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 Gateway (adults 30+): **Fri – 8 pm – weekly @ church** [Mimi Kong (kiakting@gmail.com)]
 Intro Bible Grp (IBG): **Thurs – 7:30 pm – weekly @ church** [Adrian Wang (ibgsmallgroup@gmail.com)]
 Open Source: **Fri (7:30 pm) & Sun (4 pm) – weekly @ homes** [Poons (alan.zerlina@gmail.com)]
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LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE

Cantonese (8:15 am): 121
 Cantonese (11:15 am): 168
 English (Joint Worship): 210
 Mandarin (8:30 am): 21
 Mandarin (11:15 am): 71

LAST WEEK'S OFFERING

General: \$ 29,435
 Mission: \$ 3,690
 Maintenance: \$ 500
 Building: \$ 0
 Other: \$ 1,950
 Prayer Mtg: 47

CONVERSION

English: 8
 Cantonese: 9
 Mandarin: 48
 Chinese Classes: 26
 Children: 28
 STM: 82
 Total: 201



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

| ENGLISH WORSHIP SERVICE – Dec. 20, 2015 – Christmas Sunday | | |
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| 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 | Pastor Kwan Chan | Rev. Ted Tham |
| Scripture | Luke 2:1-20 (NIV 1984) | Rev. Ted Tham |
| Message | Pastor Kwan Chan Christmas God Gave | Rev. Ted Tham Turn-of-the-Year I Know The Plans I Have For You |
| Our Response in Song | Praise Team | Praise Team |
| Benediction | Rev. Ted Tham | Rev. Ted Tham |
| Announcements | Rev. Ted Tham | Pastor Kwan Chan |
| AMA (3:00 – 3:20 pm) | Pastor Kwan Chan | |

| | Today | | Next Sunday | |
|------------------|--------------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------|--------------|
| | 9:45 am | 1:45 pm | 9:45 am | 1:45 pm |
| Praise Leader | Derek Ma | Worship Team | Derek Ma | Worship Team |
| Power Point | Denise Lee | AV Team | Renny Cheung | AV Team |
| Audio Video | Andrew Hui | AV Team | Andrew Hui | AV Team |
| Sanctuary Ushers | Jasmine Lui, Nathan Wong | Connie Fan | Jasmine Lui, Nathan Wong | Connie Fan |
| Mezzanine Usher | Phil Trinh | | Phil Trinh | |
| Welcome Team | Serendipity SG (David Hong) | | Serendipity SG (David Hong) | |
| Snacks | Mustard Seed Group (Chris Lim) | | Mustard Seed Group (Chris Lim) | |

* Please join us after the service for snacks and fellowship in the basement downstairs.
 If this is your first time here, we would also love to give you a welcome package.

| SUNDAY SCHOOL – Winter Term Dec.to Feb. (11:30 am – 12:30 pm) | |
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| Jr. High (Grades 7-8) | Basement |
| High School (Grades 9-12) | Room 311 (Top Floor) |
| Seekers & Newcomers | Introduction to Christianity (Q & A) (Room B05B Office level at the back) |
| Adults and High School | Foundations (Baptism & Membership) (Rm B09 Office level) |
| Adults - Women | Women's Sunday School - Esther (Basement) |
| Adults | Nehemiah (Room 102 Ground Floor) |
| Teacher Training | History of Christianity (Top Floor snack room) – 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)

December: Preach the Gospel

Isaiah 57:19

“Creating praise on the lips of the mourners in Israel. Peace, peace, to those far and near,” says the Lord. “And I will heal them.”

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.

| December Prayer Workshops | |
|---------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 23 | Ministering as Co-labourers (II) |
| 30 | Discipleship: A Retrospect |

Prayer Meeting for the Vulnerable and Weak

On the second Wednesday of each month, we will devote the entire English Prayer Meeting (8-9 pm) to praying for the sick, vulnerable and weak among us. We encourage everyone who would like prayer for themselves or loved ones to come to these wonderful times of intercession and healing. Next special PM: **Wed. Jan. 13, 2016**

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) - Carolyn Wong (carolynkywong@gmail.com)

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



Foundations (Dec ~ Feb)
Baptism & Membership Class
Teacher: Deacon Minh Tran
Location: Rm B09 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 Easter Sunday (March 27, 2016).**

Intro. to Christianity (Q & A)

Teachers: Andrew Lam
Location: Room B05B Office level at the back (old storage room)



Open to all who are new to Christianity, seekers and newcomers who have any questions. Format is a flexible Q & A style.

Women's Sunday School - Esther (Dec ~ Feb)

Teacher: Karen Wang
Location: basement

Have you ever felt discouraged, confused and scared about why God has placed you in certain situations? Or wondered how to live out your Christian faith in a secular world? In this course, we will follow the story of how God uses Esther, an exiled Jewish girl to save an entire nation. In the process, we will examine the following topics: God's sovereignty and human responsibility; how to live with confidence in anxiety-provoking times; conviction versus compromise and so much more!

