

National Council of Churches of Singapore

Official Statement in response to an open letter to NCCS

- 1 Elder David Ng Tah Wee of True Way Presbyterian Church is the author of the Open Letter to NCCS which was posted on Youtube on 17 September 2025.
- 2 David Ng is a lay elder of his church. His letter conveys a complaint that Pastor Joseph Prince of New Creation Church (NCC) is preaching heresy.
- 3 The Council is informed that the letter of complaint by Elder David Ng is not endorsed by the True Way Presbyterian Church nor the Synod of the Presbyterian Church in Singapore, the denomination's leadership.
- 4 This open letter is the latest development following the weekly website posting of a Rev George Ong, who has made similar complaints against Pastor Joseph Prince. In his widely circulated emails, Rev Ong criticises NCCS for not taking action against Pastor Prince, based on his judgment.
- 5 *"Mr George Ong withdrew his ordination credentials from the Assemblies of God Singapore (AOG) in 2014 as he was not in good standing with the fellowship".* He has currently no official affiliation with the AOG. (Afternote: paragraph 5 has been amended as per AOG request to NCCS dated 30 October 2025).
- 6 Joseph Prince is the Senior Pastor of the New Creation Church. Its website states that *"he preaches regularly in our church in a voluntary capacity"*.
- 7 NCCS considers Elder David Ng's open letter as an individual Christian complaining about another Christian, who happens to be a pastor.
- 8 The Council also finds that the 'Statement of Faith' of New Creation Church, posted on its website, to be compliant with the Basis of Association of NCCS, of which the church is a member.
- 9 It bears repeating that NCCS is a fellowship of churches. It is not an ecclesiastical court or disciplinary body with authority over its member churches and pastors. However, it may exercise an advisory or consultative role, when requested to do so.
- 10 Article 4 (i) of the NCCS constitution lists its objective as: *"To offer itself as an instrument or agency to the Churches and other Christian organisations in Singapore whereby they can cooperate and serve together, except what irreconcilable differences of sincere conviction compel them to do separately"*.

- 11 The NCCS constitution recognises that Council members may have “irreconcilable differences” with each other, and these include theological and doctrinal differences. Such “irreconcilable differences”, if any, should not be seen as necessarily heretical.
- 12 Four years ago, the General Committee held a meeting on 28 October 2021 to address 26 open letters against Pastor Joseph Prince. There were two others that supported Pastor Prince. The authors of the 2021 open letters were not endorsed by their churches and denominations.
- 13 On 29 October 2021, following the General Committee meeting, NCCS responded to each of the 28 authors of the open letters to explain the Council’s decision regarding their complaint.
- 14 The Council’s letter also mentioned the points raised in item #9 above. It emphasised that NCCS is a fellowship of churches and does not have jurisdiction over its member churches.
- 15 Furthermore, on 3 December 2021, the Executive Committee led by then NCCS president Archbishop Dr Titus Chung, arranged for a meeting with Pastor Joseph Prince and several of his senior leaders. The meeting was held via Zoom conferencing.
- 16 Subsequently, a joint-statement was read to the General Committee meeting on 27 January 2022. At that meeting, it was repeated that Pastor Joseph Prince welcomed the authors of the open letters to engage him directly on their complaint against him.
- 17 New Creation Church has indicated that none of the authors of the 2021 open letters responded to the invitation to engage Pastor Joseph Prince directly.
- 18 Going forward, NCCS requests the assistance of the leadership of the True Way Presbyterian Church or the Synod of the Presbyterian Church in Singapore to advise and guide Elder David Ng on the appropriate way to resolve his complaint against Pastor Joseph Prince.
- 19 The Council is saddened by the ongoing complaints by a group of Christians who do not officially represent the leadership of their churches or denominations, and who in their personal capacities have brought acrimony and discord to the Christian community in Singapore.
- 20 NCCS encourages Christians to pray that God will help all parties find a resolution that will bring honour to His Name.

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