

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

But let us who are of the day be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love, and as a helmet the hope of salvation. For God did not appoint us to wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ.

1 Thessalonians 5:8-9 (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.

HELMET OF SALVATION

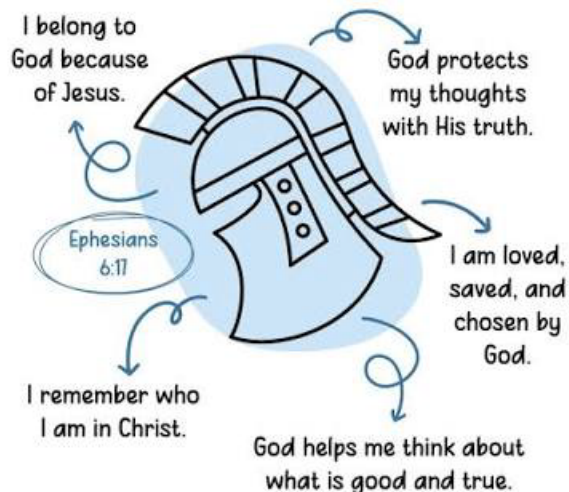


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Sunday 30 August 2026

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Redeemed Christian Church of God

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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.
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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 Horse Gate – Part VIII

Text: Ephesians 6:17

We continue our studies on spiritual warfare and our weapons of war, with an in-depth exploration of the helmet of salvation. Paul didn't really say much about the helmet of salvation, probably because it's self-evident and we know Christ brought us salvation. Paul inspiration may've come from one of the Messianic texts in the book of Isaiah (Isa 59:15-17).

Like the helmet which protects the head (brain), salvation is an indication of the relationship and protection we have in God. That suggests we've got an ultimate defense against the evil one (Jas 4:6-10). Examples in scripture proves this point, showing that when someone has a deep relationship with God, they seem untouchable (Psa 105:15).

Likewise, we're God's anointed too and called of the Lord, determined by the level of our relationship with him (Rom 8:29-30). Do you know how great the offer of salvation is? Like Elisha, do you recognise the moment of your calling and appreciate what it took (1 Kngs 19:19-21)? Small wonder Elisha did great things (e.g. 2 Kngs 2:19-22; 23-24; 4:1-7; 32-44; 5:1-14; 6:1-7).

Thus, a genuine relationship with God is a shield for us and such are valued / commended by God (Gen 18:17). A glimpse into the life of Paul shows how every step he took was guided by the Holy Spirit (Acts 16:6-10). Speaking from experience, he said: "**as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God**" (Rom 8:14). Likewise, deep secrets were revealed to Elisha through the Holy Spirit (2 Kngs 6:9-11).

When we have a relationship with God, life may prove challenging, but it becomes easy because God has a perfect plan (Gen 15:15-16). Elisha knew exactly what he wanted from his relationship with Elijah and he was laser focused on getting it in the end, determined to be extraordinary (2 Kngs 2:9-15). Are we looking for the chariots, gold or prosperity while ignoring Christ himself (Phil 3:7-12). What's your relationship with God like? Are there barriers?

Bottom line:

Life is a series of tests and often, our most dangerous times is when we're far from God. Be prepared and ensure you're cloaked with the helmet of salvation, so you can be protected from the fiery darts of the evil one (Psa 34:19).

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