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OUR MISSION

To make Devoted Followers of Jesus Christ who Love and Live so as to Lead All People to God



Pastor Larry Anderson Intercultual Ministry

The Annual Report is a time to reflect back over the year and praise our Lord for His faithfulness and blessings upon us as an Intercultural Congregation and as a part of the larger Westwood Alliance Church. God has indeed been good to us, each step of journey together. The inflation of this past year and a war in Gaza has increased the hardships and financial uncertainties, not to mention health related concerns. Yet, the Lord is called our "Rock," a fortress, a deliverer (Psalm 18:2; 71:3). A literal rock is solid, stable, and strong. In ancient times people sought refuge in rocky terrains and caves for safety (Exodus 33:22; 1 Kings 19:9-13). A rock can be more than security as Moses brought forth water from a rock to quench the thirst of the Israelites (Exodus 17:1-7). Jesus is called "our rock" by the Apostle Paul in 1 Cor 10:4 – "for they drank from the spiritual rock that accompanied them, and that rock was Christ." This allegorical title for Christ was set to a hymn "Rock of Ages Cleft for Me" by Toplady. Then there is "On Christ the Solid Rock I Stand," by Edward

The LORD is my rock, my fortress, and my savior; my God is my rock, in whom I find protection. He is my shield, the power that saves me, and my place of safety.

-Psalm 18:2-

Mote. David the Psalmist use of "rock" has a primary sense of trusting God in times of danger and difficulty. I need that when I face challenges. Jesus used a parable to teach that we should build our house upon the "Rock" and not the shifting sands (Matt 7:24). Our security doesn't lie in our own resources but in trusting God our "Rock." He is our protection and security – a sure foundation stone.

Jonathan Ma, was elected in November to our Elder Board, with Harvey Yung continuing as Elder. I am so thankful for these gentlemen who have taken on the responsibilities of Eldership. Each of our congregations (Mandarin, Cantonese and English) representation on our Elders Board. This is so each of our congregations has equal representation on our Board. The lead pastors are regularly invited to attend on a rotational basis. Our Deacons continue to serve faithfully and well (Kimberley Shen Small Groups; Peter Helmus Worship; Benjamin Lim General Affairs; Eileen Christiansen Christian Education). Peter Helmus our newest Deacon has served us well in this past year, organizing our worship teams and gathering a few new small groups.

Our Benevolent Fund continued to aid people in our church and larger community. We have also used this fund to further support the Alliance – Global Emergency Response Fund. This fund goes to worldwide crisis. Individual cases of need have been supported with interviews and consultation with our pastoral staff.

Our ILCS Pantry ministry was begun during COVID to enable the feeding of people that were in crisis in our larger community. We have continued to serve the needs of community in this way as we have seen the food and financial needs only deepen in this year. Raymond and e distributed gift cards to Affordable Housing again

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this year. A few of our families – including children helped decorate the cards with added pictures and coloring. This year we increased our donation from \$80 to \$100 gift card from Save-On to 80 homes. We were greeted at the door with thanks. In the Robert Nicklen Complex across the street from the church we delivered to 19 units. We also got permission from the property manager to have our Cantonese Choir to sing some Christmas Carols at the front doors as we delivered to all six floors. This ministry is much appreciated and needed. One resident that I met, had COPD and was desperately lonely another explained how her son had ended his life at this time last year.

All our usual benevolent ministries continued: ISMC Focus Clubs meals, Tax Clinics, Friendship Partners Clothing Hamper, Share Food Bank collected hygiene products during the Children Choir Christmas performance, Baby Bottle Drive for Pregnancy Concerns, Shoebox Collection for Samaritan's Purse, Glen & Walton Elementary Schools receive donation for their breakfast program and the Dayzee ministry (we also increased the amount of this donation in 2023.

This year 2024 I am committed to continue seeing a regularly posting of our weekly prayer bulletin. We will have a Sunday School class on prayer starting on Jan 24th. Only as we are dependent on God will we see his supernatural attendance to seeing His Kingdom come in our world. We begin this new year with a series of sermons on the book of Exodus. Reminding us that God is active and engaged in our lives to deliver and guide His people. May His name continue to be lifted up and glorified in this year as we trust and abide in Him.





Let the Lord Speak

Translated by John Lok



Pastor Paul Chiu Senior Pastor

AS a pastor, I often feel a sense of powerlessness. In my 16 years of service at Westwood, I am grateful for the strong support and respect that brothers and sisters have shown towards pastors. Besides inheriting the excellent culture of respecting teachers and valuing principles in Chinese tradition, what is more crucial is the willingness to practice the teachings of the Bible (1 Thessalonians 5:12). Because of this, whenever there are problems or confusion, brothers and sisters hope to receive guidance or assistance from the pastors. Questions like, "Pastor, I need your help with something..." are common. To be honest, some things are a piece of cake, but in many cases, I wish I could help but I am unable.

Thanks to the brothers and sisters for their unwavering love towards pastors. Although I firmly believe that "with God, nothing is impossible," I also know that as a pastor, "with people, there are always things that seem impossible!" Life is complicated and ever-changing, and the difficulties and challenges encountered are often not easily explained in a few words, let alone solved in a short time. In some situations, even an entire lifetime and effort may not be enough to make a difference.

As a pastor, all I can do is point people to or bring them to God. The words of a pastor can be like water in a bamboo basket; only the words of the Lord are life-giving water. The following are situations where I often feel powerless, but the words of God have become a window that opens up my suffocated soul. I would like to share them with everyone here:

When facing illness...

Have mercy on me, Lord, for I am faint; heal me, Lord, for my bones are in agony (Psalm 6:2)

When feeling heartbroken...

He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds. (Psalm 147:3)

When stumbling...

Though the righteous fall seven times, they rise again, but the wicked stumble when calamity strikes. (Proverbs 24:16)

When feeling hopeless...

"For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways," declares the Lord. "As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts." (Isaiah 55:8-9)

When feeling lost...

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight. (Proverbs 3:5-6)

When feeling lonely...

Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the Lord your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you. (Deuteronomy 31:6)



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When doubting...

Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. "You of little faith," he said, "why did you doubt?" (Matthew 14:31)

When facing betrayal and abandonment...

A father to the fatherless, a defender of widows, is God in his holy dwelling;. God sets the lonely in families, he leads out the prisoners with singing; but the rebellious live in a sun-scorched land. (Psalm 68:5-6)

When mentally troubled...

Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. (Matthew 11:28)

When facing marital breakdown...

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned; the flames will not set you ablaze. (Isaiah 43:2)

When children rebel...

All your children will be taught by the Lord, and great will be their peace. In righteousness, you will be established: Tyranny will be far from you; you will have nothing to fear. Terror will be far removed; it will not come near you. (Isaiah 54:13-14)

When facing death...

