

# Announcements

## ALPHA: HOW DOES GOD GUIDE US?

Alpha is a series of informal and relaxed sessions exploring the Christian faith. Many have come to know Christ through Alpha. Invite your pre-believing loved ones or friends!

**Date:** 16 May (Wed) **Time:** 7.00pm - 9.30pm  
**Venue:** YMCA Orchard 1 Orchard Road (238824)

**Register at <http://alpha.cefcapps.com>**  
For enquiries, email [alpha@cefc.org.sg](mailto:alpha@cefc.org.sg)

## MISSIONARY COMMISSIONING

We warmly invite you to celebrate with us as we commission our Covenant Missionaries on **3 Jun, 2.30 pm at WDL Centre Main Sanctuary**. Please RSVP at <https://tinyurl.com/commissioning2018> (password: MissCom2018) by 16 May.

## CAMP COVENANT BRIEFING

If you are attending Camp Covenant, do attend the Camp Prayer and Briefing **next Sun, 20 May at WDL Centre Sanctuary at 1.30pm-3.00pm**.

## HOKKIEN PARENTS' NIGHT

Honour and show your love to your parents by inviting them to the Hokkien Parents' Night.

**Date:** 26 May (Sat) **Time:** 7pm - 9pm  
**Venue:** WDL Centre Main Sanctuary (Level 2)  
**Guest Speaker:** 周黛兰姐妹  
Free buffet dinner starts at 5.45pm (first-come, first-served). Admission is free. For enquiries, call 6892 6811.

## MANDARIN PARENTS' APPRECIATION LUNCH

**You can still buy tickets only for today** at the foyer as more tables have been added due to high demand. We have limited tickets left so don't miss the opportunity!

## FAMILIES-IN-COVENANT

Families-in-Covenant and Generations of Virtue (GOV) are organising an All the King's Daughters event titled "My Mother is Better than Google" for mums and their 8 to 12-year-old daughters. Julie Hiramine and Carol Loi of GOV will be there to explore these questions:

How do media and technology affect my relationships? How can we be wise with the power of technology placed in our hands?  
**Date and Time:** 26 May, Sat, 9am - 12pm (Registration starts at 8.30am)

**Venue:** WDL Centre (Level 4 - Love, Joy, Peace, Patience Rooms)  
**Fee:** \$10 per person  
Sign up at [cefc.ch/ATKD2018](http://cefc.ch/ATKD2018) and pay at the Information Counter.

## CHURCH STAFF RECRUITMENT

We are looking for **Executive (Global Alliance)**. For more information, please go to <https://www.cefc.org.sg/about-us/recruitment>. Applicants should either be a church or CG member, with a heart to answer God's call in their lives in furthering Covenant EFC's mission. Interested candidates, please email your resumes to [hr@cefc.org.sg](mailto:hr@cefc.org.sg)

## NEW LIFE FRIENDS' DAY

Come and join us as we celebrate New Life Friends' Day **next Sun, 20 May at the worship services in BPJ, WDL and East Centres**. Hear the different testimonies of how Covenanters love the community for Christ, and find out the different platforms by which you can be a blessing to the community. Be inspired to Give to a Need and to be a Gift to a Life!

## CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Ps Adrian Chan and Sandra Chi for successfully completing their two-year Master of Theological Studies degree.



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**ONE CHURCH MULTIPLE CENTRES**  
**BPJ Centre:**  
Sun 8.30am, 10.30am, 12.30pm

**WDL Centre:**  
Sun 8.30am & 10.30am

**East Centre:**  
Sun 9am & 11am

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## Leaving a Godly Legacy

STACEY TAY, WOMEN-IN-COVENANT

**M**other's Day was first celebrated in 1908 by Anna Jarvis who held a memorial for her late mother Ann Reeves Jarvis, who had been a peace activist who cared for wounded soldiers on both sides of the American Civil War. Anna's original intent was to continue her mother's work and to honour her.

Over the years, the Mother's Day celebration has become commercialised and is almost inextricably linked to carnations and chocolates. But it is still a time for us to remember and honour our mothers. We honour them not just because they raised us or that they are notable citizens like Ann Jarvis; we honour them because our Heavenly Father instructed us to "honour your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land which the Lord your God gives you" (Exo 20:12). Respecting, caring and providing for them pleases God, who cares for all our families.

Those of us who are mothers also need to remember the sacred trust God has given us

in our children. We have a finite time to influence them. At this time of the year, I am reminded of my natural mother who passed on unexpectedly when I was 12 years old. I wonder if she would have done anything differently if she knew she were to be called home earlier than expected. It has influenced my own motherhood. I truly treasure the moments I have with my own children. I deposit life skills and testimonies of my own walk with the Lord so that they can have a godly legacy even when I am no longer around.

After my natural mother passed on, I had a wonderful and prayerful step-mother who raised me and my brother. She deposited her godly legacy in us. God guarded my growing years. From this I discovered that as parents, we have a promise that our children will be "taught by the Lord" (Isa 54:13). We need not fear for our children, because we have a deep assurance that God holds our families in His hand.

# Sermon Outline

## Coming Home

SCRIPTURE: RUTH 1:1-22 • SERMON: SANDRA CHI

### Introduction

#### A. Home Is Where You Are Known

#### B. Home Is Where You Are Unconditionally Loved

#### C. Home Is Where You Find Hope

### Conclusion

Coming Home to God

**NEXT WEEK'S SERMON SPEAKERS:**

20 MAY – REV TAN KAY KIONG (BPJ), PS LEE DA-WIN (WDL) AND REV TONY YEO (EAST)

# Last Week's Sermon Summary

## When the Pressure Is On

SCRIPTURE: ACTS 4:1-31 • SERMON: PS ANDY LEW

### Introduction

The Church has grown from 120 to 5,000 and everything was going well. But now the first recorded opposition in the ministry of Peter and John happens.

How do we respond to pressure and opposition?

#### A. We Must Stand UP (vv.1-22)

1. After the healing of the lame man, Peter and John were arrested because the priests and the Sadducees were “greatly annoyed”. They stood in the Jewish supreme court and were questioned: “By what power or by what name did you do this?” (vv.1-7) But Peter and John boldly and unashamedly declared Jesus Christ.
2. We must stand up in spiritual authority (vv.8, 13a). They had an authority that went beyond their education.
3. We must stand up as a living witness (vv.13b-22).
  - a. The priest saw Jesus in them – “recognized that they have been with Jesus”. Peter and John had become like their master.
  - b. The priests could not stop Peter and John from talking about Jesus (v.20). They refused to be silent as witnesses for Christ.
4. Question: How much do people see Jesus in us? Meet Jesus daily in His Word.
5. Summary: When we are with Jesus, we can stand up for Jesus!

#### B. We Must Stand ON (vv.23-30)

1. Peter and John immediately returned to the community after their encounter with the Sanhedrin.
2. We must stand on prayer with one another (vv.25-26).
3. We must stand on the power to endure (vv.27-31). They did not ask God to take away their suffering, but to give them boldness (vv.29, 31). They anchored their prayer on the suffering of David (Psa 1:1-2) and the sovereignty of God (vv.24, 28).
4. Illustration: Commissioning five missionary units to the field this year!
5. Summary: Stand on the power of prayer!

### Conclusion

Testimony: Belinda Lee – from a party girl to World Vision Ambassador

Stay close with Jesus and stand up for Jesus!