



# Welcome to our Church



**Our Vision** "To be the bride of Christ ready at His return."  
**Our Mission** "We spur one another to grow as disciples of Christ living out fully God's purposes for our lives."

**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**

**Theme:** "Empowered By The Holy Spirit"  
**Topic:** "How does the Holy Spirit Enable?"  
**Scriptures:** Gal 5:13-26

**Service:** 8-9.30am and 10-11.45am  
**Speaker:** Elder Melville Szto

The message title presupposes two things: firstly, that we need enabling and secondly, that we do want to be enabled. When we speak of the Spirit's enabling, let us never forget we are speaking about the third person of the Holy Trinity, God the Holy Spirit. He is not simply the source of the power we need, but He is also our God whom we worship and serve. So let us ask ourselves these three questions:

## 1. What do we need enabling for?

*"It is for freedom that Christ has set us free." (Gal 5:1)*

We can identify three areas that we need divine enabling in:

- Victorious living
- Fruitful service
- Effective witnessing

Do you and I truly desire these things? Can say Amen to Paul's great prayer in **Col 1:10-12**?

## 2. How does the Holy Spirit enable us?

*"Live by the Spirit and you will not gratify the desires of the sinful nature." (Gal 5:16)*

But what does living by the Spirit mean? It means

- Remembering what you were called to be and what you were called for: **Gal 5:13-14**
- Understanding the nature of the conflict between flesh and Spirit: **Gal 5:16-21**
- Desiring the fruit (harvest) of the Spirit: **Gal 5:22-23**

## 3. What is the part we must play?

*"Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit." (Gal 5:25)*

- We must understand that we have crucified the sinful nature (flesh): **Gal 5:24, 26**
- We need to give control over to the Holy Spirit: **Gal 5:18, 25**
- We need to daily walk 'in sync', keeping "in step with" the Holy Spirit: **Gal 5:25-26**
- The real issue, in the end, is who really controls our life day by day?

**It's 2013!** Our Theme Verse "Since we are living by the Spirit, let us follow the Spirit's leading in every part of our lives." Gal 5:25

**Pulpit Series "Empowered by the Holy Spirit"**

We continue to better appreciate and appropriate the role of the Holy Spirit in our "spirit"ual walk. The remaining 2 "actions" of the Holy Spirit are:

**Today: How does the Holy Spirit Enable?** Speaker: Elder Melville Szto  
**27 Jan: How does the Holy Spirit Save?** Speaker: Elder Danny Chua



**Appreciation Sunday Lunch cum Shepherds' Staff #1/2013, Next Sun 27 Jan, 2-5pm**

For: All shepherds, Cell Leaders, assistant leaders, Teachers & Ministry heads... At the start of each year, we appreciate & commend you, our leaders.

In appreciation of your labor of love, we would like to invite you to lunch immediately after 10am service, at the Tarpaulin, followed by our 1st Shepherds' Staff for the year.

**Rev Tan Soo-Inn** will lead a special session for us and we will update you on 2013 developments.

Kindly **RSVP** to shirleysoo@bfec.org.sg your attendance for lunch & meeting by **Today** (Note: your spouse is also invited to the lunch).

**Teaching & Equipping Courses**

**1. Growing in Christ Course**

We have organized this 5-session class to anchor new believers as well as equip those who want to help others in the faith.

**Dates:** Today, 3 Feb, 17 Feb & 24 Feb **Time:** 12-1.30pm

**Venue:** Vineyard (level 2 of the church).

**Topics:**

- Assurance of Salvation
- Assurance of Answered Prayer
- Assurance of Victory
- Assurance of Forgiveness
- Assurance of Guidance

**Register** with Shirley Soo (98159427) today!



**2. Precept Bible Study ... starts this Thu 24 Jan**

**Time:** 7.45pm-10pm. **Venue:** Vineyard.

So far 33 Frankelites have signed up!

**3. Finding Treasure...in God's Word**

**Hermeneutics 101**

Do you want to calibrate your spiritual compass with the Word of God?

