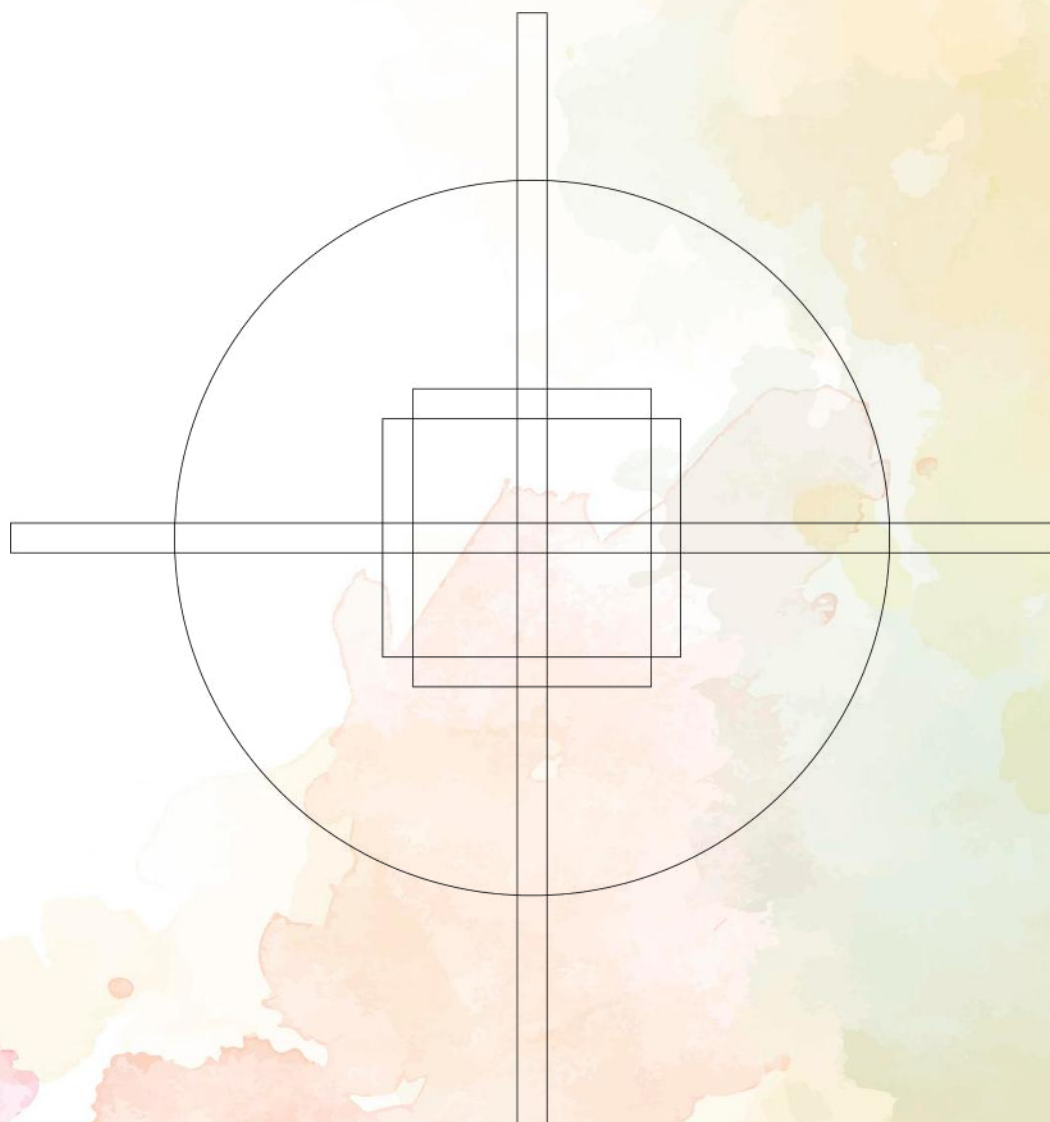


Hebron Bible-Presbyterian Church

HANDBOOK

for Members and Visitors

2024



ABOUT US



We are

INTER-GENERATIONAL

every age group matters to us
and inter-dependent

MULTI-LINGUAL

we have groups that worship
God in different languages

BIBLE-BASED

God's Word governs
everything we do

GOSPEL-CENTRED

the good news that Jesus died for
us and rose again is the heart of
our being and doing

and we aspire to be

A RADIANT CHURCH

where the Gospel is

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A word from the *Senior Pastor*

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ!

This is now the second edition of Hebron's Handbook for Members and Visitors. Its purpose is to guide us through the year 2024 in broad strokes, highlighting some of the activities of the Hebron English congregation.

