

### The Final Enemy

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Death stalks us because sin severed us from the God of life (Gen 2:17; Rom 5:12). Each day moves us toward a meeting we cannot avoid. As children, death feels unreal—until a pet, grandparent, or parent is lost and the world tilts. We grow up, see its victims, and feel its nagging threat (Ps 39:4–7).

And beyond our homes, the headlines throb with death—war, murder, violence, injustice—so that all creation seems to groan (Rom 8:22).

### The Numbness We're Taught

Our age dulls us by denial or distraction: "live your best life now". We strive, achieve, collect. But Scripture teaches the wiser way: "Teach us to number our days, that we may get a heart of wisdom" (Ps 90:12). Productivity cannot outflank mortality; distractions only delay the reckoning.

### The Enemy Scripture Names

The Bible is plain: death is an enemy—the last one (1 Cor 15:26). Since Eden's fall, the devil has wielded death's fear as a weapon (Gen 3; Heb 2:14–15). We cannot negotiate with it, manage it, or educate it away. It must be overcome.

#### The Victor We Need

Only one has faced death and conquered. Jesus Christ obeyed perfectly, bore our sin's penalty on the cross, and rose bodily the third day (1 Cor 15:3–4). By His appearing He "abolished death and brought life and immortality to light" (2 Tim 1:10). United to

Him by faith, we share His victory (Rom 6:5). He is "the firstborn from the dead", leading a resurrection people in His wake (Col 1:18).

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### The Way Christians Grieve

At Lazarus's tomb, Jesus wept (John 11:35). Christian hope does not cancel grief; it rescripts it—"that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope" (1 Thess 4:13). Death still wounds in the "already/not yet," but its sting has been defanged: "Death is swallowed up in victory... thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ" (1 Cor 15:54–57).

### The Invitation to Hope

Hear the Lord's promise:

"I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die". (John 11:25–26)

Friend, come to Christ. Turn from sin and trust the crucified, risen Lord. In Him, death is no longer your master. And believer, lift your eyes: your future is resurrection and new creation (Rev 21:1–5). Therefore, "be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord" (1 Cor 15:58).

### A Prayer to Close

Lord of life, teach us to number our days. Deliver us from the fear of death. Thank You that Jesus died and rose to free us. Anchor our grief in Your promises, our labor in Your victory, and our hope in the resurrection to come. Keep us faithful until we see You face to face. Amen.



# VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR CHILDREN'S MINISTRY!

OUR MINISTRY IS GROWING-HELP US POINT LITTLE HEARTS TO JESUS!

YOUR IMPACT? EVERY ADULT VOLUNTEER = +5 PRESCHOOLERS OR +10 PRIMARY KIDS WELCOMED.

- ROLES (PICK ONE)
- SMALL GROUP LEADER (MEMBERS)
- TEACHING ASSISTANT
- FRONT DESK / OPS
- ACTIVITIES TEAM (WEEKDAY)

#### EXPLORE FIRST — 30-MIN CM TOUR

- SUN, 19 OCT, 10.30AM TO 11.00AM
- SUN, 2 NOV, 10.30AM TO 11.00AM

#### **SIGN UP**

- APPLY OR TO FIND OUT MORE DETAILS ABOUT ROLES
- CAN'T DO SUNDAYS? SERVE AT OUTREACH EVENTS

GOT QUESTIONS? (2)

### SERVE OUR SENIORS — 3 WAYS

1) AST Luke's Residence (Nursing Home) — Saturdays

What to expect? Small, home-like group (≈20–30).

#### Roles:

- Worship leads/musicians
- Devotion sharers (screened) ·
- Befrienders.

Occasional: help at Christmas/Easter/NDP.

### 2) St Luke's Eldercare — Fridays, 10:00–12:00

What to expect? Centre-wide outreach (many pre-believers).

Format: Worship · Word · Prayer.

Roles: Sefrienders (post-service chats) ·

Chinese-speaking especially welcome.

### 3) **₩NTUC** Nursing Home (Pasir Ris) Last Sun 2:30–5:00pm (bi-monthly)

Role: Sefrienders for regular visits and conversation.

Keen to help? WhatsApp us@9753 7964

#### **HUSBAND GROUP: PICKLEBALL NIGHT!**

Date: Tue, 21 October

Time: 6.00pm - 9.00pm

Venue: Foyer (L2)

### **About Husband Group**

We're a fellowship of men-husbands at different life stages—who support one another and grow in Christ as we walk the marriage journey together. 🐃 🕇

#### **Event details**

Come play, learn, and meet fellow husbands-no experience needed. Gear provided, refreshments included. Bring a friend!

### RSVP (both required):

1. Register here

2. Jeremy: 9679 1169

See you on court!



## WOMEN'S MINISTRY QUARTERLY EVENT

Ladies, come join us! 🗱 🦮

Have you struggled with the challenges of living a holy life in a fallen world? Join us for an afternoon of fellowship and sharing, as we explore why and how to rejoice, when we suffer for righteousness.

Topic: Suffering for Good

Date: Sat, 1 November

Time: 2.00pm - 4.15 pm (followed by a

simple tea)

Venue: Shine Auditorium (L4)

Don't miss this time to fellowship and learn with other sisters-in-Christ!

Register here. Registration closes on 12 Oct 2025 or when registration is full, whichever is earlier. For more details, drop us an email.

### **MOTHERS' FELLOWSHIP GATHERING**

Mothering changes as children grow from childhood to adolescence. Connect with mothers in different seasons of the journey to find out how.

Date: Sat, 11 October

**©**Time: 4.00pm - 6.00pm

Venue: Hall 2 (L2)

Bring: A Friend and a Snack to share

Contact Caroline Ong at **9616 8403** to RSVP.

