



Covenant

DNA of Christ's Disciple



Times

23 Feb 2020

A TIME TO ARISE

Certainly none of us expected to go into 2020 with our lives being so affected by the fallout of the coronavirus outbreak. As the virus is highly infectious, we know that life could not go on as normal, at least not for the next 3-6 months.

Channel News Asia reported on Thursday (20 Feb) that South Korea has its first death from COVID-19 as the number of infections nearly doubled to over 100 - almost half of them from a cluster centred on a large church. This mirrors the local transmission situation in Singapore where 2 of the 5 clusters are local churches. This is certainly a cause for concern as we continue to meet together.

Pastor Edmund Chan wrote in his article in Salt & Light, "*Being worried and being careful are two entirely different things. There is no use worrying. However, there is a responsibility (and wisdom!) to be careful.*" - Saltandlight.sg 13 Feb 2020 article.

Our church leadership has issued a Health Advisory that followed closely the government advisories and introduced screening procedures and proper sanitisation. While we advise members who are unwell to rest and recover fully before joining us back for Sunday Service, we have introduced live streaming of our Sunday service for Covenantors who cannot be physically present so that they could join in the worship of God as a community.

As we remain vigilant, we should continue our faith and life in various creative ways. For instance, 18 deacons, elders and pastors had our monthly prayer meeting through online video-conferencing platform last Wednesday night. It is important for us to continue our community life and mutual encouragement. CPC Life Groups can also continue to meet as decided by the group leaders and members.

Welcome!

God's blessings be upon you as you join us for a time of worship and fellowship here at Covenant. If you're a visitor, please refer to the back page for some helpful information that will enrich your time with us. We trust that you will be refreshed as you encounter Christ anew.

To be a God-fearing, Christ-centred, Spirit-led community, touching and transforming lives through holistic worship, healthy body life and passionate outreach.

Colossians 1:3-5

The children ministry has also launched an initiative called 'Home Discipleship Materials' to assist our parents in the continued discipleship of their children at home. The materials are uploaded to the google drive and parents are encouraged to use this opportunity to lead their children spiritually.

Let us continue to pray for protection over the church and that we will look to God even more for guidance in these times. I also ask that you pray for our EDC (Elders Deacons Court) leaders, that we will have wisdom to respond to the fast changing situation so that the various ministries are able to carry on with their work for the Lord.

Finally, let us pray that this would be the hour of revival for all the churches in Singapore. Kenneth Kwan, a leader of Grace Assembly said, "What we couldn't do before, God has made it all happen in less than a week... every church will tell you that it is not easy to get people to pray as a corporate body. But now, there is a **sudden surge of prayer** initiated by members, not pastors." – Saltandlight.sg 16 Feb 2020 article.

While we prayed for God to stop the COVID-19 outbreak during our leaders' prayer meeting, one elder shared that perhaps God will bring healing through the church in a spectacular way. Let us make every effort to seek the Lord and put ourselves in position to be a part of what He is doing at this time. Let us pray that God will bring a demonstration of His awesome power like we've not seen before and let us avail ourselves as channels of blessing and comfort to the people around us.

~ Ps Henry Wong ~

COVID-19 ADVISORY

- † **Entry Screening** - As part of the safety measures, temperature check and declaration questionnaire will be taken before entry to church. Please do make arrangement to come early. If you are feeling unwell, please do stay home and rest.
- † **Locking of external gates during weekdays** - As we will be opening the doors to ventilate the premises, the external gates will be closed during weekdays for security reasons. Please contact the Church's office or the pastoral staff if you are visiting. Contact information is posted on the gates.
- † **Food & Drinks hygiene** - In order to maintain food and drinks hygiene, please be advised on the following:
 - To wash cups from the refreshment table before and after use; or bring your own water bottle/ cups
 - Do not share the disposable stirrers, please use one at each time and dispose it after each use.
 - Avoid sharing food that might be exposed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

✚ **We are looking for volunteers to help out at temperature screening station for the upcoming weeks.**

There are 3 timeslots available:

- 830 to 1030 am
- 1030 am to 1230 pm
- 1230 pm to 230 pm

Please sign up with Lionel Neo at 9736 5245 or Jenny Ho at 9789 4895 if you are able to help out.

✚ **Precept Upon Precept Bible Study on the Book of Genesis.** Class starts from 1 - 22 Apr (every Wed), @ 7:30pm in CPC, L2. Please register with Alfred Ong at 9633 5515 or Sam Wong at 9665 9157.

✚ **1st Grandparents Retreat!**

Venue: Changi Cove

Date: 1 - 2 May 2020

2D1N includes 2xLunches, 1xDinner, 1xBreakfast

Cost: \$190/pax, \$380/couple (for Twin Sharing & Members). Registration Begins NOW!

Register with Mui Fong @ 8183 3394

Speakers Address:

Evelyn Khong (Family Life Educator), **Isaac Chng** (Founder of Social Enterprise ProAge), **Benjamin Chan** (ED of Empower Ageing Limited), **Desiree Tan** (ALPHA Coordinator).



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Rev Abel Lee	9678 3205
Rev Henry Wong	9680 0679
Rev Christina Ong	9697 3911
Ps Lai Mui Fong	8183 3394
Pr Chin Yoke Fen	9247 9377
Pr Lionel Neo	9736 5245
Pr Keith Wong	9295 2452
Ps Susantha	8397 6351

Sri Lankan Service

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Ps Susantha	8397 6351

Chinese Service

Rev Abel Lee	9678 3205
Pr Chin Yoke Fen	9247 9377

CareWorks Community Services

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<i>Head Of Home</i>	

Ministry Team Leaders

Missions

Ho Chung Tat	9736 2690
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Creche

Kong Soh Lian	9179 0263
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Children

Jeremy Png	9006 4264
Andrew Lim	9737 7303
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GB / BB

Pr Neo Shi Wei	9736 5245
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Hospitality

Jenny Ho	9789 4895
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Youth and Young Adult (YaYA)

Pr Keith Wong	9295 2452
Audrey Wong	9126 5329

Freedom & Wholeness

Alfred & Jenny Koay	9856 8733
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Worship

Ryan Kong	9752 9260
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Chinese Seniors Alpha Course

Pr Chin Yoke Fen	9247 9377
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Day Alone with the Lord

Ps Lai Mui Fong	8183 3394
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Worship Time

English Services	9am & 11am
Chinese Service	9.30am
Chinese Saturday Service	10am
Sri Lankan Service	2pm
Discovery Group (English)	9.30am - 11am
Sunday School for K1 to P6	11am - 12.30pm
Crèche for Nursery & below	11am - 12.30pm
Youth & Young Adult Fellowship	11.30am - 1.30pm