



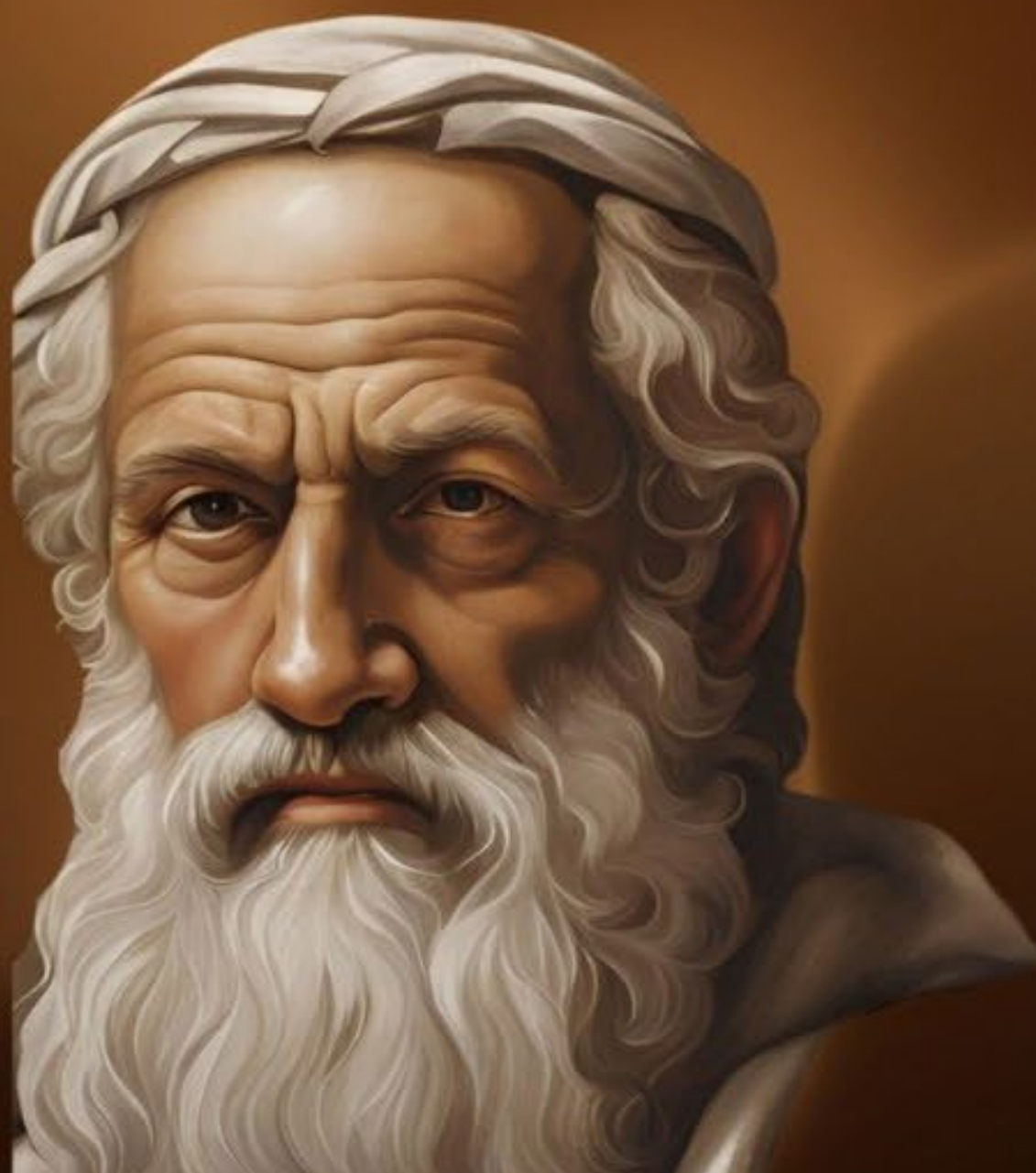
Genesis Sermon Series  
Forefathers of Our Faith

TRUST  
IN  
GOD

Genesis 13

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**ABRAHAM**  
Starter of Faith





# TRUST IN GOD

Scripture Text: Genesis 13

SERMON  
NOTES

## Summary Statement:

We trust in God's authority, even when clarity is absent, wisdom feels distant, or reality falls short of His promises, knowing He is faithful and sovereign!

