CROSSROADS CHURCH DUBAI

but just as we have been approved by God
to be entrusted with the gospel,
so we speak, not to please man,
but to please God who tests our hearts.

1 Thessalonians 2:4

18 October 2026 | Sunday | 10:30 am
Al Khor Ballroom | Swissôtel Al Ghurair | Deira | Dubai

WELCOME TO CROSSROADS CHURCH DUBAI

Greetings! Malugod ko po kayong binabati sa gathering ng Crossroads Church Dubai.

Kami po ay isang Taglish-speaking evangelical church. Ang Salita ng Diyos ay ang aming sole source of authority. Naniniwala kami na sa pamamagitan ng Salita ng Diyos, we become “wise for salvation through faith in Jesus Christ” (2 Tim. 3:15).

Our goal here in Dubai is to display God’s glory in all things, as Jesus taught us. Upang maisagawa ito, we gather together every Sunday to corporately read, pray, sing, listen to, and preach God’s Word, and see the gospel through the ordinances of baptism and the Lord’s supper. Ang purpose namin ay i-display nang sama-sama ang gospel ni Kristo — nang sa lahat ng ito, mabigyan namin Siya ng kadakilaan at kaluwalhatian na tanging nararapat lamang sa Kanya.



Pastor Alvin

ALVIN LITONJUA
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CROSSROADS CHURCH DUBAI

HERE ARE A FEW DETAILS AROUND TODAY'S WORSHIP:

- Please **silence** your during the service.
- **Children are always welcome** to participate in worship with their families.
- The **foyer area is available** for nursing mothers or for kids who are restless during the service.
- If this is your first time to attend, we would like to give you a **free** ! Please approach one of our ushers to receive one.

Scan the QR code to find out more about our church or to listen to past sermons.

You may reach us directly via WhatsApp at **056 258 0568**.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Awit sa Paghahanda JESUS SHALL REIGN (IN GLORY)	TOM GARCIA MUSIC TEAM
Welcome / Mga Anunsyo	CARLOS ROXAS
Panawagan sa Pagsamba PSALM 138:1-2	
Panalangin ng Papuri	
Pagsamba sa Pamamagitan ng Awitan MY SOUL WILL SING O GOD OF OUR SALVATION	TOM GARCIA MUSIC TEAM
Panalangin ng Pagsisisi JEREMIAH 2:29-31	CARLOS ROXAS
Kasiguraduhan ng Kapatawaran	
Pagsamba sa Pamamagitan ng Awitan HALLELUJAH FOR THE CROSS	TOM GARCIA MUSIC TEAM
Pastoral na Panalangin	JAYSON MAJARUCON
Pagsamba sa Pamamagitan ng Pagkakaloob THERE IS ONE GOSPEL	TOM GARCIA MUSIC TEAM
Tugunang Pagbasa 1 TESALONICA 2:1-16 (MBB)	MERLA LEYTE CONGREGATION
Pagsamba sa Pamamagitan ng Salita A GOSPEL-SHAPED MINISTRY 1 THESSALONIANS 2:1-16 (ESV)	DAVID JAMES BRILLANTES
Pagtugong mga Awitin FACING A TASK UNFINISHED NEVER CEASE TO PRAISE	TOM GARCIA MUSIC TEAM
Benediksyon	DAVID JAMES BRILLANTES

Upcoming Events

We take a moment to note upcoming events and opportunities for service in our church community.

MGA ANUNSYO

DECISIONS: Knowing God's Will and Personal Decision-Making

Topic: Question & Answer

Oct 25 | Sunday | 9:00 am - 10:15 am
Al Khor Ballroom | Swissôtel Al Ghurair
Facilitators: Joevan Bellote & Jayson Majarucon

EQUIPPING CLASS

Working in the UAE for the Glory of God

Topic: God's Design for Work

Nov. 01, 08, 15, 22 & 29
Sundays | 9:00 am - 10:15 am
Al Khor Ballroom | Swissôtel Al Ghurair
Teacher: James Brilliantes

Please see page 6 of this Bulletin for more information.

YOUNG ADULTS' FELLOWSHIP

People Will See Me

25 October | Sunday | 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm
Murjan 4 | Swissôtel Al Ghurair
Speaker: Pastor Joevan Bellote

SERMON SERIES

KEPT BLAMELESS AT HIS COMING

A Gospel-Shaped Affection
1 Thessalonians 2:17-3:13

Oct. 25; Nov. 01, 15, 22, and 29
Sundays | 10:30 am
Al Khor Ballroom | Swissôtel Al Ghurair
Preacher: James Brillantes

BAPTISM

Nov 17 | Tuesday | 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
DECC, Jebel Ali

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MGA ANUNSYO

MEMBERS' MEETING

Nov 17 | Sunday | 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm
Al Khor Ballroom | Swissôtel Al Ghurair

HEALTHY CHURCH CONFERENCE

Oct. 29 - 30, 2026 | Greenhills Christian Fellowship, Ortigas Center, Pasig City
Scan the QR code to register.

