

WELCOME TO OUR SUNDAY GATHERING 11 MAY 2025 • 8.30AM • 10.45AM • 2PM

Our *vision* is a transformed people gathered around King Jesus which is expressed in our gathering today Our *mission* is to move people to King Jesus through the prayerful speaking of God's Word to one another.

> ORDER OF GATHERING

Call to Worship Begins our Gathering. God calls and invites us to

worship him and we respond by worshipping him

Psalm 99:1-5

Pastor Roy Chang

Word in Song

To praise God and build his people up by singing

God's Word to one another

Only A Holy God / Holy Holy Holy

His Mercy Is More

Elder Apprentice Jonathan Goh | Leon Teo

Meeting & Praying for God's People To express our dependance and devotion to God and participate in the family life of Bukit Arang

Corporate Prayer

Benjamin Ng | Deborah Lee | Jeremy Yap

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Kids Spot

Speaking God's Word to our children

(8.30am & 10.45am)

Theology of Sin:

God's promise of salvation

Tiffany Seah

Open Worship

(8.30am)

To have the Word of God dwell deeply in us by reading, praying and singing to one another

Meeting & Praying for God's People **Giving, Welcome & Announcements**

Word in Song

God Is Faithful (Psalm 114)

Listening to God's Word Leading the congregation to hear God's Word Teaching and building up God's people

Bible Reading: Exodus 40:16-38,

Leviticus 1:1-9

Women's Ministry Worker Lim Li Hwa | Timothy Kwek | Loh Xinping

Sermon: Leviticus Overview

Pastor Dav Avila

Pray with us

Subscribe to our feed at tiny.cc/baprayermate or download our monthly prayer guide at tiny.cc/baprayerguide

Word-in Song

Refer to the songbook for Open Worship at <u>tiny.cc/owsongbook</u>



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Responding to God's Word

Reflect & Share God's Word

An opportunity to reflect & respond to God's Word

Reflect & Share God's Word

A display of the Good News of Jesus, remembering His death for us, pointing to God's family around us, and anticipating His glorious return

Isaiah 25:6-8

We Will Feast In The House Of Zion

Benediction

Blessing that sends us out into the world to live in response to the Good News of King Jesus

2 Corinthians 13:14

Giving

Scan the QR code here for online giving. UEN: 198105013H, UOB Acc No. 115-304-022-8 For cheque, write to: Bethesda Church Bukit Arang Ltd



ANNOUNCEMENTS



43rd Annual General Meeting 2025

18 May, 10-10.45am E2, E3, EB1

Registered members of BCBA Ltd are invited to attend the on-site Annual General Meeting (AGM). The AGM Notice have been mailed and sent via email

If you are unable to attend and wish to appoint a proxy to vote on your behalf, please complete the proxy form and submit it to the church office by Saturday, 11 May 2025.

BCBA members attending 10.45am and 2pm Gatherings, please arrive by 9.30am to attend the AGM.



Time Changes to 18 May 8.30am/10.45am Gatherings

Church attendees, please note that due to the upcoming Annual General Meeting on 18 May:

- 8.30am Gathering will end by 9.45am
- 10.45am Gathering will commence at 11am



Ways to Serve

Bukit Arang members, would you prayerfully consider joining one of our ministry teams in 2025? There are various opportunities to serve our church family, along with the basic requirements for each role.

Find out more and register by 1 June: bit.lv/baserve

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Join a Growth Group!

Growth groups are a great way to connect and meet with others to read the bible and share life. Come and join us!

Register at: tiny.cc/bagrowthgroups



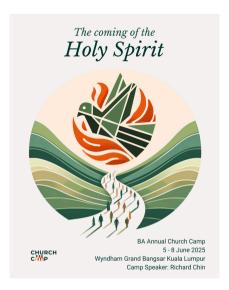
Join the Bukit Arang Staff Team!

At Bukit Arang our mission is to move people toward King Jesus. Every member of the staff team works together with the wider church family to do just that. Could He be calling you to join us?

