



# Sacred Trust: Children

Children are entrusted to us as gifts which are to be received with gratitude, not as an inconvenience or as personal accomplishments. In this course, we will revisit the understanding of covenantal blessing to help us look into practical issues like: childlessness (voluntary & involuntary), family planning, sufferings, failures, as well as loss.

Three key phrases for our consideration: blessings, stewardship and sovereignty of God.

Before You Say 'I Do' 'Not Yet,' or 'Why Us', join us for a course focused not on life's circumstances, but on the foundations that sustain us through them – foundations strong enough to hold childlessness and children, ease and suffering, plans that worked out and plans that didn't, without cracking.

If you've been carrying a question about children you've never said out loud in church, this course is for you. Bring your confusion, your doubts, your grief, or your questions.



**27 SEPTEMBER 2026**



**11 AM TO 12.30 PM**



**CONDUCTED BY REV. PETER POON**



Venue: **Conference Room of FES**  
420 North Bridge Road  
#05-04 North Bridge Centre  
Singapore 188727

# The Unfinished Story

Ever wonder how you fit into  
God's plan for the World?

Join us for an inspiring 2 Saturdays as we explore God's Mission through 4 key lenses:

-  **Biblical:** Trace God's redemptive story from Genesis to Revelation.
-  **Historical:** How the church has grown throughout history.
-  **Strategic:** Discover what's happening today.
-  **Cultural:** Discover that there are cross-cultural work locally.

## Date & Time:

24 Oct 2026, 9.30am to 12.30pm

31 Oct 2026, 9.30am to 3pm

(including Lunch)

## Venue:

Synod Office

One Holland Village, #01-19,

7 Holland Village Way,

Singapore 275748

## Cost:

\$20 per person

## Closing Date:

18 October 2026

Please Register at

<https://epmc.org.sg/tus/c2026/>



# Artificial Intelligence and Education

## *Keeping Our Focus on God in the Age of AI*

The advent of Artificial Intelligence (AI) has led to many changes in industry, commerce, and everyday life. Schools in Singapore are also trying to use AI in education. Currently, educators are paying a lot of attention to the various AI tools: how we could use them to do our work, and how we could prevent students from cheating. These are important questions. However, in this session, instead of focusing on AI, we will approach these questions from another perspective. Our focus should be on God. In a way, the power of AI has far exceeded previous technologies. But there is nothing “new” under the sun. Like any other “advancement” in human history, godly wisdom through His Word will guide us in navigating this latest technological movement in our lives and work. So, as teachers, how do we understand the use of AI in education, so that we may help children grow in a wholesome manner?



### ABOUT THE SPEAKER

## Dr Ng Pak Tee

Associate Professor at the National Institute of Education (NIE), Nanyang Technological University. He is deeply involved in the development of school and teacher leaders.

A respected writer and international speaker, Dr Ng has spoken at global events and published widely on educational change, policy and leadership. He is the co-editor of the Routledge Leading Change book series and the author of “Learning from Singapore: The Power of Paradoxes”.

He encourages educators to walk a path not easily travelled, with love, courage, and resilience.



### DATE

6 Nov 2026  
(Friday)



### TIME

6pm



### LOCATION

Synod Office @ One Holland Village  
7 Holland Village Way #01-19  
Singapore (275748)

### SCAN TO REGISTER



<https://tinyurl.com/PENNov2026>



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## **NOMINATION & ELECTION OF ELDERS AND DEACONS**

Session is calling for an Extraordinary Congregational Meeting (ECM) for the election of Elders and Deacons to be held on **Sunday, 15 November 2026**. Those elected will serve a three-year term from 1 January 2027.

ORPC members are encouraged to nominate ORPC ministry/DG members who have been serving faithfully in ORPC and demonstrated leadership qualities, for election as Elders or Deacons.

The closing date for nominations is **Sunday, 4 October 2026**.

Session will interview all candidates with their spouses (if any). Those who qualify and are deemed to be suitable nominees will be recommended and announced to the congregation on three Sundays (25 Oct, 1 Nov and 8 Nov 2026) prior to the election date.

To be duly elected, candidates must receive at least (a) two-thirds of the votes cast for Elders and (b) half of the votes cast for Deacons.

## **WHAT DO ELDERS AND DEACONS DO?**

Elders and Deacons are voluntary office bearers in the Congregation. They join the pastoral staff in pastoral leadership and oversight, oversee the management of ORPC, assist in the administration of ORPC and in all matters concerning the building-up and growth of ORPC as a Disciple-Making Church (DMC).

Elders serve primarily in Session and may also be appointed to the Board of Management (BoM) committee. Session is the final decision-making body in ORPC and has particular responsibility for the spiritual mission and growth of ORPC.

Deacons serve in the BoM committee and have particular responsibility for the pastoral care of God's people and for managing the material resources of ORPC to serve its spiritual mission.

## **WHO CAN BE NOMINATED AND ELECTED?**

- Elders and Deacons must meet the biblical qualifications according to 1 Timothy 3:1-13 and Titus 1:6-9.
- Nominees must be communicant members of ORPC for more than three years.
- All nominees are expected to have served in at least one area of ministry in ORPC for a minimum period of one year prior to being nominated.
- Elders must have served for at least one term of three years as a Deacon.
- Spouses of Elders and Deacons must also be communicant members of ORPC. Divorcees and those with previously-divorced spouses do not qualify for nomination.

