



# GALILEE

**BIBLE-PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

"IN GALILEE ... there's a great light"

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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 Philip Heng	9792 9183
Ministry Staff	:	Rev David Cher	9737 9150
	:	Dness Lee May San	9618 9160

## ORDER OF WORSHIP Lord's Day, 23 June 2024, 9.30 am

### PRELUDE

Pianist: Mrs Magdalene Teo

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

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Dn Joseph Tai

### PRaise & WORSHIP

Mr Shaun Teo

#### HYMNS

- "Praise My Soul, The King Of Heaven"
- "Heart Of Worship"
- "You Are My King"

#337 "Nothing But The Blood"

### INVOCATION

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

**SCRIPTURE READING** [Responsively] Psalm 31:15-24

Mr Collin Lee

### OFFERINGS & TITHES

**DOXOLOGY** #815

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

### PASTORAL PRAYER

#### MESSAGE:

**"Through Ruin To Restoration"**

Rev Dr Simon Nagarajan

2 Chronicles 36

**CLOSING HYMN** #430 "There Shall Be Showers of Blessings"

### BENEDICTION & 3-FOLD AMEN

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

### POSTLUDE

## WELCOME

In-Person Worship Service &  
Broadcast Live on  
Galilee Website

## GALILEE MANDARIN WORSHIP SERVICE 9.15 am

Preacher: Rev Dr Yap Beng Shin  
Message: "The Greatest Among You"  
Matthew 23:1-11; Mark 12:28-48

<b>Wednesday 26 June</b>	7.30 pm	<b>Bible Study/8.30pm Prayer Meeting</b> <u>Pastor Simon Nagarajan</u> The Book of 1 Samuel Zoom ID: 605 758 5352; Password BS/PM <u>Rev Philip Heng</u> Personal Evangelism <a href="https://meet.google.com/hjx-pkcp-dye?hs=151">https://meet.google.com/hjx-pkcp-dye?hs=151</a> <u>Dness Lee May San</u> (Ladies' Prayer Meeting/BS) The Book of Colossians Zoom ID: 815 6829 8000; Password WEDLADBSPM
<b>Saturday 29 June</b>	1.30 pm	<b>CF/JF</b> – Outing To Hay Dairies Goat Farm
	3.30 pm	<b>TF/YF</b> – Bible Study “ God Pursues” Part 2 I/C: Bro Ian Caleb
<b>Lord’s Day 30 June</b>	9.00 am	<b>Pre-Worship Prayer Meeting</b> (on-site only)
	9.15 am	<b>MANDARIN WORSHIP SERVICE</b> [On site & available on Galilee Website same day evening] Preacher: Rev Timothy Phua (RBC) Message: “All Believers Were One In Heart And Mind” Text: Acts 4:31-37
	9.30 am	<b>ENGLISH WORSHIP SERVICE</b> [On site & Live Broadcast available on Galilee Website] Chairman: Dn Kenneth Wong Worship Team Leader: Dn Samuel Lim Scripture Reader: Bro Ian Ling (Psalm 32:1-11) Preacher: Rev David Cher Message: “Being Known By God” Text: Psalm 139
		<b>All Sunday School Classes on-site</b>
	10.00 am	Crèche/Nursery/Kindergarten 1 & 2/Primary 1-6
	11.00 am	Secondary/Senior Class
	11.00 am	Adults [Rev Ong Hock Khee]
	11.00 am	Young Adults [Rev David Cher]
	11.15 am	Senior Catechism [Pastor Simon]
	1.30 pm	<b>Session Meeting</b>

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## Attendance

### Worship Service

16 June 2024

228

(Online)

100

(In-Person)

128

• Pre-Worship Prayer Meeting

4

• Sunday School

26

• Adults' SS

8

### Mandarin Worship Service

16 June 2024

29

### Youth Worship Service

16 June 2024

38

(Online)

12

(In-Person)

26

Forbearing one another, and forgiving  
one another, if any man have a quarrel  
against any: even as Christ forgave you,  
so also do ye.

Colossians 3:13

## Church Announcements

1. **Flowers Contribution Today:** Sis Korina Manogaran

2. **Condolences**

The late Sis Tan Meng Hua (Sis Wendy Tan's mother) was called home to be with the Lord on 19 June 2024. Our heartfelt condolences to Bro Steven Tan and family. May God comfort the bereaved family.

3. **CF/JF Outing to Hay Dairies Goat Farm**

Saturday 29 June 2024, 1.30 pm to 4 pm

Speaker: Pastor Simon

Please register with Mrs Sherry Wong 97110708 or Mrs Jess Tai 969741016

4. **Senior Catechism Class**

Senior Catechism class will commence next Lord's Day, 30 June 2024. Speak to Pastor Simon if you are planning for baptism on 22 December 2024 at the Christmas Sunday Service.

# Walking By Faith Or By Sight?

*Rev David Cher, Lord's Day, 23 June 2024*

**B**eloved Brethren,  
Greetings in the Precious Name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. As mere human beings, we often make decisions depending on our 5 human senses of sight, sound, taste, touch, and smell. But 2 Cor. 5:7 reminds us not to be restricted by our physical senses, but to know that we should instead be led and guided by our spiritual faith. In such a manner, our spiritual faith should not be understood as a mere object, but also as a foundation and compass upon which we base our Christian living upon.

Does “living by faith and not by sight” mean that we ignore and overlook the physical obstacles and difficulties that lie ahead of us? We certainly cannot see them as mere mirages and forcing ourselves to think that they are unreal. Instead, God wants us to walk with confidence in Him and His promises (2 Cor. 5:6, 8 “Therefore **we are always confident**, knowing that, whilst we are at home in the body, we are absent from the Lord... **We are confident**, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord”). This confidence that we have is in spite of the difficulties we face in life. The writer of this epistle of 2 Corinthians, the Apostle Paul, also used certain descriptive and emotive words to describe his personal life (2 Cor. 4:8-9 “We are **troubled** on every side, yet not distressed; we are **perplexed**, but not in despair; **persecuted**, but not forsaken; **cast down**, but not destroyed”). This points out to us that our lives as followers of Christ does not mean that we are sheltered from all pain and troubles.

The phrase “walking by faith not by sight” contains a stark contrast that should attract our eyes. Faith refers to our spiritual sight whereas sight refers to our physical sight. What this

means is that we have to view and interpret all that happens and takes place in our lives and the world around us through the lens of God and His perspective (Isaiah 55:8-9 “For My thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways My ways, saith the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts”). As some of us have gone to Church Camp and others have had our mountaintop experiences with God, may we look back to them and be reminded of the faithfulness of God in our lives.

The difficulties that the Apostle Paul faced is put amid a context of persisting resilience and not hopeless desperation (2 Cor. 4:8-9 “We are troubled on every side, **yet not distressed**; we are perplexed, **but not in despair**; persecuted, **but not forsaken**; cast down, **but not destroyed**”). In addition, even when the difficulties and troubles remain, we know that we indeed have a far more glorious life, outcome, and future awaiting us (2 Cor. 4:16-18 “or which cause we faint not; but though our outward man perish, yet **the inward man is renewed day by day**. For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us **a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory**; While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal”).

May we not live lives weighed and pressed down by the cares, worries, and anxieties of this world and our understanding of them. Instead, let our lives be energised by our complete trust in God and His ways (Prov. 3:5-6 “Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths”).