CROSSROADS CHURCH DUBAI

*Now may our God and Father himself,*
*and our Lord Jesus, direct our way to you,*
*and may the Lord make you increase*
*and abound in love for one another*
*and for all, as we do for you*

*1 Thessalonians 3:11-12*

25 October 2026 | Sunday | 5:00 pm
Maranatha Hall | DECC | Jebel Ali | 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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## 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***<br>O WORSHIP THE KING | JOEVAN BELLOTE<br>MUSIC TEAM |
| ***Welcome / Mga Anunsyo*** | RUDY PINEDA |
| ***Panawagan sa Pagsamba***<br>PSALM 116:17-19 | |
| ***Panalangin ng Papuri*** | |
| ***Pagsamba sa Pamamagitan ng Awitan***<br>NOTHING BUT THE BLOOD OF JESUS<br>LOVED BEFORE THE DAWN OF TIME | JOEVAN BELLOTE<br>MUSIC TEAM |
| ***Panalangin ng Pagsisisi***<br>GENESIS 3:1-6; 11-13 | RUDY PINEDA |
| ***Kasiguraduhan ng Kapatawaran*** | |
| ***Pagsamba sa Pamamagitan ng Awitan***<br>BY THIS WE KNOW LOVE | JOEVAN BELLOTE<br>MUSIC TEAM |
| ***Pastoral na Panalangin*** | JAYSON MAJARUCON |
| ***Pagsamba sa Pamamagitan ng Pagkakaloob***<br>I LAY IT ALL | JOEVAN BELLOTE<br>MUSIC TEAM |
| ***Sabayang Pagbasa***<br>1 TESALONICA 2:17-3:13 (MBB) | ROSE GARCIA<br>CONGREGATION |
| ***Pagsamba sa Pamamagitan ng Salita***<br>A GOSPEL-SHAPED AFFECTION<br>1 THESSALONIANS 2:17-3:13 (ESV) | DAVID JAMES BRILLANTES |
| ***Komunyon***<br>KEEP THE FEAST | DAVID JAMES BRILLANTES<br>JOEVAN BELLOTE<br>MUSIC TEAM |
| ***Pagtugong mga Awitin***<br>HOW DEEP THE FATHER'S LOVE FOR US<br>THE FATHER'S LOVE | JOEVAN BELLOTE<br>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

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 5 of this Bulletin for more information.*

SERMON SERIES

**KEPT BLAMELESS AT HIS COMING**
**A Gospel-Shaped Life | 1 Thessalonians 4:1-12**
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

MEMBERS' MEETING

Nov 22 | 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.*

## MGA ANUNSYO




OPEN TO ALL

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**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 |

## O WORSHIP THE KING

O worship the King
All glorious above
O gratefully sing
His power and His love
Our Shield and Defender
The Ancient of Days
Pavilioned in splendor
And girded with praise.

O tell of His might
O sing of His grace
Whose robe is the light
Whose canopy space
His chariots of wrath
The deep thunderclouds form
And dark is His path
On the wings of the storm.

Your bountiful care
What tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air
It shines in the light
It streams from the hills
It descends to the plain
And sweetly distills
In the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust
And feeble as frail
In You do we trust
Nor find You to fail
Your mercies how tender
How firm to the end
Our Maker, Defender
Redeemer, and Friend.

Words:
Sir Robert Grant, 1838
Music:
"Lyons" by Joseph Martin Krause 1756-1792

## NOTHING BUT THE BLOOD OF JESUS

What can wash away my sin?
Nothing but the blood of Jesus
What can make me whole again?
Nothing but the blood of Jesus

For pardon, this I see
Nothing but the blood of Jesus
For cleansing, this my plea
Nothing but the blood of Jesus

**How deep the store of Jesus love**
**How rich the flow that cleanses us**
**How great the debt I owed**
**Now it's nothing by the blood of Jesus**

What can break the power of death?
Nothing but the blood of Jesus
Life and hope unto the earth
Nothing but the blood of Jesus
What satisfies the law?
Nothing but the blood of Jesus
What opens heaven's door?
Nothing but the blood of Jesus

Nothing can for sin atone
Nothing but the blood of Jesus
Nothing good that I have done
Nothing but the blood of Jesus
This is my hope and peace
Nothing but the blood of Jesus
This is my righteousness
Nothing but the blood of Jesus

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## LOVED BEFORE THE DAWN OF TIME

Loved before the dawn of time
Chosen by my Maker
Hidden in my Saviour
I am His and He is mine
Cherished for eternity

When I'm stained with guilt and sin
He is there to lift me
Heal me and forgive me
Gives me strength to stand again
Stronger than I was before

**So with every breath that I am given**
**I will sing salvation's song**
**And I'll join the chorus of creation**
**Giving praise to Christ alone**

All the claims of Satan's curse
Lifted through His offering
Satisfied through suffering
All the blessings He deserves
Poured on my unworthy soul

