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## A SELF-RADICALISED SINGAPOREAN CHRISTIAN

We receive the news of the planned terror attack in Singapore with shock and sadness. It is especially disheartening to learn that it is one of our fellow Singaporeans; a son who grew up in a safe and harmonious community such as what we enjoy in Singapore.

As Christians, we seek and pray for the welfare of our city and strive to live in peace with one another. This encapsulates the teaching of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, to love our neighbour as ourselves.

Through the pain of the news, we are reminded of how easy it is for external forces to influence our flock and we urge our pastors and leaders to redouble their work in good Christian education and discipleship.

We encourage all to come together in unity; Christians, Muslims and other faiths alike to pray for the peace and harmony within our nation; let us live together in compassion and consideration for each other.

We definitely do not condone the hatred and evil intent but let us also remember to pray for this young man who has been led astray that God will change his heart and mind towards love, joy and peace; with repentance comes forgiveness. Let us remember his family, friends and community as they heal from this incident.

May God's Love strengthen you as we together seek to Love God by Loving our Neighbours

Bishop Dr Gordon Wong

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