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| <u>LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE</u> |     | <u>LAST WEEK'S OFFERING</u> |        | <u>CONVERSIONS</u> |    | <u>SUNDAY SCHOOL</u> |    |
|-------------------------------|-----|-----------------------------|--------|--------------------|----|----------------------|----|
| Cantonese (8:15 am):          | 106 | General: \$                 | 22,200 | English:           |    | English:             | 70 |
| Cantonese (11:15 am):         | 165 | Mission: \$                 | 2,745  | Cantonese:         | 4  | Cantonese:           | 99 |
| English (9:45 am):            | 178 | Maintenance:\$              | 1,145  | Mandarin:          | 16 | Mandarin:            | 43 |
| Mandarin (8:30 am):           | 29  | Building: \$                | 0      | Chinese Classes:   |    |                      |    |
| Mandarin (11:15 am):          | 65  | Other: \$                   | 2,340  | Children:          | 30 |                      |    |
| Mandarin (3:15 pm):           | 9   | Prayer Mtg:                 | 45     | STM:               |    |                      |    |
|                               |     |                             |        | Total:             | 50 |                      |    |

**English Worship Service – June 4, 2017**

9:45 A.M. – Main Sanctuary

**Order of Service**

|                              |   |
|------------------------------|---|
| <b>Praise &amp; Offering</b> | Worship Team  |
| <b>Pastoral Prayer</b>       | Pastor Kwan Chan  |
| <b>Scripture</b>             | <b>Acts 1:6-8</b>   |
| <b>Message</b>               | <b>The Church is a Heavenly Embassy</b><br>Pastor Kwan Chan |
| <b>Response Song</b>         | Worship Team  |
| <b>Benediction</b>           | Rev. Patrick Lau  |
| <b>Announcements</b>         | Pastor Kwan Chan  |

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.

**Next Week: The Church Safeguards Believers - Hebrews 13:7-19 (Pastor Kwan Chan)**

| <b>SUNDAY SCHOOL 11:30 am – 12:30 pm</b> |                                |              |
|--|--------------------------------|--------------|
| Grade 7                                  | The Gospel of John             | Room 314/315 |
| Grade 8                                  | The Gospel of John             | Room 311     |
| High School (Gr 9-12)                    | New Testament Survey           | Room B1/B2   |
| Seekers & Newcomers                      | Intro. to Christianity (Q & A) | Room 102     |
| Adults                                   | The Book of James              | Basement     |
| Everyone                                 | Foundations                    | Room B09     |

## May Theme Verse

### 2 Peter 1:20-21

Above all, you must understand that no prophecy of Scripture came about by the prophet's own interpretation. For prophecy never had its origin in the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

## Join us this week for...

**Sun Adult Fellowship Meeting**  
1:00pm-2:00pm in Room 302

**Mon Volleyball Skills Clinic**  
7:30pm-9:30pm in the Gym

**Tues Men's Basketball**  
7:00pm-10:00pm in the Gym

**Wed Prayer Meeting**  
8:00pm-9:00pm on the top floor

**Children's Prayer Meeting**  
8:00pm-9:00pm in the Library

**Thur Career Small Groups**  
7:45pm-9:45pm on the top floor

**Fri Career Small Group (Immanuel)**  
8:00pm-10:00pm in Room 311

**Malachi High School Fellowship**  
7:30pm-9:45pm in Room 302

**Timothy Junior High Fellowship**  
7:30pm-9:45pm in Room 306

## Sunday School Classes

### Intro. to Christianity (Q & A)

Room 102, first floor  
Teacher: Andrew Lam  
Open to all who are new to Christianity, seekers and newcomers who have any questions. Format is a flexible Q & A style.

### Foundations

Baptism & Membership Class  
Room B09  
Teachers: Deaconess Amy Hong, Deaconess Loraine Chan  
The most important decision a person makes in life is the decision to trust in Jesus Christ as their Lord and Saviour. This class examines basic beliefs in areas such as the Trinity, Bible, salvation, baptism, the Lord's Supper, and the responsibilities of an individual believer. You will gain 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 for those who would like to become a member at NTCBC.

