NEW COVENANT ALLIANCE CHURCH

## COMMIT TO CHRIST PROCLAIM HIS GOSPEL BUILD HIS CHURCH

A CHURCH THAT GOES INTO THE COMMUNITY HELPING PEOPLE ENTER THE KINGDOM OF GOD



September 13, 2020

#### REFLECTION FOR THE WEEK

### Read - Philippians 1:11

Being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.

#### Reflection of the week:

"You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven." Matthew 5:14-16

Reflection - What does it mean to be a "light"? And how can you shine your light so others can see Jesus in you?

#### A FEW THINGS TO KNOW

Sanctuary renovation project: A special membership meeting was held on 8/23 and members expressed support to start the renovation project and received the survey result summary on church reopening. For updates of both please visit church website and members zone https://www.ncac.ca/members/

## NCAC Mission Conference 2020 (September-October):

Theme is to be "Beyond Limits, To All Nations "There will be Mission focus online messages by our special speakers, Rev. Derek and Bonnie Burnett, and by our District Superintendent Rev Curtis Peters over three Sundays of 9/20, 10/04, 10/18; as well as a Mission prayer meeting on 10/07. Please pray and support.

**Welcome:** Thank you for being part of today's Worship Service. Please continue to join our Services and events by regularly checking our church website or congregational emails for the latest updates.

#### Virtual SUNDAY SCHOOL

Join our Sunday school from 11 am to 12 noon after our Sunday Service. Anki Huyuh will be conducting an exciting subject: 'New Testament Treasures' from August to September.

COVID-19 is still not over: As some of you may have already noticed, further government guidelines for re-opening places of worship in Ontario have been released and are more restrictive than expected. While this is challenging, our C&MA District urges local churches to be patient and to trust God's timing in all of this and to honour our government and health officials for their hard work. NCAC is preparing church facility and work on renovation to ensure health safety. Board and ministry leaders have started discussion to draft a workable plan. All the ministries will continue to be online. Thank you for your prayers and support.

## **Sunday Service**

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

#### A few key people to connect with

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

> Rev. Dr. Vinson Samuel I English Pastor Rev. Simon Sit I Senior Pastor

Michael Huynh I English Elder Charlotte Pang, David Tong & Enoch Chan I English Ministry Team

#### Today's Service

Michael Huynh I Service Leader Online Service I Greeter & Usher Leah Chan I Music Leader Jon Moe I Tech Rev. Dr. Vinson Samuel I Speaker

#### Attendance & Offering

79 I Sunday Service
(Live Stream Viewers: 30, Recording Viewers: 49)
12/6 I Children Online Worship (Kids/Helpers)
- I Prayer Meeting
\$8,200.00 I Total Offering
(August 31 – September 6 English & Chinese e-Transfer)

The God who Comforts
John 14:1-6

Some things that stood out to me

Some questions that I'm left asking

<sup>\*</sup>Please leave space for latecomers by sitting forward and towards the middle aisle

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



Beirut needs help: On 8/04, a big explosion shook through the city of Beirut, Lebanon. The impact took over 200 lives, injured over 5000 people, damaged thousands of buildings, left over300,000 people homeless and the bustling city totry to rebuild by itself. C&MA Canada calling Alliance churches to help. We will be working with our partners and local church to offer aid and support to the people in Beirut as they work towards overcoming this devastation. Donation can be made by bank auto transfer to NCAC at donate@ncac.ca specifying Love fund or by visit www.cmacan.org and specify Global Emergency Response Fund (GERF). Please pray for the people in Beirut.

NCAC COVID19 Community Support team: As you know, brothers and sisters at NCAC have supported the community through this pandemic through monetary donations, disposable and homemade mask donations, non-perishable food donations, and volunteering to deliver hot meals to seniors. Support to the community was provided as needs were made known to the Community Support Committee. We have adopted three organizations: Carefirst Seniors and Community Services, Saint Elizabeth Health

- Monetary and non-perishable food donation to Carefirst
- Volunteers to deliver hot meals to seniors through Carefirst
- Volunteers to make homemade masks

If you would like to help with the Carefirst initiatives, please contact Ben Lee (itsbencslee@gmail.com), David Tong (davidtong2000@gmail.com), or Michael Huynh (huynhmic@yahoo.com).

If you would like to volunteer to make homemade masks or donate materials (such as 100% cotton new bed sheets), please contact Roberta Lau (lau.roberta@gmail.com).

Homemade masks have been requested by Saint Elizabeth Health Care and Carefirst Seniors and Community Services to support the health and community services they provide. In total, they provide services to about 17,000 clients and have asked the community to donate homemade masks to help with their work.

### Prayer this week for

**People who are suffering:** 1. Pray for those with mental health challenges who feel isolated, anxious, and helpless, that God will provide them every the necessary support & professional help.

- 2. Pray for workers in a variety of industries facing layoffs and financial hardship, pray that God will keep them from panic, and receive the needed financial support to get through this difficult time
- 3. Pray for the sick and vulnerable populations: Pray that they will not feel alone during this isolation time. Pray that they will stay patient & positive.

# **August 31 – September 6** English & Chinese E-Transfer Offering

General Fund	\$5,660.00
Thanksgiving	0.00
Mission	940.00
<b>Building Repair Fund</b>	100.00
Love	500.00
Others	1,000.00
Total	\$8,200.00

### **E-Offerings Auto deposit**

Thank you brothers and sisters for your continued donation to our church during these difficult times. Our new electronic transfer of offering is now on Auto deposit. There is no need for security question and answer. Please see instruction below:

- 1. Logon to the online banking of your bank
- 2. Navigate to the Interac e-Transfer section.
- 3. Create or add a new contact or recipient name (e.g. NCAC)
- 4. Then enter our church e-offering email address: donate@ncac.ca
- 5. Security question is not required as auto-deposit is now enabled.
- 6. Enter the following information in the "Message" section:
  - a. Name of donor and/or offering number of donor
  - b. Address of donor (necessary for a new donor)
- c. Allocation of the offering amount (if not specified, the total amount will go to the General Fund). Example: General \$200, Building Repair \$100; Mission \$100, Love Fund 100, others (please specify) You can also send your offerings in cheque by mail to church address 1490 Birchmount Rd. Scarborough, ON M1P 2E3, to the attention of the Finance department. If by mail, please send a cheque and not cash.

## Update on our refugee sponsoring family

- 1. Shadan and Omed:
  - they came to Toronto since February and are taking ESL classes. Omed is working part time for his brother-in-law doing some renovation work. Shadan is now 13 weeks pregnant. We will collect some baby products and items for Shadan and Omed when it is close to the delivery date. Stay tune for announcement.

## 2. Sirwan and his family:

• The family has passed the interview and physical check up. They are waiting for the official approval to come to Toronto. Due to Covid 19, approval may be further delayed.

#### **Prayer items:**

- 1. Shadan will have smooth pregnancy and delivery and she will experience God's grace.
- 2. Omed has back pain and is seeing chiropractor every week. Pray that the treatment will ease or cure his back pain.
- 3. We had brothers and sisters shared the Gospel with Shadan and Omed, pray that the Holy Spirit will continue to change their mind and hearts, so that they will commit to follow Jesus.
- 4. Pray that Sirwan and his family will stay healthy and continue to have patience to wait for the official approval.