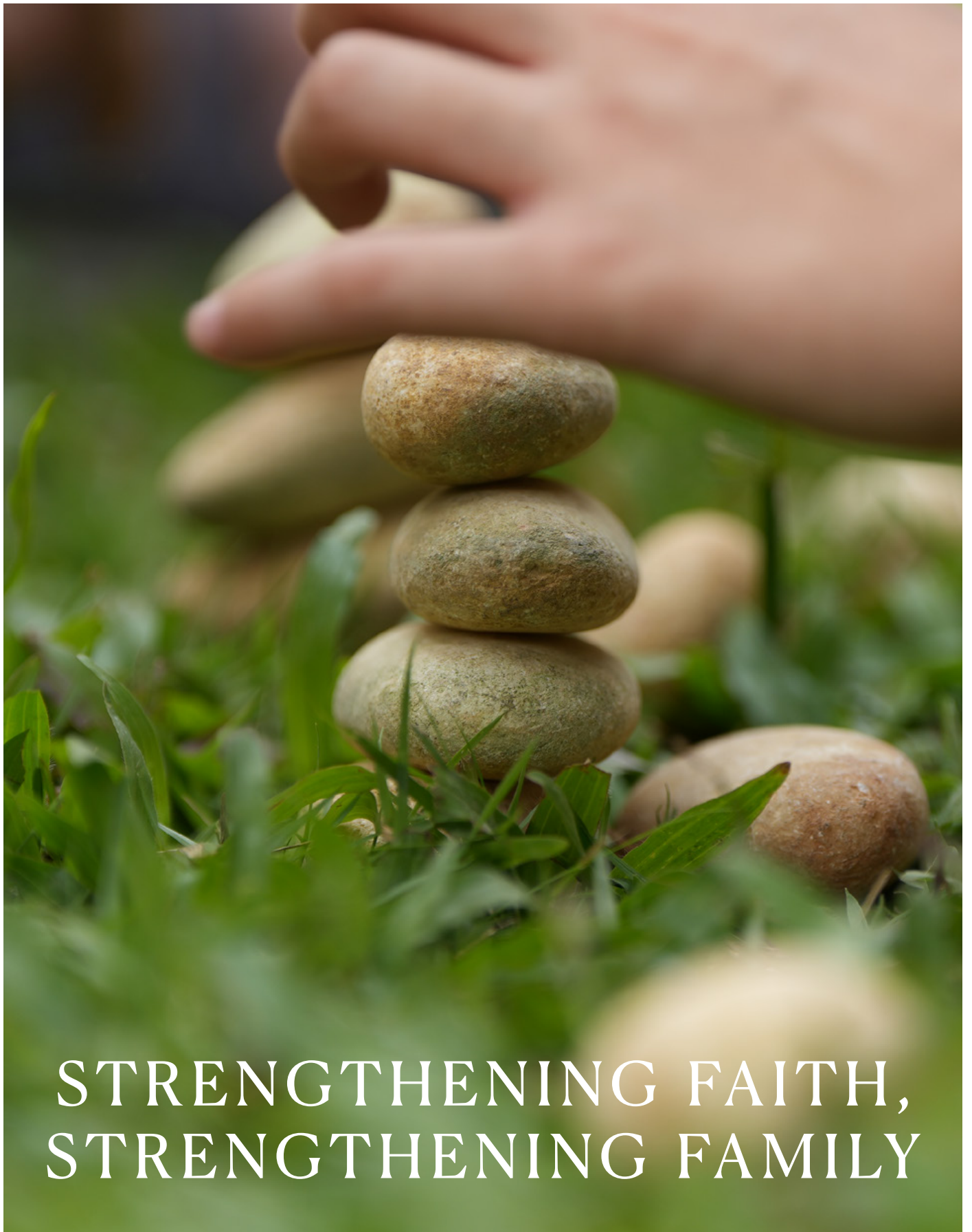


ARPC: ALWAYS REACHING PEOPLE FOR CHRIST
2024 HANDBOOK



STRENGTHENING FAITH,
STRENGTHENING FAMILY

A Bible-centred, Christ-centred & Christ-like Church for 21st Century Singapore & the World



“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.”

JOHN 3:16

“Let me give you a new command: Love one another. In the same way I loved you, you love one another. This is how everyone will recognize that you are my disciples—when they see the love you have for each other.”

JOHN 13:34–35

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BLESSING PEOPLE
WITH GOOD NEWS AS
GOD'S ONE CHURCH AT

ARPC@ADAM

ARPC@BISHAN

ARPC@TENGAH



ADAM ROAD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Obeying & Fulfilling Jesus' Two GCs:

**JESUS' GREAT COMMISSION TO
GO MAKE DISCIPLES OF ALL NATIONS**
(Matthew 28:18–20)

**JESUS' GREAT COMMANDMENT TO
LOVE ONE ANOTHER AS HE HAS LOVED US**
(John 13:34–35)



**BLESSING PEOPLE WITH JESUS AS
GOD'S ONE CHURCH IN THREE PLACES**

ALWAYS REACHING PEOPLE FOR CHRIST

ONE CHURCH IN THREE BLOSSOMING
CHRIST-LIKE, BIBLE-CENTRED AND
INTER-GENERATIONAL PLACES TO GOSPEL
21ST CENTURY SINGAPORE AND THE WORLD



Welcome to ARPC,
where children, youth, adults and elderly,
where singles, marrieds and families,
where every race, class and background
love, serve and worship Jesus as his One Church to God's Glory.

2024 VISION & THEME

STRENGTHENING FAITH, STRENGTHENING FAMILY

A WORD FROM SENIOR PASTOR CHRISTOPHER CHIA

Dear Family and Friends, we pray that 2024 will be a new and most exciting and fruitful season of ARPC's spiritual journey. By God's grace, our third site for gospel ministry, ARPC@Tengah, will be ready by the second half of 2024!

Our annual ARPC Handbook gives both our newcomers and members a snapshot of the God we believe in. We share how we are to fulfil Jesus' Great Commission to save the world and His Great Commandment to love another as His witnesses.

Our Theme for 2023—2024, both for ARPC and our whole Presbyterian denomination, is "Strengthening Faith, Strengthening Family".

1. Christ's Missional Heart

Our simple God-given faith tells us that the Lord Jesus has graciously come on the ultimate rescue mission. Jesus' loving missional heart led to His undeserved death on the Cross to offer us new and eternal life.

Jesus' missional heart motivated Him to always be "on the go" for God. Jesus left the comfort zone of glory in heaven to enter our inglorious world. His missional heart reverses our hopeless circle of purposeless birth, life and death.

2. Strengthening Our Missional Heart

Likewise, we as Jesus' people must increasingly pray to have a missional heart. Every year brings new opportunities for fresh encounters with Jesus as our Saviour and Lord.

God has gifted us with ARPC@Tengah to bless Singapore and beyond. We are located at Bukit Batok West Avenue 5 but our missional harvest field is Singapore's newest HDB estate at Tengah. What shot Tengah to fame was Anglo-Chinese School's decision to extend its ministry to the new estate by 2030.

How can ARPC prepare for gospel growth as His "One Church in Three Places"?

Like Jesus, let us pray to be "on the go for God". We pray for all of us to put on the mind of Christ. This Christ-like mindset will empower us to move between ministries, services or locations as we grow from ARPC@Adam and Bishan to Tengah (ABT). We pray to have as equal number of kids, youth and adults at ABT as possible.

Like Jesus, let us pray to step out of our comfort zone. God has blessed us with three hardware platform or places not to be selfishly comfortable but to selflessly evangelise friends and edify one another.

Our missional heartbeat must be to offer new life in Christ to as many people in Singapore and beyond. Only 12% of our population is Christian. We truly have an unfinished task.



God warns us of our dire need to be strengthened spiritually by His Spirit and Word for warfare against Satan, sin and the world (*Ephesians 6:10–20*). Only this can stop us from being arrogant, blind or self-sufficient, which is spiritual folly.

Here are some highlights of our prayers to fulfil Jesus' two GCs:

3. Strengthening ARPC's Missional VISION

- **God's One Church**
- **Jesus' Two Great Cs**
- **In Three God-given Places**
- **Learning Four Bible Books—*Luke, Joshua, Acts* and *Isaiah*—to be "On The Go (OTG) for Jesus"**

4. Strengthening ARPC's Missional MINISTRIES

- a. Discipleship Group (DG) Friendship Nights to promote and practice evangelism as DGs.
- b. Two Family Conferences to start and end the year—We kick the year off with a joint Synod/ARPC Family Conference on February 2–3 (Friday night and Saturday). Our year ends with a special Family Conference & Women's Retreat on November 20–24 with American singer/songwriter Laura Story, for us to be inspired to live as God's Family in all seasons.
- c. Marriage Enrichment Retreats (MER)—We have trained about 20 Marriage Mentors to grow this ministry. We encourage all 500+ ARPC couples to make MERs a "must"! Take note of the dates: Batch 1 on March 16–17; Batch 2 on August 3–4; and Batch 3, which is to be confirmed. We will also be launching Parenting Enrichment courses and ARPC's Fathers' Fellowship.
- d. Church Camp 2024 (June 6–10): "On The Go for Jesus"—our annual Church Camp in Malaysia sees Stuart Coulton come minister to us about God's mission—from the past, present to the future. Dave Chiswell will complement this with messages to our youth and parents. I will be weaving the themes together. Come for a spiritual Feast!
- e. Equip Conferences (ECs) to launch Tengah—Theologian Mike Bird of Ridley College Melbourne kicks off a series of ECs. September 14–15. Others include "A Phillip Jensen EC: The Future of the Church". (To be confirmed.)





5. Strengthened to Bless our Country

We praise God that Singapore has passed laws to protect the definition of marriage against legal challenge. This is a watershed moment and moral social marker.

It is nothing less than God’s grace upon our nation. It is a rarity for modern democracies to legislate for Biblical—often wrongly termed “traditional”—family values.