- Elders and Deacons must assent to the basic creeds and confessions of the Presbyterian Church, the Apostles' Creed, the Westminster Confession of Faith, the Constitution of the Synod of the Presbyterian Church in Singapore and the Constitution of ORPC.
- Elders and Deacons must assent to and carry out the vision and mission of ORPC to do Disciple-Making Church.
- Elders and Deacons are expected to be regular in attendance at worship, leadership and congregational meetings. They will also undertake other duties relevant to their office and other assigned responsibilities as decided from time to time.
- Nominees must not be or have been disqualified to be a member of the Board of Management committee or Session by virtue of the Charities Act, chapter 37 of Singapore, or any other statute, law or regulation.

## HOW TO NOMINATE?

Elders and Deacons must be proposed and seconded by other communicant members of ORPC.

A member who wants to nominate another member should first check the eligibility of that other member (please see above) before making any nomination.

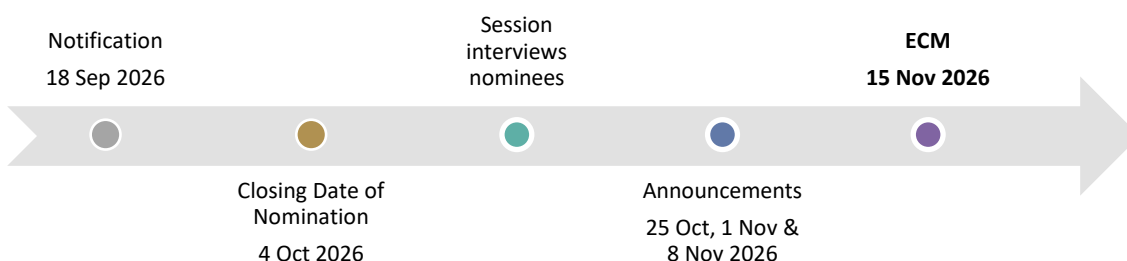
The proposer needs a seconder for the nomination. After both the proposer and the seconder have signed the nomination form, the nominee must sign the form to confirm his/her consent to the nomination.

Nomination forms are available on our website and in the Church Office. All completed nomination forms must be submitted, for the attention of the Session Clerk, to the English Congregation Executive ([yongpingping@orpc.org.sg](mailto:yongpingping@orpc.org.sg)) by **Sunday, 4 October 2026**.

**Elder Alvin Ooi**

**Session Clerk**

18 September 2026



Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. - 2 Corinthians 9:7

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## PLEDGE FORM

for the ORPC Building Alterations and Additions (A&A) Project Fund, launched in May 2024



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### What is a pledge?

A pledge is a confidential, written promise to give money (whether a one-off sum or installments over a period of time) to the A&A project fund in the future. It is a commitment made in faith in accordance with the resources that God has given us. A pledge is not a legally binding contract, and can be reviewed and changed as circumstances evolve.

### Why pledge?

Your pledge enables the A&A committee to plan its finances for the A&A project fund effectively, and to determine the financial commitment we are able to undertake for the entire rebuilding works ahead of time. We hope that through pledging, congregation members will build a culture of giving to the project based on our pre-committed goals.

**I/We pledge our support for the A&A Project Fund of Orchard Road Presbyterian Church (ORPC)**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Congregation: \_\_\_\_\_

Member of Congregation: Yes ☐ No ☐

I/We pledge to give the Church's A&A Project Fund a one-off giving or by regular giving over a period of time or a combination of the two.

Pledge for one-off giving: Amount: \$\_\_\_\_\_

On the date: \_\_\_\_\_

Pledge for regular giving: Amount: \$\_\_\_\_\_ monthly/quarterly/half-yearly (circle one)

Starting the \_\_\_\_\_ (day) of \_\_\_\_\_ (month) \_\_\_\_\_ (year) for \_\_\_\_\_ months (maximum of 24 months from the commencement date of the fund-raising efforts in Aug 2024)

The A&A Fund Raising Committee will be approaching individuals or groups who are donating SGD\$100,000 and above to discuss your contribution.

Please send in your pledge early so we can plan our finances more effectively. Thank you.

You will find below a QR code for donations to the AA Project, **please input your unique pledge ref no (which will be given in the pledge acknowledgement letter) in the reference field when you make your transfer**, in order to facilitate a seamless process for our finance operations staff.



## Personal Data Protection –

By signing on this Form,

1. I consent to the collection, use and disclosure of my personal data by ORPC for purposes of my participation in pledging of funds towards the Church Building Re-development Project. I acknowledge that my personal data may be disclosed to third parties engaged in the organization and hosting of this A&A Project.
2. ORPC will limit the personal data disclosed to the third parties to that which is necessary and will remind the third parties not to process, use, disclose and retain your personal data beyond the purpose for which it is required by the third party.

### For Non-Members:

I/We confirm that this Pledge and Donation is our free-will offering and not solicited by Orchard Road Presbyterian Church (ORPC)

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Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Thank you for your commitment to contributing to the A&A Project Fund.**

**Let's build the Lord's house, our legacy of faith together**

### Notes:

- This Form can be placed in the Sunday offering box; scanned and emailed to [aafundraising@orpc.org.sg](mailto:aafundraising@orpc.org.sg); or handed/mailed it to the Church at "Orchard Road Presbyterian Church, No. 3 Orchard Road, Singapore 238825 for the Attention of the Fund Raising Committee"
- This Pledge Form is for use only by members and regular worshippers at Orchard Road Presbyterian Church
- If you need any help completing this Form, please contact any of the Church Leaders