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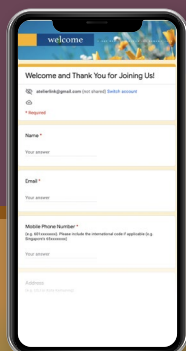
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# Take a leap of faith in serving, one step at a time

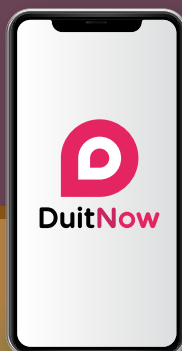
**Matthew 9.37 says "Harvest is plentiful but the workers are few".** I believe the verse applies to many churches in Malaysia, including ours as far as the number of its voluntary servants is concerned. Why does such phenomenon exist? Aren't we all part of God's Kingdom and shouldn't we volunteer to serve our King? If we don't, how are we going to exercise our gifts and grow in our spiritual walk with Christ?

Jesus wants us to be more like Him and one of the definite ways is to serve. But even before we are ready to serve, we must first understand why we need to serve. I suppose for many, it may be merely out of obligation or to be seen by men as living up to our label of being a Christian rather than truly for the sake of Christ. I must confess that my initial volunteering to serve was just about that.



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But through the years in serving and with better understanding of the Gospel, and most of all seeing the leaders and elders who selflessly offered their time and efforts in serving the church faithfully, I began to understand it was all about God and not so much about ourselves. It pleases God when we are more conformed to His image by serving His people and His kingdom. "For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many." (Mark 10:45). And ultimately it is because we spend time with Him that leads to true joy and peace in us as we draw nearer to Him by doing more of His works that matter.

**As God's servants, we spend time fellowshiping together, praying together, serving together and even enduring challenges together. We don't walk alone in our spiritual journey.**

As I see the likeness of Christ's image in the church and in our leaders responding to their calling, I have learned to prioritize my time accordingly and gradually involved myself in other ministries as well. Apart from ushering, I am also serving in worship as well as parking facilitating. No doubt there were always challenges as I used to worry about my availability due to my frequent travelling



before the pandemic. It was truly amazing that I managed to serve in almost all scheduled duties for the past decade without much trouble. I guess this could be regarded as a gradual transformation or baby steps in my spiritual growth as I shifted my focus and priority over time.

The pandemic has also changed the way we do ushering to something like never before. Ushers were required to minister and greet worshippers online via zoom during the Covid-19 lockdown which at first seemed impossible to accomplish virtually. But Our God is able and He has been so gracious in allowing us to continue our worship and fellowship online with today's technologies that were unprecedented. Our services were never interrupted even once during the entire lockdown period. I am totally convinced that God will continue to provide all our needs according to His riches in Christ Jesus.





So, if you are like me may I suggest for you to step out from your comfort zone and start enrolling yourself in one of the many church ministries. While it is understandable and it is OK to be hesitant in making a commitment to serve, you won't be able to experience the joy of service until you get involved.

A good place to start may be to volunteer to serve as ushers as it is relatively easy and especially suited for extroverts. For those who prefer to stay in the background, serving with the Audio- Visual team may be more your "cup of tea". In any service, you'll be given the appropriate training and guidance to serve the Body of Christ and ultimately our Lord. My personal experience in serving alongside the team has been a pleasing one with support and guidance from our leaders. The warmth and togetherness reminded me of

Ephesians 4:12, "for the equipping of the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ". How wonderful and what a privilege to be called saints!

With the lifting of movement controls as we gradually resume normalcy and enter the endemic phrase, I would like to encourage all regular worshippers to join us in serving Our Lord together physically again.

**"So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith."  
Galatians 6:10**



**By Patrick Tan**

Patrick is the Head of FBC Usher Ministry

**WE WANT YOU!**

# **Usher Ministry**

**Warm welcome and hospitality ONCE a month  
Help greeting and ushering**

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## Pulpit Program

May 15, 2022

### Family in Genesis Series - Is FBC a Safe Space?

PREACHER  
**Arnold Lim**

May 22, 2022

### Jesus and the Accountability of Israel

(Matthew 21:12-32)

PREACHER  
**John Lee**

May 29, 2022

### The Parable of the Tenants

PREACHER  
**David & Suzanne  
Adams**

June 5, 2022

### The Parable of the Wedding Feast and Giving to Caesar

(Matthew 22:1-22)

PREACHER  
**Dr Peter Ng**



## Prayer Spotlight

### Family Life Ministry

1. Strength, patience, love, grace and discernment when dealing with broken people, especially those who are difficult.
2. For more volunteers to join FLM as para-counselors.
3. God's protection over HIS people' as they serve Him, example  
\*physical (virus, safe journeys, tiredness, time management)  
\*emotional and spiritual (to seek His purpose and will)
4. Matured married couples to serve as facilitators in marriage preparation for couples intending to marry.
5. For unity among the committee - to have a spirit of Christ centered humility, accountability and teachability.



## Thanksgiving Special Column

### Thank You Note:

My family are thankful to God for His grace and mercy upon us. Thank you, my FBC family for your prayers and financial support. Am on the road to recovery and hope to worship with you soon.

Blessings Love in Christ,  
Moby and family



## Upcoming Events



### MAIN SERVICE

| Physical & Youtube |  
Sundays 8:45am



### YOUTH SERVICE

| ZOOM | Sundays 9:00am



### SUNDAY SCHOOL

for Ages 3-12yrs  
| Physical | 8:45am  
Except preschool,  
std 1&2 on Zoom  
| Zoom | 11:15am  
For more information  
kindly contact the  
church office



### Alpha 22

The next Alpha  
program will start from  
14 July 2022

Every Thursday  
8:00pm

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



### Gamma 19

Guide to Godly Living  
Despite Being in a  
Pluralistic Idolatrous  
Society

Every Wednesday  
8.30pm-10.00pm

Starts from 18 May-8 Jun, 2022  
(4-week study)

For more information, contact  
Church Office at 03-5621 2623



### Daily Prayer Meeting

Every Monday  
to Thursday

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



### Monthly Prayer Meeting

28 May 2022  
(Saturday)

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



Call office  
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**More Information on Upcoming Events**