

Vancouver Chinese Presbyterian Church



Rebuild the House of the Lord

Ezra 1:3

2018

Annual Report

2019 A.G.M. AGENDA

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Moderator:	Dr. Ted Siverns	
Interpreter:	Rev. Morgan Wong	
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MINUTES OF 2018 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

1. Date: Sunday, March 18, 2018. 12:30 p.m.

The meeting began with singing of "Great is Thy Faithfulness" and reading of Psalm 111.

Pastor Morgan gave the opening prayer.

Election of Moderator: Derek Dewald.

Andrew Wong (m), Arlene Wong(s) Approved.

Pastor Morgan was the interpreter.

2. Business:

A. Election of recording secretary, Sue Yuen. John Con (m), Jeanette Lee(s) Approved.

B. Adoption of Agenda. Remy Fu (m), Margaret Mah (s) Approved.

C. Adoption of 2017 AGM Minutes. Garland Chow(m), Jeanette Lee (s) Approved.

Correction: Page 3, point 8 Nelson Chan (not Nelson Wong)

Page 25, TRUSTEES – to be signed by a majority of at least 4 of the 6
Trustees to be valid (not 3 of the 5 Trustees)

D. Financial Report -

2017 Treasurer's report (p.5) Andrew Wong(m), Remy Fu (s) Approved.

2017 Financial Review (p.6-15) Andrew Wong (m), Jeanette Lee (s) Approved.

2018 Proposed Budget (p.16-18) Remy Fu (m), Margaret Mah (s) Approved.

E. Election of new members to Board of Managers. Diane Wong (m), George Sze (s) Approved.

Current Board members were re-appointed: Andrew Wong, Billy Lo, Nelson Chan, and Daniel Lai, chair Derek Dewald.

Garland Chow attends as session representative.

F. Appointment of Church Treasurer: Linda Sze re-elected.

Diane Wong (m), John Con (s). Approved.

G. Election of Trustees: Current six trustees were re-elected: Sue Mar, Ken Shuen, Adrian Wong, Alex Wong, Diana Wong, Richard Wong. At least 4 of 6 trustees to be valid.

John Con (m), Remy Fu (s). Approved.

3. Report from Rev. Morgan Wong (p. 19-20) Margaret Mah (m), Billy Lo (s). Approved.

4. Report from Youth Pastor Bill Chan (p. 21-23)

Jeanette Lee (m), Margaret Mah (s). Approved.

5. Report from Clerk of Session and Update on Rev. Alexander (p.24-29)

Adrian Wong - (p.26) Finance Committee - Treasurer Linda Sze and Pearl Lee;

Sunday Offering Counters - Marleen Wong, Gladly Yeong, Alice Wong,
Holly Siu, Ada Con, Yee Louis & Garland Chow.

Rev. Alexander Update (p.29) - Presbytery will conduct a 4-month "Review of Ministry" and will meet CPC members/adherents on Sat. April 7th, 1 - 2 p.m. A motion was passed that a joint congregational information meeting will be held at 12:30 p.m. following the March 30th Good Friday joint service to seek unity and clarity re the dissolution of pastoral tie between CPC and Rev. Alexander.

6. Reports from Departments and Fellowship (p. 30-48)

Andrew Wong (m), Jeanette Lee (s). Approved.

Garland Chow noted error in Chinese Adult Sunday school report (p.33)

"reflect the Lord Jesus" (not 'against the Lord Jesus')

Sue Yuen noted error in Chinese Language School report (p. 38)

Written by "Grace Ng". (not Christ Ng).

7. Updates and Presentation of Property Development Task Force (PDTF) by

George Sze (p.42): two motions -

1. To agree with an Escrow arrangement with the Westminster Presbytery

George Sze (m), Jeanette Lee (s). Approved.

2. To delegate the review of the terms of the Escrow Agreement to the PDTF and allow the PDTF to negotiate the terms of the Escrow Agreement.

George Sze (m), Jeannette Lee (s). Approved.

Notice of Motion -that the Session recommends the new sanctuary to be furnished with individual chairs, at a Congregational Meeting held on Sun. April 1, 2018 at 10:50 a.m.

