

SERMON NOTES

GOD'S PLUMB LINE: BEING STRAIGHT IN A CROOKED WORLD

Scripture: Amos 7:7-9 • Speaker: Rev William Wan

Reflection Questions:

1. Why is there a need for an objective authoritative standard for our conduct?
2. How can we measure our alignment with God's standard on a day-to-day basis?
3. How can we distinguish between what is prescriptive and what is descriptive in the Bible?

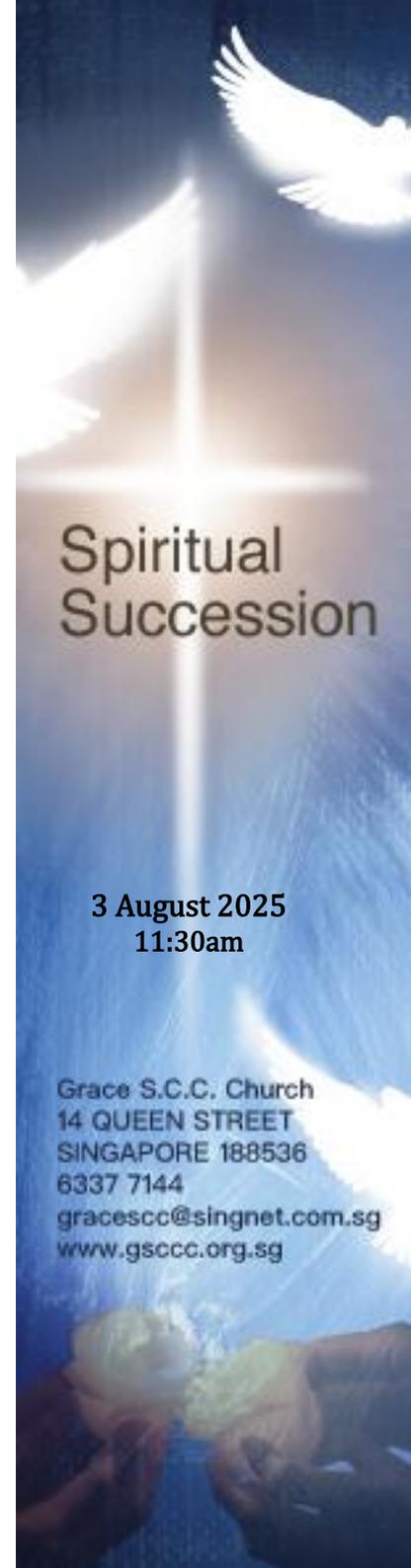
Senior Pastor:
Rev Chua Yeow San

English Congregational Pastor:
Rev John Loke

EC Ministry Worker (Family Ministry):
Sis Jannie Chiu



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WELCOME to the English Congregation Worship Service!

(Online Streaming: www.youtube.com/c/gracesccchurch)

Family News

Pastoral Prayer

Worship in Praise

Worship in Offering

Scripture Reading

Sermon:

Speaker • Rev William Wan

God's Plumb Line: Being Straight in a Crooked World

Amos 7:7-9

Response Song

Benediction

Silent Meditation

Pastor/ Deacon On Duty • *Rev John Loke*

Worship Leader • *Timothy Wong*

Kindly switch all mobile devices to silent mode during service

OUR COMMUNITY

Children Sunday School	Sunday, 11:30am Onsite
Youth Worship (Secondary) (Tertiary)	Sunday, 9:30am Online/ On-site Online/ On-site on some Sundays to be informed by fellowship mentors
Youth Fellowship (Secondary) (Tertiary)	Sunday, 10:45am Online/ On-site Online/ On-site on some Sundays to be informed by fellowship mentors
Cell Groups	Kindly contact EC pastor
Lunch Fellowship	1st Sunday of each month

Please contact the church office or EC Pastor for more information.

CHURCH NEWS

YOUTH WORSHIP

Title: *Dare to go "all in" to pursue Jesus?*
Text: Luke 9:57-62 (ESV)
Speaker: Pastor Reeta Wang

PASTORAL & MINISTRY TEAM RETREAT

will be held on 13 Aug (Wed) and 14 Aug (Thu). Please keep the programmes on those days in prayers. May God guide the pastors and fellow ministry workers spiritually in planning the ministry works for next year.

2025 SECOND BAPTISM SERVICE

The second baptism this year will be held in the Saturday Worship Service on **16 Aug** (Sat) at **3pm**, conducted by Rev See Choo Har, assisted by Rev John Loke.

Speaker: Pastor Teo Kah Hong
Title: *When the heavens were opened*
Text: Matthew 3:13-17 (ESV)

The 16 baptism candidates are listed below. Do remember their journey of faith and spiritual growth in your prayers.