### 1. Complete authority over our lives

- I. Lot was ungrateful, selfish & worldly (Genesis 13:11,12)
- II. "Salvation involves the reoccupation by God of a guilty sinner in such a way that Jesus Christ has the unchallenged, absolute, perpetual right to dictate the terms whereby that individual henceforth will run his life." (Ian Thomas)

### 2. Trust vs clarity, understanding, or wisdom in your life

- I. Season of Lack vs Season of Plenty FAITH (Genesis 12:10-20, 13:5-13)
  - i. 'It is hard for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of heaven.' (Matthew 19:23-24, Mark 10:23-25)
  - ii. Trust not in our understanding, heart, or capabilities (Proverbs 3:5, Jeremiah 17:9, Psalm 20:7)
  - iii. Show of Deference (Luke 22:42)

### 3. Even when your present reality does not match His promises

- I. Reaffirmation of God's promise worldly (Genesis 13:14-17)
- II. 'What's so promising about the promised land?'

## Sermon Discussion Questions for Missional Cells

1. In what area of your life do you feel the pull of worldly influences the most? How do you navigate the tension between worldly values and godly values? What practices help you stay grounded in God?
2. Does Christ have 'the unchallenged, absolute, perpetual right to dictate the terms' of your life? If not, what is one specific area you sense God calling you to surrender to Him completely? What makes it challenging to fully surrender that area? What might life look like if you let Christ lead completely?
3. Do you find it easier to trust God in seasons of plenty or in seasons of lack? Why? Can you share a personal story that illustrates this?
4. What does showing deference to God look like in your life? Are there areas where you've resisted deferring to Him, and how might you take a step toward surrender? What does deference mean practically (e.g., in decisions, relationships, career)? How has showing deference to God shaped your life so far?
5. Have you ever faced a situation where your current reality seemed completely at odds with God's promises? How did you respond, and what did you learn from that experience? What Scripture or truths about God sustained you during that time? How can these experiences strengthen your faith moving forward?





Genesis Sermon Series

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# FOREFATHERS

OF OUR

# FAITH

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26 Jan - 27 Jul 2025



**ABRAHAM**

Starter of Faith

Gen 12- 25

**ISAAC**

Son of Faith

Gen 25 - 26

**JACOB**

Striver of Faith

Gen 27 - 36

**JOSEPH**

Savior of Faith

Gen 37 - 50



Blessed New Year  
and May God's  
Grace Overflows

主恩  
满溢  
新年  
快乐



## ANNOUNCEMENTS (1)

### INTERGEN (INTERGENERATIONAL) LUNCH

Please be informed there is no intergen lunch this Sunday. The next intergen lunch will be on 2 March, 4 May, 6 July & 2 November. Do note the dates and join us over lunch fellowship.

### 2025 CHURCH SUMMIT

If you have missed the church summit on 18 January, you can catch it here and let us move together with God. Click **link to access the recordings**: <https://youtu.be/kAMiBwB6SxE>.

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR HOSPITALITY

A recruitment poster for the Hospitality Team. It features the title "JOIN THE HOSPITALITY TEAM" in large, bold letters. Below the title, there are two sections: "USHERS" and "MEETING POINT HOSTS". Each section has an illustration of people and a description of the role. A QR code is located at the bottom right of the poster, and a URL is provided at the bottom.

JOIN THE  
**HOSPITALITY TEAM**

**USHERS**  
Would you serve together and be part of a team to create a welcoming church?

**MEETING POINT HOSTS**  
Do you like to meet new friends and have a cup of coffee with them?

Requirement:  
\*able to serve once a month  
\*enjoy meeting people and possess a warm, approachable demeanor

<https://bartley.ch/HospitalityTeamVolunteer>

Be a part of the Hospitality Team that creates a welcoming church! Volunteer to be an usher or meeting point host.

Sign up here:

[bartley.ch/HospitalityTeamVolunteer](https://bartley.ch/HospitalityTeamVolunteer)

### PRAYING@BARTLEY

A poster for the "Praying@Bartley" event. It features the word "Praying" in a large, elegant script font, with "@Bartley" in a smaller font below it. The background is a dark teal with white stars. Below the title, the dates and times of the event are listed.

*Praying*  
@Bartley

2025 Feb 5, March 5, April 2, May 7,  
Aug 6, Sept 3, Oct 1, Nov 5

Wednesday, 8pm, Hudson Taylor Hall  
All are welcome

Commit to strengthening your spiritual connection with God through prayer and worship as another year begins. Seek Him by deepening your relationship and setting aside regular prayer time. All are welcome to join **Praying@Bartley on Wednesday night**.

### CONDOLENCES

Our deepest condolences to Mary Goh on the passing of her beloved husband on 28 January. May God's peace and comfort be with her during this time of grief.