6. Strengthening our Churches

I believe we stand on the cusp of a “Golden Age” in Singapore and ARPC with this promotion and protection of family values.

Thus, for the first time in our denominational history, we have adopted the common theme of “Strengthening Faith, Strengthening Family” for our Synod, English Presbytery and ARPC.

Yet we have to be clear, God’s definition of spiritual family (*Galatians 3:26–29, 1 Timothy 5:1–15*)—purchased by the blood of Christ—has a distinctive. It includes all status (singles, marrieds and divorcees), all ages (young and old), all races (Jews and Gentiles) and all classes (slave and free). Both singleness and marriage are divine gifts (*1 Corinthians 7:8–25*). What matters is glorifying God with our bodies.

The long game is to do the hard work of strengthening our singles, marriages and families. We must champion both the rightness and goodness of God’s design. We have got to walk the talk about glorifying God. How can we be strengthened to do this?

7. Strengthened in our Hearts and Homes

Last but not least, we must promote personal and family devotions as our ARPC spiritual priority and DNA. Our new identity in Christ must lead to new Spirit-filled habits that glorify God. Only then can we reach the world—from migrant workers to marketplace ministry as we grow as God’s One Church in Three Places from ARPC@Adam, Bishan to Tengah (ABT) to the ends of the earth—by abiding deeply in Jesus’ word and love.

By God’s grace, Mona and I march forth—prayerfully and humbly with our pastors, leaders and members in ARPC—to love, save and disciple lost people for Jesus. Come join us in worshipping our glorious God!



Loving Jesus and serving you,
SENIOR PASTOR CHRISTOPHER CHIA

BLESSING OTHERS WITH JESUS AS ONE CHURCH IN THREE PLACES
**THREE CHRIST-LIKE AND BIBLE-CENTRED
INTER-GENERATIONAL CHURCHES FOR
21ST CENTURY AND THE WORLD**

ARPC@ADAM

Where it all began!

God has blessed ARPC@Adam to grow from about 60 adults and 2 children to 2,000 adults and 900 kids today.

ARPC@Adam is the original “Commuting Church”. People come from all over Singapore to worship with us.

Harvest Field

ARPC@Adam will continue to stand out as “the most central church”, being located smack in the middle of Singapore. We regularly have about 1,100 in 3 Services.

ARPC@BISHAN

Where we first expanded

God blessed us to be the Anchor church to Kuo Chuan Presbyterian Secondary School (KCPSS).

ARPC@Bishan was the LAST kid on the block in the established HDB estate of Bishan.

We sent about 400 people out of 1,200 at Adam to start this work. We regularly have about 800 in Sunday Services.

Harvest Field: Growing our reach to KCPSS and the HDB hinterland.

ARPC@TENGAH

Where God is blessing us

with a third site to continue to grow His kingdom by “Proclamation” and “Demonstration” of the gospel.

We will be the FIRST kid on the block in Singapore’s newest HDB estate, Tengah.

We pray to send about 600 people to start this work and pray for it to grow by the same faithful preaching of God’s Word, the making of disciples and the community outreaches to a new estate.

Harvest Field: The Tengah and Bukit Batok West HDB hinterland

Possible Ministries

1. Rental flats community care
2. Marketplace ministries
3. Guest workers: Adopt-A-Dorm
4. A family centre
5. Marriage prep and enrichment
6. Parenting courses
7. A Christian counselling centre
8. Tuition ministry
9. Special needs ministry
10. Mental wellness ministry
11. A leadership centre



COME, FOLLOW JESUS

PUT SIN TO DEATH, PUT ON CHRIST: COLOSSIANS 3:1–12



1
**BUILDING STRONG
PERSONAL WALK WITH
GOD IN ALL AGES**
Our new identity in Christ
gives birth to new habits.
We rise, not as high as
our goals, but as high
as our habits.

3
**STRONG FAMILY
DEVOTIONAL CULTURE**
a. Marriage & Parenting
Discipleship (MPD)
b. **Providing LRT** (Leadership,
Resources & Testimonies)
Monthly Devotional
Testimonies

2
**LOVING & LIFELONG
DISCIPLESHIP
FOR ALL AGES**
Building strong Godly marriages
and families. **And across our
Generational Ministries.**

OUR 2024 THEME:
**STRENGTHENING FAITH,
 STRENGTHENING FAMILY**

WE ARE BIBLE-CENTRED & CHRIST-CENTRED



January—March	<i>Gospel of Luke</i>	Good News of Great Joy
April—May	<i>Joshua</i>	Be Strong & Courageous
June	Church Camp	On The Go for Jesus
July—September	<i>Acts 1—12</i>	From Jerusalem to the World
September	Topical series	Acts in Action
October—November	<i>Isaiah</i>	A Tale of Two Cities
December	Christmas Reflections	



OUR THREE-YEAR TEACHING CYCLE

	2023	2024	2025
New Testament	<i>Gospel of John</i> <i>Romans</i>	<i>Gospel of Luke</i> <i>Acts 1—12</i>	<i>Gospel of Matthew</i> <i>James</i>
Old Testament	<i>Deuteronomy</i>	<i>Joshua</i> <i>Isaiah</i>	<i>Ecclesiastes</i> <i>Psalms 90—100</i>
Topical Series	Two Ways to Live	Acts in Action	
Church Camp	Strengthening Faith, Strengthening Family	On The Go for Jesus	Church History, Church Future

STRENGTHENING FAITH, STRENGTHENING FAMILY

ONE YEAR'S SNAPSHOT

Months	Weekly Sermons	Preaching & Discipleship Group Program
Our 2023–2024 Theme	Strengthening Faith, Strengthening Family	What have we learnt from this pandemic? How can we live and proclaim the gospel faithfully yet prophetically to Singapore, S.E. Asia, Asia and the world? Our theme of “Strengthening Faith, Strengthening Family” matures us with gospel essentials of the Christian life yet reach the world for Jesus!
Bible Book 1 January–March	Good News of Great Joy <i>Luke 1–9</i>	We will encounter the great Lord Jesus Christ afresh in Luke’s Gospel. These life-changing chapters from <i>Luke 1–9</i> are about divine riches for the spiritually poor.
	Equip I February 2–3 (to be confirmed)	Family Conference Setting the Biblical foundations and habits of Christ-centred faith and family. Blessed to be a Blessing.
Bible Book 2 April–May	Be Strong & Courageous <i>Joshua</i>	God promised His people a land as a blueprint of His kingdom. What lessons can we learn from God about our great redemption and His family then and now, fulfilled in Jesus our Lord?
June	Church Camp On The Go for Jesus	A new look and refreshed Church Camp! We trace the spread of the gospel from the past to the present and the future. And learn precious lessons.
	Topical Series: God’s Word in Action	
Bible Book 3 July–September	From Jerusalem to the World <i>Acts 1–12</i>	How did the Good News of Jesus go from Jerusalem to the ends of the earth? Come listen to this life-changing series of messages!
	Topical Series: Acts in Action!	Equipping us as a whole church to evangelise before we embark on a new season at ARPC@Tengah!
	Equip II Dates to be confirmed	New Theologies vs The Gospel Michael Bird is a leading New Testament scholar. He lectures at Ridley College in Melbourne. Michael will bless us with his insights on biblical theology.
Bible Book 4 October–November	A Tale of Two Cities <i>Isaiah</i>	The book of <i>Isaiah</i> gives us the surest confidence of God’s new beginnings.

WHAT WE DO WHEN WE GATHER

We pray that people will walk away from our church services and say: “That was an encounter with God in His Word (I heard God’s voice) and His People (I met God’s people)!” We gather to worship God by hearing His Word, singing, praying and serving one another in love! We gather to worship God by sharing the Good News and the Good Life with friends! We depart to worship God “24/7” with our lives!



1st Week	Communion at Adam —To celebrate the Lord’s Supper and a Free Communion Meal
2nd Week	Communion at Bishan —To celebrate the Lord’s Supper Newcomers Meals (2nd Sundays, 1.30pm) Our leaders welcome newcomers to ARPC Women’s Fellowship (March, July and November)
3rd Week	Agape Lunch (3rd Thursdays, 12pm) All Age Services (even numbered months)
4th Week	Discipleship Group (DG) Sharing DGs will share of God’s work in their lives in our services. The purpose is both to encourage and pray for one another; or Mission Sharing (on different countries) —to inform and challenge to pray for and participate in God’s work in the WORLD Culinary Arts Ministry Events (odd numbered months)

Note: With the launch of ARPC@Tengah, Communion at ARPC@Tengah will be held on third week of the month.

WHO WE ARE UNDER GOD



What kind of church is ARPC? Yes, we are Reformed. Yes, we are Evangelical. What are we “on” about? We are on about GOD—His name, kingdom and will. More precisely, we are on about JESUS. God has put the world on notice: It is now under Jesus’ new management! This is ARPC’s loftiest concern: To be Christ-like people!

1. ARPC is a Gospel-centred & Bible-centred church

We take the gospel full-heartedly by taking God’s Word seriously as the supreme authority in all matters of faith and conduct. We are committed to:

- Expository Preaching that explains the full counsel of God not simply on Sundays but every day in all our ministries—from children to adults, from prisons to university work and from Services to small groups.
- Biblical Theology that explains God’s salvation story foretold in the Old Testament and fulfilled in the person of Jesus Christ. This keeps us from misrepresenting Christianity as mere religion, moralism or legalism. Christianity is having a right relationship with God as our Father and Jesus our Saviour and Lord.
- Discipling God’s people to follow Jesus and love God by knowing, teaching and living God’s Word. Each week, about 300 of our leaders teach the Bible faithfully in big groups, small groups and one-to-one to our 1,000 children, 350 youth and 2,000 adults.
- Being a Bible-centred and Spirit-filled people as there is no dichotomy of Word versus Spirit in God’s saving mission.

