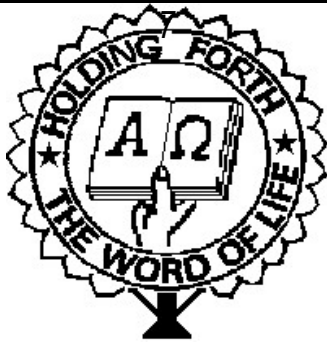




# NEW LIFE

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*"For the Word of God and for the testimony of Jesus Christ" (Rev 1:9)*

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### ORDER OF WORSHIP

#### *Morning Service – 11am*

*Prelude*

*The Lord Is in His Holy Temple*

*Call to Worship*

Revelation 5:5–14

*Opening Hymn \**

RHC 73 – “All Hail the Power”

*Opening Prayer*

Joey Seow

*Responsive Reading*

Psalm 62

*Second Hymn \**

Psalm 62:1–2, 5–7

*To the tune of St Anne, RHC 21)*

*Scriptural Text*

Ezekiel 22:23–31

*Pastoral Prayer*

Eld Foong Kon Yu

*Sermon Message*

**“Man of God”**

*Closing Hymn \**

RHC 413 – “Rise Up, O Man of God”

*Benediction/3-Fold Amen \**

Eld Foong Kon Yu

*Postlude*

*The Lord Bless You*

*\* Congregation Stands*

#### **THE LORD IS IN HIS HOLY TEMPLE**

The Lord is in His holy temple,  
The Lord is in His holy temple:  
Let all the earth keep silence,  
Let all the earth keep silence before Him -  
Keep silence, keep silence before Him. Amen.

#### **THE LORD BLESS YOU**

The Lord bless you and keep you;  
The Lord lift His countenance upon you,  
and give you peace, and give you peace;  
The Lord make His face to shine upon you,  
And be gracious unto you, be gracious,  
The Lord be gracious, gracious unto you.  
Amen.

### **WESTMINSTER SHORTER CATECHISM QUESTION 15**

**Q: What was the sin whereby our first parents fell from the estate wherein they were created?**

*A: The sin whereby our first parents fell from the estate wherein they were created, was their eating the forbidden fruit.*

Comments:

The particular sin which Adam and Eve committed, and which constituted their fall, consisted in their eating of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, of which God had said they should not eat.

Scriptural Reference:

Genesis 3:6

Dear brethren, Elder Foong Kon Yu will be authoring the main article in our church bulletin. The articles have been specially prepared for our edification, and we hope they will be a source of encouragement and growth.

## **Where are you?**

Whenever we are disappointed with the result of our prayers and when something drastic happens, we have a question to ask God; "God, where are you?". We ask because we perceive that God owes us an answer according to what we request. God answers according to His Will and according to what is best. Oftentimes we insist that things should happen in a certain way; our way. This is the reason for us asking and doubting the absence of God. During the incident on 11 September 2001, many asked as to where God was. Some fraudulent theologians had their theory and tried to give reasons as to why God was not around. Many non-believers ridicule saying that God was asleep (Psalm 121:4; God, our Keeper never slumber nor sleep). God is control of everything, and He has His reason for whatever that happens. Yes, He was there in New York and at the Twin Tower.

Lazarus' sisters Mary and Martha sent word to Jesus that their brother Lazarus was critically ill. Eventually Lazarus died and the sisters asked Jesus "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died". In short, they asked Jesus "where were you?". They expected Jesus to come immediately to give Lazarus a miracle cure because Jesus was their close friend and that He "should listen to their request" to treat Lazarus. To them Lazarus, their brother was of prime importance and that Jesus had to drop everything that He was doing and to rush to their house. We too have the same attitude as Mary and Martha.

We are answerable to God and not the other way round. Now consider that God too will ask you as to why you are absent from Him and where did you go? God first asked this question in the Garden of Eden "Where are you?" (in Genesis 3:9). He directed this question to Adam after he and Eve ate the forbidden fruit and hid from God. Of course, God knew where they were, but He was not asking for the physical location. Rather it was a symbolic inquiry inviting Adam to confront sin. God was inviting Adam to confront the spiritual distance, shame, and brokenness caused by his disobedience.

God asked Cain "Where is Abel your brother?" not because He didn't know, but to give Cain a direct chance to confess, repent, and take responsibility for his actions. Instead of owning up to the murder, Cain responded defensively with the famous retort, "Am I my brother's keeper?" The dialogue is primarily a moment of divine confrontation. God already knew Abel was dead—the Bible notes that Abel's blood was metaphorically "crying out" from the ground. By asking the question, God was prompting Cain to examine his own heart and admit to what he had done. It emphasizes we are accountable for our action and to God Himself. Even when we attempt to hide or deny our sins, God is aware of the truth and expects us to take responsibility and to confess before Him.

God's response to Job's suffering in Job 38:4. God asks: "Where were you when I laid the foundations of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding." It serves as a reminder of human limitation, contrasting our lack of knowledge with God's infinite wisdom and sovereign power. Job had been demanding answers from God regarding as to why he was suffering. By asking if Job was present at creation, God emphasizes that humans lack the perspective and understanding required to judge how the universe is governed. God uses human terms (laying the foundation, marking dimensions, using a measuring line). This highlights that because God designed and built the world, He alone holds the right and authority to maintain it. The rhetorical question is not meant to demean Job, but to foster humility and trust. Instead of directly

explaining Job's suffering, God reveals His Majesty, reminding Job to trust in divine wisdom beyond human comprehension. God dwelt with Job very kindly and patiently.