YW:
Ng Jun Yi Nathaniel
Wong Yue Heng
Liaw Yi Tat
Ng Lok Yi Matthias
Mazel Chong Kai Jie
Kayla Mok Hoh Yuet
Leung Yui Him Samuel
Caitlyn Gan Shao Li
Lung Ying Ki Kaitlin
Jaimie Chan Xin Hui

CC:
Choy Chiong Yuen
Yu Yuk Hei
Nanda Wang Nuo'En
Yu Sau Lai (Shirley)
Ip Yuen Man

MC:

Fan Yage

THE EVERGREEN COMMUNITY

5 Aug (Tue) | Rooms 102/107

10 - 11am

HPB's Resistance Band Exercises – *please register beforehand using activity code B0828*

11:15am - 3pm

Special Interest Activities - crochet, Rummikub, chess and table-tennis (After Lunch 12:15-1:45pm, Room106)

2pm - 3:30pm

(Rooms 102-105 & 107)
Rolling Good Times Programme – Session 3

GRACE ELDERLY WORLD

7 Aug (Thu) | **10:30am-3pm**

A **National Day Celebration** Lunch will be held. Elderly Ukulele team will perform national day songs. Fee: \$2. All elderly are welcome.

GRACE CHURCH TABLE TENNIS FRIENDLY MATCH 2025

9 Aug (Sat) | **9:30am-2pm** | Rooms 102-9

The Table Tennis Friendly Match will be held in Grace Church.

There will be 9 teams participating, with members from across the congregations. All brothers and sisters are warmly encouraged to come and support the players!

2025-2027 DEACONS ELECTION

Please refer to the last page for details.

CHURCH MUSIC MINISTRY – Adult Drum Set Training

Those interested in learning drum set to serve in future worship and praise teams, please contact Sis Celven Lee at 9712 3994.

PASTORAL MOVEMENT

We thank God that the Deacon Board has approved the employment of Rev Jonathan Liew, a member of Church of Christ of

Malaya, as CC Pastor. He has joined us on 1 August 2025, and the installation was held on 2 August at CC Saturday Worship Service. Please remember Rev Liew in prayer for his adjustment to the new position.

MODES OF OFFERING:

a) **PayNow** (is now available to **ALL** funds) **UEN S61SS0111H**

or QR code.
Please refer to the Church Website or Mobile App for the bank references.



b) **Mail crossed cheque to church**

- Envelope with prepaid postage will be available upon request.
- Please call Finance Executive at 6332 6836.

c) **Online Banking**

THE GRACE (S'PORE CHINESE CHRISTIAN) CHURCH
DBS Bank A/C No.: **033-022323-4**

RECRUITMENT NOTICE

- **English Congregation Pastor**
- **Mandarin Congregation Pastor**
- **Administration Executive**
- **Part-time HR Executive**

Please refer to the Church website for details. Interested applicants may email their resumes with any required information to: hr@gsgccc.org.sg

MISSION NEWS

52ND MISSION CONVENTION DIGITAL HANDBOOK, FAITH PLEDGE & COMMITMENT FORMS

As we continue in this 52nd Mission Year, we encourage everyone to prayerfully consider your personal response to God's call for missions.

Please take time to seek the Lord and submit your Faith Pledge and Commitment Responses as a step of faith and obedience. Your prompt response will help us plan and support the work of missions.

Let us partner together in faith, trusting that God will use each of our offerings—great or small—for His glory.

The amount pledged to date is **S\$ 914,241** and the number of Faith Pledge forms submitted is **261** (as of 28/7).

The number of Commitment Forms submitted is **116**; **16** indicated a personal commitment to serve full-time or 3 months; **87** are keen to be involved in mission activities; **44** desire to participate in local cross-cultural missions; **101** are keen to provide missionary care & prayer; and **17** are interested in BAM (Business as Mission) or marketplace ministry. **Note:** numbers tally is based on options indicated per section.

The final faith pledge update and commitment responses as of 31 July 2025 will be presented next week.

MISSION PRAYER NEWS – PUBLISHED ON 3 AUG

The latest mission prayer news will be disseminated through CG leaders as the church mobile app is currently unavailable. **Prayer content is strictly confidential. Please handle with sensitivity. Do not post or forward. Note:** For members and regular attendees who have registered with church only.

EC NEWS

EC MISSION EDUCATION

15 Aug (Fri) | **7:45pm** | via Zoom
Topic: *What's Stopping You?*

What's holding you back from missions?
 Career? Comfort? Family? Health? Age?
 Inadequacies? Financial support?

Join us for an engaging Zoom workshop addressing common concerns about missions, featuring video interviews with missionaries and open discussions in a safe, non-threatening environment.

Speaker: Dr. Luke Tan

Dr Tan trains tentmakers through Stretch Out International, which he co-founded. He also serves as an Elder at International Baptist Church. In the past 2 decades, he has been serving on the Board of OMF Singapore and has personally been involved with cross cultural missions through his vocation in a closed access nation.

