



English Sunday Service August 13, 2023

Call to Worship

Scripture Passage: Proverbs 31:10-31

Scripture Reader: Evangeline Wen

Prayer: Jerrold Wen

Message: The Worthy Woman of Business

Speaker: Craig Shugart

Doxology

Announcements: Robert Kong

***WORSHIP GOD THE FATHER IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST
THROUGH THE HOLY SPIRIT***

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Our church has fully transitioned into in-person worship, and we invite all to join us at our church location. For those who still cannot attend in-person worship, we still offer in-sync Zoom online, as well as a YouTube recording for viewing afterwards.

2. ECB flash news (August 1):

A. The deadline to submit the 2024 budget to the Finance Department is on August 27, 2023.

B. Wenbo Zhu (朱文波) from Mandarin Congregation has submitted a membership application. If you have any comments, please contact Rev. Luke Xie before August 20, 2023.

3. Thunder Bay STM: The Thunder Bay team will be leaving today and returning on August 20th. They will be assisting NorthWind Family Ministries once again in their outreach ministries to the First Nations community, families and all those in need in the city and streets of Thunder Bay. Pray for the team's travel safety, team unity, and for God's power and strength to move through them to share the compassion and grace of Christ.

Team members (Total 22 members) as below:

Adults (11): Pastor Josiah Tse, Charlotte Leck, Henry Jing; Shelley Jing, Yang Jin, Clover Qi, Christian Wen, Michelle Li, Alvin Lee, Emily Chung, Lucas Chang

Youth (11): Yuxin Chen, Lanxin Chen, Sophia Jiang, Jason Sun, Amy Liu, Cindy Liu, Jacob Dong, Tanya Dong, Maria Wu, Evan Cook, Lee Cook

4. Missions Corner

NorthWind Family Ministries serves the Canadian Indigenous families and individuals in Thunder Bay. The team at Northwind long to welcome those hurting from emotional wounds and trauma, into a safe environment where they could find hope in Christ and experience whole-life discipleship. Through Sunday gatherings, summer camps, counselling, children/ youth programs, retreats, Bible studies, etc.

NorthWind partners with churches to serve children/ youth camp programs throughout the year. Please pray for the Milliken team

led by Pastor Josiah as they travel to Thunder Bay this Sunday. May they see how God is working there and may they be a blessing to the community as they share the love of Jesus to those they encounter there.

Prayer Items for the Thunder Bay Trip:

- Pray for the team's health and safety as they travel, serve and interact with all kinds of people
- Pray for God's love and grace to be displayed through all of the team members
- Pray for NorthWind's outreach and counseling ministries to continue to grow and make positive impact to the First Nations community

5. English Welcome Team: Are you interested in learning and developing more social skills? Do you want to use your gifts of hospitality and care to serve the congregation? Come join our English Welcome Team! The team will usher and welcome our friends, brothers and sisters and newcomers on Sunday mornings and help to follow up in any caring needs that are required in the congregation. Please contact Pastor Josiah if you're interested or have any questions. mccc.josiaht@gmail.com (647)-327-2175

6. ACEM mission department (Special announcement)

Our ACEM Missions Fund is used to support many missionaries, several mission organizations, subsidize seminary students' tuition and pastoral internships in ACEM churches, as well as sending short term mission teams that minister all over the world. As COVID started in 2020, almost all of our field visitation (short term mission) ministries came to a halt, as countries closed their doors to control the epidemic. This has also affected our mission giving. The 2022 mission donation has reduced across a majority of ACEM churches, when compared to the pre-COVID (2018) giving. In 2023, we gladly see a resurgence of field visitation ministries in every ACEM church. However, if the missions donation trend of ACEM churches in 2023 remains similar to 2022, we will foresee a 20%-25% shortfall of funds by this Fall. Up to the end of June, our cash cushion has reduced to less than 1 month (our practice is to keep a 2-month cash cushion). ACEM Missions is committed to continue

the support for our missionaries, mission organizations, and other mission related ministries. We would like to ask our brothers and sisters to pray for all of our missions work, and to pray for the financial situation of ACEM Missions.

7. For instructions on how to set up an online offering donation, please visit our website www.mccc.on.ca .

Prayer

A: World & Mission

- 1/ Continue to pray for peace between Ukraine and Russia and for the safety of civilians.