Nehemiah (Dec ~ Feb)

Guest Teacher: Deaconess Amy Hong
Location: Room 102 Ground Floor

Beyond the plot of rebuilding the broken walls of Jerusalem, the book of Nehemiah is a redemptive story of a spiritual revival for the Israelite people, and how their faith was restored by God. Two central themes will be discussed through the term: the discernment of

Nehemiah and how he was used by God (Neh. 7:5) and the importance of God's Word declared and presented when the people gathered to listen and learn (Neh. 8:8). This course aims for a practical learning in which reading God's Word would help us to discern the voice of God.



God Gave Luke 2:1-20

1. God Gave His Son

2. God Gave His Son to Win Peace

3. God Gave His Son for Us

4. Responding to God's Gift

Reflection Questions

1. How has reflecting on your sin magnified your experience of God's grace?
2. How can we be intentional in remembering God's gift to us in the midst of the busy Christmas season?

Zeng-Cheng – HuiZhou Visitation & Exchange Team

Please pray for the ZengCheng-HuiZhou Visitation and Exchange 2015 team, led by Rev. Nathan Hui and Pastor Joanna Ip. Members include Alice Fung (Mrs. Hui), Pastor Michael Chan (Pastor Joanna's husband), Angela Wei, Michael Chan, Ryan Hsu, Sharon Lo, Almond & Loretta & Abigail Au, and Cindy Chan. Their itinerary is:

- Dec 21: leadership training in the daytime, revival/evangelistic meeting in the evening
- Dec 22: visitation in the morning, travel to PingLing, HuiZhou in the afternoon
- Dec 23: visitation in the daytime
- Dec 24: visitation in the daytime; revival/evangelistic meeting in the evening
- Dec 25: Christmas worship in the afternoon; revival/evangelistic meeting in the evening
- Dec 26: leadership training in the daytime; choir practice in the evening
- Dec 27: leadership training in the morning; Sunday worship in the afternoon; revival/evangelistic gathering in the evening
- Dec 28: workshop with leaders; back to Hong Kong; Debriefing and sharing
- Dec 29: Debriefing. The team will take flight AC08 departing Hong Kong, transfer at Vancouver for AC152, arriving Toronto at 1:10 am the next day.

Support requests for this team are available in the foyer.

Turn-of-the-Year Celebration

Thurs. Dec. 31, 7–8 pm & 11–12 midnight
Join us on Dec 31st from 7:00pm -8:00pm on the second floor Mezzanine Sanctuary for a time of corporate praise, reflection, testimonies, sharing, and prayer led by Pastor Kwan. The end of the year is a great opportunity for us to reflect individually and to share corporately about what God has done in the past year and what He has called you to do in the following year. Our prayer is that those of us who come will hear the Holy Spirit speak to us in quiet and through other brothers and sisters (and also for Him to speak through you to others). This will be followed by a Joint Turn-of-the-Year Gathering at 11 pm to midnight in the Main Sanctuary with a message from Rev. Hui.

New Year's Child Dedication

Our next Child Dedication will be on **Sun. Jan. 17** during the 9:45 am Worship Service. Any parents who are interested in dedicating their children to the Lord that day are requested to contact Rev. Ted as soon as possible.

Free Family Magazine

The Christmas edition of the Thriving Family Magazine (from Focus on the Family) is now available in the foyer.

2016 Bible Reading Plans

Is now available in the foyer.

Church Building Closure

On Fri. Dec. 25 and Sat. Dec. 26 for Christmas & Boxing Day

From the Treasury Dept.

All offering received after 1:00pm on Dec 27th will be counted towards 2016 (for book-keeping purposes). Therefore, anyone wishing to have their offering count for the 2015 calendar year must put in their offering before this time. Thank you.

Sunday Parking Spaces at YHBC for 2016

If you have children <2 or member of the family with a physical disability feel free to apply for a free 2016 Sunday morning parking permit at Yorkview Height Baptist Church. See office for details.

Motions for Next Sunday's Membership Meeting

- To approve Financial Statement for Nov 2015
- To affirm the calling of a Chinese Ministry Pastor at Melville Mission
- To approve CAMG Fellowship committee members
- To approve MMG Paul Fellowship committee members
- To approve Salary and Benefit Committee's recommendation to adjust remuneration for Pastor Rose in accordance to her extended service to 30 hours per week effective Jan 1, 2016.

2016 Anniversary Revival Sunday – Jan. 24

Theme for 2016: Holiness. Our Cantonese & Mandarin Speaker for that weekend will be Rev. Dr. Thomas Wang.

Reminder to Recycle at Church

Info. for which of the three containers to use are posted over them.