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OUR FAITHFULNESS (27 July 2025)

On-site attendance (incl. service crew):142
 No. of livestream worship units (max): 23
 EC Offering (Overall): \$14,208

MEETINGS

Mission Com Meeting

10 Aug (Sun) | 2pm | Rooms 407-8

	10 Aug 2025
Speaker	Rev Nicky Chong
Title & Scripture	<i>Learning to Love Again</i> Revelation 2:1-7
Pastor On Duty	Rev John Loke
Worship Leader	Ruth Wong

Introduction

Rev Jonathan Liew
 Cantonese Congregation Pastor



I am a Singaporean with ancestral roots in Dabu, Hakka region. I am 56 years old. My wife, Evelyn, is a preschool teacher. We have a daughter, Melody (27 years old), and a son, Skye (26 years old).

I received Christ in 1986 and subsequently joined the Church of Christ of Malaya.

In my younger years, I served as a Children Sunday School teacher and later became the leader of the Youth fellowship. Therefore, I have a deep burden for the ministry to second-generation believers in Chinese churches. After being graciously called by the Lord, I entered Singapore Bible College for training and graduated in 2011 with a Master of Divinity.

Upon graduation, I returned to my home church to take up pastoral duties and led the team in building up the church. In addition to teaching and watching over the second-generation believers, there are many elderly members in the church, and I serve them in Hakka, Cantonese, Hokkien, and English.

As the head of the Missions ministry, I maintain good contact with local Chinese gospel organizations. Besides participating in the church's missionary work in Southeast Asia and China, I have also been invited to serve in youth ministry in Europe.

After the pandemic, I was invited to Beijing, China, to engage in full-time youth ministry. Having arranged for a successor in my home church, I switched my ministry focus in 2022. During this period, in addition to establishing youth ministries, my participation in various services allowed me to gain a deeper understanding of the challenges faced by ministries in mainland China and the difficulties encountered by fellow brothers and sisters.

In 2025, due to family needs, I concluded my ministry in Beijing and returned to Singapore. I have long known that Grace Church has a passionate commitment to missions and stands as a role model among Singapore's Chinese churches. Thus, upon the recommendation of pastors from my home church, I applied for the position at the church.

Thank the Lord for His guidance and the Church's acceptance. I pray that the Lord will use this unworthy servant to fulfill the Great Commission alongside all brothers and sisters who love the Lord at Grace Church, glorifying our loving Lord Jesus Christ.

2025-2027 Deacons Election

- 2025 Annual General Meeting (AGM) and Election of Deacons 2025-2027 (two-year term) will be held on 28 September 2025 (Sunday). The deacon board has decided to conduct the AGM onsite and details will be given later. Please be reminded that participation at AGM and Election of Deacons is a membership obligation.
- According to the Church Constitution, there shall be no more than 15 deacons in the Deacon Board. There will be a total of 15 members in the new Deacon Board 2025/2026. A deacon's term of office shall be two years and he/she shall be eligible for re-election for a maximum of one consecutive term, except for the office of Treasurer.
- There're 15 deacons in the current board, 6 deacons (Young Tak Yue Taky, Mak Sum Shing Andrew, Koh Kin Teng, Cheok Ru-Sern, Leung Ka Hin, Chong Fui Kim) can be re-nominated. The remaining 9 deacons (Kong Wai Meng Javier, Tse Man Yiu, Lin Yin Peng, Wong Yan Seng, Tsui Chin Hin Ronald, Chu Ming Cheung Eric, Chu Hiu Wen Wendy, Chui Kuk Sun Sunny, Poon Pui Him Henry) need not stand for election this year.
- As per last year, the incumbent pastors and deacons plus members will concurrently make their nominations of candidates. Members who wish to make nominations may obtain the "Nomination Form for Election of Deacons" by downloading it from our Church Website.
- Members who wish to table item(s) for discussion during the AGM should write in to the Deacon Board before or on 10 August 2025 (Sunday) through Deacon Board Secretary via email (db.secretary@gsgccc.org.sg), which will deliberate on the suggested items and where suitable, will include the item(s) in the AGM Agenda. The person tabling the item(s) has to be present on the day of AGM to participate in the discussion.
- The nomination has started from 6 July 2025. The completed nomination forms and proposed item(s) should reach Deacon Board Secretary via email (db.secretary@gsgccc.org.sg) before or on 10 August 2025 (Sunday). The Deacon Board will deliberate on all the nominees in the CLC meeting on 23 August 2025. Please uphold the preparation of AGM and Election of Deacons in prayer.

Family Ministry

Monthly Prayer Highlights - August

1. May the Lord use the message from the seminar "Cultivating Good Communication Skills with Your Spouses" (28 Aug) to touch the hearts of the participating couples. Pray that He will work in the relationship between husbands and wives with better communications through His love and teaching. May the couples humbly submit themselves to each other and willing to make effort in the connection with each other.
2. We keep the P6 children and S4 youths who are going through the prelim exams in school in our prayer. May God give them a balance between revision and rest, and grant them peace so that they can focus on the preparation of the exams. May God give resilience to them when receiving the results, take away any negative emotions and fill them with the Spirit to continue the preparation for PSLE and O-level examinations.
3. We pray that God's caring hand will be upon the elderly always. Keep them safe wherever they go and whatever they do. Let them see their value in His kingdom and keep their faith in God strong, and that inwardly they are being renewed day by day. "Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day." (2 Corinthians 4:16)