George Sze presented a comparative overview of having Chairs instead of Pews in the redevelopment. The new sanctuary will be the only large space and have a high ceiling, individual chairs will allow for more flexible activity, seating can be increased from 64 seats to 200. Chairs are preferred by 85% of new buyers of church seating.

No other business & announcements

Move to adjourn 2: 35 p.m. John Con (m), David Tsang (s). Approved.

Closing prayer by Pastor Morgan.

Total attendance: 56.

TREASURER'S REPORT

In 2018, General Offerings continued its decline. The Nursery and Chinese School operating income also decreased slightly. The regular payroll and benefits payments to Rev. Alexander up to November 7, 2018 was also unexpected expenditures which increased the Operating Deficit.

With the delay in the construction of the new church, there are some uncertainties regarding the 2019 Operating Budget. Once Construction does begin, there will be operational changes in the Chinese and Nursery schools which will be moving to Kerrisdale Presbyterian Church and Sunday worship services to L'Alliance Francaise.

There will be no Vacation Bible School or AWANA during the rebuilding period. There will only be a Chinese Summer Conference in 2019. Mandarin Ministry is planning to add a retreat to their regular fellowship. With only one Minister, there will be increased expenditures for Pulpit speakers.

It is important for everyone who is able and/or willing to volunteer their time so there are not just a few doing most of the work. Everyone should work together for the common goal of doing God's work and not any individual's own interests.

It is greatly appreciated to have the many volunteers who have spent their time in counting and data entry this past year. The Sunday offerings are very important for the funding of the church's daily operations. Please refer to the Sunday bulletin to see who volunteers to help out each Sunday to do the counting and/or data entry and give them a big thank-you.

It would be appreciated if more people volunteered in church operations. There is a lot of work to do.

In His Service,
Linda Sze

Chinese Presbyterian Church 華人長老會
2019 Budget 財政預算

	Actual 12/1/2018 - 12/31/2018	2018	2019
REVENUE 收入			
GENERAL RECEIPTS 一般收入			
Envelope Offering	185,334.24	180,000.00	180,000.00
Loose Offering	6,050.83	3,000.00	5,000.00
General Receipts-Total 總額	<u>191,385.07</u>	<u>183,000.00</u>	<u>185,000.00</u>
Designated Receipts 指定收入			
Designated Offering	12,767.41	0.00	0.00
Designated New Church Building	221,123.00	0.00	0.00
Special Offering	0.00	0.00	0.00
Designated Receipts-Total 總額	<u>233,890.41</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
GRANT RECEIPTS 特別收入			
Summer Conference	3,620.00	0.00	2,500.00
Flowers & Bulletins	1,700.00	0.00	1,500.00
Vacation Bible School	1,810.00	1,500.00	0.00
Mission	2,790.00	2,300.00	2,500.00
Lighthouse	2,497.20	1,800.00	2,000.00
Awana	120.00	600.00	0.00
Grant Receipts-Total 總額	<u>12,537.20</u>	<u>6,200.00</u>	<u>8,500.00</u>
EDUCATION RECEIPTS 教育收入			
Nursery School Fees	158,040.00	180,000.00	140,000.00
Chinese School Fees	102,300.50	107,000.00	90,000.00
Education Receipts - Total 總額	<u>260,340.50</u>	<u>287,000.00</u>	<u>230,000.00</u>
PROPERTIES 物業			
Rental Income - 6435 Cambie Street	23,651.61	5,400.00	0.00
Rental Income - 6437 Cambie Street	15,967.00	6,000.00	0.00
Rental Income - 6459 Cambie Street	8,949.68	7,000.00	0.00
Rental Income - 6461 Cambie Street	9,605.29	3,000.00	0.00
Properties Receipts - Total 總額	<u>58,173.58</u>	<u>21,400.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
OTHER RECEIPTS 其他收入			
Funds Interest	4,403.76	2,000.00	0.00
Manse Fund Interest	14,062.59	10,000.00	0.00
Development Fund Interest	0.00	24,925.00	0.00
Other Interest and Investments	729.30	4,000.00	500.00
Other Receipts - Total 總額	<u>19,195.65</u>	<u>40,925.00</u>	<u>500.00</u>
OTHER ITEMS 其他			
	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
TOTAL REVENUE 總收入	<u>775,522.41</u>	<u>538,525.00</u>	<u>424,000.00</u>

