

KEC ORDER OF SERVICE/SERMON OUTLINE 15th August 2021 (KEC SERVICE Online)

Please take note that this Sunday's service begins at **8.30am**, not 9am.

We will not be showing any new Kids' Church Videos for the moment. Please do join one of our Sunday School groups instead! Contact Abang Trang for more info.

You can access the livestream at https://www.facebook.com/bemkec/live_videos/

Or on Youtube here: <https://youtube.com/bemkec/live>

8.30am – Livestream starts

Livestream link should be available by 8.25am latest.

1. CALL TO WORSHIP – Ephesians 3:16-19

2. WORSHIP in SONG (with Jeremy Ng)

SONG 1: Great in Power

SONG 2: Here I am to worship

3. Theology is for doxology: Covenant

4. Prayers

- World
- Nation
- Church

5. Bible reading: Genesis 18:1-15

18 The LORD appeared to Abraham near the great trees of Mamre while he was sitting at the entrance to his tent in the heat of the day. ² Abraham looked up and saw three men standing nearby. When he saw them, he hurried from the entrance of his tent to meet them and bowed low to the ground.

³ He said, 'If I have found favour in your eyes, my lord,^[a] do not pass your servant by. ⁴ Let a little water be brought, and then you may all wash your feet and rest under this tree. ⁵ Let me get you something to eat, so you can be refreshed and then go on your way – now that you have come to your servant.'

'Very well,' they answered, 'do as you say.'

⁶ So Abraham hurried into the tent to Sarah. 'Quick,' he said, 'get three seahs^[b] of the finest flour and knead it and bake some bread.'

⁷ Then he ran to the herd and selected a choice, tender calf and gave it to a servant, who hurried to prepare it. ⁸ He then brought some curds and milk and the calf that had been prepared, and set these before them. While they ate, he stood near them under a tree.

⁹ 'Where is your wife Sarah?' they asked him.

'There, in the tent,' he said.

¹⁰ Then one of them said, ‘I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah your wife will have a son.’

Now Sarah was listening at the entrance to the tent, which was behind him. ¹¹ Abraham and Sarah were already very old, and Sarah was past the age of childbearing. ¹² So Sarah laughed to herself as she thought, ‘After I am worn out and my lord is old, will I now have this pleasure?’

¹³ Then the LORD said to Abraham, ‘Why did Sarah laugh and say, “Will I really have a child, now that I am old?”’ ¹⁴ Is anything too hard for the LORD? I will return to you at the appointed time next year, and Sarah will have a son.’

¹⁵ Sarah was afraid, so she lied and said, ‘I did not laugh.’ But he said, ‘Yes, you did laugh.’

SERMON OUTLINE: Is anything too hard for the LORD? (Genesis 18:1-15)

Promise makers. Promise breakers.

Where is Sarah?

Where are you?

The Lord steps in. (Gen 18:1-3)

The hospitality of Abraham. (Gen 18:3-8)

The friendship of the Lord.

The God who came to stay. (Jn 14:23; Ps 23)

Where is your wife Sarah? The promise repeated. Sarah laughs. (Gen 18:9-12)

IS ANYTHING TOO HARD FOR THE LORD? (Gen 18:13-15; Heb 11:11-12; Gen 21:1-3)

The One who makes the promise.

The LORD does the hard things.

The road to redemption.

Another impossible pregnancy. (Luke 1:26-37)

God does the unthinkable.

Believing the LORD for whom nothing is too hard. Letting God be God.

Calling on God.

Trusting God for His best. (Rom 8:32; Mk 14:36; 2 Cor 12:7-9; James 1:4; Romans 8:28-29)

Holding on to God's promises. (Some other examples)

Promise of forgiveness (1 Jn 1:9)

Promise of life (Jn 11:25-26)

Promise of assurance of salvation (Jn 5:24; 10:28; 6:37; Phil 1:6; Rom 8:30)

Walking our journey of faith with God the promise keeper.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Connect cards**
- **Giving**
- **Care parcels for those in need:** Our Social Concerns Ministry have prepared some food packages which can be distributed to anyone in need. If you know of any relative, friend, neighbour or acquaintance who are in need, please feel free to contact our church administrator (Julie Kong) or assistant administrator (Lee Siang) at our church office (082-550251). You may then arrange to pick up these packages and deliver to those you know in need.
- **Webinar** (Fri evening, August 27th, 8-9.30pm): **“Godly Perseverance in Sickness and health”** with Ps. Wong Fong Yang. Register at <https://bemkec.my/health/>
- **Equip classes: Doctrine 1** with Ps Brian, starting Saturday, 4th Sept for 10 weeks (10.30am-12.30pm). Course Fee: RM160 (Normal), RM110 (concession). Please register at: <https://bit.ly/2021T3Doc1BEMKuching>
Please take note that classes for Sept 18th and 25th will not take place on Saturday morning but at a rescheduled time – Pastor Brian will communicate with the class after registrations have closed.
- **Tadika Rajawali** is now open for 2022 admissions. Those born in the years 2016, 2017, or 2018 are welcome to join.
- **Prayer Meeting** this Wednesday – on Zoom till further notice

BENEDICTION

²⁰ Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, ²¹ to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

- Ephesians 3:20-21