For this God is our God for ever and ever; he will be our guide even to the end. (Psalm 48:14)

Dear brothers and sisters, our helplessness, our powerlessness is, in fact, an opportunity to connect with the Lord. Problems may not be solved, but the words of the Lord become the reason to continue. In difficult times, the words of the Lord become even more precious! 2023 was a challenging year, with discouragement and despair prevalent. Regardless of how many disappointments and problems there may be, let the words of the Lord comfort our broken hearts! Facing the new year, I invite you to join me holding tight to the words of the Lord, loving the words of the Lord, and living out the words of the Lord. Amen.



Overflowing with Blessings



Pastor Ray Chia
Pastor of Youth Ministry

"God gave you a gift of 84,600 seconds today. Have you used one of them to say thank you?" – William Arthur Ward.

Too often humanity (Christ followers, and heathens alike) take for granted the smallest things in life. Fortunately, God does not bless us according to the number of "thank you" we give. Though I do not have the secret to God's decision in what to bless or when to bless, 2023 was nevertheless overflowed with blessings for both Westwood Alliance Church and the Chia family.

Divide and Grow

"Change" is not everyone's cup of tea. There are ones who delight in the status quo, and others who long for adjustment. Regardless of preference, there have been necessary changes within the Youth Ministry at Westwood Alliance in 2023, because the number of youths grew to an unhealthy state (lack of deep conversations, introverts not willing to talk in larger groups, generational gaps, etc.). The Youth Leaders and I discussed, prayed, and executed on a "Divide and Grow" approach. For the greater good of each youth's individualistic personal growth, we divided the youths into smaller age-appropriate new fellowship groups, each with designated Youth Leaders to mentor. Though Intercultural Youth is still called "Impact Youth", we have separated into "Impact Middle", and "Impact High", focusing on Middle School and High School respectively. As for Cantonese Youth, we have graduated the post-secondary students to form their own fellowship, UniCo. (with Enoch fellowship exclusively for High School students).

According to Pew Research Center, young adults (under 40) are less likely to identify with a religion in Canada, which is the fewest of any of the Western countries. Though the phenomenon of younger generation disengaging from religious practices is not exclusive to Chinese/Ethnic Canadian Churches like Westwood, but we cannot disregard its impact in our churches. Arguably the biggest reason for youth/young adults exits is Church traditions. For example, youth fellowships must be on Fridays, or certain things must be done a certain way, etc. Don't get me wrong, I am not saying Church traditions are bad or wrong, in many ways, there are great church traditions that I hope never to disappear. However, as Church traditions are not Theology, it is not God's word, there's no absolute truth in them (for the most part at least). I just pray that the Church doesn't become a stumbling block for people seeking faith (Romans 14) for the sake of traditions.

Missions without Boundaries

We went on our first Short-term missions to Phuket Thailand in 2023, without the traditional English medical VBS teaching, team, leading, digging...conventional "working" kind of STM. However, the trip was an absolute blessing for our spiritual understanding of what God is doing in Thailand via the International Workers there. Besides experiencing God's protective care, we got to see the monstrosity of humanity's sin, to go as far as human trafficking children, parents willingly putting their flesh and blood through prostitution. It is a blessing for us because it was an eye-opening experience. It literally dragged us out of our Canadian shelter and see the need of the suffering Thai children. The team consisted of Pastor Joanne, Dominic Kwok, Esther Cheung, Stephanie Lui, Max Chan, and myself. God spoke to each one of us in a very impactful way. I won't be able to go into much details here, but I highly encourage everyone to engage with any of us in a deeper conversation regarding our STM experience in Phuket, Thailand. What I can say is that our C&MA International Workers, and local Thai representatives



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are working hard to combat Human Trafficking (esp. Children), working alongside groups like the Thai police, government officials and US Homeland Security. For more information on how you can be part of the fight against Human Trafficking for Children, please visit www.forfreedominternational.com.

A New Member, A New Chapter

I think by now that it is no secret that Pastor Andia and I are expecting a baby, and by the time this article is published, we would have welcomed the newest member of the family. First and foremost, I would love to thank all the brothers and sisters for showing your continuous support during Andia's pregnancy, regardless of if it's via hand-me-downs, gifts, baby care suggestions, prayers or simply asking how we are doing. Despite secular media stereotyping men not wanting families of their own, I have dreamed of raising a family ever since my teenage years. Though couple years late (okay, maybe more than a "couple years"), it's finally my turn!

In all seriousness, raising a child is no stroll in the park but I truly believe God is faithful, and I know we have a loving family here at Westwood!

Though I wish I can recite all of God's blessings in 2023, I do not have the space nor all the words possible to truly express my gratitude. However, let me bring attention to 2 Corinthians 9:8, "And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work." I simply cannot wait and see what God has in-store for us in 2024! Regardless of what is to come in the new year, may we live out His vision for us, and bless others with what we are blessed with!





Pastor Jenny Leung Children Ministry

At WAC, we continue to see God's faithfulness and guidance in our ministry to the next generation. Indeed, as John Lok's sharing last year, Children Ministry is the busiest intergenerational intersection of our church where the youngest to the oldest meet. We witnessed how God brings together His people of all ages to speak of His love. live in a sun-scorched land. (Psalm 68:5-6)

Journeying together

2023 was a year of seeing God's provision for the Children Ministry at WAC. John Lok led the first quarter of the year with a heart to empower brothers and sisters to love and serve the children at our church. We thank God for his leadership and dedication. We

would like to recognize Candace Lam, Wendy Tseng and Alice Chan for their work to support the teachers and care for the children each and every weekend.





In July, we welcomed Jaiden Yee and Caris Truong as our summer interns. They planned and led the children's sessions at our church-wide Summer Camp at TWU. The theme was The Great Commission where the children learned more about how Jesus calls each of his disciples to participate in

the work of disciple-making. Another highlight was the Summer Carnival and Yard Sale at our church parking lot. The interns organized fun mini-games with prizes for everyone, face-painting and photo-booth. One of our young families ran a home-made lemonade stand and little ones enjoyed jumping on mini-bouncy castles!



FORT, our Friday evening fellowship for children has kicked off in the fall for the second year. We give thanks to God for calling upon a group of committed leaders to serve the children. This year, FORT's vision is to work towards building trusting relationships with children on the foundation of God's love and truth. Each Friday, the children and leaders spend time diving deeper in God's Word and encouraging one another to live out the way of the Kingdom. Another highlight in the fall time

was the Child Dedication service in October at both the Saturday worship and Intercultural worship for three of our young families. The church congregation together witnessed the parent's commitment in raising their children before the Lord.



