

**WEEK 30**

**TRINITY 9**

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## **THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD**

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

### **COLLECT FOR TODAY:**

Grant us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always such things as are right, that we who cannot do anything that is good without you, may in your strength be able to live according to your will, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

We are going to spend the next few weeks to study the Book of James. While James did not specifically identify himself as to which “James” he was (James 1:1), the author is widely thought to be James, the half-brother of Jesus. James was not a follower of Jesus during the Savior’s time on earth (Mark 3:21–35; John 7:5) but eventually became an apostle, as one who had seen and believed the Lord post-resurrection (1 Cor 15:7; Gal 1:19). After witnessing the Lord’s resurrected body, James became one of the leaders of the church at Jerusalem.

This is one of my favorite books because it emphasizes practical, daily Christianity. Faith, for James is not only something abstract. Believers need to live out their faith. Throughout the book, James contended that faith produces authentic deeds. In other words, if those who call themselves God’s people truly belong to Him, their lives will produce deeds or fruit. *For as the body apart from the spirit is dead, so also faith apart from works is dead* (James 2:26).

I encourage you to read through the book. Use this book as your daily devotion in the next few weeks. I sincerely hope that you will enjoy your journey through James together.

- Ad Yong Thiam Choy

## 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.

- **27 July—25 August:** Ad Yong Thiam Choy will be on his sabbatical leave. Please pray for God's leading wherever he may be.
- **29 July (Tonight)**  
**Mawar / Sibuga** sisters care group gathering.  
Venue: Mawar Care Centre, @ 7:00 pm.
- **04 Aug (Sat)**  
**Sisters' Fellowship** monthly gathering.  
Venue: Barrett Hall @ 2:00 pm.
- **09—12 Aug (Thur—Sun)**  
**ALL Borneo Revival meeting** (BM / Eng)  
Venue: Sekolah Rendah VISI  
Time: 7:00 pm—11:00 pm
- **17—19 August (Fri—Sun)**  
**BM Children's Camp**
  - \* Sessions at Grace Hall & above storeys
  - \* Meals at Barrett Hall
- **20 - 22 August (Mon—Wed)**  
**COGS (Chi / Eng) Children Motivation Camp** for children in Pr 1—4.  
Venue: Barrett Hall, from 8:00 am — 4:30 pm daily.  
Person in-charge: Ps Yock Len

- **23 & 24 August (Thurs & Fri)**  
**RBC Chinese Bible Conference**  
Venue: St Michael's Church, 7:30 pm — 9:00 pm
- **25 August (Sat)**  
**RBC Workshop (*How to Read the Bible*)**  
Venue: COGS Church, 9:00 am — 12:30 pm
- **01 Sept (Sat)**  
**Captain Ball** friendly match hosted by St Michael's Church in celebration of her 130<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.
  - ★ Purpose: to build a strong relationship and connection with other Anglican churches in Sandakan.
  - ★ Entry fees for the matches: min RM30 per team.
  - ★ Dateline for registration: 08 August 2018.
 Contact person: Victor Wong Wai Kwok, @ 010-954-1660.  
Venue: Sandakan Vision Primary School @ 8:30 am.
- **Preparation for Confirmation:**
  - ★ **02 Sept (Sun)**  
**Confirmation rehearsal** (Ch / Eng / BM)  
Venue: COGS Church @ 11:45 am
  - ★ **03 Sept (Mon)**  
**A night with Rector for Briefing on Confirmation & Revision** (Ch / Eng) combined with members of St Michael's, compulsory for all confirmees.  
Venue: COGS, Grace Hall, 7:30 pm



# TURNING TRIALS INTO TRIUMPHS

(Ref: James 1: 1 –12)

## Introduction

A journey of a thousand miles begins with the first step.

### 1. **Trials purifies faith.** (v.2)

- Consider it pure joy
- When you face trials.

### 2. **Trials produces patience** (v3) & (v4)

- So you gain maturity.

### 3. **Trials perfect character.**

- Gold and silver are refined through fire.

## Conclusion

The victory of the cross.

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Questions for discussions.

1. Share one of your most unforgettable trials you experienced.
2. How did you benefit from such an experience ?
3. How does trials and tribulation produces character ?
4. Read v.13 and discuss / share.

## FAMILY MATTERS

★ 08 Sept (Sat)

### Confirmation Service

Venue: COGS church @ 7:30 pm

● 10 & 11 Sept (Mon & Tue)

### Sandakan Anglican Youth Conference.

Venue: St Michael's Church.

Fee: RM40 inclusive of T-shirt.

Person in-charge: Ps Hyen Tze.

