :	Mrs. Sarah Booth	Mrs. Wan Ching Peter
Co-Worship Leaders:	Ms. Chan Wan Wei Ms. Adelyn Wong	Mr. Cheng Hon Keong Ms. Christine Tiang
Musicians :	Ms. Rachel Sum Ms. Emily Sum Mr. Gideon Jagadesh Mr. Joshua Arjunan Mr. Rene Cortez Mr. Justine Chai	Ms. Melissa Phon Ms. Deirdre Shiranee Dr. Basel Mr. Daniel Leo Mr. Joshua Arjunan Mr. Gideon Jagadesh
Visual Projectionist :	Dr. Looi Chui Li	Ms. Jessi Khong
Welcome Team :	Team 2	Team 1
Fellowship Hour:	CG 15	CG17
SUNDAY 8:45 am	11 March 2018	18 March 2018
Preacher :	Rev. Dr. Andrew Tan	Rev. Dr. Andrew Tan
Scripture Reader :	Mrs. Ling Cheng Gaik	Mrs. Lynnette Tan
Scripture Text :	Genesis 20:1 – 21:34	
Liturgist :	Mr. Tang Khai Kit	Mr. Lee Hock Hin
Worship Leader :	Ms. Tham Lai Meng	Mrs. Annie Pon
Co-Worship Leaders :	Mrs. Lana Lim Mrs. Claire Lai	Mrs. Tan Wei Meng Mrs. Tan Sau Chun Mrs. May Cheah
Musicians :	Dr. Vicky Loo Dr. Chow Weng Sum Ms. Lilian Soh Mr. Tim Ong	Ms. Grace Tang Mr. Peter Foong Dr. Edmund Ng
Visual Projectionist :	Ms. Joy-Anne Yew	Ms. Darlene Tan
Welcome Team :	Sunday Team	Sunday Team
Fellowship Hour:	CG29	CG33
Flowers:	Christina Wong & Family	Mr. & Mrs. Lee Fook Leong

CHURCH PROGRAMME

THIS WEEK

SUN	11	CGMC KIDS 10:30 am SS	FOUNDATION CLASS 10:30 am – 12:30 pm CR4 & Playroom	CGMC MYF 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm KMH	AEROBIC CLASS 5:00 - 6:00 pm KMH
MON	12	PRAISE DANCE 7:00 am Carpark	SIT DOWN EXERCISE 11:00 am – 12:30 pm KMH	LIGHTHOUSE 5:30 - 7:00 pm Lighthouse Centre	
TUE	13	2.7 SERIES 10:00 am – 12:00 pm CR7	LIGHTHOUSE 2:00 - 5:00 pm Lighthouse Centre	JERICHO HOUR 4:30 – 6:00 pm CR3	2ND LCEC MEETING 8:00 pm MPH
WED	14	PRAISE DANCE 7:00 am Carpark	BIBLE STUDY 9:30 – 11:30 am CR3	LIGHTHOUSE 2:00 - 5:00 pm Lighthouse Centre	
THU	15	AEROBIC CLASS 5:00 - 6:00 pm KMH	LIGHTHOUSE 5:30 - 7:00 pm Lighthouse Centre	2.7 SERIES 8:00 – 10:00 pm CR3	
FRI	16	KOPITIAM 9:30 – 10:30 am CR3	SIT DOWN EXERCISE 11:00 am – 12:30 pm KMH	LIGHTHOUSE 2:00 - 5:00 pm Lighthouse Centre	
SAT	17	MORNING WATCH 6:00 – 7:00 am CR3	MANDARIN CLASS 9:30 – 10:30 am CR3	INFANT / CHILDREN BAPTISM SEMINAR 10:30 am – 12:30 pm MPH	

