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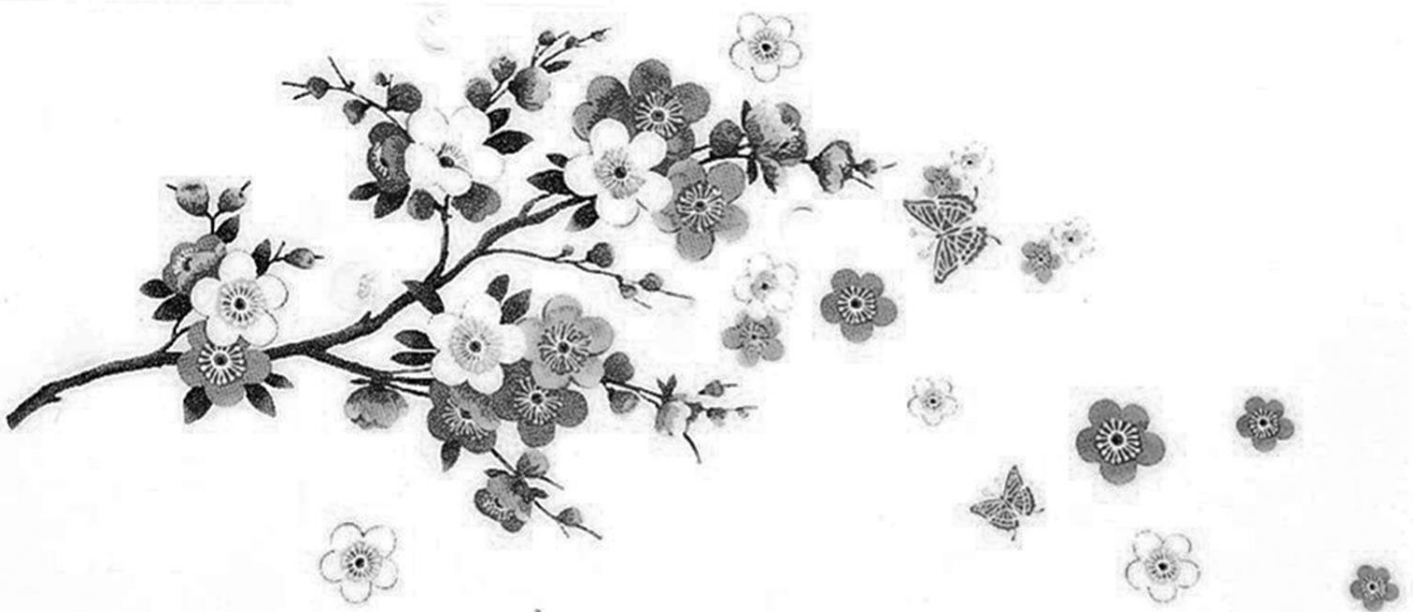


A DISCIPLE-MAKING CHURCH: *Vision 2018*
**GROWING DEEPER IN CHRIST,
IMPACTING & TRANSFORMING LIVES**

17 February 2018 (*Saturday*)
8:00 pm

18 February 2018 (*Sunday*)
8:45 am

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT



You were taught, with regard to your former way of life,
to put off your old self,
which is being corrupted by its deceitful desires;
to be made new in the attitude of your minds;
and to put on the new self,
created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness.

Ephesians 4:22-24 NIV

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Order of Service

PRELUDE / PERSONAL REFLECTION & PREPARATION

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Coming from places that have seen better days,

C: God bids us to celebrate this day, a day full of new possibilities.

L: Coming with our breath taken away by grief,

C: The Holy Spirit breathes new life within us, renewing our connection with God and with one another.

L: Coming to worship seeking a hope that will endure,

C: Christ unbinds the fetters that hold us in death, speaking in word and sacrament, and building community for holy service.

PRAYER (in unison)

Almighty God, we thank You for the Chinese New Year celebrations. The annual family gatherings help us cement our family ties. We thank You for our family ancestors and spiritual ancestors. Father, give us the boldness to witness to our family and friends as we meet them during this festive season. O God, help us to obey You in thoughts and in deeds, that we may please You in all our ways. In the name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus. Amen.

ACT OF PRAISE

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (in unison)

OFFERTORY PRAYER (in unison)

From Your hands, O God, come the blessings that make life possible, even the very gift of life itself. In gratitude and thanks, receive from our hands this portion of our labors. By Your Spirit's leading, may we use these gifts to bless the life of others with the assurance of love, the promise of hope, and the course of justice. This we do to Your glory. Amen.

