

Grace Baptist Church

20 August 2017

Preacher

Rev Ian Buntain

Worship Leader

Pastor Eugene Low

Welcome & Announcements
Call to Worship

Praise & Adoration

Prayer of Confession

Song of Assurance

(Dismissal of Children for Children's Church)

Tithes & Offerings / Doxology

Pastoral Prayer

Song of Preparation

Scripture Reading

Recognition & Appreciation

Sermon

Song of Response

Benediction



"Sending God's Best" (Acts 13:1-12)

Sermon Notes



Jesus promises his disciples in Acts 1:8, "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." We have seen in our series of messages in Acts how this promise is kept as the Holy Spirit empowers the witness of the early church for the gospel. The gospel expands unhindered from Jerusalem into Judea and Samaria. With the growth of the church plant in Antioch, the message of the gospel is poised for further expansion across the Mediterranean Sea to Rome and to the end of the earth.

We will see in our coming messages in August the spotlight shifting from Peter to Paul and his missionary efforts to take the gospel to the end of the earth. We will also take an interlude as we complete the third message on the person and work of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit as we have seen, is the main person at work in the expansion of the gospel of Jesus Christ in the book of Acts.

As a church, let us ask that the Holy Spirit equip and empower us as we hear God's Word, so that we too can be witnesses for Jesus Christ wherever we are. For those who would like to read up and pray for our pastors and speakers as they prepare their sermons, here is the sermon schedule for August 2017:

Date	Sermon Title	Sermon Text
6 Aug	"Expect the Unexpected"	Acts 12:1-25
13 Aug	"The Holy Spirit Makes Us More Like Jesus"	Galatians 5:16-24
20 Aug	"Sending God's Best"	Acts 13:1-12
27 Aug	"What is the Gospel?"	Acts 13:13-52

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

DISCIPLESHIP SEMINARS (DS) DS will be in recess today. Next week's lesson on "Living by Faith" will be led by David Koh.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY | 20 AUG TODAY | 9.30 AM Children's Church will run from 9.30am-10.30am. Children will be dismissed from the service at 9.30am and will be led to their classrooms.

MEET GOD MID-WEEK | TUE 22 AUG | 8.00 PM | BETHESDA BUKIT ARANG 5TH LEVEL Class continues this week.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME TEA & BUILDING VISIT FOR VISITORS | TODAY AFTER SERVICE | 3RD FLOOR, FELLOWSHIP HALL Welcome friends and visitors! If you are visiting Grace Baptist Church for the first or second time, we would like to welcome you and get to know you. You are invited to a Welcome Tea immediately after the service at the Fellowship Hall. We will also be taking groups to walk around the new building and have a look at our new facilities. See you there!

MPS ANNUAL LOVE GIFT COLLECTION ON 27 AUG & 3 SEP We will be having an annual collection for the needy students of MPS over the next 2 Sundays. For cash/cheques, please use the brown envelope provided at the welcome table located near the entrance of the sanctuary and mark "MPS" on the envelope, and drop them into the red offering bags.

USED TABLETS/LAPTOPS TO GIVE AWAY? Do you have a used tablet or laptop that is wasting away in a corner of your house? Give them a second life by donating it to the church for our use at the Welcome Desk. We are looking for used tablets/laptops that have a browser, can access wifi and have a screen size of at least 7.5 inches (9 inches and above will be ideal). Contact Sze Gar at tsgar@hotmail.com for more info.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY MEMORY VERSE ALBUM The Children's Ministry's album "SINGING GOD'S LOVE IN GOD'S WORD" is now available and for sale at the Fellowship Hall today. Grab a CD or USB flash drive if you haven't done so, and prayerfully give it to family or friends to bless them as it shares the Gospel in simple, clear language.



MINISTRY

LADIES MINISTRY:

- **1. TEA FELLOWSHIP** | **15 SEP** | **10.00 AM** | **ROOM 302** Kick Off for 1st Peter Bible Study for all women. Bring a friend and join us every Friday morning as we reflect on Peter's encouragement to us to stand firm in the Grace of God. Contact Jena (9798-8630) or Belinda (9843-5290) for more information.
- 2. GALATIANS | EVERY SAT | 4.00 PM (BEGINNING 16 SEP) | ROOM 302 Who has bewitched you? Why and How? A guided Bible study by Precept Ministries International with a warm group of GBC women who love the Word and are joined together for prayer and encouragement. Contact Yoke Meng (9730-1670) for more information.
- **3. WIVES EVERY 4TH SUN | 11.00 AM (BEGINNING 27 AUG) | ROOM 309** "What do you really want?" What do you pursue? What do you desire? Have you ever been in a situation where you suspected that your plans and desires for your life might not be God's will for you? Join us for 5 sessions as we hear real life stories of women wrestling with their desires. Together let's strengthen and reinforce our call to commit our desires to the Lord. Contact Claire (8383-6976) if you would be willing to help with childcare.
- **3. MOM'S CONNECT | EVERY 1ST WED | 9:30 AM 11.00 AM (BEGINNING 6 SEP) ROOM 502** Moms connecting with each other and Jesus. Spend time focusing on your personal journey with God through prayer and spiritually meaningful conversations. Bring your children and join us in the pre-school room (502). Contact Sherri (8398-0504) or Jena (9798-8630) for more information.

YA TRAINING: DOCTRINE OF SCRIPTURE The 3 upcoming training sessions will help us understand the canon of the OT and NT (and how we got the books within) in order to strengthen or confidence in the Bible. We will also study important characteristics of inerrant Scripture in order to read and respond to it. Upcoming dates are 27 Aug, 24 Sept and 22 Oct from 12.30 -2.30 pm. Contact Bibianna (81395908) if you'd like to attend or need more information!

YOUTH CAMP | 21 – 24 DEC Please note that Youth Camp 2017 will be held from 21 - 24 December. More details to follow. Primary 6s are invited!

CHURCH CALENDAR

20 Aug – 26 Aug First worship service at Mattar Road (20 Aug); MPM (25 Aug)

27 Aug – 2 Sep YA Doctrine Of Scripture (27 Aug)

3 Sep – 9 Sep Nil

10 Sep – 16 Sep Nil



Sermon Notes:

Next Week's Sermon:

Title: "What is the Gospel?" (Acts 13:13-52)

Speaker: Pastor Eugene Low

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Sunday Meetings

EC Worship Service	9.00 am	Chinese Worship Service	11.00 am
EC Christian Education:		CC Christian Education:	
Children's Church	9.30 am	Children's Sunday School (KFC)	1.15 pm
Discipleship Seminars	11.00 am	Youth Fellowship	1.30 pm
Filipino Fellowship	10.30 am	Young Adult Fellowship	1.30 pm
Mynamar Fellowship	2.00 pm	Big Group Fellowship (1 st Sunday)	1.00 pm
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Giving:

Pastor:

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