



Silverzone: Stories of Faith, Hope and Community

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH ELDERLY MINISTRY

Ministry Overview

Our Mission & Vision

St. Andrew's Elderly Ministry was founded in 2018 to serve St. Andrew's members' non-Christian family members.

In a Cantonese-speaking context, we share the gospel, teach the Bible, build a strong and supportive community through Christ's love, and walk together with God through the later years."

Our Core Values

Faith, Hope & Community

We are committed to nurturing deep faith through Bible teaching, cultivating hope in the hearts of those facing life's later chapters, and building a warm church community where no one is forgotten. Since 2018, this vision has grown into a living testimony of God's faithfulness among our elders.

Our Origin Story (2018)

St. Andrew's is always an English speaking church, but a few church members regularly brought their elderly parents to the English church services, even though they did not understand English. God placed a call in Juliana's heart to reach out to these older adults. At the time, however, she was considering retiring after 33 years of service at St. Andrew's. She was concerned that the ministry might not work out, and that it would be irresponsible to start something new and then leave. After several months of prayer and consultation, she accepted the challenge of starting the Elderly Ministry even though she had doubt about the future of it.

In May 2018, Juliana & Peter led the first Cantonese Alpha Course, bringing together 8 participants in a spirit of faith and fellowship. God sent a few volunteers to help. This humble beginning marked the foundation of what would become the Silverzone Elderly Ministry.

Two were baptised at the close of that first course signalled the start of a remarkable journey — one rooted in community, spiritual growth, and the love of God shared among elderly members.



May 2018

First Nativity play



Ministry Growth & Impact

*Silverzone Elderly Ministry
2018 – Present*

 14 Alpha Courses held to date

 120+ participants welcomed

 47 baptisms celebrated

Our Community By the Numbers

A Legacy of Faith and Fellowship

 6 beloved members remembered with love and gratitude

 14 dedicated leaders serving faithfully

 45 regular members growing together in faith, hope, and community

Member Testimonies

The voices of our Silverzone members carry stories of transformation, resilience, and grace. In the pages that follow, you will hear testimonies spanning four themes: faith growth, healing and recovery, family and legacy, and community fellowship. Each story is a testament to God's faithfulness in the lives of our elderly members since 2018.

Truly a meaningful life.

"Silverzone is the place where I can walk alongside my brothers and sisters in Christ and live a truly meaningful life."

(David, 90, founding member)

"I believe that my life is truly meaningful because of Jesus within me. I was born with a fragile nature, lacking confidence and often feeling timid and inferior to others. However, by God's grace, Jesus has helped me overcome these struggles. He has empowered me to pursue my career, allowing me to care for and love others."

Along the way, I have experienced moments of confusion and felt lost. But whenever I pray, He answers my calls, offering comfort and guiding me through my challenges. Because of His presence, my life is filled with joy and peace."

Now, as I face the next chapter of my life, I am grateful to be part of Silverzone, where I feel deeply loved and supported. I am still learning to rely on and submit to Him. I pray that the rest of my life will be lived beautifully according to His way."

(Celine, 77, joined Silverzone in 2021)



At a pastoral visit in Mui Wo



A late member who gone with the Lord
6 weeks after her baptism

Personal transformation and openness.

"Before, I was quite self-centered and did not care much about other people's affairs. However, since joining Silverzone, and especially after my baptism, I have found that I behave differently. I have started paying much more attention to my surroundings and am far more willing to listen to what others have to say. Surely, this is the work of the Holy Spirit in me."

(Uncle Ming, 76, joined the Alpha Course and Silverzone in 2023)

Living by Jesus' standards.

"Silverzone is the place where I have truly come to know Jesus and learn about His life. Because of this, whenever I do anything, I look to His standards as my guide."

(Frankie, 80, joined the Alpha Course and Silverzone in 2019)

My faith is grounded in Him through Baptism

"I have a very close and personal relationship with God. I always pray to Him first, which gives me a clear mind and leaves me completely stress-free—worry is simply no longer an issue for me. One thing I truly want to emphasize is that baptism is essential.

