# **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.

#### Result of 2019 EB Election **English Ministry Group**

V. Chairperson Derek Ma Sunday School Jeannette So Fellowship Abraham Wong Music Gordon Chiu Regina Wang Evangelism

## **Cantonese Ministry Group**

V. Chairperson Leslie Kou Sunday School Vincent Lam Fellowship Wilson Tang Music Beniamin Ngai Evangelism **Gregory Chow** 

## **Mandarin Ministry Group**

V. Chairperson James Dong Sunday School Franklin Liu Fellowship Justin Ge Music Boyang Qin Evangelism Eden Xiao Martin Huang Caring

## **Common Ministry**

Chairperson Almond Au Treasurer Tai Wai Moyung Auditor Michael Ho Mission Jeffrey Ip General Service Andrew Chow Clement Phuong I.T. Church Life May Kong Library Fanny Luk Children Jenny Chan

#### Christmas Outreach Service on Dec 15th

Our Christmas Outreach Service will be on Sat, Dec 15<sup>th</sup> from 4-6pm. The theme of the service is 'Redeemed Brokenness.' There will be carols, testimonies, and a short message that speaks of how our Lord pursues and redeems broken people.

In conjunction with the Christmas Outreach, the Children Ministry will be hosting Gingerbread House Decorating in the gym.

Please sign up on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor bulletin board by December 9.

## **Mandarin Christmas Evangelistic Meeting**

Date: Saturday, December 8th Time: 5:30pm - 9:00pm

# **Cantonese Christmas Evangelistic Meeting**

Date: Sunday. December 16th Time: 5:45pm - 9:30pm

#### Condolences

Mrs. Sin Han Cheung, mother of our brother Pastor Stephen Liu passed away peacefully to be with the Lord last month. The memorial service was held on Dec 1.

#### Staff News

Pastor Cat is on a STM and will return Dec 4.

## **Children Ministry**

## Nursery helpers needed

We need helpers to serve in the Nursery room during Noon Service (11:15 am - 12:45 pm). Please contact Robin Leung or Jenny Chan if you would consider serving in this important ministry.



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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

9:45AM - Main Sanctuary

**English Worship Service** 

December 2, 2018

This Week Next Week

Praise Leader Gordon Chiu Pastor Curtis Lai

Scripture Philippians 2:1-13 John 4

**Sermon Title Gospel Transformation** Jesus Talks to the

Samaritan Woman

Speaker Pastor Kwan Chan Pastor Catherine Chan

**Sunday School** 

11:15am - 12:30pm

Age Group Class Location

Room 314 / 315 Junior High (Gr 7-8) How to Read the Bible

Adult Hermeneutics Room 102 **Basement** 

Adult & High School The Book of Jeremiah

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

#### Last Week: Revival and Me

It is interesting to take note that in the first seven chapters of the book of Nehemiah the narrative focuses on Nehemiah, the people, and the reconstruction of the wall. Evidently, their city was rebuilt; however, their hearts were not. What is missing in this restoration process, particularly in the renovation of people's hearts? It is not until chapter 8 that the centrality of the Word of God is mentioned. Can a revival come without the Word of God?

#### This Week: Gospel Transformation

Christians are called to grow in unity as we engage in God's purpose for us to glorify Him by making followers of Jesus. The call to grow is an indication that we are all works-in-progress and that God has a plan for our flourishing. Therefore, He not only calls us to grow, but helps us grow by renewing our desires and attitudes so that we yearn after Him and His Kingdom. This internal transformation results in a change in the way we live, and allows us to experience true victory over sin as well as witness God's power in our lives and in our community.

## **Bible Study for Small Groups & Fellowships**

#### **LOOK DOWN:** Study the Scriptures

- 1. What is the connection between God's grace. our experience of His grace, and our obedience? Why is the Bible so diligent in making these connections for us?
- 2. What does it mean to 'work out your own salvation'? How do you know that 'to work out your own salvation' does not mean 'to work for your own salvation'?
- 3. How does God help us to obey His commands? How can we experience His help in our lives?

## **LOOK OUT:** Discuss the Following

- 4. What can we learn from our culture's understanding of personal transformation? How does that influence our view of Christian transformation?
- 5. How would you differentiate between self-help exercises with what the Bible says about transformation?

#### **LOOK IN: Reflect & Share**

6. Share how your relationship with Christ has deepened in recent weeks. How has the Word of God encouraged and comforted you?

## LIVE IT OUT: Respond to God's Word

- 7. How are you going to invest in your relationship with God and grow as an evangelist / disciplemaker / servant for God?
- 8. Pray for God to grant you a vision of the life that He desires for you. Then pray for Him to will and to work out His good purposes in your life.

## **Church Life**

#### Sun Sunday School

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

#### **Q&A Class**

11:15am-12:30pm (B05B - Office Level)

#### **Adult Fellowship**

11:15am-12:30pm (Room B1/B2)

## Volleyball Skills Clinic

7:30pm-9:30pm (Gym)

## Men's Drop-in Basketball

7:00pm-10:00pm (Gym)

#### **Prayer Meeting** Wed

8:00pm-9:15pm (3<sup>rd</sup> Floor)

#### **Children's Prayer Meeting**

8:00pm-9:00pm (Library)

#### Fri **Timothy Junior High Fellowship** 7:30pm-9:45pm (Rm 302)

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

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# Last Week's Attendance

Joint Chinese 8:15am Joint Chinese 11:15am English – 9:45am Mandarin - 3:15pm

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## Last Week's Offering

General: \$ 12.840 Mission Fund: \$ 2,515 Maintenance: \$ 100 \$0 Building: \$ 2,315 Other: