**21** Apr

2024

Sunday Service, 9am

Speaker Rev James Chan

Sermon

Rebuilding Amidst Internal Conflict: Confronting Selfishness and Greed Nehemiah 5:1-13 (NLT)



# from the pastor's heart

**PS REBECCA KWOK** 

" You are witnesses of these things." (Luke 24:48)

Following the 40 days of Lent, Good Friday, and Easter, do you find a deepening of your experience and appreciation as **Christ's disciple** each year?

Lent serves as a time for disciples to engage in spiritual disciplines and self-reflection. Daily, we commit ourselves to renewal through prayerful solitude and reflection, avoiding certain foods and recreational activities, repenting of our sins, and seeking to be more like Jesus.

**Good Friday** provides an opportunity for disciples to contemplate deeply the crucifixion of Christ - His bearing of the curse of sin for the sake of mankind. In His suffering, Christ reconciled us to God, demonstrating divine compassion and redeeming love for all sinners.

Easter marks a day of commemorating and celebrating the glory of Jesus' resurrection - He rose from the dead three days after He died on the cross. It stands as the most pivotal day in human history, as our Saviour Jesus Christ triumphed over death and rose from the grave. Though all must face death, those who confess and believe in Jesus shall not perish but have eternal life!

In Luke 24:48, Jesus told His first disciples, and us too, "You are witnesses of these things." We cannot truly bear witness if we lack a personal experience and relationship with Jesus.

Witness: Someone who shares and testifies to the truth and reliability of a matter before others.

Testimony: Testimony involves both what we say and how we live, demonstrating our new identity in Christ and the transformative power of our Christian faith. It is a means of sharing how God's love and forgiveness have transformed us, with Jesus at the core of our message. Our motivation and strength to testify come from the Holy Spirit, and it is evident in

how we interact with others and in the things we say and do. Ultimately, testimony is about lives touching lives.

These things: "These things" encompass all that God has recorded in the Bible - focusing on His creation and salvation plan, the sin of mankind, the birth of Christ, the signs and wonders of Jesus, the teaching and healing miracles of Jesus, the crucifixion of Jesus, the sacrificial love of Jesus on the cross, the resurrection of Jesus, and the second coming of Jesus, and more.

How deeply do you understand and experience "these things"? Are you ready to be a witness to these things?

# family news

## **WELCOME TO CHURCH**

We are so glad you have come to join us today to worship God and be encouraged by His Word. We would love to connect with you! If you would like to be prayed for, or to find out more about our God, Church, Services and Cell Groups, please approach any of our Hospitality Team, Pastor or Leaders.

# **PASTORAL UPDATE & STAFF MOVEMENT**

- Following our announcement dated 3 Mar 2024, Ps Ian Wong will serve as one of the pastors at English Congregation. Ps Ian was formerly pastor of Youth Connection. Welcome, Ps Ian!
- Guan Hock is away from 14 to 25 Apr. For operations matter, please contact Bick Yee/ Rev Lim.
- Ps Simon & Huey Ming will be away from 23 to 27 Apr. For pastoral assistance, please contact Rev Lim.
- Bernard will be away from 24 Apr to 2 May.

### CONDOLENCES

Our heartfelt condolences to Lee Ee Hoong and her family for the loss her beloved father, Mr Lee Han Chee who passed away peacefully on 14 Apr 2024. Funeral was held on 17 Apr 2024.

# CLASS 201 - DISCOVERING MY SPIRITUAL MATURITY (Part 2)

Sun 21 Apr • 11.15am-1.15pm • L5 KYdz Haven Class 201 is the second of four basic classes. Congratulations on making it to this base. In this class you will learn 4 Habits to develop your own spiritual maturity; how to start and maintain these good habits. Please register through CMS.

If you do not have CMS account, please email <a href="mailto:kysupport@kumyan.org.sg">kysupport@kumyan.org.sg</a> to receive further instructions.

# EC BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP Sun 28 Apr • 10.30 to 12pm • L1 Carpark

Do stay back after service to bond with one another over kopi, teh and breakfast staples. Get to know someone and make every effort to welcome and connect with one another!

# KY COMBINED PRAYER MEETING (MISSIONS FOCUS)

Fri 3 May • 8PM-9.30PM • L6 The Living Room Let's come together as one KY family to seek God together for His plans and purposes for missions. A KY Family that prays together will stay together - in unity running the race of faith.

