

# TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH PENANG



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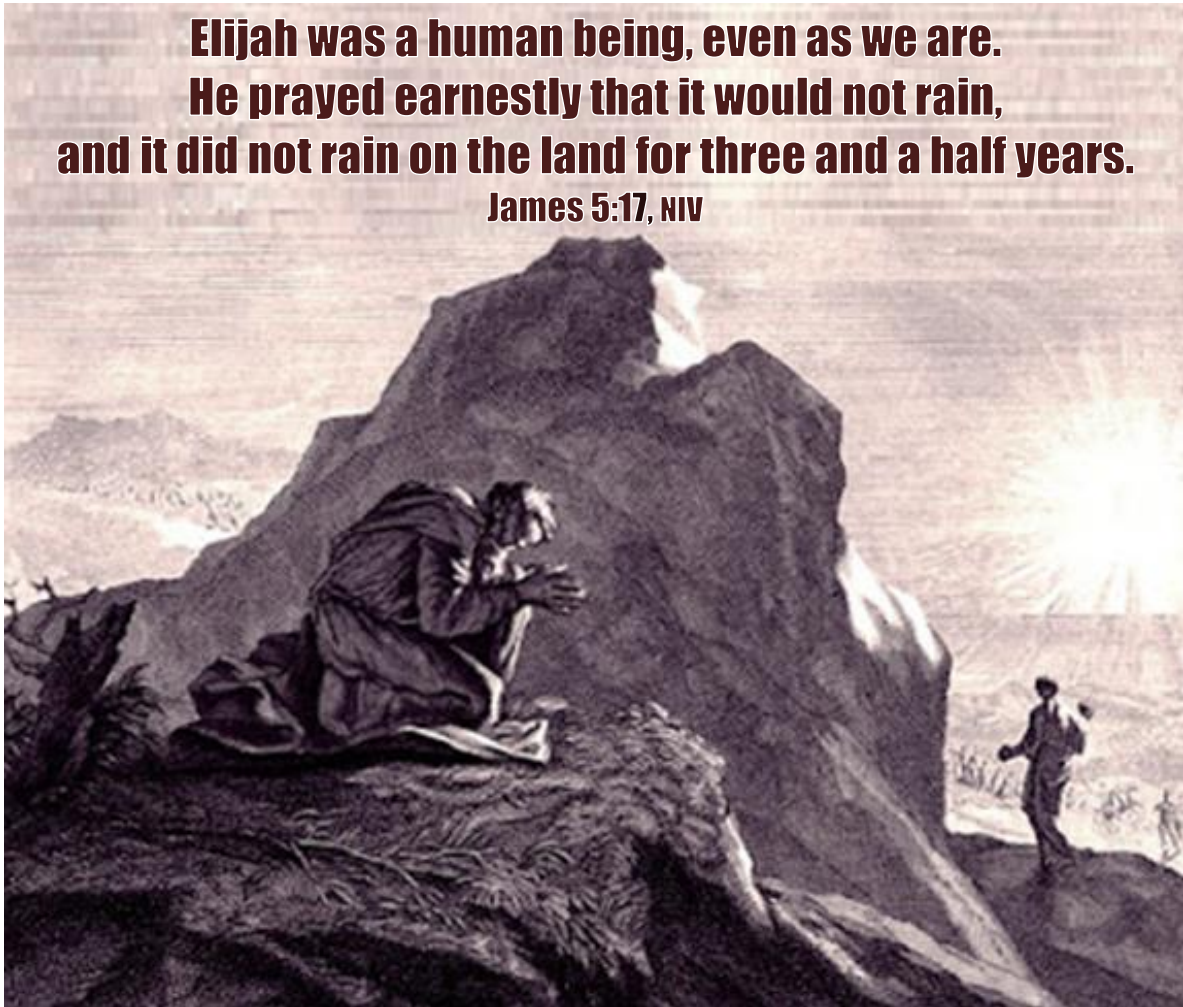
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

June 9, 2024

***"Be reverent, for this is the house of the Lord.  
Before the service, speak to God.  
During the service, let God speak to you.  
"After the service, speak to one another at the fellowship area."***

**Elijah was a human being, even as we are.  
He prayed earnestly that it would not rain,  
and it did not rain on the land for three and a half years.**

**James 5:17, NIV**



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## Our Vision

***Nurturing Disciples to be a Spirit-filled, Impactful Church***

## The 4 Essentials

***Personal Growth, Building Community,  
A Voice to Our Nation, A Vision for the World***

**SCRIPTURE SENTENCE**

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and faithful in all He does.

