



COVENANT

Bible-Presbyterian Church

Preaching Christ for His Glory and His Kingdom

Order of Worship – 15 January 2017

Theme for the Year: "What Would Jesus Say About Your Church?" (Rev 3:22)

Prelude	<i>The Lord Is in His Holy Temple</i>
Call to Worship	
*Opening Hymn	70 - <i>Holy, Holy, Holy</i>
*Invocation & † <i>Gloria Patri</i>	
Scripture Reading	Romans 8:31-39
Hymn	TP 91
Tithes & Offering	
**† <i>Doxology</i> & Offertory Prayer	
Scripture Reading	John 3:1-21
Hymn	487 - <i>Now I Belong to Jesus</i>
Confession of Faith & Pastoral Prayer	
Sermon	
*Closing Hymn	468 - <i>I Will Sing the Wondrous Story</i>
*Benediction & <i>Threefold Amen</i>	
Silent Prayer & Postlude	
Announcements	<i>*Congregation standing</i>

†Glory be to the Father, and to the Son:
And to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning,
Is now and ever shall be:
World without end. Amen.

††Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

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History of Missions in India (Part II)

Besides William Carey, there were many other early modern missionaries to India.

Some of them stayed as long as he, and others, due to God's leading or due to health, did not stay as long.

Henry Martyn

The second English-speaking missionary to arrive in India was Henry Martyn. He was an Anglican pastor who had trained in Cambridge.

While Carey was the pioneer, Martyn was the scholar. Arriving in 1806, a good 13 years after Carey, he became one of the greatest Bible translators in South Central Asia, which includes India.

Like Carey, he was deeply affected by the writings and ministry of David Brainerd to the Native Americans.

When he landed in India, he came as a chaplain of the East India Company. In India, he concentrated on linguistic study.

Within his first few years, he translated the New Testament into Hindustani, Urdu, and also into Persian.

His time in India didn't last very long. The temperatures of Central Asia aggravated his frail health, so that in 1810, he left India for Persia. There, he perfected his Persian and Arabic translations of the Bible.

His health continued to decline and on his way back to England in 1811, he died in Asia Minor.

Of Martyn it is said, "He read grammars as other men read novels." His motto was, "Now let me burn out for God." A friend wrote, "He went forth to preach the gospel to the heathen, and it was his fixed resolution to live and die amongst them. When he left England, he left it wholly for Christ's sake, and he left it forever!"

These two English missionaries were followed by an American - Adoniram

Judson and a Scotsman - Alexander Duff. Judson eventually went to Burma.

Alexander Duff

Scotland's missionary to India was one of the most innovative missionaries of his day.

He arrived in Calcutta with his bride in 1830, the first missionaries from the Church of Scotland.

God called him during the great Evangelical Revival that swept through Scotland in the 1820's.

His journey to India was difficult. The ship he was on wrecked at the southern tip of Africa. All survived, but all the belongings, including his manuscripts and personal library were lost.

The second vessel he was on also wrecked and all the replacement belongings were also lost.

But upon reaching India, Duff opened a school to reach the upper classes in India. He began with 5 students but by the end of the week, he had 300.

Duff's method of combining education and evangelism was to be copied the world over in mission schools.

Through his schools, the gospel would be spread to the children and from the children to their parents.

John Scudder

The first medical missionary from America was John Scudder. He was a missionary sent by the Reformed Church of America to India.

When he was a young man, while waiting upon a patient the young New York physician picked up Gordon Hall's tract, *The Conversion of the World*.

This pamphlet stirred him to offer his life in missionary service. In 1819, he sailed for India and Sri Lanka.

Because of his ministry, there was not a town in Southeastern India, which had

not heard the gospel from Scudder's lips.

According to *The Progress of World-Wide Missions*, "No stronger, more versatile, or more successful missionary pioneer ever evangelized a people as healer, preacher, teacher, and translator, in season and out of season" was John Scudder.

His legacy in India far extended his own life. His son John also served as a medical missionary in India, as served descendants to the fourth generation in the mission field.

In fact, there were 42 of them in total, whose years in missions numbered close to 1000.

Similarly, John Scudder's daughter Ida served as a medical missionary in India. She was a surgeon for 50 years. So famous was she that she was simply known as Dr Ida in India.

John Hyde

John Nelson Hyde was an American Presbyterian missionary to India.

He was well-known for being a praying man that he was simply known as "Praying Hyde."

He was known to have said, "The great Head of the Church has provided one method for securing laborers — prayer!"

When he was in India, right from the beginning, the native people observed that this man knew what it was to talk with God.

They heard him stay awake all night pleading for souls. John saw people

bowing before idols and washing in the Ganges River, but he saw people who had no peace in their souls.

Once John asked God to let him lead one soul to the Lord every day for a year! To keep this promise meant long journeys and talking with many people; but at the end of that year, 400 had confessed Christ.