# **KY MISSIONS CONFERENCE 2024**

Instead of having the missions month in September, we will be bringing it forward to May, in a Conference style from 3rd (Fri evening) to 5 May (Sun). As some of the workshops have limited slots and for logistic planning, early registration using the provided link/QR Code is encouraged. Workshops will be open for public registration after 21 April (Sunday).

Please refer to the link or the posters around the church premises for workshop details. For enquiry, please contact Li Cheng at 63376196 or email licheng@kumyan.org.sg.



Registration link:

https://tinyurl.com/KYmissions24



# **KY MISSIONS NEWSLETTER (APR)**

Catch the latest updates on the Missions scene, and find out how to partner with Kum Yan's missionaries and mission workers thru' prayer. Click the link for more info



https://kumyan.org.sg/MissionsEN

# kum yan prayer meetings

Do join us in our weekly prayer meetings. You may contact the church office or respective persons below for more information.

# PRAY! SINGAPORE (MORNING PRAYER)

· Sun, 6.30am-7.30am, Zoom Contact Cell Leaders for more info.

### KY MISSIONS PRAYER MEETING

• Tue 23 Apr, 8 to 9.30pm, Zoom Contact Li Cheng for more info.

# kum yan prayer agenda

# 1. Pray for yourself:

Dedicate yourself to a daily practice of drawing closer to God through prayer and studying His Word. Recognize that God is the ultimate source of wisdom and strength for every aspect of our lives, including family, work, and ministry. Pray earnestly for a revival in your own heart, asking for a deeper love for God and a stronger commitment to serving Him wholeheartedly.

# 2. Pray for our family members:

Lift up each family member who has yet to experience the saving grace of God. Pray for divine wisdom and courage to actively engage with them in sharing the Gospel. Ask that as one member comes to faith, a ripple effect of salvation would sweep through the entire family, leading them all into the embrace of God's family.

# 3. Ask God to strengthen and uplift Kum Yan Church as a lighthouse in the city.

Pray that through our worship, fellowship, teaching, ministry, and mission endeavours, Christ will be exalted, and His name glorified in all we do!



# Kum Yan in Japan

# CHURCH PLANTING TEAM RECRUITMENT

The LCEC has approved the proposal from the Mission Committee to send forth a Church Planting (CP) team to Nagoya, Japan in June 2025.

### WHO & WHAT?

We are recruiting a team of 4 to 6 individuals (preferrably aged 35 and below) to be based in Japan for 10 months, focusing on relationship building, conducting outreach programs and establishing a local cell group for the Japanese.

The aim of the team will be to share the gospel and make disciples for Christ, with an end goal of planting a church there. They will also work closely with the local churches and community leaders to ensure the success and sustainability of this endeavour.

# **SCREENING & TRAINING**

Interested parties will be screened for selection. Successful candidates will go through two phases of training/ preparation:

- 12 months of language acquisition to attain N5 Japanese proficiency
- 2 months of in-house communal comprehensive training in Singapore, focusing on cultural immersion, team dynamics and CP strategies in a cross-cultural context.



### **APPLICATION & ENQUIRIES**

If you sense God calling you to join the team, please email Licheng at **lichengekumyan.org.sg** by 30 April 2024 with the following information:

- Full name & Age
- · Contact no. & Email add.
- Congregation
- What prompted / motivated you to come forward?

We look forward to hearing from you. We will get in touch, and be able to answer more questions you may have.

# Missions in the Marketplace

3 May (Friday) 8pm — 5 May (Sunday) 1pm

# **About The Speaker:**



Dr Tan Lai Yong is a medical doctor by training and has been a member at Bethesda Frankel Estate Church since becoming a Christian in 1974. Dr Tan graduated from NUS in 1985, and relocated to Yunnan, China with his family in 1996. He was involved in poverty alleviation, community development, and the training of village health workers. On returning to Singapore in 2010, Dr Tan was awarded a scholarship to do his Masters in Public Administration at the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy.

# **Programme Schedule**

# 3 May, Fri

2000-2200HRS - Missions Combined Prayer

# 4 May, Sat

**1400-1600HRS**— Workshop #1 (English with Mandarin interpretation)

**1715-1930HRS**— Workshop #2 (Bilingual, outdoor + suitable for families)

# 5 May, Sun

0900-1100HRS— English & YC Combined Service

Workshop #3 (Mandarin with Cantonese interpretation)

1100-1300HRS— Mandarin & Cantonese Combined Service

Workshop #4 (English)

YWAM Children Missions Programme (P1-P6)

Registration is required. Remaining vacancies will be opened for public registration after April 21st.