# ANNOUNCEMENTS (2)

## 2025 CHURCH CAMP – 12 TO 15 JUNE



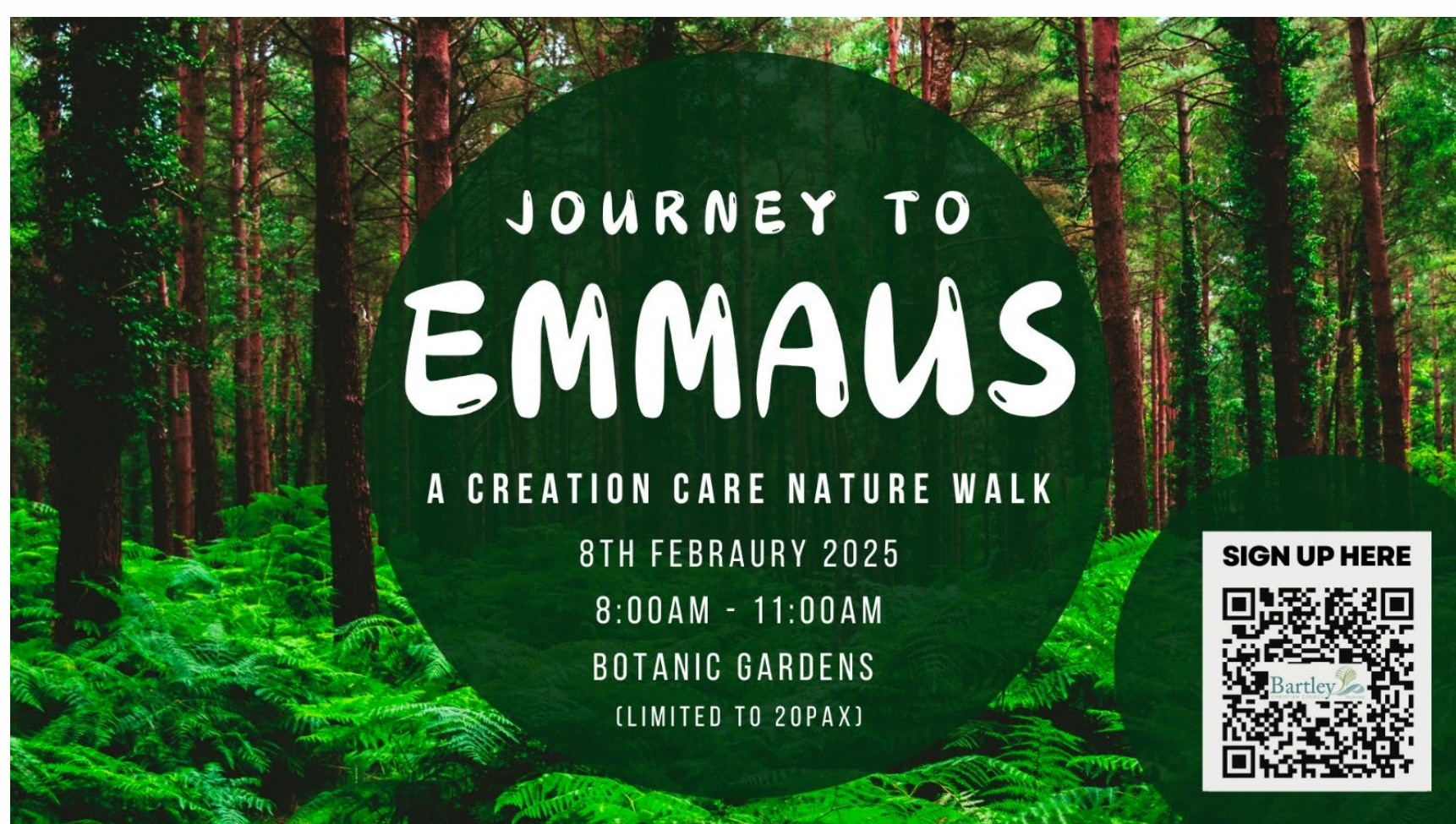
Come and experience a time of connection, worship, and renewal as we learn to ABIDE in Him together.

**Registration opens on 16 February.**

*Mark your calendars now.*

## UPCOMING EVENTS (1)

### CREATION CARE WALK



Join us for a creation care walk and experience the serenity of nature while we reflect and meditate on nature and God's goodness.

