

*** GIVE THANKS ***

Thanksgiving Service

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

A happy heart is good medicine and a joyful mind causes healing, But a broken spirit dries up the bones.

Proverbs 17:22 (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.



Image source(s): <https://www.tyler-beauchamp.com/blog/faith-and-medicine//>
<https://walkonwaterfl.com/blogs/roxanes-reflections/his-garment-can-heal>



Sunday 7 September 2025

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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

Faith, medicine and modern interventions: A Christian perspective on healing, life and ethical choices

Text: James 5:14

The scripture said the church is the ground and the pillar of truth (1 Tim 3:15b). In general, the church tries not to be too prescriptive about Christianity because no human being is infallible. No doubt we've heard of church leaders accused of one thing or the other. The scriptures also assures us that those led by the Spirit are sons of God (Rom 8:14).

Sometimes, we seek for validation of our thoughts and desires instead of listening for guidance from the Holy Spirit. Life is about perspective. It is often true that we can never know how we may react in certain circumstances. If both kidneys fail for instance and the daily struggle becomes overwhelming, our positions on organ donation may change (Lk 6:9).

Organ donations have saved many lives or changed the quality of their daily living. What about those unable to have children for one reason or the other? Do we condemn them for choosing IVF or surrogacy in those circumstances? Does that mean people who choose to lacked faith in God?

Cosmetic surgeries may be also frowned upon by some. But how different is that from the things we do with our hair, nails and other parts of our bodies so we can look beautiful or presentable in public? Antibiotics, painkillers and other medicines are also interventions, even if less invasive.

Often we justify what we do and condemn the same in others (Rom 2:21-22; Matthew 7:3-4). On the other end of the spectrum, we know godliness with contentment is great gain (1 Tim 6:6-7). We must ensure we remain sensitive to the will of God for our lives because our lives are in God's hands and the scriptures makes what should be our priorities clear (Psa 66:8-9; Matt 16:26).

Bottom line:

God created us in his image to have dominion over all things. We must also be aware that desperation and abundance of choices / advances in modern science often present dilemmas for us, but nothing must become a substitute for our faith and dependency in God. (Phil 1:21).

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