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 Gateway: **Fri – 8 pm – weekly @ church** [Mimi Kong (kiakting@gmail.com)]
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 Mtn Movers Grp (MMG): **Thurs – 8 pm – weekly @ church** [Tim Cheng (timothy.cheng.ca@gmail.com)]

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LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE

Cantonese (8:15 am): 107
 Cantonese (11:15 am): 193
 English (9:45 am): 232
 English (1:45 pm): 30
 Mandarin (8:30 am): 28
 Mandarin (11:15 am): 80

LAST WEEK'S OFFERING

General: \$ 18,155
 Mission: \$ 4,805
 Maintenance: \$ 280
 Building: \$
 Other: \$ 855
 Prayer Mtg: 45

CONVERSION

English: 5
 Cantonese: 6
 Mandarin: 37
 Chinese Classes: 26
 Children: 28
 STM: 75
 Total: 177



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2015-2019 Theme : Expanding the Kingdom of God (1 Peter 1:3-2:10)

JOINT ENGLISH WORSHIP SERVICE – August 23, 2015		
9:45 A.M. – Main Sanctuary; 1:45 P.M. – Mezzanine (2 nd Floor) Sanctuary		
Order of Service	Today	Next Sunday
Call to Worship, Worship in Song & Giving	Praise Team	Praise Team
Pastoral Prayer	Rev. Ted Tham	Rev. Ted Tham
Scripture	Luke 15:11-32	Rev. Ted Tham
Message	Rev. Ted Tham The Disciples' Manual (23): The Lost Sons & Forgiving Father	Rev. Ted Tham The Disciples' Manual (24): Shrewd Discipleship
Our Response in Song	Praise Team	Praise Team
Benediction	Rev. Ted Tham	Rev. Ted Tham
Announcements	Rev. Ted Tham	Pastor Kwan Chan

	Today		Next Sunday	
	9:45 am	1:45 pm	9:45 am	1:45 pm
Praise Leader	Michael Lan	Praise Team	Curtis Lai	Praise Team
Power Point	Jeannette So	Ryan Hsu	Renny Cheung	Ryan Hsu
Audio Video	Caroline So	Ryan Hsu	Eugene Cheng	Ryan Hsu
Sanctuary Ushers	Jasmine Lui, Shuk-Laam Lo	Connie Fan	Jasmine Lui, Shuk-Laam Lo	Connie Fan
Mezzanine Usher	Nathan Wong		Nathan Wong	
Welcome Team	Malachi Fell. (Kwan Chan)		Malachi Fell. (Kwan Chan)	
Snacks	Mtn Movers Grp (Tim Cheng)		Mtn Movers Grp (Tim Cheng)	

* 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.

SUNDAY SCHOOL – Summer Term June to August (11:30 am – 12:30 pm)	
Jr. High (Grades 7-8)	Basement
High School (Grades 9-12)	1 Corinthians - Room 311 (Top Floor)
Adults	The "I AMs" of the Gospel of John (Basement)
Teacher Training	Systematic Theology (Room 314/315) – by invitation
Adults and High School	ESL – 2 pm in room 102 (ground level)

2015 Monthly Theme Verse (NIV 1984)

(Copies available in the foyer)

August: Search for Hidden Treasures

Proverbs 2:4-5

And if you look for it as for silver and search for it as for hidden treasure, then you will understand the fear of the Lord and find the knowledge of God.

Welcome to NTCBC, 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', Preschoolers' or Children's programs as listed on the English Ministry bulletin board in the foyer.

Our theme this year is "Joy and Suffering in New Life" based on 1 Peter 1:3-12. We are focusing on DISCIPLESHIP, so our yearly preaching series is on the Disciple's Manual (Luke 9:51-19:44) with an emphasis on encouraging a missional mindset among our congregations. We want those who go to either the 9:45 am Service or the 1:45 pm Service to recognize a calling to that Service, and to live as missionaries wherever they are – either at home, school or work. We are also renewing our Small Group ministry with equipping and support through Coaches.

Our Church's 5 Year Plan (2015-19) is "Expanding the Kingdom of God" (1 Peter 1:3-2:10), and we are praying that God will grant NTCBC a body of believers willing and equipped to plant a new daughter church by 2020.

Prayer Ministry

Join us for prayer on Wednesdays (8-9 pm) on the 3rd (top) Floor. 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).

Children's Prayer Meeting: for children from Grades 1-6 Every Wed. (8-9 pm) in the library with Pastor Cat.



August Prayer Workshops

29 Pray in Faith (I)

Joint Missions Prayer Meeting

This Wednesday (August 26) the English Prayer Meeting will join the Church Prayer meeting in the Main Sanctuary (8 pm to 9 pm) for our monthly Missions Prayer Meeting on the last Wed. of each month. All are encouraged to attend!

An NTCBC Short-Term Mission:

ZengCheng: Dec 16-29, 2015
Application date: Sept 2-30
Contact: Rev. Hui (NathanHui@ntcbc.org)

Sports Ministry in the gym.

