

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pray for Rev Lee Fatt Ping as he prepares to speak on Sunday (30 January) from 1 Cor. 10:1-13. Message title: "Standing Strong Against Evil." Service will be livestreamed at 9:00 am at bit.ly/gracebpsersmons.

Session Meeting today at 2:30 pm. Pray that God will grant wisdom to the leaders and guide them as they discuss ministry matters.

Pray for Pastor as he speaks in the Indonesian Service (Global Assembly English Service) via Zoom this evening at 5.00pm.

Church Prayer time on Sunday 30 January immediately after the worship service. Let's come together and pray for the church. It will be a 45 min prayer time in the Chapel. No Bible Classes.

Grace Adult Fellowship will have a combined meeting with Life B-P Church Golden Age Fellowship via Zoom with Dr Jack Beck on "Making Bible Geography Meaningful." Date: 19 February. Time of meeting: 10 am - 12 pm. Life B-P Golden Age Fellowship will host it.

Floral Slots are available on 20 & 27 February.

NEXT WEEK'S APPOINTMENTS

Speaker	Rev Lee Fatt Ping
Worship Leader	Dn David Leong
Musicians	Dn Jeremy Hor, Adrian Teo
Singer/s	Dn Chea Oei Kiang, Lim Sue San
Scripture Reader	Jonathan Sam
AV Ministry	Dn Daniel Tan, Joshua Lim
Ushers	Dn Allan Lim, Dn Daniel Tan, Lee Kee Min
Junior Worship	Hannah Yeo
Pre-Primary Worship	Jolene Cheng
Flowers	Mrs Irene Seah
Prayer Meeting Devotion	Hannah Yeo

LAST WEEK'S GIVINGS

Offerings	\$ 2, 348.00
Tithes	\$ 2, 935.00
Moral Home	\$ 231.00
Clothes project	

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LET US PRAY

Join us in praying for the church and the world via Zoom. Please contact Rev Tan at 9784 2761 for Zoom meeting ID and password. You may also email us your prayer items at prayer@gracebpc.org.sg

MEDITATE ON GOD'S WORD

*I'm Not So Bad
Every way of
a man is right
in his own eyes,
but the Lord
weighs the heart.*

Proverbs 21:2 (ESV)

CHURCH LEADERSHIP

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OUR MISSION

To bring people to salvation in Jesus Christ and disciple them in their relationship with Christ.

OUR VISION

To be a church that is passionate about God, transformed by the Word, authentic in relationship, and bold in witness.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude

Call to Worship

The Lord Is in His Holy Temple

Opening Song

There Is a Higher Throne

Opening Prayer

Gloria Patri

Worship in Song

Psalms 23

Responsive Reading

Proverbs 3:13-20 (KJV)

Giving and Thanksgiving

Doxology

Scripture Reading

Haggai 1:1-15 (ESV)

Pre-Sermon Song

MH165 The Church's One Foundation

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon

Moving Forward as a Church

Closing song

MH96 O God, Our Help in Ages

Benediction

Threefold Amen

Month of January 2022 Preaching Schedule

2 Jan	Numbers 5
9 Jan	Church Anniversary
16 Jan	Walking Together
23 Jan	Moving Forward as a Church
30 Jan	Standing Strong Against Evil

Sunday Worship & Activities

9.00am Main Service	9.30am Junior Worship	11.00am Bible Classes (7-12 yrs old)
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UNLOCK THE POWER OF FAMILY HABITS IN 2022

By Justin Whitmel Earley

A few years ago, I wrote an article for TGC explaining why habits have a far greater spiritual effect than resolutions. Now I am in the thick of my parenting years, and it is more true than ever.

I would strongly urge parents at the turn of the year: Make habits, not resolutions. Here's why.

Why Not Resolutions?

Resolutions feel great. When you declare that you will quit hitting snooze, lose 20 pounds this year, and read the whole Bible in a year, there is a momentary elation at the thought of your brand-new self. The problem is, that's all there is: a dream without a plan. A little lie we tell ourselves to feel good for a moment. All forgotten by February.

The longing to change is built into our spiritual DNA. Resolutions, though, don't honor the way that change usually happens—through small, incremental, growth in community. What we need is habits.

Why Habits?

Habits are the little things we do over and over without thinking about them. And the tiny and subconscious nature of habits makes them powerful. Why? Because they create our "normal." Normal life is what stays with you from January through December. Normal life is what shapes your kids, your body, your schedule, and your heart.

The habits of the household are the engine of a family's spiritual formation.

Examine Your Ordinary This Year

Before you make new habits this year, let's be practical.

During the past year, as I worked on my book on habits and parenting, *Habits of the Household: Practicing the Story of God in Everyday Family Rhythms*, I began to realize that the more ordinary a habit seems, the more extraordinary its power is. I ended up writing chapters about ordinary moments of the day, because that's when most family discipleship happens. Here are some examples that convicted me and got me thinking.

Waking: What are your morning habits? Is swiping the phone the first thing you do, or do you prioritize spiritual disciplines? Does rush characterize your schedule? Do you pay more attention to media and alerts than children?

Mealtime: How often do you eat together? Are there questions that help engage children and draw out relationships? Are guests and neighbors ever invited?

Moments of Discipline: What are your instincts with your kids in their daily moments of misbehavior? Do you bark orders from across the room? Or do you pause and take a moment to pray before you discipline?

Screen Time: When is it normal to watch screens in your house? Is this something that brings everyone together, or something that sends people to their corners? Are you curating the things your family reads, listens to, or watches? Or do tech-company algorithms choose for you?

Family Devotions: When do people in your family have a chance to pray together? When do you have a chance to talk to your kids about how everyone's walk with Jesus is going? Is this an awkward, serious time when kids are told to be quiet and listen, or a normal part of your day when kids can engage and ask questions?

Church and Worship: Has the pandemic normalized skipping church or dropping out of small group? Have you worked to reclaim these since having them disrupted? Remember that parents have the incredible power of shaping what's normal in children's lives. It's impossible to overestimate the gift we give when we fight to make communal worship part of our normal weekly rhythm.

If you're like me, then a first read of this list can make you feel more guilty than excited. But remind yourself that guilt does not have a seat at the table of the Christian life (Rom. 8:1). Repent of any sin, confess it to the Lord, and then rejoice. Christ took all of our condemnation on the cross; there is no more left for us! Your habits won't change God's love for you, but God's love for you should change your habits.

The New Year could be a time when new habits become your pattern. Don't waste the Holy Spirit's prompting you toward change. Instead, look at your habits as a matter of discipleship; Jesus is using them to make you new.

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