

Latest updates on ORPC Alteration & Additions (A&A) Project

May 2025

Building a Disciple Making Church
Our Legacy of Faith for Future Generations

1. Changes to Worship Service

Changes to the main service will be happening in phases. The first phase begins today with our service bulletin reduced in length for easier readability on your devices, in preparation for moving it to online-only access. This has been made possible because our website has been revamped as of 1 May. Thank you to the IT Committee and our IT Asst Manager Nelson Wee for putting in the hard work to streamline and update the information on our website to enable this change.

In July, the next phase will kick-in where services will be modelled exactly to how it will be conducted at Suntec, introducing only electronic transfers for bulletins, our new worship format without the choir, and with electronic instruments. This allows us time to get used to new ways of doing things, to iron out any kinks, and to get feedback before our actual move.

2. Off-site Locations

YWCA Outram renovations are complete as of end-April.



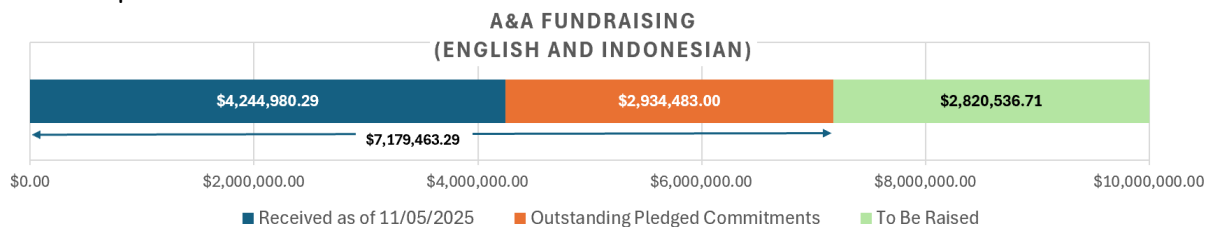
From May to June, we will be working on the IT installations and beginning to move items over. Packing has begun across all ministries (and staff), with the bulk of it targeted to complete by end June.

We are also currently finalising our contract with Suntec.

We need volunteers to commit themselves to the AV set-up and tear-down roster. Please contact Pr Hui Ru (hrtan@orpc.org.sg).

3. Fundraising Recap and Updates


Latest update:



Our fund-raising progress is reported in our weekly bulletin.

A&A Bank Account

You may now make your contributions via this following options:

Bank Transfer	PayNow/PayLah	Cheque/ Cashier's Order
Bank: UOB Singapore SWIFT Code: UOVBSGSG Account Name: Orchard Road Presbyterian Church – A&A Project Account No: 773-347-101-1	UEN No: S90CC0750JAA1 Payee Name: Orchard Road Presbyterian Church – A&A Project QR Code: 	Payee Name: Orchard Road Presbyterian Church – A&A Project Mailing Address: 3 Orchard Road, Singapore 238825

While our efforts are focused on raising \$10 million, with the remainder of \$13 million being funded by our existing reserves, raising more than \$10 million will

help us to offset potential unexpected expenses and reduce the draw-down effect on our reserves.

Sale of Holland Grove Property

We thank God for the sale of the Holland Grove property at \$10 million. The buyer has exercised the option to purchase and the sale is confirmed. The funds raised by this go towards the overall funds (rather than towards funds raised by any one congregation)

We are grateful to the various discipleship groups (DGs) who have supported past fundraising events:

- 30 Mar Breakfast, Coffee, and Busking [Youth and YA DGs]
- 20 Apr Coffee@3 [Galatians, Orchard, Salt and Light]

Upcoming fundraising events:

- 6-7 June Children's Sleepover + Family Craft [Children's Ministry]
- 28 June Art Workshop [ORPC Artists]
- 5 July Songs of Renewal [Galatians DG]



4. Technical Updates

As announced in September 2024, session has approved the appointment of **Messrs Formwerkz Architects LLP** (also known as the Multi-Disciplinary Team, MDT) to undertake the full design and management of the project, including making the necessary submissions to the relevant authorities for the A&A project.

Investigative Works

The Multi-Disciplinary Team (MDT) has completed a number of tests:

- Asbestos survey works
- Topographical survey works
- Geometric survey works
- Underground services detection works

Soil investigation works are currently ongoing and are on track to be completed by May 2025.

Government Information and Applications

Baseline information from the Singapore Land Authority was received in March.

Concurrently, pre-consultations with various government agencies are ongoing. In-principle approval has been obtained from LTA for the Pick-Up/Drop-Off (PUDO) access from Fort Canning Road. Application to URA for planning permission is also in progress.

Building and Construction

We are looking into the tender for the main contractor to conduct construction works for our building site. Pre-qualification for the main tender is ongoing. The main tender is expected to be awarded in 2025Q3.

Initial feedback has also been given to the appointed architects on the building plan.

5. Engagement Sessions

Youth and Young Adults Engagement Session

Feedback given by our Youth and Young Adults are summarised below:

Concerns:

<i>Common</i>	<i>Youth-specific</i>	<i>Young Adults-specific</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transport and accessibility • Community • Physical gathering spaces 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worship atmosphere • Bible study locations • Engagement in worship roles • Cost of meal in Suntec 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clarity before getting involved • Regular updates • Long-term direction of the church

Aspirations:

<i>Common</i>	<i>Youth-specific</i>	<i>Young Adults-specific</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A church that fosters stronger relationships; relational 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More communal spaces • Modernised AV/IT equipment • A more engaging, welcoming, and youth-friendly church environment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inter-church collaboration and discussions

Whole-Congregation Townhall Meeting

There will be a congregational townhall meeting after both AM and PM services on 11 May. Updates will be given at the engagement session and questions will also be taken.