



OUR CHURCH MISSION : To glorify God by *being* and *making* disciples of Christ Jesus

## **Our 33<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary**

This year, which marks our 33<sup>rd</sup> anniversary, is a significant one for our church. 2021 will go down in our history as the year in which we relocated from CCKBC to Henderson. The current renovation work at Henderson has been enjoying good progress, thanks to the dedicated efforts of bro Keng Chay and his team. Barring any unexpected circumstances, the renovation is expected to be completed in about four months' time. Our staff in the office have already begun to do some amount of packing in preparation for the move. While a sense of expectation for something new and fresh ahead hovers, there is also the sense of the soon-to-be past. This leads to a desire to do some stock-taking on what we have done over the past two decades at CCKBC; things that matter to our Lord and His work. What do we bring with us to Henderson?

To me, one of our most enduring works must be the initiation and development of our Covenant Group or CG. Deceptively simple to set up, it has however taken us a good part of the past two decades — about 15 years — to arrive at where we are today. Presently we are at a slightly more than 60% participation rate among members. I would like to credit Ps Daniel for his dogged perseverance in working at this worthwhile pursuit. It is worthwhile because most of us know that the CG, if practiced as designed, serves as a microcosm of the church at large. It ensures that no member is left behind both spiritually and physically. Above all, it allows the teaching of the Word to cascade down to each member in a practical way amid active discussions, comprehension, constant fellowship, and mutual encouragement. At the church level, this ensures coordination and integration, so that discipleship is not reduced to just preaching and teaching alone. Ps Daniel has passed on the active lead of the CG to Ps Luwin who has been focusing on further training and

equipping of the leaders. In highlighting our CG, I hope all of us appreciate the long and arduous journey it has taken, and will invite members who are still not in a CG to sign up for one. It is an “enduring” work we have assembled because most CG members joined us when CCKBC was established. Now, these brothers and sisters are fully integrated and enjoined with us as one body, to move on to Henderson.

Also, on the eve of our move, the Lord has prepared and provided Elder Chow Meng and Deacon Jia Yi to our Session. They are new and younger blood, in tandem with our new beginning at Henderson, and bring the hope of fresher vigour and renewed vision. May their faithfulness to serve signal and encourage more young members to enter the service of leadership in Session.

As they begin their new season, mine is drawing to a close. I started serving God and the church not long after I was converted in the late 60s. I had no experience at all when I started serving in the Session. There was a call from the leaders of the church and a few of us responded. The thought then was to simply respond to serve in any area needed, for God and His Kingdom. This was notwithstanding that we were just starting out on our own careers and families. Looking back, however, it has been a source of joy and contentment, because the years spent were never lost in the sight of the Lord. If you are one of the younger ones addressed here, will you heed the call? Elder Elgin responded to my request for a contribution to this article and he aptly wrote:

"In my editorial dated 27 June 2021, I mentioned the test of the leadership transition that took place before the mantle of godly leadership was passed from Elijah to Elisha. In writing the editorial, I was reminded that God, and not Elijah, is the One who initiated the leadership transition. The choice of godly candidates and timing were also His. Just as Elisha had to learn the ropes of godly leadership under Elijah, we are thankful that God has given us a younger generation of leaders under the NLE programme who are willing to be equipped for church leadership under the close teaching and guidance of the current church leaders. In God’s wisdom and timing, our transition and move to a new place of worship and ministry in Henderson early next year will be a watershed in Hermon’s journey of faith. My prayer is that the Lord will convict and raise a younger generation of godly leaders in the coming months and years to lead Hermon in the next lap of our faith journey and to extend His Kingdom for His glory. Amen".


Due to the constraint of space, let me just mention one more item before I sign off. Our Development Fund (DF) will reach a healthy state next year

in January. This will be after we have received our settlement sum from Hebron as part of our agreement to end the partnership at CCKBC, and repaid all outstanding loans extended to us by members, friends and fellow BP churches. We are very grateful for these loans as well as the outright giving from members and friends. The same healthy state cannot be said of our General Fund (GF) which appears to have been affected by our overwhelming response to achieve the Development Fund's target over the past months. Other reasons could be the restrictions on in-person worship as well as the uncertain economic situation and its direct threat to the job security of members and friends. We understand all these issues and have decided on the need to communicate to you all the details of our financial situation. Accordingly, Dn Pak Choon, our Treasurer, will be sharing the details next week on July 18 during our worship service. One possible immediate action would be to channel our giving from the DF to the GF. In this regard, Dn Pak Choon will be proposing and introducing a pledge system in which members will be able to pledge a fixed sum to the GF after prayerfully seeking the Lord, and doing so in faith and trust in His provision.

