

**Let us Unite in Prayer.** Over the decades, Christians from various churches have gathered for prayer during the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. Different denominations and independent churches have offered their church premises and have participated in this annual gathering as early as the 1970s. The 2024 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity has chosen as its theme: *You Shall Love the Lord Your God...and Your Neighbour As Yourself (Luke 10:27)*. The organisers, which represent most denominations in Singapore would like to warmly invite you and your church members to spend time in prayer and reflection on any of these days:

- 19 January 2024 (Friday), 8pm – Church of Our Lady Queen of Peace at 4 *Sandy Lane, Singapore 437321*.
- 20 January 2024 (Saturday), 2.30pm – Cairnhill Methodist Church inside Anglo-Chinese School (Junior) at 16 *Winstedt Road, Singapore 227988*.
- 22 January 2024 (Monday), 12pm – The Bible Society of Singapore at *The Bible House, 7 Armenian Street, Singapore 179932*.

No prior registration is needed. Just come with a fellow Christian and be open to experience the joy of prayer, fraternity and fellowship as one big Christian family in Singapore.

**Commitment to Build Strong Families:** Appreciation has been received for the many churches that have supported this year's National Family Week. Our churches' participation reaffirms the commitment of the Christian community, joining other organisations in Singapore, to build stable and strong families to bless our society.

The team at Families for Life (FFL) is starting to prepare for next year's event, which will be renamed National Family Festival (NFF). The NFF 2024 will kickoff on 25 May, coinciding with the June school holidays and extending it to the whole month of June. The Families for Life hopes that churches can commence planning family-centric events, programmes and activities so as to bring across a stronger narrative surrounding the importance of families.

FFL is also open to collaborate with churches. If your church would like to consider this collaborative effort, please inform the NCCS office at [admin@nccs.org.sg](mailto:admin@nccs.org.sg) and we shall be pleased to facilitate the partnership. We look forward to a very meaningful NFF 2024, with your support.

**The Golden Jubilee Wedding Celebrations (GJWC)** is an annual event co-organised by the Families for Life (FFL) Council, Registry of Marriages (ROM) and Registry of Muslim Marriages (ROMM) to celebrate with couples who are celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. Inaugurated in 2018 the event was interrupted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Next year, the organisers will be holding the GJWC lunch event on 24 February 2024 (Saturday) at the Marina Bay Sands.

Please share this special news with your congregation who are Golden Jubilee couples – those who register will be invited to the lunch reception and will receive a Golden Jubilee gift set containing a commemorative certificate, a gold medallion and a photo memento to mark this special occasion. For more information, please visit this [LINK](#).

**Strengthening your Church** against Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing: Here is a message for Charities from MCCY. [LINK](#)

**Lasting Power of Attorney (LPA):** Please note that the sharing session on LPA and Advanced Care Planning has been rescheduled to 11 April 2024. More information will be provided in due course.

**Administrative Position:** As workload in the office increases, NCCS needs to enlarge its administrative team. Should you know of anyone with administrative skills who would like to consider serving with NCCS, kindly encourage them to write to [jeanc@nccs.org.sg](mailto:jeanc@nccs.org.sg) . Thank you.