



CHRIST CHURCH LIKAS

To Know Christ & to Make Him Known

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A Prayer for Today

Almighty God, who sent Your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of Your Church: open our hearts to the riches of His grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Gospel - Mark 6:14-29

Responsive Reading - 1 Kings 18:1-15



dare to be different

'I feared the LORD from my youth.' - *1 Kings 18:12*

English Worship Service is **live-streamed, 9:30 a.m.:**

- YouTube: [https://www.youtube.com/](https://www.youtube.com/@christchurchlikas/streams)

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Welcome to a gathering of God's people.
We gather to worship the risen Lord Jesus and to encourage
one another to obey Him.

1. WELCOME

A special welcome to Canon Robert & Mrs. Ruth Vun, St. Paul's Cathedral, Melbourne. Canon Robert will preach at the CH & EN Services.

A special welcome, too, to the praise team from St. Patrick's Church, Tawau. They will minister at our BM Service.

2. RETURNED REJOICING

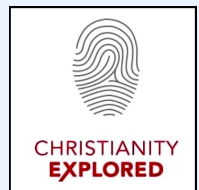
- Empowered-21 - Rev. Samuel led a team of 20 participants from our church to attend the conference in Jakarta, Indonesia. Tonight, at the Prayer-Worship Night Service, 7:30 pm, they will be sharing their experiences of being among 11,000 worshippers - singing praises and listening to encouraging messages.
- Our Evergreens had a great time at the Seniors Retreat in Sandakan. All returned home safely. Some trivia:
 - 516 participants
 - the oldest 3 were Kwong, 96 (Twu); Yong, 91 (Twu); Chen, 90 (Sdk)
 - Pang Su Lee, 85 (CCL) ranked 8th. Congrats!



3. CHRISTIANITY EXPLORED

About 100 people attended the course last Sunday. A good start indeed. The course continues today: CH - 10:00 am; EN - 12:00 pm; and, BM - 2:00 pm. All sessions are at Alpha Hall.

'CE' is a 7-week course to introduce Jesus with the Gospel of Mark.



4. WELFARE WORKS

We thank our welfare teams who have been visiting some families affected by the floods. And we thank those who donated cash and kind to help.



5. 'THE GOD OF ELIJAH'

Our sermon series continues:

- 7 Jul - He supplies: 1 Kgs 17 (Cherith & Zarephath)
- **14 Jul - He preserves - 1 Kgs 18a (Obadiah)**
- 21 Jul - He reveals - 1 Kgs 18b (Mt. Carmel)
- 28 Jul - He challenges - 1 Kgs 19 (Mt. Horeb)
- 4 Aug - He avenges - 1 Kgs 21 (Naboth's vineyard)
- 11 Aug - He judges - 2 Kgs 1 (Ahaziah's idolatry)
- 18 Aug - Confirmation Sunday
- 25 Aug - He reigns - 2 Kgs 2 (Elijah ascension)



6. CHINESE PARISH PRAYER MEETING

This Thu, 18 July, 8:00 pm - onsite (church office meeting room) and online (Meeting ID: 849 0600 4194 Passcode: 0224)

7. WORSHIP WORKSHOP for choir and worship teams

27 July, Sat, at our church, 9:30 am-12:30 pm. Dr. Esther Shin-Chuang, Korea, will be conducting these sessions:

- a biblical understanding of worship and how to incorporate it in the Worship Service
- how to evaluate and choose worship-songs for the Service
- vocal training and how to run an effective worship team rehearsal

8. CONFIRMATION SUNDAY - 18 Aug.

Bishop Melter Tais will come and pray for two groups of people:

- those baptised when they young;
- those from another church background but now wish to join the Anglican church community. Please register.

9. PROJECT INVEST - *thank-you!!*

To date: RM95,887/- Last week: RM1,115/- Still needed: RM504,113/-

10. OTHER MINISTRIES

- **Evergreens** meeting on Sat, 20 Jul, Omega Hall, 9:30 am.
- 'Breakthru Prayer Conference', 15-17 Sept. Early bird: 31 July.
- The **flowers** for today are donated by Uncle Teo & family.

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God Preserves

For reflection and discussion:

1. If you were allowed to work in a government department; which one would you choose? Immigration? Sports? Etc.
2. Read 1 Kings 18:1-5. What is unusual about Obadiah in contrast to Ahab's government? Why is taking care of people more important than taking care of animals? What does Ahab's instructions tell us about his heart?
3. Jesus had great compassion on 'the crowd' - Matthew 9:35-36. How may we take care of those who are facing danger - danger from the authorities, from natural disasters, from illnesses and evil influences? Give some concrete examples.
4. Obadiah was faithful to God even though he was working under an evil government. What might be some of the difficult work environments our sisters and brothers be working in? How may we encourage them?
5. Obadiah hid the prophets of God from being killed by Jezebel - 1 Kings 18:3-4, 13. Why was he so bold? What might have contributed to his boldness? Read v12.
6. Young people these days are under tremendous pressure to conform to their peers. How may we encourage them to obey the Lord and 'dare to be different'? Pray for our youth.

FOR PRAYER

Our beloved State of Sabah

- that the basic amenities for the people are sufficient, and efficiently served

[pray for long-term solutions be found for our water problems]

Our beloved Public Servants

- that they may serve the public with commitment and dedication

[pray for our church members serving in the civil services]

Ourselves

- that we remain faithful to God wherever He may send us

[pray for opportunities to love others with God's love]

- pray for the sick in body, mind and spirit; and for our 5 special friends. Name them in our prayer.