# The Extraordinary Congregational Meeting ("ECM") to Elect/Re-elect Elders and Deacons

13 October 2024, 11.15am, Grace Bible Presbyterian Church

### Candidates for the office of Elder & Session Member

## **Rev Lee Fatt Ping**

I was ordained as a Minister of the Gospel on 27<sup>th</sup> October 2001 by the Faith Bible-Presbyterian Church and Pastors of Zion B-P Church.

My entire family became members of Grace Bible-Presbyterian (BP) Church then, I was blessed to be elected and served as an Elder in the Church the last 9 years (3 terms.)



Praise God for the opportunities to take on preaching, teaching and pastoral roles and duties in our Mandarin congregation for the past 17 years.

The primary focus of my pastoral ministry at Grace BP Mandarin Service is to serve the elderly in the congregation. This is in response to God's call for me to serve the elderly in different settings. I have served as a part-time chaplain for 11 years and honorary Chaplain for some 20 years in a nursing home.

Upon my retirement as a Chaplain last year, I now serve as a spiritual care volunteer, conducting weekly devotions at St Luke Eldercare Centre @ Serangoon; and conducting monthly talk on "Ageing Well" at St Andrew's Active Aging center @ Bedok South Horizon.

I thank God for the opportunity to complete a master's program in Gerontology (Ageing) in 2022 to better equipped myself to serve in the healthcare service.

I am truly blessed by God for the opportunities to preach in several BP Churches in Mandarin, English and Hokkien.

Praise God for the clear instruction and conviction from His Word that direct my heart to confirm His calling to serve Him with humility in the pastoral ministry. The Word of God is indeed "...a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path." (Psalm 119:105).

#### Looking ahead

I will endeavor to serve God faithfully while I can and God willing, I would like to be more involved in providing pastoral services to the elderly in our English Service.

Guided by the Holy Spirit I will pray and work with the church leaders and the congregation to realize our Church's Vision, "To be a church that is passionate about God, transformed by the Word, authentic in relationship, and bond in witness."

To God be the Glory!

#### **Elder Seah Soon Huat**

By God's grace, I was introduced to Grace BP Church through the late brother been spiritual family for 42 years since. Elected to the Session in 1991, I joined our Mandarin Service in 1995.



Feeling called to serve full time, I enrolled myself for a 3-year theological training to equip myself and graduated in 2016 to oversee the Mandarin Service as a full-time staff. Since then, we embarked on Discipleship training with the vision of building and equipping more lay persons to serve the Lord. All praises to God as I witnessed more brothers and sisters-in-the-Lord not only being grounded in the faith but stepping up to serve and to lead other members (Col 2:6-7). It is my prayer that the discipleship training be an ongoing feature of our ministry.

I thanked God for His provision, a younger brother, Preacher Zhang Lifeng joined our Mandarin Service in Oct 2021 and took over the reins in July 2023. I have since stepped down from a church staff to a layperson co-worker in the ministries of Bible Study, visitation/follow-up and outreach. I count it a privilege to preach God's Word in ours and other churches on a regular basis.

From 2010, I have been serving as an elected elder; playing the coordinating role between Mandarin – English service and decision making in the Session and the Board of Elders.

God-willing, if I am re-elected as an elder, I would like to continue serving with co-workers in Mandarin Service to disciple, to preach, to teach and to reach. Seizing the opportunity to reach out to Young Adults, we are presently co-labouring with the International Student Christian Fellowship (ISCF) Ministry on groups of international and nursing students. I hope to be the continuum link between English-Mandarin services. My prayer is also to work closely with the Session to contribute to our leadership transition.

I pray for the Lord to protect us from evil forces, guide us in the process of leadership transition as we usher in the Jubilee in 2026. I also pray that all our church members will be willing to serve Him with the gifts that the Lord has bestowed upon, with His love and wisdom from above.

As for myself, I covet your prayer that I can use my remaining time on earth to serve him faithfully, circumspectly with the desire to build up brethren, and to reach out to people I encounter, for His Glory.

May the prayer of John the Baptist be upon me and all who serve Him in church: "He must increase, but I must decrease." – John 3:30