***Singing glory, honour, wisdom, power***
***To the Lamb upon the throne;***
***Hallelujah, I will lift Him high***

***Singing glory, honour, wisdom, power***
***To the Lamb upon the throne;***
***Hallelujah, I will sing***

Stars will fade and mountains fall
Christ will shine forever
Love's unfading splendour
Earth and heaven will bow in awe
Joining in salvation's song

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## BY THIS WE KNOW LOVE

God of all Creation, Lord of heaven's light
Descended into evil's darkest night
Infinitely Holy, Your perfections know no end
Selflessly You died my rightful death

**By this we know love that He laid down His life**
**God's very own Son, came from Heaven to die**
**Suspended He hung, as he shed His own blood**
**What grace in His pardon, by this**
**We know love**

Forsaken man of sorrows, hated by all men
You willingly surrendered for my sin
Scornfully derided, yet in silence stumbling on
Bearing wrath for all that I've done wrong

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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 UMM AL QUWAIN

**H.H. Sheikh Saud bin Rashid Al Mualla**
Ruler of the Emirate of Umm Al Quwain
and Member of the UAE Federal Supreme Council

## PRAYER FOR OTHER CHURCHES IN UAE

**Evangelical Christian Church of Dubai**
Senior Pastor **John Folmar**
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EVANGELICAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH *of* DUBAI
الكنيسة الإنجيلية المسيحية في دبي



*Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples!*
***Psalm 96:3***

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## PRAYER FOR THE NATIONS

### *TAMIL (MUSLIM TRADITIONS) IN INDIA*



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Population: **3,396,000**
World Popl: **4,640,000**
Total Countries: **2**
People Cluster: **South Asia Muslim - other**
Main Language: **Tamil**
Main Religion: **Islam**
Status: **Frontier Unreached**
Evangelicals: **0.00%**
Chr Adherents: **0.00%**
Scripture: **Complete Bible**

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## I LAY IT ALL

When troubles come and darkness crowds
When fortunes fail and loss surrounds
My soul is weak, but Christ is strong
And so to Him I leave it all
For He Who holds all things
Can bear each care I bring

**So, I lay it all on Jesus**
**Steadfast is the love of Jesus**
**He hears my cry; He's faithful**
**I lay it all on Jesus**

When questions rise, when faith wears thin
When fears come fast, and truth grows dim
The One who saved will not forsake
I'll trust His Word and trust His way
For He who bore my blame
Can bear each care I name

***I am weak; You are strong***
***Jesus, come and take it all***
***All my cares I cast on You***

***I lay it all, I lay it all on Jesus***

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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.

## SABAYANG PAGBASA NG BIBLIYA

*(CONGREGATIONAL READING)*

### 1 TESALONICA 2:17-20 (MBB)

**17** At ngayon, mga kapatid, nang kami'y sandaling napahiwalay sa inyo, hindi sa alaala kundi sa paningin, labis kaming nangulila. Kaya't sabik na sabik na kaming makita kayong muli

**18** at nais naming makabalik diyan. Ako mismong si Pablo ay makailang ulit na nagbalak dumalaw sa inyo, ngunit lagi kaming hinahadlangan ni Satanas.

**19** Hindi ba't kayo ang aming pag-asa, kaligayahan, at ang koronang maipagmamalaki namin sa harap ng Panginoong Jesus pagparito niya?

**20** Oo, kayo ang aming karangalan at kaligayahan.

### 1 TESALONICA 3:1-13 (MBB)

**1** Kaya naman, nang hindi na kami makatiis, minabuti naming magpaiwan sa Atenas

**2** at suguin sa inyo si Timoteo na ating kapatid at kamanggagawa para sa Diyos sa pangangaral ng Magandang Balita tungkol kay Cristo. Isinugo namin siya upang patatagin kayo at palakasin ang inyong loob alang-alang sa inyong pananampalataya,

**3** upang hindi manghina ang sinuman sa inyo dahil sa mga pag-uusig. Alam ninyong ang mga pag-uusig ay bahagi ng kalooban ng Diyos para sa atin.

**4** Ipinagpauna na namin sa inyo noong naririyan pa kami na tayo'y uusigin, at gayon nga ang nangyayari tulad ng alam ninyo.

**5** Kaya nga, nang hindi na ako makatiis ay nagpadala ako riyan ng sugo upang alamin ang kalagayan ngayon ng inyong pananampalataya sa Panginoon. Nag-aalala ako na baka natukso na kayo ng diyablo, at kung magkagayo'y mawawalan ng kabuluhan ang aming pagpapagal.

**6** Ngayon ay nakabalik na rito si Timoteo, at maganda ang balita niya tungkol sa inyong pananampalataya at pag-ibig. Ibinalita rin niya na lagi ninyo kaming naaalala at malaki ang pananabik na makita kami, gaya ng pananabik naming makita kayo.