As God dwelt with Job, He will ask us too when we were absent from His presence in prayers, in fellowship and the very worship service. Where are you?

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## ***Our Daily Walk***

*Daily Meditations and a Prayer for Each Day*

*By Dr F.B. Meyer*

### **SPIRITUAL GYMNASTICS (26<sup>th</sup> July)**

*1 Timothy 4:7-8 "But refuse profane and old wives' fables, and exercise thyself rather unto godliness. For bodily exercise profiteth little: but godliness is profitable unto all things, having promise of the life that now is, and of that which is to come."*

THE relation of the body to religion has always engaged the attention of thoughtful religious men. Human opinion has oscillated between two extremes. On the one hand, some have considered that the body was the seat of sin, and have set themselves to degrade and debase it with every indignity and torture.

This conception has influenced devoutly intentioned people in the East, and also in Western monasticism. But sin must be dealt with in the heart and soul, where it has its inception and spring. It is easy to macerate the body, whilst the pride of self mortification is undetected. If we deal with bad thought and evil suggestion, we shall not have so much trouble with the body, which is only the dial-plate, registering the workings within.

The other extreme was represented in the Greek religion. The temples that stand in ruins: the superb works of art which have survived the wreck of centuries; its poetry and literature, sustain and illustrate the supreme devotion of the Greek mind to beauty.

The Christian position differs from both. To us the body is the temple, the instrument, the weapon of the soul. The Holy Spirit quickens our mortal body by His indwelling, and in the faces and lives of holy men and women we may trace the growing results of the inward power and beauty of pure and undefiled religion. It is good to care for the body, but only as we should care for a complex and fine piece of machinery which is to serve us. There are gifts in us, which we must not neglect, or it will go hard with us when we meet our Master, who entrusted them to our stewardship.

Probably the trials and temptations of life are intended to give us that inward training which shall bring our spiritual muscles into play. In each of us there is much unused force; many moral and spiritual faculties, which would never be used, if it were not for the wrestling which we are compelled to take up with principalities and powers, with difficulty and sorrow. The Apostle bids us take heed to ourselves, and to live in the atmosphere of uplifting thought and of self denying ministry (1Ti 4:13-15).

**PRAYER** — *Mould us, O God, into forms of beauty and usefulness by the wheel of Thy providence, and by the touch of Thy hand. Fulfil Thine ideal, and conform us to the image of Thy Son. AMEN.*

# WELCOME TO NEW LIFE B-P CHURCH LONDON

Our Lord's Day activities begin with the **Worship Service** at **11.00 am** followed by a **Bible Study & Children's Sunday School** at **1:30pm**. Do invite your friends to come to Church.

## NEWS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dear Worshippers, we extend a warm welcome to you this Lord's Day. We hope that you have a blessed time worshipping with us today.

For those unable to attend Church in person, please join our Worship Service and Bible Study on our live-stream via YouTube - <https://www.youtube.com/@NewLifeBPCLondon>

**We thank God for providing Eld Foong Kon Yu to minister to us today.** Eld Foong will be ministering to us until end July.

**Rev Lim Chee Boon will be ministering to us during August and September.** Do pray his journey mercies to the UK. Also pray for journey mercies of fellow brethren coming for the UK heritage tour.

**Tithes & Offerings** – The offering box is located at the entrance to the Church Sanctuary.

**After-Service Fellowship** – Join us for lunch fellowship after the morning worship service. Please bring your own lunch as only drinks will be provided.

**Afternoon Bible Study, 1:30pm** – Eld Foong will conduct a presentation on the Distinctiveness of Bible-Presbyterianism and the Church Session.

**Children's Sunday School** – held after the After-Service Fellowship at 1:30pm.

**Extraordinary Congregational Meeting (ECM)** – Please note that an ECM will be held after the morning service on Sunday, 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2026. Lunch will be provided after the ECM.

## MEMORY VERSE

### This Week

*"And I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge, and stand in the gap before me for the land, that I should not destroy it: but I found none."*

**Ezekiel 22:30**

### Last Week

*"Confirming the souls of the disciples, and exhorting them to continue in the faith, and that we must through much tribulation enter into the kingdom of God."*

**Acts 14:22**

## The Believer's Daily Remembrancer – 26<sup>th</sup> July

(written by Rev James Smith)

*"We then, as workers together with him, beseech you also that ye receive not the grace of God in vain. 2 Corinthians 6:11*

BY the "grace of God" in this passage, we are to understand the everlasting gospel; which is a glorious proclamation of favour manifested to the vile and unworthy. It proclaims that God has come down unto us in the person of Christ; that He has accepted the labours, sufferings, and death of Jesus, as the ground of our deliverance from death, and as our title to eternal life; and He now sends His ambassadors to assure us that he is our Friend; that He will not impute our trespasses unto us; that He views us in Jesus as a new creation; all former things are passed away and forgotten; and He will make all who receive His word, and believe in His Son, the righteousness of God in Him. Let us not then receive this glorious message in vain; we do so if we indulge the thought that God is angry with us; if we doubt our acceptance of God in Christ; if we fear that He will be wroth with us. He informs us of His grace to encourage us to believe, to quicken us in His ways, to embolden us at His throne, to produce love to His name, and to furnish us with an answer to all objections.

*Oh, what amazing words of grace, Are in the gospel found!  
Suited to every sinner's case, Who knows the joyful sound.  
May I this glorious grace receive, And to my Saviour's glory live.*