

A Further Quick Word on Bible Translations

William Tyndale was martyred in 1536 for translating the Bible into English. We owe so much to this man who made the Bible readily available to the masses. Even today, some two thirds of the English Standard Version contain the original words and phrases translated by Tyndale!

Since then there has been an explosion of different translations of the Bible and praise God for that! Multiple translations are a gracious gift from our God—giving us translations that are easy to read (even for children), and translations that help us grapple with what was originally written.

Translations fall into three main categories. These are word for word translations that seek to give an accurate translation of the original scripture manuscripts. Examples include the New American Standard Bible (NASB), the English Standard Version (ESV) and the old King James Version (KJV).

The second category of Bibles are thought for thought translations. As indicated in the name of the category the translators have attempted to bring the thoughts and intentions of the authors to light. This usually requires more interpretation by the translators. Examples of these Bibles include the New International Version (NIV) and the New Living Translation (NLT).

The final category of Bibles are paraphrases. These are much looser translations, usually aimed at ease of reading or those whose English is a second language, giving you a very general sense of scripture. Examples include the Contemporary English Version (CEV) and The Message (MSG).

While it may seem bewildering that there are so many translations, we should rejoice that the Bible has been translated by godly people throughout the ages to give God's people, of all reading levels, access to God's Word.

At SLE Church we use and highly commend the ESV. Translated by a faithful committee it is a word for word translation which balances accuracy with readability. Having an ESV open in front of you while we're studying the Bible or listening to sermons will help us all grow in knowing what is said, how God's Word is to be read, and what God is asking of us in that text.



2 February 2020 | Service Times: 9am & 11:00am

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.slechurch.org.au.

This Week: Firm Foundations — Talking to God

Praying in all things helps us to press on in our faith, guarding us in Christ in all circumstances, as we wait for His return. This is a call to all believers to always pray when faced with the challenges of life. This is both a wonderful gift of grace as well as a necessity for steadfastness as a Christian.



Next Week: Firm Foundations—Meeting with God's Family

Today's Service

Welcome and Singing We Belong to the Day
Still, My Soul be Still
For the Cause

Holy Communion

Offering

Community News

Bible Reading Philippians 3:1-4:7

Sermon By Pastor Ben Ho

Song of Response I Have a Shelter

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Check out [sle.church/groups](https://www.sle.church/groups) to find a group that you can join.

Say hello

Join us for morning tea at 10:30am.
We'd love to have a chat and get to know you better.

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Financial Update

Last Week	\$3,875.65
Weekly Required	\$6,280.00
Shortfall 2020	\$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

Prayer Points

PRAISE GOD THAT HE SPEAKS! Pray that God would help us marvel that He has spoken and revealed Himself to us. Praise God we are no longer left in the dark about His nature and character. Praise God that what He has revealed is utterly glorious!

PRAISE GOD THAT HE LISTENS! Praise God that He is sovereign and powerful enough to be able to hear the prayers of all His people. Praise God that He is loving and personal enough that He hears us personally. Praise God that we can bring any anxiety, worry, and request to Him. Praise God that the peace He gives us through the gospel guards our hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

PRAY FOR THE RECENT ANXIETY REGARDING THE CORONAVIRUS. Pray that the virus would be contained by the appropriate authorities. Pray for those infected—to be protected from its more severe effects, and to rest and recover well.

CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR THE ONGOING BUSHFIRES IN AUSTRALIA, particularly the fires surrounding Canberra. Pray that God would send rain to finally quench the fires. Pray that the firefighters would be sustained in battling these new fronts. Pray for families and homes to be saved from destruction.

Community News

SECOND SERVICE RESUME AT 11:30AM, SOUTH HALL FROM 9 FEB

From 9 February onward, the second service will resume to meet at the South Hall with an 11:30am start. Please take note of the changes.

ALL SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Junior and Primary Sunday School registration will happen 2 Feb. Parents with children aged 2 years old to Primary year 6, please head down to the Sunday School rooms immediately after the first service for registration as well as to meet your child's Sunday School team for the year.

The Junior Sunday School team is also looking for some donation items. If you have any of these items lying around and will love to donate it, please approach Audrey, Rigel or Mel. Items needed:

- Child friendly biscuits/crackers
- A4 paper
- Cleaning wipes for tables
- Wet wipes for children
- Tissues
- Stickers for rewards

Serving

	Today	Next Sunday
Chair	Bryan	Josh
Prayer	Randy <i>Randy</i>	Dan <i>Dan</i>
Preach	Ps Ben	Ps Ben
Bible Read	Jansen <i>Marilyn</i>	Chi <i>Dan Lowe</i>
M.Tea	Eilen, Stella	Tania
Wash Up	SOS West	SaLT
Welcome	Wen Marie Richard	Wen Marie Richard
Stewards	John Meng Yin Norman <i>Helen</i> <i>Camer</i> <i>Josh</i>	John Meng Yin Norman <i>Helen</i> <i>Camer</i> <i>Josh</i>
Piano	Joanna Pan	Liesl
Guitar	Jabez	Mark
Bass	Ivan	Ivan
Drums	Lucas	Sharne
Vocal	Shaun	Swee Vien
PA	Reuten <i>Daniel</i>	

Talking to God [Philippians 4:6-7]

1. Introduction: gracious foundations

2. The Possibility of Prayer (Rom 5:6-11)

3. The Need for Prayer: to Press On (Phil 1-3)

4. The Practice of Prayer: In Everything, Pray (Phil 4:6)
a. Don't be anxious about anything

b. In everything...

c. Pray and ask God for something

d. With thanksgiving

5. The Result of Prayer: Peace that Guards (Phil 4:7)

6. Conclusion: Prayer is God's gift that guards us in Jesus Christ