

# SHALOM MONTHLY

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And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name Jesus. He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David: And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end. Luke 1:31-33 (KJV)



Cradle Mountain, Tasmania, Asstralia

## The Pastor's Desk

By Pastor Wee

The Mission Trips have finally arrived as 33 people went to Negros, Philippines on 1 June. They will be visiting several churches there and will spend some time with the Embaos, Pastor Jun Austria, and several other pastors, some of whom are serving up in the mountains. We usually run a mission trip every year until Covid hit us. Another 23 brethren will be gearing to go from 15 June to a cold Hokkaido, Japan. It is always a wonderful and uplifting experience to see the work of the Lord in the other parts of the world and to meet believers of like faith serving the same God. You get a feeling like we are all one big Christian family regardless of where we may be. They will see firsthand the joy, challenges, and love of the brethren, and

come back with a renewed sense of urgency of the work of the Lord.

Finally, our new tract entitled: 'What is Life without God' is ready. About 30,000 copies were printed and we will restart our monthly tracting from 10 June. In time past, there were about 50 people or more going from door to door to ensure the gospel message is given to the residents. Let us continue to be the lower lights in our part of the world. Please pray that the Lord will use the tract and our witnessing when opportunity arises to save souls. The tract is useless without prayers, earnestly prayers, for souls to be saved.

We have been on the lookout to purchase a property for our weekdays' usages for our

bible studies and fellowship ministries. Though unsuccessful, we are not discouraged but know that the Lord will direct and redirect us to the place of His choosing. We need to wait upon the Lord and I am confident that He will not fail us in His time.

We have found an ideal place for our prayer meeting at the Bt Panjang Methodist Church. About 75 brethren were there for a time of singing, devotion and prayers for the brethren in needs, for the many ministries, and above all, for souls to be saved and be added to the church. The church marches on her knees and prayers are the power of the church.

Every Wednesday, about 10-15 seniors will meet for breakfast and walks in the various

parts in Singapore. We can witness the joy of the seniors as they exercise, fellowship and having a meal together. They often look forward to the gathering under the oversight of bro Chris and Pastor Tan. We encourage more of our seniors to join them.

We praise God that two families in church just celebrated their golden anniversary. Our congratulations go to Bro Teck Guan and sis Siew Khim, and bro Robert and sis Tomei. Let us be in prayer for Elijah and Lingna in Vancouver as they are expecting a baby in November. We rejoice with the couple for their coming bundle of joy. Janet and I are glad to be back in Singapore and we look forward to continue where we left off.

Pastor Wee

## Announcements

### **Sunday School (9:45 am – 10:35 am / May – Aug / Classrooms):**

Youths: Current Culture (Teachers: Brian, Dan, Chris)

Young Adults: Current Culture (Teachers: Andy, Joel)

Adults: Current Culture (Teachers: Pastor Christian, Eric, Pastor Wee)

Discipleship: Christian Living (Teachers: Roberto, Denzil)

Current Culture: Prosperity Gospel, Social Media, Gambling, Global Warming, Feminism, Alternative Lifestyle, Personal Purity, Racism, Christian view on War, Addictions, Economic model, and the Bible.

### **New Tract, What is Life without God:**

We have printed 30,000 copies of the new tract beside the digital tract that we can use to send to our friends and loved ones. If 200 people were to send out to 50 of their friends, we will have reached 10,000 people for the Lord. If you are without a tract when you meet a stranger, you can send him a digital tract to his phone with his permission. Do save the digital tract in your phone for your personal evangelism. The digital copy is also available in our website.

### **Doctrinal Preaching:**

11 June / The Charismatic Movement (2) / Pastor Wee

We have done part 1 in the study of The Charismatic Movement. It is available on the YouTube. Please invite your Charismatic friends to better understand the Charismatic Movement in contrast to the Scriptures.

Membership & Attendance	
<b>May average attendance</b>	
English	182
Chinese	34
Children	43
<b>Total</b>	<b>259</b>
<b>Membership</b>	
including new members, if any	
English	244
Chinese	30
<b>Total</b>	<b>274</b>

### **Church-Wide Tracting 10 June 2 pm:**

We will be having our decentralized tracting with our new tract: What is Life without God? Please check with your BSC leaders on the locations. Let us catch the vision of reaching to the lost before Christ's soon coming.

"Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, Here am I; send me." (Isa 6:8)

### **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 (\$3,000 sent)
- b) Pastor Tran, Saigon Faith Baptist College: \$1,000 (Completed)
- c) The Embaos, Negros Philippines: \$1,000
- d) Pastor Antoro, Purworejo Baptist College, Indonesia: \$1,000 (Completed)
- e) Pastor Yakub, Indonesia, health: \$3,000 (\$1,000 sent)
- f) Pastor Jameson, church building, Hacienda Paz: \$1,000 (Completed)
- g) Pastor Dante, church vehicle: \$1,000 (Completed)

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.

### **Church Camp 5D4N:**

We have put up the signup form with information for this year's church camp on the noticeboard and those who are keen to go are advised to apply their leave early to avoid the end year rush for leave clearance.

Date : 18 Dec – 22 Dec

Location : Le Grandeur Palm Resort, Johor

Transport : FOC for buses

Adults: Single Occupancy \$425/pax

Twin Share \$285/pax

Extra Bed \$265/pax

Child [4-11 years]: Twin Share \$245/child

Extra-Bed \$215/child

No-Bed \$125/child

## SHALOM BAPTIST CHURCH

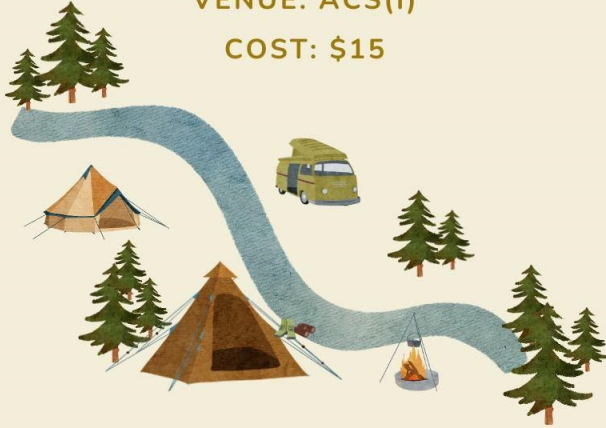
# VBS 2023

DATE: 7TH-9TH JUNE

TIME: 10AM-4PM

VENUE: ACS(I)

COST: \$15



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## 2023 Programme

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 (Le Grandeur Palm Resort, Johor, 5D4N)	18-22 Dec
Christmas Service	24 Dec
Youth Camp	27-30 Dec

### 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
Prayer Meeting	Every last Sunday of the month

### Generic Announcement on Giving:

General Fund: This is where we give our tithes of 10% of our income.

Building Fund: This is for the purchase of our church property.

Faith Mission Fund: This is for the support of missionaries.

Special Projects: This is for the support of mission projects in the mission fields.

Love gifts: This is for the people whom the Lord has burdened us to help out.

We give our tithes to the General Fund for the operating expenditures of the church. All other giving is above our tithes, and they are called 'offerings'. This is why we use the term 'tithes and offerings'.

Our giving to the Lord and the church is something between us and the Lord. It is borne out of our relationship of love, gratitude, and a vision of the needs in the church.

When we love and honor the Lord in our giving, He promises to honor us and bless us: “Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings. Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed me, even this whole nation. Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it.” (Mal 3:8-10) Although this is an Old Testament commandment, but the principle is still very much alive.

“But this I say, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully. Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work: (As it is written, He hath dispersed abroad; he hath given to the poor: his righteousness remaineth for ever.” (2 Cor 9:6-9)

When we honor the Lord in our giving, He blesses us in many other ways – our family, work, finance, health, and relationship. But the attitude of our giving is because we love Him and not for the rewards or blessings. In fact, those who are truly blessed were not looking for blessings but to give without any expectation of rewards. They just simply love the Lord and His people. The giving in the New Testament has no limits and so is the blessings.

“Moreover, brethren, we do you to wit of the grace of God bestowed on the churches of Macedonia; How that in a great trial of affliction the abundance of their joy and their deep poverty abounded unto the riches of their liberality.

