WEEK 39

TRINITY 18

30 SEPTEMBER 2018



THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

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Welcome to a gathering of God's people.

COLLECT FOR TODAY:

Lord, give your people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow you the only God; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE POWER OF PRAYER

Read: 1 Samuel 7:7-14

Do not stop crying out to the Lord our God for us, that he may rescue us.

1 Samuel 7:8

One day, when I was deeply concerned about the welfare of one close to me, I found encouragement in part of the Old Testament story of Samuel, a wise leader of the Israelites. As I read how Samuel interceded for God's people as they faced trouble, I strengthened myself and resolve to pray for the one I loved.

The Israelites faced the threat of the Philistines, who had previously defeated them when God's people didn't trust in Him (see 1 Samuel 4). After repenting of their sins, they heard that the Philistines were about to attack. This time, however, they asked Samuel to continue praying for them (7:8), and the Lord answered clearly by throwing their enemy into confusion (v. 10). Though the Philistines may have been mightier than the Israelites, the Lord was the strongest of them all.

When we ache over the challenges facing those we love, and fear the situation won't change, we may be tempted to believe that the Lord will not act. But we should never under-estimate the power of prayer, for our loving God hears our pleas. We don't know how He will move in response to our petitions, but we know that as our Father He longs for us to embrace His love and to trust in His faithfulness.

Do you have someone you can pray for today?

Father God, the way You hear and answer my prayers amazes me. Strengthen my faith, that I will always believe in Your goodness and love.

God hears us when we pray.

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.

• 30 September (to-night)

Mawar & Sibuga sisters care group gathering.

Venue: Mawar care centre, 7:00 pm.

• 01— 05 October

PT3 students exam.

Pray for the students sitting for the exams.

• **o6 October** (Sat) **Sisters Fellowship**

Venue: Barrett Hall, @ 2:00 pm.

• **06 & 07 October** (Sat & Sun)

Children's Sunday.

Thank God for the children who will be delegated to their roles in the Ch / Eng services.

Please support them in prayers.

WALKING IN HOLINESS-FREEDOM FROM BONDAGES

Speaker: Revd Philip Tan (Australia)

Language: English to be translated to Chinese.

* **o8 Oct** (Mon) Venue: St Michael's Church @ 7:30 pm

* **09 Oct** (Tue) Venue: COGS @ 7:30pm

• **11—14 October** (Thur—Sun)

ATI—E (Eng) Bible Course

Venue: COGS.

- ★ Non-refundable Reg Fee = RM100.00
- * Courses: Audit = RM120.00 Credit = RM270.00
- ★ Exam Date = 21 October.
- **23–24 November** (Fri–Sat)

GLOBAL LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

Language: Eng & Chi Venue: St Michael's Church.

Early Bird's Reg Fee @ RM180/pax before 15 Oct 2018.

Full details on the registration form.

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LET US PRAY

1. Pray for the Afflicted James 5: 13—16

2. Pray for the Nation James 5: 17—18

3. Pray for the Strayed James 5: 19—20

Questions for Discussion:

- 1. Read James 5:13-20. What do you regularly pray for? What are the contents of your prayer?
- 2. Have you ever prayed for the afflicted and the sick? Share your experience of God's answer to your prayer.
- 3. How often do you pray for Malaysia and Sabah? What are some of the urgent prayers for our country?
- 4. Start to pray for those who are strayed and the non-regular church members. Pray for opportunities to visit them and invite them to return to our church fellowship.
- 5. End the meeting with prayers for the sick and our nation.

FAMILY MATTERS

- BANNS OF MARRIAGE between Mr Chin Yuk Tshun & Miss Ng Wing Kei on 19 Oct 2018. This is the first time of announcement.
- House Blessing was conducted at the home of Ps Soo Nyuk Fong yesterday (29/09/18).
- Flowers contributed by a couple as thanksgiving for their wedding anniversary.

Services/Attendance/Communicants						
Chi (2209) Sat -7:30 pm	239	187				
Chi (23/09) Sun -7:00 am	223	183				
Eng (23/09) Sun - 9:30 am	153	141				
BM (23/09) Sun - 9:30 am	242	197				
Chi (23/09) Sun - 2:30 pm	61	52				
Total	918	760				
Children's Ministries						
Tadika COGS (KG)						
Chi Children cell - Mawar & COGS						
Eng Children cell - COGS						
BM Children cell						
St Monica's Discovery Club						
BB Junior (Boys' Brigade)						
Youth Ministries						
Ch Youth (Impact & Inspired)						
Eng Youth (M.A.D.)						
BM Youth						
BB Senior (Boys' Brigade)						

Lord, teach us how to pray ...

