

It's Harvest Time

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Catch the Vision, Stand in the Gap, Make a Difference
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The Fields Are
READY!
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Church Events Jan - May

05 Jan Consecration/ Prayer Sunday	19 Jan Baby Dedication	29 Jan COS Thanksgiving Service	15 Feb Pre AGM Q&A	19 Feb Healing Service	22 Feb Annual General Meeting
02 Mar Make A Difference (M.A.D) Sunday	19 Mar Healing Service	18-19 Mar Vacation Bible Camp	29-30 Mar Mission Weekend	05 Apr Evaluation Meeting I	06 Apr Combined Prayer Meeting
14-17 Apr Fast and Pray Week	16 Apr Healing Service	18 Apr Good Friday Outreach (Hok)	20 Apr Resurrection Sunday	04 May Water Baptism	10 May Mothers Day Outreach (Hok)
21 May Healing Service					

2025

Upcoming Church Events Jun - Jul

04-06 Jun Creative Arts Workshop	10-13 Jun Annual Bible Camp	18 Jun Healing Service	21 Jun Parents Day Outreach (E/M)	22-26 Jun Hokkien Bible Camp	29 Jun Baby Dedication
12 Jul Missions Emphasis Workshop	12-13 Jul Missions Emphasis Weekend	16 Jul Healing Service	19-20 Jul Missions Emphasis Weekend		

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Let's

Arise & SHINE!



The fields are ripe, and God is calling us to step into the harvest! This year's theme, "It's Harvest Time. Let's Go!" emphasizes the urgency in embracing the Lord's vision for the lost.

“The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few.”
(Matthew 9:37)

Will you answer His call? These words inspire us to shift from mere agreement to active participation.

Faith without work is lifeless (James 2:17). Let's reignite our faith with vibrant action! Begin by investing in relationships—listen closely to those around you, share your experiences, and let your story led others to Christ.

Our church offers training sessions to equip you with the confidence and skills needed to effectively share the Gospel. Standing in the gap for our communities and missionaries isn't just a suggestion; it's our mandate.

Love in action transforms lives. Join our outreach initiatives or collaborate with organizations that meet practical needs in your area.

Organize a Life Group gathering—invite friends, neighbors, or coworkers you've been praying for. A picnic, a walk in the park, or a coffee chat can create sacred spaces for God to work.

Jesus said, "Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven" (Matthew 5:16).

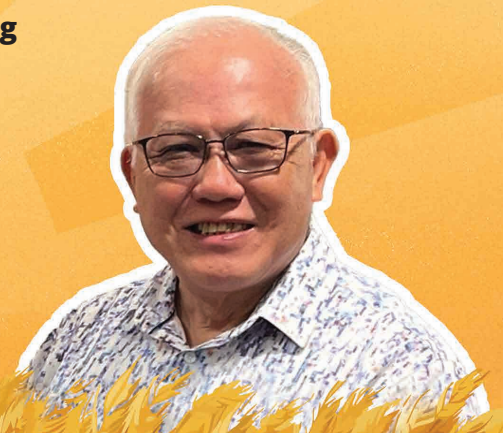
No act of kindness is too small. Tutor a struggling student, visit an elderly neighbour, or assist a foreign worker in need. As Paul said, "By all possible means, save some" (1 Corinthians 9:22).

Consider serving on a mission trip or mentoring—your willingness to help could lead others to discover Jesus.

Look around; God is moving through our church with transformed lives, restored communities, and renewed hope. This is our moment! The harvest is ready.

The time is now, brothers and sisters. Let's respond to God's call with boldness and make a tangible impact for His kingdom!

Foong Daw Ching
Elder



FEATURE ARTICLE
THE FIELDS ARE READY



(Make A Difference)



M.A.D Sunday

Making a Difference in our Community
Transforming Others and Ourselves



We held our first-ever Make A Difference (M.A.D.) Sunday on 2nd March 2025—a day when, as a church family in Christ, we committed to making a meaningful impact across various locations in Singapore.

