



# COVENANT

## Bible-Presbyterian Church

*Preaching Christ for His Glory and His Kingdom*

### Order of Worship – 28 January 2018

**Theme for the Year: "King Jesus Must Reign" (1 Corinthians 15:25)**

Prelude	<i>The Lord Is in His Holy Temple</i>
Call to Worship	
*Opening Hymn	1 - <i>O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing!</i>
*Invocation & † <i>Gloria Patri</i>	
Scripture Reading	Psalm 40
Hymn	TP 121
Tithes & Offering	
**† <i>Doxology</i> & Offertory Prayer	
Scripture Reading	Acts 20:13-38
Hymn	264 - <i>I Will Sing of My Redeemer</i>
Confession of Faith & Pastoral Prayer	
Sermon	"He Kept Back Nothing"
*Closing Hymn	541 - <i>O Jesus, I Have Promised</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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## William Carey - a Light for India

William Carey was born on 17 August 1761, in Northamptonshire. He loved nature and filled his bedroom with insects and collected plants and birds.

At the age of 12, William began to learn Latin so he could understand the botanical names. It was to be the first of many acquired languages.

In 1775, Carey was apprenticed to a shoemaker and his fellow apprentice was three years older and a dissenter.

### *Dissenter*

They had vigorous discussions, each strongly defending their denominational views, but Carey soon saw the merits of nonconformity and in 1779 joined the Congregationalists. He was converted by hearing Hebrews 13:13: *'Let us go forth therefore unto him without the camp, bearing his reproach.'*

Carey received instruction in Greek and formulated Calvinistic doctrinal views. He was subsequently convinced of Baptist views of baptism.

### *Ministry*

Carey became a preacher and was ordained, becoming the pastor of a Baptist church. At this time he was augmenting his income by shoemaking and running a school.

One day, he drew a world map for the wall and made a leather globe, with continents in different colours.

Following publication of *Captain Cook's Voyages* in 1788, Carey became intensely concerned for the spiritual welfare of newly discovered peoples, and published his 87-page pamphlet *An enquiry into the obligations of Christians to use means for the conversion of the heathens* (1792).

Captain Cook had argued that Christian mission would never happen, because it would not serve man's avarice or ambition, but Carey determined to prove him wrong.

He exhorted his local Baptist Association to action, saying, 'we must plan and plod

as well as pray' and be as much in earnest as the traders.

### *Missionary*

Carey began his life of mission by helping to lead his two sisters to Christ. His zeal caused some to brand him an Arminian; they would not attend the Association meeting if he was preaching.

But Carey argued that if we accept the promise, *'Surely I will be with you always, to the very end of the age'*, we must also accept the accompanying command, *'Go and make disciples of all nations'* (Matthew 28:19-20).

John Ryland reportedly said to him at an Association meeting, 'Young man, sit down, sit down. You're an enthusiast. When God pleases to convert the heathen, He'll do it without consulting you or me. Besides, there must first be another Pentecostal gift of tongues'. If true, this statement certainly reflected a hyper-Calvinism prevalent among the Baptists.

Eventually, the Particular (Reformed) Baptist Society for the Propagation of the Gospel amongst the Heathen was formed.

A missionary doctor had returned from the field and read out a letter from two Brahmin seekers: 'Have compassion on us, and send us preachers and such as will forward translation'.

### *Pioneer*

This was Carey's Macedonian call. He went supported by many men. At first, his wife refused to join him, but relented after her sister agreed to join her.

Carey was the first missionary to be sent overseas by an evangelical mission, and his example provided the stimulus for the founding of other missionary societies.

After a 5-month voyage, they came to Calcutta. While the British had chaplains for their own English people, they forbade missionary work among the Indians.

This obstacle as well as sickness in the family caused Carey to resort to shoemaking for an income. But despite this setback, there was joy. He wrote - 'I rejoice in having undertaken this work; and I shall, even if I lose my life therein'.

*'Tent-maker'*

Carey witnessed many disturbing and cruel practices, fuelled by the teaching of the Hindu Brahmins. Men swung from hooks piercing their backs; fakirs impaled themselves on spikes; widows were burned or buried alive with their late husbands (sati); and barren women would vow to the Ganges that they would throw a baby into the river to be drowned or eaten by crocodiles.

All this spurred Carey on to master the language of the people — Bengali — in order to communicate the gospel to them.

Needing paid employment, he learned the process of making blue cubes of indigo dye from green liquid extracted from the indigo plant.

His Christian employer allowed him time for study and preaching in the surrounding 200 villages, where up to 500 would gather to listen.

Carey had translated all the New Testament into Bengali, but he still waited for the first conversion.

*Opportunities*

God opened a door of opportunity through an invitation from the Governor of Danish Serampore to establish a Protestant church in the settlement,

along with schools and permission to print and publish Scriptures.