*✍ Eld Peter Seah*

*(Editorial Writers: 18 Jul – Ps Daniel Tan; 25 Jul – Dn Lee Pang Wee)*

## ANNOUNCEMENT




**MT  
HERMON  
BP CHURCH**


**CG OPEN  
MONTH**

**AUGUST  
2021**


WHAT ARE WE DOING?



2 PETER  
"LIVING THIS DAY FOR THAT DAY"




5 SERMON + STUDIES




IN YOUR COVENANT  
GROUPS

WHEN DO WE MEET?



AUGUST 1  
AUGUST 8  
AUGUST 15  
AUGUST 22  
AUGUST 29



SUNDAYS, 2:00 – 3:15PM  
OR SERMON WEEK

## **PRAYER ITEMS**

*“The Lord said to Joshua, “Today I will begin to exalt you in the sight of all Israel, that they may know that, as I was with Moses, so I will be with you. And as for you, command the priests who bear the ark of the covenant, ‘When you come to the brink of the waters of the Jordan, you shall stand still in the Jordan.”*  
*Joshua 3:7-8*

## **CHURCH**

**Youth Ministry** – Thank God for His provision for the ministry and for all whom He has called into this ministry. Pray for the last quarter's team who have just completed their tour of duty that the Lord may give them rest and refresh them physically and spiritually - YTL: Jeremiah and YGLs: Jason Chan, Natalie Chong, Naomi Ee, and Zebedee. Pray for this quarter's team that the Lord would grant them strength, love, joy and wisdom as they serve - YTL: Samuel Chan and Dominic Lim and YGLs: Samuel Ang, Darren Leong, Fong Wen Wei & Yeo Soon Yii. Pray for the youths that they may grow in faith, hope and love.

**33<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary** – With thanksgiving for God’s bountiful goodness and grace to Hermon, let us be grateful for the 25 years of witness at CCKBC and seek the Lord’s empowerment to shine for Him at Henderson.

**Project Ebenezer** – We ask for safety for all our contractors during the renovation and for healing and protection of the residents in the Henderson/ Redhill/ Tiong Bahru area against the Covid-19 virus.

**Boys & Girls Brigades** – We thank God for another opportunity to sponsor the Boys & Girls Brigades. Our collaboration with Kent Ridge Secondary School will take effect from July 2021. May God grant us a good working relationship with the teachers as we befriend the boys and girls for the Lord.

## **WORLD EVENT**

**Plane Crashes in Russia and The Philippines** – Pray for the two separate tragic passenger plane crashes in far eastern of Russia and in the southern province of Jolo, Philippines. The visibility of the fog, strong winds and waves have complicated the search operation. Pray for quick and smooth emergency rescue work and favourable conditions. Pray for the families who have lost their loved ones. May the Lord comfort them in their grief and loss. May He also cover them with His peace and presence.

## **PASTORAL CARE**

**Birthdays (11-17 Jul'21)** – We rejoice with Lydia Li whose birthday falls this week.

*11 Jul - Christine Lei / 18 Jul - Deborah Engelsen-Chan*



**SYNCHRONISED PRAYER MEETING - Wed (14 Jul), 8pm**

Let's zoom in to pray together in unity to our Father in heaven



**Prayer leader:** Ps Luwin Wong **Focus:** CGs @ Hermon

## ANNOUNCEMENT

**WELCOME** – A warm welcome to our speaker Rev Dr David Wong to the pulpit this morning. Rev David is our Advisory Pastor and the Secretary General of BPCIS.

**SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES @ CCKBC** – We have resumed in-person service for 50 congregants. Please register for each Sunday’s service at [www.hermon.org.sg](http://www.hermon.org.sg) latest by the preceding Thursday.

**OFFERTORY** – We would like to encourage you to tithe and give your offerings electronically via **PayNow, Internet Banking** or **Quick Cheque Deposit**. For internet banking and quick cheques, please pay to our bank accounts. Email at [church@hermon.org.sg](mailto:church@hermon.org.sg) or visit [www.hermon.org.sg](http://www.hermon.org.sg) for our bank details.

