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A DISCIPLE-MAKING CHURCH:

GROWING DEEPER IN CHRIST,  
IMPACTING & TRANSFORMING LIVES

*Vision 2017*

31 December 2017 (Sunday)

8:45 am

## FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS



Genesis 12:1

The LORD had said to Abram, "Leave your country, your people and your father's household and go to the land I will show you."

### Canning Garden Methodist Church

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# Order of Service

## PRELUDE / PERSONAL REFLECTION & PREPARATION

### CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Christ is born.

C: Praise the Lord!

L: God has come to claim us as God's own children.

C: Praise the Lord!

L: Love has given us this glorious gift.

C: Praise the Lord!

### PRAYER (in unison)

Generous God, You gave us our voices, no two the same. As You did with Abraham and Sarah, You take and touch our lives and they can become extraordinary.

And in Your Church you have gathered us, in Your community of common folk and complainers, prophets and puzzled people, You have called us and made a place for us.

So let what we say and do here, what we ponder and decide here, be real for us and honest to You, as You prepare us for the life of the world in which You are praised.

Amen.

### ACT OF PRAISE

#### THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day He rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

#### HYMN OF PREPARATION

LORD, SPEAK TO ME

(UMH463)

### OFFERTORY PRAYER (in unison)

Holy God, we marvel at your love and faithfulness! At the right time, your Son Jesus lived among us and invited us to call you our heavenly Father. Because of his obedience, you have adopted us into your beloved family. We are grateful that you have brought us through challenging times in the past. As we look forward to the new year, send your Spirit to help us trust that you will continue to guide us. Let our gifts and offerings be pleasing in your sight, for this we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

### OFFERTORY & FAMILY NEWS

#### DOXOLOGY

PRAISE GOD

#### SCRIPTURE READING

GENESIS 11:26-12:9

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

#### SERMON

A CALL AND SOME PROMISES

#### HYMN OF DEDICATION

HERE I AM, LORD

UMH593

### 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 ITEM	TIME	VENUE
Monday	Interceding for The Nation and Nations	10:00 - 11:00 am	Common Room 1
Tuesday	Jericho Hour	5:00 - 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.

# WORSHIP ENABLERS

	31 December 2017 Sunday Service 8:45am	31 December 2017 Watchnight Service 10:30pm
Preacher :	Rev. Dr. Andrew Tan	Pastor Dato' Daniel Ho
Scripture Reader :	Mr. Sum Kwan Hoo	Mr. Loh Xiu Ming
Scripture Text :	Genesis 11:26-12:9	
Liturgist :	Mr. Sum Kwan Hoo	Rev. Dr. Andrew Tan
Holy Communion Stewards:	N/A	Mr. Chong Him Shoong Mr. Tang Khai Kit Dr. Su Too Kiat Dr. S.S. Gill Dr. Wong Lai Yin
Worship Leader: Co-Worship Leaders :	Mrs. Jennifer Liew Mrs. Tan Sau Chun Mrs. Claire Lai Ms. Winnie Goh	Ms. Tham Lai Meng Ms. Winnie Goh Ms. Lana Lim
Musicians :	Ms. Rachel Sum Mr. Micheal Drieberg Mr. Leong Siew Hong Mr. Justine Chai	Ms. Tiang Wen Sze Dr. Chow Weng Sum Mr. Daniel Leo
Visual Projectionist :	Ms. Alicia Ching	Ms. Joy-Anne Yew
Welcome Team :	Sunday Team	Saturday & Sunday Team
Fellowship Hour:	CG6	
	6 January 2018 Saturday Service 8:00pm	7 January 2018 Sunday Service 8:45am
Preacher :	Rev. Dr. Andrew Tan	Rev. Dr. Andrew Tan
Scripture Reader :	Mrs. Wan Ching Peter	Dr. Teo Sue Mei
Scripture Text :	Genesis 12:10-13:18	
Liturgist :	Rev. Dr. Andrew Tan	Mr. Lee Hock Hin
Holy Communion Stewards:	Mr. Sum Kwan Hoo Mr. Benjamin Soh Mr. Edmund Chan Mrs. Lily Loh	Mr. Lee Hock Hin Mr. Yeoh Kit Koon Ms. Kwok Pui Ling Mrs. Choy Kwai Yoong
Worship Leader : Co-Worship : Leaders	Dr. Philip Ho Mrs. Page Chang Ms. Christine Tiang	Dr. Philip Ho Mrs. Page Chang Ms. Christine Tiang
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Visual Projectionist :		Ms. Joy Anne Yew
Welcome Team :	Saturday Team 1	Sunday Team
Fellowship Hour:	CG22	CG7

