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To Know Christ & to Make Him Known

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A Prayer for Today

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed that He might destroy the works of the devil and make us the sons of God and heirs of eternal life: grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as He is pure; that when He shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like Him in His eternal and glorious kingdom; where He is alive and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

Gospel - Luke 10:1-9

Responsive Reading - Deuteronomy 6:1-9



**The harvest is plentiful,
but the workers are few.** - Luke 10:2b

Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?

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.

A **special welcome** to sister Ong Bee Cheng, from Singapore World Evangelisation for Christ. She will share the word of God at our EN Service this morning.

Our Rector is on his sabbatical leave through 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. MISSION SUNDAY

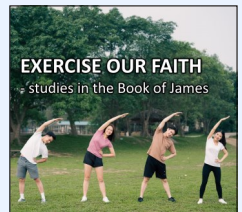
Today is our Diocesan Mission Sunday. Pray fervently. Give generously. Our mission teams are ready to minister:

- 8-9 Nov: EN team to conduct a medical camp at a few *kampung* around Sook area, led by Dr. George and Charles Yeo.
- 15-17 Nov: CH team to Kundasang, led by Ps. Margaret Chong.
- 22-23 Nov: BM team to Pitas, led by Rev. Samuel Sampe.

3. 'EXERCISE OUR FAITH'

What is true religion? How do we put our faith into practice? Today being our Mission Sunday, we learn how to exercise of faith through missions. "Be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves" - *James 1:22*. Topics for today and the next few weeks:

- today, 3 Nov: Mission Sunday - *Luke 10:1-9*
- 10 Nov: 'Be Patient' - *James 5:7-12*
- 17 Nov: 'Be Prayerful' - *James 5:13-20*
- 24 Nov: Mission Sharing by invited missionaries - *Luke 10:17-24*



4. CONGRATULATIONS

to Brandon Wong Khei Hang & Venus Chee Jing Er (EN congregation), on their wedding yesterday, 2 Nov.

5. UNICO CONFERENCE

Together with SIB LCC, we are organising this event for university and college students, with desire to learn 'how to host the presence of God'. Happening this coming 8-9 Nov, at our church, we call the young people and leaders to be part of a move of God's love and power. Our youth pastor, Ps. Andriano Bronio and Ps. Jastin Balinu, senior pastor of SIB LCC, will be the main facilitators. Pray for them and for the event.



6. OTHER MINISTRIES

- The **ASAA Kindergarten** is open for registration of children ages 4-5 in 2025. Details on the notice board.
- 9 Nov, 9:30 am - **Evergreens**, Omega Hall.
- 14 Nov - combined **prayer meeting**. We need to pray for the Christmas season. These will be our last prayer meeting for the year. Everyone is encouraged to join in.
- The **church office** will be closed for two days, 5-6 Nov. Reopens on Thurs, 7 Nov. For urgent pastoral needs, please contact our careline: 019-661 1558.
- Our **choir** is recruiting members for presentation at the KK Christmas celebration. If you are interested to join, please contact Vivienne (016-847 9073).
- The **flowers** for today are donated by Ben & Lucy Wong.

7. **THANK YOU** for your love and generosity for fire victims at Penangah. Our team delivered the donation in kinds last Friday, and ministered to the people there. Praise God for His protection and journey mercies.

8. **PROJEST INVEST - thank-you!!**

To date: RM141,780/- Last week: RM905/- Still needed: RM458,220/-

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Mission Sunday
Pray and Go
Luke 10:1-9

For reflection & discussion:

1. Have you been to overseas before? Have you enjoyed the food, the weather, the places? What is the most difficult part in your trip? Did you ever think of going for Sunday worship when you are on holiday?
2. Think of missionaries coming to Borneo in 1846, do you think they can adapt to the weather, food, toilets, etc.? Do you think these missionaries ever think of giving up on the missions? What made them move on and shared the Gospel with people in Borneo?
3. Luke 10:2 – What are we told to do by the Lord Jesus Christ towards the need of labourers in the harvest field? Have you prayed and seek God's help in sending out labourers into the harvest field?
4. Luke 10:4-8 – List out the things that the messengers must not do? The things they need to do?
5. Luke 10:9 – Two major tasks are mentioned here. What are they? We need to pray and do them daily.
6. Have you ever joined a mission trip before? If so, share your experience. If not, pray to join in one.

FOR PRAYER

Our beloved Nation

- for financial leadership

[pray for guidance and wisdom to receive, interpret, and administrate visions]

Our beloved Church

- for our mission teams to Sook, Kundasang and Pitas

[pray that we may be eager to share God's love with others]

Ourselves

- pray for courage to follow God's guidance and leading

[that we may commit ourselves to love and to serve]

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

DIOCESAN MISSION SUNDAY

He (Jesus) said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned... Then the disciples went out and preached everywhere, and the Lord worked with them and confirmed his word by the signs that accompanied it. (Mark 16:15-16,20)

It is said that when a church loses its missional mandate (planting churches and disciple-making), she loses her purpose and existence. Mission is not an activity or ministry department of a church. It must be the core, the heartbeat and primary purpose of the church. All activities of the church must be birthed, nurtured and reproduced in and for mission. The call to preach the Gospel (Matthew 16:15) and making disciples of ALL nations (Matthew 28:18-20) must be the integral and foundation of the church. The church exists because there is mission, not vice versa.

We praise God that under the leadership of our Diocesan Bishops, both past and present, always mobilize our churches never to lose focus on the core of mission i.e. evangelism and discipleship. This result in a new church-plants within our diocese and beyond in the mission fields. For the past 2 years, more than 10 outreach centers/sidangs have been planted in KK, Papar, Pitas, Kota Marudu, Minusuh, Merotai, Kalabakan, Sandakan, Keningau and Tenom.

For missions outside Sabah, we are thankful that the partnership with Diocese of Singapore in planting churches in our province's deaneries (Indonesia and Thailand) are growing steadily. 3 new works were started i.e. Tanjong Selor (capital of Kaltara), Malinau and Sekalayan Taka (near the border of Sabah). We also praise God for an Indonesian church member donated a 10-acre land near the new Indonesia capital Nusantara for future work.

As the work grows - the call for missionaries to be sent is louder. We need new missionaries to Thailand in our Rangsit Anglican Church. Anyone interested to serve long term (7 years or more) may contact me or through your church office. Seven years may shock most people, but this includes 1-2 years of Thai language study before anyone can effectively serve and minister.

On this Diocesan Mission Sunday, I encourage all to pray and generously give for the works of mission. Let this be our first priority after reading this message. May the Lord bless you and family.

Together for Christ's glory,
Bishop John Yeo

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