



RELIGIOUS REHABILITATION GROUP

LOVING SHARING CARING



About The Religious Rehabilitation Group (RRG)

The Religious Rehabilitation Group (RRG) of Singapore was formed in 2003 by a group of voluntary Islamic scholars and teachers to assist in the counselling and rehabilitation of detained members of the regional terrorist group, Jemaah Islamiyah (JI). This later expanded to include misinterpretations promoted by self-radicalised individuals and those in support of ISIS. The RRG's mission is to correct the misinterpretation of Islamic concepts and dispel the extremist and terrorist ideologies they have been indoctrinated with.

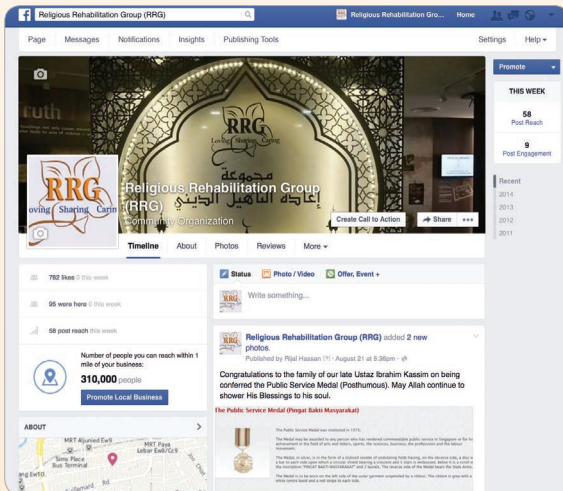


Community Outreach

Besides its primary counselling and rehabilitation work, the RRG is also committed to building social resilience in the community through its outreach programmes. Since 2005, the RRG has organised conferences, forums, dialogue sessions and briefings to educate the community about key Islamic concepts which have often been misinterpreted by terrorist and extremist groups such as JI, Al-Qaeda and ISIS.



The RRG has also published information booklets through its public education series to counter the terrorist and extremist interpretations of Islamic concepts. Examples of this public education series published by the RRG include *The Syrian Conflict and The Fallacies of the Islamic Caliphate: A Brief Explanation*. The public can now connect with the RRG through its YouTube and Facebook page.

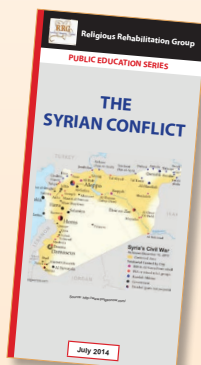
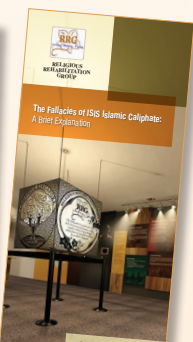


The RRG also reaches out to schools and *madrasahs* (religious schools) as part of its ongoing community engagement initiatives. These initiatives now include mosques as partners where clerics from the RRG conduct Friday pre-sermon talks to the congregation focusing on issues related to the threat of extremism; ethics and the Internet; role of parents; search for knowledge and values in living in a multi-racial and multi-religious society.



FRIDAY PRE-SERMON TALKS Themes

- Threat of Extremist Ideology
- Jihad - its goal and objectives
- The Caliphate – a clarification
- Hijrah (Emigration)
- Message of Peace
- Parents and Cyber Wellness
- Embracing the Truth from the Rightful Sources
- Leading our Youth in the Faith
- Islamic Values - a foundation in a plural society
- Islam and Citizenry



RRG Resource and Counselling Centre (RCC)

The RRG Resource and Counselling Centre was officially opened by Dr Tony Tan, the President of Singapore on 11 Jul 2014. Located on the premises of Khadijah Mosque, the Centre serves members of the public who wish to seek clarification on radical ideology and violent extremism as well as provide counselling services. In addition, resource materials are accessible to the RRG counsellors and other *asatizahs* (religious teachers) to do further research on issues related to religious and violent extremism. The RRG religious counsellors are readily available at the Centre from Monday to Friday during office hours to provide counselling service and advice on matters related to countering radicalism.