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2019 Budget 財政預算

	Actual 12/1/2018 - 12/31/2018		2018	2019
EXPENSE 費用支出				
MINISTER'S OFFICE EXPENSES				
Office Staff - Wages	13,636.48	12,000.00	14,000.00	
Office Staff - EI	370.25	300.00	380.00	
Office Staff - CPP	616.79	400.00	620.00	
Office Staff - WCB	20.54	25.00	25.00	
Total Office Staff Remuneration	14,644.06	12,725.00		15,025.00
Stipends	96,157.18	79,000.00	57,000.00	
Housing Allowance	41,643.33	34,200.00	22,800.00	
Minister's -EI	2,402.93	3,500.00	1,800.00	
Minister's - CPP	5,131.46	5,100.00	2,600.00	
Minister's - WCB	153.11	200.00	100.00	
Minister's - Benefits	23,830.62	32,000.00	23,000.00	
Minister's Manse - Utilities	2,350.74	2,100.00	2,100.00	
Minister's Manse - Telephone	2,377.69	1,100.00	1,100.00	
Total Minister's Remuneration	174,047.06	157,200.00		110,500.00
Youth Worker Salary	2,186.20	12,000.00	0.00	
Youth Worker - EI	69.71	300.00	0.00	
Youth Worker-CPP	105.17	400.00	0.00	
Youth Worker- WCB	3.20	30.00	0.00	
Total Youth Worker Remuneration	2,364.28	12,730.00		0.00
Continuing Education	1,065.91	0.00		0.00
Special Resource Material	1,265.74	1,000.00		1,300.00
Pulpit Supplies	3,520.00	1,000.00		6,000.00
Minister's Office Total 總額	196,907.05	184,655.00		132,825.00
CHURCH PROGRAMS 教會活動				
Awana	273.82	800.00		0.00
Christian Education & Rentals	8,059.62	8,500.00		34,750.00
Congregational Life	1,065.54	1,000.00		1,000.00
Music Ministry	933.90	600.00		1,000.00
Flowers and Benevolence	1,512.42	0.00		1,500.00
Alpha Ministry	718.28	0.00		0.00
Summer Conference	5,755.79	0.00		2,500.00
Mandarin Ministry	1,810.05	1,500.00		3,000.00
Vacation Bible School	0.00	0.00		0.00
Church Programs - Total 總額	20,129.42	12,400.00		43,750.00
MISSIONS 差傳				
Synod, Presbytery & Camp Douglas	8,754.85	5,000.00		10,000.00
Presbyterians Sharing	20,000.00	20,000.00		20,000.00
CPC Missions	920.00	2,300.00		2,500.00
Lighthouse	1,000.00	1,800.00		2,000.00
Missions- Total 總額	30,674.85	29,100.00		34,500.00

EDUCATION 教育

Nursery School - Salaries	79,237.00	95,000.00	80,000.00
Nursery School - EI	1,925.46	2,500.00	2,000.00
Nursery School - CPP	3,651.14	3,300.00	3,600.00
Nursery School - WCB	722.56	800.00	750.00
Nursery School - Benefits	600.00	2,500.00	600.00
Total Nursery School Remuneration	86,136.16	104,100.00	86,950.00
Chinese School - Salaries	85,320.00	84,000.00	84,000.00
Chinese School - EI	1,842.22	2,000.00	1,900.00
Chinese School - CPP	1,451.15	1,900.00	1,500.00
Chinese School - WCB	1,069.70	700.00	1,000.00
Total Chinese School Remuneration	89,683.07	88,600.00	88,400.00
Chinese School Supplies&Services	4,331.11	2,000.00	4,000.00
Insurance	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Nursery School Supplies&Services	4,062.92	6,000.00	3,500.00
Rent	0.00	0.00	3,200.00
Telephone	1,007.04	800.00	1,000.00
Utilities	4,553.60	4,500.00	4,000.00
Janitor- Wages	22,612.49		1,875.00
Janitor - EI	525.45	500.00	50.00
Janitor - CPP	1,028.62	1,100.00	90.00
Janitor - WCB	36.13	50.00	10.00
Janitor - Benefits	3,301.74	4,200.00	350.00
Total Janitor Remuneration	27,504.43	28,350.00	2,375.00
Janitorial Supplies & Services	801.19	800.00	20,000.00
Education - Total 總額	219,579.52	236,650.00	214,925.00

