

Our Direction Towards Jubilee

*A Transformational
Church Transforming
Our Community.
~ One Life at a Time,
One Family at a Time.*

Welcome

*A very warm welcome to
all who are worshipping
the Lord with us today,
especially you who are
here for the first time!*

*As you enter to worship,
anticipate an encounter
with God Himself, and
expect a clear word from
the Lord for your life.*

*May your heart be
touched and your life
impacted and
transformed as you
experience the presence
of the true and living
God in worship!*

Your fellow-worshipper,
Pastor Kenny Fam
Senior Pastor



Pastoral Reflection

Thou and Thou Only

*Thou and Thou only,
the first in my heart...*

We live in a world where mental ability is rewarded. But the heart is not trained; it just muddles along. Soon we know more and more but understand less and less. Sophisticated media reports bring information about wars and disasters right into our living room; but we are less affected than previous generations would have been by reports of a mishap in a neighbouring village.

Yet compassion reaches out across barriers of status, class, or ability, and reaches out to the person who is hurting. Compassion does not depend upon knowledge or learning; the 'Samaritan' only needs to know where the sore is, so he can anoint it with oil.

If something in us is still able to respond a little, then all is not lost. The heart is alive and kicking, able to be coaxed into generosity, able to prioritize its focus. Love of God should be the first priority, for true love of self and of neighbour both flow from this.

Do I love Thee, the living God,
with all my heart?
Amen. Lord, have mercy.
Thou, and Thou only.

*High King of heaven,
my treasure Thou art.*

The Lord is High King. We need to be careful not to forget this, not to treat Him with contempt, just because He does not lash out at us when we fail to respond as He wishes. In olden times, the Israelites did not value what God was doing for them. We should not disappoint Him, as they did in their day. God is love, but because of our weakness and foolishness and unresponsiveness, that love is no stranger to anger and pain.

My heart runs to You,
my Lord, my High King,
High King of heaven,

Shared by Ps Andrew
(from *Celtic Daily Prayer, Book One, pg. 614-615*)



Sermon Topics

Life of Abraham: Learning to Trust God Sermon Series

19 November

Passing Life's Hardest Test

Genesis 22:1-24

Pastor Kenny Fam

26 November

Saying Good-Bye to a Loved One

Genesis 23:1-20

Pastor Kenny Fam

03 December

Passing The Promise To The Next Generation

Genesis 24:1-67

Pastor Andrew Ang

10 December

Finishing Well

Genesis 25:1-11

Pastor Kenny Fam



Services

Sun

English Services
9am & 11am

Mandarin Service
9am

Filipino Service
1.30pm

Indonesian Fellowship
11am

Children Ministry
11am

Sat
English Youth Ministry
3.30pm

Fri
Golden Years Fellowship
11am

GAP (every 4th Friday)
8pm

 **Last Week's Attendance**

Onsite
9am English: 129
11am English: 187
Children (English): 30
Youth (English): 21
Mandarin: 109
Children (Mandarin): 1
Youth (Mandarin): 25
Filipino: 54
Indonesian: 16

Online Streaming
(Based on no. of views)
11am English: 114
9am Mandarin: 55



Tithes & Offerings

General & Missions Fund

Last Week's Collection	\$22,583.80
Budget	\$27,419.35
Cumulative YTD Actual	\$1,163,015.18
Cumulative YTD Budget	\$1,261,289.92

Lease Renewal & Building Fund

Last Week's Collection	\$14,829.20
Cumulative Actual (fm Aug 2018)	\$5,987,260.84



Announcements

Home Blessing and Christmas Celebration

This Christmas, may we become God's channel of blessing to our community and friends, so that many may also receive the most precious gift.

The event adopts a two-pronged approach: visiting the residents through Home Blessing and building friendship with them at the Christmas Celebration.

Home Blessing & Loyang Point

Dec 9, Sat, 10am-11.30am.

Christmas Celebration

Dec 16, Sat, 5pm – 7pm, Hall 1

We invite you to come and befriend the community. Please register your participation with Steven at steven@bpmc.com.sg or contact the church office @ 65842428.



Announcements

Retirement Rethink: Finding Purpose in Retirement

We frequently approach retirement with a mix of excitement and anxiety because it is a new stage of life with many unknowns. Hear testimonies from two brothers how God is good even as one enters retirement through a series of opportunities and decisions; while the other was being forced into early retirement due to corporate restructuring. A Q&A session will follow after the sharing.

Date: Sat, 25 Nov 2023

Time: 10am

To register your interest, whatsapp Elder Eugene Tan: 97714998.

Note: This is NOT a financial planning talk.

Children Ministry

CM is closed today for leaders to honor and thank God in a sharing session.

CM will be closed from 26 Nov and for the month of December. We covet your prayers for God to raise the necessary manpower for all classes in 2024. Pray for the Lord to refresh all our leaders in the break. See you in January 2024.

GAP Prayer Meeting

Friday, 01 December, 8pm

This is our last GAP Prayer meeting of the year. It will be held at the Church premise.

