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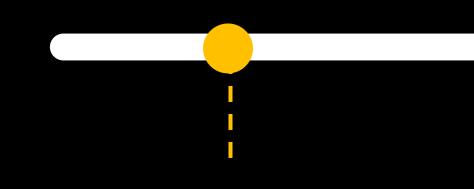


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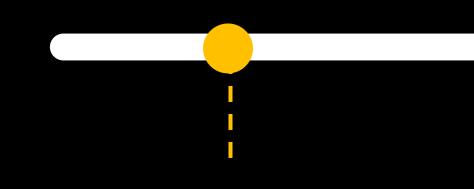




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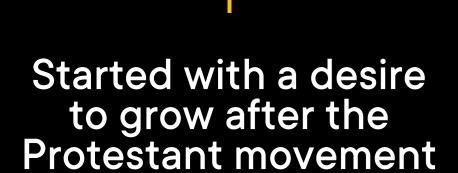




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The Brethren Movement reaches Singapore

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# Robinsons founder leaves legacy in more ways than one

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Place, Christmas 1968, with the original Robinsons geared up for the festive season. Photo by Bill Johnston on http://www.singas.co.uk/





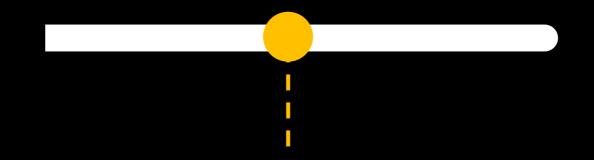


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- 2. Angora Brethren Chapel
- 3. Bethesda Bedok-Tampines Church
- 4. Bethesda Chapel
- 5. Bethesda Christian Centre
- 6. Bethesda Church Bukit Arang
- 7. Bethesda Community
- 8. Bethesda Frankel Estate Church
- 9. Bethesda Hall (Ang Mo Kio)
- 10. Bethesda Hall (Depot Road)
- 11. Bethesda (Katong) Church
- 12. Bethesda Pasir Ris Missions Church
- 13. Bethesda Serangoon Church
- 14. Bukit Panjang Gospel Chapel

- 15. Living Sanctuary Brethren Church
- 16. Pasir Panjang Hill Brethren Church
- 17. Yio Chu Kang Chapel
- 18. Yio Chu Kang Gospel Hall
- 19. River of Life Community Church



The Brethren Churches in Singapore





# KEY BELIEFS AND PRACTICES

**Brethren Church** 

Priesthood of all believers

Plurality of elders

Autonomy of the local Church

Baptism by immersion

Bi-vocational





# Sermon Series: Redigging the Brethren Well

	BBTC
5/16 Apr	Priesthood of All Believers
2/23 Apr	Being Salt and Light
9/30 Apr	Anointed Altar
/7 May	New Norm: 7 Anointed Pillars





# **Sermon Series**

	2023
an	Culture of Honor
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## WHO ARE THE PRIESTS?



- Jesus is our Great High Priest
- We too can intercede on behalf of others

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### **HEBREWS 13:18**

<sup>18</sup> Pray for us, for we are sure that we have a good conscience, desiring to conduct ourselves honourably in all things.



# APPLICATION

- 1. Pray for the Words of Knowledge and anyone with needs
- 2. Pray for one another
- 3. Serve your community



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### WHY ARE WE A ROYAL PRIESTHOOD?

1. We are God's possession – You are wanted.

God chose us out of the fallen world

Do not belittle your election

Being chosen should give us confidence

Our identity is found in God who chose us.

### **REVELATIONS 1:6**

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I will change your name
You shall no longer be called
Wounded, outcast,
Lonely or afraid

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Heb 13:15 Through Him then, let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that give thanks to His name.





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If Jesus Christ be God and died for me, then no sacrifice can be too great for me to make for Him.

