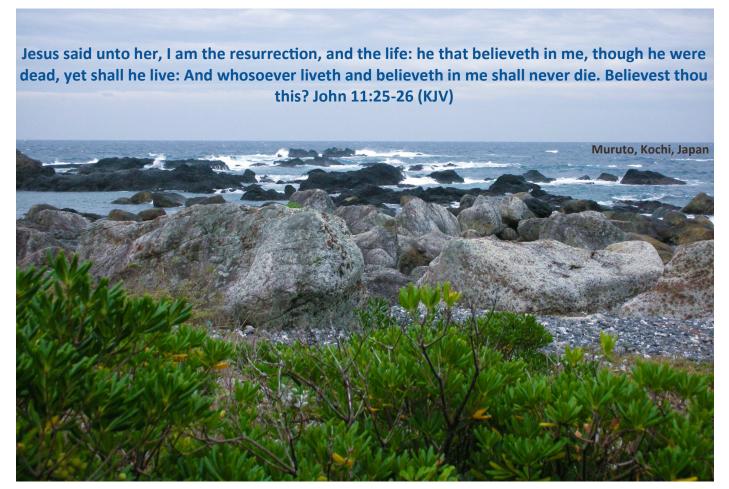
# **SHALOM MONTHLY**

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**March 2023** 



## The Pastor's Desk

**By Pastor Wee** 

We had a meaningful and wonderful 38th Church Anniversary celebration with 295 in attendance. We thank God for the many brethren who labored without fanfare behind the scene to make this anniversary a memorable one – for those who invited their friends and loved ones, the choir, ensemble, ushers, floral, food department, AV crew, and those doing the cakes, and others setting up and packing up the church after we leave. It was a joyous time where the love of the brethren is evident. And we owe all this to the Lord Jesus Christ - the Founder and Builder of Shalom Baptist Church. We are humbled by His love, watch care and mercy towards us these past 38 years and we

look forward to another 38 years of glorious service for His kingdom - to God be the glory!

We look forward to having 5 missionaries who will share their ministries with us this March – some of them whom we have been supporting for some years. We appreciate Pastor Dante for his testimony during our Anniversary on the past 20 years of his service in VT.

120 members and visitors were present for our Men/Ladies Fellowship this past month at KAP. Both Pastor Christian and sis Kabby taught the lessons in which we were very edified by the Word of God. The Men and Ladies Fellowship is

a place where the unique needs of the family followed were both joyous and meaningful.

We extend our deepest condolences to bro Ren Muh on the passing on to glory of his beloved mother Mdm Aw Kon Yin in KL Malaysia lately. Let us be a blessing and a comfort to him and his family. He had a godly mother who instilled in him the precious Christian faith from his childhood. Our hearts also go out to bro Senen and sis Len on the us keep these brethren in our prayers.

Come June, about 50 of our brethren will can be addressed. The food and fellowship that be heading to the Philippines and Japan for our annual Mission Trips. Shalom has an annual mission trip to expose our members to the Baptist works overseas. The folks will come back with a better understanding and appreciation of the challenges and joy in the churches laboring alongside with us in the mission fields. The church is presently supporting about 87 missionaries.

On a personal note, Janet and I will recent demise of Len's brother in the be away in Australia till the end of May. While Philippines. The church extends her heartfelt away, Pastor Christian will be the Acting Pastor. condolences to the family of Senen and Len. Let It will be a good experience for him to lead the church in my absence.

**Pastor Wee** 

### **Announcements**

### **Annual General Meeting (26 March):**

We will not be having the election of office-bearers this year as such elections is conducted once in every two years as stipulated in the Constitution.

### Agenda:

- Past Year's Ministries
- Projected Ministries
- To approve the 2023 budget
- To approve the Missionaries Supports for 2023
- To transfer \$10,000 from our Faith Mission Fund to Special Projects

The AGM agenda will be sent separately to members.

### **Combined Sunday School:**

Christology / Pastor Christian / Jan - April / 9:45 am - 10:35 am

### **Doctrinal Preaching on Sunday:**

The King James Version (Part 2): 12 Mar / Pastor Christian

### **Organisational Chart:**

The Church's Organisational Chart has been pinned to the notice board outside the auditorium. Members who would like to be better informed on the various ministries in the church they can serve in are encouraged to look up the chart and contact the person in charge of the ministry they would like to serve in.

### **Church Funds:**

Offering boxes for giving are available during service (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)

### **Business Meeting (26 Mar):**

There will be a business meeting to transfer sis Esther Woo Chuen Wei to Shalom Baptist Church with a letter of transfer from KL Bible Baptist Church. Any party who is keen to have baptism can inform Pastor Christian in advance.

