

Sunday worship

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We warmly welcome you, if you are worshipping with us for the first time. We believe you've become a member of our church family by God's grace.

Please ensure you speak to the Pastor or one of today's facilitators before you leave.

May God bless you richly (Amen).

VERSE(S) OF THE DAY

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Romans 15:13 (NKJV)

THEME FOR THE YEAR

Faith in action
(2 Thessalonians 1:11)

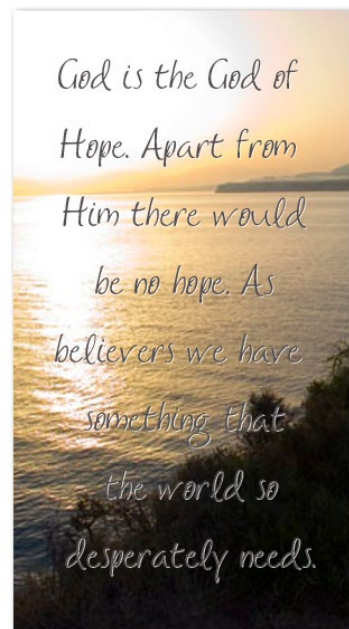
We're trusting God to enable us to do all the good things faith prompts in us in Jesus name (NLT).

DID YOU KNOW?

Every Sunday, we worship together at **Unit 13, Skylines Village**. When unable to attend, do visit our website or YouTube channel for recorded sessions.



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WEEKLY SERVICES & MEETINGS

SUNDAY

Thanksgiving / Worship
service
From 10am

FRIDAY

Prayer meeting / Bible study
From 7pm

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There's more! Details of events and outreach will almost certainly be available from relevant pages on our website and updated regularly, along with downloadable copies of our Sunday bulletins (<http://rccgbethel.church/category/bulletins/>).

So, why don't you set our homepage as one of your **startup page(s)** in your browser now? The following instructions for most of the common browsers may help.

Google Chrome

1. Open the browser and the **Settings** menu (or the **three vertical dots** to the right of the menu bar).
2. Scroll down and click on **Advanced Settings**.
3. Select **Open a specific page or set of pages** under **On Startup**.
4. Select **Set pages** and enter or add <http://rccgbethel.church/>.

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1. Open Firefox. Press **Alt-T** on the keyboard and select **Options** from the drop-down menu or go to **Tools >> Options** from the main menu.
2. In the **Home** section, select **Homepage and new windows** and **Custom URLs...** from the field's drop down.
3. Enter or paste the URL: <http://rccgbethel.church/> or click **Use Current Page** if you are already on our website.

Microsoft Edge

1. Click the **three horizontal dots** to the right of the top menu bar.
2. Select **Settings** and select **A Specific Page or Pages** from the **Open Microsoft Edge With** section drop down options.
3. Enter <http://rccgbethel.church/>. (Click the Plus sign to add more pages if required).
4. Click the **three horizontal dots** to the right of the top menu bar again to close **Settings** menu.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

God is our source of hope

Text: 1 John 1:1-2

In our previous lessons, we explored the importance of personal revelation and experience over reputation. John continued his testimony from verse one in the next verse and said not only has he seen and handled the Word of Life, but that he who is revealed is life itself. What does that mean? In John 1:14, it is written that Jesus became flesh and dwelt among us. In another place, it is said that those who believed in him has already passed from death into life (Jn 5:24-27).

In Genesis, we read about how God created man from clay, but as of now, man can't create a single organ. Only a replacement can be transplanted into our bodies when an organ becomes defective and they're never as perfect and still crashes or fail. No one can create or replicate life as God created it, with a living brain as intricate as the human brain (Gen 2:7). What did God do that made man a sentient being?

An economist in the Bank of England recently said that Brits may need to accept they'll be poorer. He also counselled energy providers to help their customers, even at a loss now, to sustain them. What is the true cost of living? If we believe the word of God, we know our life does not consist of the things we possess (Lk 12:15). It's much more than that. Paul said possessions are used and discarded, but gaining and living for Christ are much more valuable and precious (Phil 1:21; 3:7-8).

Today, we spend a lot of money on gadgets and possessions we don't need even when doing without some of them may save us a lot of money and reduce our daily living costs. This suggests that we need the right perspective to know what the true cost of living really is. The truth is life can easily discard us and any of us can fall through the cracks. The only one that really cares whether we live is the one that says to us: "Live" (Ez 16:1-7)! It is what David did for those in distress, debt or discontentment, giving them a purpose and leading them (1 Sam 22:1-2).

Years later, Jesus made a promise to give rest to those who are burdened too (Matt 11:28-30). That is true life. When we're distressed, discontented or in debt. When the challenges of life weigh on us and we struggle to cope. There's only one source of hope. Only God can give true life. True living is knowing God's purpose and will, and doing it. When that's our focus, nothing else matters.

Bottom line:

True life's true purpose that only God can give. When in God's will, cost of living or any challenges won't be a crisis. It will be an opportunity to give glory to God.

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