Through different ministries and initiatives, we sought not only to bless our communities in practical ways but, more importantly, to minister to them spiritually.

While we have been engaged in community outreach through Tung Ling Community Services, Elder Care, and Student Care since 1977, many members have yet to take an active role in these efforts.

Beyond these longstanding initiatives, we have also expanded our reach through the Bread Distribution Project at Marine Terrace, Door-to-Door Evangelism in Redhill, and Street Evangelism in Chinatown and Punggol, alongside the English and Mandarin Alpha Courses held in our church.

Additionally, various interest groups—such as Cycling, Gardening, Ukulele, Zumba, Photography, Taste & See, and Table Tennis—serve as platforms for both fellowship among members and opportunities for non-Christians to connect with us.

Though M.A.D. Sunday has come to an end, in reality, it has only just begun.

The Lord has mobilized over 110 members in more than 130 outreach efforts, touching the lives of countless individuals who may one day walk through the gates of heaven.

If you have not yet signed up for any M.A.D. initiatives, now is the time! Join us as we partner with the Lord in His work, reaching out to the community and ushering souls into the Kingdom of God.

Koh Chin Kok

Cantonese Service Service-in-charge
M.A.D Sunday Committee Member

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Alpha

Casting nets harvesting souls

What is Alpha?

Alpha is a powerful, Holy Spirit-led evangelism program that equips churches and individuals to share the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Developed by Nicky Gumbel and the Alpha team, this innovative approach combines engaging talks, open discussions, and warm hospitality to create a safe and welcoming space for people to explore the Christian faith.

Why Alpha Works

Alpha's unique blend of intellectual curiosity, emotional connection, and spiritual exploration speaks to people from all walks of life.

By addressing life's big questions, Alpha helps individuals discover the relevance and significance of Jesus Christ in a way that is both authentic and accessible.

Why We Are Running Alpha

We believe that Jesus Christ is the answer to humanity's deepest needs. Every person deserves to experience His love, forgiveness, and the life-changing transformation that comes from knowing Him.

By running Alpha, we are joining a global movement that is impacting lives—one conversation at a time.

How You Can Partner with Us

- Invite your friends, family, or colleagues to explore Christianity in a relaxed and supportive environment.
- Serve as an Alpha Facilitator and help others discover the joy of knowing Jesus.
- Support Alpha in prayer—that every guest will encounter Jesus, experience His transformative power, and embrace His perfect love.

Together, let's share the love and message of Jesus Christ with a world that needs Him.

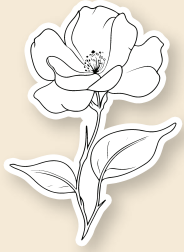
Whether you're a church leader, a passionate evangelist, or simply curious about Alpha, we invite you to partner with us in advancing the Kingdom of God.

Cooper Kin

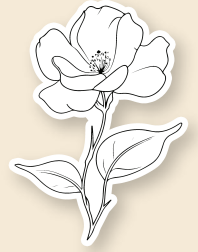
Evangelism Ministry Assistant Head

To find out how you can get involved in the Alpha Ministry, please contact Cooper Kin at 9755 0468.

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GRACE MINISTRY



A Quiet Yet Powerful Witness of God's Love

In the heart of our Bilingual Service lies a team of dedicated individuals who serve quietly yet powerfully through what we call the Grace Ministry.

While their work often goes unnoticed by many, their ministry leaves a deep and lasting impression on the families they serve, especially in times of grief and loss.

What is the Grace Ministry?

The Grace Ministry is a pastoral care initiative that provides support to bereaved families by conducting memorial services with compassion, dignity, and reverence.

These services are thoughtfully prepared and lovingly carried out by a team of church members—many of whom have been faithfully serving in this ministry for over 15 years.

They come alongside grieving families, not only to facilitate the memorial, but to serve as vessels of God's peace and love.

Whether it's through a comforting word, a heartfelt prayer, or the singing of worship songs, the Grace Ministry reminds families that they are not alone in their time of sorrow.



