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Upcoming Events

Kingdom Prayer Group 29 Jun

For more information, check out sle.church/events

Today's Service

Welcome and	♪ You Alone
Singing	♪ No other name
	♪ Our Assurance

Community News

Matthew 12:38-50 **Bible Reading** 1 John 2:1-6

Pastor Steven Tran

Sermon

Lord's Supper

♪ Yet Not I But Through Song of Christ In Me Response

Financial Updates

Last Week	\$12,392 (Target: \$11,000)
Received to date 2024-25	\$495,096 (Target: \$508,400)
Budget 2024-25	\$541,400

Giving by Electronic Funds Transfer

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

SLE Church is a branch church of Chinese Christian Church Brisbane.



Welcome, we're glad you're here!

We are a church family committed to following Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour. We gather to sing songs, read the Bible, and know more about Jesus. Check us out at sle.church.



Jesus Confronts False Confidence

Jesus exposes the danger of relying on external markers of spiritual confidence, reorienting identity around obedience to God

Prayer Points

Monday: Praise God that Jesus speaks and engages unbelief in a way that teaches us about our own pride and/or weakness. Pray that God would expose any false confidence we hold—whether in our spiritual performance, background, or proximity to Christian things—and lead us to real repentance and trust in Christ. Ask that we would not only hear Jesus' words but respond with obedient hearts that do the will of the Father. Thank God that true belonging in His family is not earned but given through grace.

Tuesday: Pray for our Senior Pastor Steve as he begins four weeks of long service

leave. Give thanks to God for his ministry at SLE Church for the past decade, and for his leadership as Senior Pastor over the last two years. Pray for rest, refreshment, and quality time with God and with his family. Give thanks for the opportunity to spend time on some personal projects.

Wednesday: Pray for our sister church Huai En Tang (HET) as they seek to proclaim the gospel to the Chinese speaking people in our area. Give thanks to God for their growth as a church, both in welcoming new people and in their maturity as disciples of Jesus. Pray for their Senior Pastor Kia Teck Tan as he leads and shepherds the church. Pray that God might grant them wisdom and discernment as they consider plans for a second service to reach Chinese speaking students. Pray that God might strengthen our partnership with HET, especially as the elders from both SLE and HET meet together to share wisdom and encouragement and fellowship.

Thursday: Praise God for the election of a new bishop for the Anglican Church in

Seychelles. Give thanks that God has answered prayer in appointing a man with evangelical gospel convictions. Pray that God would enable him to lead with humility, godliness, and gospel zeal. Pray for the spread of the gospel in Seychelles, a country where many call themselves Christian but continue to live contrary to the gospel.

Friday: Pray for the Bartleets serving in Bangkok, Thailand with OMF. Pray in particular for Trish's visa application to go smoothly so she can commence teaching at the International Community School in Bangkok. Pray that as relationships develop with neighbours and market sellers near their house that they'd have opportunities to share the gospel in more meaningful ways. Pray for God to raise up additional workers to join the team, and pray for clearer and stronger strategy for the team. Pray for God to break the bondage of addiction in people being discipled by the Bartleets, that they may be transformed and follow Jesus with their whole being.

Saturday: Give thanks to God for his gift of

music. Pray for the music and PA teams in their training session this Saturday as they think about why and how they serve in their roles within the church gathering. Pray that the team will continue to serve the church in enabling the congregation to sing praises to glorify God, exalt Christ, and sing gospel truths to each other joyfully.

Community News

KINGDOM PRAYER GROUP: 29 June (Sun) 6:30 PM Dinner, 7:00 PM Start

Join us for an evening of food, conversations, songs of praise and most importantly, to partner in prayer for the growth of God's kingdom in an undisclosed nation in S.E. Asia!

Date: Sunday 29 June Time: 6:30 PM (Dinner), 7:00 PM-8:30 PM (Meeting) Location: Toowong Dinner: Available (if you're happy to chip in) RSVP: Register at <u>sle.church/events</u> or speak to Leya/Jodie.

Jesus Confronts False Confidence (Matthew 12:38-50)

Introduction

- 1. Confronting the false confidence of spiritual competence (12:38-42)
 - a. Asking for a sign

3. Confronting the false confidence of 'close relationship' (12:46-50)

b. The sign of Jonah

c. The judgement of Nineveh and the Queen of the South

2. Confronting the false confidence of moral clean-up (12:43-45)

a. A parable, not Demonology 101

So what?