JUST FOR STARTERS

Seven Foundational Bible Studies
Scan the QR code to receive an e-copy of the discipleship material.



OPEN TO ALL

Equipping Class Series

Working in the UAE for the Glory of God

Nov. 01, 08, 15, 22 & 29

Sundays | 9:00 am - 10:15 am | Al Khor Ballroom | Swissôtel Al Ghurair

Date	Week	Title
Nov.01	1	God's Design for Work
Nov.08	2	The Brokenness of Work
Nov.15	3	Christ Redeems Our Work
Nov.22	4	A New Purpose for Work
Nov.29	5	Working for God’s Glory

JESUS SHALL REIGN (IN GLORY)

Jesus shall reign wherever the sun
Does its successive journeys run
His kingdom spread from shore to shore
Till moons shall wax and wane no more

People and realms of ev'ry tongue
Dwell on His love with sweetest song
And infant voices shall proclaim
Their early blessings on His name

He shall reign in glory, crowned with grace and might
Bless His name, and praise our sovereign King
He shall reign forever with His chosen bride
And all the earth shall sing that Jesus is the King

Blessings abound wherever He reigns
The prisoners leap to lose their chains
The weary find eternal rest
And all the needy ones are blessed

So let us serve Him all our days
Dressed in the robes of joy and praise
As we proclaim His matchless worth
Let His great glory fill the earth

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MY SOUL WILL SING

My soul will sing with all the strength I have in me
I will rejoice with every day He gives
I will recall the wonders He has shown to me
His power to heal, His mercy to forgive
We join with angels to sing His praises
He does not treat us as our sins deserve

High as the heavens reach above the earth
Is Your unfailing love, is Your unfailing love
Far as the east is banished from the west
You took our sins for us, removed our sins from us
How wide, how high is Your unfailing love

Our King delights to show compassion to the weak
Their deepest needs He loves to satisfy
Throughout the earth His justice and His mercy speak
And He will run to meet the victim's cry
From everlasting to everlasting
Our youth renewed with every step we take

Though we are dust, a moment in eternity
As flowers bloom today and then are gone
He crowns our lives with beauty and with dignity
His patience smiles on all who turn to Him
From generation to generation
We'll tell the story of His faithfulness

High as the heavens reach above the earth
Is Your unfailing love, is Your unfailing love
Far as the east is banished from the west
You took our sins for us removed our sins from us
How wide, how high
How wide, how high
How wide, how high is Your unfailing love

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O GOD OF OUR SALVATION

O God of our salvation
Who reigns upon the throne
The sov′reign Father, great is He
From whom all blessings flow

O God of our salvation
From whom redemption comes
O Father, Son, and Spirit
The blessed Three in One

Behold the Son, our Savior
Who for our sin was slain
The Christ who purchased with His blood
The wretched souls of men

O God the Holy Spirit
Revealing deity
The fount of life and love divine
Throughout eternity

Ascribe unending praises
To the God who reigns on high
How matchless is His power
His glory how divine

Ascribe, O Church
The greatness and the glory due His name
One God, one Being, one Essence
O Triune God proclaimed

Amen Amen
Amen Amen

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HALLELUJAH FOR THE CROSS

Up to the hill of Calvary
My Savior went courageously
And there He bled and died for me
Hallelujah for the cross!

And on that day the world was changed
A final, perfect Lamb was slain
Let earth and heaven now proclaim
Hallelujah for the cross!

Hallelujah for the war He fought
Love has won; death has lost
Hallelujah for the souls He bought
Hallelujah for the cross!

What good I've done could never save
My debt too great for deeds to pay
But God, my Savior, made a way
Hallelujah for the cross!

A slave to sin, my life was bound
But all my chains fell to the ground
When Jesus' blood came flowing down
Hallelujah for the cross!

And when I breathe my final breath
I'll have no need to fear that rest
This hope will guide me into death
Hallelujah for the cross!

