

GCFSM SUNDAY

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WAIT COURAGEOUSLY IN THE HOPE OF THE LORD

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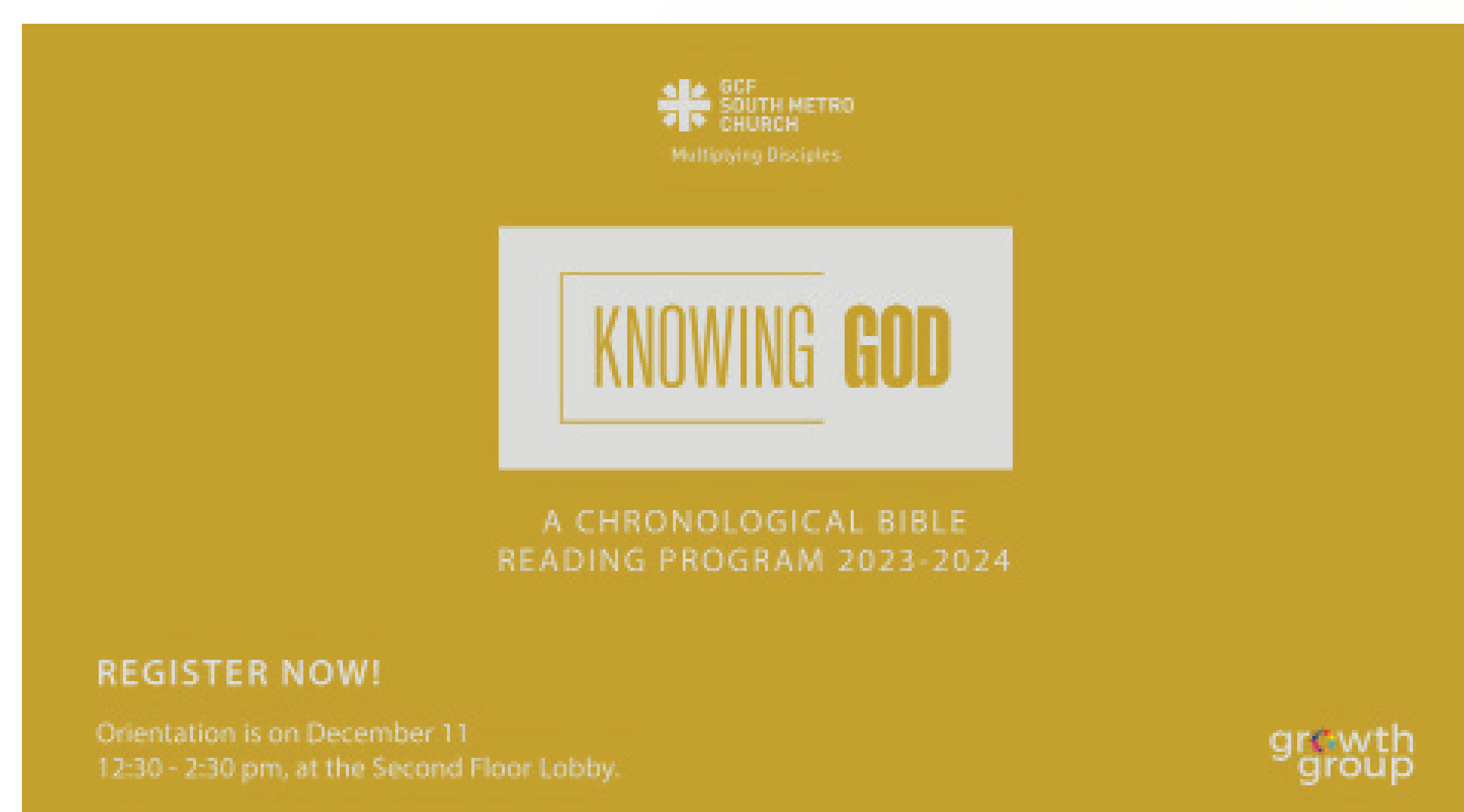
In today's world, waiting is often something that we don't like to do. We have been spoiled to have everything at our fingertips. And having all these conveniences may have made us used to things being easily obtainable. Having that mindset is not helpful when we undergo times of distress because we want things to be resolved quickly and conveniently. But we know from experience that that rarely happens.

In our passage today, the psalmist expressed the frustration he had because of distress in his life. But yet, amidst all the challenges he faced, he could still exhort the reader to love the Lord and to be strong and take courage (v.24). How could he still do that? The psalmist finds 4 things about God that helps him to have courage in waiting on the Lord. First, the Lord is someone that we can rely on fully. He expresses how God is his hiding place and refuge. He is someone who inclines His ear towards us who cry out to Him (vv. 1-5). The Lord is also someone that we can rest in comfortably! Amidst our challenges in life, we find that God is still there and we can rest comfortably in Him. The psalmist expresses all the negative things he felt and yet amidst all that, God put him in a broad place where there were no enemies present (v.8).

The Lord is also someone we can trust steadfastly. The Lord is the all-knowing and wise God who knows everything and He is someone we can trust in completely because all our plans are in His hands (v.15).

Lastly, the Lord is someone we can cry out to freely. It means that when we ask help from God or when we cry to Him, we are safe and free from judgment. We are safe in God's presence so that whatever we say or do, we are in the presence of someone who keeps us safe (v.20). And that is why we can wait courageously on the Lord because of the hope we have in him (v.24)! So, whatever we experience at the moment, let's continue to wait courageously because waiting in the Lord is always filled with hope!

Blessed Communion Sunday,
everyone! ✨



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SERMON OUTLINE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **KNOWING GOD ORIENTATION**
Bible Reading
December 11, 2022
after the 2nd worship service
Register at the 2nd floor lobby.
- **CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY**
Children's Ministry
December 17, 2022 | 9-12 nn
Please register using the QR code.
- **FAITH ALONE IN CHRIST ALONE**
FAICA Ministry
Feeding Program in TS Cruz
Every Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday
8:30 - 10:30 AM
Volunteers needed!

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

December 24, 2022

*Christmas Eve Service
4:30-6:00 PM*

December 25, 2022 and
January 1, 2023

*Morning Service - 10:30 AM
Afternoon Service - 4:00 PM*

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