

SHALOM MONTHLY

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“Evening, and morning, and at noon, will I pray, and cry aloud: and he shall hear my voice.”

Psalm 55:17

The Pastor’s Desk By Pastor Wee

We warmly welcome sis Jenky and Mari to the membership of Shalom. We praise God for their recent baptism, and we look forward that the Lord will use them greatly for His glory. We welcome sis Esther Woo Let us extend our right hand of fellowship to these new members. If the Lord will, there will be another batch of candidates for baptism in April and we praise God for the bumper harvest of souls added to the church.

March was a bonanza of missionaries visiting Shalom. Missionary Lito Dave (Vietnam), Vinay (India), Dean Medrano (Costa Rica), Lindsey Caoili (Nepal), Mark Evasco (Japan), and Arvin Arquisola (Vietnam) gave their testimonies and did their presentation of their mission fields. The church is very blessed by their faithfulness and love for souls. Through their presence with us, we can be challenged and motivated to pray and to support them. For many, the missionaries were just a name, but after seeing

them, many realize that behind our support, there are real people with real challenges, struggles, and joy.

“But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.” (Acts 1:8) Shalom has been the product of mission and Shalom will always be involved in the sending or supporting of missionaries. This is our marching order.

We thank God for what He had done through us for the past year, and we look forward with anticipation and faith in what He will do for us this year. With the conclusion and unity in the AGM, we can move forward to do greater things for the Lord – the new mission projects, support of new missionaries, and our ministries to win the lost. A new 24-page, colored tract entitled

Resurrection Sunday (9 April): Let us use the digital invitation to invite our friends and loved ones to hear of the gospel of Christ. Lunch will be served after Service.

Missionaries visiting Shalom in March: 2 April - Missionary Jonathan Le (Vietnam)

Church Funds: Offering boxes for giving are also available in the church (LT 1).

General Fund (GF): OCBC: 518-075775-001

Building Fund (BF): OCBC: 518-075775-002

Faith Mission Fund (FMF): OCBC: 518-075775-003

“There is that scattereth, and yet increaseth; and there is that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth to poverty. The liberal soul shall be made fat: and he that watereth shall be watered also himself.” (Pro 11:24-25)

Special Projects:

- a) Pastor Thaung Lian, Orphanage in Myanmar: \$6,000
- b) Pastor Tran, Saigon Faith Baptist College: \$1,000
- c) The Embaos, Negros Philippines: \$1,000
- d) Pastor Antoro, Purworejo Baptist College, Indonesia: \$1,000
- e) Pastor Yakub, Indonesia, health: \$3,000
- f) Pastor Jameson, church building, Hacienda Paz: \$1,000
- g) Pastor Dante, church vehicle: \$1,000

You can give to the Special Projects by sending your money to the General Fund (Shalom Baptist Church / OCBC: 518-075775-001) and designate it as ‘Special Projects’, or put in an envelope and indicate it as ‘Special Projects’ and put in the offering boxes in the church auditorium. Do seek the Pastors or Deacons if you need any clarifications.

Average Attendance for March:

English : 198
Chinese : 30
Children : 39
Total : 267

Regular Church Programs:

Combined Service	Every 4 th Sunday of the month
Lord’s Supper	Feb, Apr, Jul & Oct
Men’s & Ladies Fellowship	18 Feb, 27 May, 19 Aug & 25 Nov
Youth Ministry Outing	18 Mar, 17 Jun & 2 Sep
Seniors Fellowship	Every Wednesday @ 7.30am
In-house lunch	Every 2 nd and 4 th Sun of the month
Bus to Uni-Town for lunch	Every 1 st Sun of the month
Prayer Meeting	Every last Sunday of the month

'What is life without God' will be ready soon for us to use it for personal and church evangelism. While here in Australia, I had more time to finish the new tract.

The next massive step of faith for us to take is to purchase a bigger church office. The Pastors and the Deacons have been on the lookout for a bigger office to house our ministries and we have a unit in mind now. It costs approximately 2.6 million in total, and we need to raise another 1.5 million dollars. A proposal has been moved for us to decide by this Sunday 2 April. If the proposal is passed, let us pray, give our best, and trust the Lord to open the Red Sea for us to cross over and possess our possession. A detailed copy of the coming business meeting has been sent to the members. Please read it carefully.