Reaching Out Through Compassion

What often surprises families is not just the quality of the memorial service, but the spirit behind it.

Non-believing family members and relatives are frequently moved by the sincerity and care shown by the Grace team.

The songs sung, the prayers offered, and the gentle presence of the team have brought peace to many hearts in distress.

Time and time again, we hear how families have felt a tangible sense of love, something different from what they've experienced elsewhere.

In fact, some have even asked, "How much do you charge for this?" thinking such professionalism must come with a cost.

When they hear that it is freely given out of love, they are deeply touched. It's in these moments that the love of Christ is not just spoken but shown.



**Surely your goodness
and love will follow me
all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the
house of the Lord forever.**
Psalms 23:6



Planting Seeds, Reaping a Harvest

The Grace Ministry doesn't end with the memorial service.

After the funeral, the pastoral team often follows up with the family—visiting them, listening to them, and gently sharing the hope we have in Christ.

There have been instances where, through this ministry, family members have come to faith in Jesus. The peace they encountered during the memorial, coupled with the love extended by our team, opened their hearts to the gospel.

Sometimes, it is in our moments of greatest sorrow that we become most open to God's comfort.



A Ministry of Love

The Grace Ministry is more than just a service—it is a labor of love, a ministry of presence, and a reflection of God's grace in action.

We thank God for the faithful men and women who serve in this team, who offer their time and hearts to comfort others in their most vulnerable moments.

This ministry of love is not unique to the Bilingual Service. Across our English, Mandarin, Hokkien, and Cantonese congregations, similar Grace Ministry teams also serve with the same spirit of compassion and Christlike love—each expressing it in their own meaningful and culturally distinctive ways.

Together, they reflect the heart of our church: to be a channel of God's grace to those who need it most.

Let us continue to keep this ministry in prayer. May it remain a beacon of God's compassion and a gentle bridge for many to experience His saving grace.

Tracy Lim
Bilingual Service Pastoral Staff

STAND IN THE GAP
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Watchnight Prayer Meeting

A Time of Reflection and Renewal

On 31 December at 10:30 PM, 134 members gathered for our Watchnight Prayer Meeting, uniting as a family to intercede for our loved ones, the church, and the nation.

It was a precious time of thanksgiving, reflecting on God's blessings over the past year and placing our trust in Him for the year ahead.

As we gave thanks for His faithfulness through a challenging year, we also sought His guidance and leading as we stepped into the new year.

Sister Sandra Lim shared a moving testimony on the power of forgiveness, love, and restored relationships, reminding us of God's grace at work in our lives.

The prayer meeting concluded with a Consecration Prayer and Benediction, sealing the night in faith and commitment to God.

May this sacred gathering continue to grow each year, drawing more brothers and sisters in COS to seek the Lord together.

If you have never attended a Watchnight Prayer Meeting, make this the year to start.

Let us come together to reflect, give thanks, and dedicate the new year to God, stepping forward with renewed zeal for Him.

Amen!

Ng Kok Hwa
English Service Service-in-charge
2024 Watchnight Prayer chairperson



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D25 LET'S PROCLAIM!

A celebration of joy

The 2024 Christmas Outreach stood out for three key reasons.

First, it took place on Christmas Day itself, rather than over the weekend as in previous years, raising concerns about low attendance.

Second, the programme was designed to feature only songs composed by members of Church of Singapore, which made us anxious about whether we could find songs that were both suitable and evangelistic.

Third, we had only three rehearsals to pull the entire programme together—hardly enough time for an all-new production. We knew we had to exercise faith to overcome our insecurities.

It began with a burden to use songs written by our own members as a means of evangelism. At first, we were uncertain whether such an approach would effectively fulfil our evangelistic purpose. However, as we committed the plan to prayer and chose to obey, the outcome became a powerful testament to God's faithfulness.



On Christmas morning, more than 700 people attended the outreach, and many responded to the call for salvation. Beyond the numbers, this outreach affirmed something deeper - using the gifts are talents that God has entrusted and given to us for His glory.

