

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NEWLYWEDS

We congratulate Loh Chieh, Nicholas, and Siew Yu Hui, Cheryl, on their holy matrimony on 5 Apr 2025. We pray for God's blessings on their journey together.

SERMON SERIES—HEBREWS

From April to November, we will be doing a sermon series, *Jesus Is Superior*, on the book of Hebrews.

SYNOD'S MYANMAR - THAILAND EARTHQUAKE RELIEF (SECOND OFFERTORY COLLECTION)

Synod has expressed deep concern over the crisis unfolding in Myanmar and Thailand and is appealing to all member churches to support relief efforts for those affected. All collected donations will be channelled through OM Singapore, a Christian organisation licensed by the Commissioner of Charities, which will mobilise local churches to coordinate relief efforts and distribute aid to those in need.

We are having a second offertory collection today (till 20 April 2025). Please support this relief effort generously by using the electronic means shown on page 18, indicating "MYAN THAI" in the comments or reference box. For donation by cheque, please write "Myanmar-Thailand Relief" on the back of the cheque.

ORPC PALM SUNDAY, GOOD FRIDAY & EASTER SERVICES (13, 18 & 20 APR)

Sunday 13 Apr	Palm Sunday Services	9 am & 6 pm
Friday 18 Apr	Good Friday Service	9 am
Sunday 20 Apr	Easter Sunday Services	9 am & 6 pm

Rev Dr Clive Chin will be sharing the message of the gospel at the Easter Sunday Services. Do invite your family members and friends. All are welcome.

ENGLISH PRESBYTERY (EP) HOLY WEEK CONVENTION (16 – 18 APR)

We encourage everyone to join the Holy Week Convention. You may invite friends and relatives to go along. Here is the link to the EP Moderator, Rev Srimal Marthenis' message [EP Moderator's Message](#).

At the Convention, we explore in depth, *The Meaning of the Cross*, in a series of sermons by Dr Roland Chia. You may view Dr Chia's introductory video via this link [HWC 2025 Sermon Intro](#). Please see the flyer.

- Wed & Thu, 16 & 17 Apr, at Adam Road Presbyterian Church (Tengah), 8 pm
- Fri, 18 Apr, at Suntec Singapore Convention & Exhibition Centre, Halls 401-402 (level 4), 10.30 am

CHRISTIANITY EXPLAINED COURSE (23 APR – 29 MAY)

This is a 6-session course for non-believers and new believers about the fundamentals of the Christian faith.

It will be held from 30 April to 5 June. This is the last Wednesday in April (30) and 5 Thursdays in May (8, 15, 22, 29) and June (5).

We encourage our congregation members to attend and/or invite their non/new believer family and friends to sign up here <https://tinyurl.com/2t5e9xus> or refer to the Christianity Explained flyer in the Sunday Bulletin. For more information please contact Poey Leng at missions@orpc.org.sg

MEMBERSHIP CLASS (26 APR – 17 MAY)

The membership class will be on 4 Saturdays, 26 Apr, 3, 10, 17 May, 10 am – 12 noon. The classes will be held on-site in DB6 (Dunman Basement, Room 6). Regular worshippers who are deciding to become Communicant Members of ORPC by baptism, confirmation or transfer are encouraged to join the class. Membership Service(s) will be on Sunday, 1 June 2025.

1. Register via the QR code here or <http://chms.orpc.org.sg/equipping/registration/117/public>
2. Download the relevant form from <https://orpc.sg/forms/membershipforms/>
3. Submit your form to orpcenglish@orpc.org.sg



The closing date for application is **today, 6 Apr 2025**.

PRESBYTERIAN PRIMARY SCHOOLS — P1 PHASE 2B REGISTRATION

For ORPC members who wish to register their children in Kuo Chuan Presbyterian Primary School (Bishan) or Pei Hwa Presbyterian Primary School (Bukit Timah) at Phase 2B for admission to Primary One in Jan 2026, please refer to the bulletin insert for details.

A MESSAGE FROM SM: UPCOMING EXTRAORDINARY CONGREGATIONAL MEETING (ECM) FOR AMENDMENTS TO ORPC CONSTITUTION (25 MAY)

Members are encouraged to be present at the ECM for the passing of resolutions to amend the ORPC Constitution. Please see the bulletin insert.

NOMINATION & ELECTION OF ELDERS AND DEACONS (25 MAY)

Session is calling for an Extraordinary Congregational Meeting for the election of Elders and Deacons to be held on Sunday, 25 May 2025. Please prayerfully consider suitable candidates for nomination by the closing date, 6 Apr 2025 (today). More details on the criteria and process may be found in the insert or via this link <https://orpc.sg/nomination-election-of-elders-and-deacons-5/>

ORPC SUMMER CAMP (6 – 7 JUNE 2025)

Don't miss this one-night-only camp before our church transforms! Kids (7–14yo) can enjoy an exciting Children's Sleepover (6–7 June), while families can take part in a Family Craft Workshop (7 June) to create take-home crafts and contribute to the congregation fair. All proceeds go to the church building A&A fund!