The next year he asked God to give him two souls each day for a year. At year's end 800 had come to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ.

Amy Carmichael

Amy Carmichael was a missionary from Northern Ireland. She left her home in 1893 to Japan and subsequently to India.

She founded the Dohnavur Fellowship, a ministry of rescuing young Indian girls who were being sold into slavery to be Hindu temple prostitutes.

She set up schools to educate these girls and to win them to Christ. While she faced terrific opposition, God enabled her to do a great work.

She once said, "We rely upon the verses which assure us that our Father knows our needs, and with such a Father, to know is to supply."

Carmichael, Hyde, Scudder, Duff, and Martyn are among the pioneers of missions in India. There are many more who have contributed to the kingdom there, to be builders together with God.

~ *Pastor*



Westminster Larger Catechism

Q. 119. What are the sins forbidden in the fourth commandment?

A. The sins forbidden in the fourth commandment are, all omissions of the duties required, all careless, negligent, and unprofitable performing of them, and being weary of them; all profaning the day by idleness, and doing that which is in itself sinful; and by all needless works, words, and thoughts, about our worldly employments and recreations.

Worship Service Roster

Service	This Week (15.1.17)	Next Week (22.1.17)
Speaker	Jim Gibbon	Mark Chen
Worship Leader	Ken Chong	Mark Chen
Pianist	Ian Tay	Nancy Lim
Welcomers	Jansen & Eva Ng	Kim & Jesslyn Leow
Offering Stewards	Terence Lee*, John E Tan* Jansen Ng, Yen Fye Yap	Lye Heng Chua*, Jacob Woo* Ken Chong, Kim Leow
Usher	Angela Yap, August Ng	Joyce Ng, Wendy Gong
Kitchen Duties	Sandy Chua*, Lydia Orchard Josephine Austin	Eva Ng*, Jackie Hong Rosemary Fitzpatrick
<i>Prayer Meeting</i>	<i>20 January 2017</i>	<i>27 January 2017</i>
Facilitator	Mark Chen	Mark Chen
Pianist	Eugene Lim	Ian Tay

Announcements

1. A warm welcome to all worshippers. May God richly bless you. Please stay behind after the service for fellowship and tea.
2. Next week's message: "Their Mouths Were Stopped" (Acts 4:13-31).
3. Pastor is away in India for an exploratory mission trip from 7-18 January.
4. Teens Camp (25-26 January 2017). Theme: "Dare to Follow Christ."
5. Junior Worship is in recess today and will resume next Sunday, 22 January. Speaker: Vincent Chiu. Topic: "Examples of Christian Maturity I" (Colossians 4:7-18).
6. Bible Conference 2017. Dates: 18-21 April 2017. Speaker: Dr Bob Jones III. Venue: Bayview Geographe Resort. Register ASAP with Ken and Jackie Hong. Those with early bird registration must pay by 31 January. Electronic payment option - CBPC General Fund: BSB: 036-031, Acct: 316942, Ref: BC(Surname) (Initial) (e.g. BCSMITHJ for Bible Conference Smith John). Please email Jackie (pihfong@gmail.com) the amount paid and attach the electronic transfer record.
7. The Myanmar mission team will be presenting a report with slides and videos on their recent mission trip on Friday, 3 February at 7.45pm. All are invited to attend.

Appointments for the Week	Last Lord's Day Tithes & Offering, & Attendance
<p>FRI 7:45 pm Prayer Meeting</p> <p>SUN 9:00 am Sunday School</p> <p>10:00 am Worship Service</p>	<p><i>General Fund</i> - \$2,531.15 (#653 - \$29.40, #654 - \$130.00). <i>Missions Fund</i> - \$140.00. <i>Building Fund</i> - \$105.00 (#508 - \$105.00). <i>Total Tithes & Offering</i> - \$2,776.15. Attendance - 136.</p>

Building Fund to Date	
Available Building Fund	\$80,803.93
Last Week's Collection	\$105.00
Total	\$80,908.93
<i>Outstanding Loan</i>	- \$416,000.00
<i>Amount Still Needed</i>	\$335,091.07
	Building Fund Account: Covenant Bible-Presbyterian Church (Westpac Bank, Applecross) BSB: 036-031 Acct: 316969 SWIFT: WPACAU2S

Elders: **Mark Chen (Pastor)** 6114 4242, 0415 932 373. **Jimmy Orchard** 0413 274 407.
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Sermon Outline John 3:1-21

1. The Scholar who came Seeking
 - a. He was open to Jesus' message
 - b. He did not understand the message
 - c. He sought more information about the message
 - d. He became a follower of the message

2. The Son who came to Save
 - a. He had a new message
 - b. He had a good message
 - c. He had a vital message
 - d. He had a unique message

3. The Sinner who needs to Submit
 - a. We need to hear the message
 - b. We need to understand the message
 - c. We need to respond to the message
 - d. We need to commit to the message