Overview of the RRG Gallery

The RCC consists of several sections, namely the RRG Gallery, Library, Counselling Rooms and Office. The RRG Gallery itself is divided into five zones:

ZONE 1	Welcome RRG and The Message of Peace
ZONE 2	The Violent Extremists How extremists have distorted the message of Islam to advocate violence
ZONE 3	Homegrown Terror How Singapore was affected and how we can be a vigilant society
ZONE 4	The Peace Advocates How the RRG counters the extremist ideologies
ZONE 5	Ambassadors of Peace Express your commitment to peace and get your free Augmented Reality postcard

The RCC is an important addition to Singapore's overall efforts to counter radical and extremist ideology efforts. It will further augment the RRG's position as an authority in the field, as well as promote greater awareness, knowledge and assurance in the public that a concerted effort in counter-ideology is currently being undertaken to prevent Singaporeans from falling prey to violent extremism. The RCC has played host to many dignitaries, academics, scholars, organisations, educational institutions and private individuals.

The Peace Advocates The Religious Rehabilitation Group (RRG)

“The RRG aims to counter radicalisation and extremism with the ideals of moderation (*wasatiyyah*) through the spirit of loving, caring and sharing for a cohesive Singapore.”

Community Engagement



In addition to religious rehabilitation, the RRG undertakes outreach efforts to the community, educational institutions in particular to raise awareness of the threat of terrorist ideology and to encourage people to do their part in countering the threat. It also educates the wider community on the dangers of terrorist ideology through public talks, lectures or seminars, its website (www.rrg.sg) and its Facebook page. These efforts encourage the public to the terrorist threat, and strengthen and insulate to extremist voices in the broader community.

RRG's International Engagements

In recent years, more countries around the world have come to realise the importance of counter-ideological programmes. To counter violent extremism, the RRG works with international partners to share their experiences and to coordinate a concerted international effort to counter terrorist ideology.

International cooperation includes sharing experiences at local and international conferences and learning journeys to other countries to learn about their rehabilitation programmes. Many foreign scholars, academics and officials from government agencies have also approached the RRG to learn from its experiences.



The Tree of Hope

After the arrest of a member in December 2015, the idea for the Tree of Hope (ToH) was born. The ToH is a tree made of paper, where visitors can write down their thoughts, feelings and experiences. The ToH is a symbol of hope and a reminder that everyone has the power to change their own destiny. The ToH is a symbol of hope and a reminder that everyone has the power to change their own destiny. The ToH is a symbol of hope and a reminder that everyone has the power to change their own destiny.

Over the years, the RRG's work has expanded beyond religious rehabilitation and counselling to encompass various activities such as public talks and forums, media education and community engagement.

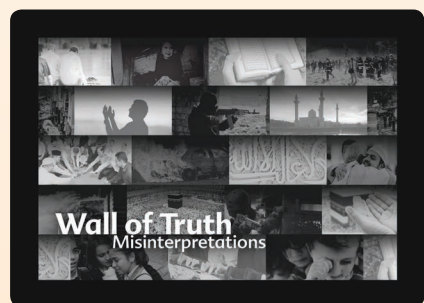
The RRG continues to be involved in its vision to counter radicalisation and extremism through learning, caring and sharing. It aims that the "Tree of Hope" continues to flourish and spread the message of peace and harmony for a cohesive Singapore.

Ex-detainee In Their Own Words

These former members of I explain how they got involved with the terrorist network – and how their changed their mindset.



The RCC has become an important stopover for the Geylang Serai Heritage Trail. Members of the public are invited to tour the Resource and Counselling Centre. Do write in to the RRG Secretariat to make an appointment.



RRG HELPLINE

1800-7747747

On 29 June 2015, the RRG launched a toll-free helpline as part of its continuing efforts to provide its outreach services to the community.

The public can call the helpline to clarify religious concepts or to seek help if they suspect that someone they know might be radicalised. This initiative aims to provide the public with easy access to a legitimate authority that can advise them on issues related to extremism and radicalisation, so that they are guided and refrained from turning to non-credible sources on the Internet for clarification on religious concepts.

The RRG Helpline is managed by the RRG volunteers from Monday to Friday during office hours.

ISLAM

is the religion of mercy

"We have not sent you, (O Muhammad), except as a mercy to the worlds."
Al-Anbiya 21:107

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