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Check out [sle.church/groups](https://sle.church/groups) to find a group that you can join and connect with us at [sle.church/connect](https://sle.church/connect)

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## Upcoming Events

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- 7 Aug PKC—Bring-A-Friend-Day
- 7 Aug—11 Sep Christianity Explained Course
- 19 Aug CFL Book Club
- 20 Aug Bloom
- 21 Aug Church Camp Registration Closes
- 28 Aug Newcomers Lunch
- 30 Sep-3 Oct SLE Church Camp!!

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## Today's Service

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Welcome and Singing Ancient of Days  
Before the Throne of God Above  
Have Mercy on Me

Community News

Bible Reading Deuteronomy 30:1-10

Sermon By Pastor Steven Tran

Song of Response His Mercy is More

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## Financial Update

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Last Week	\$4,638.26
Weekly Required	\$7,588.00
Shortfall 2022	-\$2,041.00

### Giving by Electronic Funds Transfer

A/C Name: SLE Church  
Bank: National Australia Bank  
BSB: 084-424  
A/C No: 396558544

SLE Church is a branch church of Chinese Christian Church Brisbane

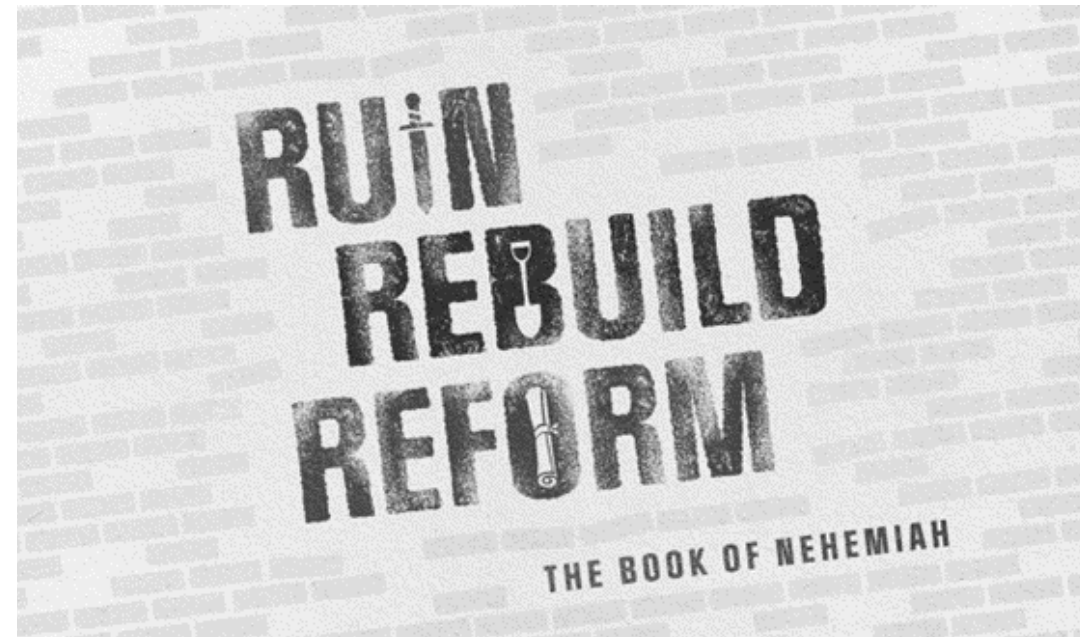


31 July 2022 | Service Times: 9am & 11am

## Welcome, we're glad you're here!

We are a church family committed to following Jesus Christ as Lord. We do this by getting to know him through his living Word, the Bible, which is why the sermon is the key part of our Sunday services.

Find out more about us at [www.sle.church](http://www.sle.church)



## The City and People in Ruins

*In a time of great trouble for Israel, Nehemiah prays a big prayer with big concerns: confessing sin and hoping that God will keep His word.*

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## Prayer Points

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**GIVE PRAISE TO THE LORD OF ALL POWER!** Give praise to the King of Kings, the Lord of Lords! Praise God that He demonstrated His power through humanly impossible rescues of His prophets, apostles and servants throughout history. Praise the Lord for showing us that human ruler or indeed any spiritual power, authority or force amounts to anything in comparison. Praise the Lord that His power is most fully revealed through His resurrection from the dead, His ascension back into heaven, and His ongoing rule as He sits on His throne in heaven. Praise the Lord that His rule is seen in the global growth of the gospel, empowered by His holy Spirit, working in the world, and working through His disciples.