NEXT WEEK

SUN	18	NO CGMC KIDS Resume 25 Mar	FOUNDATION CLASS 10:30 am – 12:30 pm CR4 & Playroom	CGMC MYF 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm KMH	AEROBIC CLASS 5:00 - 6:00 pm KMH
MON	19	PRAISE DANCE 7:00 am Carpark	SIT DOWN EXERCISE 11:00 am – 12:30 pm KMH	LIGHTHOUSE 5:30 - 7:00 pm Lighthouse Centre	MSF FELLOWSHIP NIGHT 7:30 – 9:30 pm KMH
TUE	20	2.7 SERIES 10:00 am – 12:00 pm CR7	LIGHTHOUSE 2:00 - 5:00 pm Lighthouse Centre	JERICHO HOUR 4:30 – 6:00 pm CR3	
WED	21	PRAISE DANCE 7:00 am Carpark	BIBLE STUDY 9:30 – 11:30 am CR3	LIGHTHOUSE 2:00 - 5:00 pm Lighthouse Centre	
THU	22	AEROBIC CLASS 5:00 - 6:00 pm KMH	LIGHTHOUSE 5:30 - 7:00 pm Lighthouse Centre	2.7 SERIES 8:00 – 10:00 pm CR3	ZONE LEADERS' MEETING 8:00 pm CR4
FRI	23	KOPITIAM 9:30 – 10:30 am CR3	SIT DOWN EXERCISE 11:00 am – 12:30 pm KMH	LIGHTHOUSE 2:00 - 5:00 pm Lighthouse Centre	
SAT	24	MORNING WATCH 6:00 – 7:00 am CR3	MANDARIN CLASS 9:30 – 10:30 am CR3		

DAILY PRAYER GUIDE BASED ON THE SEVEN MOUNTAINS OF INFLUENCE (Dick Eastman, 2012)

1. RELIGION (The Church and her ministries)

- A) Pray for Methodist Prayer Convention (MPC) 2018, Sibul, Sarawak, 31 August – 2 September 2018.
- Pray for more Methodists from all the Annual Conference will register and attend.
 - Pray for local Organization Committee to prepare and see to all the details so that the entire Conference will run smoothly.
 - Pray for the two speakers: Bishop Chen Chien Chung, Taiwan and Rev. Dr. Viv Thomas, UK.
- B) **Cell Group Ministry Conference 2018**
- Pray for CGMC 2018, upholding the CGMC 2018 Task Force, for unity among all the members working harmoniously as a team for the success of the Conference.
 - Pray for members of the church to be encouraged to sign up early and for members of other churches, especially in Ipoh to do so as well.
- C) **Pray for CGMC's Jubilee Year**
- ❖ **CGMC 50th Anniversary Coffee Table Book.**
 - Pray for the Committee as they work tirelessly on gathering resources, compilation, layout, design, printing and for everything to run smoothly until completion.
 - ❖ **CGMC Creative Arts Concert & Homecoming Worship on Friday, 13 April 2018 and CGMC 50th Anniversary Combined Celebration on Sunday, 29 April 2018.**
 - Pray for the preparation towards the events that there will be good response and enthusiastic participants among three congregations and that God's faithfulness be shown and magnified.

2. FAMILY AND MARRIAGES (Youth, Children, Marriage, etc)

- A) A couple was each sentenced to 15 months jail and fined RM28,000 by the Session Court in Ipoh recently for exploiting 19 children into becoming beggars.
- Pray for the protection of children in our country from physical and sexual abuses and other forms of exploitation.
- B) Pray for the wellbeing and health of thousands of children caught in armed conflicts and are staying in refugee camps throughout the Middle East. Pray for various International Aid organizations to continue providing essential food and medicine for their basic needs and education.

3. GOVERNMENT (State, National and International)

- A) **Pray for the coming 14th General Elections.**
- Pray for the Election Commission, the Police and all political parties to play their roles to ensure the elections are carried out fairly, orderly and transparently.
 - Pray for wisdom and discernment in all eligible voters to come out to vote without fear or favour.
 - Pray for the Lord's choice of candidates to be elected for a stable government to be formed and a strong opposition to provide check and balance for sound administration.