**Sign up by 2 February at:**

**[//bartley.ch/Journey2Emmaus2025](https://bartley.ch/Journey2Emmaus2025)**

**(Limited to 20pax)**

### YOUNG FATHERS' MINISTRY



Young Fathers Ministry is resuming meeting. Come and join us this 8 February at 9:30am in Room 4.6 to celebrate CNY and God's goodness for our family! **Sign up at:**

**<https://rebrand.ly/bccyfm>**



# UPCOMING EVENTS (2)

## PARENTING IN THE AGE OF SCREENS

This has been a hot topic recently! Rightly so in the age of screens. Children are increasingly exposed to screens at a very young age. We encourage young parents/parents-to-be/grandparents/guardians to come & learn from an experienced speaker. Together, we grow as a community through Q&A and discussions. Help desk at the end of the session where you can get help in putting in controls in your devices. Sign up at: <https://forms.office.com/r/tCQL51GGGM>



## EMPOWERED TO INFLUENCE (ETI)

The ETI Course is designed to benefit every believer, particularly those in the workplace. This 4-session facilitated course will guide you through 7 paradigm shifts to become effective salt and light for God in your spheres of influence. Each session includes dynamic group discussions, providing participants opportunities to share insights, reflect on key principles, and learn from one another's experiences. Missional cells are encouraged to attend as a group for deeper collective learning and application.

Sign up by 2 February at: <https://bartley.ch/EmpoweredToInfluence2025>





# UPCOMING EVENTS (3)

## EVANGELISM WORKSHOP

Learn to share the gospel in 5mins or less, in pairs! Hear from testimonies and learn ways to transition smoothly into having a spiritual conversation with a friend. Alfred Tan is from Bartley and has taught this method in 40 churches over 70 sessions. You may sign up as an individual or as a pair. Sign up here at: [bartley.ch/sharemyfaith](https://bartley.ch/sharemyfaith). Closing date: 9 February



### PERSONAL EVANGELISM WORKSHOP

DATE: SATURDAY 15 FEB  
TIME: 10:00AM - 12:30PM  
VENUE: MEETING POINT

Learn to share your faith! →



## ALPHA

Alpha Film Series is a safe place for seekers to come together to watch a short film and explore the questions of life, faith and meaning. Invite your friends and neighbours to experience Alpha on 23 February over lunch. More Invitation cards available at Level 3 Foyer and beside the Alpha standee at Level 1. Details & sign up at: <https://bartley.ch/alpha>. Closing date: 16 February



<h3>Introductory Session</h3> <p>Sunday 23 Feb 1:00 – 2:30PM</p>	<h3>Alpha Film Series</h3> <p>23 March – 25 May Sundays 1 – 3:30PM</p>	<h3>Sign up</h3> 
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Get invitation cards at L3 foyer or L1 reception!



# CONNECT WITH US!

- > I'M NEW and would like someone to follow up with me.
- > I would like to JOIN a Missional Cell, Young Adults Ministry or Youth Ministry

Scan to join



<https://bartley.ch/newcomer-response-registration>

- > I would like to get BAPTISED
- > I would like to be a MEMBER

Scan to register



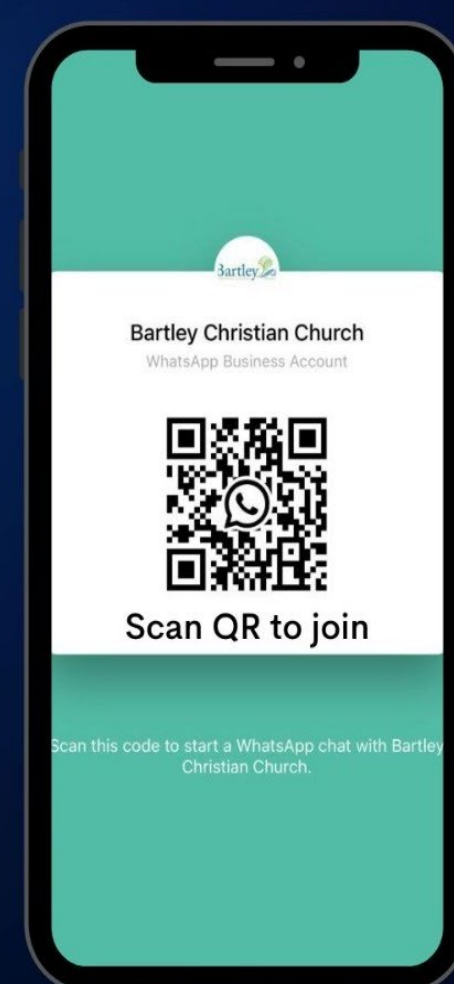
<https://bartley.ch/baptism-membership>

## STAY CONNECTED

Receive weekly updates, including E-bulletin, via WhatsApp broadcast. Send a message with your full name to **8780 3955** and be connected!