### **Missionaries visiting Shalom in March:**

5 March: Missionary Lito Dave

12 March: Missionary Vinay & Dean Medrano19 March: Missionary Lindsey & Mark Evasco

### 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 : \$2,000 Confirmed : 23-25

For those who have yet to join the Mission Trips, please inform bro James or bro Chris before you book your ticket to Hokkaido or Negros. We need to organise the hotels and cars for the Mission Teams. The cutoff date is on 9 April.

Membership & Attendance				
February average attendance				
English	201			
Chinese	32			
Children	45			
Total	278			
Membership				
English including new members, if any	234			
Chinese	30			
Total	264			
Overseas	13			

### **Prayer Meeting:**

We have now fixed our evening Prayer Meeting to be held on the last Sunday of every month starting in March. It will be held in the same venue as our last Mens' and Ladies Fellowship, City on A Hill at King Albert Park (KAP). The time will be from 7.30pm to 9.30pm.

### **Regular Church Programmes:**

Combined Service Every 4<sup>th</sup> 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<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>

Sun of the month

Bus to Uni-Town Every 1<sup>st</sup> Sun of

the month

Prayer Meeting Every last Sunday

of the month



### **Special Projects**:

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



Titt Rephael, Sea Rodney Wu Jinlong, Singh Gabriel Wu-Adelan Hylen, Yu Easter Chng-Ng Mavis, Fong Mercy Andrew Charles Francis Singh Daniel See Seng Kio (Andrew) Low Alison Chong Ezra, Poh Zaccheus Tan-Ter Poh Kiang Wee Yan Tiong Yan-Loke Chin Ni Ratnam Christian Eliab Tan Robin, Wong Hung Shane Ong-Hong Suwei

2023 Programme				
Children Games Day	16 Mar			
Annual General Meeting	26 Mar			
Good Friday (combined BSC)	7 Apr			
Resurrection Sunday (Lord's Supper)	9 Apr			
Potluck Fellowship @ Upper Pierce Reservoir (Labour Day Holiday)	1 May			
Youth Outing (Vesak Day Holiday)	4 Jun			
Vacation Bible School	7-9 Jun			
Mission Trip (Negros, Philippines)	1-9 Jun			
Children's' Wednesday Outing	14, 21 & 28 Jun			
Mission Trip (Hokkaido, Japan)	15-24 Jun			
YAF Camp (Hari Raya Haji Holiday)	29 Jun–2 Jul			
Shalom Series (Evangelistic Outreach)	6, 13, 20, 27 Aug			
Night Cycling	8 Aug			
Children's Overnight Camp	7-8 Sep			
Church Family Day (Deepavali Holiday)	13 Nov			
Children's Wednesday Outing	22 & 29 Nov, 6, 13, 20, 27 Dec			
Church Camp (5D4N)	18-22 Dec			
Christmas Service	24 Dec			
Youth Camp	27-30 Dec			

### Shalom Bible Institute (6th Semester)

We started the Shalom Bible Institute (SBI) in 2020 as the highest educational arm of the church. For the 1st semester, we did an in-depth course in Christology (The Doctrine of Christ). The following semesters, we did Ecclesiology (The Doctrine of the Church), Bibliology (The Doctrine of the Bible), Pneumatology (The Doctrine of the Holy Spirit, and Soteriology (The Doctrine of Salvation). The courses entailed at least 42 hours of direct instruction (≈ 2.5 credit hours) and two tests per semester. We had a total of approximately 20-25 students, and about three quarters of them taking the tests while the rest audited the lessons (attended without taking the test). We are deeply thankful to God for bringing us through this past year. Below is a comment by one of the students who attended the course:

"Having completed two semesters of Shalom Bible Institute, I have found that the studies have equipped me with a better understanding of the bible and appreciation of the lessons taught in Church. More importantly, SBI allowed me to draw closer to God." - Student

The 6th Semester will commence on 15 Mar 2023. The course details are as follows:

Course: Eschatology (The Doctrine of the End Times)

Description: This course will cover topics such as "Understanding the basics of Bible

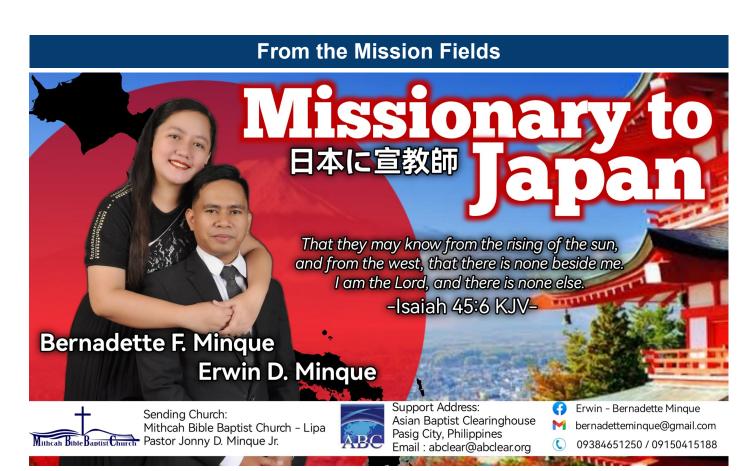
Prophecy, Understanding Major Views of Bible Prophecy (Premillennialism, Amillennialism, Post Millennialism), The Rapture (Pretribulational, Pre-Wrath, Post-tribulational), The Tribulation Period, The Second Coming of Christ, The Millennial Kingdom and The Coming Judgements and

Resurrections among other things."