Register for the sleepover at <https://tinyurl.com/ORPCsleepover> and for the craft workshop at <https://tinyurl.com/ORPCfamilycraft>. Registration is from 6 Apr - 11 May.

QUILT FUNDRAISER

Seekers 1 DG is making a pretty quilt to raise funds for the A&A project—please see details in the poster. We invite you to be part of this meaningful effort by becoming a sponsor of a block. Your support will make a big difference!

A&A PROJECT UPDATE & PLEDGE FORM

You may view the series of updates on the A&A project via this link

<https://orpc.sg/aanda/> The pledge form is available as an insert to this bulletin.

BE PART OF A DISCIPLESHIP GROUP

Our Discipleship Groups seek to worship, share life, pray, study God's word and serve Christ together. Come alongside us in our daily growth journey through joining a Discipleship Group. Have a look here <https://orpc.sg/ministries/congregation-care/discipleship-group/> Email discipleshipgroups@orpc.org.sg for more information or speak to one of our staff/leaders.

PERSONAL PARTICULARS

If you have changed your personal particulars recently, or you have queries regarding church events/ministries, please email Ping at orpcenglish@orpc.org.sg or contact the church office (Mon to Fri).

CHURCH-WIDE EVENTS: APR – JUN 2025

Sun 13 Apr	9 am & 6 pm	Palm Sunday Services / Holy Communion [ORPC]
Wed 16 Apr	8 pm	EP Holy Week Convention [ARPC@Tengah]
Thu 17 Apr	8 pm	EP Holy Week Convention [ARPC@Tengah]
Fri 18 Apr	9 am	Good Friday Service [ORPC]
	10.30 am	English Presbytery Holy Week Convention [Suntec]
Sun 20 Apr	9 am & 6 pm	Easter Sunday Services [ORPC]
Sat 26 Apr, 3, 10 & 17 May	10 am	Membership Class [DB6]
Wed 6 May	7.30 pm	Congregational Prayer Meeting [Dunman Hall]
Sun 25 May	9 am (after Service)	ECM – Election of Elders & Deacons [Sanctuary] ECM – Amendment of ORPC Constitution [Sanctuary]
	11 am	Annual Congregational Meeting [Sanctuary]
	6 pm (after Service)	ECM – Election of Elders & Deacons [Sanctuary] ECM – Amendment of ORPC Constitution [Sanctuary]
	9 am & 6 pm	Membership Sunday
Wed 4 Jun	7.30 pm	Congregational Prayer Meeting [Online]
Sat 14 Jun	9 am	Church Fellowship Day

Dear ORPC member,

**Extraordinary Congregational Meeting (ECM) on Sunday, 25 May 2025,
for Amendments to the ORPC Constitution**

I am writing to urge you to attend our Extraordinary Congregational Meeting (ECM) on Sunday, 25 May 2025 immediately following the AM and PM services.

In that meeting, we will ask you to consider and pass the following resolutions to amend our church constitution.

1. To state the biblical teaching on marriage as limited to a union between a man and a woman.
2. To clarify that “the Elders and Deacons Court” also be recognised as the “Board of Management.”
3. To remove the term “serving” Elders and/or Deacons to represent ORPC to the general meetings of the relevant Presbytery and the Synod.
4. To allow for hybrid or virtual meetings so as to avoid physical or in-person meetings in case of the imposition of national health measures.

Your participation is critical because we require a quorum of 50% of the total membership in order to amend the church constitution. Please mark your calendar and plan to join the meeting. May the Lord also grant you wisdom to consider these important amendments to the church constitution.

Rev Dr Clive Chin
Senior Minister and Moderator
14 March 2025

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, 25 May 2025**. Those elected will serve a three-year term from 1 July 2025.

ORPC members are entitled to nominate other ORPC 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, 6 April 2025**.

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 (4, 11, 18 May 2025) 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.

Elders serve primarily in Session and may also be appointed to the Board of Management (BoM). 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 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 e.g. Session/Board of Management meetings, life-stage / ministry / committee meetings as assigned, Leaders Onboarding, Leaders' Equipping & Training, Leaders Retreat, Annual / Extraordinary 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 or Session by virtue of the Charities Act, chapter 37 of Singapore, or any other statute, law or regulation.

HOW TO NOMINATE?

