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**INTO A LIFE-CHANGING  
RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS CHRIST.**





# The Tragedy of a Counterfeit Christianity

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We live in a world flooded with counterfeits. Some are harmless—imitation brands, fake reviews, exaggerated promises. Others are costly—scams that drain savings, deceptions that ruin relationships. But Scripture warns us about a counterfeit far more serious than any of these: **spiritual imitation**—a form of Christianity that looks convincing on the outside yet is empty at the core.

## The Danger from Within the Church

In 2 Timothy 3:1–9, Paul describes a sobering picture of the “last days.” He is not mainly talking about persecution from outside the church, but danger from within: people who appear religious, who keep a “form” of godliness, but deny its power. They may speak Christian language, take part in Christian routines, and even be active in Christian settings—and yet their lives remain ruled by something else.



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## The Form Without the Power

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substance of faith. It is possible to be near the things of God without ever having bowed to the Lord of glory. This passage is not first a warning about “them,” but a call for us to examine ourselves.

## **What the Counterfeit Heart Truly Loves**

Paul identifies what the counterfeit heart loves: **self, money, and pleasure**. These are not merely bad habits—they are controlling allegiances.

- When self is king, everything becomes personal: my rights, my comfort, my reputation.
- When money is the anchor, life becomes anxious and driven.
- When pleasure is the aim, life revolves around ease, entertainment, and escape—often disguised with religious language.

## When Religion Masks Reality

What makes this so dangerous is that these loves can hide behind a respectable Christian exterior. Someone can serve faithfully and still be driven by ego rather than love.

Someone can affirm the right doctrines and yet never truly trust Christ—never repent, never depend, never submit.

## How False Faith Forms

So how do people become false believers—sincere, active, and yet unconverted?

- **Generational Christianity**—growing up in church and mistaking familiarity for faith.
- **Shallow evangelism**—seeking quick decisions without true discipleship.
- **Prosperity teaching**—making Jesus a means to personal success rather than salvation.
- **Distorted grace**—offering comfort without repentance, forgiveness without transformation.

## **The True Power of Godliness**

But Scripture offers hope: Christianity is not merely an improved lifestyle—it is **new life**. The power of godliness is not moral effort, but the gospel: Christ crucified for sinners, risen to give life, and reigning to rule our hearts.

Where Christ is truly received, there will be change—not instant perfection, but a new direction. New desires. New sensitivities. A new dependence. The believer still struggles, but now fights different battles—with new weapons, deeper grief over sin, and greater joy in Christ.

Paul's instruction is clear: do not be naïve. False teachers and false believers will exist. But do not become obsessed with diagnosing others while neglecting your own soul.

The most urgent question is not, “*Who is fake out there?*”

It is: “**Am I truly trusting Christ, or merely performing religion?**”

## **A Call to Genuine Faith**

If this reflection unsettles you, do not silence it with busyness. Let it do its work. Bring yourself to Jesus honestly. Ask Him for true repentance, true faith, and true life.

The gospel is not for those who have it together—it is for sinners who come empty-handed.





OUR  
SENIORS

# CHURCH HAPPENINGS

## SERVE OUR SENIORS — 3 WAYS

### 1) St Luke's Residence (Nursing Home) — Saturdays, (afternoon; timing TBC)

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

#### Roles:

- Worship leaders/musicians
- Devotion sharers (screened)
- Befrienders

*Occasional: help at Christmas/Easter/NDP*

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

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

**Format:** Worship · Word · Prayer

**Roles:** Befrienders (post-service chats)  
Chinese-speaking especially welcome

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

**Role:** Befrienders for regular visits and conversation

**Keen to help?** WhatsApp us@**9753 7964**

SERMON



FORECAST

12<sup>th</sup>

*April*

"You Abstain That They May Attain"

*1 Peter 2:11-12*

Pastor Jason Lim

19<sup>th</sup>

*April*

"Be Subject For The Lord's Sake"

*1 Peter 2:13-17*

Pastor Jason Lim

# INTERNSHIP



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

Your journey starts here.

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

If you're at a crossroads, 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.

# CHURCH HAPPENINGS

## CHIT CHAT! (NEWCOMERS EVENT)

Are you new to Gospel Light? Did you discover us through a friend, our online services or social media? We'd love for you to get to know us better! Chit Chat is an informal social session onsite where you get to mingle with our Pastor, Elders and leaders. Ever wondered what kind of church we are and where are our roots? What does our mission and vision statement mean? Save the date and we look forward to a great time of chit chat!

Date: Sun, 19 Apr

Time: 11:45am - 12:15pm (Welcome and intro leaders)

Lunch: 12:15pm - 1:15pm (Lunch fellowship)

Venue: Gospel Auditorium (L2)

Connect with us — [Register](#) now!  
Registration closes on Sun, 12 Apr.

If you want to find out more, connect with Sue at [9776 1377](tel:97761377) or [email](#).

# BULLET PROOF



## PARENTING PROGRAM

What does spiritual parenting look like today? This programme equips fathers and mothers through six interactive sessions with parenting mentors, providing practical, on-the-journey training rather than a crash course. Topics include God's design for parents, building trust, and imparting biblical wisdom. Suitable for parents with children aged 5–15 years.

**Limited to the first 15 families.**

Commencement Date: Sun, 26 Apr  
(Thereafter held on the last Sunday of each month, with breaks in Jun and Sep)

Venue: Hall 3 (Attic Level)

Time: 3:00pm - 5:00pm

Limited to 15 families; **registration required for ONE parent only.**

*\*unless a single-parent household, both parents are required to attend the workshop*

To register, click [here](#).

Registration closes Sun, 12 Apr.

# 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

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

Date	Programme
15 Apr	Craft - Floral (Paper) for Parents' Day
22 Apr	Rummikub Game
29 Apr	5th Wed - No gathering

Contact **9753 7964** for enquiries.

# CLASSES + MINISTRIES

## EXPOSITORY BIBLE STUDY – GOSPEL OF LUKE

There will be no class this Tue, 14 Apr. Class will resume on 21 Apr. The Zoom dial-in details for our session are as follows:

Date: Tue, 21 Apr

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.**



# WORSHIP SERVICES

**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](#).



# WORSHIP SERVICES

**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

[Watch](#) our livestream service at 5.30pm



# CHILDREN'S SERVICES

## 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

[Check](#) [Preschool Age Eligibility and Next Steps](#)

## 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!

# Giving Online

FULL GIVING DETAILS [HERE](#)



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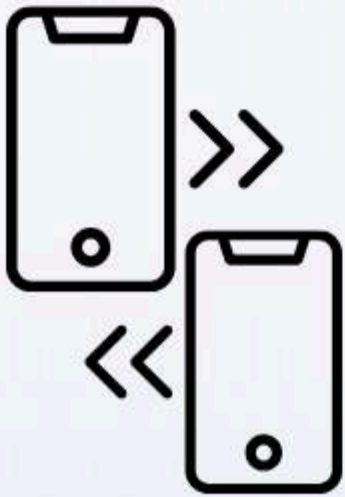
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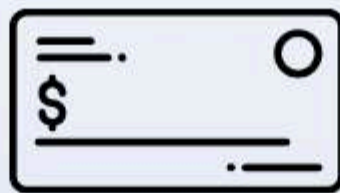
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Your  
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All offerings will be directed to the “General” fund. State “Missions” in the UEN/Bill Reference No. section if you wish to designate the offering to our mission work.

# 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.