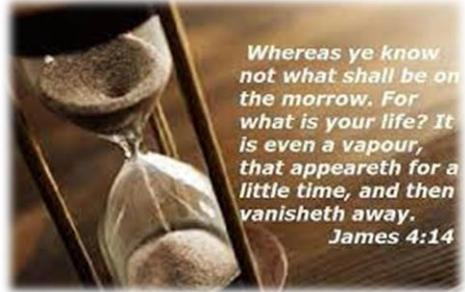


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## When Life Bids Us Farewell

Over the past 4 and a half months, I have officiated 5 vigil services and/or funerals and visited 4 other wakes. These recent deaths were of people whom we know and hold dear in our lives, including Angie's mom, Auntie Jenny. Auntie Jenny went home to be with the Lord peacefully on 8 Nov 2021 with 4 of us by her side, singing, praying and reading the Word with her before she breathed her last. There are more than 5 million people who have died in the course of these 22 months of the pandemic and the recent calamities reminded us of the brevity of life and the uncertainty and unreliability of this fallen and depraved world. Attending or conducting a funeral humbles us for we know that this is the end of life on earth. Anything untoward can happen to anyone of us anytime in a temporal world and in this climate of disasters and great danger. Who can assure us that we will not face death today or tomorrow? Our life is so fragile and transient that the Bible compares it to an ephemeral vapour that is here and vanishes away in the morning (Jas 4:14).



But the question is what happens to people when they die? The Bible, our hearts and common sense all declare to us that there is an eternity that we must all face, for we all possess a never-dying soul created by God

and we are all accountable to Him one day (Rev 20:11, 2 Cor 5:10).

## Death the Final Foe

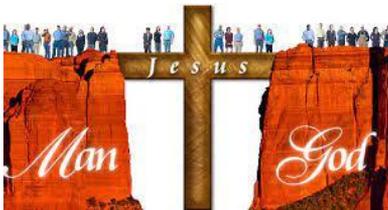
Death is inevitable as the Word of God says in Heb 9:27. One may try to do all that he can to remove the thought of death but Heb 9:27 says, *“And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgement.”* The good news is that there is hope beyond the grave. Someone has made a new and living way for us that we need not perish eternally in a suffering furnace of everlasting destruction. We can be **saved** and **safe** from eternal condemnation if we know the Lord Jesus as our Saviour and sincerely confess, repent and forsake our sins. When we seek to acknowledge Jesus Christ as our personal Saviour and Lord, we begin a new life in Him that lasts forever.



The Christian faith is a **DONE** religion and there is nothing we can do in saving ourselves because Someone has done it all for us at Calvary. (Eph 2:8,9) We cannot save ourselves for our works and morality and philosophies are not acceptable to a thrice holy and righteous God. (Tit 3:5) Can a drowning man who is a non-swimmer save himself? No! He needs a lifeguard to come to his rescue or else he is damned. We are born in sin and as such we are totally depraved and there is nothing we can do to save ourselves or that will satisfy God's righteous demand of a sacrifice or penalty for our sins.

*NOT by works of righteousness  
which we have done,  
but according to His mercy  
He saved us,  
By the washing of regeneration,  
and renewing of the Holy Ghost*  
Titus 3:5  
KJV

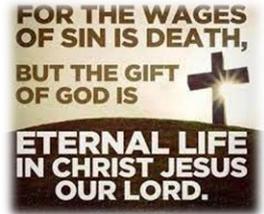
Jesus is our only Saviour and mediator between God and men. The Bible says in Rom 5:1, 8 *“Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ: But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.”* Many are facing a hopeless eternity and are not aware of it or are indifferent to it. The Bible informs us that wide is the gate and broad is the way that leads to destruction. The vast majority of mankind are treading on a



dangerous road to eternal damnation without Christ and without hope of a blissful eternity.

## Heaven and Hell

The Bible speaks of a place called heaven more than 500 times in both the Old and New Testament where God and the elect angels and the redeemed saints are and will be. It also warns us of a place called an eternal hell of everlasting torment and suffering that is reserved for the evil one and all who do not know and will not acknowledge Christ as their personal Saviour and Lord. (Heb 12: 22-24; Rev 20:10-15) You may ask the question, "Why are we, sinners hell-bound?" Rom 3:23 says, "*For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God*" and Rom 6:23 says, "*For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.*" But there is hope and good news for all sincere seekers and repentant sinners. Jesus said in John 14:6, "*I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me*" and Paul in Rom 10:9, 10 added, "*That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.*" Enter into the narrow way of everlasting life and hope.



We have an invitation for you from the King of kings and the Lord of lords. It is taken from the words of Jesus in Matt 11:28-30, "*Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me;*

*for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.*" The door of grace is open to us all today. The merciful throne of Jesus Christ beckons us and is not yet shut for now but will not be there forever. But we do not know how long it will be before it is too late. Will you hear His voice to call us unto salvation, be humble and seek the Lord Jesus as your God now while He may be found? (Isa 55:8). Does someone else in your family or friends or colleagues need to read or hear this?