# CHURCH PROGRAMME

## THIS WEEK

SUN	31	NO CGMC KIDS Resume 7 Jan 18	NO CGMC MYF Resume 7 Jan 18	NO AEROBICS CLASS Resume 7 Jan 18	
MON	01	NO PRAISE DANCE Resume 3 Jan 18	HALF DAY PRAYER 9:00 am – 12:00 pm SS	NO SIT DOWN EXERCISE Resume 5 Jan 18	NO LIGHTHOUSE Resume 02 Jan 18
TUE	02	LIGHTHOUSE 2:00 - 5:00 pm Lighthouse Centre	NO JERICHO HOUR Resume 9 Jan 18		
WED	03	PRAISE DANCE 7:00 am Carpark	BIBLE STUDY 9:30 – 11:30 am CR3	LIGHTHOUSE 2:00 - 5:00 pm Lighthouse Centre	
THU	04	NO AEROBICS CLASS Resume 7 Jan 18	LIGHTHOUSE 5:30 - 7:00 pm Lighthouse Centre		
FRI	05	NO KOPITIAM Resume January 2018	SIT DOWN EXERCISE 11:00 am – 12:30 pm KMH	LIGHTHOUSE 2:00 - 5:00 pm Lighthouse Centre	
SAT	06	MORNING WATCH 6:00 – 7:00 am CR3	NO MANDARIN CLASS Resume March 2018		

## NEXT WEEK

SUN	07	CGMC KIDS 10:30 am SS	CGMC MYF 3:00 – 6:30 pm SS	AEROBICS CLASS 5:00 – 6:00 pm KMH	
MON	08	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	09	LIGHTHOUSE 2:00 - 5:00 pm Lighthouse Centre	JERICHO HOUR 4:30 – 6:00 pm CR3		
WED	10	PRAISE DANCE 7:00 am Carpark	BIBLE STUDY 9:30 – 11:30 am CR3	LIGHTHOUSE 2:00 - 5:00 pm Lighthouse Centre	
THU	11	AEROBIC CLASS 5:00 - 6:00 pm KMH	LIGHTHOUSE 5:30 - 7:00 pm Lighthouse Centre		
FRI	12	NO KOPITIAM Resume January 2018	SIT DOWN EXERCISE 11:00 am – 12:30 pm KMH	LIGHTHOUSE 2:00 - 5:00 pm Lighthouse Centre	
SAT	13	MORNING WATCH 6:00 – 7:00 am CR3	NO MANDARIN CLASS Resume March 2018		

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

You are encouraged to use the following in your daily intercession. As you are led by the Holy Spirit, pray specifically for our church, other churches, our nation and nations of the world.

## 1 RELIGION (The Church and her ministries)

- Pray for the Holy Spirit's anointing on all churches regardless of their denominations.
- Pray for ministries involved in evangelism and discipleship including foreign missionary activity.

At the recent 42<sup>nd</sup> TRAC Annual Conferences, a number of pastors are due for transfers as a result of their appointments, including Rev. Thomas Chin.

- Pray for all the pastors involved (especially Rev. Thomas Chin) including their families, to make the necessary preparation, and pray that the transfers will be carried out smoothly.
- We also welcome back Rev. Dr. Andrew Tan and Mrs. Anna Tan.

The Chairman of Christian Federation of Malaysia is calling on churches in Malaysia to pray for Pastor Raymond Koh and his family this Saturday & Sunday as we approach the 300<sup>th</sup> day of his abduction in broad daylight in Kelana Jaya.

- Pray for his wife and children that God will grant His presence, peace and persevering strength to them to face the uncertainty over his whereabouts.

Pray for CGMC's Jubilee Year

- As we celebrate the Jubilee Year, pray for unity among the pastors, leaders and members and for the Lord's favour to bring about a mighty spiritual breakthrough in all our ministries.
- Pray for 'Be A Blessing' project, that all cell groups, leaders and members will enthusiastically take up a project or two to bless those who are in need with the love and grace of God, and in turn be blessed.

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

- Pray for families in general, and particularly for the healing of broken relationships in marriages and families especially among believers and those in the Christian ministry.

## 3 EDUCATION (All Schools, Universities, Colleges and Educators)

The focus is to pray for all institutions of learning; to give special emphasis and care for the very young, as children are so easily influenced and for those preparing for higher education.

- Pray for teachers and educators. Pray for those you know by name.

The school children are on a month-long holiday

- Pray for the protection of children from harm-ways.
- Pray that the parents and guardians will ensure that their children and charges are supervised and engage in healthy activities.