2. ARPC seeks not simply to be Christ-centred but to be Christ-like

We believe in teaching our people for maturity. All our programmes are to equip our people to “Tell of Jesus” and “Become like Jesus” in His love, servant-heartedness and humility. Our Discipleship Groups, Leaders Training, Annual Camps, Equip Conferences and Ministry Apprentice Program are to equip God’s people to grow to Christ-like humility and maturity.

3. ARPC seeks to be a humble God-glorifying church

We believe in Bible literacy for Christ-like maturity. It is Christ-likeness that glorifies God. Yes, we are committed to the Word of God but we more concerned to worship our God of Word.

We are “all-size”, “all-age” and “all place”. “All-size” church? God made us with both a personal yet communal side. We can be part of big gatherings, belong to a small group yet enjoy personal ministries. “All-age” church? God made us to love both old and young! “All-place” church? God meant the church to be local, yet global in its reach. At ARPC, we are an “all-size”, “all-age” and “all-place” family of God! We believe that we can “grow bigger, yet grow closer” simultaneously.

We delight in helping people and churches grow in these gospel DNAs.

Last but not least, we are a Praying People who walk by God’s Spirit.

MARKS OF GOD'S LEADERS AND HIS PEOPLE

WHAT GOD EXPECTS OF HIS CHURCH



7 Marks of Godly Leadership

1. Leaders, and their wives, must have a good reputation and not dishonour God (*1 Tim 3*).
2. Married leaders must be faithful and be able to manage their households (*1 Tim 3*).
3. Leaders should make Godly decisions which edify the body and evangelise unbelievers (*Acts 6*).
4. Leaders must discharge duties willingly as selfless shepherds, not as self-interested hirelings (*1 Peter 5*).
5. Leaders must walk the talk (*Acts 20:28, 1 Thess 2:8, 1 Tim 3:10, 2 Tim 2:2, 2 Tim 3:10—11*).
6. Leaders must NOT be proud (*1 Tim 3, 1 Peter 5*).
7. Leaders must NOT be quarrelsome (*1 Tim 6:3, 2 Tim 2:24*).

7 Marks of God's People

1. No part of the body of Christ should think and act in isolation.
2. No part of the body of Christ should think and act in superiority.
3. No part of the body of Christ should think and act in deception (*Eph 4:25*).
4. All parts of the body of Christ should think and act in love (*1 Cor 13*).
5. All parts of the body of Christ should think and act in unity (*Rom 15:5—7, Phil 2:1—2*).
6. The “strong” parts of the body of Christ should put love before liberty (*Romans 15:1*).
7. The “weak” parts of the body of Christ should put principle before compromise.

7 Marks of Godly Fellowship

1. Leaders are worthy of double honour (*1 Tim 5:17*).
2. Do NOT accuse your leaders lightly (*1 Tim 5:19*).
3. Do NOT demonise nor idolise your leaders. Remember your leaders’ teaching and life (*Hebrews 13:7*).
4. Obey you leaders and submit to their authority (*Hebrews 13:17*).
5. Do NOT be ashamed of your Godly leaders through thick and thin (*2 Tim 1:8, Hebrews 10:33—34*).
6. Pray for your leaders (*Eph 6:19, 1 Thess 5:25*).
7. Both leaders and followers should live up to the purity and unity we have in Christ.

OUR PARTNERSHIPS

GLORIFYING GOD WITH OTHERS



Our Partnership Philosophy

ARPC delights in helping others grow as gospel-centred churches and ministries. We pray to pass on God's "gospel DNA" of being Bible-centred, Christ-centred and Christ-like. Pastor Chris and team lead these gospel partnerships.

God's church is a local family with a global reach (*Colossians 1:6ff*). God's church is both international and interdependent. We believe authentic gospel ministry is marked by love and unity in Christ our Lord.

We prayerfully seek to be God's partners who will preach God's truth, deepen brotherly love and maintain church unity.

Globally, we hope to keep contributing to **Cambodia, Philippines, Taiwan, Japan, China, Thailand (Mien tribe) and Chinese churches.**

We pray for our partnerships with "link churches"—both to receive from and send people to—in key cities of **the US, UK, Australia and Asia to grow from strength to strength.**

We are a spiritual home to many "returnee" students graduating from Australia, UK, USA and around the globe. Many have made the important transition from "being equipped in campus" to "serving in the local church". Come and join us!

Locally, our enduring partners have ranged from **our Presbyterian churches, OMF, SIM, WEC, Prisons and Drug Rehabilitation Work, to the Boys' and Girls' Brigades (BB & GB), Singapore Bible College (SBC),**

and **Trinity Theological College (TTC).** We seek to humbly continue these ties.

Partnership Packages

Below are some ways we may be able to value-add to God's work with our partners.

1. Our Preaching Package

Helping churches train Godly leaders for a lifelong preaching ministry.

2. Our "Big Picture" Package

Helping churches understand the Bible as God's "Big Picture" or God's salvation plan fulfilled in Christ.

3. Our Evangelism Package

Helping churches understand the "whys" and "hows" of evangelism.

4. Our Discipleship Package

Helping churches understand the "whys" and "hows" of essential discipleship.

5. Our Leadership Package

Helping churches train Bible Study and spiritual leaders to lead in Godliness.

For enquiries, please contact Senior Pastor Christopher Chia at enquiry@arpc.sg

MINISTRY APPRENTICE PROGRAM

TRAINING FUTURE LEADERS TODAY

There is a growing need for Christian workers as the Gospel goes forth to the ends of the earth. ARPC wants to be committed to God's Great Commission.



The Ministry Apprentice Program (MAP) is our training program to identify and train potential people suitable for Christian ministry. MAP will focus on the three essentials of character, knowledge and skills (CKS).

Through the three stages in MAP, our prayer is to produce Godly Christian men and women to serve as

Pastors, Missionaries and Leaders in ARPC, Singapore and beyond.

Our prayerful task is to produce trained men and women for a lifelong ministry of Bible teaching, gospel preaching and Christ-like living.

Step 1: MAP Staff Workers

Suitable candidates will be encouraged to enter into a two-year hands-on and full-paying training programme with ARPC. This is to expose them to the rigours and realities of full-time Christian work as they teach the Bible, relate to people and grow in Godliness.

Step 2: MAP Associates

Suitable Staff Workers may be supported for full-time theological training with the goal of serving ARPC, Singapore and beyond.

Step 3: Full-Time Ministers of the Gospel

MAP Associates supported by ARPC will either join the ARPC Pastoral Team or be encouraged to serve outside ARPC.

Depending on the suitability of the candidate, the needs of the church and circumstances, the pastors and leaders will prayerfully guide the candidate to the next ministry.

OUR COMMUNITY, PRISONS & SCHOOLS MINISTRY

SERVING SINGAPORE, CHANGING LIVES



ARPC is a Reformed and Evangelical church. We are committed to the Proclamation and Demonstration of Jesus' love for God's world.

In 2015, 2017, 2019 and 2023 we hosted Let's Carnival! By God's grace, unknown to us, this became the largest event for the President's Challenge Volunteer Drive. In Singapore's Jubilee Year in 2015, we blessed 350 beneficiaries from nine charities and 200 needy residents.

In land-scarce Singapore, churches increasingly need to show how we are benefitting society for us to retain our precious leasehold premises for worship and ministry. Our Let's Carnival initiative is but the tip of ARPC's long but understated history of blessing our community and the needy.

In the mid-1980s: We provided free tuition to students in Woodlands and Lakeview.

In 1993: Pastor Christopher Chia began preaching at The Helping Hand, a Christian drug halfway house, and ARPC started hosting ex-addicts. He continued a

lifetime legacy of prison work by Pastor John Ting.

Today: ARPC's **Prison Ministry under Pastor Jeffrey Quek** reaches five blocks of Changi Prison weekly. We host a number of **BB and GB companies** to build character in our youth.

2015: We became the anchor church to Kuo Chuan Presbyterian Secondary School (KCPSS). We are overjoyed to be partners with teachers, students and parents to value-add in raising generation after generation of responsible citizens.

We pray ARPC will be a church that both meets in a school and ministers to our school. Our role is to contribute in every way—financially, spiritually and practically—to the well-being of our schools and students.

As the residential Anchor Church to Kuo Chuan Presbyterian Secondary School (KCPSS), our ministry ranges from morning devotions, chapel talks, recess work, counseling to after-school activities.

So, as God's people, we want to send this message to our neighbours and nation: We are here to bless you as God's people.



MISSIONS MINISTRY



ARPC's vision is to see every member become BOTH a "goer" (one who is involved in cross-cultural mission work) *and* a "sender" (one who sends and supports "goers"), participating in God's Mission from anywhere to everywhere.

In today's globalised world, God's people now have the opportunities to reach out to the lost, those on our shores, and those far away.

The ARPC Missions Ministry mobilises and sustains God's people to carry out His mission. We raise awareness and exposure to cross-cultural missions at ARPC through:

- Prayer Meetings for our missionaries & missions.
- Short term mission trips for DGs to participate in God's work in another culture, either overseas or locally (in partnership with the Adopt A Dorm Ministry to migrant workers in Singapore).
- Missions Retreat to strengthen our passion for and deepen our knowledge of God's mission.
- Mentoring program (a.k.a. Missions Roundtable) to journey with those who are currently involved in missions, as well as exploring doing missions as a full-time paid ministry.

Currently, countries where ARPC is involved in include Taiwan, Japan, Cambodia, Thailand and Indonesia.

Whether you are considering how to go on a mission trip with your DG, or how you can journey with ARPC in missions, contact us, and we are ready to serve you!