Drop-in Co-ed Volleyball: Sundays 3-7 pm - Carolyn Wong (carolynkywong@gmail.com)

Monday Night Volleyball (7:30 – 9:30 pm) This evening is designed for those who want more training. Those interested please register with Carolyn Wong.

Men's Basketball: Tuesdays 7-10 pm
Kelvin Lei (kelvin.s.lei@gmail.com)



Foundations (June ~ August)

Baptism & Membership Class
Teacher: Deacon Minh Tran
Location: office level

The most important decision a person makes in life is the decision to trust Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord. This class examines basic beliefs in areas such as Trinity, the Bible, salvation, baptism, the Lord's Supper and the responsibilities of an individual believer. When you complete the Foundations class, you will have a better understanding of what it means to be a Christian and a Baptist church member. This class is suitable for new believers, and is required for baptismal candidates and those who would like to join NTCBC as a member. Our next baptism will be early Sept, 2015.

The "I AMs" of the Gospel of John (June ~ August)

Teachers: Almond Au and Various
Location: Basement

The Gospel of John is read by many Christians for its richness in content and straightforward structure. This course will focus on the 7 "I AM" statements spoken by Jesus. All brothers and sisters, New Christians, Mature Christians, and non-Christians are encouraged to join in this book study together with an emphasis to know "Who is Jesus". To answer this question includes aspects of personal, theological, experiential and testimonial because Christians are witnesses to Jesus Christ.

Office Administrator

Mr. Wilman Lai is on leave till Aug. 25. Please remember him and his family in your prayers.

Pastor Kwan & the Malachi Fellowship

Pray for the Malachi Fellowship away on Retreat this weekend. There will still be a Teens SS class today.



The Lost Sons & Forgiving Father

Luke 15:11-32

The Younger Son – A Life of Sin

(vs. 11-20a)

LEAVING the Father's House (vs. 11-12)

LIVING in the Far Country (vs. 13)

LACK of Fundamentals (vs. 14)

LOCKED into Sin (vs. 15-16)

LOOKING into the Mirror (vs. 17-20a)

REPENTANCE

CONFESSION

RETURN

Reflection Questions:

Do you recognize yourself as the prodigal son?

Have you returned to your Heavenly Father?

The Forgiving Father – Amazing Grace

(vs. 20b-24)

LOOKING for his Prodigal Son

LOVE for his Prodigal Son

Reflection Questions:

Do you believe that God is like the forgiving father?

Will you forgive others as God has forgiven you?

The Older Son – Respectable but Lost

(vs. 25-32)

ANGER and SLAVERY

Reflection Questions:

Do you feel unappreciated or that God is unfair?

Have you excluded anyone from consideration for becoming a Christian?

What makes you celebrate?

Thanksgiving Outreach Dinner & Service

Friday Oct. 9 in NTCBC gym (dinner) & sanctuary
6:00 – 7:15 pm Catered dinner (potluck dessert)
7:30 – 8:45 pm Thanksgiving Service

Children's Thanksgiving Program incl. \$5 (children under 3 are free)
Tickets on sale soon.

Cost: \$5 (children under 3 are free)
Tickets on sale soon.
Contact: Amy Hong (amy.hong@ntcbc.ca)

If you would like to help with the cost, please include your donation in the offering envelope and indicate *English Thanksgiving Outreach*. Thank you.

Joint Baptism & English Worship Service – Sept 6

Join us on **Sept. 6, 2:30 pm** for our Joint Baptism Service, where several people from our English Congregations will be giving testimony of their faith through the waters of baptism. There will be a joint 9:45 am English Worship Service that day.

Adult Sunday School Townhall

Would you like to learn more about God's Word?

On Sunday Sept. 6 there will be a Townhall Meeting during the Sunday School hour in the basement. All are invited to attend to learn more about the Sunday School ministry and be encouraged in your journey of discovery of God's Word.

Sanctuary Ushers Needed

Are you a Christian looking for a place to serve?

Can you arrive by 9:35 am on Sundays?

Contact Eric Yip (eric.yip@ntcbc.ca) for details. Training will be provided. Thank you.

August 23 Membership Meeting Motions

- i. To approve Financial Statement for July 2015 month end
- ii. To approve members of the Ecuador STM in Sept 2015: Edward Ng, Joy Lim, Frank Sun, Billy To, Michelle Kwan, Alice Fung & Winnie Lau.
The team will be led by Rev. Nathan Hui and Rev. Patrick Lau
- iii. To approve calling Mandarin Pastor Rose Wang effective September 15, 2015
- iv. To approve the invitation of Rev. Stephen Liu as Melville's preaching pastor
- v. To approve the attendance of *North American Chinese Church Consultation - October 5-8, 2015* in Toronto for pastors: Rev. Hui, Rev. Tham, Rev. Li, Pastor Catherine, Pastor Joanna and Rose Wang.
- vi. To approve hiring of Accounting Firm for NTCBC Building Fund Corporation to fulfill legal requirements.