

有关新冠病毒的通告(四): 宣信堂主日崇拜直播 (Live-streaming) 的指示

亲爱的弟兄姐妹，政府刚宣布暂停所有宗教活动，来控制疫情的扩散。宣信堂长执会请大家继续“靠着圣灵，随时多方祷告祈求…在此警醒不倦”（弗 6:18）。长执会将配合政府，暂时停止所有三个现场崇拜（早上、夕阳、兀兰），在来临主日开始，单有网上敬拜直播，时间是主日 **9.00am**。我们在这里提供一些指示，帮助大家预备来临主日早上参与敬拜：

1. 崇拜前的预备

- 预备上网：我们已经把如何上网崇拜的指示邮寄给您；您最迟在星期六早上应该会收到。请您最迟在周六按照那些指示至少上网一次，以确保您在主日早上可以顺利参加崇拜直播。如果您到星期六中午还没收到那份指示，请联系云平干事（9067 6645）或伟华牧师（8571 3337）。
- 讲道笔记：讲员或许会预备讲道的笔记。请您预先上网时留意是否有笔记的 PDF；如果有，您可以预先下载与打印，好在崇拜时可以专心听道与使用笔记。
- 预备奉献：我们也在已经邮寄给您的指示中，提供了如何通过无现金方式（cashless）奉献的步骤。如果您计划通过这方式来奉献，请确保您在星期六之前在手机上安装以下其中任何一个 APP: DBS Paylah、UOB Mighty 或 OCBC Pay Anyone；它们里面都有二维码付费（QR Payment）的设置。如果您计划用现金奉献，请在崇拜前预备好您要用的信封。
- 孩子的安排：如果您有孩子在小学部或幼稚部，我们建议您事先预备一些适合孩子们阅读或参考的材料，让他们在崇拜时也可以学习与思想神的话语。至于中学生，我们建议他们全程参与崇拜直播。小学部与幼稚部的老师们将在接下来几天与孩子们的家长或监护人联系；教会将把四月的主日学作业寄给他们。这样，从下周开始，家长或监护人可以让孩子们在崇拜后做作业（看以下“崇拜之后”事项）。

2. 崇拜时须知

- 提前上网：请您在主日早上 **8.55am** 之前就按照我们邮寄的指示上线。崇拜会在 **9.00am** 准时开始。请您事先预备好自己和家人的座位，与各人的圣经、笔与笔记本。
- 崇拜程序：整个崇拜将历时大约一小时。我们会把崇拜程序的 PDF 置放在视频网页中，您可以照着那里的程序参与敬拜。程序会类似过去两个主日：
 - 宣召与唱诗：我们将不唱短诗与背金句。主席在宣召后，就带领大家唱第一首诗歌。所有诗歌的歌词将会呈现在荧光幕上，因此您不需要事先预备《颂主新歌》。
 - 祈祷、荣耀颂、启应经文：主席会带领大家祷告与朗读启应经文。因此，请您事先预备好您的圣经。

- 奉献：我们在邮寄给您的指示中，提供了奉献的二维码（QR code）。您可以用手机扫描那个二维码来奉献。通过这方式的奉献，将进入教会经常运作费（operating expenses）的账户（只有教会财政在检查账户时可以辨认奉献者）。您也可以选择把现金放在您自己事先预备的信封中，等以后来到教会时才投入奉献袋。
- 牧祷、读经、讲道：我们在奉献后直接进入牧祷（没有唱诗）。牧者会带领大家进行祷告，过后讲员将读经与讲道。讲道信息会稍微简短（大约 30 分钟）。
- 回应诗歌、祝祷、结束：我们唱了回应诗歌后，就照以往的程序，牧师先祝福，然后是“阿门颂”。由于时间的关系，主席在崇拜结束后，只做简短的报告，预计在 10.00am 左右结束崇拜。

3. 崇拜之后

- 讲道信息上载教会网页：您在崇拜结束、主席报告以后，就可以离开教会网页。崇拜的讲道信息将上载在教会网页上。您如果无法参加 9.00am 的崇拜直播，您可以登录教会网页听道。
- 儿童主日学作业：我们在下一周会把主日学小学部和幼稚部的学生作业寄去学生的家。如果您是家长，请留意接收。我们建议您可以在崇拜后，大约 10.30am 带领您的孩子做作业，让他们也可以学习神的话语。

如果您有任何疑问，可以联系云平干事（9067 6645）或伟华牧师（8571 3337）。让我们继续祷告，求主赐智慧给政府来控制疫情，也让长执会继续有智慧借着这些调整来带领教会。同时，也让我们为自己祷告，让我们通过崇拜直播，“不停止聚会”，而是每主日渴慕亲近主，并且在周间时常通过电话与短信联系来“彼此劝勉”（来 10：25）。但愿主通过这疫情建立我们的信心，时常仰望祂，生命长进！

宣信堂长执会

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Advisory on COVID-19 (4): Live-streaming of Evangel B-P Church Worship Service