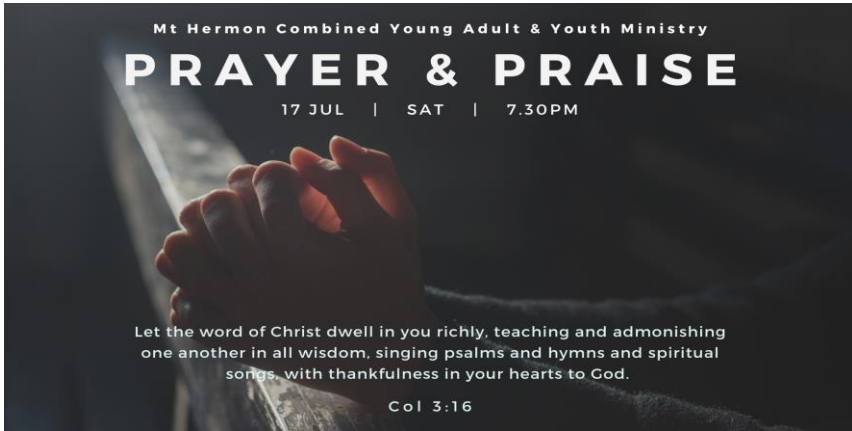
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*Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. For the ministry of this service is not only supplying the needs of the saints but is also overflowing in many thanksgivings to God.*

*(2 Corinthians 9:7, 12)*

<b>OFFERING AND PLEDGES</b>			
<b>Fund</b>	<b>Last week</b>	<b>Month Total</b>	<b>Jan-to-Dec 2021</b>
<b>General Fund</b>	\$9,156.00	\$9,156.00	\$261,730.97
<b>Development Fund</b>	\$2,678.00	\$2,678.00	\$179,359.58

## ANNOUNCEMENT



### YOUTH MINISTRY

Today the youths will join in the worship service in Sanctuary

### CHILDREN MINISTRY

Class resumes in-person from next Sun 18 Jul @ Hope Courtyard.

Today's CM bible classes is via zoom:

Preschool – 10.15am to 11am

P1-P3 – 2pm to 3pm

P4-P5 – 3pm to 4pm

### COVENANT GROUP MEETINGS

CG & Leader	Dates / Time online
<b>Agape</b> - Lester Cheng	21 Jul, Wed, 8pm online
<b>CCK Open Care</b> - Michael Koh	16 Jul, Fri, 8pm online
<b>de Vine</b> - Jennifer Seah	23 Jul, Fri, 9am online
<b>El Shaddai</b> - Gillian Lim	17 Jul, Sat, 9am online
<b>Immanuel</b> - Karen Sim	24 Jul, Sat, 10am online
<b>Jehovah Jireh</b> - Dns Malar Thomas	23Jul, Fri, 8pm online
<b>Klema</b> - Dn Richard Yew	16 Jul, Fri, 8pm online
<b>Koinonia (Clementi)</b> - Dn Mike Fong	16 Jul, Fri, 8pm online
<b>Koinonia (W'lands)</b> - Simon Toh	23 Jul, Fri, 8pm online
<b>Lakers</b> - Dawn Tan	Today, 3pm online
<b>Living Water</b> - Yeo Howe Chien	TBA
<b>Morning Glory</b> - Jeanette Ler-Lee	23 Jul, Fri, 1.30pm online
<b>New Life</b> - Dn Lee Pang Wee	TBA
<b>Paideia</b> - Gene Tan	Today, Sun, 2.30pm online
<b>Young Adults Ministry</b> - Dn Tan Jiayi	16 Jul, Fri, 8pm online

## ANNOUNCEMENT

**WELCOME TO HERMON FAMILY** – Let’s warmly welcome our newly baptised member, Timothy Chua Jia Yao, into our Hermon family.

### TIMOTHY’S BAPTISM TESTIMONY

I was born in a Christian family and grew up attending church since young as a second-generation Christian. The bible stories didn’t have a significant impact on me until I was in Primary 6, when I chose to accept Christ as my saviour. I began to take interest in knowing more about the Bible and started reading the Bible more often.

