

## AN ENCOURAGEMENT FOR

YOU

**Read: 1 Peter 1:3**  
Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

### Reflection:

- What does "new birth into a living hope" mean to you?  
How has this truth impacted your life lately?  
- Have you been "born again"?  
- If so, how have you been "growing" in Christ over the past year and over the past month?  
\*If you aren't sure what "born again" means and are interested in learning more, please feel free to reach out to someone from EMT.  
- Why does Peter refer to a "living" hope? What is the significance of this?

**Praise and Prayer:**  
- Give thanks that God has adopted us into His family by grace through faith.  
- Pray that we will daily strive for sanctification and that we will see growth in our spiritual walk with Christ.  
- Pray that we will not lose hope when things are difficult or seem hopeless.

## A FEW THINGS TO KNOW

### Baptism and Membership

Baptism and Membership sessions will be held in preparation for the Combined Easter Service on April 12, 2019. If you are interested in learning about being baptized and become a member of the church, please contact Rev. Vinson or the church office.

### February Sunday School

Join us today for an exciting study on Women as Servant Leaders and the issue of Eldership in the Christian Church. We will focus our study to understand its Biblical perspective and Relevance in today's world. Dr. Marilyn Draper, an Assistant Professor of Practical Theology, Tyndale Seminary who is also a church planter and ordained minister will be conducting the study.

### Devotional Booklets

Daily Bread for daily devotions and 15 Easter Reflections booklets are available in the foyer.

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Welcome to NCAC! We are so glad that you are able to join us today for our Sunday service. We believe that the Christian faith is about responding to God's invitation to be in a relationship with Him – this relationship changes everything.

Fellowship, or building relationships with each other, is another important aspect of Christianity. And so, we would love to connect with you beyond our service time. There are a few ways to do that:

#### **Fill out a welcome card**

These are located in the pew in front of you. You can then place it in the offering bag that will be passed during service. There, you can leave us your contact information, comments, or questions. We will be sure to reach out to you!

#### **Join a small group**

A small group is more than just a social gathering. Rather, it is a community of people who are committed to Jesus and to being vulnerable with each other. It is for anyone who has a desire to grow in their faith, who wants to love and learn Scripture, and who wants to share their faith with others. If this sounds like something you are interested in, talk to the small group leaders. They would love to hear from you! Their contact information can be found in this bulletin.

#### **Join us for food, coffee, and conversation**

Food was an important part of community-building in the Bible. People gathered together, celebrated and feasted. Similarly, community is important to us and we invite you to join us in the fellowship hall after service. Please come and sit in on a small group as we eat, drink, and continue the conversation that today's service started.

## **Sunday Service**

Praise & Worship  
Call to Worship & Welcome  
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Pastoral Prayer  
Scripture Reading  
Message  
Song of Response & Offering  
Doxology & Benediction  
Announcements

\*Please leave space for latecomers by sitting forward and towards the middle aisle

\*If you are a parent with a young baby, we welcome you to use the worship room to partake in service

#### **A few key people to connect with**

Enoch Chan & Marcus Tong | Downtown Small Group  
Christine Wong & Leah Chan | Downtown Small Group  
Keith Lau & Catherine Chan | Uptown Small Group

Rev. Dr. Vinson Samuel | English Pastor  
Rev. Simon Sit | Senior Pastor

Michael Huynh | English Elder  
Charlotte Pang, David Tong & Victoria Tung | English Ministry Leaders

#### **Today's Service**

Michael Huynh | Service Leader  
David Su & Matthew Chan | Greeter & Usher  
Victoria Tung | Music Leader  
Marcus Tong | Tech  
Dr. Marilyn Draper | Speaker

#### **Attendance & Offering**

56 | Sunday Service  
3/1 | Bible & Breakfast (Kids/Helpers)  
- | Children Sunday School (Kids/Helpers)  
\$3,952.00 | Last week's total offering

### **Martha and the Call of Discipleship**

John 11: 1-28

### **Some things that stood out to me**

### **Some questions that I'm left asking**