# Missions in the Marketplace

# **Workshop Details**

# Workshop #1: What Makes a Job GOOD?

# 4 May (Sat), 2-4pm | Dr Tan Lai Yong

Base on Luke 13, we will discuss about career pathways, contribution as tentmakers, family, and missions. This is for people in their early or mid-career, and also those in the retirement circle. It will be a time for us to consider how God can use our career's ups and downs for the Gospel in the marketplace, locally and in other nations.

# Workshop #2: Discovering Inequality, Learning Resilience

# 4 May (Sat), 5.30-7.30pm | Dr Tan Lai Yong

This is an **outdoor workshop limited to 40 registrations!** Join this walking trail in Jalan Kukoh to learn about needs, challenges and innovations right in the heart of Singapore. We will walk in small groups of 3-5 people, and will discuss case studies along the way. This walk is also suitable for families with children. Come learn about outreach and service with open eyes and open hearts.

Gathering Point: Jalan Kukoh Food Centre (S161001)
Suggest Attire: Cool & comfortable. Do bring an umbrella and mosquito repellent.

# Workshop #3: Marketplace & Bi-Vocational Ministries

## 5 May (Sun), 9.15-10.45am | Susan Kaur (OMF)

Susan has a background in law, economics & policy. Since university, she has prepared herself for bi-vocational ministry in a creative access environment. Susan has also served in various leadership capacities in the past 20 years, and engaged in leadership development and coaching in the past 10 years. The workshop will cover why marketplace and bi-vocational ministries are crucial for both church and missions.

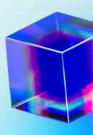
# Workshop #4: Mission Opportunities in Japan

# 5 May (Sun), 11am-12.45am | WEC

This workshop seeks to open the minds of Singaporean Christians to consider serving in Japan on short-term trips or long-term missions. We welcome retirees, students and tent-makers who are considering joining the field. Details include how to prepare for the field while still in Singapore, and what to look out for when entering Japan.

Registration for your breakout group is required:

Serving in a Japanese Church | Serving the Elderly in Shiga | University Ministry | Family & Children Ministry | Walk Ye in It







# Mission Opportunities in Japan

By: Worldwide Evangelization for Christ (WEC)

Date: 5th May, Sunday Time: 1100 - 1245pm

Venue: Kum Yan Methodist Church, The Living Room, Level 6



Breakout 1: Serving in a Japanese Church

Sean and Hooi Yin are WEC missionaries living in Kyoto. They have been serving at a church in Kusatsu city for 3 years.



Breakout 2: Serving the Elderly in Shiga

Larry & Susan befriended many elderly & conducted Japanese exercises for them.



Breakout 3: University Ministry

Bee Choo journeyed alongside University students & graduates in Kansai for 25 years. Her ministry included teaching, preaching and training.



Breakout 4: Family & Children's Ministry

Richard & Candy, together with their 4 children, served the children in their neighborhood.



Breakout 5: Walk Ye in it

Emily started a
Christian pilgrimage
that follows the
footsteps of Christian
martyrs from Kyoto to
Nagasaki, with the
hope of inspiring local
8 overseas Christians.

Use Link Below or QR Code to Register

https://tinyurl.com/KYmissions24



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# **OUR VISION**

To be a caring community, a lighthouse and home in the city; bringing hope and purpose through a life-changing relationship with Jesus Christ to all peoples of all ages.

# **ENGLISH CONGREGATION**

### **CELL GROUPS**

New Creation 10:25 ABCD Orchard Commonwealth Oueen Street East Coast River Vallev Full House Stamford Haven Sunset Wav Hazel Victoria West Coast Hougang Koinonia W/IP

Please contact Joanna at joanna@kumyan. org.sq if you would like to join a cell group.

## **MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

Chairman: Rebecca Chung Pastoral: Ps Simon Say

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# **GIVING ONLINE**

Detailed instructions and important information on giving online can be found on our website: https://kumyan.org.sg/give/

### I-BANKING

ACCOUNT: Kum Yan Methodist Church

DBS Bank Current / Autosave Account A/C TYPE:

A/C NO: 033-002463-0

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