If you would like to use your skills and abilities for this mission, we hope you can prayerfully consider if any of the vacancies suit you:

- · Congregational Pastor
- · Family Life Pastor
- Jesus Club Ministry Staff / Ministry Apprentice

Find out more: www.bukitarang.church/aboutus/jobs



Church Camp 2025

5-8 June Wyndham Grand Bangsar, Kuala Lumpur

We are looking for 60 Activity Group Leaders to lead in icebreakers during the camp.

If interested, please email bachurchcamp@gmail.com.

Reminder: If your passport expires by 5 December, please email your new details to <u>bachurchcamp@gmail.com</u>.

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Notice of Lift Upgrading Works

Our E & N-building lifts have been in use for almost 40 years. For safety, maintenance and energy efficiency reasons, they will be upgraded, in 2 phases:

Phase 1: <u>E-building</u> lift upgrading from **Monday, 5 May** to early August 2025.

No lift access at the E-building. Lift access at N-building IS available.

Phase 2: N-building lift upgrading from August to November 2025. No lift access at the N-building. Lift access at E-building IS available.

Impacts on Sunday Gatherings (From 11 May to early August 2025). EB1 will be available for those with mobility concerns to participate in the gatherings. Please note that this is not an overflow space for the gathering, but is prioritised with their needs in mind.

BANG: Assembly area after Kids Spot (both 8.30am & 10.45am Gatherings) will temporarily revert to the E-Building Slope. Phase 2 impact details to follow.

Other information to note:

- 1. There will be a 1.2m wide by 1m deep hoarding around the lift at every floor of the E-building. Please mind your surroundings as you participate in church activities in the E-building.
- 2. Last 2 lots at the furthest end of the E-building carpark (opposite the baptism pool) will be hoarded for the contractor's store area, throughout the works.
- 3. On Saturdays, upgrading works will be carried out from 9am-6pm, with noisy works scheduled till 1pm. We seek your understanding as there may be some noise during this period, especially for those participating in church activities on Saturdays.

UPCOMING EVENTS



Planters Health Talk

17 May 3.30-5.30pm, N2

Join us for a talk on stroke symptoms and prevention by Dr Peng Chung Mien. All are welcome. Do invite your friends too.

Note: For food catering purposes, please register with Mr. Yem Ah Chew at 93214850



2pm Congregation Ladies Fellowship

17 May 10am-1pm, N5

Join us as we hear from sisters in our congregation about how they speak the truth in love, for the sake of Christ's body. Over brunch and discussions, get to know other sisters in our 2pm congregation as we build friendships and grow together in Christ.

Please note that childminding is not available for this event

Register by 11 May: tiny.cc/ba2pmladies

UPCOMING EVENTS



Prayer Meeting

21 May 8-9pm, Online via Zoom

Prayer is a key part of the Christian life and we recognise that God powerfully works through our prayers. This month, we will be praying for the work of Engage in Bukit Arang.

Join us: tiny.cc/baprayermeeting



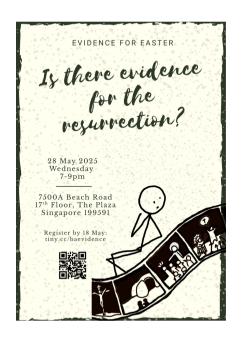
Newcomers Lunch

25 May 12.45-2pm, N4

If you have joined our Church in the past few months, or are presently visiting our Church, get to know us over food and conversations!

Register by 21 May: tiny.cc/bancl

UPCOMING EVENTS



Evidence for Easter

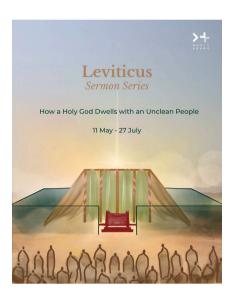
28 May 7-9pm, The Plaza

Is there any reason to think that Jesus actually rose from the dead? Do the New Testament documents describe real events in the past?