I believe that the opportunity to care for, to know, to listen, to teach and to walk alongside our children is a wonderful gift that God has given to us. Whether we are a youth, parent, grandparent, an aunt or uncle, I trust that the Lord has called us and equipped us to speak of God's goodness and love into the lives of our children. Deuteronomy 6:4-9 speaks of the great command of the Lord "Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. These commandments that I give you today are to be on your



Moments of Gratitude.

Translated by Cherry Chau

hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates."

May God continue to help us as a church family, to dedicate ourselves in the work of nurturing the next generation. I pray that as we journey together with the children in their early years, that they will both see and experience deeply the love of God in the person and work of the Son Jesus through the power of the Holy Spirit.





The Path of Grace

Translated by Stephanie Lim



Pastor Joanne Shi Mandarin Ministry

You crown the year with a bountiful harvest; even the hard pathways overflow with abundance. (Psalm 65:11)

2023 was a year filled with gratitude. From early spring to the end of the year, we collectively witnessed the boundless grace of God. As a pastor at the Westwood Alliance Church, my pastoral philosophy aims to provide abundant spiritual nourishment upon every believer in the church, whether they are newcomers exploring the faith or seasoned believers with deep-rooted faith. The goal is to build a firm foundation of faith, allowing their spiritual lives to thrive and grow steadily. I deeply acknowledge that God's work unfolds in His own time. Therefore, I do not rush for immediate results, nor do I pursue numerical growth. Instead, I faithfully and patiently fulfill each mission in God's timeline, working in partnership with the Lord and relying entirely on His guidance.

We witnessed a continuous influx of new friends into the church from 2022 to 2023. In response, we actively promoted the Grace and Friendship Gospel fellowship, emphasizing the Gospel as the core. At the same time, we continued to strengthen cell group studies that centred around Sunday sermon messages. Our objective was to cultivate a proper church perspective among believers, encouraging them to commit to the church and manifest the prosperity of the Gospel.

In terms of small group ministry, historical shortcomings have led to the emergence of two groups without leaders. To continue shepherding the members of the small groups, the deacons decided to merge the two, creating a brand-new group called the "Cornerstone Group," led personally by the pastor. At the

same time, we also recognized the need of small group co-workers and were actively conducting training for group leaders.

The church resumed in-person Sunday worship after the pandemic. In early 2023, we started to have choir on Sunday Service to encourage more brothers and sisters to engage in Sunday worship ministry, enabling everyone to utilize their unique spiritual gifts.

Praise the Lord for blessing us with dedicated leadership among our fellow co-workers, resulting in the growth and strengthening of the Mandarin congregation's ministry. In 2023, ten brothers and sisters were baptized and committed to become the Lord's disciples while sixteen others officially became members of the church.

The Mandarin congregation, with a focus on the Gospel, organized several quite a few major events including the Chinese Lunar New Year celebration, a music evangelistic concert featuring Japanese singer Yuri Mori, marriage retreats, movie nights, and more. These events aimed to invite more new friends into the church and to receive the salvation of the Gospel.

I thank the Lord for blessing me with two short-term mission opportunities in 2023. One in Thailand and the other in small towns. Through these missions, I developed deep connections with fellow brothers and sisters and witnessed God's unique guidance for me – building a church with a missionary vision at its core, allowing the gospel spread widely through the church_o

God also blessed my family in May 2023 when I became a grandmother with two grandchildren.

As I anticipate the new year, 2024, I truly recognize that is God entrusting me with greater responsibilities and insights into the needs of the Mandarin congregation. In the coming year, the church will focus more on caring and prayers, striving to enrich the spiritual lives of believers, deepen bonds of love, and cultivate a community grounded in Christ. Our goal is to reflect the life of Christ in all aspects of our lives.

Thank the Lord!



Moments of Gratitude.

Translated by Cherry Chau



Pastor Wai Fung Chow Cantonese Ministry

Cantonese Saturday Service:

More families and young people are joining this Service. We had Christmas dinner together as shown in the photo. We hope that more brothers and sisters will participate in serving each other.

Looking back on 2023, there were many moments of gratitude. Through the chosen photos and captions, I would like to share my feelings with you.

Celebrations at Maple Ridge Good News (MRGN) church:

1) The Christmas Dinner (Dec 24) was held after the Christmas Eve Service. In addition to sharing food, our brother Hughes used five-colored gloves to teach the congregation how to share the Gospel. We also had end-of-year testimonies and fun games.



2) The first anniversary of the church (Sep 3) was celebrated by pastors and elders of Maple Ridge Alliance Church (MRAC). We



shared food, counted God's grace, and shared His wonderful works with brothers and sisters.



Faith Fellowship:

At the Winter Solstice Dinner (Dec 21), we celebrated our 1st anniversary of the Fellowship's establishment. God increased the number of members herein. We are now actively developing small groups in the hope of accepting more new immigrants.



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MRGN Outreach Activities:

Caroling was held on December 16 and every alternate Wednesday afternoons in shopping malls and streets in various districts hoping to reach out to local people and share the Gospel.



Cantonese Congregation Deacon Team:

In addition to regular meetings to discuss various ministries of the Congregation, we held the dinner gathering on Dec 5 to share the latest updates and encourage each other.



WAC Leadership Team Retreat (Sep 16):

For the first time since the pandemic, the retreat was held at the MRAC gymnasium with nearly 100 participants. In addition to games and sharing food, we also prayed for the church.



WAC Cantonese Congregation Baptism (Apr & Oct):

This year a number of young people were baptized, one of them is a brother from MRGN. The testimonies from all of them touched the hearts of the audience.



MRGN and MRAC joint service at Easter (Apr 9):

Sam & Alice joined MRAC worship team to lead the singing of hymns. The two groups speaking

different languages came together to praise the Lord, making it feel like the heavenly worship which was very touching.



Life Group:

We started Life Group ministry in Sep 2023, with dedication from a group of pastors, brothers and sisters who are committed to small groups ministry.



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Saturday Morning Run:

We have friends from outside the church, new

families and a coach joining us this year. We gathered at the church to start the run with prayer, and we had breakfast fellowship time after the run.



The Grace of travel:

For the first time, I went on a long trip with a group of 50 WAC brothers and sisters. We traveled together for two weeks. We had Sunday



worship in a bus tour during which I was responsible for one of the sessions to share my feelings about the local faith.

Sabbath Grace:

This year marks my seventh year of ministry at WAC. I am thankful for WAC giving me the Sabbath holiday. During the first part of the six-week vacation, my brother-in-law and



sister took me to Lhasa in Tibet (a place that is said to be a once-in-a-lifetime visit). With the Grace from the Lord, I was free from altitude sickness. I enjoyed the different scenery of the

plateau, admired the devotion of the Tibetan Buddhists, and experienced the customs of the Tibetan people.



