



# Welcome to Bethesda Frankel Estate Church

**"In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven." Matthew 5:16**

**Rooted in the Living Word Empowered by the Holy Spirit Abiding in Christ only Daring to Hope and to Love Yielding Fruit To God's Glory**

**Topic : World View #1 : Creation or Evolution? Did Adam & Eve Really Exist? Services: 8am & 10am service  
A Radical Reading of Genesis 1-3 Speaker: Elder Ernest Chew**

Scripture: Genesis 1-3

Key Verses: Gen.1:1 and 26-27 --

"In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.... Then God said, 'Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness, so that they may rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all the wild animals, and over all the creatures that move along the ground'. So God created mankind in His own image, in the image of God He created them; male and female He created them."

1. **Connection with our Colossians Series  
Christ, Lord over Creation and His Church**  
(Col.1:15-18; 2:3,6-7,9-10).
2. **Creation: Interpretative Concepts**
  - 2.1. **Alpha: Authors, Agenda, Accounts, Audience  
Who wrote Genesis?**  
What's the Agenda? Gen.1:1 to 2:3.  
God the source, speaker, seer, specifier, shaper,  
sanctifier and sabbath-keeper of all creation.  
  
Two Creation Accounts (Gen.1:1-2:3 and 2:4-25).  
Echoes in the Old and New Testaments:  
e.g., Psalms 8,19,104; Prov.8:22-31; Job.28;  
Isa.40:12-31 and 42:5; Matt.11:25 and 19:3-8;  
Jn.1:1-4,14; Rom.1:20 and 5:12-19; Heb.1:1-3;11:3.  
  
What kinds of Accounts in Genesis?  
The **Genres** = kinds, types. History, narratives,  
poetry, genealogies, etc. Structure of story.  
Who is the Audience? Who are the readers?
  - 2.2. **Beginnings ("Genesis"). Back to basics,  
origins, causes, purposes, designs.**  
The beginning of time. The "days" of creation  
(compare with Psalm 90:1-4 and 2 Pet.3:8).
  - 2.3. **Creation of space, time, environment,  
animals, humans [place and population],  
gender, marriage, sex, and family.**  
**Symmetry** in Gen.1.
3. **Controversy: "the Battle of Beginnings"**  
Three main views:
  - (a) Creation only
  - (b) Evolution only
  - (c) Creation including evolutionary processes
  - 3.1. **Scripture:** what do these texts say and mean?
  - 3.2. **Science:** what is its method and philosophy?
  - 3.3. **Scripture and Science:** how do they relate?
4. **Challenges:** "What is man...?" (Psalm 8:4; Heb.2:6).  
Who are we? Why did God create the human race?  
What is the meaning of life? Where are we going?  
Who were our first parents, "Adam and Eve"?  
When were they "created"? Does it matter?
  - 4.1. Humans made "...in the image of God..."  
(Gen.1:26-27). In what ways is man like God?  
Resemblance, relationship, rulership.
  - 4.2. A human formed "from the dust of the ground",  
God "breathed into him the breath of life, and  
the man became a living being" (Gen.2:7).  
Body, spirit, soul.
  - 4.3. Man's place and partner (Gen.2:8-25).
  - 4.4. **Adam and Eve:** How did sin enter the world?  
(Gen.3:1-13). Deception and disobedience.  
What were the **results** of "the Fall"?  
"What's wrong with us?" (Alister McGrath).  
Dignity, downfall, deliverance.
  - 4.5. **Adam and Christ** (Rom.5:12; 1 Cor.15:22, 45-49).  
Did Adam and Eve have a historical existence?  
Genealogy and Genome.  
The historicity of "Adam, the son of God" (Luke3:38).  
Sinners by nature and choice (Rom.5:12 and 3:23).  
How is Adam linked with Christ?  
Jesus Christ, "the last Adam...the second Man"  
(1 Cor.15:45,47). The rescue mission. The new  
Representative. "There is a Redeemer..."
5. **Conclusion:** the God of Genesis and Revelation  
Worship the Triune God of Glory and of Grace --  
God is Good -- all the time!