For to their power, I bear record, yea, and beyond their power they were willing of themselves; Praying us with much intreaty that we would receive the gift, and take upon us the fellowship of the ministering to the saints. And this they did, not as we hoped, but first gave their own selves to the Lord, and unto us by the will of God.” (2 Cor 8:1-5)

Let us ‘prove Him now’ and experience the overflowing blessings from the opened windows of heaven’. Let us never be a spiritual pauper because we disobey the Lord in our giving.

## Blessed Birthdays!

Chong Rachel, Titt-Tan Kym,  
Wang Frank, Koh Eng Kiat,  
Chiam Glenn, Poh Liang Siah,  
Yee Pak Hong, Raphael Joshua,  
Lim Andy, Lee Jacqueline,  
Ong Michaela, Singh Irene,  
Koh-Ng Saw Cheng,  
Baltazar Romulo Denate,  
Tan Boon Yew Eddie,  
Yap Nyuk Yin



## 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)

## From the Mission Fields



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**Mission Report: 1st February to 14th May 2023**

Thank God for allowing us to return back to CH on the first week of February. When we were touching down on the tarmac of the airport in GZ, I could feel a refreshed excitement on how God might use us in a renewed zeal for His Coming, though with a little hesitation on my ability to persevere. Well, nonetheless, our Loving and Gracious God calmed my nuances and supplied enough grace that sufficed at the right moment.

**"And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work. "**

**- 2 Corinthians 9:8**

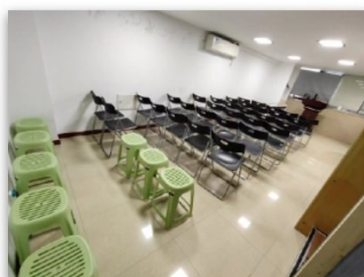
### REJOICE FOR THE RESTRICTIONS

Though the country had opened up and had done away with COVID restriction, we had to be tested COVID negative before we embarked on the plane. Yet, the country authority was allowing free movement for the populace, and thus we were able in groups. Since the relief of this restriction, the Public Security Bureau had no or little time to fight COVID. They re-diverted their attention to the many m-works in the big cities. Many "underground" meeting places in SH had been clamped down. These have instead strengthened the many believers to be fervent for the Lord now, for the Day of the Lord is coming!

SSBC in SH was visited by the authority in April and the congregation was warned by the police and the religious department not to assemble again in the old venue. Praise the Lord SSBC was only given a verbal warning because of the calmness and courtesy of the congregation that shooed away haughtiness of the interrupters. God was so gracious to SSBC that they found an alternate place for worship and this apartment was cheaper in rent and more safe secluded in the midst of business activities. God never moves without purpose or design. :) Do pray for the faithful P. Li Shugen as he tackles the perennial challenges of leading the flock in a new environment. Pray for SSBC as they stay safe in a new environment and pursue a new endeavour.



sound-proof entrance



a new SSBC meeting hall



diligent Bro. Li at work

## REJOICE FOR THE SALVATIONS

Praise the Lord though we had not been seeing people getting saved for a while, yet God counted us worthy to lead 12 souls to the Lord during this reported period. The Lord was so good in that He worked in the hearts of the members to invite others. I hope HCBC will not sitting on the laurels but to continue pursuing the Gospel ministry. Praise God for the following persons who were convicted of their sins and prayed to God to save them.



Praise God that many of these precious souls are the relatives of our members and many of them are from other provinces. Many of them had been influenced by "Christendom Belief" i.e. being raised in a Christian home, attending "church services" regularly and being baptised then that is salvation! Truly CH "Christians" need to be truly saved. Born-again, this term may be very strange to them, and I guess it is true around the world! Therefore the follow-ups will be difficult though not impossible. My wife is doing online follow-ups with the ladies. Do pray for these dear souls as the devil and his accomplices will not stop tempting the newly saved souls from pursuing holiness! I have told them that is why we must be drawn closer to the Lord each day.

## REJOICE FOR THE ADDITIONS

The Cai family whom I had mentioned in the previous letter decided to join our membership. After a stringent check on their belief and their doctrinal stands which are closely linked to our independent Baptist belief, Bro. Ray Cai and Sis. Zhang were brought forward to HCBC and they gave testimonies. The members heard and accepted them joining HCBC with a hearty "Amen".



