

## Sunday worship

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## WELCOME

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

For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the Lord, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope. Then you will call upon Me and go and pray to Me, and I will listen to you.

*Jeremiah 29:11-12 (NKJV)*

## THEME FOR THE YEAR

### To be all in

**Hebrews 10:38-39 (AMP)**

Peter replied to him, "Lord, if it is [really] you, command me to come to you on the water." ~ **Matthew 14:28 (AMP)**.

## 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.

## What do you truly value?

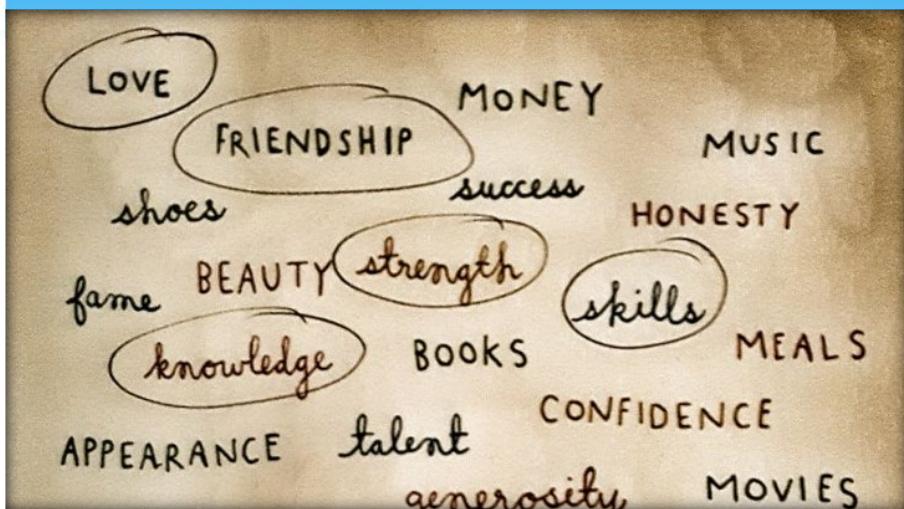


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*Redeemed Christian Church of God*

# Bethel

## WEEKLY SERVICES & MEETINGS

### SUNDAY

Thanksgiving / Worship  
service  
From 10am

### FRIDAY

Prayer meeting / Bible study  
From 7pm

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Our website is a treasure trove of information, and not only about our focus and mission. You could subscribe to our podcast or listen to past sermons too (<http://rccgbethel.church/sermons/>). This is particularly useful for when you are unable to attend services or for refreshing your recollection as an essential part of your private Bible study.

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/>.

## Mozilla Firefox

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

### What do you value?

#### Text: Genesis 11:1-9

Imagine a world where people "**spoke the same language and used the same words**" (Gen 11:1 NLT). Wars have begun because of misunderstandings between two cultures, communities and countries and differing languages can be the key source of divisions. In contrast, unity and success can be easier when we have a common purpose.

Opportunities for innovation and collaboration become easier too, as was the case in today's text. We see the power of unity, but men's desires – wanting fame – was contrary to God's plan. It was all about them and God concluded nothing will be beyond them in time. He decided to confuse their language (Gen 11:6-7).

Our words can be an invaluable indication of character and what's important to us (1 Cor 14:10). If someone lies all the time, it will be difficult to have confidence in anything they say. Jesus said we'll be justified and condemned by our words (Matthew 12:36-37). The relationships we forge can also be crucial because we need each other.

As Christians, the language of doctrine may often divide us, causing us to argue and fight. We forget Paul told us we can only know in part, encouraging us to work together (1 Cor 13:9-10; Eph 4:13-14). The early church had no lack because they worked and prayed together. They were unified. On the day of Pentecost, the Apostles once again spoke the languages of everyone around them to the people's amazement (Acts 2:1-10).

That was the beginning of the church age. We know we will again understand each other when Jesus returns. When we speak in tongues for example, we're using the language of heaven, inspired by the Holy Spirit (1 Cor 13:2; 14:2). It was a common occurrence in the early church, but these days, we disparage or distrust speaking in tongues because people abuse and use it for selfish gains. We also discourage prophesy in the church.

Note that the birth of Ishmael didn't stop the promise of God to Abraham from being fulfilled. Abraham thought it might, but God reassured him (Gen 17:1-18). It's interesting that God never even question Abraham about it. When we're understood by God and have his ears, it can be the most valuable thing of all because not every does.

The first few chapters of 1 Chronicles may seem boring to read, narrating ancestry and genealogy for the most part. Suddenly in the midst of it all, we come across an interesting man called Jabez who sought to change his fate. We knew next to nothing about Jabez, except he was honourable and had God's ears (1 Chr 4:9-10).

#### Bottom line:

Christianity should inspire awe in us because when we take away the miraculous, all we have left are sets of letters and sayings (Heb 4:12; 2 Cor 3:4-6). God is still working. He's the God of miracles and can always intervene or wrought miraculous changes in our lives. No one or situation is beyond redemption or recovery (Rom 11:2; 23; 29).

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