One day, a carpenter and Hindu guru, Krishna Pal, took away a tract in the form of a Bengali chant:

*Sin confessing, sin forsaking, Christ's righteousness embracing, the soul is free.*

This verse met his deepest needs and he became their first native convert, being baptised on 28 December 1800.

This was no light decision, as 2000 people had recently gathered to curse Krishna Pal and cast him into prison.

From this, Carey's work spread. A chapel was built in Calcutta in the brothel district. Other missionaries came to take on the work.

Carey's children also entered the mission field - one son going into Burma, another going to Indonesia.

Carey and his missionary co-laborers were responsible for translating the Bible into 29 Indian languages.

*Sunset*

By the end of his life, Carey had planted 26 churches, founded a college and other schools, a hospital for lepers and an institution for the poor.

As he lay dying, he said to a friend, 'You have been talking about Dr Carey, Dr Carey. When I am gone, say nothing about Dr Carey - speak about Dr Carey's Saviour'.

~ *Nigel Faithfull (edited from the Evangelical Times)*



## **Westminster Larger Catechism**

Q. 190. What do we pray for in the first petition?

A. In the first petition, (which is, Hallowed be thy name,) acknowledging the utter inability and indisposition that is in ourselves and all men to honor God aright, we pray, that God would by his grace enable and incline us and others to know, to acknowledge, and highly to esteem him, his titles, attributes, ordinances, word, works, and whatsoever he is pleased to make himself known by; and to glorify him in thought, word, and deed: that he would prevent and remove atheism, ignorance, idolatry, profaneness, and whatsoever is dishonorable to him; and, by his overruling providence, direct and dispose of all things to his own glory.

# Worship Service Roster

Service	This Week (28.1.18)	Next Week (4.2.18)
Speaker	Mark Chen	Mark Chen
Worship Leader	Chris Budiman	Mark Chen
Pianist	Eugene Lim	Valerie Lee
Welcomers	Putri Harapan & Dolphin Wai	Danny & Susie Tan
Offering Stewards	Rex Sriharan*, Ken Hong* Ian Read, Kim Leow	Micah Chiang*, Chris Budiman* David Lim, Paul Butler
Ushers	Jesslyn Leow, Rebecca Lee	Jerome Ng, Putri Harapan
Kitchen Duties	Sarah Siew*, May Poon Dina Portillo	Helen Wong*, Grace Wang Adeline Ng, Josephine Austin
PA Duty	Joel Chua	Raymond Woo
<i>Prayer Meeting</i>	<i>2 February 2018</i>	<i>9 February 2018</i>
Facilitator	Mark Chen	Jimmy Orchard
Pianist	Nancy 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. We will be celebrating Lord's Supper next Lord's Day. Please bring a dish to share at the fellowship lunch.
3. Next week's message: "Let God's Will Be Done" (Acts 21:1-16).
4. Next week's Junior Worship message: "What Are My Responsibilities As A Christian?" (Hebrews 12:18-29). Speaker: Dolphin Wai.
5. Retirees' Bible Study. Tuesday, 30 January 2018, 10am. Message by Pastor Mark: "The Bible on Dementia". Potluck lunch after meeting.
6. Bible Conference 2018. Dates: 23-26 April 2018. Speaker: Pastor Allen Beardmore. Venue: Hotel Lord Forrest, Bunbury. Please register with Ken Chong or Ken Hong.
7. Bible Study Tour of Israel and Jordan. Dates: 9-21 December 2018. Please contact Pastor Mark if you are interested.

Appointments for the Week	Last Lord's Day Tithes & Offering, & Attendance
<p>FRI 7:30 pm CBI &amp; Prayer Meeting</p> <p>SAT 4:30 pm JF &amp; TF</p> <p>SUN 9:00 am Sunday School</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">10:00 am Worship Service</p>	<p>General Fund - \$1,754.60 (*DD - \$300.00).</p> <p>Missions Fund - \$180.00 (*DD - \$100.00).</p> <p>Building Fund - \$300.00 (*DD - \$300.00).</p> <p>Total Tithes &amp; Offering - \$2,234.60.</p> <p>Attendance - 121.</p> <p><i>*DD: direct deposit</i></p>

Building Fund to Date & Bank Account Details	
Available Building Fund	\$82,338.90
Last Week's Collection	\$300.00
Total	\$82,638.90
<i>Outstanding Loan</i>	<i>-\$380,000.00</i>
<i>Amount Still Needed</i>	<i>\$297,361.10</i>
	General Fund:
	BSB: 036-031 A/C: 316942
	Missions Fund:
	BSB: 036-031 A/C: 316950
	Building Fund:
	BSB: 036-031 A/C: 316969

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