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

I will bless the Lord at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul shall make its boast in the Lord; the humble shall hear of it and be glad.

Psalms 34:1-2 (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.

Reflect
ON HOW YOU'VE
SEEN-God's hand
IN THE DETAILS
of your life



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

- 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

- 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.
- In the Home section, select Homepage and new windows and Custom URLs... from the field's drop down.
- 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.
- 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

A heart of supernatural thanksgiving

Text: Isaiah 12:1-6

It is possible to be lost in the reverence and worship of God without thanking him. God requires a heart full of thanksgiving and worship (Psa 8:2). We can see some of the reasons for thanksgiving in our text today. There's a lot to thank God for, including the beauty we can see, not being angry with us anymore, strength etc (Isa 12:1-2). We should aim not to miss opportunities to give testimonies in public of God's faithfulness in our lives.

Anything that exists beyond the natural is supernatural, including events that are difficult to explain or comprehend. They're often attributed to the divine and relate to an existence beyond physical. It combines two acts: thanks and giving. Supernatural thanksgiving is the worthy response to God's grace, help and intervention in our lives (1 Thess 5:18).

This is crucial because those who are deathly ill cannot, even when they've got all the money in the world, and the scriptures say the dead cannot praise God (Isa 38:18-19; Psa 115:17-18). God does supernatural things in our lives. He also does ordinary things like providing us with jobs, children, roofs over our heads etc.

It may be easier to give thanks when we receive something we want easily / quickly, in comparison with someone who had to wait for a long time (Rom 4:16-21), but supernatural thanksgiving goes beyond our circumstances. Habakkuk was able to give thanks even when he was living at a time of many crises (Hab 1:3-4; 3:17-18). The natural reaction is to despair, but Habakkuk refused to. That takes someone who understood the supernatural.

Job also worshipped after losing everything he had, including his children (Job 1:20). Contrast with his wife who thought he should curse God and die (Job 2:9-10). Thanking God in unfavourable circumstances reveals the strength of our faith. It shows that we trust in God who is able (Jer 17:7-8).

Bottom line:

Thanksgiving to God should be deliberate and consistent. Let's remember that God is not bound by time, space or matter (Heb 11:6; Psa 90:2; 4). Trust always that God will make a way (Isa 43:15-16; 60:22; Jer 29:11).

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