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3 Year Theme (2012-2014): Prepare the Way of The Lord; Make His Paths Straight.  
 2014 Theme: Evangelism and Mission

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**LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE**

Cantonese (8:15 am): 88  
 Cantonese (11:15 am): 169  
 English (9:45 am): 279  
 Mandarin (8:30 am): 24  
 Mandarin (11:15 am): 78  
 Prayer Meetings: 35

**LAST WEEK'S OFFERING**

General: \$ 8,914  
 Mission: \$ 5,570  
 R & M: \$ 170  
 Building: \$ 50  
 Other: \$ 275

**CONVERSION**

English: 2  
 Cantonese: 2  
 Mandarin: 8  
 Chinese School:  
 Children:  
 Total: 10

**ENGLISH WORSHIP SERVICE – March 23, 2014**

Order of Service		Today	Next Sunday
Call to Worship & Worship in Song		Praise Team	Praise Team
Scripture	<b>Isaiah 44:1-5</b>		
Min. of Silence & Pastoral Prayer		Rev. Ted Tham	Rev. Ted Tham
Message		Rev. Ted Tham <b>A Precious Promise: The Outpouring of God's Spirit</b>	Rev. Dr. David Russell <b>How is Your Spiritual Appetite?</b>
Our Response in Song & Giving		Praise Team	Praise Team
Benediction		Rev. Ted Tham	Rev. Ted Tham
Announcements & Reflection		Pastor Kwan Chan	Rev. Ted Tham

Praise Leader (s) Scripture Reader Power Point Audio Video Sanctuary Ushers Mezzanine Usher Welcome Team Snacks	Gordon Chiu / Curtis Lai Ariel Wong Renny Cheung Anson Tam Eric & Maggie Yip Abraham Wong Sojourners (Terence Lau) Gateway (Mimi Kong)	Kalee Sakura/Nathaniel Lai/Jon Wong Crystal Lai Terence Lau Andrew Hui Eric & Maggie Yip Abraham Wong Sojourners (Terence Lau) Pauline Cheung
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\* Please join us after the service for prayer, snacks and fellowship in the basement downstairs.  
 If this is your first time here, we would also love to give you a welcome package at the welcome table in the gym.

**ENGLISH SUNDAY SCHOOL – Spring Term – March to May (11:30 AM – 12:40 PM)**

Jr. High (Grades 7-8)	Basement
Adults and High School	Acts: Rediscovering a Love for the Local Church (Rms. 314 & 315 - top floor)
Adults and High School	Old Testament Survey (Room 102 - next to library)
Adults and High School	Basic Apologetics (basement)
Adults and High School	English as a Second Language (ESL) – 2 pm in room 102 (ground level)



We're glad you are here! Our worship service is designed for those in their teen years to adults. If you have children, we invite them to join our Nursery, Toddlers', Pre-schoolers' or Children's programs as listed on the English Ministry bulletin board in the foyer.

If you would like more information about the church or prayer for any issues, feel free to complete the REQUEST CARD in the pew and deposit in the offering bag or box in the lobby or give it to an usher. You may remain anonymous if that is your preference. We promise to bring all prayer requests to the Wednesday prayer meeting and will pray for what you've written.

**Community Activities**

Building relationships is central to who we are at NTCBC. We invite you to join us in one of our many fellowships and community groups in order to grow spiritually with others, care for others and be cared for. Feel free to drop in on any of the events below. For details about our youth, university, and adult fellowships please contact the coordinators listed on the back of this bulletin.

When	What
Mon 7:30 – 10 pm	Table Tennis & Badminton Spencer Chan & Leon Lee
Mon 7:30 – 10 pm	Badminton - Leslie Kou
Tue 7 – 8:45 pm	Men Basketball - Alvin Lau
Tue 9 – 10 pm	Badminton - Leon Lee
Tue 8:30 – 10 pm	Body Exercise - Leon Lee
Wed 8 – 9 pm	Prayer Meeting - 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor
Thurs 7:30 – 10 pm	Table Tennis & Badminton Spencer Chan & Leon Lee
Thurs 8:30 – 10 pm	Women's Basketball Michelle Yau & Bonnie Cheung
Sun 11:15–11:30 am	Prayer Room - Basement
Sun 2:30 – 6:30 pm	Co-ed Volleyball -Terence Lau

**Prayer Ministry**

Join us for prayer on Wednesdays (8-9 pm) on the 3<sup>rd</sup> (top) Floor, or Sundays at 11:15 am in the Basement Prayer Room. We also encourage all our members to commit to

our 20/20 Vision of Prayer (20 min. of daily personal prayer and 20 min. of weekly corporate prayer). Please remember to fill out the commitment card and hand it in to either the Welcome Table downstairs during Snack Time, or to one of your Small Group Leaders.

This Wed (March 26) will be our monthly Joint Missions Prayer Meeting in the Sanctuary (8-9 pm)

**Prayer Workshop Topics**

One of the best ways to get to know God on a deeper level is to know His names and titles as revealed in Scripture. In 2014, the Prayer Workshop will teach you how to pray to God according to His names and titles.