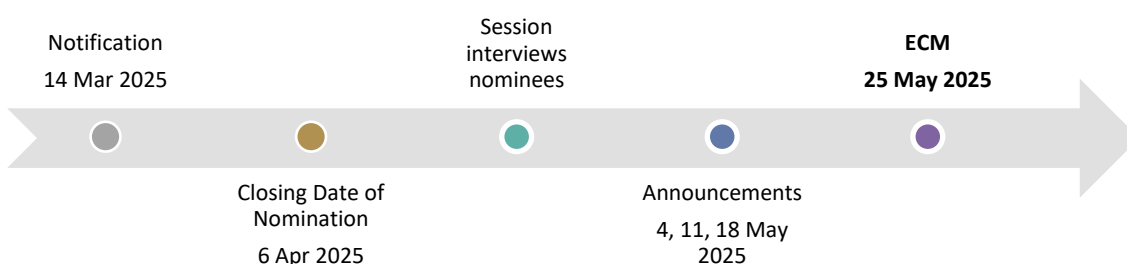
Elders and Deacons must be proposed and seconded by other communicant members of ORPC.

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 or 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) by **Sunday, 6 April 2025**.

Elder Alvin Ooi
Session Clerk
 14 March 2025



The Meaning of **the Cross**

HOLY WEEK CONVENTION 2025 | 16 – 18 April

For over two millennia, the Cross has remained the central symbol of Christianity. But why does it hold such a profound significance within the Christian faith?

This series of Holy Week sermons will explore in depth the meaning of the Cross, uncovering what it reveals about God and the world, the transformative work it has accomplished, and the enduring challenge it poses to Christians and the Church today.





Dr Roland Chia
Chew Hock Hin Professor
of Christian Doctrine
Trinity Theological College
Theological and Research Advisor
Ethos Institute for Public Christianity

The Revelation of the Cross

Romans 5:8

16 April | 8pm
ARPC@Tengah

The Victory of the Cross

Colossians 2:5

17 April | 8pm
ARPC@Tengah

The Challenges of the Cross

Matthew 16:24-26

18 April | 10:30am
Suntec Singapore Convention & Exhibition
Centre, Hall 401-402 (Level 4)

We won't have a separate children's programme on Friday
but there will be a sermonette for them.

Find out more at <http://epholyweekconvention.org>



Organised by
The English Presbytery of
The Presbyterian Church in Singapore

How to get to ARPC@Tengah

200 Bukit Batok West Ave 5



By Car

Parking in Multi Storey Carpark (MSCP):
@ Blk 467 Bt Batok West Ave 9
Entry to MSCP is via Bt Batok West Ave 9.

@ Blk 463 Bt Batok St 41
Entry to MSCP is via Bt Batok St 41 (Opp Le
Quest Shopping Mall).



By Train and Bus

Alight at **Bukit Gombak MRT (NS3)**.
At MRT Exit C, turn left and walk to bus stop.
Take Bus 991 and alight at the 2nd bus stop.
Walk along the road, ARPC is on the left.



Shuttle Bus Service

Timing for 16 & 17 April

Bukit Gombak MRT (Exit D) ⇒ ARPC@Tengah:
7:00pm – 8:15pm (last bus 8:15pm)

ARPC@Tengah ⇒ Bukit Gombak MRT (Exit D):
9:30pm – 10:20pm (last bus 10:20pm)

— An **ONLINE** Discipleship Course —

Christianity Explained

**** SHARE YOUR FAITH – Invite your non-believer friends and family ****

WHO IS THIS COURSE FOR ?

This is an opportunity to invite your non-believer friends and family. This course is suitable for anyone interested in knowing the Christian faith and what the gospel is about, especially non-believers and new believers.

WHAT DOES THIS ONLINE COURSE COVER ?

Using videos and slides, this course examines the fundamentals of the gospel and the Christian faith, with ample time for your questions

(Course facilitators : Lai Poey Leng and Awan Tjandra)

DATES / VENUE

Dates : 8.00pm – 9.15pm, **April 30 (Wed), May 8, 15, 22, 29 & June 5 (Five Thursdays)**

Online : The ZOOM link will be emailed closer to the date. Course workbook will be sent by post.

(Should you miss a class, we will gladly arrange a make-up lesson with you)

REGISTRATION / ENQUIRIES

For registration and enquiries, please click <https://tinyurl.com/2t5e9xus> or scan the QR code.

Or contact Poey Leng at missions@orpc.org.sg for enquiries. Thank you !



PRESBYTERIAN PRIMARY SCHOOLS — P1 PHASE 2B REGISTRATION

ORPC members who wish to register their children in Kuo Chuan Presbyterian Primary School (Bishan) or Pei Hwa Presbyterian Primary School (Bukit Timah) at Phase 2B for admission to Primary One in January 2026 are to **request for the Letter of Eligibility ("Form B")**, **before Monday, 5 May 2025**, from the church office via email to orpcenglish@orpc.org.sg stating (a) full names of both parents of the child, (b) at least one contact number, (c) which ministry in ORPC that parent(s) is/are serving and (d) from when the parent(s) has/have been serving.