SERMON NOTES

HUMAN OBSTACLES, DIVINE PROGRESS

GENESIS 20:1 - 21:34

Introduction

1. Abraham Misleads Abimelech vv 1-18

Obstacle: Abraham is in danger of losing claim to be the father of Sarah's child. God intervenes to save Sarah and removes the doubt.

Progress: God works through Abraham, despite his fear, to make Himself known to the Philistines and heals them of barrenness.

2. Sarah Gives Birth to Isaac vv 1-7

Obstacle: Sarah's womb is twice dead in terms of fertility. God promises and fulfils His promise to Sarah at the right time.

Progress: Isaac, the heir to Abraham's covenant promise, is born.

3. Abraham Sends Ishmael Away vv 8-21

Obstacle: Ishmael is a potential threat to Isaac as an heir. Abraham's attachment to Ishmael makes the threat feasible. God tells Abraham to separate Ishmael from Abraham's family.

Progress: Ishmael's family will become a great nation, too, on account of Abraham.

4. Abimelech Makes a Treaty with Abraham vv 22-34

Progress: Abimelech testifies to God prospering Abraham, "God is with you in everything you do" (v 22). Abraham is establishing roots in the land – digging wells, planting trees, and establishing relationships.

Conclusion

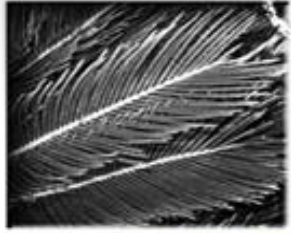
-----questions for sermon discussion-----

- a. Name all the weaknesses of Abraham you can find in these two chapters.
How does God work through Abraham even with his weaknesses? Does this fact encourage or discourage you? How? What are the weaknesses we can excuse? What are those we cannot excuse?
- b. How does our story affirm God's ability to perform miracles and fulfils His promise? What are some testimonies that God has answered your prayers or healed you? What are some prayers God has not answered the Church yet? Can you trust God to fulfil them?
- c. God elects Isaac but not Ishmael for His purpose of blessing the nations. What does it mean that the Church is elected? For what purpose. What is the Church relationship with the nations of the world?
- d. "God is with you in everything you do" (v 22). How can God be with the Church in everything that she does? Do the nations sit up and feel afraid of the Church because God is with her? Or the nations look down on the Church?

CG VENUE

DAY/DATE	CG NO	RESIDENCE	TIME
TUESDAY 13 MAR 18	3	Mrs. Kim Toh.	10:30 am
	28	Common Room 3, CGMC.	10:00 am
WEDNESDAY 14 MAR 2018	1	Common Room 3, CGMC.	5:30 pm
	2	Common Room 3, CGMC.	2:00 pm
	5	Common Room 7, CGMC.	8:30 pm
	12	Mr. & Mrs. Tang Khai Kit.	8:00 pm
	14	Mr. & Mrs. Aaron Lim.	8:00 pm
	21	Ms. Ong Joo Lee.	8:30 pm
	23	Mr. & Mrs. Lee Tong Pheng.	8:15 pm
	25	Mr. & Mrs. Michael Wong.	8:15 pm
	26	Mr. & Mrs. Yau Mun Yip.	8:00 pm
33	Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Teh.	8:00 pm	
THURSDAY 15 MAR 2018	15	Mr. & Mrs. Chong Him Shoong.	8:30 pm
	41	Mr. & Mrs. Lee Kee Huat.	9:30 am
	46	Common Room 3, CGMC.	10:00 am
FRIDAY 16 MAR 2018	4	Mr. & Mrs. Lee Fook Leong.	8:30 pm
	6	Mr. & Mrs. Ling Nyot Thye.	8:00 pm
	7	Mrs. Annie Pon.	12:30 pm
	8	Common Room 7, CGMC.	2:00 pm
	9	Common Room 2, CGMC.	8:00 pm
	10	Mr. & Mrs. Lee Nyit Kean.	8:00 pm
	11	Mr. & Mrs. Peter Foong.	8:30 pm
	13	Common Room 1, CGMC.	8:00 pm
	16	Mr. & Mrs. Phon Kon Seng.	8:30 pm
	17	Mr. & Mrs. Lee Weng Woh.	8:00 pm
	19	Mr. Mark Voon.	8:00 pm
	20	Dr. & Mrs. (Dr.) Cheah Sene Kar.	8:00 pm
	22	Mr. & Mrs. Albert Loh.	8:00 pm
	27	Mr. & Mrs. Benjamin Soh.	8:00 pm
	29	Mrs. Ong Lee Li.	8:00 pm
	30	Dr. & Mrs. Basel Ebernesan.	8:15 pm
	32	Mr. & Mrs. Sum Kwan Hoo.	8:30 pm
40	Mr. & Mrs. Tang Yew Cheong.	8:00 pm	
45	Mrs. Ong Fay Ling.	8:30 pm	
SUNDAY 18 MAR 2018	18	Ms. Kwok Pui Ling.	4:00 pm