For enquiries, please contact Pastor Lim Luck Yong at missions@arpc.sg

SPECIAL NEEDS SUPPORT NETWORK

The Special Needs Support Network (SN)² was launched in 2018 to encourage individuals and families with special needs with Jesus' love and compassion. We seek to integrate them in the ARPC family and empower the church to minister to them. We hope to support special needs families by building a network of professionals, helpers and carers. We prayerfully aim to:

Equip the church

Praise God for the great number of special needs professionals in ARPC who desire to both serve yet learn humbly. We have tapped on their expertise and experience for talks and training sessions. We also invite external speakers to share helpful insights from the Bible.

Encourage special needs families

(SN)² organises family-friendly events to encourage fellowship between special needs families and the wider church. Personal testimonies of spiritual growth are shared with songs, games and fun workshops at fellowship gatherings.

Walk alongside each other

We try to match specific needs with expertise, and to kick-start positive relationships within the ministry and among other ministries.

Our formal meetings are usually conducted on a quarterly basis on Sunday afternoons.

For enquiries, please contact Oh Hwee Yen at sn2@arpc.sg



ARPC MARKETPLACE MINISTRY

EMPOWERING THE BELIEVER AT WORK & EMPOWERING THE WORKER TO BELIEVE



2020—21 were challenging years that few would ever forget. Our Lunchtime Talks quickly adjusted to become online talks. Amid a crisis, participants were thirsting to hear the Word of God, and the Lunchtime Talks were well-received. We had many who regularly attended the talks and were blessed by the talks. Many also invited their friends.

Despite only being able to host a fewer number of talks than usual, we were glad we could do so under such challenging circumstances. We dealt with topics such as:

- Future Proofing Your Job
- Future Proofing Your Heart Spiritually
- Mental Health at Work
- Emotional Health at Work

- Relational Health at Work
- Does Jesus matter in our work?

AMM (ARPC Marketplace Ministry) aims to equip us as prayerful, Bible-centred, and Christ-like ambassadors for God at our workplaces to share the gospel with our friends and colleagues wherever we are.

All praise to God that AMM is now able to resume our lunchtime talks at our new location at One Raffles Quay after hosting the talks via Zoom the past two years.

We look forward to continuing our Lunchtime Talks in 2024, plus a mentoring program to help us grow in the workplace and other events.

For enquiries, contact Senior Pastor Christopher Chia, Elder Bim Lau and Pastor Kenneth Goh at amm@arpc.sg

ADOPT A DORM MINISTRY



God opened the door for ARPC to be part of the outreach to migrant workers. The pandemic highlighted the plight, housing needs and social isolation of 300,000 workers here.

The Adopt A Dorm (AAD) Ministry was formed in 2020 by Pastors Christopher Chia and Lim Luck Yong to help our migrant workers in Singapore. This was our expression of loving the foreigners among us, as God desires His people to do.

We adopted a dorm at 61 Gul Drive, as the pandemic raged on in Singapore with the Delta and Omicron variants, that housed shipyard workers. Our dedicated AAD team continues to reach out in these small but significant ways.

Outings for Guest Workers

Hosting guest workers at various Singapore tourist attractions where the workers have never been able to afford to go, including Cable Car rides to Sentosa, Gardens By The Bay and the SEA Aquarium.

Care Packages

During the pandemic, we also organised a visit to Little India for a shopping trip and Christmas celebration, and delivered Care Packages containing mutton biryani and fruit to the dorm to supplement the simple diet of the workers. We also helped them to celebrate their respective cultural festivals and Independence Day. We also supplied face masks to supplement their needs.

English Classes

A new AAD team that was formed in June/July 2021 developed video lessons teaching simple English to help our migrant friends communicate better with Singaporeans. We are thankful for the team's perseverance in producing the high-quality lessons.

The long working hours of our migrant friends are very real, and many have been living apart from their families for many years. Do pray for us to have wisdom to address their needs while showing them the love of our compassionate God.

For enquiries, contact Senior Pastor Christopher Chia or Pastor Lim Luck Yong at missions@arpc.sg

INTERNATIONAL NURSING STUDENT MINISTRY

Singapore is short of nurses and a few hundred young people from neighboring countries come here to study nursing at our local polytechnics. After their studies, they work in local hospitals for at least six years.

In 2023, God opened the door for ARPC to reach out to these nursing students. God also blessed the ministry with a wonderful team of befrienders from ARPC. We seek to befriend these students by being good hosts. We bring them around different parts of Singapore to explore, share about the Singaporean culture, offer lessons specific to their needs and interests (e.g. guitar lessons, financial planning), and, mostly, share meals with them. We also introduce ARPC families to these students so that they can experience family life in Singapore even though they are far from their families.

In summary, we engage these students through:

- Monthly big group activities;
- Small group hangouts and meals;
- Interest groups; and
- Host Family Program (to spend time with students several times in a year).

Because, these students come from a different culture, it is crucial for us to understand their culture. Thus, we have monthly trainings. We recognize that this door might not always be open to us thus we desire to seize this opportunity while we can.

For enquiries, contact Geraldine Tham at insm@arpc.sg



MENTAL WELLNESS MINISTRY

The Mental Wellness Ministry (MWM) was formally set up in 2018 to draw together the existing efforts of different brothers and sisters, with a mission to help our church family reach out lovingly, sensitively and effectively to those with mental health concerns, thus supporting them holistically in their discipleship journey.

We seek to focus our current and future efforts in three broad areas:

Outreach

- Peer Support
- Befriending
- Counselling

Engagement

- Workshops
- Webinars and Podcasts
- Social Media
- Church Event and Ministries

Equipping

- Helper Support and Training
- DG Leaders and Pastoral Staff Training
- Mental Health Professionals' Sharing
- Recommendations for Resources



We aim to do this by helping:

- All in ARPC develop a Biblical, medical and sound understanding of mental health concerns in partnership with other ARPC ministries and specific learning opportunities.
- Recovering brothers and sisters receive spiritual encouragement in their individual journeys through fellowship, prayer, and pastoral care.
- Professionals in the mental health field understand and be convicted of living out their God-given calling.
- Caregivers to be supported with spiritual, medical, and practical resources.
- To organise workshops and events.

For enquiries, please contact us at mental.wellness@arpc.sg



Our ENTRYPaths

As God's people, we delight in introducing you to know, love and serve God. As part of that privilege, we have **3 Steps for Newcomers—it's as simple as 1-2-3!**

Our newcomers come from all walks of life and people! Some are interested **seekers**. Some are **circulating saints**. Others are **graduates or returnee students** from here and overseas—the USA, UK, Australia, NZ and the rest of the world!

Yet, others are "**new migrants**" swept onto Singapore shores as part of the tidal wave of globalisation. You may have chosen to call Singapore your temporary "home" to study, work or live. Whatever, it is God's will that you are here!

And we are here to welcome you as His people! We pray you will find here **a loving international and inter-generational community** that lives out our unity in Christ.

Your first step begins with Newcomers Desk, then Steps 1, 2 and 3: Newcomers' Meal, Just for Newcomers (including Discovering Christianity) and Class ARPC.

STEP 1: COME TO THE NEWCOMERS MEAL

We come to know you. You come to know us. Together, we grow to know God. Newcomers are invited to a free meal. Second Sunday of the month (1:30pm) at the Manse (Pastor Christopher Chia's residence). The Manse is located at ARPC@Adam (adjacent to the playground).

For enquiries or to sign up, e-mail newcomersmeal@arpc.sg

STEP 2: JOIN JUST FOR NEWCOMERS

Just For Newcomers (JFN) is a 13-week course to introduce you to three foundations of the Christian faith: A Portrait of Jesus Christ—the Master Who Disciples Us; A Big Picture of the Bible—the Source of Our Discipleship; Seven Foundational Truths—the Life of a Disciple.

Two batches of Class JFN run each year to help newcomers to ARPC join a Discipleship Group (DG) and be part of God's family here. JFNers meet in ARPC@Adam for 13 weeks and move on to meet in various places at various times as a DG thereafter. JFN is a good opportunity for newcomers to meet other people as well.

JFN is often in great demand, so please sign up early.

We require a 70% (nine out of 13 weeks) attendance for "graduation".

For enquiries, e-mail jfn@arpc.sg

STEP 3: ATTEND CLASS ARPC

Class ARPC is our Membership Class which helps you understand what membership in God's kingdom means in ARPC and the Presbyterian Church. Two batches of Class ARPC run each year. This is followed by a Baptism/New Members Service.

Adults can become members through baptism or transfer. Parents can bring children up to age 12 for infant/child baptism. Those who have been baptised as infants can be "confirmed" as adult members from age 16 onwards.

For enquiries, e-mail enquiry@arpc.sg



DISCOVERING CHRISTIANITY

Discovering Christianity (DC) is a ministry for those who are keen to explore the basics of the Christian faith. Non-Christian friends and family are welcome to join us for five sessions to learn about what Christians believe in. The sessions are conducted in a non-threatening and interactive manner. Participants are also free to ask questions about Christianity.

The four sessions cover these topics:

- Who Is God?
- Who Is Man?
- What Is the Bible?
- Who Is Jesus?

Discovering Christianity is held over four successive Sundays from 2pm to 3:30 pm.

For enquiries, please contact Pastor Lim Luck Yong at dc@arpc.sg

Our LIFEPaths

Our church family embraces all seasons of life—from children, youth, adults to the golden group. We have one great desire: That we will help people love and serve God through all seasons of life.



CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Children's Church (CC) partners with Christian parents to raise Godly children as life-long disciples of Christ for God's glory. We also share Jesus with children from families yet to believe in Christ.

Groups	ARPC@Adam Saturdays 5pm, Sundays 9am & 11:30am	ARPC@Bishan Sundays 9am
Crèche (under 18 months)	Cry Room (L3)	Cry Room (Chapel, L1)
Toddlers (18–36 months)	Grace, Charity (L2)	Peace (Chapel, L2)
Pre-School (3–6 years)	Peace, Patience, Kindness (L2)	Praise Hall (Chapel, L1)
Primary (7–12 years)	Love, Joy (L2)	Choir Room (KCPSS, L2)

Crèche

Babies under 18 months are able to have a place to play and rest in the comfort of a room specially designated for them so that their parents can attend services.