OFFERTORY & FAMILY NEWS

DOXOLOGY PRAISE GOD

SCRIPTURE READING

- Exodus 12:12-13, Revelation 12:9, 11 & 2 Corinthians 5:17 (Saturday 17 February 2018)
- Luke 10:38-42 & John 11:17-35 (Sunday 18 February 2018)

L : This is the Word of the Lord.

C : Thanks be to God.

SERMON CHRISTIANS AND THE LUNAR NEW YEAR (Saturday 17 February 2018)
 WHAT TRUE FRIENDS DO (Sunday 18 February 2018)

HYMN OF DEDICATION

 BE THOU MY VISION UMH451 (Saturday 17 February 2018)
 WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS UMH526 (Sunday 18 February 2018)

BENEDICTION (in unison)

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. **Wedding Bann:** There will be a wedding between Tan Ern Sheng and Alice Lim Siu Ling, on 3rd March 2018 (Saturday) at Canning Garden Methodist Church.
6. Pledge and Offering Update

Income for Year 2018	Pledge Amount	Weekly Offering
Budget 2018	RM1,100,000	RM490,000 (52 wk x RM9,423)
Actual (as of 8 th Feb.)	RM542,168 (95 Pledges)	RM44,032 (5 wk x RM8,806)

Pledge Forms are available at the Foyer Rack.

WORSHIP ENABLERS

SATURDAY 8:00 pm	17 February 2018	24 February 2018
Preacher :	Mr. Alan Seow	Rev. Dr. Andrew Tan
Scripture Reader :	Mrs. Priscilla Ebernesan	Mrs. Ann Muttiah
Scripture Text :	Exodus 12:12-13 Revelation 12:9, 11 2 Corinthians 5:17	Genesis 17:1-27
Liturgist :	Mrs. Sarah Booth	Rev. Dr. Andrew Tan
Worship Leader :	Mrs. Sarah Booth	Ms. Ong Joo Lee
Co-Worship Leaders:	Mrs. Pamela Cortez	Mr. Cheng Hon Keong
Musicians :	Ms. Samantha Ravi Dr. Basel Ebernesan Mr. Daniel Leo Ms. Megan Ravi	Ms. Rachel Sum Ms. Emily Sum Mr. Micheal Driberg Mr. Justine Chai
Visual Projectionist :	Ms. Jessi Khong	Dr. Looi Chui Li
Welcome Team :	Saturday Team 1	Saturday Team 2
Fellowship Hour:	CG45	CG 9
SUNDAY 8:45 am	18 February 2018	25 February 2018
Preacher :	Mr. Tang Khai Kit	Rev. Dr. Andrew Tan
Scripture Reader :	Ms. Lam Wye Ming	Mrs. Ann Muttiah
Scripture Text :	Luke 10:38-42 John 11:17-35	Genesis 17:1-27
Liturgist :	Mrs. Ann Muttiah	Mr. Sum Kwan Hoo
Worship Leader :	Mrs. Ann Muttiah	Mr. Peter Foong
Co-Worship : Leaders	Mrs. Tan Wei Meng Mrs. Lana Lim	Mrs. May Cheah Mrs. Rita Tang Mr. Gavin Tang
Musicians :	Dr. Ling Li Fan Ms. Megan Ravi Dr. Edmund Ng	Dr. Ling Li Fan Dr. Chow Weng Sum Ms. Hannah Kuah
Visual Projectionist :	Ms. Alicia Choong	Ms. Joy-Anne Yew
Welcome Team :	Sunday Team	Sunday Team
Fellowship Hour:	CG18	CG23
Flowers:	Julia Solomon & Freddie Lim Mdm. Jenny Au Yeong	

CHURCH PROGRAMME

THIS WEEK

SUN	18	NO CGMC KIDS Resume 25 Feb	NO FOUNDATION CLASS Resume 25 Feb	NO CGMC MYF Resume 25 Feb	NO AEROBIC CLASS Resume 1 Mar
MON	19	NO PRAISE DANCE Resume 26 Feb	NO SIT DOWN EXERCISE Resume 2 Mar	NO LIGHTHOUSE Resume 22 Feb	
TUE	20	NO 2.7 SERIES Resume 27 Feb	NO LIGHTHOUSE Resume 22 Feb	NO JERICHO HOUR Resume 27 Feb	
WED	21	NO PRAISE DANCE Resume 26 Feb	BIBLE STUDY 9:30 – 11:30 am CR3	NO LIGHTHOUSE Resume 22 Feb	
THU	22	NO AEROBIC CLASS Resume 1 Mar	LIGHTHOUSE 5:30 - 7:00 pm Lighthouse Centre	NO 2.7 SERIES Resume 1 Mar	
FRI	23	KOPITIAM 9:30 – 10:30 am CR3	NO SIT DOWN EXERCISE Resume 2 Mar	LIGHTHOUSE 2:00 - 5:00 pm Lighthouse Centre	
SAT	24	MORNING WATCH 6:00 – 7:00 am CR3	NO MANDARIN CLASS Resume 3 Mar		