Bro. Ray Cai giving salvation testimony



Signing on the Tenets of HCBC's Belief



Receipt of Membership Booklet after a Hearty Amen

Thank God their four children, though had been taught on the Truth since very young, were intrigued by parents' decision on membership. They were not truly saved or born-again then. After listening to the True Gospel again, they began to be intrigued with the truth in **Romans 10:9-10**. They almost immediately repented of their sins and prayed to God and asked Christ Saviour to washed their sins white as snow. After salvations, they started to ask me about baptism.

They were joyfully baptised just before the Resurrection Sunday at their home. P Micah Chen of JABC of XM visited us in GZ with his family. He spoke and shared the Bible truth during the baptism ceremony.



## REJOICE FOR THE MEETINGS

We were not only blessed with fellowship with P Micah Chen and his family while they were in GZ. We too were "recharged" by the many preaching sessions in TJ (near BJ) where a Bible Conference was held in the early part of the May holiday. We took a 3 hours flight journey to TJ but the traveling time was worth it. The fellowship with many fellow m-workers and listening to other local IFB preachers made us to be oblivious to the physical tiredness, instead we were revitalised spiritually. :) Thank God for the great opportunity to understand the challenges of other m-workers in other parts of CH and got to know young future m-workers. I covet your prayers for these faithful, up-and-coming m-workers and many other potential young m-workers.



## Conclusion

I thank God for His bountiful Grace and Mercy that HCBC can witness believers coming to the Salvation Grace of God. Nevertheless, we still have to work harder to help these new believers to grow and be able to serve the Lord in their own rights.

HCBC too has started to have regular Family Seminar training on Sunday afternoon. We hope the family growth and intimacy with God's Truth would spur them to lead their families well and to entrust their lives faithfully to the One and Only God of their lives. Likewise, we are starting to have individual Bible Study with those who are keen to know more about their Saviour. We covet your prayers though we faced with unseen challenges, we can with total faith in His Words and Leading come out victoriously for our Lord God.

Written with Praises to our Lord and with Gratitude to His churches around the globe that have faithfully and relentlessly supported this servant of the Lord and the works in SSBC, JABC and HCBC. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with y'all. Amen

Signed: C...H..S..  
Dated: 15th May 2023



# Shalom Baptist Church

June 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 11:00am Combined Service 7:30pm Prayer Meeting @ COAH, KAP In-House Lunch	29 7:45pm Discipleship 7:45pm Through The Bible	30 7:45pm Discipleship 7:45pm Through The Bible (Term Break)	31 7:30am Senior's Outing 7:45pm Shalom Bible Institute (Term Break) Children Outing	1 MISSION TRIP TO PHILIPPINES 10:30am Online Chinese Bible Study (Canceled)	2 8:00pm BSC: Bt Batok, Bt Batok 2, Jurong, Yio Chu Kang & Chinese Ministry VESAK DAY	3 11:00am BSC: Bedok 7:30pm Bukit Timah
4 MISSION TRIP TO PHILIPPINES 11:00am Sunday Service VESAK DAY Lunch at 7 Stars	5 7:45pm Discipleship (Cancelled) 7:45pm Through The Bible (Term Break)	6 7:45pm Discipleship (Cancelled) 7:45pm Through The Bible (Term Break)	7 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 7:30am Senior's Outing 7:45pm Shalom Bible Institute (Term Break)	8 10:30am Online Chinese Bible Study (Canceled)	9 2:00pm Churchwide Tracting	10
11 11:00am Sunday Service In-House Lunch	12 7:45pm Discipleship (Cancelled) 7:45pm Through The Bible (Term Break)	13 7:45pm Discipleship (Cancelled) 7:45pm Through The Bible (Term Break)	14 7:30am Senior's Outing 7:45pm Shalom Bible Institute (Term Break) Children's Wednesday Outing	15 MISSION TRIP TO HOKKAIDO 10:30am Online Chinese Bible Study	16 8:00pm BSC: All BSCs Cancelled Youth Fellowship Outing	17
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