We should take it very seriously because I truly felt my faith become even more solid and deeply rooted after I was baptized."

(Man Kuen, 79, joined Silverzone in 2025)

Community and understanding within Silverzone.

"At Silverzone, it feels just like one big family. We share our lives and look at things from God's perspective. When there are things I do not quite understand, we can freely discuss them and ask questions, which is truly wonderful. Silverzone is such a wonderful place for us to gather every Sunday."

(Doris, 72, joined the Alpha Course and Silverzone in 2023)

Peace and trust through prayer.

"One simple reason we believe in and trust Jesus is the deep peace He brings us. We have developed a habit of praying day and night. As a result, we no longer feel anxious or tense when undesirable things happen, because we know that our God will protect, care for, and guide us. It is truly wonderful, and it makes life so much easier."

(Uncle Gun, 89, & Auntie Po, 82, joined the Alpha Course and Silverzone in 2024)

Overcoming loneliness and health improvements.

"Since joining God's family, I felt less lonely—even though my husband left me without warning. I have become more cheerful and am in better physical shape; consequently, I have been able to reduce my medication. After joining Silverzone, these positive changes became even more apparent. Praise the Lord!"

(Theresa, 80, joined Silverzone in 2024)

God reach out for me when I was in despair

"Most of my friends were Christians, but their behaviour was not very agreeable, so I chose not to follow in their footsteps. Then, one Sunday morning, I happened to meet Ling, a Silverzone leader, in a local restaurant. My husband had just passed away, and I felt very lonely. She invited me to church, and that was how my Christian journey began—even though I did not quite understand why at the time. Looking back, I feel that God was using Ling to extend His love to me."

(Ivy, 75, joined the Alpha Course and Silverzone in 2023)

Returning to the right track

"I first believed in God when I was a student, but I wanted to explore the world and experience many different things first. As I grew older and went through those life experiences, I realized that now is the right time to renew my relationship with Jesus. I want to let Him guide me and help me find the right direction for my life."

(Priscilla, 71, joined the Alpha Course and Silverzone in 2025)



This is how my faith begins

“I learned about the Christian faith in my early years. I joined the Alpha Course and then Silverzone, which greatly helped me understand the faith. It reminded me of the help the Bible provides for life and the standards it sets forth, which are very beneficial in daily life. So every week, my wife and I attend Silverzone to continue learning and deepen our understanding of the faith!”

(William, joined the Alpha Course and Silverzone in 2025)

I began learning about the Christian faith when I joined the Alpha Course and Silverzone. I greatly appreciate the enthusiasm and love of the leaders! The truth of the Bible has helped me a great deal, particularly in managing my emotions. The teachings from Silverzone have been very useful to me.”

(Grace, joined the Alpha Course and Silverzone in 2025)

I want to follow Him wholeheartedly

“Before I knew anything about Christianity, I always thought that if you believed, you had to believe wholeheartedly, rather than simply asking God for blessings! Since attending the Alpha Course and Silverzone, I have begun to understand Christianity better. I make time to read the Bible, and through Silverzone's teachings, I understand more clearly how to trust God wholeheartedly! I am considering getting baptized as a starting point!”

(Uncle Lung, 80+, joined the Alpha Course and Silverzone in 2025)

So thankful to go to church with my husband now.

“I have been a believer since I was young! Faith truly helps in difficult times, providing substantial guidance through prayer and the Bible. I thank God for my husband, who is very supportive! Although he does not know God, he has not opposed my faith. My past experiences with God have been very real; He has given me faith to overcome many difficulties, sometimes even allowing me to experience miracles, and I have a profound understanding of God's provision and help! I am so thankful that my husband has joined the Alpha Course and is now attending Silverzone with me.”

(Doris, joined the Alpha Course and Silverzone in 2025)

Jesus has set me free!

Encouraged and supported by my grandson, my wife and I participated in the Alpha Course. This course helped us get to know Jesus, understand God's salvation, and become Christians through baptism, freeing us from our past sins! Now we go to church every Sunday for Silverzone! Our hearts are comforted, and we can apply the teachings we have learned in Silverzone to our lives.