- Biblical hermeneutics is the study of the principles of interpretation concerning the books of the Bible.
- There are three obstacles that stand in the way of correctly interpreting the Bible: time, language, place/culture.

Join Course Instructors **Nick Chung** and **Daniel Lau** in this adventure.

**Time:** Fri 1 Feb (1-10pm and Sat 2 Feb (9am-1pm) **Venue:** Chapel

Sessions will be done in a creative and lively manner.

**Register** at the table outside the annex or with Seow Cheng at seowcheng@bfec.org.sg



**Last Week's Service...**

**Quote:** "The Holy Spirit has not come to disable us but to enable us. He has come not to restrain us from doing good, but to release us into His best destiny for us, His children."

**Our Response:** "Father, thank You that You sent Jesus, and that Jesus sent the Holy Spirit, who lives in us. We pray that we will approach You in our weakness, and be filled with/controlled by the Spirit, so that He will transform us to live extraordinary lives. When we pray, may we be conscious of You, and allow the Spirit to help us to pray. May unity and love be characteristic among us, so that the full range of spiritual gifts will be manifested and exercised. Finally, we pray for grace to be a witness for Christ, as the Holy Spirit convicts and You give growth."



Frankel Intercessors Ready Everywhere & Everytime

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

**Welcome to our Family**

We rejoice with sister Mdm Choo Hooi Cheen who was baptized by Elder Melville Szto on Tue 15 Jan 13 into our church family.



**Cheer Gift...** Praise God that \$222,079.10 has been received (Last year's final: \$218,132.55)! These funds will be distributed to our full-time, pastoral, missionary staff, associated missionaries and the needy. Thanks be to God for the generosity of His saints at BFEC!



**Easter Sunday Baptism**

(31 Mar 2013)

Classes begin on 17 Feb. Time: 8.30-10am.



**Class 101 "Discovering BFEC Membership"**

We urge all disciples of the Lord who have yet to be baptised to take this step of faith.

Candidates are required to attend all lessons, held over 4 Sundays. *Kindly note that no make-up lesson will be arranged.*

- 17 Feb: Session 1 "Our Salvation"
- 24 Feb: Session 2 "Baptism & The Lord's Supper"
- 3 Mar: Session 3 "Our Church Statements"
- 10 Mar: Session 4 "Our Church Strategy & Structure"

**Membership Transfer**

If you would like to transfer your membership to BFEC, these 2 sessions have been arranged for mutual sharing and to acquaint you on any aspect of BFEC membership.

- 24 Feb: Session 3 "Our Church Statements"
- 3 Mar: Session 4 "Our Church Strategy & Structure"

Application forms for Baptism/Membership Transfer can be obtained from the church office. **Closing date: 10 Feb 2013.**

**Our Condolences & Love to...**

May & Evan Clulee on the homecall of May's mother, Susie Gan Si Ghee on 16 Jan.

**Funeral today.** Cortege leaves at 4pm from Harmony Room, Mount Vernon to Mandai Crematorium Hall 1 for service at 5pm.



**OTHER MEETINGS THIS WEEK**

**9214 (Seniors) Fellowship** (Sun 10am); Exercise (Mon 8am); Frankel Lights (Mon 10-11.30am); Games (Thu 3pm)

**International Fellowship** (Filipino & Indonesian) 3rd flr Classrm 4, 10 -11.40am.

**Ladies Ministry** Tue 8pm - Speaker: Mrs Monica Fernando

**Church Prayer Ministry** Fri 8pm Topic: "The Convicting Ministry of The Holy Spirit" Speaker: Derek Pang Chairperson: Iris Teo

**Peranakan Service** Sat 4pm, Chapel  
 Topic: "Reflection: In our conduct did we grieve or glorify the Holy Spirit?"  
 Speaker: Pastor Erna Chairperson: Waileen Song

**Working Adults Group Ministry** Sat 7.15pm  
 Topic: "The Year In Review" Speaker: Mr Dennis Lee  
 Place: Home Mr & Mrs Ronnie Koh, 5000 D Marine Parade Rd #13-14 Laguna Park. Tel: 64445850