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*Psalm 145:18, NIV*

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L: You are near to all who call on You;

**P: To all who call on You in truth.**

L: My mouth will speak Your praise, O LORD;

**P: And all will bless Your holy name. Amen.**

**OPENING PRAYER****ACTS OF PRAISE**Here I Am To Worship

Light of the world  
You stepped down into darkness  
Opened my eyes let me see  
Beauty that made  
This heart adore You  
Hope of a life spent with You

King of all days  
Oh so highly exalted  
Glorious in heaven above  
Humbly You came  
To the earth You created  
All for love's sake became poor

*So here I am to worship  
Here I am to bow down  
Here I am to say that You're my God  
And You're altogether lovely  
Altogether worthy  
Altogether wonderful to me*

And I'll never know how much it cost  
To see my sin upon that cross  
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## You Alone I Praise

My righteousness, my holiness  
Emmanuel living in me  
Merciful King, to You I sing  
Matchless in worth, You're awesome in deeds

*You alone I praise, the Lamb upon the throne  
You alone I praise, and make Your glory known  
You alone I praise, the keeper of my heart  
You alone I praise, Jesus, lover of my soul*

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## Facing A Task Unfinished (We Go To All The World)

Facing a task unfinished  
That drives us to our knees  
A need that undiminished  
Rebukes our slothful ease  
We who rejoice to know Thee  
Renew before Thy throne  
The solemn pledge we owe Thee  
To go and make Thee known

Where other lords beside Thee  
Hold their unhindered sway  
Where forces that defied Thee  
Defy Thee still today  
With none to heed their crying  
For life and love and light  
Unnumbered souls are dying  
And pass into the night

*We go to all the world  
With (His) kingdom hope unfurled  
No other name has power to save  
But Jesus Christ The Lord*

We bear the torch that flaming  
Fell from the hands of those  
Who gave their lives proclaiming  
That Jesus died and rose  
Ours is the same commission  
The same glad message ours  
Fired by the same ambition  
To Thee we yield our powers

O Father who sustained them  
O Spirit who inspired  
Saviour whose love constrained them  
To toil with zeal untired  
From cowardice defend us  
From lethargy awake  
Forth on Thine errands send us  
To labour for Thy sake

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"Facing A Task Unfinished (We Go To All The World)"

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## **PRAYER OF INTERCESSION**

1. Pray for all affected by recent volcanic eruptions around the Pacific "Ring of Fire". Pray against further disruptions as people are forced to evacuate homes.
2. Pray for Malaysia and the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC). Pray for effective and impartial investigations that would root out all forms of corruption in our nation.
3. Pray for Penang Trinity and our Methodist Church in Malaysia as ~350 young leaders attend the Methodist Young Leaders Conference next week (12-15 June) in Port Dickson. 8 are going from our church. Pray for all travelling, and for this conference to be a source of inspiration and blessing to young leaders in our Methodist churches.
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## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come, Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

## **E-OFFERING & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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## **DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise Him, all creatures here below.  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.  
Praise Father, Son & Holy Ghost. Amen.

## **SUNDAY SCHOOL CHILDREN'S DISMISSAL**

*(...Those leaving for their Sunday School Classes will stand...)*

Pastor: Praise the Lord. Give thanks to the Lord.

Children: For He is good, and His love endures forever.

People: The Lord be with you.

Children: And also with you.

## **SCRIPTURE READING**                      2 Kings 1:1-18

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**CLOSING SONG**This I Believe (The Creed)

Our Father everlasting  
The all creating One  
God Almighty  
Through Your Holy Spirit  
Conceiving Christ the Son  
Jesus our Saviour

*I believe in God our Father  
I believe in Christ the Son  
I believe in the Holy Spirit  
Our God is three in One  
I believe in the resurrection  
That we will rise again  
For I believe in the Name of Jesus*

Our judge and our defender  
Suffered and crucified  
Forgiveness is in You  
Descended into darkness  
You rose in glorious life  
Forever seated high

I believe in You  
I believe You rose again  
I believe that Jesus Christ is Lord