Toddlers

Our programme engages little ones through stories, activities and crafts. They also experience powerful connections between Scripture and everyday life by engaging all five of their senses. The Bible comes alive! The curriculum is based on the *Hands On Bible Curriculum* and *Teaching Little Ones*, modified by our experienced leaders over a decade.

Pre-School and Primary

Our weekly services involve a big group gathering in for worship in songs, prayers and in small group classes for the different age groups.

We encourage Bible familiarisation by teaching memory verses and a two-year Catechism series for preschoolers. (Catechism, a question-and-answer system for learning, is useful for building young children's understanding of basic Christian doctrines.) Pre-school programmes are supplemented by the curriculum from *Teaching Little Ones*. Primary programmes generally follow the Adult Preaching Series for the year.

Special events are organised throughout the year to complement the teaching curriculum and engage learning through missions, camps and special programmes.

Teaching Programmes for CC groups as follow:

Creche & Toddlers' Group

The Crèche does not have a formal teaching programme but children under 18 months are left there for social interaction and for leaders to support parents in building strong partnership with church from infancy.

The Toddlers' Group follows the *Hands-On Bible Curriculum*, which makes gospel learning tangible by using common objects.

Pre-school Age Groups

The Nursery children will be learning from the *Teaching Little Ones* series on "Introducing The Bible"



(IB)—a syllabus that begins with Jesus as God's Son (leading up to Easter) and then moves from *Genesis* (Creation, Noah, Abraham, Joseph) to Moses, Samuel and David in the *Old Testament*. In the *New Testament*, we are introduced to Peter and Paul and then we learn more about God's Son, Jesus, at Christmas. The Kindy curriculum will be taken from the *Teaching Little Ones* series that include syllabus from "Promises" (P), which covers how God makes promises in a covenantal relationship with His people, the Israelites, and now with all who believe in His Son; "Kingship" (K), which looks at kings in the *Old Testament*, and how some obeyed and others disobeyed Him. It follows the Kingship lessons in previous year to cover King Solomon and Jesus, the King of kings. The "Salvation" (S) which include the apostles' conversions and ministry in the early church as well as the story of Jonah which will help children to understand God's plan of salvation and how it relates to us. Special topics on Worship, Prayers, Mission and Creation Care are also included through the special events for the year.

Primary Age Groups

The Primary children are taught the same Bible books as the adult congregation. This facilitates discussion and reinforcement within families. In 2024, we will be covering *Gospel of Luke 1–9*, *Joshua*, *Acts 1–13* and *Isaiah*. In addition, we will have Missions Month in September to partner with our missionaries or missions agencies.

For enquiries, please contact Mona Chia, Marie Lim and Karen Leo at children@arpc.sg

Date	Toddlers
Jan—Feb	God Made Me, My Family, My Friends
Mar—Apr	God Made Everything
May	God is Strong
Jun	<i>No Children's Church</i>
Jul—Aug	Who Is God To Me?
Sep—Oct	Things Jesus Said or Did
Nov	Preparation for Christmas
Dec	<i>No Children's Church</i>

Date	Pre-School (N1/N2)
Jan 20—Mar 17	IB Unit 1—Jesus Is God's Son
Apr 6—May 12	IB Unit 2—In The Beginning
May 18—Jul 21	IB Unit 3—Getting To Know Abraham & Joseph
Jul 27—Aug 18	IB Unit 4—Moses
Aug 31—Sep 29	IB Unit 5—Samuel & David
Oct 12—Nov 10	IB Unit 7—God Changes Peter & Paul
Nov 16 & 17	IB Unit 6:1—Looking Forward To Christmas

Date	Pre-School (K1/K2)
Jan 20—Mar 3	P Unit 1—God's Promises & Jesus
Mar 9—May 5	P Unit 7—God's Promises & God's People Today
May 11—May 26	K Unit 4—King Solomon
Jul 13—Aug 11	K Unit 5—Kings & The King of Kings
Aug 17—Sep 29	S Unit 1—Paul
Oct 12—Nov 3	S Unit 4—Jonah
Nov 9—17	S Unit 9:1—Christmas: The Saviour Is Born

Date	Primary
Jan-Mar	<i>Gospel Of Luke 1—9</i>
Apr—May	<i>Joshua</i>
Jun	<i>No Children's Church</i>
Jul—Aug	<i>Acts 1—13</i>
Sep	Missions Month
Oct—Nov	<i>Isaiah</i>
Dec	<i>No Children's Church</i>

Special Events

During certain weeks or months, we run special events for families that will complement our teaching plan. In addition, All-Age Services, where children and adults worship together, will be held once every two months. Children join their parents to worship together with the family of God. This allows godly modelling and mutual encouragement in worship of our awesome God.

All-Age Services

February 17 & 18	August 24 & 25
April 20 & 21	October 19 & 20
June 15 & 16	December 25

Date	Toddlers	Date	Pre-School	Date	Primary
Jan 6 & 7, 13 & 14	God Made Me	Jan 6 & 7, 13 & 14	People of Worship & Prayers Meet our CC Families	Jan 6 & 7, 13 & 14	A New Start
Mar 23 & 24	Easter	Mar 23 & 24	Easter	Mar 23 & 24	Easter
Jun 29 & 30	Fellowship with and among Parents and Toddlers	Jun—Jul	Creation Care I	Jun 29 & 30	CC Socials #1—Love In Words & Actions
Oct 5 & 6	Children's Day	Jul 6 & 7	God's People Reconnect	Aug 31 & Sep 1	CC Leaders' Outing
Nov 23 & 24	Fellowship with and among Parents and Toddlers	Oct 5 & 6	Children's Day & Creation Care II	Oct 5 & 6	CC Socials #2 (Children's Day), P6 Farewell
Dec	Birthday Party for Jesus	Nov 23 & 24	Class Party—Thanksgiving	Nov 23 & 24	Class Party—Thanksgiving
		Nov 30 & Dec 1	CC Camp	Nov 30 & Dec 1	CC Camp
				Dec 8	P1 Welcome

BASIC—BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN CHRIST

YOUTH MINISTRY



BASIC (Brothers and Sisters in Christ) is a ministry to youths aged 13 to young adulthood. BASIC disciples young people for lifelong discipleship, bringing them the gospel and encouraging them to mature as Christian adults. Our time together includes structured activities like regular bible studies, fellowship meetings and training sessions, as well as informal fun and games, socials and outings.

BASIC has a strong commitment to evangelise the unreached. New friends are always welcome to explore the bible with us as we seek to expand God’s Kingdom. At the same time, we aim to edify believers, building them up in God’s Word. To this end, we identify, equip and train mature Christian youths to lead others and serve one another.

Eventually we hope to “export”, to our adult congregations, young people prepared and active in God’s service. An important step is for parents and teenaged

children to continue to attend Services and worship together, whilst going to BASIC. We started with this goal and continue it as a healthy expression of being united in God’s family.

Join us! We welcome you and your friends and promise you that BASIC on Saturdays will change all your days!

Our Meetings

We meet on Saturdays at ARPC@Bishan, 8A Bishan Street 13, Singapore 579794 (Please enter from Kuo Chuan Presbyterian Primary School).

Join us from 5–7pm for our occasional big group gathering, regular small group bible studies, prayer and fellowship.

For enquires please contact Pastor Roger Chia or Pastor Jason Kwek at basic@arpc.sg

Date	BASIC PROGRAMME	
LUKE 1—9: JESUS OUR SAVIOUR		
January 6	Welcome Back to BASIC	New Year Talk
January 13	<i>Luke 1</i>	The Coming of Jesus
January 20	<i>Luke 2</i>	The Child Jesus
January 27	Parents-Leaders-Youths Fellowship	The Child Jesus
February 3	<i>Luke 3:1—4:13</i>	Prep of Jesus’ Ministry
February 10	No BASIC	
February 17	<i>Luke 4:14—44</i>	Good News of Jesus

February 24	<i>Luke 5:1—6:16</i>	Call and Conflict
March 2	<i>Luke 6:17—49</i>	Teachings of Jesus
March 9	ACTS 2	Group Socials
March 16	Evangelistic Event	
March 23	<i>Luke 9:1—51</i>	Identity of Jesus
GOOD FRIDAY (FRIDAY, APRIL 7)		
March 30	ARPC Easter Services	
JOSHUA 1—12, 23—24: THE LORD IS WITH YOU		
April 6	<i>Joshua 1</i>	The LORD is with You
April 13	<i>Joshua 2</i>	Fear the LORD
April 20	<i>Joshua 3-4</i>	Remember the LORD
April 27	<i>Joshua 5:13—6:27</i>	The Victory of the LORD
May 4	<i>Joshua 7—8</i>	The Holiness of the LORD
May 11	<i>Joshua 23</i>	Cling to the LORD
May 18	ACTS 2	Group Socials
May 25	<i>Joshua 24</i>	Serve the LORD
June	No BASIC	
ACTS 1—13: ACTS OF THE RISEN LORD		
June 29	<i>Acts 1</i>	Getting Ready
July 6	<i>Acts 2</i>	Promises Fulfilled
July 13	<i>Acts 3:1—4:31</i>	No Other Name
July 20	ACTS 2	Group Socials
July 27	<i>Acts 6:1—8:1a</i>	Faithful Witness
August 3	<i>Acts 8:1b—9:31</i>	The Word Goes Out
August 10	BASIC Family Day	
August 17	<i>Acts 10:1—11:18</i>	No Partiality
August 24	<i>Acts 11:19—13:3</i>	Enemy of the Gospel
August 30	BASIC Leaders' Retreat (August 30—September 1)	
TOPICAL SERIES		
September 7	Topical Session 1	
September 14	Topical Session 2	
September 21	Topical Session 3	
September 28	<i>Isaiah 1:1—2:4</i>	The City of the LORD
ISAIAH: FROM RED TO WHITE		
October 5	<i>Isaiah 6</i>	The Vision of the LORD
October 12	P6ers Welcome	
October 19	<i>Isaiah 11</i>	The Reign of the King
October 26	<i>Isaiah 36-37</i>	The Deliverance of the LORD
November 2	<i>Isaiah 40</i>	The Comfort of the LORD
November 9	<i>Isaiah 52:13—53:12</i>	The Servant of the LORD
November 16	ACTS 2	Group Socials
November 23	<i>Isaiah 55</i>	The Invitation of the LORD
November 30—December 31	No BASIC	
December 6	BASIC Camp (December 6—9)	
CHRISTMAS DAY (WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25)		

DISCIPLESHIP GROUPS

GROWING AS DISCIPLES TOGETHER

Welcome to our Discipleship Groups (DGs) for 2024! Our DGs are the backbone of ARPC. God has blessed us with more than 80 DGs with over 1,200 people attending weekly. Our love for Christ is expressed by our love for His church experienced in lifelong discipleship.

