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Upcoming Events

16 Feb MIG (Missions Interest Group)

Today's Service

Welcome and Singing	The Saving One Christ Our Hope In Life And Death Show Us Christ
Community News	
Mission Spot	
Bible Reading	Nehemiah 12:44-13:31 Romans 6:1-7
Sermon	By Pastor Benjamin Ho
Song of Response	You Rescued Me

Financial Update

Last Week	\$7,454.35
Weekly Required	\$8,964.00
Shortfall 2023	\$8,078.39

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



29 January 2023 | 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



Return to Old Ways

Nehemiah ends on a very low note, with the people of God returning to old ways of unholiness and disobedience. We're led to long for a rescue, restoration, rebuilding and renewal that addresses the heart of the problem. We're then led to rejoice in the gospel of Jesus Christ which not only secures our rescue from sin and death, but also guarantees a restoration, rebuild, and renewal through his presence and inner work in us. Knowing this, and with hope, we strive and fight to live lives of holiness and obedience.

Prayer Points

PRAISE GOD THAT IN THE GOSPEL WE HAVE THE GREATEST AND HIGHEST MOTIVATION

to celebrate! Praise God that when we saw the people celebrate in the time of Nehemiah, we know that God's promises fulfilled in Christ give us even more reason to celebrate! Pray that every celebration we partake in would remind us of the greater celebrations to come when Jesus returns and we see him face to face. Pray that we would remain faithful until that day.

PRAISE GOD FOR THE UPCOMING CONNECT COURSE SERIES OF STUDIES

that will shortly begin for our fellowship groups. Pray that the series will be able to clarify what SLE Church values and how each member plays a part in God's mission of making disciples. Pray that this series would also have a unifying effect upon our church as gather cross-generationally and think through the five key purpose areas of church life together. Pray for the pastors as they write and present the material – that God would bless their writing and sustain them as they lead the sessions.

PRAY THAT AS THE SCHOOL SEMESTER KICKS INTO GEAR

and our fellowship groups begin to return that the rhythms of life would also return. Pray that we would be sustained throughout this year to keep serving God and growing our faith.

PRAY FOR THE MEMBERS OF OUR CHURCH

who continue to prayerfully consider and weigh up the future with the Centenary church plant. Pray that God would give them wisdom, discernment, and faith as they make their decision. Pray that the leaders of our church would wisely consider equip future leaders to take on the many roles that will be available when the plant commences.

Community News

MISSION INTEREST GROUP, THURS 16 FEB, 7:30PM

Are you interested in mission? Do you want to spend more time praying for mission? Do you want to join with others to help stimulate your interest & involvement in it? Are you not so interested, but want God to grow you in this area? Then please join us at MIG meetings in 2023 where you'll get the chance to grow in all this, alongside your brothers & sisters at SLE.

At the upcoming meeting, our focus will be to clarify what we even mean by 'mission' and what that means for our involvement, which will be really helpful as we continue meeting throughout the year.

As always, if you are able to come at 6:30pm, you will get a free dinner & more time for fellowship. Or you can just arrive at 7:30pm for the meeting proper. Hope to reunite with MIG veterans, and also see some new faces.

RSVP: tinyurl.com/MIGmeeting

LIFE@WORK CONFERENCE 18 FEBRUARY, 10:00AM - 3:00PM Living Church, Carina

City Bible Forum is a network of like-minded Christian professionals in major cities around Australia that are driven to advance God's kingdom through their work in the marketplace. The Life@Work Conference is the City Bible Forum's flagship event to encourage and equip Christians in the workplace.

The full day conference is happening 10am - 3pm on Saturday 18 February at Living Church, Carina. Check out <https://citybibleforum.org/city/page/lifework-conference-2023> to register now!

Contact Royce on 0466595358 for more information and if you wish to be added to the WhatsApp Group with other SLE delegates.

Return to Old Ways (Nehemiah 12:44-13:31)

1. Introduction: Doomed to failure?

"All things have a tendency to move from order to disorder"

2. Devoted to Joyful Service and Holiness (12:44-13:3)

a. Devoted to joyful service (12:44-47)

b. Devoted to holy separation (13:1-3)

3. Return to Old Ways (13:4-29)

a. Desecrating the temple and servants (13:4-14)

b. Desecrating the Sabbath (15-22)

c. Desecrating their holy separation (23-29)

4. Nehemiah's Best Efforts (13:14, 22, 29, 30-31)

5. Implications: Doomed to failure? No, not at all!

a. Drives us to Jesus

b. Real hope for spiritual renewal