**7** Mga kapatid, dahil sa inyong pananampalataya kay Cristo ay napasigla kami sa gitna ng aming pagkabalisa at mga hirap.

**8** Nabubuhayan kami ng loob kapag kayo'y nananatiling matatag sa pananampalataya.

**9** Paano kaya namin mapapasalamatan nang sapat ang Diyos dahil sa kagalakang natamo namin dahil sa inyo?

**10** Mataimtim naming idinadalangin araw-gabi na kayo'y muli naming makita at mapunuan ang anumang kakulangan sa inyong pananampalataya.

**11** Loobin nawa mismo ng ating Diyos Ama at ng ating Panginoong Jesus na makapunta kami diyan sa inyo.

**12** Nawa'y palaguin at pasaganain ng Panginoon ang inyong pag-ibig sa isa't isa at sa lahat ng tao, tulad ng pag-ibig namin sa inyo.

**13** Nang sa gayo'y palalakasin niya ang inyong loob upang kayo'y manatiling banal at walang kapintasan sa harap ng ating Diyos at Ama hanggang sa pagdating ng ating Panginoong Jesus, kasama ang lahat ng kanyang mga hinirang. Amen.

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## PAGSAMBA SA PAMAMAGITAN NG SALITA

*(WORSHIP THROUGH THE WORD)*

### 1 THESSALONIANS 2:17-20 (ESV)

**17** But since we were torn away from you, brothers, for a short time, in person not in heart, we endeavored the more eagerly and with great desire to see you face to face,

**18** because we wanted to come to you — I, Paul, again and again but Satan hindered us.

**19** For what is our hope or joy or crown of boasting before our Lord Jesus at his coming? Is it not you?

**20** For you are our glory and joy.

### 1 THESSALONIANS 3:1-13

**1** Therefore when we could bear it no longer, we were willing to be left behind at Athens alone,

**2** and we sent Timothy, our brother and God's coworker in the gospel of Christ, to establish and exhort you in your faith,

**3** that no one be moved by these afflictions. For you yourselves know that we are destined for this.

**4** For when we were with you, we kept telling you beforehand that we were to suffer affliction, just as it has come to pass, and just as you know.

**5** For this reason, when I could bear it no longer, I sent to learn about your faith, for fear that somehow the tempter had tempted you and our labor would be in vain.

**6** But now that Timothy has come to us from you, and has brought us the good news of your faith and love and reported that you always remember us kindly and long to see us, as we long to see you—

**7** for this reason, brothers, in all our distress and affliction we have been comforted about you through your faith.

**8** For now we live, if you are standing fast in the Lord.

**9** For what thanksgiving can we return to God for you, for all the joy that we feel for your sake before our God,

**10** as we pray most earnestly night and day that we may see you face to face and supply what is lacking in your faith?

**11** Now may our God and Father himself, and our Lord Jesus, direct our way to you,

**12** and may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, as we do for you,

**13** so that he may establish your hearts blameless in holiness before our God and Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

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## NOTES

## KEEP THE FEAST

Joyfully we join You at Your table
Pleading not our righteousness
By Your wealth of mercy, we are able
Now to feast in confidence

**Take this bread and eat**
**Take this cup and drink**
**Remember how He loved us**
**Rejoice and keep the feast**

Who is fit to feast with such a Savior?
Who His sandals could untie?
Who are we that He would show us favor
Granting us this gift of life?

**Take this bread and eat**
**Take this cup and drink**
**Remember how He loved us**
**Rejoice and keep the feast**

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Happy sign of friendship and reunion
With the blessed Three-in-One
Foretaste of that glorious communion
Vision of the world to come

## HOW DEEP THE FATHER'S LOVE FOR US

How deep the Father's love for us,
How vast beyond all measure,
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss
The Father turns His face away,
As wounds which mar the Chosen One
Bring many sons to glory.

Behold the man upon a cross,
My sin upon His shoulders;
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished;
His dying breath has brought me life
I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything,
No gifts, no power, no wisdom;
But I will boast in Jesus Christ,
His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from His reward?
I cannot give an answer;
But this I know with all my heart
His wounds have paid my ransom.

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## THE FATHER'S LOVE

How has the sinner been forgiven
How has the rebel been made clean
Or blinded eyes been made to see
How have the orphans been adopted
Who hated Your love and ran from grace
Despised and rejected all Your ways

**How wonderful the Father's love**
**The Father's love for us**
**That He would send His only Son**
**To come and rescue us**
**He has saved us, called us blameless**
**Guides us now and will sustain us**
**Oh how wonderful the Father's love**

Your mercy floods our lives with kindness
Your grace has colored all we see
And You have promised not to leave
You freely give Your Spirit to us
So we can be sure we're sons of God
And rest in the hope of what's to come
Though sufferings may fill our lives
We're confident we're heirs with Christ
And so we cry, "Abba, Father"

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## BENEDIKSYON
***(BENEDICTION)***

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

# 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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