- **For Our World Switzerland** − Population: 7.7 million. Pray for:
 - Economy: A very wealthy industrial state. Tourism and banking their major foreign exchange earner.
 - Churches—Thank God for continued swiss commitment to world evangelization.
 - People for higher level of unity and outreach commitment.

✗ For Malaysia - Fishermen.

- For safety of all fishermen who daily venture out to the open sea.
- For fruitful harvest of catches.
- For good weather to all sea going fishermen.

※ For Our Diocese − St Paul's Church, Ranau.

Pray for:

- Revd Johnny Mailuhu, Ev Ten Araman.
- For the BM and Chinese congregations.
- The outreach to the villages and surrounding kampongs.

※ For Our Parish − COGS BB Ministry.

- Cpt Eddie Wong and all his fellow workers.
- For all Boys & Girls Brigaders to be committed to attend their Brigade weekly meetings.
- For all Brigaders to learn to discipline themselves, and be committed to good Christian values and cultures.
- For the sick: Ps Soo Nyuk Fong, Mr
 Joseph Luruthusamy (in KL), Mr Liew En
 Lip, Mr Lim Ngak Joo, Mr Pang Ming Chiew,
 Mdm Chan Mei Ngo, Mdm Tham Nyuk Mui,
 Mr Tsen Siong Khong, Sr Low Mooi Gaik,
 Mrs Chong Fen Chung, Mr Francis Lam, Mr
 Chin Tshun Leong, 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.
- **%** For personal requests.

Order of Service	This Sunday (30/09/18)	Next Sunday (07/10/18)	WEEKLY SERVICES
Introit Hymn	In Christ there is no east or	I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord	Saturday
mitoit Hymn	west (HOP 338)	(HOP 179)	7:30 p.m Chinese
Greetings	Stephanie Chin	Steven Chung	Sunday
Praise & Worship	Evelyn Poon	Eveleen K W Wong	7:00 a.m. Chinese
Collect for Today			9:30 a.m.
Bible Reading	James 5: 13—20 Jimmy Kho	Psalm 128: 1 - 6 Leticia Leong	English 9:30 a.m.
Nicene Creed			Bahasa M'sia
Gospel Reading	Mark 9: 38—50 Stephanie Chin	Mark 10: 2—16 Steven Chung	2:30 p.m. Chinese CHAPEL
			PRAYERS
Message	Ps Margaret Chong	Revd K J Chin	Wed - 7:00 a.m.
Response Hymn			Thur - 6:30 a.m.
Intercession	Dr Robert Ong	Joshua Chong	Sat - 4:30 a.m.
Confession			CONTACTS:
Offertory Hymn	Search me, O God (HOP 127)	Like a River Glorious (HOP 233)	Ad Yong Thiam Choy 013-851-2389
Holy Communi	Revd K J Chin 089-667698		
Thanksgiving Hymn	I love to tell the story (HOP 334) Would You live for Jesus (HOP 239)		Revd F C Chong 019-813-3152
		Revd Timithy Jerry	
	Serving One Another	016-692-9031	
- 11 - 1	LOGOS 2 LOGOS 3		Ps Yock Len 019-807-0781
Cell Group Leader	(Dr Robert Ong)	(Mr Ho Sui Loon)	Ps Hyen Tze
Welcome Team /	Mr & Mrs David Ngui	Mr & Mrs Ho Sui Loon	013-883-7782
Visitors Centre	Dr Robert Ong & Melissa	Mr & Mrs Tommy Lim	Ps Nyuk Fong 016-834-7236
Sidesmen	Hendry Tan, Jimmy Kho Emily Ng, Melissa Ong	Mr & Mrs Chin Nyuk Fatt Ngu Ngok Yoon Liew Vun Men	Dr T M Thian 089-213418
Server	Lam Kai Kwong	Foo Chee Hiong	Yong Fook Choi 016-822-0995
Prayer Ministry	Margaret Chu Melissa Ong	Ho Sui Loon Annie Liu	Steven Chung 017-817-7871
	Ngu Ngok Yoon (C)	Yee Chee Hong (C)	Patrus Tamuai
Offertory Count	Dorothy Yong, Eng Li Fah	Mr & Mrs Christopher Kwan	011-298-3381
	Hee Pui Lee, Margaret Ho Wong Siu Fong	Francis Voo Melissa Ong, Cindy Liew	GS
Washing up	Dr Robert Ong & Amanda	Maggie Yap, Lily Ho	છ