Both the Children Camp and the Youth Camp were well attended, and we praise God for bro Chris and Eric for organizing these holiday activities to foster greater fellowship among the younger generation and for the ministering of God's Word to these young minds. We thank God for all that came to help out. Your service to the Lord is much appreciated.

Let us use the Resurrection to bring a friend to hear of the reality of Christ's resurrection and the hope of our living. There will be a combined BSC gathering during Good Friday. Please do your best to be there to be a blessing to the BSC.

On a personal note, Janet lost her beloved second sister this past week and she flew back to Singapore for the funeral. My sister-in-law is dearly missed by us all as a family.

Announcements

Baptism 23 Apr: We are having candidates for baptism on 23 Apr after service. Those considering baptism are to approach Pas Christian.

Combined Sunday School: Christology / Pastor Christian / Jan – April / 9:45 am – 10:35 am

Doctrinal Preaching on Sunday: The King James Version (Part 3) - 16 Apr / Pastor Christian

Mission Trips 2023 (Hokkaido, Japan / Negros, Philippines):

Negros, Philippines : 1-9 Jun (Pastor Christian/Bro Chris)
Estimated Cost : \$800
Confirmed : 32

Hokkaido, Japan : 15-24 Jun (Pastor Wee/Bro James)
Estimated Cost : \$2,500
Confirmed : 22

The closing date: 9 April

Please inform bro James or bro Chris before you book your ticket to Hokkaido and Negros. This is for those who have yet to join the Mission Trips. We need to organize the hotels and cars for the Mission Teams. The closing date is on 9 April.

2023 Program:

38th Anniversary
 Children Games Day
 Annual General Meeting (AGM)
 Good Friday (Combined BSC Fellowship)
 Resurrection Sunday (Lord's Supper)
 Church-wide Outing @ Upper Pierce (~3.00pm)
 Youth Outing (Vesak Day)
 Vacation Bible School
 Mission Trip (Negros, Philippines)
 Children's' Wednesday Outing
 Mission Trip (Hokkaido, Japan)
 YAF Camp (Hari Raya Haji)
 Shalom Series (Evangelistic Outreach)
 Night Cycling
 Children Overnight Camp
 Church Family Day (Deepavali Holiday)
 Children's' Wednesday Outing
 Children's' Wednesday Outing
 Church Camp (5D4N)
 Christmas Service
 Youth Camp

26 Feb
 16 Mar
 26 Mar
 7 Apr
 9 Apr
 1 May
 4 Jun
 7-9 Jun
 1-9 Jun
 14, 21 & 28 Jun
 15-24 June
 29 Jun–2 Jul
 6, 13, 20, 27 Aug
 8 Aug
 7-8 Sep
 13 Nov
 22 & 29 Nov
 6, 13, 20, 27 Dec
 18-22 Dec
 24 Dec
 27-30 Dec

Membership

Newly added members by baptism	2
Newly added members by transfer	NIL
English	234
Chinese	30
Total	264
Overseas	2

SHALOM BAPTIST CHURCH
 YOUNG ADULTS' CAMP 2023

Great is Thy Faithfulness
 (Lam 3: 22-23)

29 JUNE - 2 JULY
 PENANG, MALAYSIA

Camp Speakers: Pastor Ter & Pastor Christian
Estimated Cost: \$220 (transport/accommodation)

Mode of Transport:
28 June: Night Bus to Penang
2 July: Late Afternoon Flight to Singapore

Camp I/C: Asher Wee

Sign Up Now!
 Closing Date: 16 April 2023, 2359



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WAIT FOR WINGS



A Joyful 'toon by Mike Waters



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But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint. – ISAIAH 40:31 KJV



April Birthdays

- Mendiola Gayle Abeni
- Ong Magdalena
- Chua Kenneth
- Chua John
- Friesen-Zhang Wish
- Titt Denzil
- Bey-Teo Li Peng
- Tan Dai Luona
- Low Ee Lai
- Mendiola Sigmund Cuello
- Soh Yam Hock

- Tan-Chan Wai Yee
- Yan Joshua
- Zacarias Roberto Esquejo
- Poh Joshua
- Lee Soon Tiew
- Jone Joshua
- Soh Wee Kiat
- Chin Jameson
- Khor Desmond
- Kuck-Leo Grace
- Tan-Ang Hwee Ping