## ESHKOL VALLEY@GOSPEL LIGHT: HIRING ASSISTANT TEACHER

Eshkol Valley is Gospel Light's Christian preschool partner, offering a play-based and academic programme that builds character through sports and the arts.

Work period: Sep-Dec / Mon-Fri

Shifts: 8:30-6:00 or 9:00-6:30

#### You'll:

- Assist the Teacher-in-Charge during lessons
- Prep lesson materials (per assignment schedule)
- Care for children's health, hygiene, and safety
- Keep classrooms and materials clean (wash toys/cots, etc.)

Love kids, reliable, and teachable?

Apply: Ashley - 9277 2707

### DON'T MISS YOUR FULL-TIME MINISTRY CALLING!

Your journey starts here.

Step into a life-changing season of growth and discovery with Gospel Light's Internship Programme—designed for those with a heart for shepherding, pastoral care, and kingdom service. Walk alongside experienced pastors, shepherds, and operations leaders, gaining hands-on church ministry experience, spiritual mentoring, and a deeper understanding of God's calling for your life.

If you're standing at the crossroads of your future, take this opportunity to explore where God may be leading you. Your calling is worth discovering.

Find out more and take the first step, register today.





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COME AND EXPERIENCE
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COMMUNITY TODAY.

### CLASSES + MINISTRIES

### **SILVER JOY (SENIORS) MINISTRY**

Every chapter of life is a gift from God. And our ministry for seniors celebrates that gift. Silver Joy isn't just a place for seniors to gather, it's a spiritual community of friendship and support. Invite your pre-believing friends, neighbours or family members.

Date: Weds, excluding the 5th Wed of the month

Time: Refer to the table below

Yenue: Gospel Light Christian Church Upcoming events coming your way.

Date	Programme
01 Oct	Oil Pastel & Paper Art Workshop
08 Oct	Rummikub Game (9.00am - 12.00pm)

Contact 9753 7964 for registration / enquiries.

### CLASSES + MINISTRIES

### **EXPOSITORY BIBLE STUDY – GOSPEL OF LUKE**

This Tue, 30 Sep, we will study Luke 3:1-22 where we will study John the Baptist preparing the way. The Zoom dial-in details for our session are as follows:

Date: Tue, 30 Sep

Time: 8.00pm

Join Zoom Meeting

Meeting ID: 851 8603 0760

Passcode: 211761

# Prayer Meetings

"Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need." Heb. 4:16



Wednesday 8PM | HALL 3 (ATTIC LEVEL)



Sunday 7.45AM | CRY ROOM SHINE AUDITORIUM LEVEL 4



Prayer List
WE CAN ONLY MOVE FORWARD
AS A CHURCH BY PRAYER.
SUBSCRIBE TO OUR WEEKLY
PRAYER LIST



Bereavement
WE MOURN WITH MEMBERS
WHO'VE LOST LOVED ONES.
(ROM. 12:15) STAY UPDATED
ON CHURCH BEREAVEMENT
NOTICES.



English @Shine Auditorium (L4)
Sunday at 8.30am, 10.15am, 12.00pm
Watch our livestream service at 10.15am only

Chinese @Gospel Auditorium (L2)
Sunday at 8.30am and 10.15am
Watch our livestream service at 10.15am only

Filipino @Gospel Auditorium (L2)
Sunday at 2.00pm
Watch our livestream service at 2.00pm

Youth @Gospel Auditorium (L2)
Saturday at 4.30pm
Subscribe to our announcement channel on
WhatsApp or Telegram.



Varsity @Light 1 and Light 2 (L3)
Sunday at 2.30pm \*no service on 5th week
of the month
Subscribe to Varsity announcement channel

Bahasa @Hall 1 (L2)
Every alternate Sunday 10.30am
For more info, please contact
9117 6000 / 9628 5061

**Telugu** @Gospel Auditorium (L2) Sunday at 5.00pm and 7.30pm <u>Watch</u> our livestream service at 5.30pm



#### **PLAYGROUP**

(12 - 35 months) @ Hall 3 (Attic) Sunday at 8.30am and 10.15am

#### **PRESCHOOL**

(36 months - 6 years) @ Eshkol Valley Premises (Attic) Sunday at 8.30am, 10.15am and 12.00pm

#### **PRIMARY**

(Primary 1 - 6)

@ Light Auditorium (L3)

Sunday at 8.30am, 10.15am, 12.00pm\*

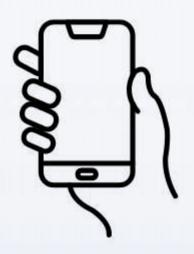
\*12.00pm service held at Eshkol Valley Premises (Attic)

Join our Whatsapp community
for regular updates

Contact us if you're interested to explore serving in Children's Ministry!



### FULL GIVING DETAILS HERE



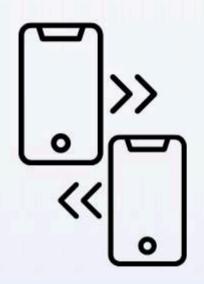
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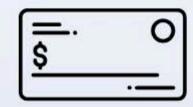
Scan With Your Bank App

All offerings will be directed to the "General" fund. State "Missions" in the UEN/Bill Reference No. section if you wish to designate the offering to our mission work.

# Giving Online



> Internet Banking Transfer DBS Bank 033-021695-5



> Cheque
Make Payable to:
"Gospel Light Christian Church"
Write "Offerings" behind.

For internet banking transfer, indicate "General" or "Mission" to designate where the offering goes to

For cheques, you can further indicate on the reverse: "General Fund" 033-021695-5 or "Missions Fund" 001-042653-2.

Cheques can be deposited at any POSB or DBS bank into the church's accounts.