

WELCOME

TO OUR ENGLISH SERVICE December 12, 2021

CHURCH THEME: BEING THE CHURCH, AGAINST ALL ODDS

VERSE FOR THE WEEK - Matthew 1:23

"The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel" (which means "God with us").

ONLINE SUNDAY SERVICE

Call to Worship Praise and Worship Scripture Reading

Matthew 2:1-12

Sermon

"Born a Child but yet a King"

Song of Response
Tithes and Offering
Mission Sharing
Church Announcements
Doxology
Benediction

A FEW THINGS TO KNOW

WELCOME TO OUR SUNDAY SERVICE

We welcome and thank you for joining our Sunday Service. Please do check our church website and congregational email for church events and updates.

HOLY COMMUNION CUPS (PREFILLED)

Prefilled communion cup and juice for our online communion services are available at the church foyer.

EM CORPORATE PRAYER - DECEMBER 15, 2021 @ 8PM

Wednesday, December 15, 2021, is the last Corporate Prayer of the year. Let's come together to thank God and intercede to for our nation and church family.

VIRTUAL CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION - DECEMBER 18 @ 7.30PM

Let's praise God for His goodness and celebrate His birth. We will have our online Christmas celebration on Dec 18 at 7:30 p.m. We also encourage you and your friends to join the celebration.

Today's Service

Catherine Tsang | Service leader
Jasmine Vinson (L), Rahel Vinson & Ricky Hong | Worship
Victor Tsang & Michael Huynh | Screener & Greeter
Matt Leung and Sam Leung | Tech
Rahel Vinson | Video Editor
Rev Dr Vinson Samuel | Speaker

SUNDAY SCHOOL

We will not be having Sunday School in the month of December. Sessions will resume in January 2022.

2022 CHURCH BUDGET

All Departmental Heads are requested to submit their department budget for the Year 2022 to Ricky Leung before 19th of December.

EM OUTREACH – COLLECTION FOR QUEEN AND BATHURST COMMUNITY

COLLECTION OF WINTER CLOTHINGS AND ETC
In this Christmas season, EMT would like to collect winter clothing, toys and non-perishable food as well as monetary support for the Queen and Bathurst community through Toronto Alliance Church. We encourage you to share with your non-Christian friends so that they can be part of this event as well.

Criteria of the items:

- 1. Toys and clothing must be new or in good condition.
- 2. These are the preferred non-perishable food items: Tuna, instant noodles, canned ravioli, beans in tomato sauce or syrup, mixed vegetables, corn, chicken noodle soup, chunky stews, fruit cups, juice boxes, and chocolate and vanilla pudding.
- 3. Monetary support given will be used for food and supplies purchase for TAC.

You can drop off Winter Clothes and Non-perishable items at Church every Sunday from 9:15 to 11:30 a.m. Contact EMT: Charlotte Pang Enoch Chan @ Michael Huynh and David Tong to arrange drop off.

MISSION FUND 2021 LATEST UPDATE

Praise the Lord! As of last Sunday, we have raised \$96,328 in NCAC Mission Fund, achieving 76% of our annual fundraising target \$127,400.

Please continue to pray for the needs of the C&MA Global Advance Fund, the Mission field workers and their ministries. Pray for God's providence to cover the shortfalls of \$31,072 from the the Mission Fund year-end target.

NCAC RE-OPENED FOR IN-PERSON SERVICE

Ontario is currently 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.

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.

<u>In-Person Services for November:</u> English – November 28, December 12 & 26 Cantonese – December 5 & 19

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.

If you are unable to register, you can continue to participate in online worship and online Sunday school. Please continue to pray for protection for all of us and for the In-person Services.

REFUGEE SETTLEMENT UPDATE

- 1. Sirwan and his family: Let's pray that they will adapt well in Toronto. Mariwan, Sirwan's brother, has prepared all the daily necessities for the family. All they need is two working mobile phones and laptops.
- Please contact David Tong, Elton Cheong, James Lam or Michael Huynh if you have spare phones and laptops to donate.
- 2. Abdullah and his family: The application process started on August 20. Thank God that the family received the application number on October 28 so that they can continue to stay in Turkey and don't have to send back to Iraq. He is amazing and He listens and answer our prayer.

COVID UPDATES

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:

- A plan to safely reopen Ontario:
 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.

Online Attendance and Offering – Last Sunday

55 (36 online, 19 recording) | English Service
369 (38 Onsite, 56 Online, 275 recording) | Cantonese
3 Teens, 2 Adults | FOG Fellowship
15 kids & 9 leaders | Children Worship)

Chinese and English Service Giving (Nov 29 - Dec 5) \$14,865.00 | Total Offerings General Fund \$10,746.00; Missions \$2,830.00; Thanksgiving \$200.00; Love Fund \$560.00; Building Repair Repair \$529.00.

People to Connect with SMALL GROUP (SG) LEADERS

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

English Ministry Team

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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