## The Grave Invitation to Life

The Lord says in Eze 33:11, *“Say unto them, As I live, saith the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked; but that the wicked turn from his way and live: turn ye from your evil ways; for why will ye die, O house of Israel?”* Make haste for the sake of your soul while the thread of your life is not yet cut and Christ tarries in His imminent second return to earth again. Are you ready to meet your God? How terrible it is to experience the torments of everlasting punishment in hell without Christ for eternity and for our loved ones too.



## Conclusion

Today if you or anyone hear His voice, do not harden your hearts. Now is the time of salvation. Do not delay until tomorrow for we do not know what will be of us. Cry out to the Lord Jesus and say in your heart to Christ sincerely, 'Be merciful to me, sinner' and beg Him for His pardoning grace and divine forgiveness for Jesus who died on the cross for the sins of many will save you to the uttermost.

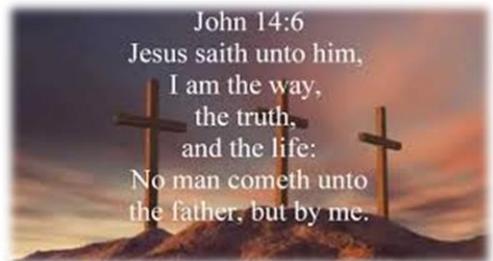


**Without Christ, it is a hopeless end.  
With Christ, an endless hope.**

Do it now before it is too late!

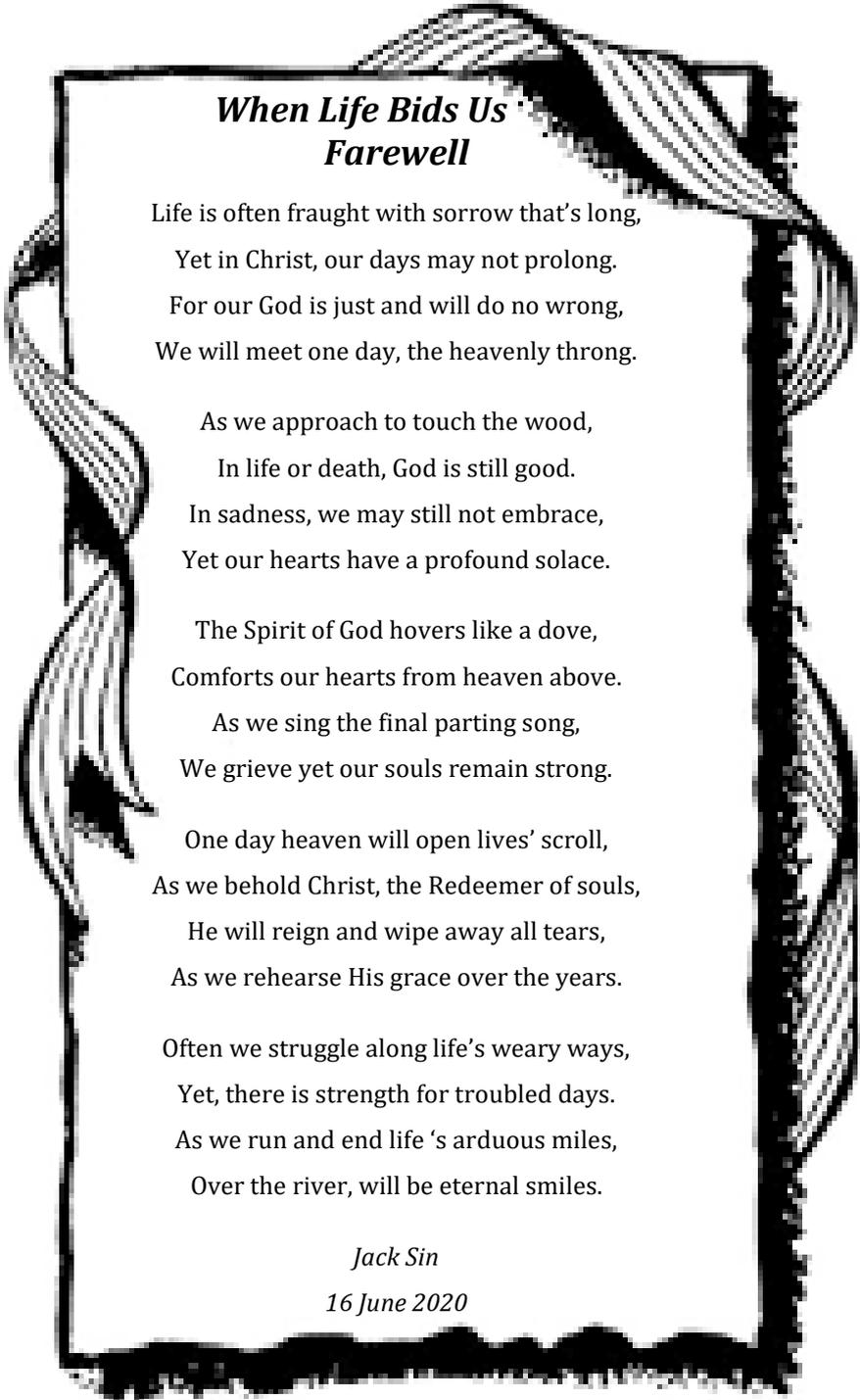
This is the only way to eternal life.

