

CHURCH STAFF

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

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English Worship Service – December 3, 2017**9:45 A.M. – Main Sanctuary****Order of Worship****Praise & Offering**

Worship Team

Congregational Prayer

Pastor Curtis Lai

Scripture**Ephesians 4:17-24****Message**

**New life in Christ:
Out with the old, in with the new**

Pastor Curtis Lai

Response

Worship Team

Benediction

Rev. Patrick Lau

| <u>LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE</u> | | <u>LAST WEEK'S OFFERING</u> | | <u>CONVERSIONS</u> | | <u>SUNDAY SCHOOL</u> | |
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| Cantonese (8:15 am): | 97 | General: \$ | 12,514 | English: | | English: | 67 |
| Cantonese (11:15 am): | 148 | Mission: \$ | 3,515 | Cantonese: | 6 | Cantonese: | 74 |
| English (9:45 am): | 149 | Maintenance:\$ | 1,150 | Mandarin: | 33 | Mandarin: | 47 |
| Mandarin (8:15 am): | 24 | Building: \$ | 100 | Chinese Classes: | 30 | | |
| Mandarin (11:15 am): | 65 | Other: \$ | 1,878 | Children: | | | |
| Mandarin (3:15 pm): | 16 | Prayer Mtg: | 46 | STM: | 189 | | |
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Sermon Series:

In the month of December, we will be having a series of standalone sermons to bring in the Christmas season and subsequent new year. At the start of the year in January, we will be spending the duration of the month preaching through our annual 'prayer and fasting' series. Our new sermon series in the book of Galatians will begin in February.

Next Week: Pastor Kwan Chan

Sermon Notes

Summary: In his letter to the Ephesians, the apostle Paul provides his readers with practical exhortations to faithfully live out the new life in Christ. Calling them to “walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which [they] have been called” (Ephesians 4:1), Paul emphasizes the need for Christians to put off the old self, put on the new self, and be renewed in the spirit of their minds. A faithful life of discipleship to Christ is dependent upon these three exhortations being carried out.

Study Questions for Small Groups & Fellowships

1. Paul encourages his readers to no longer walk in their former way of living and to put off their old selves. What aspects of your ‘old self’ do you struggle with putting off? What areas of sin in your life are God calling you to put off?
2. In what ways has God been calling you to ‘put on the new self’ recently? What areas of your life is He calling you to be more Christ-like and to imitate His character more explicitly?
3. Share with your group ways in which you have personally experienced a renewal of your mind in your Christian walk (whether past or present). In what ways has the gospel impacted your ability to put off the old self and put on the new self? In what ways has God reshaped your thinking with Biblical truths that have led to changes in your Christian life?
4. Which of these three components do you struggle the most with? Putting off the old self, putting on the new self, or being renewed in the spirit of your mind? How has God’s Word provided you help?
5. What practical steps can you take this week to faithfully live out these three exhortations from our passage?

How will you respond to God’s Word this week?

Sunday School Classes

Intro. to Christianity (Q & A)
Room B05B (B1 - office level)
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 102
Teacher: Deacon Minh Tran

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. Next baptism will be in December.

**Systematic Theology
Adults, University & High School Students**
Basement
Teacher: Pastor Kwan Chan

Wayne Grudem wrote, "Systematic Theology is any study that answers the question, 'What does the whole Bible teach us today?' about any given topic." Over the course of the next 16 weeks, we will be discovering what the Bible says about the Word of God, the Trinity, Sin, Faith, the Holy Spirit, the Afterlife, and other topics such as these. Students will be taught to study and organize Biblical Truths so that they can form clear Biblical explanations for key spiritual matters.

**Systematic Theology – 18 Words
Gr. 7 & Gr. 8**
Room B1/B2
Teachers: Pastor Curtis Lai, Jeannette So

The ultimate goal of this systematic theology course is to provide students with a solid foundation of theological terms that will equip them for further Biblical studies in future Sunday School courses, as well as in their personal journey of spiritual maturity and Bible comprehension. More importantly, the underlying spiritual goal is to deepen the students’ affections for God through gaining a greater understanding of His attributes and character, as well as the doctrines associated with Him.

Church Life

Sun Sunday School
11:15am-12:30pm (various classrooms)

Adult Fellowship
11:15am-12:30pm (Rooms 314/315/317)

Q&A Class
11:15am-12:30pm (B05B – Office Level)

Children’s Worship Service
11:15am-12:30pm (Check-in on 3rd Floor)

Mon Volleyball Skills Clinic
7:30pm-9:30pm (Gym)

Tues Men’s Basketball
7:00pm-10:00pm (Gym)

Wed Prayer Meeting
8:00pm-9:15pm (3rd Floor)

Children’s Prayer Meeting
8:00pm-9:00pm (Library)

Thur Career Small Groups
7:30pm-9:45pm (3rd Floor)

Fri Malachi High School Fellowship
7:30pm-9:45pm (Rm 302)

Junior High School Fellowship
7:30pm-9:45pm (Rm 306)

Immanuel Career Small Group
8:00pm-10:00pm (Rm 311)

* contact information on the back of the bulletin

Community Announcements

Result of 2018 EB Election

Common Ministry

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| Chairperson | Tai Wai Moyung |
| Treasurer | Jennifer Kou |
| Bookkeeper | NIL |
| Auditor | Leon Lee |
| Mission | NIL |
| General Service | NIL |
| I.T. | NIL |
| Education | NIL |
| Church Life | Mimi Kong |
| Library | NIL |
| Children | Jenny Chan |

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| V. Chairperson | Leslie Kou | Derek Ma | James Dong |
| S. School | Vincent Lam | Jeannette So | Franklin Liu |
| Fellowship | NIL | Abraham Wong | Justin Ge |
| Music | Jonathan Wong | Gordon Chiu | Sally Xu |
| Evangelism | Lawrence Ng | Regina Wang | Eden Xiao |
| Caring | NIL | NIL | Martin Huang |

Executive Board By-Election 2018

Members are reminded to go to the office to pick up their ballot and named label. Please prayerfully discern God’s will before checking the box of the candidate. After you have filled out your ballot, stick the named label to the envelope with signature and put in the ballot box before Dec 24, 2017 12:00pm. Please pray for the candidates.

Today’s Welcome Lunch

Welcome lunch will be held in the church basement today from 12:30pm-2:00pm. Everyone is welcome to come, and newcomers eat for free. Please find a welcome team member to sign up!

Mandarin Christmas Evangelistic Meeting

Date: Saturday, December 9th, Time: 5:30pm – 9:00pm

English Christmas Evangelistic Meeting

Date: Saturday, December 16th, Time: 4:00pm – 6:00pm

Cantonese Christmas Evangelistic Meeting

Date: Sunday, December 17th, Time: 5:45pm – 9:30pm

Child Dedication Ceremony on Dec 17

Parents who would like to participate in the Child Dedication Ceremony, please contact Rev. Lau or Pastor Curtis.

Children’s Ministry Gingerbread House DIY

Dec 16th (Saturday) 4:00 pm. Welcome all children (Grade 6 and/or under) to participate in the event. Sign-up sheet on the 3rd-floor children’s bulletin board or email to Pastor Cat. on or before Dec 3rd.

Advent Package The children’s ministry prepares “Advent package” for families to enjoy the journey to Christmas at home. Each child’s family will receive one today.

2018 NTCBC Scripture Calendars Now Available

One free per family is available in church office.

Staff News

Pastor Cathy Chen will be on leave Dec 4-8 & 10.