

# Announcements

## NEW LIFE CHRISTMAS OUTREACH FOR COMMUNITY CHILDREN

Is your CG keen to be part of an outreach to bless children and their families during Christmas celebration? You can serve in New Life Christmas outreach. CGs will be involved in the planning and running of the event with the support of the staff. Don't miss this opportunity to share Jesus as the true reason of this season!

### Kids Champ Club

Date: Sat, 15 Dec,  
Time: 3pm – 5pm  
Venue: BPJ Centre

### P.A.N.D.A. Champs

Date: 21 Dec (Fri)  
Time: 2.00pm – 5.30pm  
Venue: BPJ Centre

To sign up and for more information, contact Jason at 9635 1135 or [jasonlee@newlife.org.sg](mailto:jasonlee@newlife.org.sg)

## BOWL & BOND

Calling all fathers with 11 to 13-year-old sons, join this event and bond with your kids!

**Date:** 1 Dec (Sat)  
**Time:** 3pm – 6pm

**Venue:** Temasek Club 131 Rifle Range Road Singapore 588406  
**Fee:** \$30 for a father-and-son pair. \$15/pax for additional participants. This includes three games, shoe rental and finger food. Bring your own socks.

Register at Voyager. Registration ends on 18 Nov. For enquiries, email [fic@cefc.org.sg](mailto:fic@cefc.org.sg)

## NEW LIFE STAFF RECRUITMENT

New Life needs committed and passionate staff to reach the next generation and be a blessing to the community. We are looking for talented people called to turn their passion into career to fill in the following positions:

- Youth Team Leader
- Childcare Principal (BPJ Centre)
- Office and Liaison Manager

If you are interested, download the application form at [tinyurl.com/nlcsjobform](http://tinyurl.com/nlcsjobform) and email to [hr@newlife.org.sg](mailto:hr@newlife.org.sg). Share this opportunity with your networks and friends too.

## NEW LIFE RUN DONATION

New Life Charity Run was held on 20 Oct, Saturday during CSC Run by the Bay. We are thankful for the 205 runners from 58 teams.

**You can still support the teams until 19 Nov.** Go to [tinyurl.com/charityrunteams](http://tinyurl.com/charityrunteams). Select the team you wish to support. Process your donation (all donations are eligible for 2.5 times tax deduction). For more information, contact Trevor at 8767 7089 or [fundraising@newlife.org.sg](mailto:fundraising@newlife.org.sg)

## KIDZBLAST

Invite **pre-believing kids aged 7 to 12 years old to KidzBlast Outreach on Sun, 25 Nov.** Admission is free, but registration is required. Register online at <http://cefc.ch/KBNov18> or collect the registration forms at the Information Counter.

**We need Covenanters to serve with us.** If you would like to serve, email [tng.sunbeam@cefc.org.sg](mailto:tng.sunbeam@cefc.org.sg)



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Sun 8.30am, 10.30am, 12.30pm

**WDL Centre:**  
Sun 8.30am & 10.30am

**East Centre:**  
Sun 9am & 11am

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## We are One!

FELIX WONG, DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, NEW LIFE COMMUNITY SERVICES

## Vision 2028 & Beyond Faith Exploit 4: Disciple Now to Impact Our Society and Culture

In 2017, after serving for 16 years as a secondary school teacher, I took no-pay leave to enrol as an IDMC Institute intern. After a year of rest and reflection, God called me to move out of my comfort zone to serve in New Life Community Service as the Deputy Executive Director on 1 January 2018.

In the past, I had some questions such as how New Life was birthed and what is the relationship between New Life and Covenant. Throughout my journey, I have discovered that New Life and Covenant EFC are indeed ONE – in our Mandate, Mission and Mobilisation.

We are ONE in our mandate as New Life was birthed out of Covenant EFC's desire to reach our community and impact our society and culture. We are also ONE in our mission to love the community for Christ and be a blessing to the community around our worship centres. From Bukit

Panjang to Woodlands to the East and to our future worship centres – we are ONE in our mobilisation of volunteers as well as funding. 99% of our volunteers and the majority of our donors are Covenanters.

We are grateful to God for blessing us with this unity of oneness, demonstrated by how New Life and Covenant EFC work together to love our community for Christ. Ephesians 4:4 says, "There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to one hope when you were called."

Today, after 18 years, we are awed by God's blessings upon New Life and Covenant EFC. United as ONE, we will forge forward together to impact our society and culture as God leads us towards Vision 2028 & Beyond.

One of the key burdens which God placed upon my heart is to continue to bring about this oneness between New Life and Covenant EFC. Will you join us to be a blessing to our community and make a lasting impact in our society and culture, far beyond our imagination of what our ONE life can do for Christ?

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# Sermon Outline

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## We Are One!

SCRIPTURE: JOHN 17:20-26 • SERMON: REV TAN KAY KIONG

### Introduction

1. The Need of the World Today
2. Jesus' Prayer – for us to be ONE!

Two fundamental principles for Oneness, as seen in John 17:20-26 -

#### A. To Grow In This Oneness, We Must Seek the Greater Glory (vv.20-24)

“The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one” (v.22)

#### B. To Grow In This Oneness, We Must Abide in the Deeper Love (25-26)

“I made known to them your name, and I will continue to make it known, that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.” (v.26)

### Conclusion

“We Are ONE!”

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NEXT WEEK'S SERMON SPEAKER:

18 NOV – REV TAN KAY KIONG (BPJ), REV TONY YEO (WDL) AND PS EDMUND WONG (EAST)

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# Last Week's Sermon Summary

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## Guardians of the Gospel

SCRIPTURE: ACTS 20:1-38 • SERMON: PS EDMUND WONG

### Introduction

We are given the Gospel, an age-old tried and tested formula for salvation which this modern and progressive world still needs, because God and our sinful condition remain the same. What does it take to be a guardian of the Gospel in our world today?

#### A. A Life Sold Out for the Gospel

1. In verses 17 to 27, Paul repeated that he did not shrink back, but gave it all despite ...
  - a. Detours and delays (vv.1-3) – 600+ km up North to Macedonia instead of East to Syria
  - b. Distractions (vv.7-12) – we would have thought Paul would stop after Eutychus fell over for fear that it would happen to more people!
  - c. Despair (cf. 2 Cor 1:8) – a life sold out for the Gospel keeps going despite all these, one step at a time.
2. God's grace in the form of companions came to Paul to help him keep going (v.4).
3. Focus: A long obedience in the same direction (Eugene Peterson) requires others to journey with us. “If you want to go fast, go alone; if you want to go far, go together.” (African Proverb) Find your faithful companions. It's half the battle won!

#### B. A Church United for the Gospel

1. In verses 28 to 35, the greatest danger to the Church is not from the outside, but from within — Jewish teachers at that time were claiming that they must be circumcised to be saved, Gnostic teachers later teaching secret knowledge as necessary for salvation.
2. What kept them united was being engaged in the Word (v.32) and endeared to one another. Paul's posture was not correcting the false teachers, but shedding tears for God's people (vv.19, 31).
3. The leaders became so endeared to Paul that they shed tears easily (vv.37-38). Paul and the church at Troas conversed with one another. Till dawn! (v.11)
4. Focus: We become endeared to one another when we make sacrifices for one another (vv.33-35). What sacrifices are we prepared to make for the spiritual family, if we love the Church (and not just like it)?

### Conclusion

Jesus' final six-hour assignment on Good Friday and emerging from the grave as our Champion. We fight **from** victory because of this grace — one step at a time!