

Youth Connection

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From the Pastor's Heart

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But the land you are crossing the Jordan to take possession of is a land of mountains and valleys that drinks rain from heaven. It is a land the Lord your God cares for; the eyes of the Lord your God are continually on it from the beginning of the year to its end." Deuteronomy 11:11-12

The year 2024 is coming to a close and we thank the Lord for His constant presence, guiding us from the beginning of the year to its end. God is faithful, and He will continue to lead us on the journey ahead.

Moses led the Israelites out of slavery in Egypt, and after 40 years in the wilderness, they finally arrived at the Jordan River. Before them lay the Promised Land of Canaan—a land flowing with milk and honey—marking the beginning of a new chapter in their lives. Today's Scripture reveals God's promises to His people as they prepared to step into this new season:

1. *A land of mountains and valleys that drinks rain from heaven:* Whether the path ahead is filled with mountains or valleys, challenges or losses, God's grace and provision are like rain from heaven, refreshing and nourishing the earth. His grace is sufficient. He remains the God who is with His people now and forever.

2. *The eyes of the Lord your God are continually on it from the beginning of the year to its end:* God promises to watch over His people wherever they are — at the mountaintops, in deep valleys, or the expanse of plains. From the start of the year to its end, God will be with them every day, faithfully leading and caring for them.

What a precious promise and blessing! As we step into the new year, God offers us this priceless reassurance: He is with us and will never leave us.

However, to receive His promises, we must fulfil one condition: *"You must go in and take possession of the land."* This means we must have the determination and desire to move forward, no matter the circumstances. Trusting in God, looking to Him, and stepping into the land of His promises will enable us to experience His presence and blessings. With hearts full of gratitude, let us embrace the inheritance and provisions God has prepared for His people. He will protect, guide, and richly bless us.

As we enter this new year, let us hold fast to God's promises. The Lord Jesus continues to lead the way. No matter what lies ahead, we need not fear—only believe. Cling to God's promises, resolve to live a renewed and victorious life in the Lord. Seek Him daily in prayer, draw near to His presence, and He will provide all-sufficient grace. His eyes will watch over us each day, and His abundant provision and blessings will follow. The peace and joy that come from God will sustain us every step of the way.

Though the Israelites had never travelled the road to Canaan, God's promises awaited them. Similarly, as we step into the new year, we may not know what lies ahead, but we can be assured of God's wonderful promises. The Lord is faithful, and His promises never fail. If we trust and obey Him, listen to His voice, and cultivate a close relationship with Him, He will remain with us always. We will experience and witness His promises and blessings, living each day of the year under His care and favour.

Welcome to YOUTH CONNECTION

together, a community led by the Holy Spirit, a missional family thriving in God's presence. We invite you to join us at our Sunday Services, Cell Groups and Worship Gatherings. Do reach out if you'd like to find out more, for prayer or to chat!



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KUM YAN FAMILY CAMP 2025

Heart of Discipleship

Mark your calendars for our 21st Kum Yan Family Camp happening in June 2025!

Everyone is invited to this biennial gathering of KY-ers from all congregations, to worship God with one heart, hear His Word in season for our Kum Yan Family and be activated in faithful obedience to serve and grow as His disciples. Let's go! Rally the family and make preparations to come for Family Camp 2025!

DATE:	17 - 20 June 2025 (Tue - Fri)
VENUE:	Renaissance JB Hotel
SPEAKER:	Pastor Benny Ho
REGISTRATION:	Starts 9 February 2025 <i>(Enjoy early bird rates until 8 March)</i>
FEES:	Adults from S\$480 Seniors (≥ 65 yo) from S\$455 Students from S\$405 Children (w/o bed) from S\$235



There's no better way to cross into the new year!

9:15PM • NYE Porridge

10:00PM • Watchnight Service

12:15AM • First Hour Worship

FAMILY NEWS

YC MISSIONS 2024

All 3 YC Mission Teams are back! Welcome back, dear friends! We look forward to hearing all about your trips, what God did and continues to do in and through you!

YO CAMP - KING & KINGDOM

What a way beautiful way to cap off the year - to worship and recommitt ourselves to our great King. Kudos and heartfelt thanks go to the YO Leaders and Camp Comm, Speakers and Helpers - everyone who served in one way or other, in big ways and small. We honour you!

JANUARY 2025 HIGHLIGHTS



4 Jan • 3pm • Hangout Rm
POWER HOUR



10 Jan • 8pm • The Living Rm
KY COMBINED PRAYER



12 Jan • 4pm • The Living Rm
WORSHIP MIN TRAINING



18 Jan • 3pm • Hangout Rm
POWER HOUR



19 Jan • 4pm • The Living Rm
H&M TEAM NIGHT



24 Jan • 8pm • The Living Rm
WORSHIP GATHERING



29 Jan to 31 Jan
CNY (KY OFFICE CLOSED)

KY missions update



REV JAMES CHAN & SARAH

We joyfully announce that Rev. James Chan will be transitioning from his role as Missions Pastor on 1 Apr 2025 to embark on a new chapter to serve as a missionary in Nagoya, Japan.

He and his wife, Sarah will be coaching Kum Yan first church planting team and will be in pre-field training for 5 months before heading for Nagoya in Sep 2025. Please join us to pray for Rev. James and Sarah, and the entire team as they prepare for this exciting new journey.

LYNN YEE, MISSIONS WORKER, YWAM UK

For nearly 20 years, our church has been privileged to partner with Youth With A Mission and support the ministry of Lynn Yee in worship, intercession and refugee works in different parts of Europe.

As Lynn has expanded her ministry to reach new areas and communities, the Missions Committee has carefully considered how to best support her work within the framework of our church's missions policy. Moving forward, we will be transitioning our financial support for Lynn to focus on the areas within our designated mission scope. This is not an easy decision, and we want to express our deepest gratitude for Lynn's unwavering dedication and service.

We encourage members who are moved to continue supporting her work to reach out to Lynn directly for information on how to do so. We are confident that Lynn will continue to make a positive impact in the lives of many.

LAM SIONG HUNG, MISSIONS WORKER, YWAM SINGAPORE

Lam Siong Hung will be stepping down as a Missions Worker, effective January 1, 2025. She will be joining the Kum Yan Missions Committee as a valued member, while continuing to serve as a full-time staff member with Youth With A Mission (YWAM).

Siong Hung's dedication to missions has been a blessing to our church community, and we are thrilled that she will continue to share her passion and expertise as a member of the KY Missions Committee. We are grateful for her continued service to YWAM and look forward to her contributions to our church's missions efforts.