Day/Time: Every Wednesday at Church Office, 7.45pm-9.45pm

Material Fee: \$20

Closing date for registration: 12 Mar 2023 (or when 30 students have registered, whichever is earlier). Please contact Pastor Christian if you would like to register for this course. Thank You.



# Missionary Jean Luc Kasongo; your Mission Partner to Democratic Republic of Congo

Mission Letter: November, December and January 2023

Dear Senior Pastor Wee Yan Tiong and Shalom Baptist Church,



### **Acknowledgment**

We would like to greet you Pastor and all the brothers and sisters in Christ in the name of Our Lord and God Jesus Christ; may Our Lord sustain and protect you all as you continue to serve Him wholeheartedly, especially when it comes to supporting the ministry in the Democratic Republic of the Congo for the glory of God, we are so thankful to Our Lord Jesus Christ for all that He has been doing for us so far.

We wish you a happy new year; all the best for this 2023 year. May the Lord continue blessing you more and more as we see the kingdom expanding; more souls are being saved. Glory to God.

We are so thankful to the Lord Jesus for His grace and faithfulness for He didn't abandon or forsake us during the 2022 year and all the blessing. We experienced, the hand of God as He worked mightily in the ministry.

### **Blessings**

Our ministry is so blessed by a gift of 65 bibles coming from churches partners. May the Lord bless you more and more, as you are among those churches.

We travelled to Mabondo; a village in Kilwa territory about 330 km from Lubumbashi, we had the opportunity to meet the pygmies people with whom we shared the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ; 14 of them believed and got baptised. God called us to go and reach the unreached. Pygmies are not so receptive to the gospel because of their traditional belief, but what we experienced was different.

### **Prayer Request**

Pray for the ministry in kebumba village and Mabondo among pygmies
Pray for bible study we lead, God's wisdom while sharing the word of God
Pray for God 'provision of a property to establish a new mission in kebumba village
Pray for many churches to partner with us in missions
Pray for my health and all my family

I would like to thank you Pastor and Shalom Baptist Church to partner with us in missions through prayers and continual financial supports, may the Lord bless you abundantly. We continue to pray for you and the ministry.

To God all the glory

### 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 alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen.'

(Mt 28:18-20)

# Shalom Baptist Church March 2023

S aturday 4 Young Adults Fellowship	11 11:00am BS C: Bedok 7:30pm Bukit Timah	78 Youth Fellowship Outing	25 11:00am BS C: Bedok 7:30pm Bukit Timah	2:00pm Churchwide Tracting
Friday 3	8:00pm BSC: Bt Batok, Bt Batok 2, J urong, Yio Chu Kang & Chinese Ministry	17	24 8:00pm BSC: Bt Batok, Bt Batok 2, J urong, Yio Chu Kang & Chinese Ministry	31
Thursday 2 10:30am Bishan (Chinese)	9 10:30am Bishan (Chinese)	16. 10:30am Bishan (Chinese) Children Games Day	23 10:30am Bishan (Chinese)	30 10:30am Bishan (Chinese)
Wednesday  1 7:30am Senior's Outing 7:45pm Shalom Bible Institute	8 7:30am Senior's Outing 7:45pm Shalom Bible Institute	7:30am Senior's Outing 7:45pm Shalom Bible Institute	7:30am Senior's Outing 7:45pm Shalom Bible Institute	7:30am Senior's Outing 7:45pm Shalom Bible Institute
Tuesday 28 7:45pm Discipleship 7:45pm Through The Bible	7:45pm Discipleship 7:45pm Through The Bible	7.45pm Discipleship 7.45pm Through The Bible	21 7:45pm Discipleship 7:45pm Through The Bible	28 7:45pm Discipleship 7:45pm Through The Bible
Monday 27	9	13	20	27
S unday 26 11:00am Combined S ervice - 38th Anniversary Y oung Adults Fellowship In-House Lunch	5 11:00am Sunday Service Lunch at UTown	12 11:00am Sunday Service In-House Lunch	11:00am Sunday Service Lunch at 7 Stars	26 11:00am Combined Service & Annual General Meeting 7:30pm Prayer Meeting © KAP In-House Lunch