PROPERTIES 物業

Insurance	-222.00	2,900.00	0.00
Legal & Professional	9,955.46	8,000.00	0.00
Property Taxes - 6435 Cambie St	5,514.70	2,000.00	0.00
Property Taxes - 6437 Cambie St	5,514.71	2,000.00	0.00
Property Taxes- 6459 Cambie St	6,095.21	2,100.00	0.00
Property Taxes - 6461Cambie St	6,095.20	2,100.00	0.00
Repairs&Maintenance-6435 Cambie	1,340.98	1,800.00	0.00
Repairs&Maintenance-6437 Cambie	2,042.92	800.00	0.00
Repairs&Maintenance-6459 Cambie	2,347.81	200.00	0.00
Repairs&Maintenance-6461 Cambie	572.91	400.00	0.00
Utilities-6435 Cambie St.	932.22	300.00	0.00
Utilities - 6437 Cambie St.	3,582.70	1,400.00	0.00
Utilities - 6459 Cambie St.	875.15	400.00	0.00
Properties - Total 總額	44,647.97	24,400.00	0.00

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2019 Budget 財政預算

	Actual 12/1/2018 - 12/31/2018	2018	2019
BUILDING, GROUNDS & OTHER 房屋、土地及其他			
Advertising	670.00	800.00	700.00
Bank Charges & Interest	1,387.38	1,300.00	1,300.00
GST	-1,195.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
Insurance	10,395.00	8,500.00	12,000.00
Legal & Accounting	8,856.63	8,000.00	10,000.00
Office Supplies	3,100.23	2,000.00	3,000.00
Printing & Mimeographing	4,548.11	4,000.00	2,000.00
Property Taxes	469.00	500.00	1,000.00
Repairs & Maintenance	12,613.76	5,000.00	5,000.00
Telephone	1,495.84	1,200.00	1,400.00
Utilities	5,970.54	8,000.00	5,000.00
Janitor - Wages	7,537.51	7,500.00	625.00
Janitor - EI	175.23	200.00	20.00
Janitor - CPP	333.52	400.00	40.00
Janitor - WCB	12.04	20.00	2.00
Janitor - Benefits	1,104.88	1,400.00	120.00
Total Janitor Remuneration	9,163.18	9,520.00	807.00
Amortization	0.00	0.00	0.00
Building, Grounds & Other - Total 總額	57,474.67	51,320.00	44,707.00
Designated Funds 指定基金			
Designated Church Development	221,123.00	0.00	0.00
Other Designated Transfers	11,265.41	0.00	0.00
Endowment Fund Transfers	0.00	0.00	-1,000.00
Manse Fund Transfers	0.00	0.00	-10,000.00
Designated Operating Fund	-26,279.48	0.00	-35,707.00
Designated New Church Building	0.00	0.00	0.00
Designated Funds - Total 總額	206,108.93	0.00	-46,707.00
TOTAL EXPENSE 總支出	775,522.41	538,525.00	424,000.00
NET INCOME 淨收入	0.00	0.00	0.00
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REBUILDING THE HOUSE OF THE LORD

Whoever is among you of all his people, may his God be with him,
and let him go up to Jerusalem, which is in Judah,
and rebuild the house of the LORD,
the God of Israel—he is the God who is in Jerusalem.

Ezra 1:3 (ESV)

Praise the Lord! 2018 concludes the three year plan for Vancouver Chinese Presbyterian Church. In 2016, our church theme was “Rebuilding Lives”. For 2017, it was “Rebuilding of Congregation” and 2018, “Rebuilding the House of the Lord.” It is my desire and intention that prior to our rebuilding project, let’s rebuild ourselves and be molded to become God’s pleasing vessels. Then, the congregation would also be built up. At last, our church would be built upon the solid rock. Never be shaken! Blessed be the Lord.

This year, I have the opportunity to encourage the elders to perform their duties and to provide some basic training in preaching. I am very glad to see that the elders are happy to serve. They are fully prepared whenever they stepped up to the pulpit. Both the speakers and listeners benefitted from each other. I thank our Father in heaven.