Dear Brethren, the Government has announced the suspension of religious gatherings as part of its new series of measures to contain the spread of the COVID virus. The Session of Evangel Bible-Presbyterian Church requests members to continue praying in the Spirit, and remain watchful with all perseverance (Eph 6:18). The Session will cooperate with the Government by temporarily suspending all three worship services (Morning, Evening, and Woodlands), and we will host a **live-streaming of our worship service on Lord's Day at 9.00am**. We would like to provide instructions to assist you in preparing for the live-streaming of worship service:

1. Preparing for the Worship

- Prepare to go online: We have sent you instructions on how to go online to join the worship service via postal mail, which should reach you by Saturday. Please follow those instructions, and go onto the live-streaming site at least once by Saturday, to ensure that you will be able to join the live-streaming on Lord's Day. If you do not receive those instructions before noontime on Saturday, please contact Sister Yun Ping (90676645) or Pastor Wei Hua (85713337).
- Sermon Outlines: The speaker may provide a sermon outline. As such, when you prepare to go online, please take note if there is a PDF copy of the outline attached. If you see one, you may download and print it out beforehand, so that you may focus on the sermon during worship, and use that outline to take notes.
- Prepare for offering: In the instructions that have been mailed to you, we have also provided instructions on cashless tithing. If you would like to do so, please ensure that you have installed one of the following apps on your mobile phone before Saturday: DBS PayLah, UOB Mighty, or OCBC Pay Anyone. The scanner for QR (cashless) payment is available in each of these three apps. If you prefer to tithe using cash, please prepare an envelope before the service.
- Arrangement for children: If you have children in the Primary School or Kindergarten age groups, we recommend that you prepare some material for your children to read or refer to during the worship service, so that they are also able to learn God's Word. As for children in Secondary Schools, we recommend that they participate in the full live-streaming service. The Sunday School teachers in the Primary School and Kindergarten departments will be contacting parents or guardians of the students over the next few days. The church will mail the relevant Sunday School materials for April to them. Parents and guardians may then give the children Sunday School homework, which they could do under supervision, from next Lord's Day onwards (refer to the item below, "After the Worship Service").

2. During the Worship Service

- Go online before the Service: Please follow the instructions sent to you via mail to go onto the live-streaming website before 8.55am on Lord's Day. The Service will begin promptly at 9.00am. Please arrange your seats beforehand, and prepare your bibles, pens and notebooks as necessary.
- Order of Worship: The worship service will last for around one hour. We will provide a PDF copy of the order of worship on the live-streaming website, for your use during the worship. The order will be similar to the worship services held over the last two weeks:

- Call to Worship and Opening Hymn: We will not be having “singspiration” and memorisation of bible verses. After the Chairman’s call to worship, he will lead us in the opening hymn. You do not need to prepare the hymnal beforehand, as the lyrics of all hymns to be sung will be presented on your screen.
- Prayer, Gloria Patri, Responsive Reading: The Chairman will lead us in prayer and in the responsive reading. As such, please prepare your bibles beforehand.
- Offering: We have included the QR payment code in the instructions which have been mailed to you. You may scan that code to perform your offering. Offering given this way will go towards the church’s operating expenses (only the Treasurers have access to the details, in the event they need to identify the offerer). Alternatively, you may make a cash offering by placing cash into an envelope which you prepare for yourself before the service. You may place those envelopes into the offering bag when you attend worship service at church in future.
- Pastoral prayer, Scripture Reading, Sermon: We will proceed to the pastoral prayer after the offering (no hymn). The pastor, elder or preacher present will lead us in pastoral prayer, after which the speaker will read the scripture passage and preach. The sermon will be slightly shorter (about 30 min).
- Closing Hymn, Benediction, End of Service: After the closing hymn, the pastor will give the benediction, and this will be followed by the “Threefold Amen” as per current order of worship. Due to time constraints, the chairman will only make brief announcements. The worship service should end at around 10.00am.

3. After the Worship Service

- Sermon uploaded onto Church Website: You may leave the live-streaming website after the Chairman finishes his announcements. The sermon will be uploaded onto the church website. If you are unable to join the live-streaming of the service at 9.00am, you may listen to the uploaded sermon.
- Children Sunday School homework: We plan to mail out the Sunday School materials to the children. If you are a parent, please take note of these materials. We recommend that you lead your children to work on those materials after the service, at say 10.30am, so that they too may learn God’s Word.

Please contact Sister Yun Ping (90676645) or Pastor Wei Hua (85713337) if you have any questions. Let us continue to pray for the Government, that the Lord will grant it wisdom to control the spread of the virus. Please also pray for the Session, that it may have wisdom to lead the church through these transitions. In addition, please pray for ourselves, that we do “not forsake the assembling of ourselves together” through this live-streaming of the worship service, but rather yearn to draw near to our Lord on Lord’s Day, and also continue “exhorting one another” throughout the week through phone-calls and text messaging (Heb 10:25). May the Lord strengthen us in these extraordinary times, so that we look to Him and grow spiritually!