*I believe in life eternal  
I believe in the virgin birth  
I believe in the saints' communion  
And in Your holy Church  
I believe in the resurrection  
When Jesus comes again  
For I believe in the Name of Jesus*

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**OPENING PRAYER****OPENING SONG**

God of Grace and God of Glory

UMH 577

God of grace and God of glory  
On the people pour Thy power  
Crown Thine ancient church's story  
Bring her bud to glorious flower  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage  
For the facing of this hour  
For the facing of this hour

Cure Thy children's warring madness  
Bend our pride to Thy control  
Shame our wanton, selfish gladness  
Rich in things and poor in soul  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage  
Lest we miss Thy kingdom's goal  
Lest we miss Thy kingdom's goal

Lo! the hosts of evil round us  
Scorn thy Christ, assail His ways!  
Fears and doubts too long have bound us  
Free our hearts to work and praise  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage  
For the living of these days  
For the living of these days

Save us from weak resignation  
To the evils we deplore  
Let the search for Thy salvation  
Be our glory evermore  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage  
Serving Thee whom we adore  
Serving Thee whom we adore

Come Thou fount of every blessing  
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace  
Streams of mercy never ceasing  
Call for songs of loudest praise  
Teach me some melodious sonnet  
Sung by flaming tongues above  
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it  
Mount of Thy redeeming love

Here I raise mine Ebenezer  
Hither by Thy help I'm come  
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure  
Safely to arrive at home

Jesus sought me when a stranger  
Wandering from the fold of God  
He, to rescue me from danger  
Interposed His precious blood

O to grace how great a debtor  
Daily I'm constrained to be!  
Let Thy grace Lord like a fetter  
Bind my wandering heart to Thee  
Prone to wander Lord, I feel it  
Prone to leave the God I love  
Here's my heart, O take and seal it  
Seal it for Thy courts above

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## **SONG OF PREPARATION**

Take My Life, and Let It Be

UMH 399

Take my life, and let it be  
Consecrated, Lord, to Thee  
Take my moments and my days  
Let them flow in ceaseless praise  
Take my hands, and let them move  
At the impulse of Thy love  
Take my feet, and let them be  
Swift and beautiful for Thee

Take my voice, and let me sing  
Always, only, for my King  
Take my lips, and let them be  
Filled with messages from Thee

Take my silver and my gold  
Not a mite would I withhold  
Take my intellect, and use  
Every power as Thou shalt choose

Take my will, and make it Thine  
It shall be no longer mine  
Take my heart, it is Thine own  
It shall be Thy royal throne  
Take my love, my Lord, I pour  
At Thy feet its treasure-store  
Take myself, and I will be  
Ever, only, all for Thee

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## **SCRIPTURE READING**

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## **SERMON**

Calling on the LORD: The Life & Ministry of Elijah

Mr Tan Chong Jin



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## **CLOSING SONG**

Forward Through the Ages

UMH 555

Forward through the ages in unbroken line  
Move the faithful spirits at the call divine  
Gifts in differing measure, hearts of one accord  
Manifold the service, one the sure reward

*Forward through the ages  
In unbroken line  
Move the faithful spirits  
At the call divine*

Wider grows the kingdom, reign of love and light  
For it we must labour till our faith is sight  
Prophets have proclaimed it, martyrs testified  
Poets sung its glory, heroes for it died

Not alone we conquer, not alone we fall  
In each loss or triumph, lose or triumph all  
Bound by God's far purpose, in one living whole  
move we on together, to the shining goal

## **BENEDICTION**

## **THREE-FOLD AMEN**

## SERMON OUTLINE

Title: Calling on the LORD: The Life & Ministry of Elijah

Scripture Passage: 2 Kings 1:1-18

**BIG IDEA: To call on the Lord is to have complete trust and confidence in Him**

### **Key Verse: 2 Kings 1:3b (NIV)**

Is it because there is no God in Israel that you are going off to consult Baal-Zebub, the god of Ekron?