Join us for an evening of food, drinks and a talk on why Christians say yes to both these questions. **Register**: tinv.cc/baevidence

If you are able to help with ushering, set up, or tear down, please indicate here: tiny.cc/bavolunteer

CURRENT SERMON SERIES



Leviticus:

How a Holy God dwells with an unclean people

11 May-27 July 8.30am, 10.45am, 2pm

God saved his people in the Exodus in order to dwell with them. The tabernacle was meant to be God's house amongst his people. But there's a problem: No one can enter the tabernacle and be in God's holy presence. He is close to his people and yet agonisingly distant from them. Leviticus shows what needs to be done for a holy God to dwell with an unclean people.

> LOOKING AHEAD

18 May | Leviticus 1-8 Senior Ministry Staff Benjamin Quek

25 May | Leviticus 9-10 Ministry Apprentice Aaron Pang 1 Jun | Leviticus 11-15 Senior Pastor Ivan Chow

8 Jun | Holy Spirit Richard Chin

Only A Holy God

Who else commands all the hosts of heaven Who else could make every king bow down Who else can whisper and darkness trembles Only a Holy God

What other beauty demands such praises What other splendour outshines the sun What other majesty rules with justice Only a Holy God

Come and behold Him
The One and the Only
Cry out sing holy
Forever a Holy God
Come and worship the Holy God

What other glory consumes like fire What other power can raise the dead What other name remains undefeated Only a Holy God

Who else could rescue me from my failing Who else would offer His only Son Who else invites me to call Him Father Only a Holy God Only my Holy God

Holy Holy Holy

Holy holy holy
Though the darkness hide Thee
Though the eye of sinful man
Thy glory may not see
Only Thou art holy
There is none beside Thee
Perfect in power
In love and purity

His Mercy Is More

What love could remember no wrongs we have done Omniscient all knowing He counts not their sum Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore Our sins they are many His mercy is more

Praise the Lord His mercy is more Stronger than darkness new every morn Our sins they are many His mercy is more

What patience would wait as we constantly roam What Father so tender is calling us home He welcomes the weakest the vilest the poor Our sins they are many His mercy is more

What riches of kindness He lavished on us His blood was the payment His life was the cost We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford Our sins they are many His mercy is more

God Is Faithful (Psalm 114)

God brought out His people
With a strong and mighty hand
Took them out of slavery to behold the Promised Land
Mountains fled before them
And the seas turned back and ran
And they saw that He was good

God is faithful to His promise He is with us He is with us God is faithful God is faithful to His own

God has come to free us from the bondage of our sin Tasting of His kindness we cannot go back again Leads us through the desert
To the rivers of His grace
Working all things for our good

We have known Your mercy
And Your love as in the past
If days be few or many You will guide us to the last
You have said it we believe it
Every promise holding fast
For we know that You are good

God is faithful to His promise
He is with us He is with us
God is faithful God is faithful to His own
You are faithful to Your promise
You are with us You are faithful to Your own

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We Will Feast In The House Of Zion

We will feast in the house of Zion We will sing with our hearts restored He has done great things we will say together We will feast and weep no more

We will not be burned by the fire He is the Lord our God We are not consumed by the flood Upheld protected gathered up

In the dark of night before the dawn My soul be not afraid For the promised morning oh how long Oh God of Jacob be my strength

Every vow we've broken and betrayed You are the faithful one And from the garden to the grave Bind us together bring shalom

Exodus 40:16-38 (ESV)

