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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):	88	General:	\$ 69,722	English:		English:	74
Cantonese (11:15 am):	142	Mission:	\$ 26,042	Cantonese:	12	Cantonese:	84
English (9:45 am):	161	Maintenance:	\$ 5,430	Mandarin:	37	Mandarin:	34
Mandarin (8:15 am):	20	Building:	\$ 200	Chinese Classes:	30		
Mandarin (11:15 am):	52	Other:	\$ 1,046	Children:			
Mandarin (3:15 pm):	18	Prayer Mtg:	37	STM:	189		
				Total:	268		



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

English Worship Service – January 7, 2018

9:45 A.M. – Main Sanctuary

Order of Worship

Praise & Offering	Worship Team
Congregational Prayer	Pastor Kwan Chan
Scripture	Mark 2:18-22
Message	The New Fast Pastor Kwan Chan
Response	Worship Team
Benediction	Rev. Patrick Lau

Sermon Series: Prayer and Fasting

At NTCBC, we usher in each new year with a January series on Prayer and Fasting. This year, we will be going through a mini-series of sermons that will teach on fasting and spiritual revival, and will culminate with a Mission Prayer Service. Our ardent belief is that when God renews our hearts, He not only gives us a desire for Him, He also lights a fire in our heart for mission. Our prayer is that as you receive these sermons, God will call you to fast and pray, and through your faithful obedience, He will light a fire in you for Him and for the nations.

Next Week: Pastor Kwan Chan - Fasting: Expressing Hopeful Sorrow (Psalm 13)

Sermon Guide

Sermon Notes

When questioned about why His disciples did not fast, Jesus responded by saying that while He was with them, they were to engage in celebratory activities, for His presence was a cause for joy, not sorrow. He also told parables to emphasize that their behaviour was based upon their newfound belief that He is the Saviour of the world who has come to wash away our sin.

Jesus also taught that there will come a day where He will leave his disciples and, at that time, they will fast. However, His disciples will be participating in a new fast where their reason for fasting will be an expression of their longing for and worship of Jesus.

Study Questions for Small Groups & Fellowships

1. What are some external markers that, when missing, lead others to question one's devotion to Jesus Christ? Does the presence of these markers guarantee one's devotion to God? Explain.
2. When looking at our church experience, where do you see overt celebration of Jesus and of our salvation? Why do you think that celebration is less common in churches nowadays? Brainstorm ways that we can practice the spiritual discipline of celebrating our Lord and our salvation?
3. Reflect on the past week and identify specific activities in your life that pointed to Jesus' lordship over your life. Identify two specific changes that you can make to better your witness for Christ this upcoming week
4. What are some reasons for us to take up the spiritual discipline of fasting? What guidelines and reminders would we need to remember to help us to have a physically and spiritually healthy fast?
5. What are some reasons for someone lacking a hunger for God? How can the discipline of fasting help to soften one's heart towards God?
6. Examine your own spiritual condition and reflect on how the discipline of fasting can be helpful for your soul.

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

Sunday School Classes

The Old Testament: Making Sense of the Other 70% Adults & University Students

Room 102

Teachers: Pastor Kwan Chan & Nathaniel Lai

The Old Testament is roughly 70% of the entire Bible, and yet, due to gaps in culture and background knowledge, many in the church struggle to make sense of the Older Testament. This class is designed to help fill in those gaps by teaching the major themes within the Old Testament and by helping students to understand the outlines of each OT book. The goal of the class is for students to have a firm understanding of each OT Book and how it connects with the overall Biblical story.

Genesis: From Creation to Redemption (Women)

Basement

Teachers: Karen Wang & Tammy Yuen

Every time you turn on the television or listen to the radio, it is apparent that not all is right in our world. Despite all the advancements in technology, humanity seems bent on a course toward destruction. In this class, we examine the 'beginning of all beginnings' and seek to understand God's redemption story and how it unfolds from the creation of Adam right through to the calling of the first forefathers. In doing so, we will uncover some key answers to the following questions:
- What was God's purpose in creating this world and what was the result of humankind's disobedience?
- How does God bring about redemption?
- What does Genesis teach us about a woman's identity, purpose and place within God's redemptive story?

Baptism & Membership Class (Foundations)

Room B09

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 helps you to examine the basic beliefs of the Christian faith, as well as what it means to be a Baptist church member. This class is for those who desire to be baptised and/or become a member of NTCBC.

Old Testament: The Pentateuch

Gr. 7/8, High School

Room 314/315, 311

Teachers: Pastor Curtis Lai, Jeannette So

The aim of this class is to familiarize students with the Pentateuch (Genesis-Deuteronomy) and to teach them how these books reveal the character of God and connect with the rest of God's overarching story of redemption.

Church Life

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

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

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

Children's Sunday School
11:15am-12:30pm (Check-in on 3rd Floor)

Congregational Lunch
12:30pm-2:00pm (Basement)

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

Intro. to Christianity Class @ 11:15am in B05B
Teacher: Andrew Lam

This class is open to those who are new to Christianity, seekers and/or newcomers who have any questions. The format is a flexible Q & A style. Please see a Welcome Team member after service for more info.

Congregational Lunch Today @ 12:30pm
Join us for a meal, as well as for a time where we will be praying for the nations.
Fee: \$5 per adult \$3 per child (non-members eat free)

CIEC 3rd Town Hall on Jan 21st @ 3:30pm
Lunch: \$4 per person, \$2 for children <13.
Sign up at foyer.
Discussion Topics: Constitution Article V - Membership, Board of Directors (new)

Roma Ministry Sharing
Join us the sharing to be held at our church on Feb 4 (Sun) 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.

Children Ministry

New Children Morning Schedule starting Jan 7th
9:45am - 11:00am - Children's Worship
11:15am-12:30pm - Children Sunday School
Grade 1 - Room 302A Grade 2-3 Room 302B
Grade 4-5 Room 306 Grade 6 Room 310

Children pick-up will be in the GYM after 12:30pm. All who have a **Red Pass** will be dismissed at 12:30pm.

Plan to Protect Training on Jan 14th @ 2pm
P2P is a training program that equips men and women with effective and customized policies, procedures, and training so that we can create a safe community for our youth and children. It is a required course for all who serve in Children & Youth Ministry. Please sign up on the 3rd floor or contact pastor Cat

Passport 2 Purity 2018 Info Session
Date: January 21st 1:00 PM - 1:30 PM. Room 302.
Information for a weekend retreat for father/son or mother/daughter bonding (5th-7th grade only).

Contact Pastor Cat for more information.