

WELCOME TO OUR ENGLISH SERVICE August 29, 2021

CHURCH THEME: BEING THE CHURCH, AGAINST ALL ODDS

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

"God never said that the journey would be easy, but He did say that the arrival would be worthwhile." - Max Lucado

ONLINE SUNDAY SERVICE

Call to Worship David Tong Praise and Thanksgiving Leah Chan(L) and Enoch Chan Scripture Reading Luke 5:1-11 Sermon Rev Dick Kaan "Are You Kidding Me?" Song of Response Tithes and Offering Church Announcements Doxology and Benediction

(Worship Video Tech: Rahel Vinson)

A FEW THINGS TO KNOW

WELCOME TO OUR SERVICE

We welcome and thank you for joining our Online Sunday Service. We thank Rev Dick Kaan, International Worker in Paris for sharing the Lord's word with us. Please do check our church website and congregational email for church events and updates.

EM SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School will have a break till the end of August and resume on September 12, 2021.

NCAC ELDERS NOMINATION UPDATE

Since April, the nomination committee has identified and given 22 invitations to prospective candidates, including 7 sisters and 15 brothers or 10 from English congregation and 12 from Chinese congregation. As of today only 2 sisters and 1brother are willing to be nominated. Members are welcome to follow NCAC By-laws 9.03, along with a seconder, submit additional nominations to Pastor Sit by the morning of 9/19. For prospects the nomination committee has contacted, please contact Pastor Sit. Please continue to pray for the nomination process

Online Attendance and Offering – Last Sunday 88 (46 realtime, 42 recording) | English Service 552 (139 realtime, 413 recording) | Cantonese Service

> (Aug 16-22, Chinese and English Service) \$5,100.00 | Total Offerings General Fund \$2,900.00; Missions \$1,575.00; Building Repair Repair: \$625.00:

NCAC RE-OPENING IN SEPTEMBER

Ontario is currently staying in Stage 3 of reopening the economy due to 4th wave of pandemics. Measures under Stage 3 do not limit the number of people attending religious gatherings indoors, but to maintain a 2 meters (6 feet) social distance, and participants must wear facial masks.

We believe that most of our congregants are fully vaccinated with two doses. After much discussion with various departments, Elders Board prayerfully decided to proceed with reopening for in-person Sunday worship and Sunday school in September while continue to maintain online worship and online Sunday school. With social distancing, the capacity of in-person worship, in addition to the serving teams on duty, there will be 26 to 50 seats (single seating plus groups of the same family).

Due to limited seating, in advance, online registration and online COVID self-screening are needed for those who like to attend in-person Sunday worship. Those who register for in-person Sunday worship can also attend the in-person Sunday school on the same Sunday. If you are unable to register, you can continue to participate in online worship and online Sunday school.

 Booking for in-person Sunday service: https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/sunday-worship-english-atnew-covenant-alliance-church-registration-168808291143 (Bookings open from Monday 9 am to Saturday 6pm)

- Complete Covid -19 Health Screening: https://covid-19.ontario.ca/screening/customer/

(please complete and show the result before entering the church premise for Service)

English and Chinese Sunday in-person worship services during the early phase of church re-opening will be held on alternate Sundays:

> 9/05 (English), 9/12 (Chinese), 9/19 (English), 9/26 (Chinese).

As children do not have vaccines available to them for protection, there is no children or nursery program offered at this time. Masks must be worn when inside the church building..

Please continue to pray for protection for all of us, for a successful reopening and for all those who help to make it happen, while giving God praise for His provision!

COVID UPDATES

Ontario is now in Step 3 (wef July 16), based on the province wide vaccination rate and continuing improvements in key public health and health system. As the pandemic is not over, let's continue to adhere to the provincial safety measures to minimize transmission of the virus and prevent surge in cases. Kindly visit COVID -19 websites for important information and updates:

- COVID-19covid 19 (coronavirus) in Ontario: https://covid-19.ontario.ca/ - Reopening Ontario Guidelines (STEP 3): https://www.ontario.ca/page/reopening-ontario - COVID-19 public health measures and advice https://covid-19.ontario.ca/public-health-measures

Our C&MA District urges local churches to trust God's timing in all of this and to honour our government and health officials for their hard work. All the ministries of NCAC will continue to be online till further notice. Thank you for your prayers and support.

PEOPLE TO CONNECT WITH

SMALL GROUP (SG) LEADERS

Enoch Chan, Downtown SG Christine Wong & Leah Chan, Downtown SG Keith Lau & Catherine Tsang, Uptown SG Michael and Anki Huynh, Northeast SG James Lam, 1 Corinthians 13 SG

ENGLISH MINISTRY TEAM (EMT)

Charlotte Pang David Tong Enoch Chan Michael Huynh, Elder Rev Dr Vinson Samuel, English Pastor

CHURCH MINISTRY STAFF

Rev Simon Sit, Senior Pastor Rev Dr Vinson Samuel, English Pastor Mr Jon Moe, Children and Youth Ministry Director

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