Date: Friday, December 01

Time: 8 to 9.30pm

Note: Date for GAP meeting is 1 December

Announcements

Lease Renewal: What's Next?

On 3rd November 2023, BPMC made payment of \$4.18m to the Singapore Government for the extension of the land lease from 1 March 2024 to 28 Feb 2054. With this, we have officially secured the right to be at 11 Pasir Ris Drive 2 for the next 30 years for God's glory and purpose.

Here are the next steps:

Date	Tasks
Dec 2023 – Mar 2024	Building Comm to conduct 2 nd round of study to assess ministry requirements Collate cost estimates for building extension and major renovations
Feb 2024	Elders' feedback and review of Building Comm's proposals Prepare design brief to Architects
Apr – Jun 2024	Detailed breakdown of works, with inputs from architects Detailed cost breakdown
Jul – Dec 2024	Elders decision on priorities for building works Submission of supplementary budget for FY2024 Building Final selection and award Architect and Contractor(s) Confirmation of quotes and construction schedule

As BPMC enters this defining moment, may our faith arise and let us take up our positions in praying for what lies ahead. This is how you can pray:

- Give thanks to the Lord for answering our prayer of reducing the price of lease renewal
- Give thanks that His people have given much for His purpose
- Pray for the leaders to seek the will of God for His Church and courageously lead BPMC into the next 30 years. Pray for leadership renewal for the task ahead
- Pray for wisdom and vision for our leaders as they plan for the rebuilding to meet future ministry needs.
- Pray that the rebuilding project will unify the Church and bless the community for the Glory of God.

Announcements

BPRK Launches New PlayGroup Class

The BPRK is pleased to announce the launch of new PlayGroup Class beginning January 2024. The programme is designed to provide a stimulating and nurturing environment for children aged between 18 – 24 months. We emphasize early literacy through engaging activities such as songs, rhymes, and storytelling. With a focus on fostering a love for reading and language development, our programme aims to lay a strong foundation for future academic success.

Programme Objectives:

1. Foster a love for reading and storytelling from an early age.
2. Develop language skills through exposure to songs, rhymes, and interactive storytelling sessions.
3. Cultivate social skills through group activities and interactive play sessions.
4. Encourage creativity and imagination through various art and craft activities related to the stories read and songs sung.
5. Promote cognitive development through age-appropriate games and puzzles

Programme Duration:

The playgroup programme runs from Monday to Friday, with 2 sessions namely, 8:00am to 10:30am; 12:00noon to 2:30pm

To find out more, please contact BPRK at bprk@bpmc.com.sg or T: [6585 0346](tel:65850346)

Appeal for Volunteers as Befrienders

In participation with the Community leaders in Pasir Ris, our volunteers delivered groceries and conducted surveys to understand the help needed from needy families. Started on Saturday; 15th April 2023 and will take place once every month on the 3rd Saturday of each month.

From now on, we are visiting those units who indicated their interest to have Befrienders visiting them regularly. We have commenced regular visits to these Interested Families as of last months.

The next session will be on Saturday, **17 December** at 1.00pm and for an hour and a half only.

Do join us as Befrienders to reach out and transform our community.



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Fulfilment of Lease Renewal Pledge

We thank God for moving members who pledged generously for the Lease Renewal and Church Building Fund.

Target amount is \$12m.

To help us administer the fulfilment of pledges, please do the following:

- Pick up a Lease Renewal and Church Building Fund Envelope
- Fill in the details on the envelope
- Place your cheque or cash in the envelope.
- Drop the envelopes together with the payment into the Offering Bag designated for Lease Renewal and Church Building Fund.

Giving

Members will be able to contribute their tithes and offerings through:-

• **By Bank Transfers**

UOB A/C No.102-310-143-8

Name: Bethesda Pasir Ris Mission Church Ltd

After the transfer, please email Yee Sze at yeesze@bpmc.com.sg to indicate your name, amount transferred and which fund you wish to give to.

- **By scanning PAYNOW QR Codes**

a) **General & Missions Fund QR code**



b) **Lease Renewal Fund QR code**



- **By UEN No.**

PayNow to UEN No. 198804406RCHU

- **By Cheque**

Pay to "Bethesda Pasir Ris Mission Church Ltd". Post cheque to 11 Pasir Ris Drive 2, Singapore 518458

Note: Do not send cash by post



Sermon Outline

PASSING LIFE'S HARDEST TEST

Genesis 22:1-24

Pastor Kenny Fam

Introduction

The story of Sir Edmund Hillary and his Nepalese guide Tenzing Norgay

Three principles to help us handle the difficult tests of life:

- 1. Face Up to the Tests of Life, Don't Run Away (1-2)**
- 2. Follow the Leading of the Lord, Don't Reason Your Way Out (3-5)**
- 3. Focus on the Promises of God, Don't Rely on Your Resources (6-24)**

Your Response

Sermon downloads are now available at bomc.sa

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