

# English Sunday Service Dec 15, 2024

# Call to Worship: Priscilla Hum

Scripture Reading: Bernice Tseng

Community Prayer: Stanley Hum

Scripture Passage: Luke 1:46-55

Message: Mercy for the Lowly

Speaker: Pastor Josiah Tse

# Doxology

Announcements: Jeffery Zhu 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. ECB News Flash (Dec 10)
  - A) There will be a Deacon Installation Service at all three congregations on Jan 5, 2025. Ministry Committee Members will also be installed at their respective congregations on that day.
  - B) We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Deacon Irene Cheung for her 6 years of faithful service on the Executive Church Board. As her term concludes at the end of 2024, Irene will take a sabbatical year. May God richly bless her and her family in this new season.
  - C) We extend our appreciation for the two years Pastor Sam Wong has served in our Cantonese congregation. Pastor Sam has heard God's direction to leave Milliken by the end of 2024 and step out to seek His will. We will miss him and pray for him and his family as he follows God's guidance.
- 3. Pastoral News:

a. Pastor Katherine Chi will be on holiday from Dec  $19^{th}$  to  $21^{st}$ .

b. Pastor Josiah Tse will also be on holiday from Dec  $19^{th}$  to  $21^{st}$ .

4. Here are the Christmas Events for MCCC in 2024:

2024 December	Time	Events
14 (SAT)	10:00am	MCCC Joint Baptism Service
21 (SAT)	2:15pm	Cantonese Woodside Square Christmas Gospel Performance
22 (SUN)	9:15am	Cantonese Christmas Musical Gospel Sunday
22 (SUN)	11:15am	Mandarin Christmas Gospel Sunay
22 (SUN)	11:15am	English Christmas Sunday
22 (SUN)	1:00pm	Mandarin Christmas Carols
23 (MON)	10:am	Mandarin St. Paul Senior House Christmas Carols
24 (TUE)	4:00pm (Main Sanctuary)	English Candlelight Service and Potluck gathering
25 (WED)	4:30pm-6:30pm	Mandarin Christmas Evangelistic Outreach
27-29 (Fri-Sun)	Space limited	Youth Winter Camp
29 (SUN)	11:15am	Mandarin Gospel Sunday

31 (TUE)	Evening	Mandarin / Cantonese - New Year		
		Eve Prayer meeting		
** Children Sunday School (Every Sunday 9:15am / 11:15am)				
** Youth Sunday School (Every Sunday 11:15am)				

5. The Christmas Baptismal Service was held yesterday at GSCC Sanctuary. Thanks for attending the Service to show your support and please continue to pray for them, may the Lord strengthen their faith and soul. We have:

Cantonese Congregation: Dorothy Law

English Congregation: Angus Watt

Mandarin Congregation: Qin Zhu Zhou, Xiao Mei Chen, Xiu Chai Yu, Ya Jie Cao, Li Kun Zhi, Gigi Poon, Xiao Xiao Zhang, Xi Mei Chen, Wei Dao Wang, Qing Bin Wang, Mike Chuen, Xu Jun Dai, Din Qiao Dai, Zheng Hong Wang, Zhi Wen Zheng, Cheng Xue, Li Li Xue, Yu Guo

- 6. Finance Department:
  - a. Thanks so much for brothers and sisters supporting our church's ministry. Attached is the 2024 January to October offering record for your reference (Refer to the attached file). If you have any questions, please contact Deacon James Li , Deacon Alvin Li or Mr. Jonathan Yeung, or email to <u>m3c.finance@gmail.com</u> for inquiries.
  - b. Thank you for your loving contributions. In order to facilitate the church to calculate the offering in 2024, the final days for making physical offerings in the year 2024 will be Sunday December 29, online offering will be December 31 (Tuesday).
  - c. The deadline for submitting reimbursement claims under the 2024 church budget will be January 19, 2025 (Sunday).
- 7. The annual Christmas Eve Candlelight service will be held on December 24th at 4:00 pm in the main sanctuary. Join us in celebration of Christ's birth and the lighting of the candles symbolizing the true light that has come. All are welcome to come! We will have a potluck dinner downstairs after service.
- 8. 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.
- For instructions on how to set up an online offering donation, please visit our website <u>https://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 Israel conflict.

## B: Neighboring Community

1/ Pray for our city following a string of robberies in various malls across the city. Continue to pray for God's protection from crime over our neighbouring communities and strength to our crime systems for justice.

## C: Church Community

- 1/ Missionaries and Mission Agencies:
  - Pastor Henry and Wendy have returned from Taiwan. Please pray for their integration back home and future ministries.
  - Pray for J and A as they continue their ministry and work on the field
  - Pray for our missionaries whom our church has adopted:
    - Rev. Tan Yone & Susan Cha (Myanmar), Doris Lui-yee (Temporarily Stationed in Canada), 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 our university students this season as they finish the semester and for all of our members and families who are traveling during the Christmas season
    - Pray for our confidence as a congregation to grow firm in Christ so that we can serve and disciple more leaders.
    - Continue to pray for the health and spiritual growth of all of our families with young children.

