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## Upcoming Events

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- 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 | Come Praise and Glorify<br>Hymn of the Saviour<br>So I Will Trust You |
| Community News      |   |
| Bible Reading       | Nehemiah 2<br>Philippians 1:3-6; 2:12-13                              |
| Sermon              | By Pastor Ben Ho  |
| Song of Response    | Before You I Kneel  |

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## Financial Update

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| Last Week       | \$10,314.39 |
| Weekly Required | \$7,500.00  |
| Shortfall 2022  | \$0.00      |

### 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

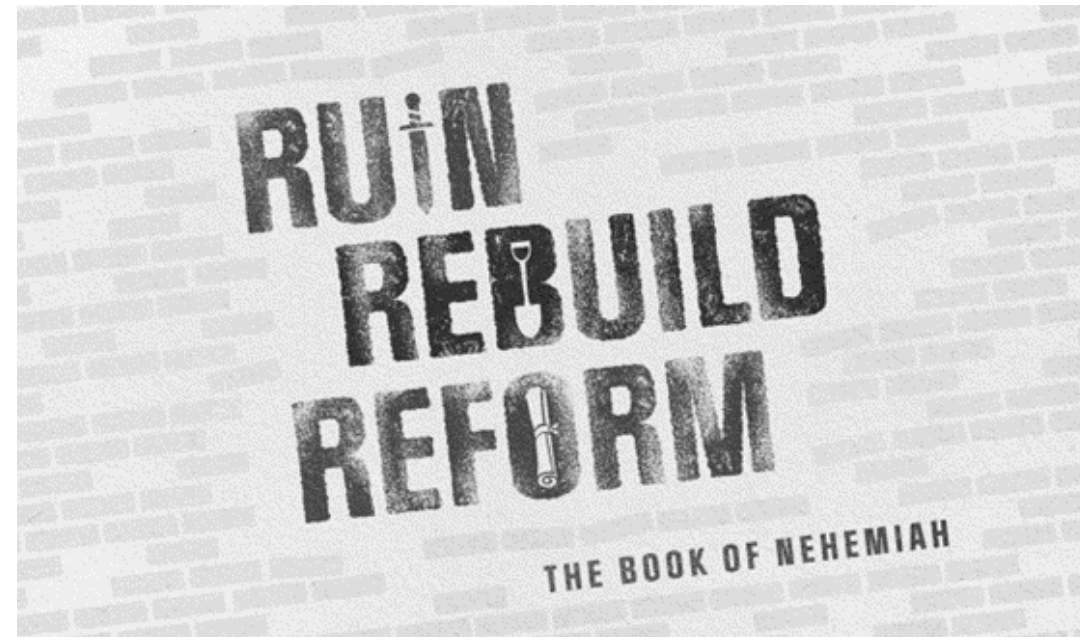


7 August 2022 | Service Times: 9am & 11am

## 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)



## Requests to Rebuild

*In Nehemiah's return to rebuild Jerusalem, God's good hand works to provide and protect. Know that God has always been and will always be at work to sovereignly bring about His purposes, fulfilling His promises, through various means; we see this most clearly in the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ. God's good hand continues to be with us as we seek to do the work of the Lord—we can trust Him and press on in service.*

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## Prayer Points

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**PRAISE GOD FOR THE GOOD NEWS THAT IN CHRIST GOD HAS FULFILLED HIS PROMISES.** Praise God that none of His words have failed, nor will fail, but the resurrection of Jesus secures God's promises in the past and for the future. Praise God that we can trust God for His present promises to us.

**PRAY THAT WE WOULD BE PEOPLE MARKED BY OPEN, HONEST AND CONFIDENT CONFESSION.**

Pray that our confidence would be rooted in the gospel—a confidence of children who know their loving heavenly Father responds with steadfast love and covenantal faithfulness. Pray that we would respond to each other with the same gospel-centred compassion we have received from God.

**CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR A THIRD PASTOR, AND FOR THE POTENTIAL CANDIDATES WE HAVE.**

Pray that God would give our elders and council wisdom in finding a suitable candidate. Pray that God would also raise up the right man for the work, and that he would not only be suitably qualified (in character and gifts) but also be of a personality that would work well with our staff, council, and church.

**PRAISE GOD FOR ORGANISATIONS SUCH AS REACH AUSTRALIA AND THE FELLOWSHIP OF INDEPENDENT EVANGELICAL CHURCHES.**

Praise God that these organisations exist to train and equip pastors and church leaders to grow disciples of Jesus. Praise God for the training and development that both Pastor Ben and Steven have experienced over the past weeks and months. Pray that the tools learned would be of great benefit in growing them personally, and our church not only in number but also in depth and maturity.

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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.

### NEWCOMERS 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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## Requests to Rebuild (Nehemiah 2)

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### 1. Introduction—Getting Our Bearings

a. Bible timeline

b. Where Ezra-Nehemiah fits in

c. Nehemiah 1

### 2. Nehemiah's Request to the King to Return and Rebuild (1-8)

*"And the king granted me what I asked, for the good hand of my God was upon me"*

Implications

### 3. Nehemiah Returns to Jerusalem, Reviews the Work and Requests the People to Rebuild (11-18)

*"So they strengthened their hands for the good work"*

Implications

### 4. The Reality of Opposition (9-10, 19-20)

*"The God of heavens will make us prosper, and we his servants will arise and build, but you have no portion or right or claim in Jerusalem."*