

**STREETS OF  
HARMONY**  
BAYAN BARU



### Snake Temple Tokong Ular 福兴宫

Hock Hin Keong, famously known as Ban Ka Lan Snake Temple, is one of the five major temples of the Penang Hokkien Association. The two-century-old temple was built for Qing Shui Zu Shi (Cheng Chooi Chor Soo), a Chinese Buddhist monk who lived during the Song Dynasty. According to the legend, the temple got its name, "Snake Temple" as it has been the shelter for snakes from the jungle behind it since its inception.

The Snake Temple is culturally significant among the local community for their annual "Chneah Hoay" the flame-watching ritual held at midnight on the eve of the sixth day of Chinese New Year. The ritual is carried out annually by Cheng Hoe Seah at the temple to predict the upcoming economic trend in Penang for the year.

Hock Hin Keong, yang juga dikenali sebagai Tokong Ular Ban Ka Lan, merupakan salah satu daripada lima Kongsi Hokkien. Tokong yang berusia dua abad ini dibina untuk Qing Shui Zu Shi (Cheng Chooi Chor Soo), seorang santi Buddha Cina yang hidup semasa Dinasti Song. Menurut legenda, tokong ini dinamakan "Tokong Ular" kerana ia adalah sarang tempat berlindung bagi ular-ular dari hutan di belakang tokong sejak awal perubahannya.

Tokong Ular ini mempunyai nilai budaya yang penting bagi komuniti tempatan, terutamanya kerana upacara Chneah Hoay tahunannya. Upacara ini diadakan pada tengah malam sebelum hari keemasan Tahun Baru Cina, melibatkan upacara membaca api. Setiap tahun, upacara ini diadakan di Tokong Ular oleh Cheng Hoe Seah untuk meramalkan aliran ekonomi di Pulau Pinang untuk tahun tersebut.

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### Sri Visvanather Sri Visalatchi Temple Kuil Sri Visvanather Sri Visalatchi ஸ்ரீ விசுவநாதர் ஸ்ரீ விசாலட்சி ஆலயம்

Sri Visvanather Sri Visalatchi Alayam is one of the biggest Sivan temples in the northern region of Malaysia, located within the religious enclave in Bayan Baru. The divine journey of the temple started in Feb 1991, when the community gathered and decided to build a Sivan Temple and a community hall for Hindu devotees in Bayan Baru.

The temple was registered as Kuil Hindu Bayan Baru on 19 Dec 1991 and had its first Kumbabishegam of the Valampuri Vinayagar Shrine on 9 Jul 2003. On 1 Feb 2009, the Maha Kumbabishegam of Sri Visvanather Sri Visalatchi Alayam was performed. The temple is famous for Ammavasi Tharpanam, a prayer for a deceased family member, taking place every month on the new moon.

Kuil Sri Visvanather Sri Visalatchi Alayam merupakan antara Kuil Siva terbesar di wilayah utara Malaysia. Perjalanan suci kuil ini bermula pada Februari 1991 apabila para pengaruh berkuerpukul dan membuat keputusan untuk membina Kuil Siva dan dewan komuniti bagi pengaruh Hindu di Bayan Baru.

Kuil ini didaftarkan pada 19 Disember 1991 dengan nama Kuil Hindu Bayan Baru. Kumbabishegam bagi Rumah Berhala Valampuri Vinayagar dilaksanakan pada 9 Julai 2003; kemudiannya, Maha Kumbabishegam pertama bagi Kuil Sri Visvanather Sri Visalatchi telah diadakan pada 1 Februari 2009. Kuil ini terkenal dengan upacara Ammavasi Tharpanam, iaitu satu upacara bulanan untuk mendakwa ahli keluarga yang telah meninggal dunia, pada setiap hari bulan sabit.

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### The Charismatic Church of Penang Gereja Charismatic Pulau Pinang

槟城灵恩教会

The Charismatic Church of Penang, formerly known as the Church of Penang, traced its early establishment in a neighbourhood on Northam Road, at the late Elder Teh Phai Lian's home in 1963. The current church building was completed in 1997 with a great sound system, central air conditioning, a library on the second floor, a built-in baptismal pool for baptisms, and a fully equipped sanctuary - a main hall that can accommodate up to 800 people.

Every Sunday, the Church hosts a bilingual service (English & Mandarin) starting at 9.45 am, welcoming attendees both in person and online. In addition to the worship service, the Church also holds prayer meetings, community outreach programs, and runs a children's daycare during weekdays.

