



## CHRIST CHURCH LIKAS

To Know Christ & to Make Him Known

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## 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Trinity - 29 September 2024

### A Prayer for Today

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us Your gift of faith; that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to that which is before, we may run the way of Your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gospel - Mark 9:38-50

Responsive Reading - James 2:1-13



**believers ... must not  
show favouritism** - *James 2:1*

**Do we practice our faith with favouritism?**

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

- YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/>

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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.

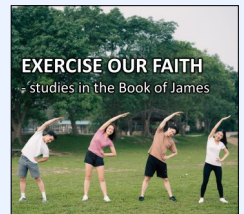
## 1. WELCOME

Welcome to our worship services this morning. We also warmly welcome those who join us online.

Our Rector is on leave prior to his retirement, and will be on sabbatical leave in October and November. During his absence, Rev. Samuel, Ps. Margaret and the PCC will assume the pastoral and administrative leadership of the parish. Please refer to them. Pray for our Rector, and Lorraine, that they may be refreshed and renewed for their next assignment.

## 2. 'EXERCISE OUR FAITH'

What is true religion? How do we put our faith into practice? We continue our sermon series on the Book of James. This short book is full of exhortations for followers of Jesus to 'walk their talk'. "Be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves" - 1:22. Topics for today and the next few weeks:



- today, 29 Sept: 'Be Impartial' - *James 2:1-13*
- 6 Oct: 'Be Practical' - *James 2:14-26*
- 13 Oct: 'Be Encouraging' - *James 3:1-18*
- 20 Oct: 'Be Peaceable' - *James 4:1-12*

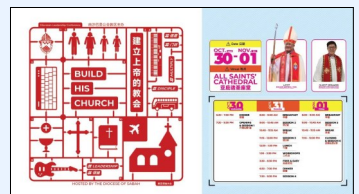
Start reading the Book of James; and enjoy hearing God's voice.

## 3. CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Mr. Wilfred & Mrs. BeiBei Lo, on their wedding last Thursday, 26 Sept.

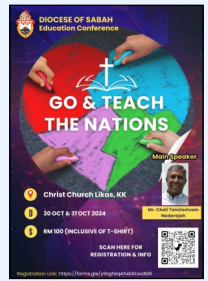
## 4. DIOCESAN CONFERENCES

- 30 Sept-2 Oct, Kudat - **BM Young Adults' Conference.** 16 of our young adults have registered. There will be food sales after the services this morning to raise fund for their accommodation.
- 30 Oct-1 Nov, All Saints' Cathedral - **CH & EN Leaders' Conference.** Calling all our clergy, pastors, lay-readers and leaders of our various



ministries to be further equipped for ministries. Bishop Stephen Soh, Diocese of West Malaysia, is the main facilitator.

- 30-31 Oct, Christ Church Likas - **Education Conference**. Calling all our teachers, educators, school board members and chaplains to come and be inspired to be 'missionaries' to the next generation of students. Details at notice board.



## 5. ST. AGNES SCHOOL CELEBRATES 110 YEARS

What a milestone!! Calling all alumni and well-wishers to gather for a thanksgiving dinner, on 19 Oct. Dinner coupons available at our Welcome Desk.



## 6. 'KEEP MOVING FORWARD' MANGGATAL CHURCH RUN

5 Oct, UMS *padang*, 6:00 am - a run to raise funds for a new fence. Registration needed. Details on the notice board.



## 7. OTHER MINISTRIES

- The **ASAA Kindergarten** is open for registration of children ages 4-5 in 2025. Details on the notice board.
- The **flowers** for today are donated by Romeo Reyes and family.
- **Gotong royong** (cleaning-up) this afternoon, at 2:30 pm-5:00 pm.

## 8. LOVE FOR FIRE VICTIMS AT PENANGAH

The recent fire at Penangah has affected many families, including our church members. If you would like to contribute, you may use the welfare envelope or transfer online and indicate 'FIRE' where appropriate.

## 9. PROJEST INVEST - *thank-you!!*

To date: RM134,140/- Last week: RM11,105/- Still needed: RM465,860/-

FOR GIVING ONLINE  
RHB Bank | 2-10103-0001913-1  
Christ Church Likas

Boost: <https://myboost.app.link/FPvG94VIT4>



## Exercise Our Faith - James 2:1-13

### **Be Impartial**

For reflection & discussion:

1. Who are some rich people you know? How do you know they are rich? Are there any poor people we know? Why are they considered poor? What about you? Rich or poor?
2. James 2:1 – believers in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ must not show favouritism, why did James give this caution to the believers? Do you know of people who show favouritism – in your homes, in your office? Have you ever experienced being shown favouritism? Or the other way round?
3. James 2:2-4 – What judgment is passed on toward the two persons? What would you do when such a case happen in our church? What is your response? Will you allow the poor man to sit next to you and bring him to breakfast after church?
4. James 2:5-6 – What are the promises to the poor? What would the rich people do to others?
5. James 2:10-11 – How many commandments have we broken? What must we do to keep all the commandments? Who will help us to keep God's commandments? Share and pray for one another.
6. James 2:9 – Memory verse

## **FOR PRAYER**

### **Our beloved Diocese**

- pray for Diocesan BM young adults conference, 30 Sept-2 Oct in Kudat  
[ for the speakers, all participants, God's blessings upon the conference ]

### **Our beloved Church family**

- pray for all the cell groups – Chinese, English and BM  
[ for all the cell group leaders and in preparation for 2024 Christmas celebration ]

### **Ourselves**

- pray that we may love one another as God has loved us  
[ for open doors to love others and never show favouritism ]  
- pray for the sick in body, mind and spirit; and for our 5 special friends.  
Name them in our prayer.