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### **Church Theme Verse 2024:**

"Let us therefore follow after things...wherewith one may edify another." Romans 14:19b

> "he that winneth souls is wise" Proverbs 11:30b

 Pastor
 : Rev Dr Simon Nagarajan
 9858
 4865

 Associate Pastor
 : Rev Freddy Yong (MWS)
 8309
 8157

 Advisory Pastor
 : Rev Phillip Heng
 9792
 9183

 Ministry Staff
 : Pr David Cher
 9737
 9150

 : Dness Lee May San
 9618
 9160

### ORDER OF WORSHIP Lord's Day, 19 May 2024, 9.30 am

PRELUDE Pianist: Mr Jonathan Cher

INTROIT #216 "The Lord Is In His Holy Temple"

CALL TO WORSHIP Dn Samuel Lim

PRAISE & WORSHIP Dn Samuel Lim

HYMNS # 3 "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"

#493 "Glory To His Name"

#496 "No One Cared For Me Like Jesus"

INVOCATION

**GLORIA PATRI** #812 "Glory Be To The Father"

SCRIPTURE READING [Responsively] Psalm 28:1-9 Mr Seet Tiat Hee

**OFFERINGS & TITHES** 

**DOXOLOGY** #815

(Creche/Nursery/Kindergarten/Primary children leave for Sunday School)

**PASTORAL PRAYER** 

MESSAGE: "Remembering God, Our Maker And Sustainer" Rev Dr Simon Nagarajan

Isaiah 22 & 48

CLOSING HYMN # 21 "O For A Thousand Tongues To Sing"

**BENEDICTION & 3-FOLD AMEN** 

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

**POSTLUDE** 

### WELCOME

In-Person Worship Service & Broadcast Live on Galilee Website

### YOUTH WORSHIP SERVICE

9.30 am

Speaker: Rev Dr Ng Liang Wei (Mt Carmel BPC) Message: "Killing Pride And Cultivating Humility" Luke 18:9-14

### GALILEE MANDARIN WORSHIP SERVICE 9.15 am

Preacher: Preacher Zhou Jin (SBC) Message: "The Fig Tree Withers" Matthew 21:28-22

## **HE WEEK** 20 May – 26 May 2024

| Wednesday<br>22 May |                      | Bible Study/Prayer Meeting No Bible Study/Prayer Meeting (Public Holiday)   |
|---------------------|----------------------|---|
| Saturday<br>25 May  | 1.30 pm              | <b>CF/JF</b> – Believing That Jesus Gives Eternal Life I/C: Sis Lata B  |
|                     | 3.30 pm              | <b>TF/YF</b> – Video message "3 Keys to Overcoming Temptation"  |
| Lord's Day          | 9.00 am              | Pre-Worship Prayer Meeting (on-site only)   |
| 26 May              | 9.15 am              | MANDARIN WORSHIP SERVICE [On site & available on Galilee Website same day evening] Preacher: Rev Tan Mui Ho (Sion Presbyterian Church) Message: "Paying Taxes To Caesar" Text: Matthew 22:15-22; Mark 12:13-17  |
|                     | 9.30 am              | ENGLISH WORSHIP SERVICE [On site & Live Broadcast available on Galilee Website] Chairman: Preacher David Cher Worship Team Leader: Bro Josiah Wang Scripture Reader: Bro Marcus Ho (Psalm 29:1-11) Preacher: Rev Timothy Phua (RBC) Message: "The Seriousness Of Sin" Text: Zephaniah 1-3 |
|                     | 11.00 am<br>11.00 am | All Sunday School Classes on-site Crèche/Nursery/Kindergarten 1 & 2/Primary 1-6 Secondary/Senior Class Adults [Rev Ong Hock Khee] Young Adults [Preacher David Cher/Pastor Simon]   |

Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of My righteousness. Isaiah 41:10

### Ordination of Preacher David Cher

1 June 2024, 4.30pm

Lord willing, Preacher David Cher will be ordained on 1 June at Galilee B-P Church.

After overture by Galilee Session, Preacher David was examined by the B-P Pastors and Galilee Board of Elders constituting the Ordaining Council.

Members and friends are cordially invited to come and rejoice with Preacher David and family on this solemn and joyous occasion.

Thanksgiving and fellowship dinner will follow the Ordination Service.

# TESTIMONY OF SALVATION & CALLING INTO FULL-TIME PASTORAL MINISTRY

Pr. David Cher

Since young, my parents brought me and my brother, Jonathan to Galilee Bible-Presbyterian Church. What "church" meant to me especially during my young growing years was merely a physical building and a place where I come to have fun with my friends every Sunday. When I was 12, 2 major incidents led me to accepting Christ as my personal Lord and Saviour: 1) I was kicked in the face resulting in a deep cut just above my left eye; 2) The revelation that I was an adopted son.

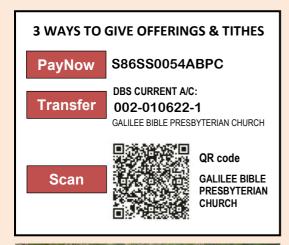
From thence, I grew in my understanding of the Gospel through my personal learning and in the Sunday School, the Young Adults' Fellowship Group, as well as the 4 years in campus ministry while pursuing my Bachelor Degree of Mechanical Engineering at the National University of Singapore. I also started actively serving in different ministries of the church such as the Sunday School Camps, the Young Adults' Fellowship Group, Mission Trips to East Asia, Thailand, and Kenya, as well as the Youth Ministry.