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[Pray] for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way.
1 Timothy 2:2

PRAYER FOR THE EMIR OF RAS AL KHAIMAH

H.H. Sheikh Saud bin Saqr Al Qasimi
Ruler of the Emirate of Ras Al Khaimah
and Member of the UAE Federal Supreme Council

PRAYER FOR OTHER CHURCHES IN UAE

Ras Al Khaimah Evangelical Church
Senior Pastor **Josh Manley**
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Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples!
Psalm 96:3

SCAN ME

PRAYER FOR THE NATIONS

SYLHETI (MUSLIM TRADITIONS) IN BANGLADESH



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Population: **12,476,000**
World Popl: **12,602,000**
Total Countries: **2**
People Cluster: **South Asia Muslim - other**
Main Language: **Sylheti**
Main Religion: **Islam**
Status: **Frontier Unreached**
Evangelicals: **0.00%**
Chr Adherents: **0.00%**
Scripture: **New Testament**

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THERE IS ONE GOSPEL

There is one Gospel on which I stand
For all eternity
It is my story, my Father's plan
The Son has rescued me
Oh what a Gospel, Oh what a peace
My highest joy and my deepest need
Now and forever He is my light
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

There is one Gospel to which I cling
All else I count as loss
For there, where justice and mercy meet
He saved me on the cross
No more I boast in what I can bring
No more I carry the weight of sin
For He has brought me from death to life
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

There is one Gospel where hope is found
The empty tomb still speaks
For death could not keep my Saviour down
He lives and I am free

Now on my Saviour, I fix my eyes
My life is His and His hope is mine!
For He has promised I, too, will rise
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

And in this Gospel the church is one
We do not walk alone
We have His Spirit as we press on
To lead us safely home

And when in glory still I will sing
Of this old story that rescued me

Praise to my Saviour, the King of life
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

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In reading the Scripture corporately, we remind ourselves that we worship the God who has revealed Himself in His Word and has specifically revealed how we should come to Him in worship.

TUGUNANG PAGBASA NG BIBLIYA

(RESPONSIVE READING)

1 TESALONICA 2:1-16 (MBB)

1 Mga kapatid, kayo na rin ang nakakaalam na hindi nawalan ng kabuluhan ang pagpunta namin sa inyo.

2 Alam ninyong hinamak kami't inalipusta sa Filipos, ngunit sa kabila ng maraming hadlang, binigyan kami ng Diyos ng lakas ng loob na ipahayag sa inyo ang Magandang Balita.

3 Ang pangangaral namin ay hindi batay sa kamalian, o sa masamang layunin, o sa hangad na manlinlang.

4 Sapagkat minarapat ng Diyos na ipagkatiwala sa amin ang Magandang Balita, nangangaral kami, hindi upang bigyang-kasiyahan ang tao, kundi ang Diyos na sumisiyasat ng ating puso.

5 Alam ninyo na ang aming pangangaral ay hindi sa pamamagitan ng matatamis na pangungusap, o ng mga salitang nagkukubli ng kasakiman. Saksi namin ang Diyos.

6 Hindi kami naghangad ng papuri ninyo o ninuman

7 kahit bilang mga apostol ni Cristo ay may karapatan kaming humingi ng anuman mula sa inyo. Sa halip ay naging magiliw kami sa inyo, tulad ng inang mapagkalinga sa kanyang mga anak.

8 Dahil sa laki ng aming pagmamahal sa inyo, hindi lamang kami handang ibahagi sa inyo ang Magandang Balita, kundi maging ang aming buhay.

9 Mga kapatid, tiyak na natatandaan pa ninyo kung paano kami nagtrabaho at nagsikap araw-gabi para hindi kami makabigat kaninuman habang ipinapahayag namin sa inyo ang Magandang Balitang mula sa Diyos.

10 Saksi ang Diyos at saksi rin namin kayo, kung paanong naging dalisay, matuwid, at walang kapintasan ang aming pakikitungo sa inyo na mga sumasampalataya.

11 Tulad ng alam ninyo, kami'y naging parang ama sa bawat isa sa inyo.

12 Pinayuhan namin kayo, pinalakas namin ang inyong loob, at inatasan na mamuhay nang kalugud-lugod sa paningin ng Diyos na tumawag sa inyo upang mapabilang sa kanyang kaharian at kaluwalhatian.

13 Kaya nga, palagi kaming nagpapasalamat sa Diyos, sapagkat nang ipangaral namin sa inyo ang kanyang salita, hindi ninyo ito tinanggap bilang salita ng tao, kundi bilang tunay na salita ng Diyos, at ang bisa nito'y nakikita sa buhay ninyo na mga sumasampalataya.

14 Mga kapatid, ang nangyari sa inyo ay tulad ng nangyari sa mga iglesya ng Diyos sa Judea, sa mga nananalig kay Cristo Jesus. Inuusig kayo ng inyong mga kababayan, tulad din ng mga taga-Judea na inusig ng kapwa nila Judio.

15 Ang mga Judiong ito ang pumatay sa Panginoong Jesus at sa mga propeta. Sila rin ang umuusig sa amin. Nagagalit sa kanila ang Diyos at kaaway sila ng lahat ng tao!