(Uncle Siu Wah, 82, joined the Alpha Course and Silverzone in 2025)

"Before I believed in the Lord, I was often confused about many things and easily lost my temper. But after I believed, I often felt that Heavenly Father was reminding me in my mind. Sometimes, when I wanted to lose my temper, the reminder in my mind would say, "Heavenly Father does not like you doing this." Therefore, I gradually learned to consult Heavenly Father about all sorts of matters. If the Lord showed me that something was "not good" or "wrong," I would ask Him to enlighten me and guide me in solving the problem. The most obvious change I have noticed is that I "no longer lose my temper easily." Even if the other person is wrong, I have learned to be patient because I know that losing my temper and acting impulsively not only damages relationships but, more importantly, means that "Heavenly Father does not like me doing this."

(Yuet Wah, 74, joined the Alpha Course and Silverzone in 2025)

Jesus has lightened my life.

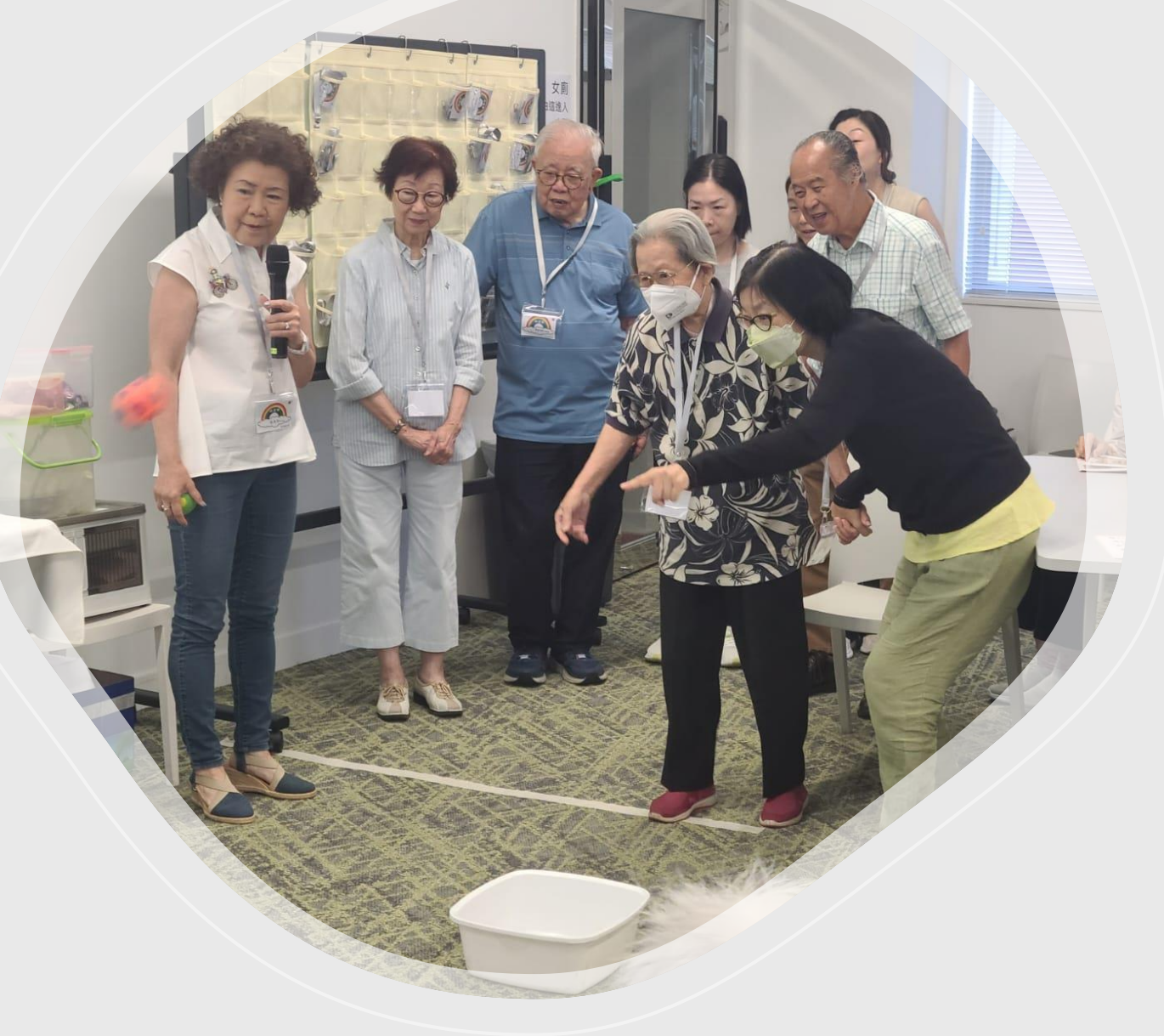
"I did not believe in any gods; I only trusted myself. But somehow, deep down, I always knew that there was a God somewhere. Then the opportunity arose for me to join Silverzone at St. Andrew's Church, where I began to learn about and know our God—the one and only true God. Because of Him, I am no longer in the dark. I have finally found the true meaning of my life."