### **Introduction**

- Elijah's life and ministry was based on uncompromising faith and dedication to God

Uncompromising faith means:

### **1. Calling on the Lord**

*The fight for uncompromising faith in God*

- The people of Israel wavered between God and Baal (1 Kings 18:21)
- Partial belief leads to total unbelief
- Take-away: Call on the Lord with full belief and trust in Him

### **2. Consecrated for the Lord**

*Called and set apart for God*

- Called and set apart not by works, but by grace through faith in Jesus
- Elijah lived out his calling through famine, trials, set-backs and fear (1 Kings 17-19)
- But he served faithfully before passing on a legacy of faith for Elisha to build on (2 Kings 2:9)
- Take-away: Our choices in life must be compatible with our consecration in Christ

### **3. Casting down strongholds**

*Removing obstacles to believing faith*

- Elijah fought the fight of faith to remove strongholds of idolatry and rebellion (1 Kings 17)
- Paul describes the spiritual warfare to remove strongholds of unbelief and disobedience to God (2 Corinthians 10:1-6)
- Take-away: What are the strongholds of unbelief and disobedience we need to remove by faith in our own lives?

## Today's WORSHIP ENABLERS

	<u>10.00 am Service</u>	<u>5.00 pm Service</u>
<b>Sermon Title/Text</b>	Calling on the LORD: The Life & Ministry of Elijah ( <i>2 Kings 1:1-18</i> )	Calling on the LORD: The Life & Ministry of Elijah ( <i>2 Kings 1:1-18</i> )
<b>Preacher</b>	Mr Tan Chong Jin	Mr Tan Chong Jin
<b>Liturgist</b>	n/a	Mrs Esther Wong
<b>Worship Leaders</b>	Mrs Angela Khong, Ms Cheah Yan Li	n/a
<b>Reader</b>	Mr Ryan Loke	Mr Chuah Toh Thye
<b>Musicians</b>	Ms Emily Ngu, Mr Tairven Lee Mr Edwin Oon	Mrs Audrey Tan
<b>Sound</b>	Mr Daniel Purba	Mr Andrew Lee
<b>Visual</b>	Mr Hugo Cheah	Mr Joshua Timothy
<b>Streaming</b>	Ms Wong Fong Yi	n/a
<b>Ushers</b>	Mr Cheong Kum Loong, Mrs Sally Loh Ms Wong Choon Moi, Ms Tan Siew Ngoh	Ms Vivian Lim Mr Tony Teh
<b>Finance Stewards</b>	Ms Liew Chin Yee, Ms Janet Yeoh	n/a

## Next Sunday's WORSHIP ENABLERS

	<u>10.00 am Service</u>	<u>5.00 pm Service</u>
<b>Sermon Title/Text</b>	TBA	TBA
<b>Preacher</b>	Mr Choo Fai Woh	Mr Choo Fai Woh
<b>Liturgist</b>	Mrs Florence Ang	Mrs Loo Li Lin
<b>Reader</b>	Mrs Sally Loh	Mrs Elaine Tan
<b>Musician</b>	Mr Bernard Lee	Ms Liew Yann Wen
<b>Sound</b>	Mr Matthew Chieng, Mr Jesse Ong	Mr William Ng
<b>Visual</b>	Mr Calvin Fong	Mr William Ng
<b>Streaming</b>	Ms Wong Fong Yi	n/a
<b>Ushers</b>	Ms Teo Lay Tinn, Ms Pauleen Khoo Ms Wong Siew Eng, Mr Oon Chee Soon	Ms Cheah Yan Min Mrs Cheah Kai Choo
<b>Finance Stewards</b>	Mr Yeo Hwang Seng Mr Tan Kok Huat, Mdm Keow Poh Lean	n/a

## WEEKLY MINISTRIES & ACTIVITIES

### **SUNDAY**

- 10.00am Worship Service in English  
Church School
- 12.30pm Methodist Youth Fellowship
- 1.30pm Young Families 1 Small Group –  
Tairven Lee
- Young Families 2 – James Hii
- 2.15pm Sungai Ara II Small Group –  
Jason Chieng
- 3.00pm Post Alpha Small Group  
Boys' Brigade

### **MONDAY**

- 10.00am Tanjung Bungah Small Group –  
Chan Chen Weng
- 8.00pm Lighthouse Watchmen Prayer Network  
(LWPN), Bayan Lepas – Teng Leong

### **TUESDAY**

- 7.00pm Young Adults III Small Group –  
Gerviene Sya

### **WEDNESDAY**

- 10.00am Line Dancing  
Wednesday Small Group –  
Tan Saw Lee (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed)
- 11.00am Church Office Staff Meeting
- 3.00pm Galilee Kopitiam (2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wed)