The eligibility for *priority* in P1 registration under Phase 2B is guided by the following conditions:

1. Child is either a Singapore Citizen or a Singapore Permanent Resident.
2. At least one parent being an active communicant member of ORPC. An 'active communicant member' here refers to a baptised church member who has volunteered at least one year of service to ORPC i.e. has been serving on or before 1 June 2024.
3. If the number of applicants exceed the number of vacancies in the school, places will be balloted according to the following order of priority:
 - a) Singapore Citizens will be given priority over Singapore Permanent Residents, before home-school distance is considered.
 - b) Children living within 1km of the school.
 - c) Children living between 1km and 2km of the school.
 - d) Children living outside 2km of the school.

Applicants may check the home-school distance via this link:
<https://www.onemap.gov.sg/#/SchoolQueryInfo>

- **Parents are to submit hardcopies of the following to the church office, latest, by Monday, 5 May 2025:**
 - i. 'Letter of Eligibility' ("Form B") with Section A completed;
 - ii. Photocopy of Child's birth certificate/Citizenship certificate/PR document;
 - iii. Photocopy of both parents' NRIC
 - iv. Photocopy of Child's immunisation certificate.
- The Letter of Eligibility issued by the Church gives the applicant priority in registration in an earlier Phase, namely Phase 2B, but does not guarantee a place in the school.
- Refer to MOE's website for important information e.g.
<https://www.moe.gov.sg/primary/p1-registration>
<https://www.moe.gov.sg/primary/p1-registration/how-to-register>
- **Important:** Parents will still need to complete an online registration (MOE's) under Phase 2B national registration exercise in July 2025. Do watch out for MOE's registration dates and the documents that would be required.

ORCHARD ROAD
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUMMER CAMP

ALL PROCEEDS
GO TO
ORPC A&A
FUND

6 - 7 JUNE

6.30 PM (6 JUN) - 1.00 PM (7 JUN)

7 JUNE

1.00 PM - 4.00 PM

KIDS' SLEEPOVER (AGES 7 -14)

- \$80 per first child, additional child \$60 each
- Includes games & activities, dinner (with parents), breakfast & lunch

**LAST STAY IN OUR
CHURCH BUILDING!**

FAMILY CRAFT WORKSHOP (AGES 3 & UP)

- \$250 per family (up to 4 pax), additional pax \$20 each
- Includes crafts to take home & for fundraising



Venue:
ORPC SHK Hall



Register from 6 - 27 April at the booth
outside Dunman Hall or online at orpc.sg



COME TOGETHER AS ONE!

In relation to Orchard Road Presbyterian Church's (ORPC) fundraising for Alteration and Additions (A&A) project, Seekers 1 Discipleship Group is working with a quilter to produce a quilt for auction at an upcoming congregational fair.

The finished quilt will be similar to the one below, but BIGGER! It will measure 84"x98", big enough for a super single bed.

WHY AS ONE QUILT

Each block in the quilt is made up of 16 pieces of fabric of different print, colour, design. A total of 672 pieces will be sewn together to form 42 blocks of vibrant, colourful circles for one quilt.

At ORPC, we come together as one in God's family. This quilt reflects that unity. We are all different, yet through our faith in and our love for our Lord, we are one in Christ.

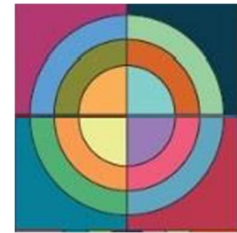
COME JOIN US!

1. Sponsor a Block (or two, or three or more!)

For \$50 per block, you can sponsor a piece of this meaningful project. Your generosity will be a lasting symbol of faith and fellowship. There will be 42 blocks up for sponsorship!

2. Take Part in the AS ONE Quilt Auction

The completed quilt will be put up for an auction at the Congregational Fair in July 2025. The minimum bid will be \$500. More details to come!



AS ONE

FUNDRAISING FOR ORPC

(1) BANK TRANSFER

Bank: UOB Singapore
 SWIFT Code: UOVBSGSG
 Account Name: Orchard Road Presbyterian Church - A&A Project
 Account No.: 773-347-101-1

(2) PAYNOW/PAYLAH

UEN No.: S90CC0750JAA1
 Payee Name: Orchard Road Presbyterian Church - A&A Project
 QR Code (Use your Bank App, Scan to pay)



When using PAYNOW, please indicate in the comments section - "Quilt".

This is so ORPC can keep track of the funds raised under the Seekers DG's As One Quilt Project.

Bless you for being AS ONE with us at ORPC!