

# **Bethel Presbyterian Church**

## **Ministry Report for the Year Ended 31 December 2021**

**Unique Entity Number:** T12SS0064B  
**Registered Address:** 12 Jalan Lateh  
Singapore 359110

**Church Board:** The Church EDC consists of Ministers,  
(Elders and Deacons Court - EDC) Elders and Deacons who are elected annually to terms of office according to the constitution of the Bethel Presbyterian Church.

**Members of the Church EDC:**

1) Rev. Lim Tau Wei	Moderator
2) Elder Loh Li Cheng	Hon Secretary
3) Deacon Lee Hang Hwa	Hon Asst. Secretary
4) Deacon Ko Hui Yun	Hon Treasurer
5) Deacon Ernie Heng	Hon Asst. Treasurer
6) Rev Carol Ling	Member
7) Rev William Heng	“
8) Rev Dr Eugene Yeo	“
9) Rev Tan Mui Kiang	“
10) Rev Xie Wei Guang	“
11) Elder Tan Pang Tong	“
12) Elder Lim Chin Seng	“
13) Elder Andrew Tan	“
14) Elder Lee Shee Koeng	“
15) Elder Wong Soon Fen	“
16) Elder Goh Poo Seng	“
17) Elder Vincent Woo	“
18) Elder David Quek	“
19) Deacon Pang Siew Pui	“
20) Deacon Heok Seng Chiang	“
21) Deacon Lim Hong Soo	“
22) Deacon Alex Lim	“
23) Deacon Sherina Low	“
24) Deacon Yeo Song Chua	“
25) Deacon Ng Teck Hui	“
26) Deacon Felicia Poh	“
27) Deacon Samantha Tan	“
28) Deacon Michelle Hua	“
29) Deacon Roger Tan	“

**Trustees** We have entrusted to Trustee Presbyterian Church Registered (TPCSR) as our corporate trustee. A resolution supporting it was passed at the ACM 2015.

**Church Bank Operating Account:** Development Bank of Singapore

**Auditor:** SS Ang & Co Certified Public Accountants

**Staff Team:**

- a. Senior Minister: Rev Lim Tau Wei
- b. Associate Minister: Rev Carol Ling  
Rev William Heng (Part-Time)  
Rev Dr Eugene Yeo (Sabbatical: 1<sup>st</sup> Jul 2021 to 31<sup>st</sup> Dec 2021)  
Rev Tan Mui Kiang  
Rev Xie Weiguang
- c. Pastor Emeritus: Rev Wong Shyun Jye (Part-Time)
- d. Preachers: Preacher Andrea Ong  
Preacher Sun Lei  
Preacher Lam Wee Kian  
Elder Chia Swee Long (EDC appointment for BTS; Part-Time)
- e. Church Manager: Elder Chua Hung Seng (Part-Time)
- f. Administrators: Sister Karen Lian  
Sister Jemaine Heok  
Sister June Goh  
Sister Julie Chia  
Sister Michelle Hua Jue (Part-Time)
- g. Caretakers/ Janitors: Azli

**Standing Committees:** The Church EDC was assisted by the following Committee in Governance and Administration of the Church's ministry:

1. The Constitution Committee
2. The Finance Committee
3. The Personnel Committee
4. The Facility Management Committee
5. The Preschool & Day Care Management Committee
6. The Mission Committee
7. The Social Concern Committee
8. The Service Working Committees (Teochew, English [Saturday and Sunday], Mandarin, and Bilingual)
9. The Youth and Children Ministry
10. The Worship Ministry Committee
11. The IT Committee
12. The Anti-Covid Committee

**Bethel Presbyterian Church (BPC) Ministry Report Y2021**

**1. Church Year Theme and Mission**

The vision of BPC is to be “God’s House and Heaven’s Gate” in our multi-lingual setting, where we continue to strive and grow our worship services by emphasizing on spiritual maturity and growth of the congregation; serving one another and reaching out with the Gospel of Christ. We praise God by His grace for adding people in our midst and enabling Bethel to maintain growth.

2021 is the eighth year of our 10-year Vision 123. Despite the impact from a full-year Covid-19, church life continued, and ministries carried out. BPC strived to serve the elderly through our ministries at All Saints Home (ASH) and in church within the confines of nation advisories. We were only able to maintain contact with new immigrants through our virtual services. BPC continued to contribute to some Chinese Presbytery (CP) member churches requiring assistance. Between the severity of variant Delta and widespread infectivity of Omicron, BPC operated S3P throughout the year. In 2021, 32 stayers have benefitted from our transient accommodation and prayerfully, experienced God's love in one way or another.

The 5 services continued to lead members and friends to worship and serve the triune God using Teochew, English, and Mandarin. The Book of Acts was the anchor sermon series common for all services as we followed the church theme of "Be Christ's Witnesses to the World" (Acts 1:8).

