Promise-Keeping God. THE EIGHTEENTH-CENTURY REFORMER Martin Luther said that the gospel comes to us in the form of promise: God has acted and will act to save us. The God of the Bible is a promise-making, promise-keeping God. ...

When we forget that God relates to us on the basis of gracious promise, we may be tempted to turn our relationship to God into an if-then relationship. If I am good, then God will love me; if I study my Bible, then God will listen to me; if I tithe, then God will bless me; if I serve the poor, then God will reward me.

Whenever we take this approach, we are reshaping the gospel. ... God's promise of salvation never comes as a response but as a free, unconditional gift.

– L. Roger Owens, Belonging to the Truth, e-book from Disciplines 2015
"From page 335 of The Upper Room Disciplines 2015: A Book of Daily Devotions." The readings for the week of November 16-22, written by L. Roger Owens, are titled "Belonging to the Truth" and are available as an e-book for Kindle or in EPUB format for other e-readers. Copyright © 2014 by Upper Room Books. All rights reserved. Used by permission of Upper Room Books.

Today's Question: How do you experience God relating to you and to others out of gracious promise?

Today's Scripture: Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down." Mark 13:2, NRSV This Week: pray for estrange family members.

Prayer.

For God's wisdom and guidance for the Council in their preparation for next year. For the BLC Pastors, the community, and families.

For healing for all those who are facing health challenges; for grace, strength and providence for their families and caregivers.

For the visit to our OA brethren in Camerons, as well as for their needs and future. Adapted from the 24-7 Malaysia:

For the second session of the Parliament meetings that run from Oct 15 to Dec 11,

2018. For elected leaders to carry out their entrusted responsibilities with truth, justice, wisdom and humility. Pray for the AG, Tommy Thomas, and his team as they advise the government on legal ongoing matters pertaining to the nation.

For God's protection, wisdom, continual guidance and authority for the current government to set things in right order; to provide a foundational framework of governance that facilitates and rewards truth, righteousness, justice, wisdom, mercy, humility. Also for protection of our borders and national safety, and the officers defending the safety of the people and nation.

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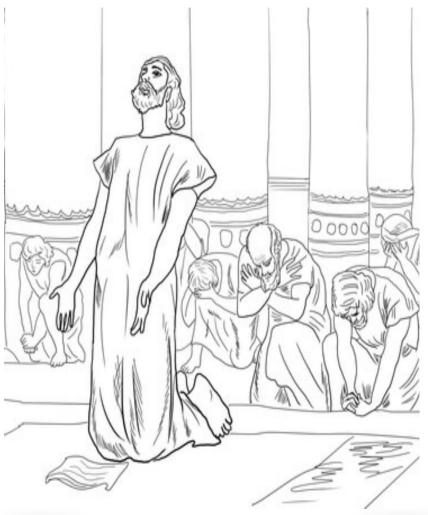
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Liberating Truth: Realigning Our Stories with God's Stories





Welcome to the Father's House 18 November 2018, Pentecost 26 Sunday



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

Children, Teens and Youth resume meetings.

Schedule for This Sunday, 18-11-2018

Pentecost 26 Sunday Preacher: Rev. Dr. Sivin Kit

Theme: Beat the Swords into Plowshares

Worship: Ee Lyn Asst Lead: Sia

Musicians: Chin Hor, Benson, Komeil, Xian, Jorjee,

Jacy

Scripture Readers: Rubini, Sue Ann Sound: Don/Joriee & Jacy LCD: Gim Han

Altar (Green): Sanas

Worship

Worship - Upward Ee Lyn +012 4773375

Community

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Community - Inward

Pastoral Oversight: Rev. Dr. Sivin Kit

- > Aardvark: Johnben
- BLC Garden Dav: TBA
- 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

Pastoral Oversight: Pr. Takeshi

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

Children Ministry: Carmen Loke

H. Communion: Karl & Kristen Refreshments: Renu & Krystal Treasurer: Ee Lyn, Larry

Greeters: Kock Sheng, Ling Ling Worship Lead 11 Nov & Lock up: Connie

Readings for This Sunday, Nov 18:

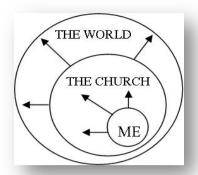
OT: Isaiah 36:1-3, 13-20; 37:1-7; then

Isaiah 2:1-4 Gospel: Matt 5:14

Text Next Sunday, Nov 25: OT: Jeremiah 1:4-10: 7:1-11 Gospel: Matt 21:12-13

The BLC Missions Collections are supporting the following:

- > Batu 20, OA Congregation
- > United Voice Moh Foong
- > Bible Translation Researchers
- > Alongsiders (http://alongsiders.org)



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

Outward - Mission

Forward - Learning

Outreach Rubini +016 2715067

Learning John +016 3110595

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 11/11/2018

80 Adults Children 30

Total 110 Collection 11/11/2018

Mission 695 3662 Giving Tithe

Others Total 4357

Treasurer Kock Sheng +016 660 4868

Calendar 2018

17 Nov, Sat: BLC Garden Day @ 9.00 am to 12 noon 24 Nov, Sat: CCM Bazaar from 2pm to 4 pm, at CCM Eucumenical

Centre, No. 26, Jlaan Universiti, PJ. (Opposite University Hospital).

23 Dec, Sunday: Picnic & Sunday Service. More details

25 Dec, Tuesday: Christmas Day Service @ 10.00 am

December November