- Cheng Josiah
- Titt Azel
- Cabauatan Winnie
- Choo Raymond
- Mendiola Reah Anne Estrella
- Goh Mary
- Ong Jeremy
- Goh Rachel
- Yong Wye Kit
- Baltazar Suane Espinosa
- Wong Serena



Shalom's Vision

Shalom Baptist Church is a church where our first love for God is our first work; where our Christianity is a relationship rather than a religion; where the lost and foreign mission are our constant care; where the purity of the gospel truth is jealously guarded and taught; and where our membership is, in essence, stewardship. We are fundamental in our belief, evangelistic in our outlook, and loving, as we have been taught.

Above all, Shalom is a church where the last word of our Lord Jesus Christ is our first command: 'All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.'

(Mt 28:18-20)

Powerful Prayer enables Missions Possible



Even since I was a student in the university, I aspire to be a MP (Member of Parliament) for Singapore. One of the key reasons for this role is to safeguard our laws from external ungodly influences, such as pressures from LGBT movements to legalised abominable behaviour in the sight of God. Our world and society will be heading for the worse, as already predicted in the Bible (2 Timothy 3, the whole chapter). However, it is still important to pray for our godly leadership in our church as well as our nation. Nationally, we cannot stop the evil, but we can delay the onset or the severity of the evil, through prayer. The works of the Holy Spirit is still very active before the Rapture!

Through my personal prayer, the Lord led me to attend a 4-day Spiritual Leadership Conference in Manila from 27 Feb to 2 Mar'23. Before the start of the 4-day conference, I did a Prayer Walk near and within the conference area, putting into practice the work of a counter-terrorism agent while serving in the SAF. Asking God to protect the safety and security of this massive event with more than 3000 delegates from more than 50 countries. I am thankful for the wonderful fellowship with many missionaries there and some scriptural lessons learnt there. Of the 87 missionaries, Shalom supported, by God's grace, I met about 11 of them: Pastor (Ps) Aaron Inventor, Ps. Epsino, Ps. Dante, Ps. Melvin, Ps. Lit Dave, Ps. Antoro, Ps. Tatu, Ps. Altura, Ps. Lindsey, Ps. Vinay, Ps. Junior Mpiana, also along with Sis Mary Selva, Ps. Davy Sim, Missionary Mark and Missionary Dean. The meeting with the saints there was likened to a heavenly reception when I enter the Pearly Gates. Am very thankful that I can give Pastor Nable and encouragement hug, to comfort him for the lost of his wife last year. Thank God, he is serving as mightily as before. A humble and action-filled senior pastor of Bethany Baptist Church.

During one of the special sessions for first responders by Bro. Jeremy Stalnecker (a former US Marine veteran), my eyes welled up with tears as I was moved by how God answered prayers of saints worldwide to rescue Bro. Jeremy and his platoon from heavy terrorists' fire, when a solo A-10 'Worthog' Thunderbolt appeared from nowhere and flushed out the enemies. When he ended his sharing, I came up to him and told him that I was one of the many saints praying for the US during the conflict with Iraq. What a rare and divine opportunity to experience first-hand the power of prayer.



“For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.” (Eph 6:12)

Everyday, during the conference, we pray of the 10/40 Window. In fact, 2/3 of the world's 8 billion people live in the 10/40 region. 90% of these 5.4 billion people, have never heard of a clear presentation of the gospel. Indeed, my heart was deeply moved by the courage of the many young missionaries such as Bro. Mark (to Costa Rica) and Bro. Dean (to Japan), who

are willing to surrender their lives for the cause of world's mission. Also the persecutions faced by missionaries in some nations, compel my heart to pray even more for these unsung heroes of the faith – indeed some of them (including M converts) got imprisoned and beaten for sharing the gospel to the M in those nations. At the same time, I am thankful that Shalom has been faithful in supporting world's missions over the past 3 decades.



If we are not careful, the comfortable life in Singapore can make us unfruitful for the Lord. Or our hearts can become hardened to the cry of mission and the needs of missionaries. May we pray for a sensitive and tender heart from the Lord, so that we respond timely to His call obediently.