I continued to lead two Bible studies. A bi-monthly English Ladies Bible Study on alternate Friday mornings. We finished the books of Ephesians and Colossians as well as part way through the first epistle to the Corinthians. A weekly Chinese Bible study was held every Thursday afternoon. Several years ago, we started to study the book of Genesis. Slowly but surely, we are now studying the book of Second Kings. These serious students have given me a lot of encouragement, because everyone is eager to understand the Word of God, so the interest is increasing, and they are coming faithfully to these study meetings. Thank the Lord!

In March, I prepared a forty-day devotional booklet to introduce the Gospel of John, mainly in response to the question Jesus asked: Who do you think I am? At the same time, I provide a comparison chart of the four Gospels and a brief introduction to the Gospel of John with different topics and themes for easy understanding.

Thank God! In the June 17th Father's Day, two young members were ordained as elders. They are Nelson Chan and Billy Lo. May God give them strength and grace, richly bless their ministry.

As Session anticipated the demolition of our church building would be imminent, the AWANA children program reluctantly ceased to operate after June due to lack of space. We encouraged parents to continue to bring their children to our Sunday School program.

In the middle of July was our popular Vacation Bible School which was also a highlight of our church. With the leadership of Lela Ling supported by many volunteers, it was another year of

success in reaching out to our community, teaching these loving kids the Good News of Jesus Christ. We thank Mrs. Kam Wong for providing the Friday lunch and the sisters from the Chinese Bible Study Group who donated a large cake for all the volunteers. This was followed by our church annual picnic, in collaboration with our Preschool, held on July 22nd at Maple Grove Park. It was one of the highest attendances in recent years. Congregants and families from the Preschool mingled together, enjoying the fun and the sun, games and food as well as the fellowship.

The Summer Retreats ran from July 27 – 29. We are very blessed to have Dr. John Patrick from Ottawa as our guest speaker in the English congregation, and Dr. Enoch Wong for the Chinese congregation. Elders Tim Tam and Remy Fu had invited the Medical and Dental Christian Fellowship to join us. They even outnumbered the Chinese speaking delegates. Therefore, the English group met in our sanctuary whereas the Chinese group hosted their main talks at Oakridge Baptist Church. Many thanks for elder Tim Tam and the Planning Committee of their faithful service.

On Thanksgiving Sunday, October 7th, we received seven new members; four by immersion baptism, one confirmation and two baptism of infants. For all my 34 years of pastoral ministry, this was my first time to conduct baptism by immersion. On that morning, though the weather was a bit chilly, all worshippers were excited to witness the grace of God reaching out to these new Christians.

As our church launched to the golden age of the 123rd anniversary, reflecting our past history, we noted that the hard work of the predecessors was really not easy. I hope that future generations will follow the goals of the predecessors, with the right vision, and build the church and the school upon the rock of Christ. Never waver. The anniversary banquet was postponed and held on Remembrance Day, November 11th, at Grand Crystal Seafood Restaurant in Burnaby. We have a total of 21 tables, including church members, adherents, friends and families. On the evening, elders Tim Tam and Diana Wong were the master of ceremony; the co-chairs of the Fundraising Committee, Victor Ling and Grace Ng-Wong welcomed the special guests to express their gratitude, and the elders George Sze gave a comprehensive update of our rebuilding project with a power point presentation.

2018 was the most difficult year in all my years of ministry. Satan's temptations exhausted me and the church was always clouded in a dull atmosphere. Many things must be kept in confidence if they are not assessed by Presbytery. Frustrated! So it caused misunderstandings to some of our members. I myself can only remain silent, sadden, look up to God, rely on Him, deeply believe that God is righteous, and will surely guide the whole Session through the valley of the shadow of death. In this dark moment, I thank my wife and many brothers and sisters for their understanding and comfort. I would like to express my heartfelt thanks to them.

The Session and I have learned a valuable lesson in this trial. Although we were all traumatized, the spirit of mutual help and mutual love was manifested. Lord! We thank You. We are even more grateful to the respectable Reverend Doctor Ted Siverns. In this process, he spared no effort,

repeatedly travelling from his home in Langley to our midst to support us and guide us. May God bless his love.