As People of the Trinitarian God who exists in eternal relationships—Father, Son and Spirit—we live in relationships as His Church and also in small groups or discipleship groups.

Our DGs exist to Exalt the Lord Jesus by obeying Him through these 5Gs:

1. God's Word

"[I keep praying] that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, [...]" — Ephesians 1:17

We seek to be a People of Word. By grace, we seek to know God and the Lord Jesus Christ by knowing God's Word.

2. God's People

"Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord." — 1 Corinthians 12:4–5

We seek to be a People of Service to build up God's People.

3. God's Mission

"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have

commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

— Matthew 28:19–20

We seek to be a People of Mission, whether locally or globally. By grace, we seek to take part in God's Mission to take the gospel to the ends of the earth.

4. God's Power

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God." — Philippians 4:6

We seek to be a People who seek God's Power through Prayer. By grace, we seek to worry about nothing and pray about everything.

And all these are for...

5. God's Glory

"So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God."

— 1 Corinthians 10:31

Above all else, as God's redeemed and beloved People, we seek God's Glory by *exalting the Lord Jesus* who purchased us for the Father.

This is the testimony of many in our DGs: "My Discipleship Group is like my family. We have been humbled and blessed. We have been showered by God's abundant love through the love and care of our DG brothers and sisters! We don't just read the Word of God in ARPC. We live the Word of God."

For enquiries, please contact Senior Pastor Christopher Chia, Pastor Tan Sern Khoon or Pastor Kenneth Goh at dg@arpc.sg



MANDARIN MINISTRY

华文团契



The Mandarin Ministry was started in 2004. The purpose of this ministry and fellowship is to provide a platform for inviting our Chinese speaking family members and friends to come hear the gospel.

We aim to bring about obedience to Jesus Christ amongst the Chinese speaking through faithful teaching of the God's Word.

Our weekly service is held on Sundays, at 9am in Kuo Chuan Presbyterian Secondary School at the Learning and Aesthetics Centre (LAC).

Besides our services, we also gather in smaller groups to read God's Word, pray and spur each other on in love and good deeds in our weekly Bible study. The Bible study groups take place on Sundays from 11am to 1pm.

The Mandarin Ministry also organises evangelistic events throughout the year. We hope to encourage our members to bring their Mandarin speaking family members and friends to come and hear the good news of Jesus.

These are the major events we will be organising in 2024:

March 29	3月29日	Good Friday Service 受难节聚会
May 1	5月1日	Parents' Day Lunch 双亲节午餐
June 6—10	6月6—10日	Church Camp 教会生活营
September 15	9月15日	Mid-Autumn Festival Celebration 中秋庆祝会
November 15—17	11月15—17日	Mandarin Ministry Retreat 退修营
December 25	12月25日	Christmas Celebration 圣诞庆祝会
December 31	12月31日	Year End Thanksgiving Dinner 岁末感恩晚宴

For enquiries, please contact Pastor Ng Yak Cheow (黄益朝牧师) at mm@arpc.sg

华文团契成立于2004年,目的是为了让更多会友带领讲华语的亲友来认识耶稣。

团契的宗旨是遵照圣经,忠心地教导上帝的话语。

我们每个星期的崇拜聚会是在礼拜天早上9点正。地点是在国专长老会中学 LAC 舞蹈室。

在礼拜天的崇拜聚会后,我们于早上11点正至下午1点,也有小组聚会,我们一起查考圣经,在爱中彼此相顾勉励。

为了鼓励会友带领讲华语的亲友来听耶稣的好消息,我们每年举办几个大型福音性聚会,让新朋友有机会听见和明白耶稣基督的福音。

以下是我们在2024年将筹办的特别节目:

HARRY

Of course! Wait till everyone sees
They won't believe it! Wah 可以上电
everyone! 大家 am Harry and h
Singapore!



Our SUPPORTPaths

Jesus gave us the
Great Commandment
to love one another.

We are to love one another in all our seasons—
from the euphoric mountain tops to the
deep valleys of our spiritual walk—as we
take part in God's Great Commission.

As part of that privilege, we have SUPPORTPaths
to help us be more fruitful in the different seasons
of life. These support paths complement our
ongoing teaching program in Sermons and
Discipleship Groups. They address practical
issues and provide much-needed support.

MERCY MINISTRY

But go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners. — *Matthew 9:13*



Think of Visitation and Cancer Support. Think of Bereavement and Prisons ministries. Think of love and mercy extended to the marginalised. This is the Mercy Ministry.

Mercy is at the heart of God's character. Being made anew in Christ does not mean that we do not struggle with sin or are sinless. We are now beloved children of God only through atonement by Christ's blood.

We live to showcase God's gospel. Just as God showed us mercy through His Son, we too now extend His mercy to others. We do not strive to be their saviours. But through acts of mercy, we point them to the only true Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

ARPC's outreach of mercy dates back to the 1990s when Pastor Christopher Chia ministered at The Helping Hand.

In 2009, Prison Fellowship Singapore invited the church to partner them in providing In-Care for inmates. This work later extended to Aftercare Fellowship (Brothers' And Sisters' Keepers—BASK). Since 2009, God has grown the Mercy Ministry to include the Bereavement, Cancer Support, Visitation and Prisons (In-care and Aftercare) ministries. In 2014, a women's team also started ministering in Changi Women's Prison.

Testimonies

"I have only started serving in Mercy Ministry, but have already seen the wonderful working of God's hand in using many of us as vessels to minister to others. The sick are vulnerable, depressed and often looking for hope. Modern medicine has moved leaps and bounds, but it has never changed the fact that we need to depend on our Lord, as so many things are still beyond our understanding. God uses us as His vessels to reach out and comfort

the sick, to remind them that we need our Lord more than ever. "*Proverbs 3:5—6* says, 'Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.'"

— Andrew Ong, Visitation

"The MM BASK Ministry exemplifies the grace God's family accords each other, and points all of us to His own grace. I am a humble recipient of its authenticity and hospitality, and have learned repentance from my brothers' and sisters' mentorship. The tireless, self-sacrificial love I witness strengthens my faith in God's faithfulness, and with Christ at the centre, our family's hope is unshakeable."

— Mr Ngiam, Brothers' And Sisters' Keepers

"Being a drifter away from God for 20 years, I am glad the BASK ministry was the one I chose to guide me back to Him. Through this ministry, I saw how God's loving hands transformed lives. All of us have our own past and come from different backgrounds. But the moment we gather for fellowships, our past don't matter as we unite together in our hearts and support each other through this journey. Looking forward to continue my Christian faith journey with BASK in 2024 and beyond."

— Juliet, Brothers' And Sisters' Keepers

For enquiries, please contact Pastor Jeffrey Quek at mercy@arpc.sg

WOMEN’S MINISTRY

Women make up more than half of the church and it is extremely important for us as sisters, daughters, wives, mothers, widows and grandmothers to encourage each other to good deeds and faith in the Lord Jesus.

Among the Women’s Fellowship events, Bible study groups and support groups, ongoing social encounters enrich the lives of women here in ARPC, both single and married. Our primary aim is to complement men as we grow and mature together as the body of Christ.

Homemakers Discipleship Groups in Adam Road, Sengkang, Toa Payoh-Bishan and Redhill continue to meet as small group fellowship. Our Mums Pray and Play support group runs every fortnight, working through a book which helps with their roles as wives and mums. The women staff and wives of staff play a pivotal role to lead and plan activities for the big groups or on a one-to-one discipleship journey or through counselling and mentoring sessions.

Three fellowship events planned for each year is for the wider body of women to equip, empower and evangelise those whom we are influencing as followers and disciples of Christ.

Big Group Events—What’s in Store for 2024

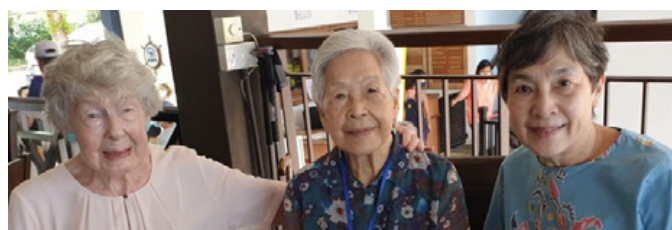
March	Women’s Table Talk
July	Women’s Fellowship (Jars Painting)
November	Women’s Retreat with Laura Story

For enquiries, please contact Mona Chia at women@arpc.sg



AGAPE LUNCH FELLOWSHIP

FEASTING WITH GOSPEL LOVE



Are you free for lunch on the third Thursday of each month? In a growing church we have created an oasis to sit down, enjoy a meal with brothers and sisters in Christ in our own alfresco dining setting at ARPC@ Adam. Over the past 14 years, we have grown older and wiser as more retirees, recovering patients, church staff and their invited guests meet monthly to listen to a devotion, share testimonies, sing songs, pray for one another and enjoy a simple packed meal since COVID-19 pandemic. We reminisce about the potluck lunches we used to enjoy but are thankful we no longer need to have Zoom meetings.