After this trip, I have gained a new level of peace when I am faced with challenges in modern Singapore, ie. whenever an irritation crops up or an unexpected challenge surfaced, I just focused my mind to the needs of world's mission, then those irritations or challenge seem like nothing worth worrying or fighting for.

The heartbeat for mission continued after I returned to Singapore, hosting missionaries visiting Shalom as well as Asian Grace Baptist Church (AGBC). So wonderful, so divine, a marriage proposal who sealed at a mission conference in AGBC. Praise The Lord.

As God's faithful servants, we ought to focus on the major – the heartbeat for world's mission, both near & far.

For His Majesty Service,
Bro. Howard Yu
29th Mar '23



MINISTRY UPDATE FOR 2022

Dear Pastor Wee and brethren in Christ at Shalom Baptist Church,

Greetings from the Philippines!

We ended 2021 with the prayer that more can be done in 2022 and the Lord has been so gracious and merciful for using us to do so much more than what we expect. His Words from Ephesians 3:20-21 are so true.

“Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, Unto him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.”

As pandemic restrictions have been slowly lowered down in 2022, we had more freedom to do what we normally do before Covid-19 and finally, sometime around the month of August, the country announced full face to face and a full capacity in establishments, schools and churches. It was indeed a great joy seeing everyone freely worshipping in church again after a long time. Let me share some of the things the Lord allowed us to do in 2022.

Youth Banquet and Fellowship (June 2022)



Here at BBC Murcia we have a motto, “Start them young”. As what Proverbs 22:6 and Ecclesiastes 12:1 teaches, we make an effort to teach and train our young people to be faithful in the Lord starting from a young age, making wise decisions in

life guided by Biblical principles, and follow the Lord’s leading. That is our goal and prayer everytime we have an event for our youth. We firmly believe the young people are the future of our church.

Children's Vacation Bible School (July 2022)

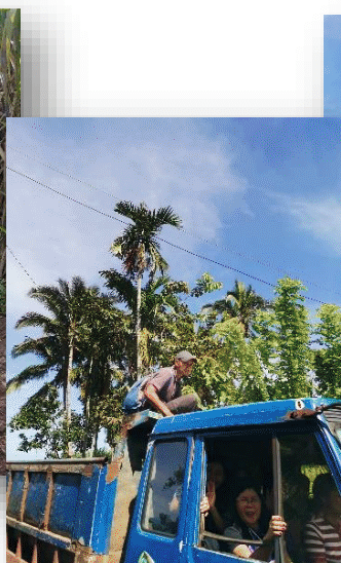


“But Jesus said, Suffer little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me: for of such is the kingdom of heaven.” -Matthew 19:14

We were blessed to have our VBS again this year 2022. The Lord gave us around 300 children everyday who come to church for a whole week.

Barangay Yubo Soul Winning Drive (August 2022)

The church had the privilege of visiting one of our church members, Teacher Marmie's hometown at Brgy. Yubo, La Carlota City. She had a 1-week vacation from her work abroad and brought home some school supplies to donate to her alma mater, an elementary school at the top of the mountain. We went along with her and brought free Bibles, and along the way up as well as down the mountain, we gave out tracts and did some soul winning. Before giving the items to the school, the school principal gave me an opportunity to preach to the parents the Gospel of our Lord. The journey up the mountain took a 2.5 hours hike, but praise God along the way a sugarcane truck was passing by and let some of us ride just right up to the river which we had to cross on foot. The trip was difficult and tiring but the joy we had sharing the Gospel and being a blessing to the people there was so great.





Extension Church Anniversary @ Hacienda Paz (October 2022)



October, 2022, we went up to Hacienda Paz to have an anniversary service for our extension church Sunday afternoon. Praise the Lord for the members in that place who are still faithful serving the Lord and sacrificing to help build the church building.

Extension Church Anniversary @ Smile 2 Village-Candunggun (December 2022)



Taken on the second Sunday of December, 2022, during the 2nd year anniversary of our new extension church at Smile 2 Village. We still gather for worship every Sunday afternoon at one of the church member's house. Please continue to pray for the building we are currently building that God would continue to supply the needs.



Mindoro Mission Trip and Church Organization (December 2022)



The first Sunday of December, 2022, by the Lord's provision and will, I went to Calintaan, Mindoro, with some of the men from the church to organize the mission work under missionary Peter Eliorda who was sent out by BBC Murcia. It is a joy to see the members who are growing in the grace and in the knowledge of our Lord there.