The Grace of family reunion:

My two siblings and I do not get together much. We cherished the time to go to Kuala Lumpur together to visit our relatives this year. It has been many



years since our last visit. Two aunts of us have already moved to the nursing home. Everyone had a lot of feelings when we met.

I would like to finish by sharing a quote from the scripture with everyone: "And now, dear children, continue in him, so that when he appears we may be confident and unashamed before him at his coming. (1 John 2:28)" Pray that every co-worker at WAC shall keep up our good work!

What should the church do?

Translated by Kayi Cheng



Pastor Andia Chia Cantonese Ministry

I took an elective called "The Church, Always in Reformation" during my seminary. One of the lessons was about the Church's missions, which mentioned that "the mission of the Church implies the actions of the Church, i.e. what the church should do, and what does the church exist for?". Hence, the church's mission is not just a statement but actions based on the being of the body of Christ. As devoted followers of Christ, we shall always reflect on "What should the church do?".

Theologian Erickson stated that the Church's functions are evangelism, teaching, worship, and social care. Teaching and worship are the establishment of the Church. This inward-looking process necessarily happens as the body of Christ. On the other hand, evangelism and social care are outward-looking processes led by the Church's mission and the purpose





of the Church's existence. What WAC is doing? And what is the relationship between the church and this community or the world?

In the Analects of Confucius, one of the passages roughly described the various stages of Confucius's life to teach students to learn at each stage. Confucius said: At fifteen, I had my mind bent on learning. At thirty, I stood firm. At forty, I had no doubts. At fifty, I knew the decrees of Heaven..." "Stand firm at thirty" means that a 30-year-old person should be independent to take up his responsibility by his ability and strength, knowing his own goals and direction in life. WAC is 29 years old in 2023 and will turn thirty next year. I hope WAC walk with the heart of the Lord Christ!

A personal update: I will be on maternity leave this year. Thank God for allowing me to taste the role and mission of motherhood. It is a physical and mental training, even a spiritual discipline. I look forward to it and our family walking our Lord's will!





Translation of Analects of Confucius: https://ctext.org/analects/wei-zheng http://www.acmuller.net/con-dao/analects.html#div-3



Contentment out of serving

Translated by Simon Chui



Pastor Galex Ng Cantonese Ministry

Before coming to WAC, I had been serving for a small church in Hong Kong of around 104 members for 14 years. Youth ministry was my major job in the first 7 years, and in the remaining years, I managed the church as a senior pastor. With a small congregation, I had to deal with or attend to all the affairs of the church, no matter big or small. Thank God for His grace to allow me to serve WAC. As a big family with a sizeable congregation and multiple service personnel bestowed with abundant gifts and abilities, WAC enables its pastors to concentrate on shepherding, sermonizing and teaching.

Last year I made initial contacts with numerous brothers and sisters through which I understood their backgrounds, prayed for their needs and gave them guidance regarding the choices to be taken in their lives. It is really my honor to have the opportunities to walk with them. To gain more understanding of different groups within the church, on my own initiative or by invitation I attended gatherings of various fellowships, meeting brothers and sisters, making their acquaintance, sharing messages and exchanging ideas and experiences with them.

Together with the brothers and sisters of Faith Fellowship, I experienced the challenge of 'overpopulation' they encountered. In the meantime, I witnessed the commitment and dedication of some brothers and sisters who realized the need of the church and established the Faith Fellowship to accommodate more lives. A beautiful picture of more lives being benefited from shepherding was presented me. It depicted how God stirred the hearts of His servants and maids in deploying them. Apart from shepherding members and receiving newcomers, the staff and group

leaders of Faith Fellowship sought to find ways to address the problem of continuous expansion of membership in a limited space. Filled with the compassion of Christ, they were anxious about inclusion of new friends waiting to join the fellowship. A group of leaders led by Pastor Wai Fung shared this aspiration. They launched the 'Life Group Ministry', which was purposed to offer brothers and sisters an alternative mode of fellowship life with a closely knitted spiritual relationship among members.

Sermonizing is my favorite. During preparation, I would be moved or reminded by the Lord's words; and even excited by new inspiration derived from it. In the past ministry position, I was preoccupied with various businesses and did not have much time to prepare my sermons. Equipped with resourceful, determined and capable deacons and leaders, WAC enables me to have more time to immerse myself in the Scriptures and wait for the messages from above. I am really filled with contentment out of this service. It is because "how sweet are your promises to my taste, more than honey to my mouth" (Psalm 119:103).

My joy and contentment derived from Bible study grew incessantly through my teaching at Sunday school. In the church I had served previously, the major objective of its Sunday school was to foster new believers. On the other hand, in WAC I could go deeper in Bible teaching. This enriched my understanding of the Scriptures through exchange with brothers and sisters during the lessons. Such experience of mutual benefit in the teacher-student relationship made me more and more enthusiastic in Bible teaching.

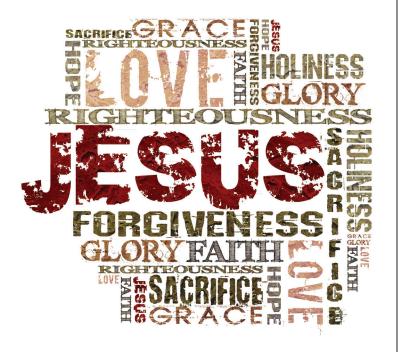
For the Year of 2004, I wish the Lord would continue to strengthen my wisdom and abilities in shepherding brothers and sisters; walking with them; guiding them to Him; leading them to await and receive His visions; and sermonizing with the authority and abilities He endows upon me with a view to making more brothers and sisters love Bible. In such a way, we would deeply experience His love together and individually listen to His callings and become His obedient sons and daughters and loyal servants.



Kimberly Shen - Small Group Deacon

Every year my heart is so full of encouragement by the small group leaders that continue to serve in our church. It is never easy to lead but they do it with the love of Christ in their hearts. We currently have six small groups operating on our multicultural side, with more being prayerfully considered by the people who are already leading. We saw growth in the addition of the "Marlborough House Small Group" along with the small group called, "You are not alone." Looking forward to seeing what this new year will bring for our church family through the small group ministry.

By Kimberley Shen



Peter Humbus - Music Deacon

The WAC Music Ministry has seen tremendous growth and enthusiasm during the past year. The youth music team has seen much growth under the leadership of Joshua Lin with new vocalists and musicians. Emmanuel Lopez has been leading services once or twice a month and the team under his leadership has been growing and strengthening as well in numbers as well as enthusiasm.

Dominic Kwok and Ernie Lee have been performing sound technician duties. Dominic has been providing leadership in other areas as well with a/v technicians.

