

# **PENTECOST METHODIST CHURCH**

## *LIVE-IT-OUT GUIDE*

**Sermon Date: 28/11/2021**

**Text(s): Luke 2:25–35**

**Sermon Title: What Are You Waiting For?**

**Preacher: Rev Jason Phua**

(The sermon recording is available in the PMC website and MyPMC App)

### **READ (5 mins)**

#### **Luke 2:25–35 (ESV)**

**25** Now there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon, and this man was righteous and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him.

**26** And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ.

**27** And he came in the Spirit into the temple, and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him according to the custom of the Law,

**28** he took him up in his arms and blessed God and said,

**29** "Lord, now you are letting your servant depart in peace, according to your word;

**30** for my eyes have seen your salvation

**31** that you have prepared in the presence of all peoples,

**32** a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to your people Israel."

**33** And his father and his mother marveled at what was said about him.

**34** And Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, "Behold, this child is appointed for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign that is opposed

**35** (and a sword will pierce through your own soul also), so that thoughts from many hearts may be revealed."

### **RELATE (30 mins)**

(Relate to what was shared and on key themes in the sermon)

- 1. Aside from flying again, what is one thing you are really looking forward to in the next two months?**
  
- 2. In the bible passage we read earlier, we hear of a man named Simeon who was waiting for the coming of the Messiah. While waiting for the Messiah to save Israel from Roman rule, he and his fellow Jews suffered oppression, high taxes, and the pressure to conform to idolatrous practices. Yet, Simeon did not give up waiting for the promised Saviour. In the past one and a half years, how would you say you have suffered as we all waited for the reopening of the borders?**

- 3. The first point in the sermon is that waiting is a form of spiritual discipline. What are some key words you noted in this part of the sermon? With these key words, how do you think you can change “the way you wait”?**

**REFLECT (30 mins)**

(Reflect and apply God’s word to our daily lives)

- 1. The second point in the sermon is that waiting is rewarding. How can waiting upon the Lord be rewarding in and of itself? What can happen while we wait for the actual promise to come to past?**
- 2. The third point of the sermon is that waiting is knowing and walking in the truth. What are some truths from Scripture that you have learned in 2021 or in the past 10 years? How are you walking in these truths?**

**REST (15 mins)**

(Take time to share and pray for one another)

(Pray for our church, our nation, and our world. See MyPMC > PRAY for monthly guide)

- Pray for one another to learn to enjoy waiting on God and practice active obedience as we wait.
- Pray for our church to be a people who would seek to know and walk in the truths revealed to us in Scripture.
- Pray for the MCS to continue to be strong and stable, able to meet needs in Singapore, and to stand out as a true witness of Christ Jesus.