MINISTRY UPDATE FOR 2022



Please pray for brother Joseph Fernando (the one leading the song). He stayed behind in Calintaan to be a help to the Eliorda Family in the ministry there.

Mountain Pastors' Fellowship (December 2022)

We praise the Lord that we were able to host a Pastors' fellowship in the month of December to the Pastors and Missionaries around the Don Salvador Benedicto mountains, whom we are supporting through our Mission program. The church together with Dreamland Christian School collected boxes of groceries to be given to them for their families.

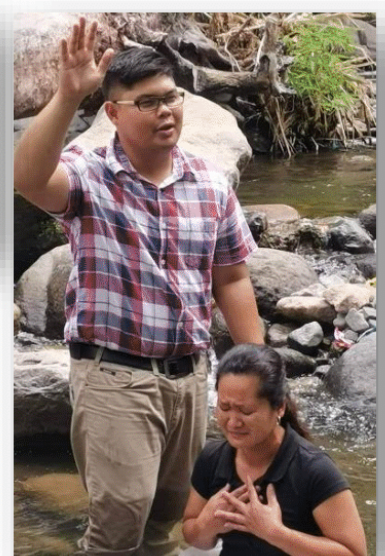


Thanksgiving Sunday (December 2022)





Baptism (2022)



Taken during our Mission Emphasis Month in November 2022



Taken later in the evening of our 24th Church Anniversary

Shalom Baptist Church

April 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26 11:00am Combined Service & Annual General Meeting 7:30pm Prayer Meeting @ KAP In-House Lunch	27 7:45pm Discipleship 7:45pm Through The Bible	28 7:45pm Discipleship 7:45pm Through The Bible	29 7:30am Senior's Outing 7:45pm Shalom Bible Institute	30 10:30am Bishan (Chinese)	31	1 2:00pm Churchwide Tracting
2 11:00am Sunday Service Lunch at UTown	3 7:45pm Discipleship 7:45pm Through The Bible	4 7:45pm Discipleship 7:45pm Through The Bible	5 7:30am Senior's Outing 7:45pm Shalom Bible Institute	6 10:30am Bishan (Chinese)	7 8:00pm Combined BSC: Bukit Batok 1 & Jurong, Bukit Batok 2 & Bukit Timah, Yio Chu Kang & Bedok GOOD FRIDAY	8 11:00am BSC: Bedok (Cancelled due to combined BSC) 7:30pm Bukit Timah (Cancelled due to combined BSC)
9 11:00am Resurrection Sunday In-House Lunch	10 7:45pm Discipleship 7:45pm Through The Bible	11 7:45pm Discipleship 7:45pm Through The Bible	12 7:30am Senior's Outing 7:45pm Shalom Bible Institute	13 10:30am Bishan (Chinese)	14	15 Young Adults Fellowship
16 11:00am Sunday Service Lunch at 7 Stars	17 7:45pm Discipleship 7:45pm Through The Bible	18 7:45pm Discipleship 7:45pm Through The Bible	19 7:30am Senior's Outing 7:45pm Shalom Bible Institute	20 10:30am Bishan (Chinese)	21 8:00pm BSC: Bt Batok, Bt Batok 2, Jurong, Yio Chu Kang & Chinese Ministry	22 11:00am BSC: Bedok 7:30pm Bukit Timah HARI RAYA PUASA
23 11:00am Combined Service & Lord's Supper In-House Lunch	24 7:45pm Discipleship 7:45pm Through The Bible	25 7:45pm Discipleship 7:45pm Through The Bible	26 7:30am Senior's Outing 7:45pm Shalom Bible Institute	27 10:30am Bishan (Chinese)	28	29
30 11:00am Sunday Service 1:15pm Prayer Meeting @ ACS1	1 LABOUR DAY Churchwide BBQ Outing	2 7:45pm Discipleship 7:45pm Through The Bible	3 7:30am Senior's Outing 7:45pm Shalom Bible Institute	4 10:30am Bishan (Chinese)	5 8:00pm BSC: Bt Batok, Bt Batok 2, Jurong, Yio Chu Kang & Chinese Ministry	6 11:00am BSC: Bedok 7:30pm Bukit Timah