

Hidden Pain. WE HIDE our hurts for many reasons; and in the short term, this instinct might have some positive outcomes. For instance, we might be praying about something painful in order to discern the best next steps. But there is a difference between waiting and hiding.

Hiding our pain can lead to long-term emotional and physical problems. Hiding pain isolates us. It also keeps us from living into the fullness God intended. Jesus says, "I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly" (John 10:10, NRSV).

God does not want our lives to be muted by hidden pain. God wants abundance for us, and the world needs our free and powerful experience and expression of God's love.

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Today's Question: Where do you sense God is offering you abundant life?

Today's Scripture: For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God—not the result of works, so that no one may boast.

Ephesians 2:8-9, NRSV

This Week: Pray for persons who are experiencing new beginnings.

Prayer.

Upholding the Council, BLC Pastors & their families in prayer with thanksgiving to the Lord for all that they have been entrusted with.

For BLC Community – for a fresh encounter with the Christ and His love during this Lent season.

For daily wisdom, grace and inspiration to train our children in the way they should go in the Lord (Prov. 22:6). For grace, humility to love and accept people as they are and where they are; for renewed fellowship and healing of relationships that have been strained or painful (2 Cor.5:18-20).

Pray for the elderly in our midst who are facing health challenges, their families and caregivers – for grace, wisdom and strength -- Uncle Andrew Chong (Raymond's father); Aunt Pansy (Jason's mom); Judith G's parents and friend – Monica.

Adapted from the 24-7 Malaysia:

Pray for the upcoming elections this year and its preparations. Pray for strong hedge of protection around the nation during this time of national decision.

Pray for the love of righteousness, truth, justice and wisdom to increase in the hearts of the people.

For those who are missing and their families: Pr. Raymond Koh, Pr. Joshua & Ruth Hilmi, and Perlis Hope activist - Amri Che Mat.

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Liberating Truth:

Realigning Our Stories with God's Stories



Welcome to the Father's House
11 March 2018
Fourth Sunday of Lent



Worship Gathering @ 10.00 am
Do join us on Sundays for prayer @ 9.30 am,
before Worship Service @ Refreshment Area.

Children Ministry classes:
 Alpha: Ee Lyn Omega: Noree

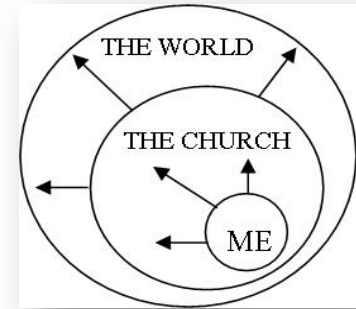
Schedule for Next Sunday, 18-03-2018
Lent 5 Sunday

Preacher: Rev. Wolfgang
Worship: Ben Ong
Musicians: Nelson, Komeil, Jason, Xian
Scripture Readers: Anand, Elysia
Sound: Jason **LCD:** Moh Foong
Altar (purple): Vanessa
H. Communion: Mary & Soo Tim

Refreshments: T3-Gim Han, Priscilla
Treasurer: Rubini, Benson
Greeters: Renu, Michelle
Lock up: Ben Ong

Text This Sunday, March 11, 2018:
 Psalm: Psalm 145:10-13
 Gospel: John 18:28-40
Readings for next week, March 18, 2018:
 Psalm: Psalm 146
 Gospel: John 19:1-16a

The BLC Missions Collections are supporting the following:
 > Batu 20, OA Congregation
 > United Voice – Moh Foong
 > Bible Translation Researchers
 > Alongsiders (<http://alongsiders.org>)



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Worship - Upward

Community
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Community - Inward

Pastoral Oversight: Rev. Dr. Sivin Kit

- > Aardvark: Johnben
- > BLC Garden Day: Vanessa
- > New groups.

Pastoral Oversight: Rev. Dr. Siew Woh

- > Women Encouraging Women (WEW): PIC - Sheh-Ren
- > Sunday Bible Reading Group: PIC - Ling Ling
- > Thursday Bible Study: PIC - Steven Boo

Pastoral Oversight: Pr. Takeshi

- > Giving Tree: PIC - Larry Lee
- > Youth (13 years and above)
- > Youth (12 and below) PIC: Ezekiel

Children Ministry: Carmen Loke

To invite people into the Reign of **God**, encourage them to grow in the Body of **Christ**, equip them to be sent into the World in the power of the **Spirit**.
"As the Father has sent me I am sending you" John 20:21

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Outreach
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Forward - Learning

Learning
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Dear Friends, we will like to invite you (if you are not already involved) to serve with us for BLC's corporate worship. If interested, please speak with the the following in the various areas:
 Ee Lyn/Jason – for Musicians & Singers, Sound System & LCD;
 Ee Lyn/Joyce Rama - for Greeters, Altar Deco, Scripture Readers, Holy Communion Prep;
 Joyce/Michelle - for providing refreshments.

Facilities Anand +017 356 1942

Attendance 04/3/2018

Adult 73
 Children 28
TOTAL 101

Collection 04/3/2018

Mission 745
 Gen. Off 1237
 Tithe -
 Others 1050
TOTAL (RM) 3032

Treasurer

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Calendar 2018

18 & 25 March, Sundays: Communion Sundays

01 April, Sunday: Easter Celebration



March

April