NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CHURCHES OF SINGAPORE

NEWSLETTER

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General Household Survey 2025: Summary and Recommendations. On 13 October 2026, the National Council of Churches of Singapore (NCCS) organised a gathering of church and Christian organisational leaders to discuss the findings of the General Household Survey (GHS) 2025 and consider their implications for the Church in Singapore.

We are grateful for the participation and contributions of leaders representing the following churches and Christian organisations:
The Methodist Church in Singapore
The Anglican Diocese of Singapore
The Lutheran Church in Singapore
The Presbyterian Church in Singapore
The Salvation Army Singapore
The Evangelical Free Church of Singapore
The Church of Singapore
The Roman Catholic Archdiocese
The Singapore Baptist Convention
The Bible-Presbyterian Church in Singapore
City Harvest Church
New Creation Church
Love Singapore
The Evangelical Alliance of Singapore
The Alliance of Pentecostal and Charismatic Churches of Singapore
The National Council of Churches of Singapore

The leaders shared candidly and thoughtfully from their respective perspectives, offering valuable insights into the opportunities, challenges and concerns facing the Church in Singapore. More importantly, the gathering reminded us of the importance of standing together in Christian unity as we seek to understand the times and discern how God is leading His Church.

We trust that these findings and reflections will serve as a useful resource for your prayerful consideration, discussions and ministry planning. On behalf of the church leaders, we would like to share the GHS 2025 Summary and Recommendations. LINK

Celebrate Christmas in Singapore (CCIS) 2026. This year's CCIS outreach will be held for the first time at Orchard Mall in front of Wheelock Place and The Forum on 16-22 December.

Fundraising events, including a movie screening and a dinner earlier, are ongoing given that costs have escalated significantly this year. CCIS Chairman Canon Louis Tay is therefore looking to local churches and personal freewill giving to enable the gospel proclamation at Orchard Road. Canon Tay urges believers to give sacrificially and urgently so that the Christmas Gospel may be proclaimed "throughout the whole world as a testimony to all nations" (Mt 24:14). CCIS appeal letter: LINK

LSM Applications for Pastors of Independent Churches. The Registry of Marriages (ROM) has requested NCCS to vet the Licence to Solemnise Marriages (LSM) applications from pastors of independent churches not administered by a denominational office. Applicants are required to submit an endorsement letter from their church leadership with relevant details. Two character references from senior church leaders are also required for new applications.

- All submissions must be completed online via ROM's designated links by 31 Dec 2026, 5pm
- Details of requirement and submission are in this LINK

Notice Board. NCCS would like to share with you the following upcoming events and other matters that may be of interest to members and friends (details are found in the relevant links):

Military Christian Fellowship (MCF) is organising an NS Conference 2026: "Following Jesus During National Service". It aims to help participants stay rooted in Christ, build meaningful Christian community in NS, and prepare for a life of service both during and beyond NS. It is designed for pre-enlistees, full-time National Servicemen (NSFs), NSmen, regulars serving in the SAF, SCDF and SPF, as well as parents and church leaders who wish to support young men in their journey of faith through NS. The programme includes keynote messages from Col Joshua Gopal, Dr Tan Lai Yong and Senior Pastor Chua Seng Lee, a GROW testimony, practical breakout sessions and commissioning prayer. Attendees can choose from four breakout tracks: 1) Preparing for NS, 2) Building Christian Community in Camp, 3) Mission Beyond NS, 4) Faith in Uniform, with the last track open only to SAF, SCDF and SPF regulars.

- Date/Time : Sat 28 Nov, Registration opens at 8:30 am
- Venue : Full Gospel Assembly, Level 4, 15 Playfair Road (367987)
- Details/Registration : LINK

Crisis Preparedness Seminar Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth (MCCY) is extending an invitation to our member churches for the inaugural "Build Your Own Checklist" Crisis Preparedness Seminar, organised by MCCY's Crisis Preparedness for Religious Organisations (CPRO) Programme. This landmark seminar, to be held on Sat 21 Nov, 9.00AM-1.00PM, at Pan Pacific Singapore, aims to strengthen crisis preparedness among religious organisations amid the current security climate. We encourage each member church to send a representative, ideally a staff member overseeing emergency preparedness, to benefit from this initiative.

As priority registration is given to religious organisations, particularly those that have not yet engaged with their Harmony Circle, we warmly encourage churches to register early at https://go.gov.sg/cproseminar26 to secure their places, with breakfast from 8.00 AM and a post-event lunch from 1.00 PM to 2.00 PM. For queries, please contact cpro@mccy.gov.sg

Marriage Mentoring for Newlyweds: The Ministry of Social and Family Development (MSF) is expanding its Community Marriage Mentoring initiative. The training programme for mentors is known as Journeying with You (JoY) - meant to journey alongside newlywed couples and support them in building strong and meaningful marriages. The JoY Programme is currently recruiting Community Marriage Mentors. You may sign up as a husband-and-wife team to be trained as JoY Community Marriage Mentors. Induction training is provided by MSF at no cost (FOC).

- More information at this LINK
- Sign up here: https://tinyurl.com/MentorSignUpJoY