

KEC ORDER OF SERVICE/SERMON OUTLINE 8th 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 – Titus 2:11-14

2. WORSHIP in SONG (with Bobby Langat)

SONG 1: Your great love

SONG 2: Lead me to Calvary

3. Theology is for doxology: What is the relationship between faith and works?

4. Prayers

- World
- Nation
- Church

5. Bible reading: Genesis 17:1-27

17 When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to him and said, 'I am God Almighty;^[a] walk before me faithfully and be blameless. **2** Then I will make my covenant between me and you and will greatly increase your numbers.'

3 Abram fell face down, and God said to him, **4** 'As for me, this is my covenant with you: you will be the father of many nations. **5** No longer will you be called Abram;^[b] your name will be Abraham,^[c] for I have made you a father of many nations. **6** I will make you very fruitful; I will make nations of you, and kings will come from you. **7** I will establish my covenant as an everlasting covenant between me and you and your descendants after you for the generations to come, to be your God and the God of your descendants after you. **8** The whole land of Canaan, where you now reside as a foreigner, I will give as an everlasting possession to you and your descendants after you; and I will be their God.'

9 Then God said to Abraham, 'As for you, you must keep my covenant, you and your descendants after you for the generations to come. **10** This is my covenant with you and your descendants after you, the covenant you are to keep: every male among you shall be circumcised. **11** You are to undergo circumcision, and it will be the sign of the covenant between me and you. **12** For the generations to come every male among you who is eight days old must be circumcised, including those born in your household or bought with money from

a foreigner – those who are not your offspring. ¹³ Whether born in your household or bought with your money, they must be circumcised. My covenant in your flesh is to be an everlasting covenant. ¹⁴ Any uncircumcised male, who has not been circumcised in the flesh, will be cut off from his people; he has broken my covenant.’

¹⁵ God also said to Abraham, ‘As for Sarai your wife, you are no longer to call her Sarai; her name will be Sarah. ¹⁶ I will bless her and will surely give you a son by her. I will bless her so that she will be the mother of nations; kings of peoples will come from her.’

¹⁷ Abraham fell face down; he laughed and said to himself, ‘Will a son be born to a man a hundred years old? Will Sarah bear a child at the age of ninety?’ ¹⁸ And Abraham said to God, ‘If only Ishmael might live under your blessing!’

¹⁹ Then God said, ‘Yes, but your wife Sarah will bear you a son, and you will call him Isaac.^[d] I will establish my covenant with him as an everlasting covenant for his descendants after him. ²⁰ And as for Ishmael, I have heard you: I will surely bless him; I will make him fruitful and will greatly increase his numbers. He will be the father of twelve rulers, and I will make him into a great nation. ²¹ But my covenant I will establish with Isaac, whom Sarah will bear to you by this time next year.’ ²² When he had finished speaking with Abraham, God went up from him.

²³ On that very day Abraham took his son Ishmael and all those born in his household or bought with his money, every male in his household, and circumcised them, as God told him. ²⁴ Abraham was ninety-nine years old when he was circumcised, ²⁵ and his son Ishmael was thirteen; ²⁶ Abraham and his son Ishmael were both circumcised on that very day. ²⁷ And every male in Abraham’s household, including those born in his household or bought from a foreigner, was circumcised with him.

- a. Genesis 17:1 Hebrew *El-Shaddai*
- b. Genesis 17:5 *Abram* means *exalted father*.
- c. Genesis 17:5 *Abraham* probably means *father of many*.
- d. Genesis 17:19 *Isaac* means *he laughs*.

SERMON OUTLINE: THE GOD WHO SETS APART (Genesis 17)

Introduction

I. Yahweh's covenant with Abram (17:1-14)

II. Yahweh's purpose for Sarai (17:15-22)

Resolution (17:23-27)

Application

Excursus on Circumcision

1. God is eternally committed to our wellbeing
2. We are wholly set apart for his service

ANOUNCEMENTS

- **Connect cards**
- **Giving.** Missions pledge cards available online at <https://bemkec.my/missions-pledge-2021>
- **Next Sunday:** Dr. Ng Hoong Phak will be preaching on Genesis 18:1-15.
- **Pastor Brian** will be “away” overseeing the (online) **NextGen 2021 Conference** from Tuesday August 10th – Friday August 13th.

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.

Last Call: The Gospel & Prosperity (8 sessions on the history and theology of the prosperity gospel), organized by Explain International.

- 9am-12pm, for 4 Saturdays (Aug 14, 21, 28, Sept 4). Speakers: Rev. Tim Nicholls, Samuel Nesan, Ps. Mark Tan.
- Normal rate (after 31 July) is at RM60. Sign up now!
- Registration link: <https://www.eventbrite.sg/e/the-gospel-prosperity-registration-163353006239?fbclid=IwAR3vHmT5pS0-dNEpQx3CA2wPllcANXhTvnI-iwaNjIQWzCf2YpwLWdZmQTc>

- **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>
- **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 may the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, ²¹ equip you with everything good for doing his will, and may he work in us what is pleasing to him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

- Hebrews 13:20-21