



## THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

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**Welcome to a gathering of God's people.**

### COLLECT FOR TODAY:

Blessed Lord, you have caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant us to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that, encouraged and supported by your holy Word, we may embrace and always hold fast the joyful hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.



*During the night Paul had a vision of a man of Macedonia standing and begging him,  
"Come over to Macedonia and help us." ~ Acts 16:9*

Every Christian must be involved in evangelism and discipleship. This is because the first mission was performed by God himself when He sent His only Son to save the world (John 3:16-17). The mission of the Lord Jesus is to establish the *Kingdom of God* on earth as in heaven. This is the Jesus heart revealed in his prayer (Matthew 6:9-13) ~ "Your *Kingdom* come".

Jesus called 12 of his disciples and sent them to proclaim the *Kingdom of God* (Luke 9:1-2). Then Jesus sent seventy disciples (Luke 10:1) and told them when they meet people in the city, say this: "The *Kingdom of God* has come near to you" (Luke 10:8-9). The Lord Jesus also sent Paul to proclaim the *Kingdom of God* to the Gentiles (Acts 9:1-18). Again I say, here is the Jesus heart revealed in his prayer ~ "Your *Kingdom* come".

So the Mission of the Kingdom of God continues when it's mandated to His Church. The Church is the representative of the Kingdom of God in the world and is commanded to preach the gospel to all the people on earth. Therefore, no exception of each and every Christian not to carry out this task.

Let us encourage one another to do this task when we are given the opportunity.

- Rev Tim

## FAMILY MATTERS

**Welcome** to a gathering of God's people. We gather to worship Jesus. To sing praises to Him, to confess our sins to Him, to listen to His word, to pray to Him, to remember His death and to encourage one another to obey Him in our daily lives.

A warm 'welcome home' to our Rector, Ad Moses Chin after his sabbatical leave.

Rev & Mrs Chin Kah Jin are on holiday in Melbourne. They will return on 23 December.

### Chi & Eng Church Carolling

- 11-13 Dec, 12 carolling groups will be visiting homes of their friends and relatives.
- 11 Dec, Mon, 6.30 p.m. - All carollers are to assemble at the Church Portico.

### COGS Chi & Eng / Mawar Sunday School

- The Sunday schools are now in recess and will resume on 7th January 2018.

### Christmas Celebration

**17 Dec, Sun**

- **BM Christmas celebration**

9.30 a.m., Barrett Hall; and also a farewell to our Rector.

After the celebration, many of our BM members will leave for their homes in the *kampungs* for Christmas;

- **Youth celebration:**

**Ms S-White**

7.00 p.m., in Church - a Taiwanese lady drummer will be performing. Tickets at RM20 each are on sale.

Todate, over 400 tickets are sold. Bring in our young people.

- **LOGOS Zone** annual Christmas dinner, 7.00 p.m.

**23 Dec, Sat** - NO Evening Service; but evening worshippers are encouraged to attend the combined Chinese Service the next day.

**24 Dec, Sun - Christmas Eve**

- 7:00 a.m. - Chinese combined Service
- 9:30 a.m. - Eng & BM combined Service
- 2:30 p.m. - NO Service
- 9:00 p.m. - Church - **Christmas Eve Concert**; presenting a vibrant & modern nativity play, dance presentations, carols & launching of COGS website.

**25 Dec, Mon - Christmas Day**

- 9:00 a.m. - **Trilingual. Combined Christmas Day Holy Communion Service**, at Vision school hall, Sibuga;
- from 5:30 pm onwards — "bring a dish" Christmas dinner;

*Venue: COGS Barrett Hall.*

- also a farewell to our Rector.

**30 & 31 Dec** - Services as usual.



**10 December 2017**

*We proclaim Him, admonishing and teaching everyone with all wisdom,  
so that we may present everyone perfect in Christ. [Colossians 1:28]*

## FAMILY MATTERS

∞ **Flowers** — No flowers for the season of Advent; continue to contribute for the next year. Thank you.

∞ **Condolences** to the family of Mr Liew En Fook who passed away on 01 Dec 2017, aged 79.



Services	Attendance/Communicants	
Hakka I [Sat] - 7:30 p.m.	233	183
Hakka II - 7:00 a.m.	216	190
English - 9:30 a.m.	176	156
BM - 9:30 a.m.	265	194
Hakka III - 2:30 p.m.	86	63
Mawar Children	42	
Labuk Children (Ch)	-	
Labuk Children (En)	-	
BM Children	84	
<b>Total</b>	<b>1102</b>	<b>786</b>

## Lord, teach us how to pray ...

- ✧ **For Our World - MEXICO** — population 115 million.
- Economy—largely depends on oil, industry manufactured goods, tourism and agriculture.
  - Infrastructure need further development.
  - Politics—relationship with USA need further strengthening.

