



RE:BUILDING

GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH

02 April 2017

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

Praise & Adoration

Pastoral Prayer

(Dismissal of Children)

Tithes & Offerings

Song of Preparation

Message

Song of Response

Benediction

Preacher: Rev (Dr) Ian Buntain

Worship Leader: Rev Oliver Chia

Song Leaders: Carrie Chong & Daniella Low

**A disciple-making church that transforms
lives with the gospel and love of Jesus Christ**

N O T A S H A M E D



PRE-SERVICE REFLECTION QUESTION

"What am I thirsty and hungry for right now? How can I learn to trust that God will meet my hunger and thirst?"

“Not Ashamed of the Gospel: The Persuasion of Persecution”

Acts 8:1-8

Next Week’s Sermon:

Title: “The Coming King”

Speaker: Rev Oliver Chia

Scripture Reading: Matt 21:1-11

N O T A S H A M E D



Our time in the first seven chapters of Acts tells us that the gospel is proclaimed and the number of believers grew. And in reaction to the explosive increase in numbers, the early believers faced external opposition, internal deception and divisive complaints. Despite these challenges, the Word of God continued to increase and the number of believers multiplied.

In the month of April, we will be taking a break from our sermon series in the book of Acts. In its stead, we will be having messages to help us prepare our hearts for Good Friday and Resurrection Sunday. Also, as we made our way through Acts, we saw how God through the Holy Spirit, empowered His people for witness to Jesus Christ. But just who is the Holy Spirit and what does He do? We shall have two messages in the second half of April to help us understand the person and work of the Holy Spirit.

So, as a church, let us prepare our hearts to receive our crucified and risen King this Good Friday and Resurrection Sunday. Let us think of the cross and in response, live lives that are cross-shaped. And in doing so, be Spirit-empowered witnesses to the world for our King Jesus Christ.

For those who would like to read up and perhaps pray for our pastors and speakers as they prepare their sermons, here is the sermon schedule for April 2017:

Date	Sermon Title	Sermon Text
2 Apr	"The Persuasion of Persecution"	Acts 8:1-8
9 Apr	"The Coming King"	Matthew 21:1-11
14 Apr Good Friday	"The Way to Life is Our Way of Life"	1 Peter 4:1-6
16 Apr	"Our Road to Emmaus"	Luke 24:13-35
23 Apr	"The Person of the Holy Spirit"	John 14:15-31
30 Apr	"The Work of the Holy Spirit"	John 16:1-15

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

DISCIPLESHIP SEMINARS (DS) | SUN | 5.15 PM – 6.15 PM | FELLOWSHIP HALL ON LEVEL 1 We begin our study on the post-Solomon kings of Judah in 2 Chronicles today. Do join us at the Fellowship Hall downstairs. Today's teacher: Matthew Koh. Next week's teacher: David Koh.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

• **JUNIORS | UNDERSTANDING** – God understands that we are weak.

Key Verse: Psalm 103:13-14 "As a father has compassion on his children, so the LORD has compassion on those who fear Him; for He knows how we are formed, He remembers that we are dust."

• **SENIORS | Yahweh - Shalom** : The LORD is Peace.

Theme: God desires to give me peace and life

Key Verse: Isaiah 26:3 "You keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on you, because he trusts in you."

MEET GOD MID-WEEK | TUE 04 APR | 8.00 PM | BETHESDA BUKIT ARANG 5TH LEVEL

We are uncertain at this time if Dr. Poulson will be able to teach this Tuesday. We will inform those concerned accordingly.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

ONLINE NEWSLETTERS We're introducing a new email newsletter system to better update everyone on community life in GBC. Grace eNews will regularly share updates on events and people in GBC, while Watchman Prayer Network will keep us posted on the prayer needs of the church. Everyone is encouraged to sign up to be a part of this particularly those who are on the current watchman yahoo group which will be phased out on **9 April**. We will require you to sign up as we will be migrating to a new watchman platform. Sign up here at: <https://tinyurl.com/gbcenews>

AVERAGE ATTENDANCE FOR MARCH 2017

Attendance	March 2017
Adult Worship	341
Children's Ministry	23
Total	364

COLLECTION FOR MARCH 2017

Collection	Mar (Actual)	Mar Budgeted Expenditure	Year-to-Date (Actual)	YTD Budgeted Expenditure
General Offering	\$70,897	\$84,309	\$245,390	\$252,927
Mission Offering	\$34,883	\$43,699	\$104,833	\$131,097

EC IBANKING INFORMATION You can now make e-contributions in your giving for the General Fund, Missions Fund, and Rebuilding Fund.

Account	Bank	Account Number
General Fund	Standard Chartered Bank	0100263291
Missions Fund	Standard Chartered Bank	0100263283
Rebuilding Fund	OCBC	501417653001

The accounts must be kept separate for accounting and audit reasons. If you would like to be more specific for how your gift can be used, please indicate in the 'comments' when you give. For more info, visit english.gracebaptistchurch.sg/giving

LORD'S SUPPER | SUN 2 APR There is **NO** Lord's Supper today, 2 Apr. We will observe the Lord's Supper at the Good Friday service on 14 Apr.