**My Response:** Our Response during the service is an act of worship. Do write your reflections on a Response Form and place it in either of the offering bags. **Holy Communion:** We welcome baptized believers to join in the Lord's Supper.  
**Tithes & Offerings:** Giving cheerfully & sacrificially of our finances is part of our worship. Giving serves as a constant reminder that God is our provider, & we seek to honour Him with our tithes & offerings. **Red Bag** - General & Ministry Fund, **Blue Bag** - Missions Fund.  
Please address your cheque to: "Bethesda Frankel Estate Church".

**Pulpit Series #3: World View Series #1 (4 part)**

There is a great spiritual battle raging for the hearts and minds of men and women everywhere through traditional media (books, magazines, TV and radio) and social media (internet). We now find ourselves in a cosmic struggle between Christian truth and a morally indifferent culture. Thus we need to shape a Christian worldview and life-view that will help us learn to think biblically and live out the truth of our Christian faith.

For this 4-part sermon series, we hope that as followers of Jesus in the twenty-first century we will learn to articulate our Christian worldview and to show how this is applicable across all areas of life.

Date	Topic	Speaker
4 June	<b>Creation or Evolution? Did Adam and Eve exist? A radical reading of Genesis 1 to 3</b>	<b>Elder Ernest Chew</b>
11 June	<b>(Combined Service @ 9am)</b> Outdated or Timeless: Is Christianity relevant for today?	Kenneth Wong
18 June	Fake or Real: How can it be reasonable for Christians to claim knowledge of an objective truth in the Bible?	Rev Dr Danny Goh
25 June	Compassion without compromise - how do I relate with homosexual friends?	Darius Lee

**Closures to take note of:**

- KSS & JSS is closed on 11 & 18 June. They will resume on 25 June.
- Café Leaf is closed for the June holidays and will resume on 2 July.
- IFM is closed for the June holidays and will resume on 2 July.
- Frankel Lights is closed in June, resumes 3 July (Mon)
- Hanyu Pinyin class is closed in June, resumes 5 July (Wed)

In view of church camp, it will be

**One Combined Service @ 9am on 11 June**

here in Frankel. Breakfast fellowship after service, as usual.  
Note: Creche, KSS, JSS, Grow@Noon, IFM will be closed that day

**Baptism & Membership Class (2 to 23 July) Baptism on 6 Aug**

Baptism is more than a symbolic act or tradition. It has tremendous spiritual significance as a public testimony of one's faith to our friends & loved ones. Jesus Himself chose to be baptised. We urge all Frankelites (aged 12 and above) who have yet to be baptised to sign up to get themselves ready. You will need to attend all 4 lessons, held over 4 Sundays (8.30am-10.00am).

This will be followed by an interview with church leaders.

- 2 July : Session 1 "Our Salvation"
- 9 July : Session 2 "Baptism & The Lord's Supper"
- 16 July : Session 3 "Our Church Statements"
- 23 July : Session 4 "Our Church Strategy & Structure"

**Membership Transfer** : Classes are also arranged for all who would like to take the opportunity to transfer their membership to BFEC. You only need to attend these 2 sessions.

- 16 July : Session 3 "Our Church Statements"
- 23 July : Session 4 "Our Church Strategy & Structure"

Application forms for Baptism/Membership Transfer can be obtained from the church office. Please submit completed form **by 25 June**



**Frankel Intercessors Ready Everywhere & everytime**

**Have A Prayer Request?** Write it in the Response Form so we can alert the **F.I.R.E.** team to pray with you.

**BFEC Cares Ministry** - Need a trained and committed caregiver to journey with you (or someone you know) through a difficult time? Enquire with Lindis or Fang Fang at [bfecares@bfec.org.sg](mailto:bfecares@bfec.org.sg)

No **Sunday Prayer Hour** today due to pre-camp briefing. Next Sunday Prayer Hour will be on 2 July.