In particular, we anticipate an exciting time in 2024 as we see the current 30-year lease on our church land expire and be renewed, and face a period of between 18 to 24 months when we will commence a major renovation project to upgrade our facilities. This will require us to relocate our weekly corporate worship service and some ministry activities during that time. Please look out for communications on that subject as and when they are published.

Be that as it may, we continue to emphasise worship, fellowship and discipleship as the means for spiritually edifying all who worship with Hebron BPC. We desire for growth in the inner life through a better understanding of Scripture and the practice of spiritual disciplines.

Our theme for 2024 is Love for Christ, Zeal in Life. To that end, we encourage you to follow along in the Hebron Bible Reading Plan 2024, sign up for a Bible class or course in Hebron whenever offered, or join a Hebron koinonia group (KG) for small group community, or a Bible reading group for mentoring and discipling through the Word of God.

If you are new in Hebron, we believe that the Lord has brought you here! We'd love to get to know you! Do join us for fellowship meals and other activities that the church organises so that you can get to know us too.

For Christ and his kingdom,

P's Wong Shin Hoe

WORSHIP

COLOURS OF THE SEASONS

Traditionally, the church calendar contains a few seasons, each marked by a specific colour to reflect its mood. This is not dissimilar to the colours of the four seasons of the year, viz. winter, spring, summer and autumn, which are roughly represented by white, green, yellow and orange respectively.

In Hebron, we mark the following seasons with the colours that signify a certain meaning:

Advent	purple	<i>preparation</i>
Christmas	white	<i>joy</i>
Epiphany	green	<i>hope</i>
Lent	purple	<i>mourning</i>
Easter	white	<i>purity</i>
Pentecost	red	<i>fire, passion</i>
Ordinary Time	green	<i>life</i>

The colour is reflected by the stole that is draped upon the crosses in each of our sanctuaries.

THE MOVEMENTS IN THE HEBRON WORSHIP SERVICE

In Hebron, we worship God in four movements, viz.

Gather to Worship
Alert to God's Word
Align to God's Word
Go Do God's Work

These movements help us return for corporate worship after a week in the world and be spiritually recharged before returning to witness for Christ in the world once more.

in Hebron

SOME OF OUR WORSHIP SERVICE PRACTICES

Standing to read Scripture is our way of demonstrating reverence for God's Word.

Kneeling for prayer expresses a submissive attitude towards God. But you may remain seated for prayer if kneeling is physically challenging.

Offering is a time for Christians to express worship to God by a freewill giving of money towards his work through the church. If you are not a Christian, you need not give.

Benediction and Threefold Amen

The pastor proclaims a blessing from God to the congregation at the end of the worship service and the congregation affirms all that was heard and received by singing the amen.

Water baptism by sprinkling or pouring of water is practised in Hebron, since we follow the Reformed system of faith (see Westminster Confession of Faith, 28.3). Baptism is a sign and seal of God's covenant promise to his people. All believers are commanded to receive it (see Matthew 28:19) to signify their membership in the covenant.

Infant baptism is practised in Hebron. The infant children of one or both believing parents are entitled to receive the sign and seal of God's covenant promise (see Acts 2:38-39). In Hebron, such children become non-communicant members.

The Lord's Supper is observed monthly in Hebron. Its communicant members and baptised communicants of other Bible-believing churches who worship with us are welcome to partake of it. It reminds us of our covenant membership in Christ and its benefits present and future. Non-Christians, unbaptised Christians and non-communicant members of Hebron shall abstain.

SERMONS



JANUARY		FEBRUARY	
6, 7	Judges 1:1-2:5	3, 4	Judges 6:1-40
13, 14	Judges 2:6-3:6	11	Topical
20, 21	Judges 3:7-31	17, 18	Judges 7:1-25
27, 28	Judges 4:1-5:31	25	Special Thanksgiving

MARCH		APRIL	
2, 3	Judges 8:1-35	6, 7	Judges 12:8-13:25
9, 10	Judges 9:1-10:5	14	Hebron BPC Anniversary
16, 17	Judges 10:1-12:7	20, 21	Judges 14:1-15:20
23, 24	Palm Sunday	27, 28	Judges 16:1-31
28	Maundy Thursday		
29	Good Friday		
31	Easter		

MAY		JUNE	
4, 5	Judges 17:1-18:31	1, 2	Topical
11, 12	Judges 19:1-21:25	9	Topical
18, 19	Pentecost	15, 16	Topical
26	Membership Admission	22, 23	Topical
		29, 30	Youth Sunday