(Auntie Sze, 82, joined the Alpha Course and Silverzone in 2019)

I was miraculously healed by His grace!

"Since believing in Jesus, I have truly experienced the reality of the Bible! I have personally witnessed the strength and help Jesus gives me. After suffering a serious stroke, I recovered and was even able to play ping-pong again after attending the Tuesday Bible study. It is truly a miraculous experience of God's healing power and mercy! I give thanks for each new day! God's provision is abundant! I am so happy to see my brothers and sisters in Christ! Participating in Silverzone is comfortable and joyful. I would feel a great loss if I could not go to church on Sunday!"

(Daisy, 82, joined the Alpha Course and Silverzone in 2019)



"Attending Silverzone has made me feel very comfortable.

*Before, I had a very low esteem of myself. I felt that I was too old and had limited education. Since my husband passed away some time ago, I kept many things to myself. But after learning about Jesus and attending Silverzone, I learned to pray. **In prayer, I can tell the Lord Jesus about the loneliness and the feelings in my heart.** I feel very peaceful and comfortable."*

(Lily, 94, joined the Alpha Course and Silverzone in 2019)

*"I thank Jesus for allowing me to be baptized and join the church. After believing in Jesus, I feel no pressure and feel so relaxed. Before I knew the Lord Jesus, I followed my grandmother's example and worshiped the gods. During worship, there were many rituals to follow, such as lighting incense and candles while carefully handling the fire. It was very troublesome, and I was always afraid that I would not do it well enough, which placed a heavy burden on my mind. Especially during the Lunar New Year, my grandmother had many demands, and I worried that failing to do things properly would displease her and bring bad luck to the family. But after believing in the Lord Jesus, I no longer need to perform these outdated rituals, which has saved me a lot of trouble. I no longer need to arrange to buy incense and candles for worship, and no one forces me to do these things. Without that pressure, I feel very relaxed, and I will never go back. **Jesus has set me free.** Thank the Lord!"*

(Auntie Fong, 86, joined the Alpha Course and Silverzone in 2020)

"I give thanks for every day, including being able to go to the Tin Ka Ping Day Care Centre in good health, receive care, and experience laughter and life each day!

Being able to go to Silverzone on Sundays is an indispensable part of my life. *I realize that Jesus' words are faithful! Every day is a gift from God! Seeing my daughter with everyone in church makes me feel very fulfilled."*

(Pik Yuk, 91, joined the Alpha Course and Silverzone in 2022)

*"My brother had been sharing the gospel with me for over 30 years. I also attended church in Canada and had a very good experience. But at that time, I was busy with my life and liked to have fun, so I did not attend church regularly! I had a very special experience: I dreamed that Jesus covered me with a blanket, and I felt very warm. When I returned to Hong Kong, I looked for a church, and through my son's introduction, I attended the Alpha Course and joined Silverzone. Now, ***through believing in Jesus, I can let go of my attachments and follow the Lord wholeheartedly!***"*

(Anna, 78, joined the Alpha Course and Silverzone in 2018)

“I grew up following very traditional ways and worshiping Chinese deities, but they never brought me peace. Instead, I often felt burdened and stressed.