*Our next baptism will be Sunday September 10, 2017.*

### James

Basement  
Teachers: Tim Cheng, Daniel Lee  
It's easy to be a Christian today – too easy. After all, even Donald Trump can claim he's a Christian. So what happened? This class will strive to be an interactive, applicable, and Biblical litmus test for identifying true Christians and avoiding the pitfalls from James' time, which are even more prevalent now. We will explore how James defines faith, wisdom, and perfection.

### High School: Galatians and Ephesians (Jun 11th)

Room B1/B2  
Teacher: Pastor Kwan Chan  
As with any study, the goal is to lead the students to a higher level of Biblical literacy so that they will be able to read Galatians and Ephesians independently. In this class, the students will be taught how to identify literary structure and will be given a crash course in Pauline theology and New Testament history.

### Gospel of John

**Gr. 7** (Room 314/315, third floor)  
Teacher: Josephine Poon  
**Gr. 8** (Room 311, third floor)  
Teacher: Curtis Lai  
The goal for the grade 7s and 8s this semester is to increase Biblical literacy and familiarity with the Word – both individually and with their peers – through group study on the book of John. Students will learn to recognize key themes throughout John's Gospel, utilize a well-established method of inductive Bible study, and participate in group discussions.

## Sermon Notes

### The Church is a Heavenly Embassy Acts 1:6-8

#### 1. Saved for Kingdom Work

#### What is the Kingdom of God?

The Kingdom of God is the kingly rule of God and the sphere in which the rule is experienced.

#### 2. Witnessing = Kingdom Work

#### What is a witness for Jesus?

Someone who lives out the reality that Jesus is God.

#### How does a church witness for Jesus?

The church worships Jesus, loves one another, and submits to God-appointed authority.

#### 3. The Church is a Heavenly Embassy

#### What is the Church?

The Church is a Heavenly Embassy that represents Jesus in a foreign land.

#### Responding to Jesus

Jesus calls us to live out the reality that He is God.  
1. Ask Him to show you that He is who He says He is  
2. Ask Him to increase your love for Him and for others  
3. Ask Him to grant you humility to submit to His teaching/authority

Jesus calls us to participate in the local church

1. Ask God to increase your love for the local church  
2. Ask God to grant our church leaders spiritual wisdom/strength so that, as a church, we will represent Him better

## General Announcements

### Jiang-Xi Gospel Exchange & English Camp

Dates: July 20-31, 2017

We have 11 members who are now training and preparing for the upcoming trip. Please keep Pastor Cathy, the leader of the team, as well as rest of the members in your prayers.

If you would like to support one of the members either through prayer or through financial giving, please contact Pastor Kwan for details.

### Vacation Bible Camp (VBC) 2017

Dates: August 8-18. Extended child care will be available from 7:30am to 5:30pm. Children from SK class to Grade 5 are welcome. Registration deadline: Jun 11 (next Sunday). For details, email [vbc@ntcbc.org](mailto:vbc@ntcbc.org).

### Church Incorporation Town Hall

To provide status update and information sharing on church incorporation, the first of a series of Town Hall meetings will be held on **Jun 25** at the basement after Membership meeting. Both members and non-members are welcome to attend.

The NTCBC Constitution is a key document to be revised through church incorporation and will be discussed at the Town Hall. To obtain a soft copy of it and for any future newsletters and updates, please:

- sign up in the office by providing your email address (preferred) OR
- send an email to [admin@ntcbc.org](mailto:admin@ntcbc.org) with Subject Line 'NTCBC Incorporation Subscription'.

A limited number of hard copies of the Constitution are available for pick up at the office.

### "Our Daily Bread"

It is a free handy pocket-sized daily devotional available in our foyer. Filled with inspirational stories and teaching based on biblical passages, it is an easy way to get into the habit of reading your bible daily. The June-August 2017 edition and previous editions are now available in our foyer.