Reaching out to the lost is not only our Christian mission, but also a test of obedience. In fulfilling the Great Commission, we find true fulfilment in Christ. Doing His work brings us the greatest joy and encourages us to live lives aligned with His purpose.

As affirmed in Ephesians 2:10: "For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do."

We hope this testimony of God's goodness will inspire more members to compose songs of worship that glorify Him and encourage all of us to evangelise boldly and proclaim His greatness.

Paul Yeo
Bilingual Service Service-in-charge
D25 Outreach Chairperson

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REACHING OUT & SOWING SEEDS OF *Truth & Love*



Since 2012, the teams in Evangelism Ministry have faithfully reached out not only to the lost on the streets but also to the wider community.

One of our key outreach efforts takes place during the Christmas season, providing an opportunity for many to hear the true meaning of Christmas.

In Matthew 4:19, Jesus said, "Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men." His words encourage us to step out in faith and act.

When we do, we witness His promises fulfilled—not just in our own lives but also in those we encounter.

A simple act of obedience can lead to a radical transformation, one with eternal significance.



Our church's pulpit ministry has consistently encouraged members to share God's love.

Last Christmas, our congregation responded with excitement, stepping forward to bless the community.

Some volunteered to pack goody bags, while others used their musical talents to bring joy.

On one of our door-to-door outreach nights, 69 participants, including some from other churches, came together to form 10 teams, covering two residential blocks.

Over two nights of caroling, we reached 92 homes.

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One particularly memorable encounter was with an elderly woman who warmly welcomed us in.

She shared that she regularly receives bread via our church's distribution program, another way we extend Christ's love to the community.

During the D25 event, a Vietnamese woman attended and gave her life to Christ. Each time someone comes to Christ, our hearts are filled with joy.

As the Bible says, "Some sow, some reap." That night, we reaped what others had faithfully sown. All glory to God!

The harvest field is vast, and the needs are great—broken families, strained relationships, individuals struggling with illness and even thoughts of suicide.

Many Christians have drifted from the faith, growing cold in their walk with God. We live in a world where love has diminished, leaving many weary and burdened.

Yet, Jesus invites them to come and find rest in Him. Matthew 9:37 reminds us: "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few."

Will you be that laborer?

Thomas Lau
Evangelism Ministry Head



For information on upcoming evangelism activities, and how you can be involved, please contact Thomas Lau at 9852 0431.

How we can MAKE a DIFFERENCE



HOW TO SHARE THE GOSPEL WITH YOUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY

The best method of evangelism depends on the person you are reaching out to. Just as different fish require different hooks, different people respond to different approaches.

The primary focus of evangelism in the Hokkien Service is to reach out to the relatives and friends of our congregation, leading them to faith in Jesus.



God's promise in Acts 16:31 assures us: "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you and your household will be saved."

This biblical principle is evident in many examples:

- After Andrew encountered Jesus, the first thing he did was bring his brother Simon to Him. (John 1:41)
- Philip, after coming to faith, sought out his friend Nathanael and led him to Jesus. (John 1:45)
- Cornelius, a centurion, invited his relatives and close friends to hear Peter preach the Gospel. (Acts 10:24)

The Bible is filled with testimonies of people bringing their loved ones to Christ.

EVANGELIZING TO FRIENDS AND FAMILY

Our closest relationships provide the most natural opportunities for evangelism. Unlike strangers, our family and friends see our daily lives. Our words, actions, and transformed lives testify to the power of the Gospel.

However, leading loved ones to Christ takes time, patience, and love. It requires consistent care and follow-up—bringing them to church, sharing meals, and journeying with them in faith. Unlike evangelizing to strangers, these relationships allow for ongoing discipleship.

At the September 1, 2024, Water Baptism Service, 16 brothers and sisters were baptized. Of these, 11 (70%) came to faith through family members, while 5 (30%) were led by friends.

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How we MADE a DIFFERENCE



A Sister's Persistent Prayers for Her Brother

Ting Teck Heng shared, "My sister, Jessica Ting, prayed for me for years. When I faced serious health issues, I started attending Hokkien Service. I experienced God's healing and power, which led me to put my trust in Him and be baptized."



