



# Grace Baptist Church

17 December 2017

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## **Advent Series: The Outrageous Exchange**

**(Isaiah 52:13-53:12)**

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**Next Week's Sermon:**

**The Coming of the Servant King: Come Worship the True King (Matthew 2:1-12)**

## Advent Sermon Series: Isaiah's Servant Songs

Christmas celebrates the coming of God's promised Messiah, Jesus. Who is Jesus? What did he come to do? Hundreds of years before Jesus came, God spoke of Him through Isaiah the prophet. Isaiah's four Servant Songs (42:1-9; 49:1-13; 50:4-11; 52:13-53:12) paint a vivid portrait of the Messiah. From 26 Nov, we will begin a four-sermon series on Isaiah's Servant Songs. As Christmas approaches, may the wonder of the Servant's love fill our hearts, that we might trust in Him!

Date	Sermon Title	Sermon Text
26 Nov	God's Gentle King	Isaiah 42:1-9
3 Dec	Hope for Distant Nations	Isaiah 49:1-13
10 Dec	Comfort for the Disgraced	Isaiah 50:4-11
17 Dec	The Outrageous Exchange	Isaiah 52:13-53:12
24 Dec	Come Worship the True King	Matthew 2:1-12

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

**CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAMME | TODAY 17 DEC | 9.30 AM** The children will be having a combined programme about Christmas Myths.  
17 Dec - Baby Jesus, Emmanuel.

## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

**2017 YEAR END FINANCIAL CLOSING** Ministries are reminded to submit all expense claims for 2017 latest by Sunday 24 December 2017. Any transaction involving cash that is not settled with the church office by 24 December 2017 will be included in the 2018 Accounts.

**CHRISTMAS 2017** We have several events lined up for Christmas. Let's pray and seek out opportunities to share the love of Jesus Christ with others!

- **Christmas service:** Sun 24 Dec at 9.00 am. There is no service on the 25 Dec.
- **Baptisms:** These will take place during the Christmas Service. We will be celebrating God's grace in the lives of several believers, who will be taking this step of obedience to Christ.
- **Let's Celebrate Christmas!** 24 Dec, 10.30 am - 1.30 pm (Buffet Lunch provided) @ Fellowship Hall. All are welcome. **Registration closes today!**

**FAMILY DEDICATION | SUN 31 DEC** As a church family, we have committed to disciple the children in our midst. We would therefore like to invite GBC members who have young children to dedicate their families to the Lord. This family dedication is also for the church to commit to caring for the children whom God has entrusted to us. Please contact Carrie in the church office for more information and to sign up.

**WATCHNIGHT SERVICE 2017: WORSHIP, REFLECT AND RENEW OUR COVENANT | SUN 31 DEC | 6.30 PM - MIDNIGHT | GBC SANCTUARY** Let us set aside time to gather as a church for a special watchnight service on 31 Dec, concluding one year and starting a new one together. Unlike past years, the programme will go till midnight with breaks in between. The programme will be: (i) a simple catered dinner at 6.30pm;

(ii) the worship service at 8pm; (iii) reflection, fellowship and testimony time at 9pm; and (iv) renewing our covenant membership at 11pm. Those coming for dinner are requested to register for a \$10 dinner at [tinyurl.com/gbcwatchnight2017](http://tinyurl.com/gbcwatchnight2017) or in the Fellowship Hall by 24 Dec. All are welcome!

**GBC CHRISTMAS STOCKING FOR OUR KITCHEN** Our Church Kitchen is ready & waiting to be furnished!!! Consider blessing our Church with a gift this Christmas from the "GBC Kitchen Gift Registry". Check out our GBC kitchen stock up list at the Fellowship Hall on Sundays till today, 17 Dec to share in this opportunity to build our Kitchen for the many groups and ministries that are and will be using it.

**STAFF MOVEMENT** Pastor Oliver is on sabbatical leave from 1 Nov to 30 April 2018. Pastor Ian is on leave from 18 Dec to 22 Dec. Pauline is on leave 19 Dec to 2 Jan.

## MINISTRY

**LIBRARY** Thank you for your support in the purchase of books from the bookstall last Sunday. One last run for this year for the book sales today from 10.30am to 11.30am. All proceeds go to the love box for our missionaries this Christmas. Bless your loved ones and our missionaries!

**FRIDAY WOMEN BIBLE STUDY | FRI 12 JAN | 10.00 AM – 12.00 PM** Does Malachi have a message for us today? What significant implications does this book have for our life and our future? Come and join us for tea fellowship on 12 Jan 2018 as we begin our 8-week study on Fridays from 10.00am to 12 noon.

<b>WEEK AT A GLANCE</b>
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**Activities for 17 December - 24 December 2017**

**Sunday, 17 December**

9.00 am	EC Worship Service
9.30 am	Children's Church
10.30 am	Filipina Fellowship
2.00 pm	Myanmar Fellowship

**Sunday, 24 December**

9.00 am	EC Worship Service
9.30 am	Children's Church
10.30 am	Filipina Fellowship
10.30 pm	Christmas Celebration
2.00 pm	Myanmar Fellowship

**Sermon Notes**

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### Sunday Meetings

EC Worship Service	9.00 am	Chinese Worship Service	11.00 am
<u>EC Christian Education:</u>		<u>CC Christian Education:</u>	
Children's Church	9.30 am	Children's Sunday School (KFC)	1.15 pm
Discipleship Seminars	11.00 am	Youth Fellowship	1.30 pm
Filipina Fellowship	10.30 am	Young Adult Fellowship	1.30 pm
Myanmar Fellowship	2.00 pm	Big Group Fellowship (1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday)	1.00 pm

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### Giving

The collection at GBC can be directed to one of two specific funds – general offering and missions fund. If you are making an offering by cheque, please write the cheque payable to: “**Grace Baptist Church Ltd**”.

For electronic giving, here are the internet banking details for English Congregation:

Account	Bank	Account Number
General Fund	Standard Chartered Bank	0100263291
Missions Fund	Standard Chartered Bank	0100263283

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### First Time Visitors

If this is your first time visiting us, welcome! We are so glad that you have come to join us in worship. We have a Visitors Registration Table located outside the Sanctuary, drop by for more information about the church. You can also register your details with us at [www.tinyurl.com/welcometogbc](http://www.tinyurl.com/welcometogbc).