¹⁶ This Moses did: according to all that the Lord commanded him, so he did. ¹⁷ In the first month in the second year, on the first day of the month. the tabernacle was erected. ¹⁸ Moses erected the tabernacle. He laid its bases, and set up its frames, and put in its poles, and raised up its pillars. 19 And he spread the tent over the tabernacle and put the covering of the tent over it, as the Lord had commanded Moses. 20 He took the testimony and put it into the ark, and put the poles on the ark and set the mercy seat above on the ark. 21 And he brought the ark into the tabernacle and set up the veil of the screen, and screened the ark of the testimony, as the Lord had commanded Moses. ²² He put the table in the tent of meeting, on the north side of the tabernacle, outside the veil. ²³ and arranged the bread on it before the Lord, as the Lord had commanded Moses. ²⁴ He put the lampstand in the tent of meeting. opposite the table on the south side of the tabernacle, ²⁵ and set up the lamps before the Lord, as the Lord had commanded Moses. ²⁶ He put the golden altar in the tent of meeting before the veil, ²⁷ and burned fragrant incense on it, as the Lord had commanded Moses. ²⁸ He put in place the screen for the door of the tabernacle. ²⁹ And he set the altar of burnt offering at the entrance of the tabernacle of the tent of meeting. and offered on it the burnt offering and the grain offering, as the Lord had commanded Moses. 30 He set the basin between the tent of meeting and the altar, and put water in it for washing, 31 with which Moses and Aaron and his sons washed their hands and their feet. 32 When they went into the tent of meeting, and when they approached the altar, they washed, as the Lord commanded Moses. 33 And he erected the court around the tabernacle and the altar, and set up the screen of the gate of the court. So Moses finished the work.

Exodus 40:16-38 (Continued) (ESV)

³⁴ Then the cloud covered the tent of meeting, and the glory of the Lord filled the tabernacle. ³⁵ And Moses was not able to enter the tent of meeting because the cloud settled on it, and the glory of the Lord filled the tabernacle. ³⁶ Throughout all their journeys, whenever the cloud was taken up from over the tabernacle, the people of Israel would set out. ³⁷ But if the cloud was not taken up, then they did not set out till the day that it was taken up. ³⁸ For the cloud of the Lord was on the tabernacle by day, and fire was in it by night, in the sight of all the house of Israel throughout all their journeys.

Leviticus 1:1-9 (ESV)

¹The Lord called Moses and spoke to him from the tent of meeting, saying, ² "Speak to the people of Israel and say to them, When any one of you brings an offering to the Lord, you shall bring your offering of livestock from the herd or from the flock.

³ "If his offering is a burnt offering from the herd, he shall offer a male without blemish. He shall bring it to the entrance of the tent of meeting, that he may be accepted before the Lord. ⁴ He shall lay his hand on the head of the burnt offering, and it shall be accepted for him to make atonement for him. ⁵ Then he shall kill the bull before the Lord, and Aaron's sons the priests shall bring the blood and throw the blood against the sides of the altar that is at the entrance of the tent of meeting. ⁶ Then he shall flay the burnt offering and cut it into pieces, ⁷ and the sons of Aaron the priest shall put fire on the altar and arrange wood on the fire. ⁸ And Aaron's sons the priests shall arrange the pieces, the head, and the fat, on the wood that is on the fire on the altar; ⁹ but its entrails and its legs he shall wash with water. And the priest shall burn all of it on the altar, as a burnt offering, a food offering with a pleasing aroma to the Lord.

Exodus 40:16-38, Leviticus 1:1-9 | Pastor Day Avila

Introduction: What to do when you're feeling lost

- i) The challenge of reading Leviticus
- ii) The aims of this introductory sermon

1) The goal of the book of Leviticus: God is graciously opening a way back for sinners to dwell with him

i) One key observation: The many parallels between the creation account and the tabernacle cultus

a) Sacred Space

Cosmos / Garden of Eden	Tabernacle / Holy of Holies	
God creates the world in seven days (Gen 1)	Mirrored by the instructions for the construction of the tabernacle, which are structured along seven speeches of God (Exod 25 – 31)	
YHWH's depicted as 'walking to and fro' (hithallēk) in Eden (Gen. 3:8),	Same word used to describe the divine Presence in the later tent sanctuaries (Lev 26:12; Deut 23:15; 2 Sam. 7:6–7)	
Gold, onyx, and bdellium in Eden (Gen 2:11-12)	Same materials used in tabernacle construction (Exod 25:7, 11, 17, 31)	
Tree of life in the center (Gen 2:9)	Menorah symbolizes tree of life stood within the tabernacle (Exodus 25:31–40)	
Garden of Eden faces East—direction from which man was expelled from the garden (Gen 3:24; 4:16)	Entrance to the tabernacle also on the east side	
Cherubim guard Eden's east entrance (Gen 3:24)	Cherubim embroidered into curtain before Holy of Holies, blocking the way westward into the Holy of Holies (Exod 26:31)	