An Aunt's Faithful Prayers for Her Nephew

Elvido Septadio Jontin was brought to church as a child by his aunt, Sis Linsi, who prayed for his salvation for years. While studying in Taiwan, he personally experienced God's grace, protection, and presence, which led him to faith and baptism.



A Grandmother Leads Her Granddaughter to Faith

After coming to faith, Liao Hong Lian prayed for her granddaughter, Goh Si Hui, and consistently brought her to Hokkien Service. Si Hui eventually experienced the peace and joy of knowing Jesus and chose to be baptized.



A Mother's Prayer for Her Son's Salvation

A mother prayed for her son, Ng Kim Guan, and occasionally brought him to small groups and Christmas outreaches. Though she passed away before seeing his conversion, God did not give up on him. Two years later, Kim Guan encountered Christ and was baptized.



A Daughter Leads Her Parents to Christ

From the day she was baptized, Angela Tan prayed for her parents' salvation. After 11 years, they finally decided to believe in Jesus and be baptized!

For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love and self-discipline.

2 Timothy 1:7



BE READY TO SHARE THE GOSPEL

Brothers and sisters, let us continue to share the Gospel—whether in season or out of season.

Keep praying and interceding for your loved ones, trusting that in God's perfect time, they too will come to faith.

Do not be discouraged—keep sowing the seeds of the Gospel!

Sharon Teo

Hokkien Service Assistant Service-in-Charge



A few years ago, I suffered a stroke and was left jobless at home, unable to move the right side of my upper body.

One day, Bro Raymond Wong and Sis Yu Ai Heong knocked on my door, but I turned them away because I wanted nothing to do with Christianity. However, the moment they walked away, I saw a vision of a cross in my living room.

Immediately, I called them back, and they shared the gospel with me. Raymond encouraged me to have faith and not lose hope in my recovery. He prayed with me regularly, and over time, I began to recover.

He and his wife continued to care for me, encouraging me to serve in church. Although I felt unqualified—both physically weak and illiterate—the church, with the pastor's approval, allowed me to serve communion.

As time passed, I regained full control of my body, to the point where many can no longer tell that I was once a stroke patient.

The persistence and patience of the outreach team, led by Bro Raymond Wong and Sis Ai Heong, have touched my life and the lives of many who attend the afternoon Cantonese Service. We are thankful to God that they knocked on our doors.

Lim Chin Huat

Cantonese Service



HELLO NEW STAFF
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Hello, New Staff!



I am Wang Zheng. When I was nine years old, I followed my grandmother in making a decision to believe in the Lord, but I quickly forgot about it after that day.

In July 2007, at the age of 25, I returned to God during a difficult time in my life—my mother's illness. Three months later, as I prayed, God spoke to me, calling me to become a pastor and to preach on God's Love and The Power of the Holy Spirit.

In January 2008, I stepped into full-time ministry. Then, in 2011, God told me that I was ready to go to Singapore to study theology. It was not an easy journey—I applied six times and waited four years before I was finally able to enter seminary.

Looking back, I am deeply grateful that God knows me better than I know myself. He has guided my steps and prepared me for ministry in ways beyond my understanding.

Wang Zheng
Mandarin Service Pastoral Staff



Two years ago, I felt a strong calling to serve in the remote Thoeng district of Chiang Rai, Thailand. Together with my superior, local contractors, and villagers, we transformed a piece of empty land into a self-sustaining mission site.

We built a water tower, several fish ponds, and eventually a water factory that now supplies clean water to the surrounding villages.

With the infrastructure now completed, I felt it was time to return home to the Church of Singapore.

After 17 years away, coming back feels natural. I'm thankful to serve once again as the Facilities and Building Maintenance Officer, and grateful to be reunited with a familiar and supportive team.

It's a joy to continue this work in the house of the Lord!

Philip Cheng
Facilities and Maintenance Officer