JULY		AUGUST	
6, 7	Mark 1:1-15	3, 4	Mark 3:13-35
13, 14	Mark 1:16-2:14	10, 11	Topical
20, 21	Mark 2:15-3:12	17, 18	Mark 4:1-2, 10-13, 21-34
28	Mission	24, 25	Mark 4:35-6:6
		31, 1	Teacher's Day

SEPTEMBER		OCTOBER	
7, 8	Mark 6:7-30	5, 6	Children's Day
14, 15	Mark 6:31-52	12, 13	Mark 7:31-8:26
21, 22	Mark 6:53-7:23	19, 20	Mark 8:27-9:29
28, 29	Mark 7:24-30	26, 27	Reformation

NOVEMBER		DECEMBER	
2, 3	Mark 9:30-10:31	7, 8	Advent
9, 10	Mark 10:32-52	14, 15	Advent
16, 17	Mark 11:1-25	21, 22	Advent
23, 24	Topical	25	Christmas Day
30, 1	Advent	28, 29	Topical



CHURCH EVE

JANUARY

- 7 Fellowship Tea
- 13 Outreach Cluster Retreat
- 25 49ers JB CNY Shopping

FEBRUARY

- 4 Fellowship Tea
- 25
 - Thanksgiving & Dedication Service
 - Fellowship Lunch

Lenten Fast & Prayer

February 14, 21, 28

March 6, 13, 20, 27

MAY

- 5 Fellowship Tea
- 11-12 Parents' Day
- 26 Membership Service

JUNE

- 2 Fellowship Tea
- 9
 - Fellowship Lunch
 - Town Hall Meeting
- 14-17 49ers 4D3N Penang-Ipoh Trip

SEPTEMBER

- 8 Fellowship Tea
- 28 BPCIS Annual Presbytery Meeting

OCTOBER

- 6 Fellowship Tea
- 12 Oct-10 Nov BB Share-A-Gift Contribution Period
- 26 Annual Budgeting & Calendaring Meeting

NTS *Calendar*

MARCH

- 3** • Fellowship Tea
- BB Week (until **7 Apr**)
- 16** 49ers Chill Out
- 24** • Fellowship Lunch
- Annual Congregational Meeting
- 28** Maundy Thursday Service
- 29** Good Friday Service (BPCIS)
- 31** • Sunrise Service (BPCIS)
- Fellowship Breakfast
- Easter Service

JULY

- 7** Fellowship Tea
- 8-9** BPCIS Leaders' Retreat
- 28** Fellowship Lunch

NOVEMBER

- 3** Fellowship Tea
- 14-16** BB78J Year-End Camp
- 15** BB Share-A-Gift
- 18-20** Camp Hooray!

APRIL

- 5-6** Women's Retreat
- 14** Hebron BPC
53rd Anniversary Service

AUGUST

- 1-14** August Fortnight Prayer
- 4** Fellowship Tea
- 9-11** Youth Leaders' Retreat

DECEMBER

- 8** Fellowship Tea
- 15-19** Youth Camp
- 24** Christmas Eve Service
- 31** • Decentralised
Watchnight Service
- Youth Omega Nite



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

DOCTRINE & CHRISTIAN LIVING

Mandatory course for catechumens

CHRISTIANITY EXPLORED

For seekers of the Christian faith

BIBLE READING GROUPS

For help and accountability in Bible reading

SCHOOL OF PRISCILLA & AQUILA

Courses on Bible books and doctrine

THEOLOGY FOR LIFE

Theology courses for seniors

THE MARRIAGE COURSE

For nurturing and renewing marriages

Marriage Solemnisation

Marriage solemnisation in Hebron is a privilege extended to communicant members of Hebron. Please notify the pastor at least 12 months before the intended date of marriage in order for you and your partner to complete a marriage preparation course.

MINISTRY DEPARTMENTS



CHILDREN

Serving children from 2 to 14 years old



YOUTHS

Serving youths from 15 to 20 years old



YOUNG ADULTS

Helping young adults navigate life's transitions faithfully



KOINONIA (ADULTS)

Small groups for doing life in Christ



MARRIAGE & FAMILY

Strengthening bonds that matter



49ers

Providing Hebron seniors with godly and joyful community



MINISTRY TO WOMEN

Care for Hebron women in faith and life



MABUHAY FELLOWSHIP

Ministry to foreign domestic workers



NEW FRIENDS

Connecting visitors with Hebronites

ENGLISH WORSHIP SERVICES

SATURDAYS
5pm

SUNDAYS
9am & 11 am

MANDARIN WORSHIP SERVICES

SUNDAYS
9am & 11 am

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