**Ladies Group Talk—Is Alternative Medicine Alternative?**

Date: Tuesday 6 June 2017, 8pm. Venue: Chapel **OPEN TO ALL**  
Speaker: Dr Wong Lea Choung, Asst. Prof. in Dept. of Medicine (NUS) and Snr Consultant Radiation Oncologist (National Cancer Institute, S'pore)

**Chinese Evergreen Fellowship, Wed 7 June 10.30am**

Willy Ong will share about Logos Hope Ship: Bringing Knowledge, Help and Hope.  
Kelvin Ng together with Grow@Noon will teach the seniors how to use smartphones.

**Grow@Noon Father's Day Celebration on 18 June**

All parents (yes, mothers too) of Grow@Noon youths are invited to a special Father's Day celebration on 18 June from 12noon to 1.30pm

**Precept-upon-Precept bible study on Nehemiah**

Fortnightly on Thursdays from 20 July to 19 Oct 2017 (with break for school holidays) 7.45pm - 10pm



How do you respond when the enemy tries to interfere with God's clear direction? The enemies of God

sought to frighten Nehemiah as he proceeded to rebuild the walls of Jerusalem. Nehemiah shows us leadership and obedience in the face of opposition, as well as God's miraculous blessing and provision.

Cost: \$24 (includes course worksheets, refreshments, Mei's honorarium.) Optional: \$4 for 3-ring file.

Sign up by 30 June at <http://bit.ly/BFECnehemiah>



**OUR OTHER REGULAR MEETINGS**

**Cell Groups...** 45 cell groups meet during the week. To join one, contact Shirley Soo Tel: 62414622 Email: [ShirleySoo@bfec.org.sg](mailto:ShirleySoo@bfec.org.sg)

**9214 (Seniors):** Bible Study & Fellowship (Sun 10am @ ClassRmA1); FrankeLights (Bible Study) CLOSED for the month of June  
Games @ Upper Rm (Tue 6pm, Thu 3pm, Sat 9.30am)  
Hanyu Pinyin Class CLOSED for the month of June

**Ladies' Group:** Tue 8pm @ Annexe  
30/5 Ms Persis Lim 6/6 Medical Talk by Dr Wong Lea Choung  
13/6 Mrs Rani Mathew 20/6 Dr Florence Tan

**Chinese Evergreen Fellowship:** Wed 10.30am-12.30pm

**Church Prayer Ministry:** Fri 8pm @ Chapel  
2/6 Sharing on Nepal—Oh Sweet Cheng  
9/6 No Meeting Due to Church Camp 9-12 June  
16/6 Celebration of the Lord's Supper (1 Cor 11:17-22)—Letch  
23/6 Concerning Spiritual Gifts (1 Cor 12:1-11)—Michael Mak

**Peranakan Ministry:** 2nd & 4th Sat 4pm @ Chapel  
10/6 Sanjungan & Hormat —Mr William Tan  
24/6 Kelakuan dan cara hidup orang Kristian — Mr David Tan

**Foreign Indian Workers' Fellowship**  
English Class: Sat (except last Sat) 8pm-9.30 pm @ Class Room A1  
Tamil Service: Sundays 11.15am-12.30pm @ Fellowship Room.  
Contact Letch (HP:93870245)

**International Fellowship (Indonesian & Filipino):** Sun 10am—11.40am @Lvl 3 Excel Room & Class Rm C3

**WAG:** TBA



**Pre - Camp Briefing TODAY (4th June)**

After 8am service: 10 am at Vineyard  
After 10am service: 12 pm at Chapel

**Church Camp Payment**

All the cheques (payment for camp fees) will be deposited on Monday, 5 Jun 2017.

Campers are reminded to ensure that you have sufficient funds in your bank account to avoid any penalty imposed by the bank.