

# F+BC TODAY

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# At the Frontline with God



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For two years, the world has been brought to a halt by a global pandemic. Healthcare systems battled limited resources, limited information, newer and deadlier variants, and exhaustion among healthcare workers. Citizens battled against various lockdowns and Covid-19 restrictions, the spread of misinformation, and grief as people lost loved ones, relationships, jobs, and businesses.

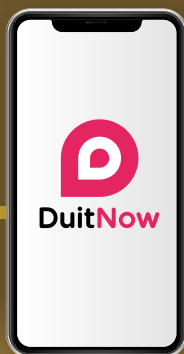
But it wasn't just a virus that plagued the world, that brought death in the thousands. In many parts of the world, wars raged on. Wars that don't make it to our news. Wars that have lasted more than a decade. Wars that have destroyed nations. Wars that have torn families apart.

And the most recent, possibly most vivid one is the war in Ukraine. As



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events unfolded, Michael Cimino's words resonated with many people: "There's nothing artful about war, nothing. There is nothing good in it. It's simply hell on earth and people survive and people don't." We watched the tensions rise. We watched the invading forces march in. We watched the world condemn this war. We watched the world leaders respond to the war. We watched families separate at the border. We watched the death toll rise. We watched the war destroy cities and homes. We watched as at least 10.6 million people were forced to flee their homes for safety.

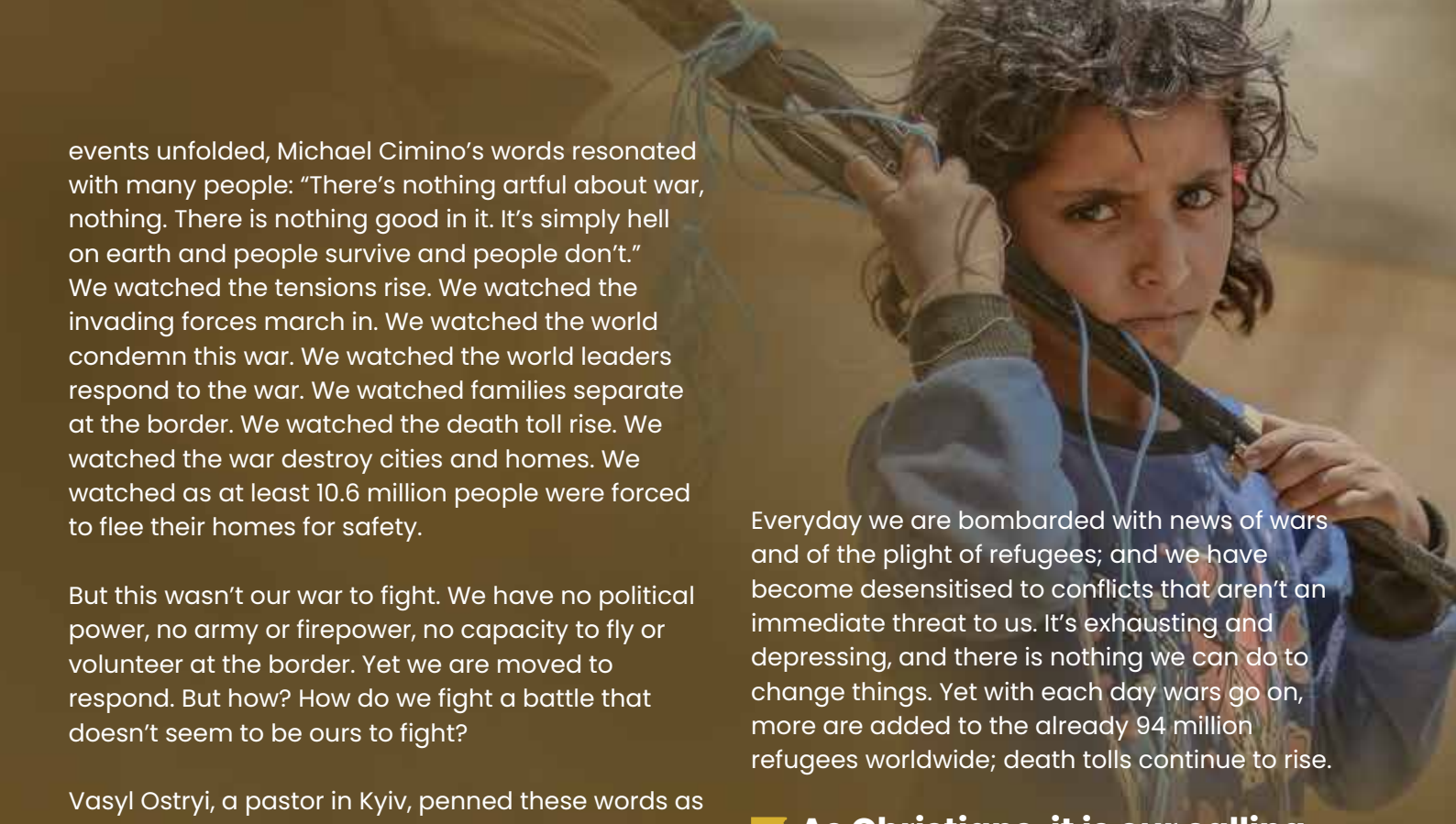
But this wasn't our war to fight. We have no political power, no army or firepower, no capacity to fly or volunteer at the border. Yet we are moved to respond. But how? How do we fight a battle that doesn't seem to be ours to fight?