The music team received a tremendous boost in November of 2023 with the addition of an entirely new sound system. Thank you to Andrew for providing training for the system. There is still much learning to occur with the new system but it has increased the capabilities of the music at WAC tenfold. The Christmas Eve service was a culmination of much hard work, and the involvement of 10 musicians and vocalists from ages 13 to 61.

At this first anniversary of my term as music deacon I would like to thank my Lord and Saviour for providing so many talented and willing volunteers. I perform my duties in obedience and honour to Him and look forward to much growth in the music ministry in 2024.



Benjamin Lim - General Affair

Dear all,

Time really flies, I am entering into my 12 years being a Deacon in Westwood Alliance Church. As a General Affair Deacon, I look for ways to warmly welcome people into the church on everyone Sunday and just as important as making sure the congregation have a cuppa coffee to mingle after the Sunday service and accomplished every task that was given to me by the church. Of course, I will not be able to accomplish this without the help of our brothers and sisters from various Small Groups.

Looking back, it has been a blessing to me. Through these years I could see the church members grown closer to each and praying for each other.

I hope God continues to use me in my life of service to others. I could have never imagined the peace that my heart feels in this role and the journey of getting to this point was a learning experience. I am often reminded that the learning experience and journey are ongoing. I hope more brothers and sisters could step forward to use the gifts that our Lord has given to them to serve others. Thank you,

Benjamin Lim

Eileen Christiansen - Christian Education

Dear church,

It is so good to be a part of Westwood Alliance Church. You have been a blessing to me.

The year 2023 presented a number of difficult times for me, from my husband Barney almost dying due to heart failure early in the year to my sister Maureen's long, painful suffering with cancer until her passing in May to my step mother-in-law Tove's passing in the hospital after a period of struggle in September. My daughter also required serious surgery in October. Barney(husband) is now dealing with an additional heart issue which the Drs. are currently trying to treat. As I was also dealing with regular family issues and commitments, I found it necessary to just focus on Christ and the issues right in front of me.

Even though I heartily believe the Lord calls us and equips us to serve in our church there are times we need to step back and take a break. Therefore, I found it important to take a leave from my duties as deacon. I do look forward to 2024 and what the Lord has planned for our church. Pastor Larry and I have met (December 29th) to strategize for the upcoming year especially on the fact that this is WAC's 30th Anniversary.

In Christ's love, Eileen Christiansen





Children's Choir Sharing Irene Cheung

I have been serving in the Children's Choir for more than a decade. One may wonder if it's getting boring. No, not at all! For some reasons, the creative Heavenly Father gives me a new lens every year to look at things differently. Our creative team and kids never stop trying something new for our God! Praise the Lord! He keeps teaching me and helping me to grow together with the kids in the choir every moment.

In 2023, there were many times that God surprised me and there were many times that I had to humble myself, pause, be quiet and let Him speak to me. Ultimately, He is the one who is leading our Children's Choir. We were blessed to have loyal and dedicated members serving in the choir. Thanks God for Christine Wu, Andrew Ip, Ben Lim and Philip Tan who are always going above and beyond to love the kids and me. I need a lot of space to be alone and be creative. I noticed that many tasks were handled by these amazing people before even I mentioned anything, just to leave me time and space to dream.

Our Teaching Assistants (Jaiden Yee, Christine Lim, Cleo Cheung, Annalisa Lu, Jeriel Lim and Branden

Yee) were gems to the teachers and church. They took time out of their busy schedule to facilitate leadership training for the leaders. As a group, we practiced devotion daily



together. We were not perfect, and there were days that we missed doing our devotion, but hey... we are here to learn and practice putting time aside with God and we don't need to be perfect to have our hearts to be accepted by God.

In 2023, there were 29 children in our choir, which was the highest number of kids we have ever gotten. We give thanks to God for bringing these beautiful children to us. In addition to the regular weekly practice, we built our team by doing some fun activities together:

•Group skating was fun – the group was challenged to skate as a group. This challenged the good ones not to

spend the time to show off their skills but to help those who struggled. It made the ones that were never on ice before to be courageous and step out of the comfort zone.





 Hiking in Belcarra – hiking is tiring, but is fun when it's done with a group of friends! we made Together through!

•Summer Dance Fun in the Church Parking Lot somehow has become our tradition. We just couldn't spend our summer without dancing!

9-day Children's Choir's summer camp was wonderful. The highlight was the sleepover: I need to get more prepared for the marathon eating and cup noodles at midnight!



•By God's grace, we were able to partner with 18 community partners for our annual Christmas musical, "Carole & the Belles" (3 shows).





Children's Choir Sharing Irene Cheung

There were so many spiritual learnings I had when I was with the kids. I'd love to share two here:

1. Reconcile our relationships before worshipping God

During summer camp, we realized that there was some tension between a few of the choir members. I shared with the choir kids how God would like us to worship Him. In Matthew 5:23-24, it says "Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother/sister has something against you, leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to them; then come and offer your gift."

I told them, "Therefore, if you are singing/dancing for God in this musical and remember that you have something against other friends in the choir, stop singing and dancing now! First go and be reconciled to them, then sing and dance with me!"

I got the urge to ask the kids to write a note to a person in the choir to say sorry and ask for forgiveness. I collected all the notes after. The honest and genuine confessions and requests for forgiveness brought tears to my eyes. They all have committed to pray for the person that they have written a note for.

As adults, how many of us dare to acknowledge to the person that we don't like them? Are we even aware that we sin against God while serving Him when we hold grudges against someone? How many of us are brave enough to come before the brother or sister to apologize and re-establish the relationship?

2. Learning to be last

I realized that there are two kids that always manage to be the first two in line for snacks. I understand that most kids don't get to eat snacks at home and they get very excited and want to be the first to grab them so that they can have seconds. I challenged these two and gave them a task, which was to ensure everyone got their snack before they did. I told them that their job would end after they learned how to not to be the first ones in line. After two days, they were no longer the first two in line for snacks. I am so proud of these two kids!

Mark 10:43-44 "... Whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all"

Would you want to be challenged not to be the first in the potluck/food gathering? Can you not have seconds and leave more for others?

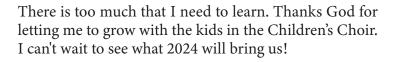
3. Obey and Go!