Then I looked at my friend Sze, and saw how she enjoyed her new life after accepting Jesus. I realized that I had to learn from her and follow her to Silverzone. There, I came to know the true God.

*Now my life is completely different. **I have become a happy woman filled with genuine joy and peace.** One of my favourite things to do is go to Silverzone and spend time with my fellow brothers and sisters!”*

(Auntie Mui, 83, joined the Alpha Course and Silverzone in 2022)

*“Before I was married, I did not practice any religion. After my marriage, I began following my parents-in-law's tradition of worshiping their ancestors. I did it faithfully, but it was just a routine to me; it did not touch my heart or bring me any deep, personal feelings. Years later, our daughter introduced my husband and me to Silverzone. It was there that we truly came to understand who Jesus is, why He came, and the depth of His love for us. **When my husband passed away, it was painful, but my faith gave me a completely new perspective.** I now know that our separation is only temporary. Because of Jesus, I have absolute certainty that we will meet again one day. After placing my trust in the Lord and surrendering my grief to Him, a profound peace filled my heart. I have far fewer worries now, and I have learned how to truly let go. My faith continues to grow stronger every day, and I am so grateful for the hope and comfort God has given me.”*

(Auntie Mary, 85, joined the Alpha Course and Silverzone in 2022)



*"Through my daughter's introduction, I was able to attend the Alpha Course! I came to know Jesus and believe in the Lord! I have experienced many changes! In the past, because of my age, I was afraid of many things, even worrying about crossing the street, and I could not sleep at night! But after believing in the Lord, **I have experienced God's miraculous help and the peace and security He gives me!**"*

(Amy, 79, joined the Alpha Course and Silverzone in 2021)

Finding strength and hope through faith.

"Before believing in the Lord, I constantly had to face all the difficulties and challenges of life on my own. In dealing with people and situations, I had to be cautious in my words and actions, always feeling uneasy and trembling with fear. It was like walking on thin ice! A single misstep could feel like falling into an abyss, never to rise again! After believing in the Lord, I realize that I still need to strive forward, but I have gained a greater sense of reliance, hope, and strength! I know that in the "storms," I am never alone, because the Lord is with me! The Lord Jesus is the resurrected Lord, and the resurrected Lord has given me hope and strength to face life!"

(Helen, 81, joined the Alpha Course and Silverzone in 2021)

Journey from illness to faith and evangelism.

"I used to worship other gods but could not find real peace, hope, and meaning in life. When I heard about Jesus' love and healing power, I made a heartfelt bargain with Him - 'If You heal my illness, I will believe in You.' God accepted my challenge. As my health was restored, I kept my promise and accepted Him as my Lord. I took up the mission of sharing the gospel with non-believers."

(Auntie Hung, 70, joined Silverzone in 2024)

Finding faith and family within Silverzone.

"My daughter was the one who invited me to join the Alpha Course and then Silverzone. I feel so blessed to know Jesus and to be part of the Silverzone family. Sharing our lives with one another really helped me decide to believe in God. It is a wonderful place where I have met so many brothers and sisters in Christ who share the same faith and goals. On top of that, we always help one another, which gives me a very strong sense of belonging."

(Suk Mei, 76, joined the Alpha Course and Silverzone in 2024)

*"Since my eldest daughter passed away from an illness many years ago, it has been a great blow to me. I am grateful to a local church for **the biblical message that gave me a deeper understanding of death and brought me comfort and peace**. This led me to accept Jesus as my Savior and be baptized into Christ! Last year, my husband and I attended the Alpha Course and joined Silverzone, where we are experiencing how God dwells among us and takes care of all our daily needs!"*

(Mrs. Chan, 80, joined the Alpha Course and Silverzone in 2025)

*"My son recommended that I attend the Alpha Course to get to know Jesus and accept Him as my Savior! After believing in the Lord, I noticed a change in my behavior; **I am happier and live with greater peace of mind**. Every day I feel that God is good to me, and I am like a 'fruit of joy,' blessing others!"*

(Chun Mui, 80, joined the Alpha Course and Silverzone in 2023)



“I remember attending Catholic school during my primary and secondary school years. I attended Mass every week and prayed daily and began to know God. Two years ago, my mother fell seriously ill, and miracles happened one after another, forcing my siblings and me to believe in God's existence.

