

## 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

The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree, He shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon. Those who are planted in the house of the Lord Shall flourish in the courts of our God. They shall still bear fruit in old age; They shall be fresh and flourishing.

*Psalms 92:12-14 (NKJV)*

## THEME FOR THE YEAR

**Build and consolidate**  
**Nehemiah 2:12**

*I slipped out during the night, taking only a few others with me. I had not told anyone about the plans God had put in my heart for Jerusalem. We took no pack animals with us except the donkey I was riding.*

## DID YOU KNOW?

**Every Sunday**, we worship together at **Unit 26, Skylines Village**. When unable to attend, do visit our website or YouTube channel for recorded sessions.



Sunday 17 May 2026

# WELCOME

*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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*sometimes you think you are  
being buried, when really  
you are being planted.  
God is using this season to  
grow you!*

# Our 'must-visit' website



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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

### *The Water Gate*

#### **Text: Nehemiah 3:26**

The Water Gate has a strong correlation with the seasons of life and may be seen as the gate of flourishing (Psa 1:1-3). Jesus said rivers of living water will flow from those who believe in him (Jn 7:38). Life is about seasons and context gives time meaning. Some things are easier at certain times than others, but the Psalmist says anything planted by the rivers will flourish, whatever the season (Psa 1:3; 2 Tim 4:2).

That suggests we're carriers of living water wherever we go (Jn 7:38) and assets in all our spheres of operation; at work, in our family, church, communities etc. Abimelech recognised that Isaac was especially blessed and powerful (Gen 26:16-17). Laban saw the same pattern in Jacob's life (Gen 30:25-27). Do people miss you when you're gone? What impact do you make at work, in your home, in your community etc.

Growth is in our DNA. God expects us to grow and bear fruit in season or out of season (Jn 15:1-8; Luke 13:6-9). The word of God should always produce an action in our lives, because it is the living water that flows out of our hearts (Acts 9:5-6; Lk 3:7-10; Acts 1:1-2; Jn 7:38) and we're not limited by the seasons of life (2 Tim 4:1-2; Matt 7:24-25).

For example, in the midst of a famine, God told Isaac to remain where he was (Gen 26:1-6; 12). However, Jacob and his children were later sent into Egypt (Gen 46:1-4). This is because in the first instance, God was making provision and abundance for a family. In the second, he was making provisions for a nation.

Therefore, we will flourish wherever God sent us, regardless of the circumstances or seasons because we carry growth within us and we're assets wherever we are (Pro 31:28). Know who you are and your source. When it seems there's no way, go back to the word, unbound by the seasons, because he has the ultimate solution for whatever troubles you (Jn 2:3-5; Mk 7:25-29).

#### **Bottom line:**

We're not bound by seasons because we can flourish in any season. We're that tree, planted by rivers of water (Psa 1:1-3). Do you truly know you're an asset, that you're supposed to flourish and have an impact wherever you go? Pray that God will show you what you're capable of today.

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