March		
26	ESH OKLAH, EL KANNA	Exodus 34, Deuteronomy 4

**Acts: Rediscovering a Love for the Local Church**

Teacher : Pastor Kwan Chan  
Location: Room 314 & 315 (top floor)



The goal of our study of Acts is to help us to understand the importance of the local church. We will first look at the mission that Christ gave to the Church, and how He equipped them to fulfill this mission. Afterwards, we will study how this mission was fulfilled. Spoiler alert: Christ fulfills His mission through the local church. Our hope is that those who take the class will rediscover the beauty of the local church, and will rededicate themselves towards being members of our local church, NTCBC.

**Basic Apologetics**

Teacher: Rev. Ted Tham  
Location: basement

Apologetics is being able to give a reasonable defense for the hope that is within you (1 Peter 3:15). The Basic Apologetics Course is designed for those who wish to be better equipped to reach non-believers by giving honest answers to honest questions with gentleness and respect. This course cannot cover everything, but it does address many of the fundamental questions asked today. Today's Topic: *Argument From Prophecy: Were the Details of Christ's Life Foretold in the Old Testament?*

**Old Testament Survey**

Teacher: Mr. Almond Au  
Location: Room 102 (next to library)

OT Survey will cover an overview of the entire Old Testament. The goal of this class is to help students to understand the main theological themes so that you will be interested to pursue further studies. Creation, Fall, Covenant, Prophets, Redemption, etc. are examples of topics to be covered. A common misconception is that the Bible has 2 distinct sections of old and new testaments, but our hope is that by understanding the

theological themes, you will come to appreciate the Word of God in a much broader and comprehensive context, which are in fact all relevant truths in the new testament, as well as Christian living today.

**A Precious Promise: The Outpouring of God's Spirit**



Isaiah 44:1-5

A) Hope, Joy, Love and Being Filled with the Holy Spirit

B) God's Promise in Isaiah 44:1-5

To Whom is the Promise Made?

What is the Promise?

(1) Our Fears are Taken Away

(2) Our Longing for God is Satisfied

(3) We Will Always Flourish

(4) We Will Overflow in Love

Are you relying on the Holy Spirit when you share your faith with others? How?

**Our 2014 Theme: Evangelism & Mission (E&M)**

The purpose of the Church is to glorify God. We are to discern God's vision for evangelism and mission, adopt it, and then to participate in it by praying, sending and proclaiming the Gospel by the power of the Holy Spirit.

- (1) The purpose of E&M is God's glory.
- (2) The primary work of E&M is Prayer.
- (3) The power for E&M comes from the Holy Spirit.
- (4) God's picture of how NTCBC is to engage in E&M is our Vision
- (5) The participation of NTCBC in E&M is as a Sending Church
- (6) The proclamation of the Gospel is E&M.

**Welcome aboard**

We are very happy that Pastor Joanna Ip joins us to be the Cantonese Ministry Pastor from March 20.

**Vacation Bible Camp (VBC) 2014**

VBC 2014 will occur August 5-15, 2014. Registration will start March 23. Reserve the dates!

**Updating the Church Phone Directory**

Church members and adherents who would like to be included in the next phone directory and have changed their email address or phone numbers can check their information in room B09 (near the office). The list will be up until the end of this month.



**CCSA Softball**

We're looking for church members to take up leadership roles on our church softball teams. If you are interested please contact Eric Yip [eyipcy@gmail.com] by March 26.

**Hymnal "Century Praise"**

Our church will be ordering the "Century Praise" Hymnals (estimated Chinese \$18, Bilingual \$25). Those who would like to purchase a hymn book please register with an initial deposit (Chinese \$10, Bilingual \$15) at the church office. Today is the last day for this offer.

**Easter Children Celebration**

When? Sunday, April 20 (10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.)  
Where? Basement & Gym  
What? Special speaker, game booths, food & prizes!



**Motions for TODAY's Membership Mtg**

- Welcome Pastor Joanna Ip to membership meeting.
1. To approve minutes of Feb 2014 membership meeting.
  2. To approve financial statement for Feb 28, 2014.
  3. To approve membership application from Edward Ng.
  4. To approve membership application from Peggy Ng.
  5. To approve membership application from Elsa Ho.
  6. To approve Kalee Sakura as committee member of English Ministry Evangelism Department.
  7. To approve the Melville Independence Committee:  
Chair – Johnny Nge, Vice Chair - Loraine Chan,  
Pastoral rep. – Rev. Li, Pastor Cheung  
DB rep. – Ray Wong, Josephine Mak, Gilbert Kwan  
Rep. of Melville Mission EB Chair – Johnny Nge  
Rep. from Melville Mission membership
  8. To approve the extension of Pastor Patrick's ministry service agreement for another 3 years effective from Feb 01, 2014.