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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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130th Anniversary
一百三十周年纪念

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长老会伯特利堂于1883年在实笼岗上段（现伯特利楼址）由英国长老会差会的阁约翰牧师创立。服事对象为潮籍基督徒以及潮籍群社。黄岳霖先生为第一位传道人。

1903年，后港堂联合竹脚堂及武吉知马堂，统称声竹堂。林皋受聘为牧师。当时会友人数不多，教会日子艰辛，礼拜堂有倒塌危险，于1935年拆除。会众在传道人住宅（亚答屋）内崇拜。

1937年，本堂归竹脚堂（现生命堂）为支会。日本统治期间，聘许惠文先生为育四学校校长兼任传道，教会那时有复兴气象。1948年本堂改名为伯特利堂，并展开建设新礼拜堂的筹备工作。

Bethel Presbyterian Church began as the Hougang Church in 1883 at Upper Serangoon Road (present Bethel House site). It was established to minister to Teochew speaking Christians and to reach out to the Teochew community by Rev J.A.B. Cook who was sent by the English Presbyterian Mission. The first preacher was Huang Yue Lin.

In 1903 the Hougang Church combined with Tek Kar Church and Bukit Timah Church with Rev Lin Kau as its pastor. The church was then called the Siah Tek Church. With its small membership, the church floundered and its building became unsafe and was demolished in 1935. The congregation then met at the attap house, which was the preacher's house. It was then brought under Tek Kar Church (Life Church at present) in 1937. Before and after the Japanese Occupation, when Mr Koh Hui Boon was appointed as preacher, the church became more established and was renamed Chinese Christian Church Bethel Congregation in 1948 and preparations for a new building began.