After my baptism, I pray daily. When happy things happened, I praised and thanked the Lord. When facing difficulties and setbacks, I prayed for strength and wisdom to guide me through. Let God control my life has set me free from stress and worries.”

(Wai Lap, 55, joined Alpha & Silverzone since 2025)

Voices of Our Leaders

Behind every testimony is a team of 14 dedicated leaders who have poured their hearts into Silverzone Elderly Ministry. From organizing Alpha Courses, discipleship to offering pastoral care, these men and women serve with faith, compassion, and unwavering commitment. In the following pages, we invite you to hear their stories — their challenges, their calling, and their vision for our community.

Shortly after retiring in 2018, my wife, Juliana, invited me to run the Alpha Course with her for older adults at St. Andrew's Church. Since retirement gave me more flexibility, I decided to give it a try. I thank the Lord for this ministry. Despite limited resources, the ministry continued to grow, and more and more older adults came to Christ. Silverzone was established.

Experience of God's faithfulness and ministry growth.

Eight years have passed, and I have been deeply impressed by how God sent various brothers and sisters to form the leadership team for Silverzone, assisting with teaching and pastoral care. We have become a team with great synergy, offering one another mutual support.

Serving in Silverzone has allowed me to experience God's wondrous work and witness

the transformation of older adults after they came to faith. They have found peace and joy. When facing health challenges, they rely on God for healing and for strength to complete their life journeys. Seeing the faith of these older adults has also greatly encouraged and comforted their families.

Personal health journey supported by the community.

I also faced health issues last year. The care and intercessory prayers of the older adults and the leadership team gave me tremendous support and strength as I faced the challenge. On the road to recovery, I truly witnessed God's faithfulness and love! I realized that serving in the Elderly Ministry not only blesses older adults and their families but also blesses me, allowing me to genuinely experience God's grace and faithfulness.

(Peter, founding member of the ministry)

*“My mother (Auntie King) began seeking God when my father was seriously ill and hospitalized. In 2020, I took her to the Alpha course, where she came to know God, was baptized, and joined the Silverzone family. I also joined the team ministry to accompany and care for her. Thank the Lord, **this ministry has allowed me to receive pastoral care and abundant grace in His love.** Through classes teaching and recorded devotions, I have gained a deeper understanding of God's word and His power.*

One morning, I had a disagreement with my family and my mind was filled with anger. At that time, I saw the Bible memory verse on the card produced by Silverzone for the elderly (my mother) - "In your anger do not sin; do not let the sun go down while you are still angry," Ephesians 4:26. And also saw a beautiful sunset picture that Mrs Wong posted in the Silverzone chat group, I felt God was speaking

to me. I felt God had surrounded me with His love and helped me to release the resentment in my heart. I felt completely relaxed and the joy came out from the bottom of my heart.

And the day before my mother passed away, she suddenly woke up from her coma, exclaiming in alarm, "How frightening!" I remembered the teachings from Silverzone and the Alpha course about death. It is not the end, but another stage where we return to heaven to reunite with God/the Lord Jesus Christ, and the beauty of heaven—no sickness, no sorrow, no separation. I said to mom, "Don't be afraid. God is holding you gently and leading you safely back to heaven to reunite with your Father. There is great joy, no sorrow, no sickness, no separation." My mother's face immediately returned to peace and comfort, and she clasped her hands together and closed her eyes—I believe she was praying in her heart. The next day, she passed away peacefully. Thank God!

There are many more stories of God's wonders and blessings to tell. All glory and praises to the Lord!

Here, I want to thank and praise the Lord.

