### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

A very warm welcome to Rev. Steven Tan. He is a Pastor of Evangel Christian Church.

Pray for Rev. Joseph Tee as he prepares to speak on Sunday (7 September) from Mk. 5:21-43. Message title: "Jesus Sees You". Rev. Tee is the Asst Pastor of Zion Serangoon B-P Church. Service will also be live-streamed at 9.30am at bit.ly/gracebpsermons. Holy Communion will be observed.

Session meeting English Service Session will be meeting this afternoon. Pray that God will guide our leaders as they discuss and plan for the different ministries of the church

Bible Class Open Session on 7 September. The topic that we will be exploring together is "The Lord of My Leisure"

Jubilee Church Camp 2026 will be held from 17-20 June 2026. Venue: Grand Paragon Hotel, Johore Bahru. Please block out the dates as we learn about our Jubilee in Christ.

**NEXT SUNDAY'S APPOINTMENTS** 

Rev. Joseph Tee

Chervl Chiu. Esther Chiu

Nathanael Goh, Sarah Goh

Allan Lim, Lynna Seah,

Dn. Lim Chien Chong

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**Eld Victor Goh** 

Goh Jee Eng

Tan Chew Gim

Hannah Yeo

Mildred Chien

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# Available slots for contribution:

Floral: 21 Sep, 26 Oct

Refreshment: 21, 28 Sep, 30 Nov

Speaker

Musicians

**AV Ministry** 

Ushers

Chrysalis 2

Chrysalis 1

**Flowers** 

Refreshments

**Prayer Meeting Devotion** 

**Worship Leader** 

Scripture Reader

#### LAST WEEK'S GIVINGS

Offerings 1, 911.00 **Tithes** \$ 1, 144,00

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#### **LET US PRAY**

Join us in praying for the church and the world via Zoom. Please contact Dn. David at 9818 7789 for 700m meeting ID and password. You may also email us your prayer items at prayer@gracebpc.org.sg

#### MEDITATE ON GOD'S WORD

# **Month of August**

Keep a close watch on yourself and on the teaching. Persist in this, for by so doing you will save both yourself and your hearers.

1 Timothy 4:16 ESV

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Speaker

Lunch

7 Sep Jesus Sees You

Rev. Steven Tan

Worship Leader

#### **OUR MISSION OUR VISION** To bring people to salvation in To be a church that is passionate about God, Jesus Christ and disciple them in transformed by the Word, authentic in relationship,

Dn. David Leong	their relationship with Christ.	and bold in witness.	
<b>Musicians</b> Joanna Hor	ORDER OF WORSHIP		
Nathanael Goh	Prelude		
Scripture Reader	Fielude		
Janice Lee	Call to Worship	The Lord Is in His Holy Temple	
AV Ministry	can to worship	The Lord is in this flory Temple	
Carol Lee	Opening Song	Ancient of Days	
Janice Lee	5,4 5 5	,,,	
Ushers	Opening Prayer		
Tan Teck Shi	,		
Allan Lim	Worship in Song	It was Finished Upon the Cross	
Chrysalis 2		The Lord Is My Salvation	
Leong Ling Ling			
Hannah Yeo	Responsive Reading	Psalm 31:1-18 (KJV)	
Chrysalis 1			
Lim Sue San	Giving and Thanksgiving	I Will Wait for You (Psalm 130)	
Flowers			
Tay Boon Jin	Doxology		

Gospel Sunday Lunch	<b>Scripture Reading</b>	John 3: 1-8 (ESV)

Month of September	Pre-Sermon Song	He Will Hold Me Fast
Preaching Schedule		
an Innia Cons Vair	Pastoral Prayer	

(Mk. 5:21-43) 14 Sep "Caring for the	Sermon	I May Not Be Perfect but I'm Ok!	
Vulnerable"		5 10	
(1 Ti. 5:9-16)	Closing Song	Reach Out to Jesus	
21 Sep "Honouring Good,			

Benediction

Correcting Wrong"	Benediction	Three-fold Amen
(1 Ti. 5:17-25)		
28 Sep "Worshipping the Holy	Announcements	
God" (2) - The Danger	& Prayer	