However, during my secondary and tertiary education days, I didn’t pay as much attention to bible reading as I did when I was in Primary school. I treated God as a genie. When I needed His help for my exams or when faced with a difficult issue, I would turn to Him.

It was the same during my time in National Service. My parents would always encourage me to pray about the issues that I was facing. They would tell me that God is in control. I struggled between relying on God and on my own strength. Each time when I failed, I would go to God in repentance for my own foolishness.

Why did I choose to be baptised? For many years, I was asked if I wanted to seek baptism. Instead of praying about it and committing to God my questions, I questioned the importance of baptism. Is not accepting Christ enough? I missed the root of the problem.

I struggled with the fact that I was not good enough. I thought my walk with God has to be perfect first. One day, Ps Daniel passed me a book, *Stirring Still Waters*. The chapter, “Am I really good enough”, had an impact on me. The author explained that we are all sinful creatures and nothing we do would qualify us to be called His children. If I were to try to pursue a righteous life, not only would it be a futile effort, it would be an idol in my life. I should look at the cross where my sins were placed on Christ. In Christ only can I stand clean and blameless before God in His presence.

Reflecting on it, I was convinced that no matter what I do, my walk cannot be perfect before God because of my sinful nature. Instead, I should look to the cross. Christ did not come to save the righteous but the sinners.

*– Timothy Chua Jia Yao*

## GOD'S MESSAGE

**Date:** 11 July 2021  
**Speaker:** Rev Dr David Wong  
**Sermon Title:** Crossing the Jordan: Wet Feet  
**Sermon Text:** Joshua 3:1-13

Introduction

Israelites in Transition

1. Claiming Promised Land (1.1-3).  
A gift to be collected or a prize to be won?
  
2. Finding Strength and Courage (1.7-9)  
Turning neither left nor right.
  
3. Crossing River Jordan (3.12-13)  
Getting our feet wet.

Conclusion

Hermonites in Transition

Reflection Questions:

1. What are the challenges facing Joshua? Are these also challenges you are facing?
2. How do we find strength and courage to face life's challenges?
3. What does it mean to get our feet wet? Am I prepared to do it?



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**Sunday Service**

11.00am- 12.30pm

**Children & Youth****Bible Class**

11.30am-12.30pm

**Prayer Meeting**

Every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wed  
8.00pm-9.30pm

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# Order of Worship

11 July 2021, 11.00am

## 33<sup>RD</sup> ANNIVERSARY & BAPTISMAL SUNDAY SERVICE

Church Theme 2021: "Discipling into our 4th lap"

**Welcome****Call to Worship**

Psalms 145:1-13

**Opening Hymn**

How Great Thou Art

**Opening Prayer****Worship in Songs**

Great is Thy Faithfulness  
Lord You Have Brought Us Here

**Virtual Choir/Slide  
Presentation**

Let's Walk This Road Together

**Offertory/Doxology****Baptism****Pastoral Prayer****Scripture Reading**

*Joshua 3:1-13*

**Message**

Crossing Jordan: Wet Feet

**Closing Song**

By Faith

**Benediction****Three-Fold Amen**

**Speaker:** Rev Dr David Wong **Worship Leader:** Dn Lee Pak Choon **Pastoral Prayer/Benediction/Safety Officer 1:** Eld Peter Seah **Scripture Reader:** Ramona Perera **Music/Vocal:** Lenard Cheng, Phoebe Li & Divina Thomas **PA:** Joel Mak & Edward Lim **Projectionists:** Samuel Chua & Benjamin Chua **Media:** Rebekah & Lois Tan **Photographer:** Tan Jiayi **Safety Officer 2:** Dn Richard Yew **Steward:** Nelson Chong & team

**NEXT SUNDAY'S SERVICE (18 JUL)**

**Sermon text:** 2 Kings 3-4 **Speaker:** Ps Daniel Tan **Worship Leader/Pastoral Prayer/Benediction/Safety Officer 1:** Eld Elgin Chan **Scripture Reader:** Daniel Koh **Music/Vocal:** Lenith Cheng, Josie Oh & Bernice Oh **PA:** Samuel Chan & Benson Fong **Projectionists:** Ernest Tay & Ervin Tay **Media:** Ng Hong Liang & Elaine Chan **Safety Officer 2:** Dn Lee Pang Wee **Steward:** Dn Mike Fong & team