On Sep 9, 2023, during the first musical kickoff meeting, I shared the vision of involving community partners in the musical. We wanted people not just to come to watch the show but be part of this meaningful event. After sharing the vision, the marketing team was working tirelessly to find partnerships, but were unable to secure any after 2 months. I was troubled by it as I knew that it was the direction from God. I prayed to God again. "God, if this is not the way to go, close the window and open a door for us!" Honestly, I was disappointed and felt stuck. People around me told me that the economy was bad. Not a lot of people wanted to contribute. Well... fair enough... I kept these messages in my head, but simply was not convinced in my heart. In Hebrews 11:6, it says, "and without faith, it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to Him must believe that He exists and that He rewards those who earnestly seek Him". The scripture listed many examples of how people in the Bible had faith and followed God. Then I surrendered and said, "Ok, God, I trust You. Please make it happen for us". Abraham's action in the scripture caught my attention. In 11:8, it says, "By faith, Abraham... obeyed and went". But honestly, I didn't feel comfortable going to a stranger to open my mouth to ask for "money" though that's not my intention. I worried about how others would think of me. Then God asked me, "Aren't you the director of the musical to tell the story of God? I am not asking you to ask for money, I am asking you to tell the story of what the Children's Choir is doing. I will touch their hearts myself". By faith, I obeyed and went. As I stepped out to share the vision of the Children's Choir and invite people who shared the same vision to be part of the event, the next thing I knew there were 18 community partners accepting the invitation. One of the community partners said" I



Children's Choir Sharing Irene Cheung

believe in supporting the kingdom of God. I was filled with joy to see your email invitation. Children has always been my ministry". Another community partner said, "We want our cookies to provide comfort to others. We want to impact our community one cookie at a time". All these community partners have the same vision as our Children's choir does, which is to bring positive energy and love to our community. Isn't God amazing to connect all of us to worship Him together?





Recipient

Rachel Wong

Elpis Wong

Mavis Yung

WAC Children's Choir - the recipient of the "Fruit of Spirit award" 2023

Name of the Award For...

Love Award

For always being compassionate and showing care to other... Rachel is filled with compassion. She notices every little emotion of every person around her. There were many times that I cried, and she was always the first one to pass me a Kleenex. As a compassionate person, Rachel feels hurt at times because she loves and cares about others a lot (or even too much). But Rachel, as you get older, there will be more tears, more people to hurt you because of how loving you are... But always remember: don't stop loving!

Joy Award

For sharing Joy with others and always stay positive... When I ask the group to smile while they sing and dance, it seems extremely hard to get a smile from Elpis. But for some reason, Elpis has a special talent to make people around him to be happy. The first time the teacher noted that to happen was when we were practicing the Cantonese songs, we saw a video with a kid that looked like Elpis, and we were all laughing. Elpis didn't seem to mind at all, but instead he laughed with us. He is our class clown

Peace Award

For always embracing God's peace and make peace with others...

I know Mavis has her own friends in the choir, but she deliberately doesn't just stick with her friends. She pays attention to everyone in the choir and tries her best to interact with everyone, young and old, boys and girls. She is inclusive and gets along with everybody in the choir. We so need more people like her in the world to make the world a peaceful place to live in.



Name of the Award For... Recipient **Patience Award** For always showing patience towards others... Sometimes, it takes a Micah Tan long time to get everyone's attention to settle the group before we start our practice. It must be really hard for those who were ready and just stood there to wait, wait and wait until all others are ready. I have never heard a complaint from Micah when he waits. In fact, he always waits quietly in a nice and straight standing position, giving the best eye contact to the teacher like saying, "I am ready but no need to rush, I will wait for others". What a great support to your teacher, Micah! **Kindness Award** For always showing God's kindness to help others... For a lot of people **Brandon Yee** Branden's age, they have chosen to move on to become a TA. Branden didn't want to leave because he felt responsible to stay on to help. He said, "If I also leave, there will be no one here to help Teacher Irene!" It's true that I depend on him a lot. If I have a heavy job, I ask him to do it. If I need a runner, I ask him to run for me. If I need to give a lecture, I use him as an example. If the class is getting bored, I make fun of him. If I need someone to wash dishes, he is the first one that comes to my mind. He has become one of my best partners in ministry! The help that I like to get the most from him is to help the younger ones to understand is: when they are supposed to use the bathroom! Goodness Award For always trying to be holy and pure to do the right thing for God... Caitlyn Chu Caitlyn pays high attention in class. She always tries to do the right thing that the teacher asks everyone to do and keeps trying her best to do it. Even when people around her may be chit-chatting during class, she would not be tempted but to pay exceptional attention to the teacher. That's the right thing to do, Caitlyn! Way to go! **Faithfulness Award** For always being submissive and obedient to God... Skyler takes every Skyler Ip God's assignment very seriously and is willing to try everything that he is asked to do. From being one of the major dancers in a musical to be involved in 6 out of the 9 dances with people who are a lot older than him to being a MC, every challenge that I throw at him, he accepts and gives his best. Never a moment that he would say no! Skyler, I want you to know that your Faithfulness will take you far! **Gentleness Award For always being gentle to others...**Shannon is very polite and has great **Shannon Koh** manners. The way she talks and walks brings a sense of softness into the chaotic crowd that we normally have here every Thursday. When you talk to her, she always looks into your eyes with a sweet smile on her face, speaks very quietly, with her hands at the back, standing nicely and squarely, nodding her head lightly to show her active listening. Shannon, your gentleness always melts my heart. **Self-control Award** For controlling her behaviors to act maturely... Gigi is new and is one of Gigi Ho the youngest ones in the advanced class. She acts very responsibly and maturely that she blends into the group really well. Sometimes I quietly watched if she would just follow her peers to run, act silly, and not listen to the teachers. There was never one time I caught her not to behave herself. Her ability to control herself and not to be tempted is something that I need to learn from. Great job, Gigi!

Alfred Lo - General Affair

Throughout the year of 2023, Agape fellowship group was able to have gatherings using both on-line Zoom meeting and in-person meeting at church so that our members could share our care with each other. We are blessed by God that we have a total of 103 members' phone numbers in our WhatsApp group and some are shared between couples, therefore we have more than these number of members in Agape group. This pasted year, we added 20 new phone numbers into the group for communication.

We have meeting twice a month scheduled on Wednesday of the second and fourth week of the month. Normally we have in-person meeting on the second week and on-line Zoom Bible-studies on the fourth week with some exception that we had to switch around in order to accommodate the speakers' and Bible studies leader's schedule.

Last year we had a total of 8 Bible studies on 8 different topics covering both Old Testament and New Testament. It was a blessing from God that we had our senior member – Peter Cheung leading these Bible studies so that we could have a simple approach to the scriptures with practical application. At the same time, his study-approach enabled our members to twist our brains during the meetings so that we could have a better understanding of God's words and His implication.

We had 2 on-line Zoom and 14 in-person meetings in 2023 covering 3 topics delivered by our 3 pastors and 2 specific knowledge talks on dental care. We also had festival celebrations like Chinese New Year in January, Mid-autumn Festival in September and the celebration of Christmas / the coming of New Year in December.