Fellowship/ Ministry Activity	Date	Information
Youth 144 (Grade 6-12)	December 20 <sup>th</sup> @ 7:30pm	Continuation in series on Esther
Adelphoi (Young Adults)	December 19 <sup>th</sup> @ 7:30pm	Continuation in Acts Bible Study
Elijah (Career and Young Families)	December 24 <sup>th</sup> @ 4:00pm Main Sanctuary January Gathering @ Alvin and	Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
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Emmanuel (Families)	December 24 <sup>th</sup> @ 4:00pm Main Sanctuary	Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
Thursday Night Prayer Meeting	Thursday nights @ 7:30pm	Contact Pastor Josiah for Zoom Link.

#### 2024 MCCC offering Y-T-D

Offering	YTD (Nov 30)	YTD to Budget (Nov 30)	% (Actual Vs Budget)	Annual Budget
General Fund	649,962.87	883,213.40	74%	937,287.69
Building Fund	31,997.00	47,115.38	68%	50,000.00
Mission Fund	100,238.00	-	-	-
Benevolent	2,745.20	-	-	-
Total	784,943.07	930,328.79	-	987,287.69

	General	Building	Mission	Benevolent	Thanksgiving	Other offering
Cantonese	11,576.75	1,250.00	2,920.00	-	1,100.00	-
Mandarin	13,275.00	800.00	8,080.00	140.00	3,780.00	-
English	5.00	-	20.00	-	-	-
CanadaHelps	192.00	-	-	-	-	-
Online banking	33,755.52	1,244.00	5,454.00	-	424.00	1,045.00

#### 2024 MCCC offering November 1-30

### ACEM: Please visit <u>acem.ca/en</u> for detailed ACEM News



### 1. <u>Recruitment: ACEM Ministry Director</u>

Require strong executive management skills and experience in organization and project management. Master degree in theological seminary with a minimum of 5 years of pastoral experience is an asset. Committed to serving ACEM Council, willing to work with all ACEM churches, and have a strong vision and passion for mission and church planting ministries. Please visit ACEM.ca for a detailed job description. Applicants can submit resumes to <u>hiring@acem.ca</u>.

### 2. <u>The financial statement of ACEM Missions as of October</u> 31, 2024

2024 Total Missions Budget: \$2,144,602 Missions Offering Received (up to October 31): \$1,333,883 **Mission Fund Still Required for 2024: \$810,719** Let us continue to give faithfully to support mission work and mission organizations. Pray for a strong start in the New Year.

**3.** The ACEM Office will be closed during Christmas & New Year, from Dec 24, 2024 noon - Jan 1, 2025.

### Online Banking Bill Payment Offering

You will be using your 5 digits offering number to setup the Bill Payment donation process.

If your offering number only has 3 digits, please add two zeros in the front. (i.e. 00123)



Assume your Offering Number is 12345.

Here are 5 account numbers that you will be using for Bill Payment donation.

12345G / 12345B / 12345M / 12345T / 12345V

- To donate into General fund, use 12345G
- To donate into Building fund, use 12345B
- To donate into Missions fund, use 12345M
- To donate into Thanksgiving fund, use 12345T
- To donate into Benevolence fund, use 12345V

Only the following banks are available for this option:

- ✓ Bank of Montreal (BMO)
- ✓ Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce (CIBC)
- ✓ Royal Bank of Canada (RBC)
- ✓ TD Canada Trust
- ✓ Scotiabank

### Please follow the steps below:

- 1. Login to your Internet banking account via web or mobile.
- 2. Add Billing Company/Payee
- a. BMO, RBC, TD and Scotiabank: Search "Milliken Christian Community Church"
- b. CIBC: Search "Milliken Christian Com. Church".
- 3. Use the accounts numbers from above as the account number.
- If you want to donate into multiple funds (General, Building, Missions, Thanksgiving), you will need to setup multiple Billing Company/Payee with each account number.

If you have any questions, please contact Deacon James Li (MCCC Treasurer).

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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 & 11:15 am (In-person only)

#### 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=RE05bEorTTJIcmZjS2FKc0pMTE1EQT09 Meeting ID: 868 6931 3460 Passcode: 100100

#### English Congregation Sunday Service Zoom Link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86388395934?pwd=ZDM0NIBtUDl4WTRMOFBRYUIvVXdvQT09 Meeting ID: 863 8839 5934 Passcode: 123123

#### **OUR PASTORAL TEAM:**

Founding Pastor: Rev. John Kao

Cantonese Lead Pastor: Rev. Vincent Lee	mccc.vincentl@gmail.com	<u>ext. 233</u>		
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