B: Neighboring Community

- 1/ Continue to pray for the GTA as police seized over \$23 million dollars worth of drugs and firearms in a successful operation. Continue to pray for a decrease in crimes across the city and for safety in our communities.

C: Church Community

- 1/ Our congregations:

- Pray for our missionaries, Pastor Henry & Wendy who are in Taiwan continuing their missionary work.
- Pray for the church's continued fellowships in-person and usage of online resources. Pray that we will grow together in faith and love for the glory of God.
- Pray for our missionaries whom our church has adopted:

Rev. Tan Yone & Susan Cha (Myanmar), Doris Lui-yee (East Asia), Rev. Colin McCartney (Toronto), Pastor Peter & Elaine Yoon (Indonesia), Pastor Gilman Ho (AFC), Pastor Louis & Felain Lam (Germany), Rev. C.Y. Yan (Ontario), Rev. John & Karen Loh (Mexico), and Rev. Derek & Chantal Chen (New Guinea), NEXT project (Power to Change), Alliance Global Serve Canada, Hudson Taylor Centre (Tyndale Seminary), Xiao Dan Gang (CBM), Sam & Linda Ling (Interserv)

2/ English Ministry Needs:

- Continue to pray for the search of a full-time Youth Pastor and for our current Youth ministries to continue to grow and provide a space for our youth to encounter Christ.
- Pray for the Thunder Bay STM Team as they are away from August 13th to the 20th. Pray for their safety and the effectiveness of their
- Continue to pray for the health and spiritual growth of all of our families with young children.

<u>Fellowship/ Ministry Activity</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Information</u>
Youth 144 (Grade 6-12)	TBA	Summer Break!
Adelphoi (Uni/College + Young Career)	August 20 th @ 1:00pm	Picnic!
Elijah (Career and Young Families)	August Gathering @ Vince and Vivian's House	Refer to WhatsApp group to vote on poll
Emmanuel (Families)	August Gathering	TBA
Thursday Night Prayer Meeting	Thursday nights @ 7:30pm	Contact Pastor Josiah for Zoom Link.

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- 2. Recruitment: ACEM Executive Director -** The candidate will oversee the daily operation & management of the Association. Possess a university degree or above with seasoned experience in organization & project management is critical to this role. A degree in theology and pastoral experience is an asset. Committed to serve ACEM Council and willing to work with all ACEM churches. Fluent in English, Cantonese and Mandarin is an asset and must be a member of ACEM church. Applicant please submit resume to Hiring@acem.ca before August 30, 2023.

OUR PASTORAL TEAM

Founding Pastor: Rev. John Kao	
English Pastor: Pastor Josiah Tse mccc.josiaht@gmail.com	Children Ministry: Rev. Timothy Yuen mccc.timy@gmail.com
Cantonese Lead Pastor: Rev. Vincent Lee mccc.vincentl@gmail.com Cantonese Pastor Sam Wong (Part-time) Samwong13712@gmail.com	Mandarin Lead Pastor: Rev. Luke Xie mccc.lukex@gmail.com <i>Mandarin Pastor Katherine Chi</i> mccc.kkchi@gmail.com

The Schedule of a hybrid in-person and live stream services:

Cantonese Service: 9:15 am (In-person and YouTube/ Zoom)
Mandarin Service: 11:15 am (In-person and YouTube/ Zoom)
English Service: 11:15 am (In-person and YouTube/ Zoom)
Children / Youth Sunday school: 9:15 am (In-person only)
11:15 am (In-person and Zoom)

Cantonese Congregation Sunday Service Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87262410460?pwd=SDRrKzZrV1U2R3FtcFRWRnZvUFFIQT09>

Meeting ID: 872 6241 0460

Passcode: 123456

Mandarin Congregation Sunday Service Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86869313460?pwd=RE05bEorTTJlcmZjS2FKc0pMTE1EQT09>

Meeting ID: 868 6931 3460

Passcode: 100100

English Congregation Sunday Service Zoom Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88621732238?pwd=Zk1aOWtxdJxbGFRd1pGb1dXTE5jZz09>

Meeting ID: 886 2173 2238

Passcode: 111222

Children Sunday School Zoom Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88021996139?pwd=OEVnbVdVSVRsay9TcGV3WEtIM1Q4dz09>

Meeting ID: 880 2199 6139

Passcode: 111222

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