The following are the significant points of the ministry report:

## **2. 2021 Elders and Deacons Court: Office Holders**

- a. Chairman : Rev Lim Tau Wei
- b. Secretary : Elder Loh Li Cheng
- c. Treasurer : Deacon Ko Hui Yun (From 1<sup>st</sup> July 2021)
- d. Vice Treasurer : Deacon Ernie Heng

## **3. Church Leadership in Times of Disruption**

- a. In the best possible safety measures, Elders Deacons Court (EDC), leaders and members alike, collaborated in mutual respect and love to give their best in ministry and to God.
- b. Through the collective leadership of EDC, a taskforce was formed to review Vision 123, with a third of them from the younger generation (<35 years).
- c. After 15 years of faithful ministry, Elder Chua Hung Seng, our Church Manager (1st July 2006 – 31st Dec 2021), stepped down in 31<sup>st</sup> Dec 2021. He also served at All Saints Home as Chairman of BOD (2009-2017). With effect from 1<sup>st</sup> Jan 2022, he will assume the role of Preschool Liaison Officer.
- d. On 1<sup>st</sup> Jul 2021, Pr. Lam Wee Kian joined BPC pastoral team and served as Youth and Young Adult (YYA) Pastor in a church-wide capacity.

## **4. Mission is our Commission.**

- a. In 2021, BPC Mission expense of \$176,481 amounted to 13.24% of church income \$1,337,307.
- b. We supported the teaching ministry of Rev Dr Jimmy Tan and Dr Yee Chin Hong at Trinity Theological College (TTC).
- c. We supported the missionary work of Rev Dr Samuel Lee and Dr Violet Lee in Cru.
- d. Bethel continues our forefathers' work to reach out to the Teochew speaking community.
- e. No mission trips were made.
- f. Through prayers and financial support, BPC continues to support Bible Colleges, para-church organizations, and various missionaries in several countries.

## **5. Church is a Part of Society.**

- a. All Saints Home (ASH):  
There are 4 nursing homes at Yishun, Jurong East, Tampines and Poh Huat Road, mostly

with high occupancy. 3 Silver Lifestyle Clubs have to open gradually and safely to minimize Covid-19 transmission. Visitations by family members, chaplains and volunteers are limited. Board of Directors and Management Team have to make difficult decisions to manage numerous challenges brought about by Covid-19.

b. All Saints Memorial Chapel (ASMC):

We supported All Saints Memorial Chapel's bereavement and caring ministry. Through the e-monthly memorial service (eMMS), we helped believers and friends to remember their forebears and God's love. Canaan Hall opened progressively with increasing enquiries.

ASMC supported missionaries like Rev Dr Samuel and Dr Violet Lee, and the libraries of TTC and Singapore Bible College. ASMC also supported lecturers Rev Dr Jimmy Tan and Dr Yee Chin Hong at TTC. From the total income (\$1,228,225), ASMC expensed on mission is (\$90,084), and funded BLS (\$80,000) and Chaplaincy Ministry to support and serve ASH residents with acts of Christian love.

c. Boys' Brigade (BB) and Girls' Brigade (GB) Ministry:

We continue to support youth projects in our community through BB and GB at Zhong Hua Secondary School. The teens and youths are developed with good characters and sound disciplines. With the commitment and dedication from the Chaplains, Captains, Officers and Volunteers, we want to thank God and recognize the work in BB and GB.

For BB, the achievements and awards were:

- JM Fraser Award (Year of Assessment 2020): Gold
- Character Quest (Bible Quiz): Gold
- BB Week: Bronze
- Founder's Award: 2 (Darius Loong and Ho Rong En)

GB was recognized with a Gold Company award.

d. Pre-School/Day Care:

BPC recognizes pre-school education ministry as an important gateway in reaching out to children with Christ's Gospel. The larger landscape of preschool is changing in tandem with government's initiatives. Collaboration with like-minded organizations will play a key role. Our centres have joined the Kingdomgarten Preschool Services, where we continuously upgrade our Daycare Centre and Pre-School curriculum, facilities, teachers, and management. We have also embarked on Explorer with weekly Brigade/uniformed program where K1 and K2 children learn Christian values each lesson. It is a stake our church can take to share the gospel to young hearts. Management team found potential in infant care and will undergo a feasibility study before any decision is made.

**6. Summary Statistics for Y 2021:**

Adult Baptism : 7	Infant Baptism: 5	Confirmation : 1
Transfer In : 1	Transfer Out : 1	Death : 10

Written by Rev Lim Tau Wei, proofread by Rev Eugene Yeo. 13<sup>th</sup> Apr 2022.