**GIVE THANKS THAT WE HAVE BEEN GIVEN THE GOSPEL, THE WORD OF LIFE,** salvation through Jesus Christ. Give thanks that we have such good news to share with the world—a world filled with sinners, living in rebellion against their creator, and experiencing brokenness and pains of many kinds. Give thanks that the gospel has gone out from Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, and to the ends of the world. Give thanks that the gospel has come to us. Give thanks that the gospel can and will continue to go out through us, wherever we may be or go.

### **PRAY FOR OUR PRAYERS TO BE TRANSFORMED TO REFLECT THE GOD AND LORD WE PRAY TO.**

Pray for faith to believe that God can do anything according to His will. Pray big and bold prayers that God will bring glory to Himself, that His will be done, that the lost will be saved, that the faithful would persevere, with certain hope that our eternal deliverance is assured.

### **PRAY FOR THE PROPOSED CHURCH PLANT.**

Pray that if God wills for this plant to proceed, that He would make it happen. Pray that the plant would be used by God to bring the life and light of the gospel to the Centenary area and out into Brisbane West. Pray for members of our church to prayerfully consider how they will be involved in this plant, whether they will stay or go, and how they can serve whether staying or going. Pray for one vital need which is that of partnership with other churches for this plant. Pray for opportunities to develop such partnerships, for a beautiful expression of Christian unity, which will result in a launch team and core that can fulfil the vision for church plant.

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## Community News

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### **SLE CHURCH CAMP REGISTRATION**

When: Queen's Birthday long weekend, Friday 30 September – Monday 3 October

Where: QCCC Tamborine

Register at: <https://sle.church/camp2022>

Registration Closing Date: 21 August, 2022

See you there!

### **CHRISTIANITY EXPLAINED**

Christianity Explained is a 6-session course that gives you time and space to consider the big questions of life and to explore the life of the person at the heart of the Christian faith—Jesus Christ. You don't need to know anything about the Bible. You won't be asked to read aloud, pray or sing. You can ask any question you want or just listen.

Dates: Sundays from 7 Aug—11 Sep 2022

10am-11am @ 1/37 Alexandra Avenue, Taringa (Sonja's house)

11am—12noon @ 83 Ryans Road, St Lucia (SLE North Hall Cry Room)

Sign-up at: <http://sle.church/christianityexplained>

### **“CONVERSATIONS ON FAITH AND LIFE”, starting Fri 19 August.**

CFL is a monthly Book Club for non-Christians where we read through an intelligent Christian perspective on some of the biggest issues of faith and life, and invite you to think aloud with us over a relaxed chit chat! It's chill, you get to air your views and listen to others on issues of eternal significance.

Every month, CFL explores an different chapter of New York Times' bestselling “The Reason for God: Belief in an Age of Skepticism” by Timothy Keller, founding pastor of Redeemer Presbyterian Church in New York City.

Info & RSVP: [sle.church/conversations](https://sle.church/conversations)

### **BLOOM—Saturday 20 August 1:30–4:30pm**

Our upcoming Bloom will continue looking at God's good design for men and women in the church. In this session we'll be getting more into the nitty gritty of figuring out exactly what this looks like, and have lots of time for you to ask your questions, and hear interviews with women who are seeking to live this out!

Bloom is always a fabulous opportunity for women (18+) of all ages to gather around God's Word, as it's preached & discussed and prayed through by those of different generations. RSVP soon at <https://sle.church/bloom> to help with logistics.

### **NEWSCOMERS LUNCH—Sunday 28 Aug**

Hello there! Thanks for visiting us. If you are new to SLE Church in the past 6 months and would like to know more about what we do, get connected with the church, what better way to do so than to join our Newcomers Lunch? You will also hear more from Ps Ben and Steve on the mission and vision of SLE Church.

Date: Sunday 28 August

Please choose one of the two sessions available with details below (Lunch is on us!)

Session 1:

Time: 11am-12:15pm

Venue: North Hall, SLE Church

Or

Session 2:

Time: 12:30pm-1:45pm

Venue: North Hall, SLE Church

RSVP at <https://sle.church/eb> before 26 Aug — look for **Newcomers Lunch**

We can't wait to see you there!

For more information/queries:

Contact Louis at 0423 577 783

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## The City and People in Ruins (Nehemiah 1)

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Introduction

Mise en scène

1. A time of spiritual distress (1-4)

2. A prayer to a big God (5-6a)

3. A prayer of confession (6b-7)

4. A prayer claiming God's promises (8-11)

So what?