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 to be carnally minded is death, but to be spiritually minded is life and peace. Because the carnal mind is enmity against God; for it is not subject to the law of God, nor indeed can be. So then, those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

Romans 8:6-8 (NKJV)

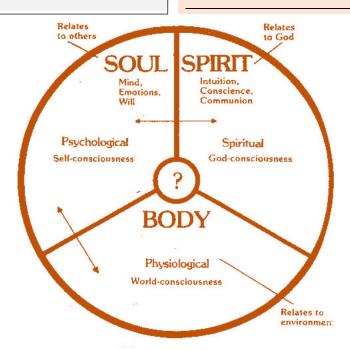
THEME FOR THE YEAR

Year of opportunities John 4:35-38 AMP

"For in this case the saying is true, 'One [person] sows and another reaps." ~ John 4:37 (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.





WEEKLY SERVICES & MEETINGS

SUNDAY

Thanksgiving / Worship service From 10am

FRIDAY

Prayer meeting / Bible study From 7pm

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Our 'must-visit' website



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.
- 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

The flesh profits nothing

Text: 1 John 5:12

When a mobile phone's battery's dead, it becomes practically useless, regardless of how expensive / trendy it is. In the same manner, we don't have life without Christ and this is unequivocally supported by today's text. From where are you drawing the battery / source to power your life?

God put life into man (Jn 1:1-4; Gen 2:7) and Jesus described himself as the bread of life (Jn 6:35). Thus, if we're not in Christ as Christians, we're dead (). That may be why Jesus said there's no profit in the flesh and it's the Spirit that gives life (Jn 6:63). That suggests investments into our flesh offers no credible benefit to us. It also means all the efforts towards achieving success in particular areas of our lives may be unacceptable to God, if it is by or for our flesh.

If our life-source is the Spirit, it should follow that we pay more attention to the Holy Spirit's guidance (Rom 12:1-2). The Spirit also helps us to align ourselves with Christ and not to satisfy the desires of the flesh (Gal 5:16). Paul said in him we "live, and move, and have our being" (Acts 17:28; 1 Cor 6:17).

Jesus is the vine and we are the branches (Jn 15:1). Without sustenance from the vine, branches will die (Jn 15:5). Therefore, our points of view about all things and mindset should be derived from Christ. Each moment and each of our deliberate decisions must be aligned with God's will (Matt 7:26: Js 4:17).

Have you allowed yourself to be under the Holy Spirit's control? Do you align your thoughts, words and actions with his (1 Cor 2:16; 1 Jn 4:17)? We've been given power to become the children of God (Jn 1:12) and we can approach his throne boldly for help and mercy (Heb 4:16). Are we seeking the Holy Spirit's help when we need it (Lam 3:22-23)? Paul said God's grace is sufficient (2 Cor 12:9) and when Jesus thought us to pray, he began with "Our father..." (Matt 6:9).

We should imitate David and Paul who relied on God (Psa 27:1-3; Phil 4:13). What can you do in God's power (Acts 1:8)? Where or on what do we focus our attentions or affections (Col 3:2; Matt 6:33)? Be focused on doing God's will and not fulfil the works of the flesh (Gal 5:19-21; Jn 6:25-29; 30-38; Rom 6:16).

Bottom line:

Do we act like God is our source of power? God gave us life to do the will of him who has sent us (Jn 6:38). Let us pray every day for help to obey God's will and not satisfy the desires of our flesh.

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