***** 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

Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God.

Philippians 4:6 (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.

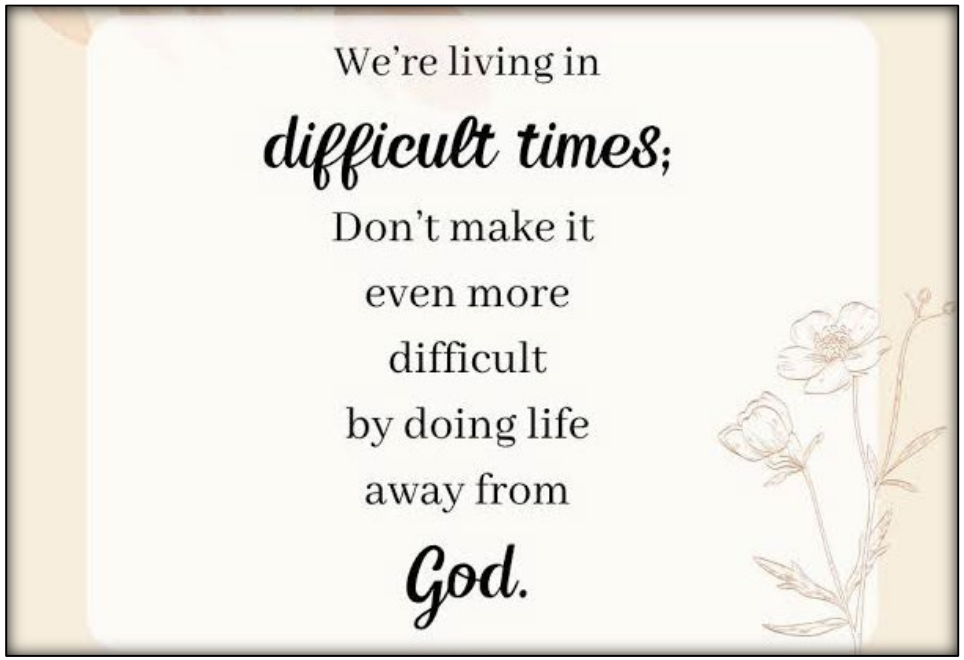


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Sunday 1 November 2026

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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.
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

What should the church's position be, in hard / uncertain times?

Text: Matthew 24:1-51

There's no doubt we're in hard / uncertain times right now. There are various kinds of wars going on, and the most dangerous may be cyberwar. Nation sponsored hackers can attack any system, in banks, hospitals etc. They can destabilise the National Grid and if that happens, electric cars and appliances will fail. Hence, the UK government launched '**Be Ready**' campaign, encouraging households to prepare for 72 hours of service disruptions from severe weather, power cuts, flooding and cyber incidents.

There's also pressure within and without. Most pressing's the rising cost of living and difficulties to make ends meet. Everywhere we turn, and in various countries all at once, disruptions are occurring on a daily basis and leaders don't seem to have answers. Suffice it to say current time's are not only uncertain, but troubling.

So, are we living in end times? What should be the church's position? Jesus said no one can foretell when the end might be (Matt 24:4-6). But it is clear it may be drawing nearer and not longer. The scriptures said only those who endures will be saved (Matt 24:13; 1 Thess 5:2-10). However, we should not fear like the others (Lk 21:25-28; Isa 8:12; Jn 16:33). But we must be vigilant and alert (1 Pet 5:8; Neh 4:17-18), remembering our weapons of warfare is spiritual (2 Cor 10:3-6).

When Nebuchadnezzar ordered Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego to be thrown in the furnace, they trusted God regardless of what might happen (Dan 3:13-18). Later, Nebuchadnezzar noticed a fourth man in the furnace with them (Dan 3:24-26). The same is true for us. We're called to be strong and stand our ground, because what's happening is part of the tactics of the enemy (2 Tim 3:1-5; Rom 12:1-2; Eph 6:10).

It's the government's job to inform us of trends in these times and offer guidance. We can listen and prepare as much as we can, but not in fear. The church must be spiritually alert and quick to discern what God is saying as well as what Satan is saying because Satan is speaking very loud. So, we must remain steadfast and fearless (Matt 24:6). It is the church's burden to preserve holiness and biblical values (Matt 24:14), to remain in the light (Matt 5:14), and support the kingdom's work.

Bottom line:

Always remember there's a fourth man in the middle of your troubles. God knows everything (Isa 46:9-10). Like Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, trust that all's well and ask God for grace to keep standing and be prepared (Matthew 25:1-13).

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