We also had meetings that our members could enjoy sharing their witness with God and tested their knowledge on Bible through games and physical exercise. During the in-person meeting in each month, we also had birthday celebration of cake cutting for the members who had the birthday in that month. After the meeting in church, most of the members would join lunch together in the restaurant. Under God's grace and protection, we all enjoy the gathering and shared God's love and care to each other. Below are some photos that captured the moment God gave us during the in-person meeting.



Bible study led by Pastor Chu.



Christmas Celebration 2023.



Alfred Lo - General Affair

As the COVID-19 pandemic subsided, our team members returned to a normal routine work in church to serve our Lord as follows:

- 1.R eplacement of filters in the air control units as according to the set schedule so as to ensure the clean-air environment in church.
- 2. Cleared up the sediment on the filters in the water line of the toilet flushing unit in the church washrooms.
- 3. Handled simple plumbing issues and battery replacement of the automatic faucets and soap dispensers in the washrooms.
- 4. On every Sunday or when special event was carrying out at our church as needed, our team members would be on-duty to do parking lot traffic control / guidance. This was to ensure a good traffic flow in our parking lot and to guide our brothers and sisters to safely find a parking spot for their cars.
- 5. Minor repair / maintenance works in and around the church building that did not involve license requirement and insurance in a safe environment.
- 6. Preparation of the baptismal font for baptism ceremonies.
- 7. In the first half of 2023, our team carried out the sanitizing spraying of the sanctuary on Sunday before the Cantonese worship started or before any special event taking place in the sanctuary. As the pandemic eased off in the summer time, we stopped doing this starting in May. Therefore, we could divert our manpower to other serving in church.

Praise the Lord, we continued to have more brothers joining our team. We had four more brothers joining our team to serve our Lord in 2023. This eased off the pressure on making arrangement for Sunday parking lot on-duty as more brothers could help on this serving. This help out to tackle the continued increase in demand for parking space in the past year especially among elderly and young families as more congregation were joining us on Sunday to attend the in-person worship. This increased the challenge to the on-duty brothers in the parking lot. With more brothers giving help in the parking lot, the most timely and convenient parking spaces were arranged for the congregation without affecting the traffic on the roads around our church. With the wisdom given from God and a humble attitude to serve, our on-duty brothers could provide a closer and safer walk-through condition in the parking lot to the church building, especially for those who have difficulties of walking and for the children after getting off their cars.

Pray that God will continue to lead our team members to serve in church in a more creative ways in 2024. We also need our Heavenly Father to protect us and provide us with the good weather that we need when working outdoors. Looking forward to this New Year, we pray that the Lord will provide the manpower, to encourage more members of the congregation, especially young and strong members, to join the General Affairs team to serve in all aspects of the church, especially on weekdays, so that we can continue to have a glorious place to worship our Lord. As more and more young congregation joining our group to serve, we will be able to prepare the next generation to take up the responsibility of General Affair work in our church. We have full faith that our Lord have this good arrangement in 2024.



2023 - A Year of Amazing Grace

Evangelical Deacon - Elsie Chan

In His Time
In His time, in His time,
He makes all things beautiful, in His time,
Lord, please show me every day,
As You're teaching me Your way,
That You do just what You say, in Your time.

almost two years of suspending outreach events at church because of COVID, year 2023 was an amazing year to witness God's activity at our church and in our city. Partnering with the Vancouver Chinese Christian Short Term Mission Training Centre (VCCSTM), our church dedicated the first half of the year in training up Christ soldiers in the Tri-Cities area. Westwood Alliance Church hosted two training courses from VCCSTM and had successfully trained over 20 people to support the gospel outreach ministries in Tri-Cities. From February to May 2023, brothers and sisters from various Christian churches gathered to do outreach almost every Saturday. I dare not say we reap every time we go out, but we believe in God's faithfulness and the seeds we sow. We simply need to rely on the Holy Spirit and follow His guidance every time.

Three additional events happened that made the second half of 2023 an amazing year. First, 120 people attended an in-person gospel music concert hosted by our church and the Hong Kong Association of Christian Musicians (ACM). Even though less than half of the sanctuary was seated at the start of the event, God's amazing love attracted 7 people to accept Christ that evening. Second, we had the opportunity to care for the elderly residents of the two senior homes that our church had visited every other week before COVID-19. One of the homes even invited us to sing there once a month beginning in 2024! Finally, almost 30 brothers and sisters gathered at our church and joined Christmas caroling this year. This was the most people I have seen participate in caroling to date!



Partnering with VCCSTM for Saturday outreach at WAC in early 2023

We encounter God more often in our day-to-day lives when we are prepared to move outside our comfort zones and put our trust in Him. Would you like to experience God's power and grace via sharing the Good News? Join us every first and third Saturday of the month at 10 a.m. outside the sanctuary and experience God's amazing grace!



Picture with some gospel core team members before the start of ACM event in September 2023.



Christmas Caroling with brothers and sisters from various churches - December 2023



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January 一月

陳永康弟兄(Samuel) 受聘為全職行政助理。Samuel Chan was hired as Full-Time Administration Assistant.

國語堂新成立「恩友」團契。A new fellowship in Mandarin Congregation started.

February 二月

會友大會於2月26日舉行。Annual General Meeting on Feb 26.

March 三月

粵語堂與短宣中心舉辦「基礎佈道訓練証書課程」。 Cantonese Congregation partnering with VCCSTM started evangelistic training.

生命之道「路得記」。WOL: The Book of Ruth.

為社區低收入人仕提供免費報稅服務。Free Tax Clinic for low-income families.

April 四月

粤語堂洗禮,有六位弟兄姊妹於4月9日受洗歸主。

Six members from the Cantonese Congregation were baptized at church on Apr 9.

英語堂洗禮, 有二位弟兄姊妹於4月9日受洗歸主。

Two members from the Intercultural Congregation were baptized at church on Apr 9

國語堂洗禮,有五位弟兄姊妹於4月9日受洗歸主。

Two members from the Mandarin Congregation were baptized at church on Apr 9.

兒童事工傳道蔡蘇婉媚(Mei)於4月30日離職。

Children Ministry Pastor Mei Choi finished her ministry at WAC on Apr 30.

May 五月

梁崇欣 (Jenny)受聘為全職兒童事工牧者。 Pastor Jenny Leung was hired as Pastor of Children Ministry.

小城短宣於5月15-19日出隊。 Short Term Mission Trip on May 15-19.

June 六月

敬拜讚美會於6月10日舉行。 Praise and Worship on June 10.

兒童事工主任駱耀生(John)於6月24日離職。 Children's Ministry Director John Lok finished his duty on June 24.



July 七月

Caris Truong and Jaiden Yee 受聘為兒童暑期實習同工。

Caris Truong and Jaiden Yee were hired as summer Interns for Children's Ministry.

