

Community Announcements

Q&A Class @ 11:15am in B05B

This class is run weekly and is open to anyone (new Christians, seekers, newcomers, etc) who have any questions about Christianity. The format is a flexible Q & A style. Please see a Welcome Team member for more information.

Welcome Lunch Today 4th @ 12:30pm

Welcome Lunch is an opportunity for those who are new to not only connect with members of NTCBC, but to be plugged into a Small Group or Fellowship. Please see a Welcome Team member for more info! Members pay \$5 for lunch & newcomers eat free!

Joint Fellowship Meeting - Feb 24th @ 4:30pm

We will have potluck, singspiration and small group sharing. All are welcomed. The registration will start from Jan 21 to Feb 18. For details and registration, please contact Justin Ge or email jointfellowship@ntcbc.org

Roma Ministry Sharing

Join us the sharing to be held at our church tonight at 7 p.m. by Global Great Commission Center (Canada) (GGCCC).

Sunday Parking Spaces at YHBC for 2018

If you have children <2 or member of the family with a physical disability feel free to apply for a free 2018 Sunday morning parking permit at YHBC. Those who have already applied for a tag may check in the church office to see if you may receive one of the tags

Staff News

Rev. Lau is on vacation Feb 4–11.

Pastor Rose will be on vacation from Feb 6–25.

Evangelism Training on Sun, Feb 11th

The Evangelism Department is hosting their first Training Session of the year. The emphasis will be on hospitality and how a hospitable lifestyle aids Evangelistic activity.

Training will be from 1:00pm-3:00pm and we will be meeting on the 3rd floor (Room TBD)

Children Ministry

Children 's Check Out Procedure

Parents must show the Guardian receipt to teachers/helpers to ensure a match to the Child code before a child is released. Thank you for your cooperation.

Passport 2 Purity 2018

Any Grade 5-7's parents and child who interest to participate the event this year, please email Pastor Cat before FEB 4 (Sunday).

Family Skate and Pizza Party

Monday Feb 19th, 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM, Canlan Ice Sports (3552 Victoria Park, Toronto). Cost \$2.50 per person. Sign up on the 3rd floor.

VBC 2018

Theme: Shipwrecked: Rescued by Jesus

Date: August 7-17th

Grade: Completed SK - Grade 6

Save the dates. More detailed information to follow.



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2018 Theme

Living Stones of
the Spiritual House

1 Peter 2:4-8

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

English Worship Service

9:45AM – Main Sanctuary

February 4, 2018

Order of Worship

This Week

Next Week

Praise & Offering

Worship Team

Worship Team

Congregational Prayer

Pastor Kwan Chan

Pastor Kwan Chan

Scripture

Galatians 1:1-10

Galatians 1:11-24

Sermon Title

Grace to You

A Changed Life

Speaker

Pastor Kwan Chan

Pastor Kwan Chan

Response

Worship Team

Worship Team

Lord's Table

Rev. Nelson Yiu

Sunday School

January to April 2018 | 11:15am – 12:30pm

Age Group

Class

Location

Junior High (Gr 7-8)

Pentateuch

Room 314/315

High School

Pentateuch

Room 317

Adult

Old Testament Survey

Room 102

Adult (Women only)

Genesis

Basement

All

Baptism & Membership

B09 (Office Level)

Welcome to NTCBC! We're glad you've decided to join us in worshipping our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. If you have any questions at all, please speak with someone from our Welcome Team (they're the friendly people in the blue shirts!). They will happily connect you with a Sunday School class, the Q&A class, or even a Fellowship or Small Group.

Sermon Guide

Series: Galatians – Freedom of the Christian

Freedom is defined as the power to act or speak as one wants without hindrance or restraint. The Bible says that Jesus' death on the cross has won Christians absolute freedom. If this is so, why do so many in the church view Christianity as a straitjacket, where God is restraining them from acting or speaking as they please?

The answer is that although Jesus has defeated the power of sin, many still choose to stay enslaved to sin's power, and thus refuse the transformative power of the Gospel. This sermon series explores God's promise of freedom and how we can vanquish sin's power in our lives and live as free men and women who freely and joyously worship, love, and obey our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

This week's Sermon: Grace to You

Galatians 1:1-10

The Galatians were deceived into rejecting the Gospel as Truth; they had deserted Christ and had turned to a different gospel. Although the level of their devotion did not diminish, and their error was a seemingly small one, Paul said that they had abandoned their loyalty to Christ and were in danger of losing their salvation.

The Galatians are a sober reminder that we must be on constant guard against faulty notions of Jesus Christ and His Good News. We are to humbly receive God's Word and to allow His Spirit to reveal to us the lies that we have believed so that we can repent, cling onto Gospel Truth, revoke ourselves to Christ, and experience true Christian freedom.

Study Questions for Small Groups & Fellowships

Icebreaker Question: Share a time when you received a terrible recommendation for a meal, product, or experience. What was the price that you paid for listening to that recommendation?

1. Why was Paul adamant in defending the legitimacy of his calling? There is an intimate connection between one's character and one's ministry. What can leaders do to protect themselves from the type of defamation that occurred to the Apostle Paul?
2. Identify at least 3 major Biblical truths from Gal 1:3-5. Brainstorm ways that these truths can be distorted. Which truth did the Galatians err from and how did they err? In the Church today, which truths do you see men and women struggling to grasp and live out? Which truth(s) do you struggle with and how do these struggles manifest in your daily living?
3. How did the Galatians 'desert' Christ? Why was this seeming small rejection such a big deal? How do other religions express their belief that 'Jesus is not enough' for their salvation and satisfaction? As you observe your life and the lives of others, how do you express the sentiment, 'Jesus is not enough', in your life?
4. What is the cost of rejecting the Gospel and how could the Galatians avoid paying this cost? What are some safeguards that you can establish to help others to recognize errant doctrine and lifestyle and to repent of those beliefs, attitudes, and behaviours? What safeguards do you currently have and how can you increase the efficacy of those safeguards in your life?
5. Is repentance genuine if someone merely confesses wrongdoing but does not stop engaging in that behaviour? Brainstorm ludicrous examples of people admitting wrongdoing but not changing their behaviour (and where it is universally unacceptable).

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

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 Sunday School 11:15am-12:30pm (Check-in on 3 rd Floor)
	Welcome Lunch 12:30 pm-2:00pm (Basement)
	Roma Mission Sharing 7:00 pm-9:00pm
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Mon	Volleyball Skills Clinic 7:30pm-9:30pm (Gym)
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Tues	Men's Basketball 7:00pm-10:00pm (Gym)
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Wed	Prayer Meeting 8:00pm-9:15pm (3 rd Floor)
	Children's Prayer Meeting 8:00pm-9:00pm (Library)
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Thur	Career Small Groups 7:30pm-9:45pm (3 rd Floor)
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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)

Church Staff

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For all general questions regarding English Ministries, please send an email to Pastor Kwan or to our English Ministry Vice Chair, Derek Ma, at derek.ma@ntcbc.ca. If you have a general question about our church, please email Wilman Lai at admin@ntcbc.org.

Last Week's Attendance

Joint Cantonese/Mandarin 8:15am	114
Joint Cantonese/Mandarin - 11:15am	216
English – 9:45am	168
Mandarin - 3:15pm	13

Last Week's Offering

General:	\$8,508
Mission Fund:	\$3,265
Maintenance:	\$200
Building:	\$0
Other:	\$405