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b) Sacred People

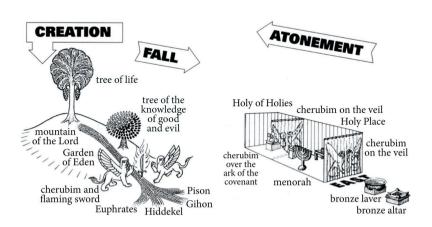
Adam / Humanity	Levites / High Priest	
Adam is told to "work" ['abad] and "keep" [shamar] the garden (Gen 2:15)	These verbs are used together elsewhere in the Pentateuch only to describe the duties of the Levites pertaining to the tabernacle (Num. 3:7–8; 8:26; 18:5–6)	
YHWH God made for Adam and for his wife tunics [kotnôt] of skins and clothed [wayyalbišēm] them (Gen 3:21)	And Moses brought Aaron's sons and clothed wayyalbišēm] them with tunics [kuttōnōt] (Lev 8:13)	

c) Sacred Time

God's Original Sabbath Rest	Israel's New, Sabbatical Calendar	
God rests on the seventh day (Gen 2:1-3)	Tabernacle instructions end with Sabbath command (Exodus 31:12-17)	
Sabbath presented as climax/goal of creation	Leviticus climaxes with Israel basking in God's sanctifying presence, Sabbath by Sabbath (Lev 23-25)	

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- ii) Three implications:
- a) Helps to clarify the glorious purpose of creation
- b) Helps us to underscore the tragedy of the fall
- c) Helps to magnify what Israel was being offered in the Levitical way



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2) The shape of the Levitical way—the path back to Eden

i) The dramatic shape of Leviticus

Exodus 25:8; 29:45: God promises to dwell among his people.

This is fulfilled as the divine glory fills God's house in Exodus in Exo 40:34.

BUT....

	Crisis	Legislation	Resolution	Divine Presence		
Exo 40-Lev 10	No entry to God's house (Exo 40:35)	Laws of sacrifice and consecration of priesthood (Lev 1-8)	Entry into God's house (Lev 9)	Public theophany before the tent of mtg on 8th day (Lev 9:23)		
Lev 11-16	Tabernacle polluted; limits of approach to YHWH (Lev 10:1-3)	Laws of clean and unclean (Lev 11-15; cf 10:10)	Tabernacle cleansed; YHWH approached within the inner sanctum (Lev 16)	Theophany inside the inner sanctum of tent of mtg on Day of Atonement (Lev 16:2)	Increasing intimacy with each theophany	
Lev 17-25	2 nd response to Nadab and Abihu event (Lev 10:1-3)	Laws of holy/profane (Lev 17-22; cf 10:10)	Israel's Sabbath assemblies at God's house produce holiness (Lev 23-25)	Cultic theophany inside holy place of tent of mtg (Lev 24:1-9)		
Covenantal application: Lev 26						

ii) The three movements of the book of Leviticus

- Approaching the House of God (Lev 1-10)
- Cleansing the House of God (Lev 11-16)
- Meeting with God at the house of God (Lev 17-27)

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- iii) Boiling it down further: the two halves of the book of Leviticus
- Drawing near to God via divinely ordained mediators offering divinely prescribed sacrifices (Lev 1-16)
- In order to dwell in his sanctifying presence (Lev 17-27)

Conclusion

> REFLECT & SHARE GOD'S WORD

- 1. In what ways, if any, has today's sermon expanded/challenged your understanding of the book of Leviticus?
- 2. In what ways, if any, has today's sermon expanded/challenged your view of God?
- 3. How has today's sermon excited you about the book of Leviticus?
- 4. What are your hopes for the series? What are you hoping to learn or understand better by the end of it? How are we hoping to be changed and transformed?