

Grace at the Center. THE CHRISTIAN FAITH teaches that God wants to save us when we are at our worst. God loves us still. God is not ignorant of our sin; God sees it more devastatingly than we do. But God loves each one of us and sees someone whom God wants to redeem and make new. Think back to the words that Paul heard from Jesus: "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness."

It is essential to keep grace at the center of the conversation when we talk about growth in the Christian life. We must remember that grace is the major power source that gives energy to all of our efforts to grow in our faith.

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Today's Question: How do you define grace? What does it mean "to keep grace at the center of conversation when we talk about growth in the Christian life?"

Today's Scripture: So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. Ephesians 5:17, NRSV

This Week: pray for church study groups and Sunday school classes.

Prayer.

For God's continued wisdom and grace to be with the BLC Council and their families as they serve in leading the BLC community.

For health and healing for all those who are not well, as well as the elderly in our midst who are facing health challenges, their families and caregivers

For the finalising and confirmation of the church camp matters, and upcoming events.

For Pr. Sivin and upcoming CRS (STM) programmes:

6/9: Public Forum on Christian Scripture and Other Religions Jointly with Prof. Leo D. Lefebure.

21/9: Moderating a forum on migrant workers and refugees in collaboration with the CAC conference on Migrants and Refugees.

Adapted from the 24-7 Malaysia & CCM:

Thanksgiving for repeal of unjust laws.

Pray for all the ongoing cases for corruption for truth, justice and righteousness to prevail.

For God's protection, wisdom, continual guidance and power for the current government officials to set things in right order, and provide a foundational framework of governance that facilitates and rewards truth, righteousness, justice, wisdom, mercy, humility. **For continual breaking down of racial divide;** and for all to continue to build bridges in the nation.

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Liberating Truth:

Realigning Our Stories with God's Stories



Welcome to the Father's House
19 August 2018, Pentecost 13 Sunday



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

Children, Teen & Youth join Service.

Schedule for This Sunday, 19-08-2018

Pentecost 13 Sunday

Preacher: Rev. Dr. Sivin Kit

Theme: New Life

Worship: Benjamin **Asst Lead:** -

Musicians: Soo Choo Jason, Xian

Scripture Readers: Allie, Elysia

Sound: Chin Hor **LCD:** Vanessa

Altar (Green): MeiLi

Refreshments: T4: MeiLi & Michelle Ooi

Treasurer: Kock Sheng, May Jean

Greeters: Kock Sheng, Ling Ling

Worship leading on 26 Aug & Lock up:

Alex Lim

Text This Sunday, Aug 19:

OT: Ruth 4:1-22

Gospel: Luke 1:46-55

Readings for next Sunday, Aug 26:

OT: 1 Sam.18:1-4; 19:1-7

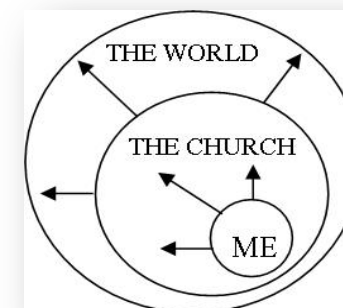
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> Batu 20, OA Congregation

> United Voice – Moh Foong

> Bible Translation Researchers

> Alongsiders (<http://alongsiders.org>)



Worship

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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: TBA

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

Outward - Mission

Outreach

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Forward - Learning

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.

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Attendance 12/8/2018

Adults 76

Children 20

Total 96

Collection 12/8/2018

Mission 597

Gen. Offering 1738

Tithe -

Others -

Total 2335

Treasurer

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Calendar 2018

23-25 Aug, Thurs-Sat: National Children's Ministry Conference
31 Aug to 02 Sept, Fri-Sun: BLC Church Camp In Kampar, Perak

02 Sept, Sun: No Worship Service at Bangsar Lutheran Church.
10 Sept, Mon (Public Holiday): Discipleship Rebooted @ Bangsar Gospel Centre, 9.30 am to 1.30 pm by Tan Soo-Inn, Graceworks.
Register with Adeline (012-2402811 via whatsapp).

August

September