Something to think and pray about!



*Jack Sin*

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***When Life Bids Us  
Farewell***

Life is often fraught with sorrow that's long,  
Yet in Christ, our days may not prolong.  
For our God is just and will do no wrong,  
We will meet one day, the heavenly throng.

As we approach to touch the wood,  
In life or death, God is still good.  
In sadness, we may still not embrace,  
Yet our hearts have a profound solace.

The Spirit of God hovers like a dove,  
Comforts our hearts from heaven above.

As we sing the final parting song,  
We grieve yet our souls remain strong.

One day heaven will open lives' scroll,  
As we behold Christ, the Redeemer of souls,  
He will reign and wipe away all tears,  
As we rehearse His grace over the years.

Often we struggle along life's weary ways,  
Yet, there is strength for troubled days.  
As we run and end life's arduous miles,  
Over the river, will be eternal smiles.

*Jack Sin*  
*16 June 2020*



Glad to have Pieter van Graft, Director of Thirdmill ministry, joined us for worship last Sunday.

Pray for those attending the Catechism class that they be grounded in the faith.



Preparing for The Lord's Supper - remembering the atonement of Christ on every second Sunday of the month.

# A Biblical Paradigm for Triumphant Christian Service

Lord's Day Programme  
October - December 2021

## OCTOBER

- 3 A Love for God and the Brethren (Neh 1:1-11)
- 10\* A Heart of Prayer and Action (Neh 2:1-20)
- 17 How to Renew & Repair our Lives (Neh 3:1-10)
- 24 The Elements of Healthy Church Life (Neh 4:1-9, 16-23)
- 31 **REFORMATION SUNDAY**  
The Call & Convictions of the Reformers (Phil 1:12-27)

## NOVEMBER

- 7 Dealing with Opposition Wisely (Neh 5:1-19)
- 14\* When the Enemy Closes in (Neh 6:1-15)
- 21 Lesson from the Genealogy (Neh 7:1-6, 73)
- 28 Awakenings from the Word (Neh 8:1-18)

## DECEMBER

- 5 The Exemplary Fervent Intercession (Neh 9:1-21,35-38)
- 12\* Why we Need to Keep the Covenants (Neh 10:28-39)
- 19 Serving with Accountable Stewardship (Neh 12:31-47)
- 24 **CHRISTMAS EVE GOSPEL SERVICE**  
When God became Man (1 Tim 3:16)
- 26 Biblical Separation Learnt & Practiced (Neh 13:1-31)
- 31 **WATCHNIGHT COMBINED SERVICE**  
A Better Heavenly Place (John 14:1-6)

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## Memory Verse

*Neh 7:5* And my God put into mine heart to gather together the nobles, and the rulers, and the people, that they might be reckoned by genealogy. And I found a register of the genealogy of them which came up at the first, and found written therein,

## Announcements

1. Welcome to our Worship Service! For our visitors, do leave us your contact numbers in our guest book before you leave.
2. Pastor speaks today on **“Lesson from the Genealogy” (Neh 7:1-6, 73)**, continuing the quarterly theme of **“A Biblical Paradigm for Triumphant Christian Service”**.
3. Pastor speaks next Sunday on **“Awakenings from the Word” (Neh 8:1-18)**.
4. Sunday School classes continues after worship service:
  - WCF Shorter Catechism Class – Pastor Jack
  - Understanding Biblical Eschatology & related Topics – Joseph
  - Studies in Numbers – Dn Kwong Leen
5. Chinese Fellowship meets on Sunday night at 7pm via Zoom with both local and overseas brethren. Included in the programme is a study on Church History in China on alternate Sundays. Join us for a time of profitable learning.
6. Do send your prayer items to Pastor and join us for Church Prayer Meeting on Wed at 8pm via Zoom. The prayer list is available in church.
7. Neighbourhood Bible Class meets on the first Friday of each month in church on the study of 2 Samuel. Come and join us!
8. Those who wish to bring a new friend to the worship service, kindly inform the safety officer Dn Yue Kay or Pastor at least a day in advance.
9. The Pandemic book can be purchased through Dn Yue Kay (Hp: +65 97450311) or via email at [sovereignhopebpc@gmail.com](mailto:sovereignhopebpc@gmail.com).
10. Do kindly observe the safety measures of the church and assist with the weekly cleaning of the premises.
11. Love gifts, Offering and Tithes to the Lord can be given in the following ways:
  - **Cheque** payable to **Sovereign Hope Bible Presbyterian Church** and mail to church address. (Kindly write the full name of the church as indicated.)
  - **Fund transfer** to Church **UOB** Account **392-308-825-1**
  - **PayNow** to Church UEN: **T19SS0116FSOV**

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