Vasyl Ostryi, a pastor in Kyiv, penned these words as war broke out: "And while the church may not fight like the nation, we still believe we have a role to play in this struggle. We will shelter the weak, serve the suffering, and mend the broken. And as we do, we offer the unshakable hope of Christ and his gospel. While we may feel helpless in the face of such a crisis, we can pray like Esther. Ukraine is not God's covenant people, but like Israel, our hope is that the Lord will remove the danger as he did for his ancient people. And as we stay, we pray the church in Ukraine will faithfully trust the Lord and serve our neighbours."

**Ukraine. Syria.  
Nigeria. Yemen.  
Ethiopia. Sahel.  
Myanmar. Iraq.  
Afghanistan.  
South Sudan.  
DR Congo.  
Venezuela.**

Wherever they may come from, stand **with refugees.**

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Everyday we are bombarded with news of wars and of the plight of refugees; and we have become desensitised to conflicts that aren't an immediate threat to us. It's exhausting and depressing, and there is nothing we can do to change things. Yet with each day wars go on, more are added to the already 94 million refugees worldwide; death tolls continue to rise.

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As Christians, it is our calling & duty to shelter the weak, serve the suffering, mend the broken, and offer the unshakable hope of Christ and His gospel (Matthew 25:34-40). Though we may not be in the midst of conflict ourselves, we are reminded that we are at the frontlines of fighting against conflicts, wars, and injustices with God.

So should we choose our battles? Yes. We choose to fight the battles God is fighting. We fight against sin. We fight against death. We fight against corruption. We fight against violence. We fight against injustice and abuse. And while we hold different stations, we all possess a common and powerful weapon - prayer.

So Church, rise up, gear up for battle, and heed Christ's call.





## PRESS ON

- Encourage one another in the faith
- Through each crisis or tragedy, questions and doubts often form in our minds. We get discouraged by all the evil around us, yet we also know that Christ has already won over sin and death! Find someone to share your struggles with, and pray through them together.
- Rest in God knowing that His grace is sufficient for our daily needs.