Sunday Worship & Activities

Ex. 20:1-6)

of Idolatry (Dt. 6:4-9;

9.30am Main Service 10.00am Junior Worship (7-12 vrs old)

Three-fold Amen

11.30am Bible Classes

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#### ALL GOOD WITHOUT GOD IS EVIL

# By John Piper

There is enormous pressure on you today to think of the good — good, opposite of evil — to think of "good" in ways that have nothing to do with God. Just think now: "Okay I call that good, I call that good, I call that good," and God is never even in your mind when you say it. And so does the world. So you can strip God out, strip the Son of God out, strip a heart out that is dependent on God and delighting in God — just strip all that out and still have good.

This is what Paul said in Romans 14:23: "Whatever does not proceed from faith is sin." That's *devastating* for everybody in the world. Whatever action, whatever attitude does not proceed from faith is sin. Here's the way Hebrews 11:6 puts it: "Without faith it is impossible to please him [God]."

So on this last point, I'm asking, "Okay, what's the glory of the Christian life?" And Paul and the writer to the Hebrews are saying your life is just sin and your life is just displeasing to God unless there's faith; that is, unless there's an embracing of God as supremely valuable.

Don't reduce faith to affirmations of sentences that Satan himself knows are true. Faith is the reception and the embrace of all that God is for us in Jesus, with a restful contentment and joy. And Paul says, and Hebrews says, where that is not happening, life is evil. Sin. That's as radical as you can get.

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Author Biography: John Piper is founder and teacher of desiringGod.org and chancellor of Bethlehem College & Seminary. For more than thirty years, he served as pastor of Bethlehem Baptist Church, Minneapolis. He is author of more than fifty books, and his sermons, articles, books, and more are available free of charge at desiringGod.org.

## **BPCIS UPDATE**

## 31 August 2025

#### THE POWER OF STORY

I once heard a speaker from Disney who shared about a girl who left her teddy bear behind after visiting Disneyland. Her parents wrote to ask if it could be found and returned. Disney not only returned the bear but sent with it a story titled, "My Adventures at Disneyland" told firsthand by the lost bear. I was fascinated by the creativity behind what could have been a simple administrative procedure.

#### TRUE STORIES.

If made-up stories like the one by the left-behind bear could appeal, how much more true stories! We have been telling such stories (or testimonies) on our BPCIS website. Two latest stories come from Mount Carmel BPC, one by someone who failed in school, suffered deep inferiority complex, and found her identity and worth. Another is by a caregiver who journeyed with her stroke-incapacitated sister for over 20 years.

In the coming months, we plan to feature such life stories, church by church. We will also hear from our pastors what they share as reflections with their churches. Remember to log in to <a href="mailto:bpcis.org.sg">bpcis.org.sg</a>.

#### STORY OF BPCIS

As we celebrate our 15th Anniversary in 2026, we will put together a video, "The Story of BPCIS" from the time it was launched in 2011. More than 20 years after the BP denomination was disbanded in 1988 (with the Dissolution of the BP Synod), 11 BP churches have regathered to support one another in fellowship and service. Mark Saturday, 19 September 2026, for the Thanksgiving Dinner.

#### THE GREATEST STORY

All stories converge on the greatest Story ever told: the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Next year, our Good Friday services will be decentralised to 3 locations: churches in the West at Mount Carmel BPC, Central at Zion Bishan BPC, East at Shalom BPC. The Chinese service will be centralised at Zion Serangoon ZPC. Our Easter Sunrise Service will be at MacRitchie Reservoir. More details in due time.

Finally, remember us in prayer as we convene our Annual Presbytery Meeting on Saturday, 20 September, to elect new office-holders, and listen to guest speaker Rev Lee Hann Yang of Evangel BPC on the topic: "Mandarin Ministry: Sunset or Sunrise?" Appropriately, the venue is the newly acquired worship place of our Chinese-speaking church, Mount Gerizim BPC, at Woodlands 11.

"We will not hide them from their children, but tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the Lord, and his might, and the wonders that he has done." Psalm 78:4 ESV

Pastor David Wong General Secretary, BPCIS