It was during my 4 years of university (August 2003 to July 2007) that God began to work in me more specifically with regards to going into full-time Christian ministry. This included going for mission trips organised by the campus ministry, conversations with their staff, discipleship training programme using "Called and Accountable" material by Henry T. Blackaby, and reflective time during a self-initiated mission trip to Thailand in December 2006. Even when at times I was distracted and sidetracked by the busyness of my university studies, God did not give up on me but persistently reminded me of His Will and Calling for me to serve Him in a full-time capacity. The main verse that was continually circulating in my mind was Matthew 6:33 "But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you."

Even then, my initial plan was to use my best years after graduation in July 2007 to serve Him in a short-term arrangement in Thailand, while waiting for God's confirmation of His direction for me. God continued to speak to me of the importance of local church ministry and at the same time developing my gifts and talents for that. As time passed, I grew in confidence and certainty that God has called me to serve Him in a full-time capacity in my home church, Galilee Bible-Presbyterian Church.

In 2009, I enrolled with Asia Baptist Theological Seminary, a branch of Cornerstone University, USA (now named Asia Biblical Theological Seminary) to do a 3-year programme and graduated with a In-Ministry Master of Religious Education (MRE) in 2012. In 2019, the church granted me the opportunity to do my Master of Divinity Degree at Singapore Bible College. I graduated in May 2022.

By God's grace, empowerment, and enablement, I will strive to do my best as I take on a fuller pastoral role with more responsibilities.



The LORD thy God in the midst of thee is mighty; he will save, he will rejoice over thee with joy; he will rest in his love, he will joy over thee with singing.

Zephaniah 3:17

| Attendance  |                                  |  |  |
|---|----------------------------------|--|--|
| Worship Service 12 May 2024 (Online) (In-Person) • Pre-Worship Prayer Meeting • Sunday School • Adults SS | 269<br>81<br>188<br>5<br>44<br>3 |  |  |
| Mandarin Worship Service<br>12 May 2024   | 31                               |  |  |
| Wed Bible Study<br>15 May 2024  | 30                               |  |  |
| Wed Prayer Meeting<br>15 May 2024   | 21                               |  |  |

### **Church Announcements**

- 1. Flowers Contribution Today: Mr & Mrs Ong Ju Heng
- 2. **Session Meeting:** Today at 1.30 pm, Church Library.

### Wait On the Lord!

Pastor Simon, Lord's Day, 19 May 2024

"Wait on the

LORD: be of

good courage.

and He shall

strengthen

thine heart:

wait, I say, on

the LORD."

Psalm 27:14

rethren. Greetings in the Name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ! Living in a fast-moving world we are not accustomed to 'waiting' for anyone or anything. Everything has to be fast and punctual. We want quick results, fast processes, and instant answers. We simply dread waiting. The world we live in celebrates speed and values fast, quick solutions. Sadly, this mindset has crept into our spiritual life. The Bible repeatedly teaches us to wait patiently on God. But, for many of us, we just cannot wait! "I want it now" is the mantra everywhere today.

Waiting on God is more than just praying hard. When

we pray, we essentially present our petitions before God, seeking His favour for answers. Waiting on God begins after we have detailed our concerns in prayer before God. As we pour our heart's burdens before God's Throne of grace, we also seek refuge in God's Abiding Presence and Comfort, trusting that He, Who has heard our prayers, will answer them, according to His Will and in His own good time. Indeed, sometimes we do not

know what we ask, but we can trust God to give us what He knows is best for us. The Psalmist exhorts: "Trust in Him [God] at all times; ye people, pour out your heart before Him: God is a refuge for us" (Ps 62:8). God's answer may be "Yes", "No" or "Wait". Even as we wait on God, especially for guidance, we are exhorted to keep close to God and abide in Him and His way. "Truly my soul waiteth upon God: from Him cometh my salvation. My soul, wait thou only upon God; for my expectation is from Him" (Ps 62:1,5).

Waiting on the Lord is not being passive, or a lazy excuse for doing nothing. During the season of waiting, God is maturing, and preparing us for His answer. We may feel anxious, impatient, and even tired of waiting, then tempted to do things our own way. In times like these, we must all the more, fill our hearts and minds with the promises, assurances, and comfort from God's Holy Word. "I wait for the LORD, my soul doth wait, and in His Word do I hope" (Ps 130:5). God's Word are sure. His promises are true.

Only God's Word can guide and "pilot" us through times of difficulties, counsel us in our perplexity, steer us out of danger, comfort us in trouble and distress, and encourage and lift our spirits to look up to Him. "Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path" (Ps 119:105).

Waiting for God does not mean we stop in our service for Him. Priest Zacharias served the Lord into his old age while waiting for an answer to his prayer for a child (Lk 1:5-14). King David, while waiting on God (Ps 69:3) through the "dry spells" in his life, wrote songs which became the Messianic prophecies and promises recorded in the Bible. Servants of God down

> through the ages have testified that they had spent long nights struggling with God in tears, But God anointed them with the oil of gladness to preach and teach God's Word. Fervently, went to the highways and byways to witness for Christ, poured their talents and gifts into the church ministry. and remained faithful witnesses in their places of work and professions. This is the power and enablement of God for people

on Him. Their hope is in the Lord God Almighty.

who cling tightly to God even as they wait

Brethren, let us wait prayerfully and patiently on the Lord after we have committed our heartaches and burdens to Him. Are you praying for a loved one's salvation? Don't give up! Have you prayed for a loved one to change for the better? Don't give up! Your situation at home or at your workplace is hopeless? Pray and wait, don't give up! Your prayers never fail to reach God's throne of grace. Don't be downcast! Lift up your heart and eyes unto your loving Father in Heaven. He hears all your prayers. He loves you as "the apple of His eye" (Zech 2:8) and He cares for you. As you keep close to God and His Word, He will walk you through your trials and give you hope, courage, and fortitude. "Wait on the LORD: be of good courage, and He shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the LORD" (Ps 27:14). Blessed be the Name of the Lord! Amen.

God Bless!