

KUM YAN methodist church  
english service

**18 July**

**2021**

***English Zoom Service***

Speaker  
***Rev James Chan***

Sermon  
SEVEN CHURCHES OF REVELATION SERIES  
***The Church at Laodicea:  
The Lukewarm Church  
Revelation 3:14-22***



## from the pastor's heart

Last week, I shared how I was moved to remember God's delight in us when I experienced my youngest daughter Thea's first steps. What joy our heavenly Father must feel when we take our first steps too — our first prayers, the first time we trusted Him, the first time we shared our faith! I challenged us to recognise that it is not too late for us, regardless of age, to still have new "firsts" in our lives, especially spiritual ones!

But while I was experiencing Thea's first steps, I realised I was also experiencing a "last-first". A wave of nostalgia hit me when I recalled exactly where and when each of our older girls took their first steps, before realising that Thea's were the last "first steps" that I would witness, as she is our youngest (and last) baby.

Do you sometimes experience life like that? Our moments of new hope and excitement can sometimes also be mixed with a kind of sadness. I was certainly not hoping that Thea would crawl forever, yet the end of her crawling days also signalled the end of her being a baby — a toddler is emerging! We would never get those baby days back.

Much of life progresses in seasons this way, and change can come upon us quicker than we expect. The first day at a job can signal the start of financial independence, but also the start of less control over your time. The day your last child leaves the home marks a major parenting milestone, but simultaneously means an empty nest and more discretionary time. The start of a dating relationship can be the end of singleness, but also the start of a long journey of learning to serve another's needs before your own. Conversely, the loss of any relationship can be heartbreaking, yet spark a journey of discovery, healing and greater wholeness.

In every moment, let's join with the Psalmists and remember that though our mortal lives are brief (Ps 103:15-16), yet the Father saw every one of our days (Ps 139:16); He watches over us as we come and we go, both now and forever (Ps 121:8). It is to this loving God who watches over our lives, knows our thoughts, feels our emotions and holds our future, that we can dedicate all our changing seasons to.

Just as we cannot relive certain days, we will never have another opportunity like the present, to worship the Lord at THIS milestone. We can take every moment and pour out gratitude, even honest regrets or perspectives gained on hindsight, and offer it as our sacrifice of praise. Let us not get so caught up in lamenting the past or anticipating the future that we neglect to offer Him everything - every "first" and every "last".

- PS IAN WONG

## church prayer agenda

### PRAY FOR THE YOUTH OF SINGAPORE AND IN KY

Eighteen years after Josiah ascended the throne, "the Book of the Law" was found in the temple. (2 King 22). They sent it to King Josiah. When the then 26-year-old king heard God's Word being read out aloud, he tore his clothes, and wept (v19) in horror. The nation had broken the covenant God had with them. They have not obeyed the Word nor acted on all that is written. They were at the verge of God's wrath coming on them.

He rose to take up the challenge to rectify the situation. However, He did not succeed, for the people's hearts were already hardened by decades of idolatry and disobedience, and they could not be changed overnight.

However, for Josiah's sake, the wrath of God was postponed by a generation (v 20), because the heart of the young king was tender and true to his God. Let us pray with faith and fervour:

- 1) Ask God to raise up a new generation of children and youth in KY and in Singapore, whose spirits are pure, whose hearts are tender and true to God.
- 2) that they will grow up loving His Word, living His Word and will be led by His Spirit (Rom 8:14)
- 3) that their identity will not be hinged on where they work, how much they earn, how comfortable they are, or what looks good on the outside
- 4) that their their future will not be determined by what society expects of them, but what God has planned in advance for them to do (Eph 2:10)
- 5) that they will live for God's purposes and for His glory:

*"For I Am a Child of God, Redeemed by God,  
Called by God to Live for God,  
According to God's Truth."*

# family news

## JULY & AUGUST ENGLISH SERVICES

In keeping with guidelines from the authorities, Kum Yan is taking a gradual approach to safe re-opening. We resumed on-site services for 50 pax in July, and will increase to 100 pax in August (with Pre-Event Testing required for those not yet fully vaccinated).

	July	August
<b>ZOOM</b>	4, 18	1, 15, 29
<b>Onsite+Zoom</b>	11, 25 (50pax)	8, 22 (100pax)

NOTE: 25 July & 29 August are Holy Communion Services

Important info on Pre-Event Testing can be found at [www.moh.gov.sg/covid-19/pet](http://www.moh.gov.sg/covid-19/pet). If you have further enquiries on PET and our services, do get in touch with our pastors or staff.

## TICKET REGISTRATION FOR ON-SITE SERVICE 25 JULY 2021, 10AM, SANCTUARY & ZOOM

We look forward to welcoming 50 worshippers back to The Sanctuary for our Holy Communion Service next Sunday! (PET not required)

Registration via Eventbrite  
opens at 12noon TODAY.

Scan the QR code or go to:  
[https://kumyan250721.  
eventbrite.sg](https://kumyan250721.eventbrite.sg)



## HOLY COMMUNION

Our next Holy Communion Service will be on Sunday, 25 July at 10AM. Those of us attending the service on-site will not need to bring the elements you collected last month to Church.

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Praise God for His abundant, precious blessings! Let us join our hearts to celebrate the new additions to these beloved families!

Baby boy **Nico Jean Liebi**, born on 7 July 2021 to parents **Joel Liebi and Andrea Lim**.

Baby boy **Dilon Tan Kai Zhong**, born on 11 July 2021 to parents **Tan Zi Peng and Stephanie Tay**.

Baby girl **Arabelle Hope Lau**, born on 16 July 2021 to parents **Ivan Lau and Kerin Goh**.



## LOVESINGAPORE 40 DAY PRAYER & FAST

2021 marks the 25th year of LoveSingapore's 40.Day Prayer movement. The theme this year is *From the Ground Up* — a journey through the Book of Nehemiah.

Powerful and candid prayer content is published online every day from 1 July to 9 August. The culmination of the 40 Day season of prayer and fasting will be on 9 August at the *Day of His Power* worship and prayer 'conference' livestream. Details for this will be out next week!

**PRAYSingapore@12** online corporate prayer organised by LoveSingapore will continue to take place throughout the 40Day Season. All are welcome to participate.

- **Mondays to Saturdays, 12noon, Zoom**
- **Meeting ID: 945 2250 2395 | PW: PraySG**

For such a time as this, we encourage all KYers to engage in fervent prayer and fasting this season as we contend for our families, communities and nation through prayer and intercession.

## kum yan prayer meetings

### LOVESINGAPORE MORNING PRAYER Sundays, 7am to 8am via Zoom

This daily prayer movement that started several years ago continues online, with Kum Yan anchoring prayer on Sundays. All are welcome to join! Contact Cell Leaders for the Zoom link!

### KY MISSIONS PRAYER MEETING Tuesdays, 8pm-930pm via Zoom

All are welcome to join in prayer with a specific focus on World Missions. Please contact Tan Licheng (KY Missions Staff) for the Zoom link.

### KY WATCH & PRAY Wednesdays, 8pm-930pm via Zoom (KYHost)

This weekly prayer time which started during the 2020 Circuit Breaker continues today. All are welcome to join in to contend for breakthroughs in world, national and local issues on our hearts!

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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

10:25 New Creation

ABCD Orchard

Commonwealth Queen Street

East Coast River Valley

Full House (NE) Stamford

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Hazel Victoria

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A/C TYPE: DBS Bank Current / Autosave Account

A/C NO: 033-002463-0

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