16 *Ang aming pangangaral sa mga Hentil upang ang mga ito'y maligtas ay kanilang hinahadlangan. Umabot na sa sukdulan ang kanilang kasamaan, kaya't ngayon ay bumagsak na ang poot ng Diyos sa kanila.*

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PAGSAMBA SA PAMAMAGITAN NG SALITA
(WORSHIP THROUGH THE WORD)

1 THESSALONIANS 2:1-16 (ESV)

1 For you yourselves know, brothers, that our coming to you was not in vain.

2 But though we had already suffered and been shamefully treated at Philippi, as you know, we had boldness in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in the midst of much conflict.

3 For our appeal does not spring from error or impurity or any attempt to deceive,

4 but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the gospel, so we speak, not to please man, but to please God who tests our hearts.

5 For we never came with words of flattery, as you know, nor with a pretext for greed—God is witness.

6 Nor did we seek glory from people, whether from you or from others, though we could have made demands as apostles of Christ.

7 But we were gentle among you, like a nursing mother taking care of her own children.

8 So, being affectionately desirous of you, we were ready to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you had become very dear to us.

9 For you remember, brothers, our labor and toil: we worked night and day, that we might not be a burden to any of you, while we proclaimed to you the gospel of God.

10 You are witnesses, and God also, how holy and righteous and blameless was our conduct toward you believers.

11 For you know how, like a father with his children,

12 we exhorted each one of you and encouraged you and charged you to walk in a manner worthy of God, who calls you into his own kingdom and glory.

13 And we also thank God constantly for this, that when you received the word of God, which you heard from us, you accepted it not as the word of men but as what it really is, the word of God, which is at work in you believers.

14 For you, brothers, became imitators of the churches of God in Christ Jesus that are in Judea. For you suffered the same things from your own countrymen as they did from the Jews,

15 who killed both the Lord Jesus and the prophets, and drove us out, and displease God and oppose all mankind

16 by hindering us from speaking to the Gentiles that they might be saved—so as always to fill up the measure of their sins. But wrath has come upon them at last!

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NOTES

FACING A TASK UNFINISHED

Facing a task unfinished
That drives us to our knees
A need that, undiminished,
Rebukes our slothful ease
We, who rejoice to know Thee
Renew before Thy throne
The solemn pledge we owe Thee
To go and make Thee known

Where other lords beside Thee
Hold their unhindered sway
Where forces that defied Thee
Defy Thee still today
With none to heed their crying
For life, and love, and light
Unnumbered souls are dying
And pass into the night

We go to all the world
With kingdom hope unfurled
No other name has power to save
But Jesus Christ, The Lord

We bear the torch that flaming
Fell from the hands of those
Who gave their lives proclaiming
That Jesus died and rose
Ours is the same commission
The same glad message ours
Fired by the same ambition
To Thee we yield our powers

O Father who sustained them
O Spirit who inspired
Saviour, whose love constrained them
To toil with zeal untired
From cowardice defend us
From lethargy awake!
Forth on Thine errands send us
To labor for Thy sake

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NEVER CEASE TO PRAISE

May we run this race, may we keep the faith
May our eyes be fixed on Jesus
That we'll not lose heart in our struggle with sin
And through suffering, know endurance

May we arm ourselves with the mind of Christ
To rejoice in trials and be not surprised
May our hearts be so consumed by You
That we never cease to praise!

May our company be the saints You've called
May we all stand firm in one spirit
That the gospel's truth may resound on earth
That all living things may hear it

May the fruits of faith mark the path we trod
Through the life of Christ, to the glory of God
May our hearts be so consumed by You
That we never cease to praise!

May the words we share be Your grace and peace
May our tongues speak Your proclamations
That the many parts of the body of Christ
Be affirmed in their right relation

As we long and wait for the Groom to come
May we learn to love, and spur each other on
May our hearts be so consumed by You
That we never cease to praise!

When that day arrives, and the race is won
When our griefs give way to deliverance
We will fully know, as we're fully known
All our groans will end as new songs begin

And a multitude from every tribe and tongue
Wearing robes of white
Will stand before Your throne
And our hearts will be so consumed by You
That we'll never cease to praise
May our hearts be so consumed by You
That we never cease to praise!

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In the worship service, the Triune God gets the first word and the final word. And both are announcements of His grace.

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(BENEDICTION)

COMMUNITY GROUPS

At community groups, we study the passage ahead of the sermon that will be preached on Sunday.

If you're not yet in a group, we want to encourage you to take time out of your week to join one. It's helpful in becoming more familiar with God's Word and sharing our lives with one another.

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