● 5 - 6 November (Mon -Tue)

### GLOBAL LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

Language: English & Chinese

Venue: St Michael' Church

**28 - 31 August (Tue—Fri)**  
**Diocesan SYNOD, K K.**

### Services/Attendance/Communicants

Chi (21/07) Sat -7:30 pm	244	191
Chi (22/07) Sun -7:00 am	213	164
Eng (22/07) Sun - 9:30 am	172	134
BM (22/07) Sun - 9:30 am	361	222
Chi (22/07) Sun - 2:30 pm	79	62
<b>Total</b>	1069	773

### Children's Ministries

### Attd

Tadika COGS (KG)	140
Chi Children cell - Mawar & COGS	106
Eng Children cell - COGS	37
BM Children cell	-
St Monica's Discovery Club	102
BB (Boys' Brigade)	207

### Youth Ministries

### Attd

Ch Youth (Impact & Inspired)	55
Eng Youth (M.A.D.)	13
BM Youth	28
BB (Boys' Brigade)	15

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

✧ **For Our World - SAUDI ARABIA.** Population 28 million.

- Economy — Total dependence on its massive oil wealth.
- Labour force — Almost total dependence on foreign workers.
- The nation faces great stresses. Under increasing pressure, the aging leadership must walk the impossible path between those pushing for liberalization and those demanding stricter Islamization.

✧ **For Malaysia - Government Staff.**

- Pray for commitment and dedication to their call as civil servants.
- For all government departments to serve the public with respect.
- Government officers to be humble.

✧ **For Our Diocese — St Stephen's Mission, Silabukan.**

- Revd Roy R Tington, Ev Billy Matusong, Ev Cho Seow Wang and Ev Ruslinah Ruslee.
- For biblical preaching.
- For regular visit to outlying kampongs.

✧ **For Our Parish — Mission.**

- To be prepared for mission work.
- God to choose the right people or team/s for mission.

✧ For the sick: 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.**

<b>Order of Service</b>	<b>This Sunday (29/07/18)</b>	<b>Next Sunday (05/08/18)</b>
<i>Introit Hymn</i>	<b>All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name ((HfTC 587)</b>	<b>Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty (HfTC 40)</b>
<i>Greetings</i>	Steven Chung	Dr T M Thian
<i>Praise &amp; Worship</i>	Evelyn Poon	Eveleen K W Wong
<i>Collect for Today</i>		
<i>Bible Reading</i>	<b>James 1: 1—12</b> Wong Siu Fong	<b>James 1: 19—27</b> Charmen Chan
<i>Nicene Creed</i>		
<i>Gospel Reading</i>	<b>John 6: 1– 15</b> Steven Chung	<b>John 6: 24—35</b> Dr T M Thian
<i>Message</i>	<b>Turning Trials into Triumphs</b> Revd K J Chin	<b>Responsibilities Towards God's Word</b> Ps Margaret Chong
<i>Response Hymn</i>		
<i>Intercession</i>	<b>Monica Ho</b>	<b>Miranda Liew</b>
<i>Confession</i>		
<i>Offertory Hymn</i>	<b>He Hideth My Soul (HOP 226)</b>	<b>My Jesus, I Love Thee (HOP 389)</b>

*Holy Communion, Lord's Prayer, Thanksgiving, Blessing & Dismissal*

<i>Thanksgiving Hymn</i>	<b>Footprints of Jesus (HOP 319)</b>	<b>Leaning on the Everlasting Arms (HOP 340)</b>
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Serving One Another :

Cell Group Leader	<b>EMMANUEL (Elizabeth Kho)</b>	<b>YOUNG ADULTS &amp; M.A.D. YOUTH</b>
Welcome Team / Visitors Centre	<b>Mr &amp; Mrs Francis Ng Annie Chok, Ivy Khong</b>	<b>Elton Liew, Amanda Ong Kelvin Chin, Mitchell Lo</b>
Sidesmen	<b>Mr &amp; Mrs Terence Fung Francis Voo, Lena Wong</b>	<b>Cassandra Chong, Edwin Ngo Wong Ee Syinn, Sophia Soh</b>
Server	<b>Foo Chee Hiong</b>	<b>Charles Chong</b>
Prayer Ministry	<b>Denny Chong, Lue Fui Hua</b>	<b>Peter Soo, Evelyn Poon Edwin Lam</b>
Offertory Count	<b>Alice Y M Liew ( C ) Loh Leong Len, Ho Sui Loon Low Mooi Gaik, Ng Lee Lee Michael Chin, Maggie Yap</b>	<b>Ngu Ngok Yoon ( C ) Dorothy Yong, Wong Siu Fong Margaret Ho, Eng Li Fah Hee Pui Lee</b>
Washing up	<b>Monica Ho, Elizabeth Kho</b>	<b>Elton Liew, Amanda Ong Kevin Chin, Mitchell Lo</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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