### **THURSDAY**

- 10.00am Island Glades Small Group –  
Tan Kok Huat (2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>)
- 8.30pm Church Prayer Meeting –  
<http://bit.ly/tmcprayer>
- 9.00pm Tree Residency Small Group  
– Jesse Ong

### **FRIDAY**

- Small Groups:
- 2.45pm Cheeseman Rd (Bethel) – Loo Li Lin
- 8.30pm Young Adults I – Seah Por Shen
- Taman Sri Nibong – Dr Saw Kim Guan
- Permai Village I – Ooi Lay Chen

### **SATURDAY**

- 10:30am Permai Village Small Group –  
Daniel Teh
- 1:30pm Alzheimer's Caregivers Support Group  
Small Groups:
- 2.00pm Century Garden – Lim Lim Ling
- 8.00pm Young Adults II – Hendrix Cheong
- 8.30pm Sungai Ara I – Low Sheok Yin (fortnightly)

## WEEKLY PRAYER

### World

- The growing crisis in the Middle East has spilled over into Iraq in recent months, leaving many feeling anxious and fearful. Pray for a brighter and more peaceful future for Iraq, and that church leaders will find the strength and wisdom to lead their members through these challenging times. Pray also, for those who have converted from Islam to follow Christ; that they will remain strong and continue to hold firm to His teachings.

### Nation

- Pray for God's protection over all believers, as well as pre-believers pursuing Christ. Pray that Christians throughout the nation will continue to be able to worship freely, and find ways to encourage and uplift those who have to follow Jesus in the shadows. Pray that cultural and ethnic divisions will be bridged in Christ. Pray also, for legal, economic, emotional and spiritual freedom for migrant workers and refugees.

### Church

- Pray that as we continue to earnestly seek God through the reading of His Word and through prayer, He will fill us with His unconditional love, mercy and compassion so that we may be His hands and feet to those around us. Pray that He will grant us eyes that are sensitive to those who are in need, as well as ready and willing hearts to offer help to them; that they may see the love of Christ in us.

### Self

- Pray that we will honour God and be submissive to His will by doing the good works He has prepared in advance for us to do. Pray that the Holy Spirit will guide us to use our time, efforts and talents wisely. Pray that He will help us to walk in Him, and that our words and actions will reflect His character. Pray also, that our lives will be lived to serve Him, to His praise and glory.

# CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

**WELCOME** to worship at *Trinity*. For any assistance please contact:

Pastor – Rev Shearn Sya: 04-828 7445

Administrator – Ms Angeline Choo: 013-243 1282

- Sermons and past worship services are available online (<http://replay.penangtrinity.org>).
- Visitation ministry for the homebound, please inform Angeline Choo.
- Floral Gifts: Please contact the church office or email [office@penangtrinity.org](mailto:office@penangtrinity.org).
- Online/ATM Transfer: **Maybank Account No. MBB 5072 4612 6505** (Trinity Methodist Church Penang). Please indicate for “Offering/Pledge” or “Poor & Needy” in Recipient Reference for online transfers.

## TODAY – June 9

Communion Offering for June 2024 will go to Crystal Family Home Care Center.

## Coming up in June!

16 – Father’s Day

## 2024 Church-wide Bible Reading Plan:

<http://bit.ly/tmc bible2024>

Prayer Request Form – <https://bit.ly/tmcprayforme>.

All requests are confidential unless permission is given to circulate to larger prayer group.

Breakfast options will be available for sale between 9am – 10am, whilst refreshments will be served after the 10am service at The Solid Rock. Lunch options will also be available for sale between 11:30am – 1:30pm. For takeaways, please bring your own containers.

## Pray for Malaysia

June 16, 8pm – 9pm

To join, go to <https://pray.smced.org/>

## Vacancies: TMCK Teachers

Please call Mrs Teong at 04-826 0724

or submit resume to

[kindy.admin@penangtrinity.org](mailto:kindy.admin@penangtrinity.org).

## 10AM / 5PM Service

- ✗ *Booking of Seats – Not required*
- ✗ *MySejahtera checks – Not required*
- ✓ *Record names of attendees – Required*
- ✓ *Masks, Social Distancing – Strongly encouraged*