Holy Week Schedule



† **MORNING REFLECTIONS** (Monday to Friday)

26 – 30 March, 6:00 – 7:00am

Meaningful morning reflections at Kesselring Memorial Hall.

Theme : Reaching Out To God

† **MAUNDY THURSDAY**

29 March, 8:00pm; Holy Communion; Shekinah Sanctuary.

What Do You Do With Dirty Feet? John 13:1-17

Speaker: Rev. Andrew Tan

† **GOOD FRIDAY**

30 March, 12:00pm – 3:00pm; Shekinah Sanctuary.

The Seven Last Words Of Christ On The Cross.

A special service on the last 7 words of Jesus broken up into 7 slots.

† **HOLY SATURDAY**

31 March, 6:00am – 6:00pm; Kesselring Memorial Hall.

Day of Prayer.

Individual time of prayer and intercession.

† **SATURDAY WORSHIP SERVICE**

31 March, 8:00pm; Shekinah Sanctuary.

Evangelistic Service & Baptismal Covenant.

Speaker: Rev. Andrew Tan

† **EASTER SUNRISE**

01 April, 6:00am; Concourse.

Jesus Wants To Meet With You. Luke 24:13-32

Speaker: Rev. Andrew Tan

† **EASTER SUNDAY**

01 April, 8:45am; Shekinah Sanctuary.

Evangelistic Service.

Speaker: Rev. Andrew Tan

Welcome to CGMC Worship Service

May you encounter God and be enriched in your fellowship with us.
Visitors, guests and members are welcome to join us for coffee / tea
at our Concourse after worship.

**13
MAR**

2ND LCEC MEETING

13 March 2018, Tuesday, 8:00 pm

Multi-Purpose Hall, Canning Garden Methodist Church

CONTACT PERSON: CHURCH OFFICE 05-5462023

**17
MAR**

INFANT / CHILDREN BAPTISM SEMINAR

17 March 2018, Saturday, 10:30 am – 12:30 pm

Multi-Purpose Hall, Canning Garden Methodist Church

(“Why we practice infant baptism?” and “How do we respond to the position that faith is prerequisite for baptism?”) This seminar is open to all members especially for parents with infants to be baptized. Parents who want their children to be baptized on 31st March, please register with Church office to attend the seminar.

CONTACT PERSON: CHURCH OFFICE, 05-5462023

**18
MAR**

YOUTH PRAYER CONFERENCE

18 - 21 March 2018, Sunday - Wednesday

WESLEY METHODIST CHURCH, BUTTERWORTH

FEE: RM100 (CLOSING DATE: 14 MARCH)

CONTACT PERSON: MR. LOH XIU MING

REVEREND EDMUND CHAN & PASTOR ANN CHAN

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Authentic Disciples

Leading, Discipling and Walking with God



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CGMC Members

RM50 EARLY BIRD

EXTENDED TO:

1 APRIL 2018

Fees cover 5 Sessions + Workbook
2 teas and 1 lunch
but exclude accommodation

RM80 REGULAR

2 April till 1 June 2018

22-23 JUNE 2018

KINTA RIVERFRONT

HOTEL & SUITES
Ipoh, Perak

register online

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