

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING OF MULTITUDES

Calling all Zone Mentors, CG Leaders, Assistant CG Leaders and Ministry Leaders! See you at the Gathering of Multitude (GOM) **next Sunday, 1 Oct, 2:30pm to 5.00pm at BPJ Centre Main Sanctuary.**

SHORT-TERM MISSIONS TRIPS

CG members, go for Short-term Missions (STM) trip and bless the nations!

Surabaya on 23-27 Nov Outreach to a slum community by teaching English, and ministry to believers in CGs.

Jakarta on 8-13 Dec (updated dates) Inspire teachers and volunteers in their outreach to an M community by teaching English.

Myanmar on 16-20 Dec Support local church in their Christmas outreach.

Trippers must be attending CG regularly. For more information, email aili.tay@cefc.org.sg

BREAKTHROUGH WEEKENDS

Early bird registration for CG members will end next Mon, 2 Oct. Register online through Voyager.

OCT DJ COLLECTION

The Discipleship Journal (DJ) for Oct 2017 is now available at our church website and Covenant EFC app. Hard copies are available at the Information Counter on Level 1 while stocks last.

DISCOVERY WEEKEND (DWE)

DWE is a one-day session for courting couples to see where they are and where God is in their relationship. This is happening on **Sat, 14 Oct, 8.45am – 5pm (lunch and breaks included) at BPJ Centre Chapel (Level 3).** Sign-up at the Information Counter on Sundays. Email fic@cefc.org.sg for enquiries.

TWO TO TANGO

Two to Tango is an outreach event for Covenanters to invite pre-believing couples who are married or about to get married. Dates: 4 Oct - 1 Nov (five Wed nights) Find out more and sign up at cefc.ch/twototango2017 To serve, go to cefc.ch/22tango-reg2017

STEP UP

Step up and join your Covenant family to serve! Find out more and sign up at <https://step-up.cefcapps.com>

If you have signed up, learn more about the ministry at Step-Up Welcome Tea on Sun, 8 Oct at BPJ Grace Sanctuary 2.30-3.30pm / WDL Sanctuary 12.30-1.30pm / East Centre 12.30-1.30pm.

CHRISTIANITY EXPLORED

Session 2 “Are all religions the same?” is happening today at 12.30pm at the auditorium.

VISION

AUTHENTIC
DISCIPLESHIP
& INTENTIONAL
DISCIPLEMAKING
OF A CERTAIN KIND

VISIBLE VALUES

- Grace
- Growth
- Godliness



UNDERLYING VALUES

- Truth
- Community
- Stewardship
- Balance
- Brokenness

COVENANT EFC

EAST CENTRE, 24 SEP 2017
SERVICE LEADER: JEREMY KOH ■ WORSHIP LEADER: DAVID CHONG

A Bridge to Jesus

VINCENT CHIA, OUTREACH MINISTRY

For God, who said,
“Let light shine out of
darkness,” has shone in our hearts
to give the light of the knowledge
of the glory of God in the face of
Jesus Christ. – 2 Corinthians 4:6

Community Blessings started in 2011 with the intent of bringing the church closer to the community through the involvement of CGs and individuals wanting to shine brightly for Jesus.

Till date, Covenant EFC has collaborations with grassroots, social service sectors, family service centres and even hospitals, where there are ministry opportunities like monthly storytelling for community, tuition for the poor, home makeover, as well as befriending elderly living alone.

Madam A was regularly visited by a Covenanter as part of our befriending efforts. After a few months of friendship, relationship building and through divine appointments,

Madam A started attending church and gave her life to Jesus, much to the joy of her daughter who is also a Christian.

A young boy, befriended from our monthly storytelling sessions anchored by a CG, has also given his life to Jesus. After much prayer and perseverance in inviting him to KidzBlast, Easter service and Christmas service, the Covenanters were able to keep in touch with him regularly resulting in him attending Sunbeam and now WEB.

In both life stories, relationship was the key in bridging people to Jesus! So as we B.L.E.S.S. the community around us, may our lives encourage, enlighten and in His time, evangelise others!

Would you consider being part of this ministry? Let's come together and shine brightly to make a difference in the community as a bridge to Jesus!

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ONE CHURCH MULTIPLE CENTRES:

BPJ Centre: 8.30am, 10.30am & 12.30pm ■ WDL Centre: 8.30am & 10.30am ■ East Centre: 10.00am (Pre-service prayer: 9.30am)

Tel: (65) 6892 6811 ■ Email: mail@cefc.org.sg ■ Website: www.cefc.org.sg

Facebook: www.facebook.com/CovenantEvangelicalFreeChurch

SERMON OUTLINE

“Are You with ME?”

SCRIPTURE: EZRA 8:1-14 ■ SERMON: PS BARNEY LAU

Introduction

A. A Discipleship That's Born Out of God's Covenant Faithfulness

B. A Discipleship That Walks with God in Covenant Obedience

Conclusion

NEXT WEEK'S SERMON SPEAKERS:

1 OCT – REV TAN KAY KIONG (BPJ), REV DR CHUA CHUNG KAI (WDL) AND REV TONY YEO (EAST)

LAST WEEK'S SERMON SUMMARY

Serving God Together

SCRIPTURE: ZECHARIAH 8:9 ■ SERMON: REV TONY YEO

Introduction

Globalisation highlighted the age of participation we are living in today. People no longer “consume” media passively, but actively participate by putting in or taking out from the social network like creating content. There was a time in the life of God's people that the prophet Zechariah was calling for an age of participation rather than just being spectators, bystanders, and watchers.

Two significant questions to ask in serving God together:

A. Why We Serve

“To the end that the temple might be built.”

1. Context – God is calling the Jews to rebuild the temple in Jerusalem. Zechariah provides an apocalyptic and eschatological picture of the new Zion and new Jerusalem with old people sitting around and young people playing around. A picture of **family** (Zech 8:1-8).
2. The building of God's temple was important spiritually, nationally and historically. They faced intimidating opposition, incompatible priorities, and incremental drifting wondering if their little contribution would make any difference.
3. We are the present-day temple individually (1 Cor 6:19). Commit to learning and growing individually.
4. We are also the present-day temple collectively (1 Cor3:16). Commit to be part of the local church.
5. It's God's design and desire that we build the temple of God **together** individually and collectively for the glory of God.

B. How We Serve

“.. let your hands be strong ... you who are listening ... to these words from the mouth of the prophets”

1. Stay Strong – “Let your hands be strong ...” What cause our hands not to be strong? Discouragement, Defilement and Difficulties.
2. Listen Up – “you who are listening ... to these words from the mouth of the prophets...”
 - a. Listen Up to God's Voice. John 10:3 “The sheep hear his voice.” Two voices in this world: father of lies (condemning, negative which leads to despair, helplessness, hopelessness) or the Father of Life (redemptive, restorative and life-giving).
 - b. Listen Up to Godly Leaders – Prophets spoke God's word to God's people.
 - c. Listen Up to God's Word – Read the Word and find out what God is saying to you in the situation you are facing.
3. Finish Well – “to the end that the temple might be built” Complete what you start. Keep the big picture in view — more than just building the temple, God wants to build His people and the larger Body of Christ.
4. Focus: What purpose and task is God calling you to serve Him?

Conclusion

God: Can I count on you? Give me your heart. Give your very best!