E-bulletin is on the church website too! (<https://www.bartley.org.sg/bulletin>)

Receive the latest  
announcements on  
**WhatsApp  
Broadcast**  
**8780 3955**  
send us your full name





## OUR PURPOSE

A God-loved  
missional community that  
worships passionately  
evangelises faithfully  
disciples intentionally  
serves selflessly  
sent out to reach the world for Christ



### Kingdom Jewels Children Ministry

We welcome children aged 12 years & below to join our Sunday School program. If you have a child 12 years and under and would like to find out more, please visit our webpage at:

<https://www.bartley.org.sg/kingdom-jewels>.

Please contact Ps Nan at [nansiew@bartley.org.sg](mailto:nansiew@bartley.org.sg),  
PeiYun at [peiyunyin@bartley.org.sg](mailto:peiyunyin@bartley.org.sg) or Gerard at [gerardsu@bartley.org.sg](mailto:gerardsu@bartley.org.sg) if you have queries.

## OUR CORE VALUES

**B**elieving Prayers  
**A**ccountable Relationships  
**R**eaching Out to the Nations  
**T**eaching the Word  
**L**oving Families  
**E**xercising Stewardship  
**Y**ielding to the Spirit

### Need to talk to someone?



If you need prayer, ministry or wish to respond to God's Word, our pastors & elders will be at the front to meet with you after each service. You may also email: [info@bartley.org.sg](mailto:info@bartley.org.sg) if you have any prayer requests or wish to speak with our pastors.

If you have counselling needs, visit [counselling@bartley.org.sg](mailto:counselling@bartley.org.sg) to request counselling from our lay counsellors.

## TITHES & GIVING to BARTLEY CHRISTIAN CHURCH via Bank Transfer or PayNow (UEN):

**1) For General Tithes & Offerings:** DBS Account: 047-007309-0 (UEN: 197801655D)

**2) (NEW) For Missions (General & Designate\*\*):** DBS Account: 072-108877-0 (UEN: 197801655DMIS)

**3) For PJWMEF:** DBS Account: 003-911373-0 (UEN: 197801655DPJW)



\*\* Missions personnel codes at: <https://www.bccmissions.com/missionspersonnelcodes> or scan QR above.  
Please **indicate the 3-Letter codes** in the reference/remark section **when giving to specific missionary**.

## PASTORS

Senior Pastor Joseph Lee  
Pastor Mah Yeow Beng (Christian Education)  
Pastor Jason Lee (English Lead)  
Pastor Tony Clayton Chong (English, Missional Cell)  
Pastor Jonathan Ji (English, Frontline Youth)  
Pastor Woo Nan Siew (English, Kingdom Jewels-Children)  
Pastor Gloria Tan (English, Young Adults)  
Pastor Eric Wong (Chinese Lead)  
Pastor Irene Chung (Chinese)  
Pastor Clevee Go (Filipino Lead)  
Pastor Kim Taehoon (Korean Lead)  
Associate Pastor Alvin Tan (English)  
Associate Pastor Lim Beng Hee (Chinese)  
Associate Pastor Danny Modi (Telugu Lead)  
Lay Pastor Solomon Adhikari (Nepali Lead)

## ELDERS

Chairman Elder Lawrence Phang  
Vice Chairman Elder Chua Teck Chuan  
Secretary Elder Jeffrey Lee  
Treasurer Elder Vikram Mengi  
Elder Jeffrey Lum  
Elder Ronald Yong  
Elder Yew Hock Meng

## MINISTRY HEADS

**Missions** – Serene Lim  
**Family Life** – Li Wen Xing  
**Bartley Community Outreach** – Matthew Chern  
**Kingdom Treasures, Seniors** – May Kwan  
**Counselling** – May Kwan  
**Indonesian Fellowship** – Rose Faquir  
**Bartley Community Care Services** – Kenneth Teo

## SERVICES

### SUNDAY

**ENGLISH** Service 9:00am & 11:00am  
**ENGLISH CHILDREN** Ministry 10:45am  
**CHINESE** Service 11:00am  
**INDONESIAN** Fellowship 11:00am  
**KOREAN** Service 11:00am & 8:00pm  
**NEPALI** Service 1:00pm  
**FILIPINO** Service 1:30pm

### SATURDAY

**FRONTLINE YOUTH** Ministry 3:00pm  
**TELUGU** Service 8:00pm