Abigail Lim, Bruce Cheung, Grace Lo and Miriam Lau 受聘為暑期媒體事工助理。 Abigail Lim, Bruce Cheung, Grace Lo and Miriam Lau were hired as summer Media Coordinator Assistants.

小城短宣於7月10-14日出隊。

Short Term Mission Trip on July 10-14.

青少年營假Charis Camp 於7月14-16日舉行。

WAC Youth Camp at Charis on July 14-16.

夏令會於7月21-23日假蘭里市西三一大學舉行。

Summer Camp at Trinity Western University on July 21 – 23.

2023 聯合宣教大會於7月28-30日假大溫哥華聖道堂舉行。

2023 Joint Missions Conference at ECBC on July 28-30.

August 八月

高宣義賣暨嘉年華在8月12日於教會停車場舉行。

Yard Sale and Carnival at Church parking lot on Aug 12.

「2023 高宣跨文化短宣」於8月22-31日到訪泰國進行短宣學習。

2023 Cross-Cultural Short-Term Mission Trip on Aug 22-31.

舞動傳承於8月29日舉行。

Summer Dance Fun on Aug 29.

September九月

生命之道查經「以西結書」。

WOL: The Book of Ezekiel.

小城短宣於9月11-15日出隊。

Short Term Mission Trip on Sep 11-15.

長執領袖退修會於9月16日假楓樹嶺宣道會舉行。

Leadership retreat held at Maple Ridge Alliance Church on Sep 16.

粤語堂與ACM Rebirth 於9月29日合辦中秋節佈道會。

Cantonese Congregation partnered with ACM Rebirth to hold the musical evangelistic event on Sep 29.

粤語堂青少年新成立Unico. 團契。

A new Youth fellowship in Cantonese Congregation, Unico. Fellowship, started.

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October 十月

高宣媒體事工「Lighthouse Media」 開設網上頻道。

Westwood social media channel Lighthouse Media started.

粤語堂洗禮,有四位弟兄姊妹在10月1日於教會受洗歸主。

Four members from Cantonese Congregation were baptized at church on Oct 1.

November 十一月

國語堂洗禮,有三位姊妹於11月5日受洗歸主。

Three members from Mandarin Congregation were baptized at church on Nov 5.

差傳週於11月18日舉行"世界滋味"聚餐活動。

Annual Missions weekend: "Taste of the World" potluck on Nov 18.

聖誕鞋盒收到103盒送往收集中心。

103 Christmas shoeboxes were collected for Samaritan Purse.

三堂長老選舉於11月25-26日舉行。

Elders Elections for the three congregations on Nov 25-26.

December 十二月

兒童詩班聖誕音樂劇 Carol & The Belles。

Children Choir Musical Drama: Carol & The Belles Musical.

國語堂於12月15日播放福音電影「愛. Plan B」。

Mandarin Congregation held a showing of Christian movie Love Is Plan B on Dec 15.

英文堂平安夜崇拜。

Intercultural Congregation Christmas Eve Service on 24 Dec.

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Newborn Babies

Cantonese Congregation

- Afina Wong黃天藍 September 22, 2023 (Kwan & Jade's daughter) Rylie Yung 容芊玥 - November 27, 2023
- (Howard & Winnie's daughter) Natalia Rosie Fung - December 17, 2023
- (Tommy & Carmen's daughter)

In Loving Memory

Cantonese Congregation Esther Zee 鄭學敏(December 20, 2023)

Intercultural Congregation Roy Page

Mandarin Congregation 喬紅梅 (March 25, 2023)

Child & Baby Dedication

Cantonese Congregation

Valeria Lam (Herbert & Candace Lam's daughter)

January 29, 2023

Adalyn Chiang (Henry & April Chiang's daughter)

October 12, 2023

Intercultural Congregation

Robin Shen (Daniel & Kimberly Shen's son) Lucas Aaron Chan (Doug & Jady Chan's son)



Register, Re-instate & Transfer Members

Cantonese Congregation

Shirley Cheng 鄭玥兒 (Transfer Jan 29, 2023)

Samuel Chan 陳永康 (Transfer Jan 29, 2023)

Pastor Jenny Leung 梁崇欣傳道 (Transfer June 11)

Sony Lee李燕萍(Transfer June 11)

Michelle Ho 何詠思 (Transfer July 22, 2023)

Nikki Chan陳希桐 (Transfer July 22, 2023)

Anthony Cheung張新達 (Transfer September 3, 2023)

賴徐容 (Transfer September 3, 2023)

Victor Leung梁子儉(Transfer September 3, 2023)

Connie Yuen袁娟 (Transfer September 3, 2023)

Shirley So蘇潔雲 (Transfer September 3, 2023)

Lily Chan 陳美玲 (Transfer December 3, 2023)

Tommy Luk陸炎年 (Transfer December 3, 2023)

Evelyn Luk 陸譚慧文 (Transfer December 3, 2023)

Angel 邢寶茵 (Transfer December 3, 2023)

Jess Liu 廖美儀 (Transfer December 3, 2023)

Tsang Yiu Ching曾耀宗 (Transfer December 3, 2023)

Fred Wong黃嘉禮 (Re-instate December 24, 2023)

Elaine Wu吳嘉玲(Re-instate December 24, 2023)

Register, Re-instate & Transfer Members

Intercultural Congregation

Dave & Jean Anderson,

Richard & Debbie McGregor,

Fred & Lily Barton (Transfer November 19, 2023)

Mandarin Congregation

王茂林、沈桂琴、鄭琦、劉曉珏、喬紅梅、陳贇

(Register April 9,2023)

黃雪雲、陳章 (Register July 9, 2023)

陳倩茹、崔國君、彭俊、王晶

(Register November 5, 2023))

陳海燕、袁佳牧、韋亞芬、劉藝明

(Register December 31, 2023)

Baptism Members

Cantonese Congregation

鮑順漏 (April 9, 2023)

Ken Chow周子彭 (April 9, 2023)

Jannet Chik植凱怡 (April 9, 2023)

Samantha Lam林朗悅(April 9, 2023)

Oscar Lam林子軒(April 9, 2023)

Kurt Wong黃偉明(April 9, 2023)

鍾愛儀(July 9, 2023)

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Sam Wong王天佑(October 1, 2023)

Venus Wong黃婉喬(October 1, 2023)

Wesley Wong(黃禮恆October 1, 2023)

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Koroush (April 9, 2023)

Azin Ashrafpour (April 9, 2023)

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於燕 (April 9, 2023)

朱婷(April 9, 2023)

范文信(April 9, 2023)

時尚 (April 9, 2023)

楊伯玉(April 9, 2023)

劉子楠 (July 9, 2023)

徐永飛(July 9, 2023)

竇允倩 (November 5, 2023)

許茗非(November 5, 2023)

呂良曦(November 5, 2023)