Gereja Charismatic Pulau Pinang, yang dahulunya dikenali sebagai Gereja Pulau Pinang, bermula di kawasan kejiranan di Northam Road, di rumah mendiang Elder Teh Phai Lian pada tahun 1963. Bangunan gereja semasa dibina pada tahun 1997, lengkap dengan sistem audio, penghawa dingin berpusat, perpustakaan di tingkat dua, kolam pembaptisan dan dewan utama - yang boleh memuatkan sehingga 800 orang.

Setiap Ahad dari jam 9.45 pagi, gereja menganjurkan sesi Liturgi dalam dwibahasa (Bahasa Inggeris & Mandarin) dan mengalih-alihkan para pengaruh untuk hadir sama ada secara fizikal maupun secara atas talian. Selain aktiviti ibadat, upacara doa dan aktiviti jaringan masyarakat, pihak gereja juga menjalankan kelas asuhan kanak-kanak pada hari bekerja.

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### Gurdwara Sahib Bayan Baru Gurdwara Sahib Bayan Baru ਗੁਰਦਾਰਾ ਸਾਹਿਬ ਬਾਯਾਨ ਬਾਤ੍ਰੂ-ਪਿੰਡਾ

Gurdwara Sahib Bayan Baru had a humble beginning at Jalan Mahsuri, Bayan Baru, before being relocated in 2016. The newly built iconic 4-storey gurdwara complex houses a Darbar Sahib (prayer hall), Punjabi Education Centre, and a Langgar (dining hall). The building blends modern and traditional architecture, with its unique design of domes and arches beaming in white, bringing a sense of calm and serenity.

The gurdwara serves as a religious and community hub for Sikhs in the South-West district of Penang Island, providing a place for worship, spiritual guidance, community gatherings, and social services. In addition, classes on Sikh scripture (Gurbani), Sikh history, and Punjabi language encompass the Sikh Heritage Values.

Gurdwara Sahib Bayan Baru bermula di Jalan Mahsuri, Bayan Baru sebelum berpindah ke lokasi semasa pada tahun 2016. Bangunan baru gurdwara 4 tingkat ini mempunyai Darbar Sahib (dewan sembahyang), Pusat Pendidikan Punjabi, dan Langgar (dewan makan). Senibina menyerlahkan gabungan antara elemen seni bina moden dan tradisional, dengan reka bentuk kubah dan lengkungan (arch) yang bersinar putih, membabit perasaan tenang dan tenteram.

Gurdwara ini berfungsi sebagai pusat keagamaan dan pusat komuniti bagi pengaruh Sikh di Daerah Barat Daya Pulau Pinang, tersedia dengan tempat untuk beribadat, bimbingan rohani, perhimpunan komuniti, dan perkhidmatan sosial. Gurdwara juga mengadakan kelas kitab Sikh (Gurbani), kelas Bahasa Punjabi, dan kelas sejarah Sikh yang meliputi pelajaran mengenai nilai warisan budaya Sikh.

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### Than Hsiang Temple Tokong Than Hsiang 檀香寺

Than Hsiang Temple was founded in January 1990 based on the conviction to create an organization and society for the young to learn, the strong and healthy to serve, the aged and sick to be cared for and the departed to find spiritual destination. It promotes Buddhist education, welfare and spiritual cultivation activities with support and contribution from the public.

Over the years it has established Than Hsiang Kindergarten and its branches, Sundhay Dharma Class and the International Buddhist College for Buddhist education. Meanwhile, Wan Ching Yuan Old Folks' Home, Mitra Welfare Centre and Metta Free Clinics were established for welfare purposes.

Tokong Than Hsiang diasaskan pada Januari 1990 dengan tujuan untuk mewujudkan sebuah organisasi dan komuniti untuk: yang muda untuk belajar; yang kuat dan sihat untuk berkhidmat; yang tua dan sakit untuk dijaga; dan yang meninggal dunia untuk mencari destinasi rohani. Ia menggalakkan pendidikan ajaran Buddha, kebajikan dan aktiviti penerapan rohani dengan sokongan dan sumbangsan daripada orang ramai.

Sejak penubuhan, Tokong Than Hsiang telah mendirikan beberapa cabangan Tadika Than Hsiang, kelas Dharma Hari Ahad dan Kolej Buddhist Antarabangsa bagi tujuan pendidikan. Manakala untuk tujuan kebajikan, Tokong Than Hsiang telah menubuhkan Rumah Orang Tua Wan Ching Yuan, Pusat Kebajikan Mitra dan Klinik Percuma Metta.

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### Surau Al-Ubudiah Surau Al-Uhudiah سُورَاءُ الْعُبُدِيَّة

Surau Al-Uhudiah atau Surau Bukit Gedung, is a community led mosque in Persiaran Mayang Pasir, with growing congregation of local and international Muslim living and working around the area. The surau was established around early 1980's, concurrent with the early growth of the Bayan Baru township.