- ✧ **For Malaysia - Welfare.**
- Both urban and rural hard-core poor need government social welfare aids.
  - Poor rural students need government welfare aids.
  - General social welfare of the poor people in urban areas need government aids.

- ✧ **For Our Diocese - St Augustine's Mission District, Merotai, Tawau.**
- Revd Samuel Sampe and Ev Maiko Samudik.
  - For all members to learn to live a holy life.
  - all members to study the word of God diligently.

- ✧ **For Our Parish - The Men's ministry.**

- For Yong Fook Choi and his committee members.
- The Men's fellowship to build up meaningful bond between all members.
- Team work of the members.

For the sick: Mr Chin Tshun Leong, Mdm Teo Joo Lian, Ps Soo Nyuk Fong, Mdm Lee Soi Chin, Mr Eng Fook Kit, Mdm Chang Suk Heng, Mdm Emily Lau, Miss Vivian Chin, Mdm Lai Nyuk Jin, Mdm Chia Soon Yin, Mr Leong Kam Lun, Mdm Tay Phui Teen and Mr Chong Hyun Vui.

- ✧ **Personal requests.**

<b>Order of Service</b>	<b>This Sunday</b>	<b>Next Sunday (17/12/17)</b>
<i>Introit Hymn</i>	Come We That Love the Lord (HOP 9)	Holy, Holy, Holy (HfTC 7)
<i>Greetings</i>	Ho Sui Ting	Elizabeth Kho
<i>Praise &amp; Worship</i>	Evelyn Poon	Eveleen Ho
<i>Collect for Today</i>		
<i>Bible Reading</i>	<b>Acts 16: 6—10</b> Reg Sin	<b>1 Thessalonians 5: 16-24</b> Ng Kong Hin
<i>Nicene Creed</i>		
<i>Gospel Reading</i>	<b>Mark 1: 1—8</b> Ho Sui Ting	<b>John 1: 6-8; 19-28</b> Elizabeth Kho
<i>Message</i>	Sharing by Marry Unchang & Revd Timothy	Preparing for Christ's Return by Rector
<i>Response Hymn</i>		
<i>Intercession</i>	Eveleen K W Wong	Stephanie Chin
<i>Confession</i>		
<i>Offertory Hymn</i>	<b>I Would Be True (HOP 243)</b>	<b>While Shepherds ... (HfTC 94)</b>
<i>Holy Communion, Lord's Prayer, Thanksgiving, Blessing &amp; Dismissal</i>		
<i>Thanksgiving Hymn</i>	<b>There's A Song In The Air (HOP 79)</b>	<b>I am Thine O Lord (HOP 253)</b>

Serving One Another :

Cell Group Leader	<b>YOUNG ADULTS &amp; M.A.D. YOUTH</b>	<b>LOGOS 1 (Dr Arthur Chung)</b>
Welcome Team / Visitors Centre	<b>Angela Ngu, Kelvin Chin Mitchell Lo, Kenwyn Chin &amp; Matthew</b>	<b>Mr &amp; Mrs Eddie Wong Henley Liew, Angela Ho</b>
Sidesmen	<b>Sophia Soh, Ho En Han Esther Choo &amp; Danny Tang</b>	<b>Dr &amp; Mrs Arthur Chung Ngo Su Hian, Annie Liu</b>
Server	<b>Eddie Wong</b>	<b>Lam Kai Kwong</b>
Prayer Ministry	<b>Timothy Wong Evelyn Poon, Reg Sin</b>	<b>Steven Chung Annie Liu</b>
Offertory Count	<b>Ngu Ngok Yoon ( C )</b> Dorothy Yong, Eng Li Fah Wong Siu Fong, Margaret Ho	<b>Rosie Chia ( C )</b> Yee Chee Hong, Betty Kwan Melissa Ong, Cindy Liew Alvin Wong
Washing up	<b>M.A.D. Youth</b>	<b>Mr &amp; Mrs Anton Ngui</b>

WEEKLY SERVICES

*Saturday*

7:30 p.m.  
Chinese

*Sunday*

7:00 a.m.  
Chinese

9:30 a.m.  
English

9:30 a.m.  
Bahasa M'sia

2:30 p.m.  
Chinese

CHAPEL PRAYERS

Wed - 7:00 a.m.

Thur - 6:30 a.m.

Sat - 4:30 a.m.

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