## PRAY

- Pray for God's truth, justice, and peace to reign on earth
- Pray that people will find true hope, peace, and safety in Christ
- Pray for the church in wartorn countries – for perseverance, boldness, joy, and protection as they go out and serve others
- Pray for the world leaders as they make decisions that impact many lives
- Pray for wars and conflicts to end, and for the rebuilding of peoples and communities affected by violence
- Pray for comfort for all who are mourning, hope for all who are hopeless, and strength for all who are weary
- Pray for opportunities to serve your local community, and the boldness to share the hope found in Christ

## PROVIDE

- Provide refuge for the needy – feed the hungry, shelter the weak, and protect the marginalised
- Give financial aid or volunteer with organisations or charities on the ground
- Create jobs or sources of income
- Make healthcare services, education, and legal help accessible
- Promote the positive contributions of marginalised groups and stop the spread of misinformation

### Resources:

<https://www.hollywoodreporter.com/news/general-news/michael-cimino-full-uncensored-hollywood-778288/>

<https://www.thegospelcoalition.org/article/church-stayed-ukraine/>

<https://www.unhcr.org/refugee-statistics/>

<https://www.facebook.com/UNHCR/photos/10161966701508438>



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**16 DAYS**

THROUGH 16 FIELDS



*Are You Up For The Challenge?*

**RUN OR WALK AND  
PRAY FOR 16 COUNTRIES  
IN 16 DAYS**

# **RUN THE RACE Set Before Us!**

*From the 1st of May until the 16th of May we will be praying and virtually running or walking together with, and for 16 fields in Asia.*

*Every day, we challenge you to:*

- *Pray for the points that will be emailed to you*
- *Aim to walk or run at least 1 kilometre. You can pray as you walk or run!*

*Medals await everyone at the finish line so let us know on the 16th of May how many kilometres you ran or walked. Get family and friends together, snap photos, and start praying!*



1 Indonesia

2 Singapore

3 Malaysia

4 Thailand

5 Cambodia

6 Vietnam

7 Laos

8 Myanmar

9 Sri Lanka

10 Nepal

11 China

12 Hong Kong

13 Taiwan

14 South Korea

15 Japan

16 Philippines



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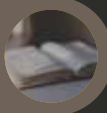
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**MAY 1 - 16 2022**



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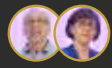


## Pulpit Program

April 10, 2022

### Palm Sunday: The Triumphal Entry in to Jerusalem

(Matthew 21:1-17)



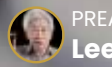
PREACHER

**David & Suzanne  
Adams**

April 15, 2022

### Good Friday

(Matthew 27:32-61)



PREACHER

**Lee Yee Dian**

April 17, 2022

### Easter Sunday

(Matthew 28)



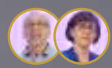
PREACHER

**Dr Peter Ng**

April 17, 2022

### Servanthood

(Matthew 20:20-28)



PREACHER

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Adams**



## PrayerSpotlight

### Praying Around the World

1. Pray for the people around the world that affected their relationships, jobs, businesses and the grief of their loved ones to the pandemic.
2. Pray for the people of Ukraine who suffers the lost from the war and had to flee from their home. Praying that God will be the one who will deliver the helpless and remove the danger in times of crisis.
3. Pray for Ukraine, Syria, Nigeria, Yemen, Ethiopia, Sahel, Myanmar, Iraq, Afghanistan, South Sudan, DR Congo, Venezuela, wherever they may come from, help us to pray and stand with the refugees.



## Upcoming Events

# Worship WITH US



### MAIN SERVICE

| ZOOM |

Sundays 8:45am & 11:15am



### YOUTH SERVICE

| ZOOM | Sundays 9:00am



### SUNDAY SCHOOL

for Ages 0-12yrs

| ZOOM | Sundays



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### Alpha 21 is ongoing.

The next Alpha program will start tentatively from 14 July 2022

Every Thursday  
8:00pm

**CLICK HERE** to register for the next Alpha program.



### Beta Pre-Baptism Class

Starting 28 April 2022

Every Thursday  
8:00pm - 9:45pm

For more information,  
contact Lammy Tan  
at 012 386 8460



### Daily Prayer Meeting

Every Monday  
to Thursday

9:00pm  
Zoom ID: 929 735 694  
Password: pray



### Monthly Prayer Meeting

30 April 2022  
(Saturday)

2:00pm to 3:30pm  
Venue: Transit Hall

**More Information on Upcoming Events**