

English Sunday Service November 12, 2023

Call to Worship: Women's Group

Scripture Passage: James 1:2-4

Scripture Reader: Ruth Xie

Prayer: Charlotte Leck

Message: Do We Need Tough Times?

Speakers: Pastor Josiah Tse

Doxology

Announcements: Julian Szeto

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 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. Members can vote to approve the budget today, November 12 after worship services (before 1pm) in the main foyer.
- 3. The 2024 Budget consists of the General & Building Operations Fund of \$937,287.69, Building Fund of \$50,000, and the Total of \$987,287.69.
- 4. The 2024 budget draft is now posted on the bulletin board in the hallway for viewing.
- J&A Commissioning Service will be held today at 2 pm in Sanctuary. All are welcome to attend and show your support!
- Special membership meeting will be held today at 3 pm in Sanctuary, we provide in-person and Zoom meeting. Zoom ID: 878 5352 6686 Password: 123456 Zoom Link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87853526686?pwd=bytVd1IGbmgxZTITQVI0Y3ZKZ2hjdz09

- 7. ECB will meet on Tuesday, Nov 21 at 7:00 pm in Zoom. All coworkers please attend.
- 8. EMC will meet next Sunday, November 19 at 1:30 pm in B1. All coworkers please attend.
- Pastors and deacons team retreat will be held on Nov 25 (Sat) at 9:30 am in L'Arche Daybreak, 11339 Yonge Street, Richmond Hill. All the coworkers are welcome to attend.
- 10. Christmas Shoebox: We will help collect the Shoebox again this year. The gifts will be shipped to third world children. Please obtain a Shoebox at downstairs hallway and return with \$10 handling & shipping fees per box (or you may choose to donate online at www.samaritanspurse.ca) to Room B5 no later than Nov 12.
- 11. Milliken Youth Winter Camp is coming! This year's Winter Conference (2023 "Pieced by Peace ") will be held at The Glen Youth Camp from December 27th to 29th. Youth from grades 7 to 12 are welcome to sign up. Due to the limited spots, please register as soon as possible. Any question, please contact Bryan Sun or Chia Mei Email : <u>bryansun2011@gmail.com</u>.

12. Mission Corner:

In 2012, Lewis and Felain joined Canadian Baptist Ministries to serve in Germany with a local organization, Forum für Mission unter Chinesen in Deutschland (FMCD). The Lams' ministry is in the cities of Göttingen and Kassel. They minister to the many Chinese students studying in German universities, introducing the gospel message to these future professionals who return home upon graduation.

Their prayer requests:

- 1. Pray that God will continue to bless our service and sharing in Canada, lifting up the Lord's name!
- Nov 30 to Dec 11, there's a short-term mission team will serve in Göttingen. Please pray that the Lord will keep the trip and use it.
- 3. Pray that the Holy Spirit will bring our catechism friends to the Christmas outreach in December to know the gospel.
- 4. Pray that the Lord will prepare people for the new year's ministry, establish new core group teams, and work together to promote the gospel.
- 13. MCCC will be sponsoring an Afghan refugee family selected by Pastor Obed from the ACEM Afghan Church plant. The family is expected to arrive in Canada in early 2024. Volunteers will be needed to help the family with needs such as transportation, finding housing, etc. (more details will be available later). If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, please contact pastoral staff of your congregation.

<u>Here are the responsibilities of the volunteers (working together with a team from Afghan church under NYCCC):</u>

- a. Welcoming the family when they arrived at the airport.
- b. Looking for a rental place for them to stay.
- c. Visiting the families time to time
- d. Providing transportation when needed
- e. Finding school for kids and LINC classes for adults
- f. Finding secondhand furniture and other home appliances
- g. Helping to find clothes and shoes for the family
- h. Inviting the family for lunch or dinner once a while
- 14. For security reasons we would like to ask all Zoom Attendees to put their full name on display for identification purposes to allow

the Zoom master to safely let you in.

15. For instructions on how to set up an online offering donation, please visit our website <u>www.mccc.on.ca</u>.

Prayer

A: World & Mission

- 1/ Continue to pray for peace between Ukraine and Russia and for the safety of civilians.
- 2/ Please pray for peace and de-escalation of violence in Gaza and Israe. Pray for a swift end to the conflict and for the families and who have lost loved ones.

B: Neighboring Community

- 1/ Pray for our congregation to continue to grow in maturity and love for one another and the community. May God continue to use us to expand His Kingdom by the power of His Spirit and the Word.
- 2/ Continue to pray for our city and decrease in violent crime following a shooting in Mississauga this week.

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:
 - Pray for fall season and for everyone's health.
 - Pray for J and A and their preparations to go smoothly, strength against spiritual attacks, and for support to continue.

• Continue to pray for the health and spiritual growth of all of our families with young children.

Fellowship/ Ministry <u>Activity</u>	<u>Date</u>	Information
Youth 144 (Grade 6-12)	November 17 th @ 7:30pm	Regular Session: Alpha Course Part 7
Adelphoi (Uni/College + Young Career)	November 12 th @ 2:00pm in Sanctuary	J and A Commissioning
	November 19 th @ 9:3am	Bible Study Galatians 4
Elijah (Career and Young Families)	November Gathering @ Andrew and Bernice's	Refer to WhatsApp group to vote on poll
Emmanuel (Families)	Christmas Celebration Dec 16 @ Carol and David's House	Games and White Elephant Gift Exchange
Thursday Night Prayer Meeting	Thursday nights @ 7:30pm	Contact Pastor Josiah for Zoom Link.

2023 MCCC offering Y-T-D

Offering	YTD (Oct 31)	YTD to Budget (Oct 31)	% (Actual Vs Budget)	Annual Budget		
General Fund	555,886.29	808,054.53	69%	977,182.23		
Building Fund	27,061.16	41,346.15	65%	50,000.00		
Mission Fund	79,032.00	-	-	-		
Benevolent	3,443.00	-	-	-		
Total	665,422.45	849,400.69	-	1,027,182.23		

	General	Building	Mission	Benevolent	Thanksgiving	Other offering
Cantonese	16,580.00	1,260.00	5,420.00		3,460.00	-
Mandarin	12,220.00	200.00	3,310.00	240.00	2,950.00	200.00
English	1,000.10	-	240.00	-	20.00	-
CanadaHelps	172.80	-	-	-	-	-
Online banking	30,821.24	1,594.24	6,023.00	-	3,250.00	-

2023 MCCC offering Oct 1- 31

ACEM:

1. 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 the 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.

2. Bruce Luo (Partners International)

ACEM is very thankful to have Pastor Bruce Luo and his wife Pastor Florence sharing in our ACEM Mission Conference last week. During Pastor Bruce's illness and recovery journey, God has poured blessings on him. They were encouraged by ACEM churches, pastors, brothers and sisters through their prayers. Please continue to pray for him and his family, may his recovery journey encourage and bless more people and nonbelievers.

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

Cantonese Service: 9:15 am (In-person and Zoom) Mandarin Service: 11:15 am (In-person and Zoom) English Service: 11:15 am (In-person and 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/i/87262410460?pwd=SDRrKzZrV1U2R3FtcFRWRnZvUFFIQT09 Meeting ID: 872 6241 0460 Passcode: 123456

Mandarin Congregation Sunday Service Zoom:https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86869313460?pwd=RE05bEorTTJIcmZjS2FKc0pMTE1EQT09Meeting ID: 868 6931 3460Passcode: 100100

English Congregation Sunday Service Zoom Link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/i/88621732238?pwd=Zk1aOWtxdlJxbGFRd1pGb1dXTE5jZz09 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

OUR PASTORAL TEAM:

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