#### **4 BUSINESS (The Marketplace)**

This focus involves praying for a spiritual awakening in the marketplace.

- Pray especially that God will use Christian businessmen and businesswomen to influence others in their professions.
- Pray that major corporations will build their companies on a foundation of high moral and ethical standard.

#### **5 GOVERNMENT (State, National and International)**

Pray for the leaders of our state and the national government. Remember especially to intercede for the judiciary (judges) of our nation and the nations of the world. Intercede also for the military, the police and civil servants.

Once again the East Coast States of Peninsular Malaysia are experiencing the North-East Monsoon.

- Pray for the Lord's restraining hand on the weather to prevent excessive flooding and the protection of human lives and properties

Pray for children at risk

- More than half a million Rohingyas have fled to Bangladesh from Myanmar, among them are thousands of children suffering from malnutrition and sicknesses. Pray for international aid of basic needs and medicines to save the children.
- The civil war in Yemen also displaced thousands of children who are suffering from malnutrition and some are dying from famines because of shortage of food and medicines. Pray for the children to be saved.

#### **6 MEDIA (The Press, Television, Internet, Social Network)**

- Ask God to cause all aspects of the media and information technology to become a tool in His hands to change the culture around us for His honour and glory.

#### **7 ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT (including sports)**

This focus includes all the various fields of the arts and entertainment including sports.

Ask God to use Christians in these areas to influence and impact those around them.

# SERMON NOTES

## A CALL AND SOME PROMISES

Turning Point: Gen. 11:26 -12:5

### Introduction

The story of Abraham is the turning point in the Bible:

Gen. 1-11: a universal curse. Gen. 12-Rev.: God's new attempt to fix it.

### Genesis 1-11: Futility and Hope

Futility: disobedience, disorder, destruction, death

Hope: limits sin, remnant, promised son

- Gen. 11:10, "... account of Shem."
- Gen. 11: 27, "... account of Terah"

### God's Covenant with Abram 12:1-4

#### a. God's Promises to Abram

"go to the land I will show you" (v 1).

"I will make you into a great nation" (v 2a).

"I will make your name great" (v 2c).

"I will bless you...and you will be a blessing" (v 2b).

#### b. What Do These Promises Mean to Us Today?

The promise of land is the promise of a home in heaven.

The promise of a great nation is fulfilled in being the Church.

The promise of a great name is to make our life significant.

The promise of being blessed to be a blessing is fulfilled in the Great Commission.

#### c. The Call for Abraham to Leave Haran (v 5)

Gen. 12: 1, "Leave your country, your people and your father's household and go to the land I will show you."

Abram had to sacrifice to follow God's call.

But it was also a gamble of faith.

#### d. Does God Call Us to Leave Our Haran?

God's offer of salvation calls us to leave our world, and journey with Him.

In baptism, we said we will leave the world, resist Satan, believe in God and follow Him.

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

1. No matter how futile a situation, there is always hope with God. What is this new hope with God's covenant with Abram?
2. In your own words, what do God's promises to Abram mean to us today? How do these promises make a difference in our lives?
3. What does it mean for us to leave our Haran? Has it been costly for you? Like Abraham, are you on a journey with God? Describe this journey for you so far.



## 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.

**01  
JAN**

### NEW YEAR – HALF DAY OF PRAYER

01 JANUARY 2018, Monday, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm  
Shekinah Sanctuary, Canning Garden Methodist Church

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### ***CGMC 50th Anniversary Choir***



**Come join our  
combined BM,  
Chinese and  
English  
congregation  
choir !!**

***We will sing 2 songs in 3 languages at the 50th  
anniversary combined service on 29 April 2018!***

**Rehearsals every Sunday  
12.15 - 1.30pm, starting 14 Jan**

**14  
JAN**

### FOUNDATION CLASS ADULT & YOUTH

14 January 2018, Sunday, 10:30 am – 12:00 pm

Common Room 4, Canning Garden Methodist Church

Refer to the notice board for more information. Registration forms are available from Cell Leaders.  
Submit your registration through your CG Leader.

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### **D6 CONFERENCE : GENERATIONAL DISCIPLESHIP HOME-CENTERED CHURCH-SUPPORTED**

3-4 August 2018, 9am – 6pm  
Trinity Methodist Church, Petaling Jaya.

Conference Rates (not including accommodation):  
RM160 (Early Bird 2 : 31 Mar 2018)

• Please refer to leaflet for REGISTRATION

Registration Link: [bit.ly/d6Malaysia2018](http://bit.ly/d6Malaysia2018)

More Information At: <https://d6malaysia.wordpress.com>