- CT Studd

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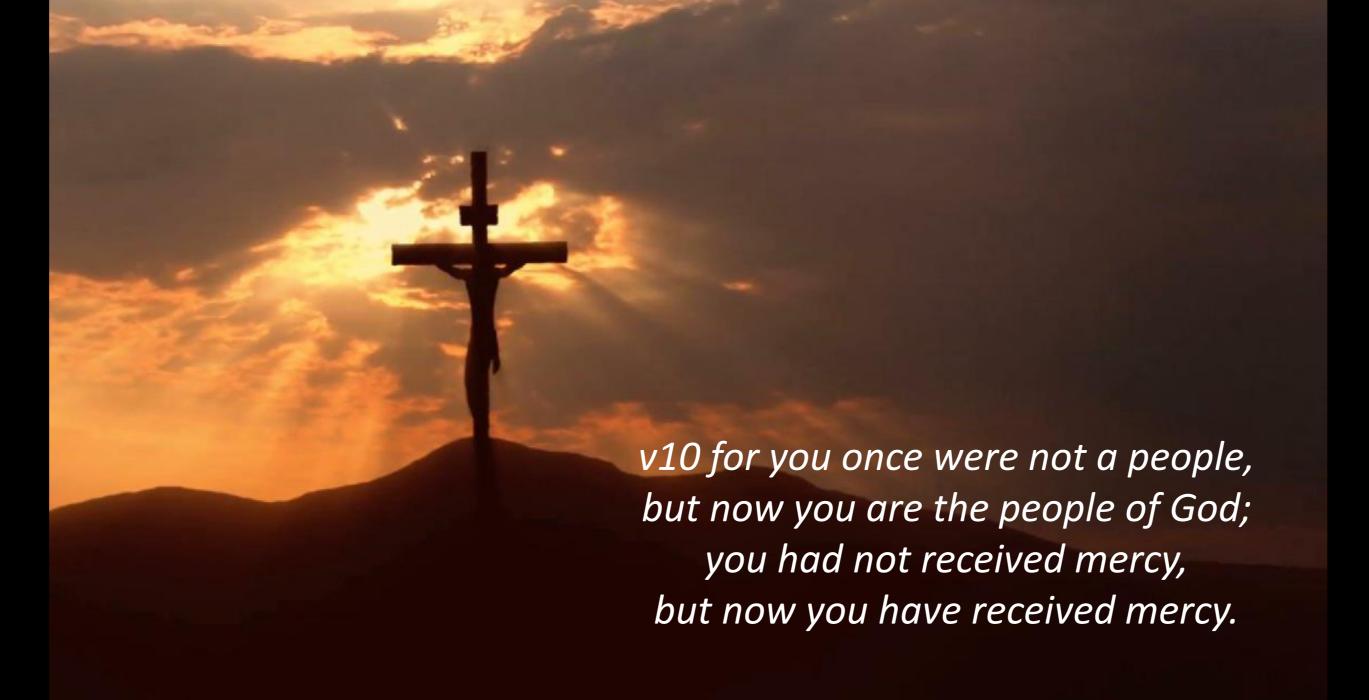








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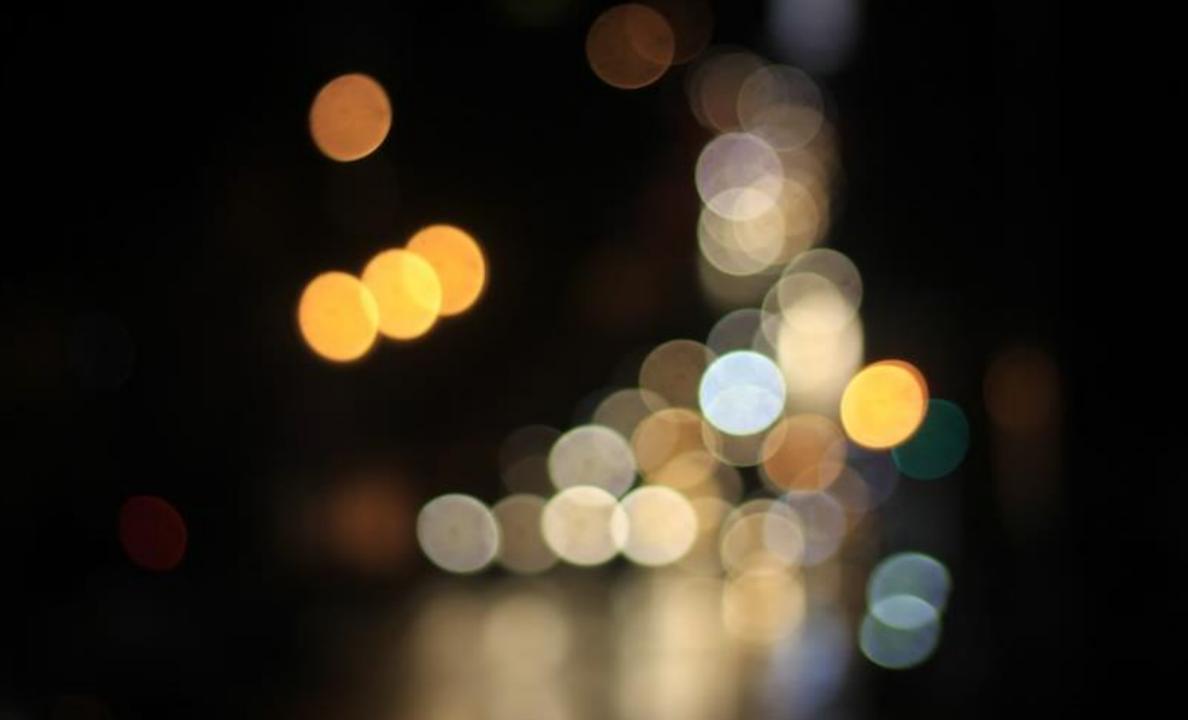




# **BBTC'S VISION**

We are called to be an Intentional Disciple-Making Church of effective priests and kings.

Let's RISE UP to our calling as effective Priests and Kings!





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