We followed a number of interesting themes each year. Last year was the festivals of Singapore and how these impact us as Christians. We visit some of the home-bound members and have two excursions a year. This year we have embarked on helping to interact with an eldercare centre in Bishan on a monthly basis, led by Dennis Tan and Pastor Ng Yak Cheow.

The leaders of this ministry are Mona Chia, Chin Siew Lay and Helen Oh, Katherine Yip and Kit Chin Chow. Please join us if you are in a season of life where you need fellowship and want to encourage others.

For enquiries, please contact Chin Siew Lay at agape@arpc.sg

CULINARY ARTS MINISTRY

SWEET, SPICE AND EVERYTHING NICE



Our Purpose

Culinary Arts Ministry (CAM) organises evangelistic friendship events, making easy desserts with hands-on experience, followed by a gospel talk. We have been running these classes for 14 years.

What's in Store

CAM continues to introduce new recipes often in conjunction with a festival or events which could rally families to invite their pre-believing members. The ever-popular snowskin mooncakes continues to be a hit. The repertoire has extended to fancier items like Chiffon Cakes, Choux Pastry and Marshmallows. Besides macarons, cookies or s'mores, we held a singles' coffee scrub event with opportunity to meet people over a meal. For three years, we also made cookies to be distributed as Christmas gifts to our ARPC@Tengah neighbours.

The Team!

Our three main instructors are Shirley Wong-Lee, Susanne Ng and Tan Phay Shing. This year we had Doris Teo teaching us how to make biscotti. This ministry is supported by Evonne Lai, Elizabeth Chen, Tay Hui Luan, Dave Wong, Michelle Lau, Elaine Yap, Grace Kwek, Allvina Lee, and Florence Kwong. Special thanks goes to Eve Ong who lead the ministry with her family always in tow for the past few years.

We thank God for the creative effort of our instructors and to the pastors and staff workers who presented gospel messages according to the themes.

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TABITHA FELLOWSHIP

MINISTRY TO THE INDONESIANS
DOMESTIC HELPERS



Tabitha Fellowship aims to fulfil God's Great Commission to us by befriending, blessing and sharing the good news with Indonesian domestic helpers whom God brings to Singapore.

May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us, *Selah* that your way may be known on earth, your saving power among all nations.

— Psalm 67:1—2

Kiranya Allah mengasihani kita dan memberkati kita, kiranya Ia menyinari kita dengan wajah-Nya, *Sela* supaya jalan-Mu dikenal di bumi, dan keselamatan-Mu di antara segala bangsa.

— Mazmur 67:1—2

We welcome all Indonesian domestic helpers (believers and non-believers) to join us!

5—6.30pm on Saturdays
Room 1302, Singapore Bible College
(or online via Zoom)

Tabitha Fellowship is conducted in Bahasa Indonesia, providing a community for Indonesian domestic helpers to befriend each other and to be blessed by the reading of God's Word, singing songs of worship and praying together. We also enjoy the monthly English Language lessons and celebrating birthdays together!

We meet in hybrid format (onsite at Singapore Bible College and online). Please look out for the announcements in the weekly church bulletins or contact us for details of meetings.

For enquiries, please contact Ng Yuen Li or Linsey Gani at tabitha@arpc.sg

RHODA FELLOWSHIP

MINISTRY TO THE FILIPINO DOMESTIC HELPERS

The Rhoda Fellowship is a weekly gathering of Filipino domestic helpers who arrived at our shores to earn income and support their families back home. Our prayer is that the ladies become beneficiaries of Christian love and charity while working for believing employers; and more importantly, for them to be blessed with the grace of knowing Jesus.

The fellowship is named in honour of Rhoda, the servant girl in Acts 12, who reported to the praying church that the Apostle Peter had been released from prison and was knocking at the door. Despite the disbelief and dismissive response of the gathered believers, Rhoda persisted that she heard and recognised Peter's voice, exemplifying her faith and her acquaintance with the Apostle's teachings.

We seek the kind approval of the employers to allow them to come and join these gatherings:

5pm on Saturdays
Room 1303, Singapore Bible College
(or online via Zoom)

For the year 2024, the fellowship will be studying Proverbs and learning God's wisdom which leads us to embrace and submit to His son, Jesus.

For enquiries, please contact Pastor Adrin and Annalissa Muñoz at rhoda@arpc.sg



BOYS' & GIRLS' BRIGADES

OUR CHRISTIAN-BASED UNIFORM GROUPS



The Boys' Brigade (BB) and The Girls' Brigade (GB) are Christian-based uniformed youth organisations which operate in local schools as Co-Curricular Activities (CCA). ARPC sponsors 4 BB Companies (5th, 34th, 42nd & 66th) and 2 GB Companies (12th & 28th) in four schools in Woodlands (Marsiling Secondary and Woodlands Secondary Schools), Bukit Timah (Nanyang Primary School) and Bishan (Kuo Chuan Presbyterian Secondary School). Total number of the Boys & Girls is 150.

The Boys & Girls come from a wide spectrum of the society. There are some who travel daily from Johor Bahru to attend school here. There are those whose parents work long hours and these students return to an empty home. There are also those who come from dysfunctional families where their differences becomes a barrier. However, one common denominator which cut across this wide spectrum is love.

Each Boy or Girl is an individual, created in God's image, who needs to be redeemed by God. BBGB, for many of them, is their first encounter with Christianity. Through BBGB Ministry, they get to hear the Good

News proclaimed. 80% of the students are non-believers. They are captive audience for a good four to five years with us. Through these four to five years, we want to seize every opportunity to teach them who God is & the difference He makes in our life.

The Good News of our Lord Christ is also shared through our teaching and modelling of our lives. There are tremendous opportunity to share the good news with the students. Many of them lack a role model and we play a key role in providing godly role models in their life.

ARPC members/regulars serve as Officers and helpers to reach out to the Boys and Girls. Each adult co-worker is a conduit and channel for God's love to flow through to the Boys and Girls. We provide fun, meaningful and challenging activities like Christian Education, Leadership Development, Community Service and Global Awareness. Through our weekly interaction with the youths, we build relationships with them, love them and provide guidance and mentorship to nurture them in character and skills.

Key Events in 2024

March 30	39th Combined Enrolment Ceremony (Nanyang Primary School)	Be there to befriend the parents and encourage the Boys and Girls
March 3—April 7	BB Week (Annual fund-raising)	Give generously to the work of the BB, and befriend Boys at the Services
July 28—September 15	GB Fortnight (Annual fund-raising)	Give generously to the work of the GB, and befriend Girls at the Services
September 27—29	Combined Leaders' Retreat	A time for BBGB Leaders to recharge, unite and fellowship
December 14	BB Share-A-Gift	Join us to deliver goodie bags to our beneficiaries

For enquiries, please contact Pastor Daniel Lim and Pastor Joseph Heng at bbgb@arpc.sg

DEAF & HARD OF HEARING MINISTRY

THE GOSPEL THROUGH SIGN LANGUAGE

The deaf community and people with hearing loss go through life isolated from the hearing world due to a lack of information which is accessed through the faculty of hearing. The deaf community needs Christians who know sign language to tell them about Jesus.

The Deaf & Hard of Hearing Ministry (DHHM) aims to create an awareness of Sign language as a cultural bridge for communication. This aids evangelism, mission and song-signing music that is felt, seen and experienced as a concept through Sign language.

We want to serve the deaf and the hard of hearing by providing Sign language interpretation at our 9am Sunday service at ARPC@Adam, as well as transcribing service to ARPC seniors who are experiencing hearing loss due to age degeneration.

A weekly Bible study/fellowship for the deaf and the hard of hearing is held in Sengkang, ARPC@Adam or via Zoom. The ministry continues to reach out to the deaf community either through in various way and means.

The ministry continues to train committed Christians to serve as transcribers for Sunday service or as signers for Bible Study, and song-signers for worship, and also for home/hospital visitation.

The Bible tells us in *Romans 10:14-15*, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach good news!"

DHHM seeks to communicate the gospel articulately so that the faith of the deaf and hard of hearing will be well grounded.

To be part of the group who will bless the Deaf & hard of hearing community, consider signing up for our Joy of Signing program:

Joy of Signing Program tentatively in 2024

March	Basic Sign language Workshop 1
May	Basic Sign language Workshop 2
June (TBC)	Church Camp sign-fun activities
September	Song-Signing Workshop
November	A Christmas Carol-Signing Workshop

For enquiries, please contact Anna Chan at dhhm@arpc.sg



DRAWN BY LIGHT MINISTRY



Photography, in the Greek root word, means "drawn by light". It captures the essence of photography as we need light to capture images. Drawn By Light (DLM) as a ministry, however, seeks to draw others to Christ who is the Light, as we are also drawn to Him.

DLM serves the church with our God-given talent and interest in photography. We shoot many church activities over the year to provide a visual chronicle of ARPC church life. Some of these photos are featured in the church bulletin, the annual handbook and the DG handbook.

With the revamp of the ARPC website, selected photos of recent events are now available for viewing on the Photo Gallery section. It provides another platform to showcase the contribution and service of DLM team members.

With the popularity of social media such as Instagram and Facebook, more people across the spectrum are taking photographs much more frequently and DLM leverages on this trend to organise workshops to reach others. We share our photography skills freely with others while also taking the opportunity to share our faith. We welcome ARPC members and their friends to attend these workshops that we organise in conjunction with other church groups such as Special Needs Support Network (SN)².

For enquiries, please contact James Kwan or Trevor Wong at dldm@arpc.sg

OUR WORSHIP, SINGING & MUSIC

GLORIFYING GOD WITH LIFE WORSHIP



Worship, music and singing are much misunderstood today. So we need to be clear about these because they all affect our walk with God.