GOOD FRIDAY EVENING SERVICE | FRI 14 APR | 8.00 PM - 9.15 PM | CHS Come and join us in commemorating our Master's journey to the Cross at our Good Friday evening service. Please take this opportunity to invite your non-believing friends and loved ones to hear the gospel preached. **Shuttle bus pick-up times are: from MacPherson CC (7.15 pm); from Potong Pasir MRT (7.30 pm); from CHS (9.45 pm).**

BAPTISM ON RESURRECTION SUNDAY | SUN 16 APR | 3.30 PM We strongly encourage those who are contemplating baptism to take this step of obedience in faith. If you wish to get baptized at the Resurrection Sunday service, please notify the church office so that we can make the necessary arrangements.

MINISTRY

YA RETREAT 2017 | THEME: HOLY, RESOLVED | 23 – 26 JUNE The young adults ministry will be holding their annual retreat from 23-26 June 2017 in M Suites Hotel Johor Bahru, and the theme will be "Holy, Resolved". We will focus on the idea of God's holiness and the call to be holy for God. What does holiness have to do with living full, complete and joyful lives, and what do these things have to do with the sanctifying power of the Gospel? Join us for the long weekend, all young adults are invited! The cost of the retreat will be \$120 for students and \$200 for working adults, and you can register at tinyurl.com/gbcyaretreat2017.

GBC YA TRAINING — GOSPEL PRIMER: READING THE BIBLE IN DISCIPLESHIP AND EVANGELISM Over 4 sessions from March to June, these trainings will focus on how we can share the gospel by reading the Bible with another. We will learn about who God is (from Gen 1), who man is (from Gen 3), who Jesus is (from Rom 3:21-26) and finally, how we ought to respond to these truths (from Mark 1:1-15). The first session was on 26 March, from 12.00 - 2.00 pm. The subsequent sessions will be on 30 Apr, 14 May and 18 June from 12.30 - 2.30 pm. Contact Sidney (9114 6489) or Bibianna (8139 5908) if you are interested or if you have more questions.

COMMUNITY

VISITATION If you would like the pastoral care team to visit you or if you know of anyone who needs visitation, please do not hesitate to contact or pass on the information to the church office.

CHURCH CALENDAR

2 Apr – 8 Apr	Gracehaven Outreach (8 Apr)
9 Apr – 15 Apr	Good Friday Service (14 Apr)
16 Apr – 22 Apr	Easter Service - Baptism (16 Apr)
23 Apr – 29 Apr	Monthly Prayer Meeting (28 Apr)

BUS SCHEDULE

Bus Shuttle Service to Chapel of the Holy Spirit on Sundays

	To CHS		From CHS
MacPherson CC	12.30pm	2.50pm	4.30pm; 5.30pm ; 6.40pm
Potong Pasir MRT	1.00pm	3.00pm	

OTHER EVENTS

ARPC EASTER CONVENTION WITH DR PAUL TRIPP | WED - FRI 12-14 APR Hear 1 Cor 15 preached by Dr Paul Tripp during Holy Week. "First Things First (1 Cor 15:1-8)" April 12 (Wed) 7.45PM and "What Grace Can Do (1 Cor 15:9-11)". "Resurrection Here and Now (1 Cor 15:12-28)" April 13 (Thu) 7.45PM at ARPC April 14 (Fri) 10.45AM at Expo. More info at epeasterconvention.org

SAME SEX ATTRACTION COUNSELLING WITH REV SAM ALLBERRY | FRI & SAT 28 & 29 APR Learn how to help counsel and encourage SSA friends with mercy, while remaining faithful to the teachings of Scripture. Allberry has been invited by RHC, and is a same sex attracted pastor who teaches on this subject with wisdom. Registration is required at <http://redemptionhillchurch.peatix.com/>

BIBLE STORYTELLING WORKSHOP | TUES 9 MAY (7.00 PM - 9.30PM), WED 10 MAY (9.00 AM – 4.00 PM), SAT 13 MAY (9.00 AM – 4.00PM) | WORKSHOP FEE - \$40/PERSON Have you ever felt tongue-tied while sharing the Gospel? Wycliffe Singapore is organising a 3-day Bible Storytelling Workshop where you are taught how to craft a Bible Story and tell it all by yourself. It is suitable for Youths to Adults, a must-have skill for SS teachers, parents and also anyone who wants to share God's Word to friends or loved ones! Please sign up at www.wycliffe.sg/story/2017 We can only take in 40 participants and seats are fast taken up so please register ASAP. Registration closes on 26 April. For inquiries please direct to Yoke Meng at chan_yokemeng@wycliffe.sg

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Sunday Meetings at Chapel of the Holy Spirit, 3 Sorby Adams Drive, Singapore 357690:

EC Worship Service	3.30 pm	CC Worship Service	1.30 pm
EC Christian Education:		CC Christian Education:	
Children's Programme	3.45 pm	Children's Sunday School (KFC)	3.00 pm
Youth Sunday School	5.15 pm	Youth Fellowship	3.00 pm
Discipleship Seminars	5.15 pm	Young Adult Fellowship	3.00 pm
Filipino Fellowship (2 nd Sunday)	3.30 pm	Adult Fellowship	3.00 pm

Sunday Meeting at Singapore Baptist Church, 1 Cambridge Road, Singapore 219677:

Myanmar Fellowship	2.30 pm
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