Every evening at the mosque is filled with scheduled classes and lectures (tazkirah) by ustaz and Islamic teachers from all over Penang on Islamic teaching. During Eid-Al-Adha, the mosque will host a qurban activity for the surrounding community to participate. The mosque community will come together to help each other with their qurban.

Despite its size, the mosque's activities and charities extend beyond its community by contributing and supporting nearby mosques.

Surau Al-Uhudiah atau Surau Bukit Gedung, adalah sebuah surau yang dikendalikan oleh komuniti di Persiaran Mayang Pasir, dan dihadiri oleh para jemaah tempatan dan dari luar yang tinggal dan bekerja di sekitarnya. Surau ini ditubuhkan pada awal tahun 1980-an, seiring dengan perkembangan awal bandar Bayan Baru.

Hampir setiap malam di surau ini dipenuhi dengan kelas-kelas agama dan kuliah (tazkirah) oleh para ustaz dan guru-guru dari seluruh Pulau Pinang. Pada Hari Raya Aidiladha, surau ini menganjurkan aktiviti qurban yang melibatkan komuniti setempat. Jemaah surau turut bekerjasama dan saling bantu-membantu dalam aktiviti qurban.

Walaupun saiznya kecil, aktiviti amal surau ini melangkuai garisnya sendiri. Contohnya, dengan menyumbang dan menderma ke masjid-masjid lain yang berdekatan.

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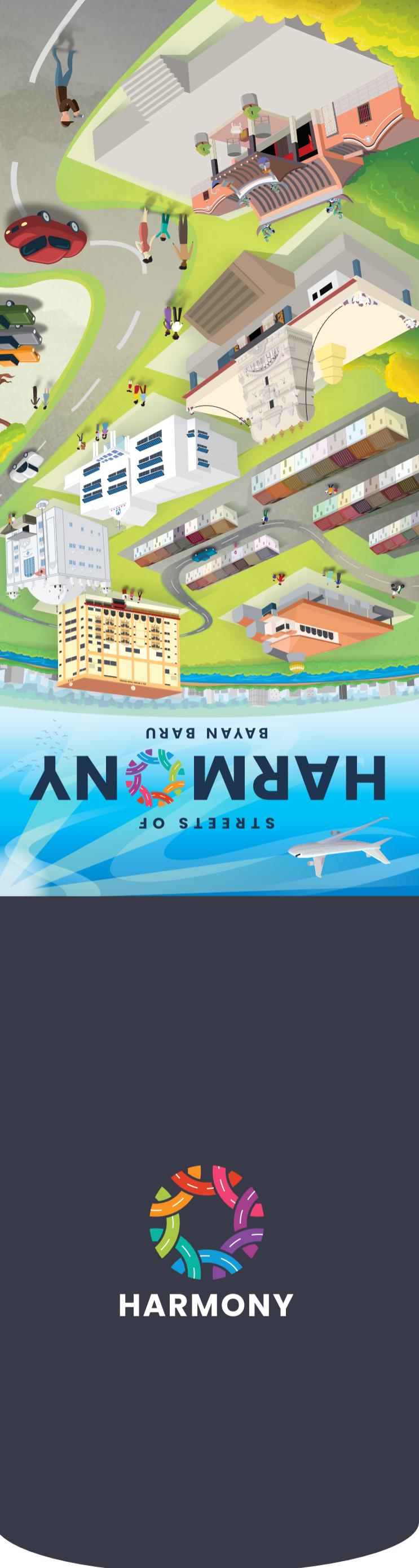
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#### Snake Temple

**Did you know:** Until today, the temple hosts a snake sanctuary within its compound. The snakes are regarded as the protectors of the temple.



#### Sri Visvanather Sri Visalatchi Temple

**Did you know:** During the officiation of the Theertha Kulum on 1 Aug 2010, holy water from the Ganges River was brought over for the ceremony.



#### The Charismatic Church of Penang

**Did you know:** In the earlier day, the church used to hold the Sunday Service in the canteen of the Union Institution.



#### Gurdwara Sahib Bayan Baru

**Did you know:** Gurdwara Sahib Bayan Baru is the first fully solar-powered gurdwara in the northern region.



#### Than Hsiang Temple

**Did you know:** Venerable Wen Wu, the Abbot of Than Hsiang Temple set up Than Hsiang Research Centre for student to go for higher education in Buddhist study at the Buddhist and Pali University of Sri Lanka.



#### Surau Al-Uhudiah

**Did you know:** On every Friday afternoon, mats will be laid down on the ground all the way to the mosque entrance, to make space for the overwhelming number of Muslim coming for Friday prayer.