Worship in the New Testament centres around Jesus. Matthew 12:6 states that “one greater than the temple is here.” This means that the new meeting point between God and man is not centred around a place but a person—the person of the Risen Lord Jesus!

The Lord Christ Jesus alone is the Worship Leader who brings us into God’s presence! We cannot get any closer or be any more right with God than through Jesus (*Hebrews 10:19–25*). **Worship is everything God does for us in Christ, not anything we do to be acceptable to God.**

The fundamental act of worship is submission and homage to Jesus as Lord and Saviour. The right response to Christ is **life worship**, not simply “live” music worship.

In *Romans*, our **life worship** includes prayer (1:9–10), submission to God-given authorities (13:1–7), love for one another in the body (12:3–13), living out the unity of the gospel (15:5–7), support of God’s people (15:25–30).

We do not “enter” into worship by our prayers, rituals and songs. None of these gets us any closer or makes us more right with God. This means that sharing the Good News is the way to bring people to submit and pay homage to God and Christ.

So why do we sing and play music? Why we sing is part of a bigger question: “Why do we meet as God’s people?” *Colossians 3:16* instructs us to allow God’s Word to dwell in us as we “sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs” with gratitude in our hearts to God. Indeed, *Ephesians 5:18* tell us that singing “God songs” is one expression of what it means to be continually filled with God’s Spirit. What does all this mean?

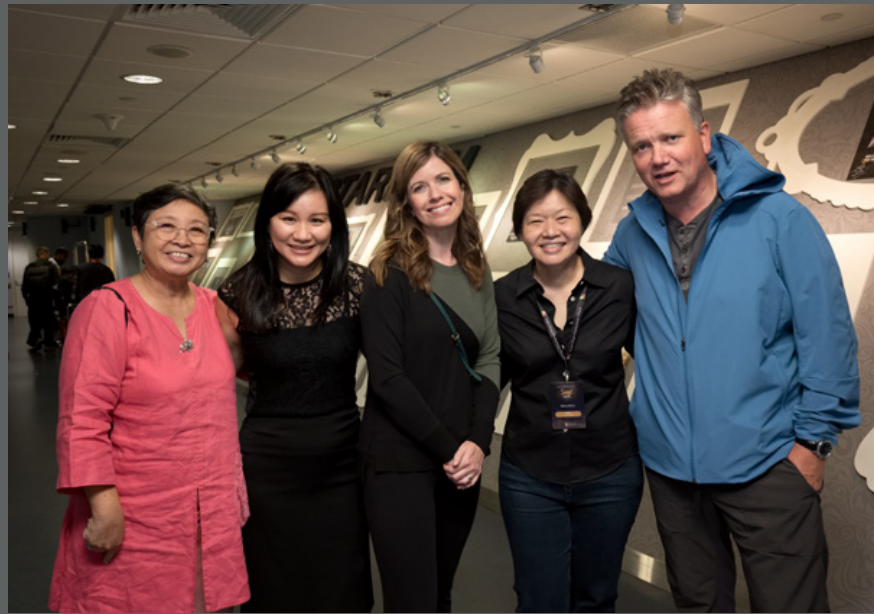
1. **We should be concerned about Christian lyrics, not Christian music.** This should free us to praise God with different types of music—hymns, choruses, Negro spirituals, Asian melodies—as long as the words are Scripture or Scriptural in meaning.
2. Our singing has both **a vertical focus on God and a horizontal focus on one another.** We should sing songs—about God and to God—as we sing to spur one another on.
3. **Emotions vs Emotionalism.** There is a difference between using music for emotionalism and feeling emotional while stirred by hearing the Gospel in song. Our singing of gospel songs may evoke emotions as part of the total life response of faith in Christ, love for the saints and hope in heaven. Singing alone is not worship but life worship in the Spirit should include worshipful singing (*Eph 5:18, Col 3:16*!)

We should avoid extremes. We should not end up as “songless” Christians because we are reacting to bad theology and practices around us. Rather, Christians are the only ones to have every reason to sing with all our heart to God and one another of the great God who loves us enough to save us! We aspire to be a church which sings distinctively Christian songs—and sings full heartedly—to God’s glory!

Come and join us! Indeed, why not be part of our heartfelt and tuneful music ministry? We can always do with more musicians and singers to build up the body of Christ with love!

For enquiries, please contact the Music Ministry at music@arpc.sg





OUR LEADERS

OUR ELDERS, DEACONS AND THEIR FAMILIES



Elder Quek Kai Loo and Mun Yee, Zheng Jie, Zheng Hui and Rachel



Elder Chang Wing Poh and Rebecca, Kimberly, Emily and Ashley



Elder Chia Wah Kam and Fong Yin, Daniel, Lily, Dorothy, Desmond, Evangelyn and Elizabeth



Elder Adrian Tan and Esther, Audrey, Joshua, Joey and Jordan, Joshua and Linette, Benjamin, Timothy and Abigail



Elder Wong Foo Mun and Poi Leng, Ju Er, Ju Lih and Yuen Min, Ju Da and Ju Le



Elder Lau Peet Meng and Ruth, Daniel, Benjamin and Esther



Elder Michael Lee and June, Marion and Jilliane



Elder Alan Ng and Siew Bee, Joel, John and Josh



Elder Seet Kai Yong and Lucy, Dawn, Jim and Chara, with Alexandra, Elizabeth and Benjamin



Elder Derren Tan and Michelle, Brian and Marilyn



Elder Kok Wah Onn and Wai Pek, Shu-En, Li-En and Thung Han with Naomi, Nathan and Noel



Elder Kevin Lee Chin Chai and Jennifer, Matthew and Noelle



Elder Yeap Choong Lieng and Li Hua, Wei Hseun, Wei Qi, Yi Wen and Yi Ren



Elder Jaysee Lim and Karen, Timothy and Stephanie, Tisha and Terese



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Deaconess June Tan



Deacon Tan Shu Xiang and Jaclyn, Josiah, Esther and Shiloh



Deacon Wesley Sng and Lei See, Zachary, Theophilus, Barnabas and Elijah



Deacon Tan Sin Cheng and Shireen, Isaac, Joshua, Jubilee, Joy and Timothy



Deacon Errol Moo and Elizabeth, Eryn and Elly



Deacon Eric Wong and Siew Leng, Joshua and Hannah



Deacon Brian Tay and Celia, Ezra and Enya



Deacon Norvin Ng and Enna, Edelweiss and Tristan



Deacon Koh Wee Yao and Cheng Ean, Joel, Janelle and Joanna



Deacon Lau Siew San and Constance, Hilary and Megan



Deacon Adrian Loh and Jean, Alyssa, Joash, Alayna and Josiah



All Scripture is God-breathed
and is useful for teaching
rebuking, correcting and
training in righteousness

— 2 Timothy 3:16 (NIV) —





YOUR PART: SOME HIGHLIGHTS TO NOTE

New

If you are a **Newcomer**

Discovering Christianity (DC)

Five sessions to discover the Bible, God, Man, Jesus and how to be right with God.

DC1 January 14—February 4

DC2 April 7—28

DC3 July 14—August 4

Just for Newcomers (JFN)

This 13-week course is for all newcomers who desire to be part of God's family in ARPC. We help you understand the Bible, introduce you to Jesus and live the essential Christian lifestyle.

JFN1 February 18—May 19

JFN2 August 18—November 10

Class ARPC (Membership Course)

It is for everyone desiring to become a member of ARPC through baptism or transfer. We encourage each believer to express their commitment to Christ by commitment to His church. Two rounds:

Batch 1: May 11

Batch 2: November 16

Dating

If you are **Dating**

Marriage Preparation Retreat (MPR)

To help couples understand and live out God's blueprint for marriage.

Whom we will marry in ARPC:

- Both partners should be Christians.
- Couples should be part of a Discipleship Group (DG) in ARPC.
- If you are new to ARPC, please join a "Just for Newcomers" (JFN) group first.

Please do not make your marriage plans before you speak to the pastors, are part of a DG and attend MPR.

- **April 6—7**
- **August 17—18**

Marriage & Family

If you are **Married** or a **Parent**

Marriage Enrichment Retreat (MER)

A Couples' Retreat to enrich marriages and improve parenting.

- **March 16—17**
- **August 3—4**

All & Discipleship

For **All** in ARPC

Marketplace Lunchtime Talks

Dates and times to be confirmed

ARPC Easter Services

Celebrating our Risen Lord on **March 31**

Church Camp

June 6—10



FINDING YOUR WAY AROUND

What	Who	Where	When
Children's Church	Creche (0–18 months) Toddlers (18–36 months) Pre-School (3–6 years) Primary (7–12 years)	L3, ARPC@Adam L2, ARPC@Adam L2, ARPC@Adam L2, ARPC@Adam	5pm on Saturdays; 9am & 11:30am on Sundays
	Creche (0–18 months) Toddlers (18–36 months) Pre-School (3–6 years) Primary (7–12 years)	L1, ARPC@Bishan L2, ARPC@Bishan L1, ARPC@Bishan L2, ARPC@Bishan— KCPSS Choir Room	9am on Sundays
BASIC	13 to mid-20s BASIC Youth attend Weekend Services listed below	ARPC@Bishan	5pm on Saturdays
Mandarin Ministry	Mandarin-speaking	Kuo Chuan Presbyterian Secondary School, Learning & Aesthetics Centre (LAC)	9am on Sundays
Rhoda Fellowship	Filipino domestic helpers	Singapore Bible College— Room 1303	5pm on Saturdays
Tabitha Fellowship	Indonesian domestic helpers	Singapore Bible College— Room 1302	5pm on Saturdays
Discipleship Groups	Adults	Homes and ARPC@Adam	About 80 DGs meet throughout the week
Weekend Services	All ages	ARPC@Adam L3 & L4	5pm on Saturdays 9am & 11:30am on Sundays
		ARPC@Bishan Chapel	9am on Sundays
		Kuo Chuan Presbyterian Secondary School Auditorium	11:30am on Sundays





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