NEXT WEEK

SUN	25	CGMC KIDS 10:30 am SS	FOUNDATION CLASS 10:30 am – 12:30 pm CR4 & Playroom	CGMC MYF 1:30 – 5:00 pm KMH	NO AEROBIC CLASS Resume 1 Mar
MON	26	PRAISE DANCE 7:00 am Carpark	NO SIT DOWN EXERCISE Resume 2 Mar	LIGHTHOUSE 5:30 - 7:00 pm Lighthouse Centre	
TUE	27	2.7 SERIES 10:00 am – 12:00 pm CR2	LIGHTHOUSE 2:00 - 5:00 pm Lighthouse Centre	JERICHO HOUR 4:30 – 6:00 pm CR3	
WED	28	PRAISE DANCE 7:00 am Carpark	BIBLE STUDY 9:30 – 11:30 am CR3	LIGHTHOUSE 2:00 - 5:00 pm Lighthouse Centre	
THU	01	AEROBIC CLASS 5:00 - 6:00 pm KMH	LIGHTHOUSE 5:30 - 7:00 pm Lighthouse Centre	2.7 SERIES 8:00 – 10:00 pm CR2	
FRI	02	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	03	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, Sibuan, 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 the CGMC 2018 Conference, 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 and printing for everything to run smoothly, meeting the deadline (early March 2018).

❖ **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) **Pray for members and families celebrating Chinese New Year, for journey mercies, for the Lord's blessing on fellowships with friends and family members and relatives, and for opportunity to witness for our Lord Jesus Christ.**

3. GOVERNMENT (State, National and International)

A) **Sarawak State**

- Pray for the Lord's restraining hand on the adverse weather and flooding in the entire State of Sarawak.
- Pray for the protection of lives and properties, and against potential land / mud slides.
- Pray that the releasing of the excessive water from the Bakun Dam will not result in destructive flooding downstream.

B) **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 (SATURDAY, 17 FEBRUARY 2018)

TOPIC : CHRISTIANS AND THE CHINESE LUNAR NEW YEAR

SCRIPTURE TEXT:

EXODUS 12:12-13, REVELATION 12:9,11 & 2 CORINTHIANS 5:17

Introduction

Being a Christian does not mean we forfeit our identity or lose our culture and heritage.

Understanding traditional Chinese beliefs in the light of Scripture:

1. The Meaning of the Colour Red

- a. represents good luck

- b. represents blood of redemption

2. The Significance of Spring

- a. a new beginning

- b. a new creation

3. The Desire for

- a. wealth and prosperity

- b. the blessings of the Lord

Conclusion

Celebrate the Chinese Lunar New Year with a deep sense of thanksgiving to God. Show forth the fragrance of the fruit we bear in Christ Jesus with members of our family and the extended family.

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.

**21
FEB**

ZONE LEADERS MEETING

21 FEBRUARY 2018 , WEDNESDAY

8:00 PM

COMMON ROOM 3

CONTACT PERSON: CHURCH OFFICE 05-5462023

**24
FEB**

1ST PERAK DISTRICT CONFERENCE

24 February 2018, Saturday

Venue: Wesley Methodist Church, Taiping

Time: 3:00 pm (Note: Tea at 2:30 pm)

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**24
FEB**

EFFECTIVE FATHERHOOD (THE WORLD NEEDS A FATHER)

Date: 24 & 25 February 2018

Time: 5:30 to 9:30pm

Venue: St John Anglican Church Ipoh

Speaker: Andrew & Fiona Houghton

Register by: 20 February

(Flyers are at the foyer rack)

CONTACT PERSON: REV. TOM CHERIAN 05-2548146 or revtcherian@gmail.com

**10
MAR**

SPONSOR COACHING

10 March 2018

Time: 9.00 am to 1.00 pm

Venue: KMH

Purpose: to implement Sponsor-Sponsee in our CGs.

Please sign up through CG.

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