Praise the Lord's guidance that led my mother, sister, and mother-in-law to believe in the

Lord *through the Alpha courses, grow in faith, and to receive pastoral care in Silverzone.*

Through teaching and learning, I have also grown in faith as I served. God's word has changed me, teaching me to communicate with gentle and wise words. My relationships with my sister, husband, and children have become increasingly loving and harmonious.

(Ivy, Silverzone leader since 2021)

Overcoming hesitations and finding a role within the ministry.

"I have been part of the St. Andrew's Church family for over 40 years. Over the decades, I have always looked for small ways to help in various ministries, both inside and outside our church walls. About three years ago, I was invited to join the Silverzone ministry team. At first, I hesitated. I worried about my age and felt that my abilities were too limited to make a difference. Praise the Lord, the team welcomed me with open arms. They surrounded me with warmth and gave me a comfortable role. Through this ministry, I have learned so much. Most importantly, I have deeply experienced the true love and support that we share with one another in Christ."

(Jenny, Silverzone leader since 2023)



夏娃給自己的理由：

- 果子好作食物
- 果子悅人的眼目
- 果子是可喜愛的
- 果子能使人有智慧



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"I feel deeply blessed by my ministry with Silverzone, and I have grown a great deal through the process! I have rediscovered my values concerning people. Although I see the physical frailty of Silverzone members, I also see the spiritual light within them. Today, as a caregiver, I am learning to care humbly for older adults and their families, not only by offering material and spiritual support but also by being a 'fellow traveler.'

Looking back on my life, God has also given me many 'fellow travellers' to accompany me through various difficulties. Christ's love is fully revealed. Amen!

Rediscovered values and personal growth through service

Through this ministry, I have returned to the long-lost Christian community of love and have listened attentively to God's Word. I constantly reflect, confess my sins, and share my experiences with God through Bible study.

In this ministry, I have come to understand that 'it is more blessed to give than to receive.' Through the interaction between caregivers and those being cared for, I can see more clearly how God has cared for my family's life and health in the past.

When Mrs. Wong arranged for me and other sisters to clear out a sister's belongings, I experienced God's love once again. What may have seemed like simple tasks—moving, cleaning, and repairing furniture—ultimately brought convenience, safety, and joy to this sister's entire family. The sister kept asking, "How did you know I had this need?" In this matter, God completely met the needs of both the caregivers and the person being cared for.

I am so grateful to God for renewing my life and rekindling my spirit through this ministry. Amen!

(Stephen, Silverzone leader since 2025)

"Through this ministry, I have become more certain of the power of God's Word to change, transform, and renew the lives of every older adult. It also motivates me to study God's Word more diligently and put it into practice.

Time flies. I have been involved in this ministry for over two years. During this time, I have seen the number of Silverzone members grow steadily; I have also seen their spiritual lives grow and their thirst for God's Word deepen. In the Tuesday Bible study group for older adults, I have witnessed God's work. The number of participants has grown from fewer than ten to twenty in a short period, which is truly encouraging for everyone's spiritual growth.

Witnessing spiritual growth and community support.

The members help, care for, and visit one another—all of this is God's work. Seeing God's Word and teachings being practiced in their lives and seeing God's Spirit transform the lives of every Silverzone member has deeply blessed me as a mentor. As I witness God's work, I give all glory and praise to Him.

Praise the Lord! Through this ministry, God has helped me rediscover the joy of being a teacher. Seeing the attentive eyes and smiles of every Silverzone member has blessed my life, encouraging and affirming my slightly trembling hands and reaffirming the direction the Lord has given me in my ministry. I sincerely thank the Lord for allowing me to participate in this ministry and to see how my past experiences have become tools He uses in me.

Furthermore, through this ministry, I thank God for making up for the lack of harmonious relationships I had with my parents in my family of origin.

And, even more importantly, I thank God for reviving my husband's spiritual life. His zeal and dedicated service in this ministry are things he had long forgotten. He had been worn down by the hardships and burdens of life. However, when he was invited to participate in this ministry, the person and soul I had known before returned through God's work! Praise be to my God! He is the living and unchanging God, my beloved Lord! Amen."

(Yolanda, Silverzone leader since 2024)