Finally, in the process of rebuilding the church, I hope that we can rebuild the people of God's Kingdom with one accord. Without participation, sacrifice, dedication and cooperation, we cannot see God's work among us. Here, I thank the elders, the Board of Managers, the treasurer and finance team, the members of the Board of Education and the teachers of the Sunday School, as well as many behind-the-scene workers, the brothers and sisters for their care and support. To God be the glory!

Respectfully Submitted,

Rev. Morgan Wong

SESSION (堂議會) 2018

MODERATOR & SENIOR MINISTER 主任牧師:

(1996) The Rev. Dr. Morgan Wong, BA, BTh, MDiv., DMin. (黃鼎盛牧師)

CLERK 堂會書記:

(2008) Adrian Wong (黃立錚)

ELDERS 長老:

2018 - Nelson Chan (陳沛江)	Billy Lo (盧玉明)
2009 - George Sze (史培鏞)	
2004 - Remy Fu-Tam (譚傅秀紅)	Diana Wong (黃鍾齊安)
2000 - Victor Ling (林重慶)	Adrian Wong (黃立錚)
1993 - Garland Chow (李家麟)	Tony Tsang* (曾木興)
1985 - John Con (簡約翰)	Gordon Lowe* (劉繼興)
Timothy Tam (譚仁德)	
1976 - Ken Shuen* (孫國權)	* Inactive

Attendance at Presbytery: 區議會代表:

Minister	- Rev. Dr. Morgan Wong (黃鼎盛牧師)
Representative Elder	- Adrian Wong (黃立錚)
Alternate Elder	- George Sze (史培鏞)

Presbytery Committee Reps: 區議會委員會代表:

Mission/Ministry 宣教及事工	- Rev. Morgan Wong (黃鼎盛牧師)
PWD & Services	- Ken Shuen (孫國權)
Properties & Finance 物業及財務	- Adrian Wong (黃立錚)

COMMITTEES/TEAM (小組): (Minister is are ex-officio members on all committees)

Our deepest appreciation to all the convenors, volunteers and participants who generously gave of their time and talents in serving on the various church committees and ministries including the following:

English Music Ministry, Youth Orchestra, Chinese Music Ministry, Awana, Youth Group, Ezra, Garden Club, History Committee, Leading with Care, Mandarin Fellowship-Alpha, Missions

Committee, Pastoral Care Team, Prayer & Share, Offering/Accounting Teams, Personnel Committee, Summer Conference, New Horizon/Senior's Program, Family Fellowship, Westside Fellowship, Web Design, Audio Video Team, Hospitality-Refreshment Teams, Chinese Bible Study, Sunday School, Preschool, Chinese School, Vacation Bible School, Property Development Task Force, Fund Raising Committee, and Worship Ministry (including all participants in both Worship Services, the speakers, interpreters, worship leaders, musicians, singers, ushers, greeters, Children's Focus, Kid's Kare, the contributors of the Flowers and Bulletins, the floral arrangers, the Communion team, etc.

TERM OFFICERS – 2018

(The following congregational members served term appointments during 2018)

TRUSTEES (教會物業信託人):

- Elected during the AGM to serve a one year term ending at the AGM in 2018.

(* All church real estate are held in trust by the Trustees, and all legal documents concerning the purchase, the encumbrance, or sale of church real estate are to be signed by a majority of at least 4 of the 6 Trustees to be valid.)

Susie Mar Yuen	(馬麗君)
Ken Shuen	(孫國權)
Adrian Wong	(黃立錚)
Alex Wong	(黃立章)
Diana Wong	(黃鍾齊安)
Richard Wong	(黃國裕)

BOARD OF MANAGERS (堂務委員會) : Serve various terms.

Derek Dewald	- Chair (主席)
Linda Sze	(史黃美意) - Treasurer (司庫)
Nelson Chan	(陳沛江)
Andrew Wong	(黃永聰)
Billy Lo	(盧玉明)
Daniel Lai	(黎永佳)
Elder Garland Chow	(李家麟) - Session Liaison Representative (堂議會代表)

*Minister (Minister is an ex-official member)

OFFERING-DATA ENTRY ACCOUNTING TEAM (財務小組) :

Linda Sze	(史黃美意)	- Treasurer (教會財政)	
Gladly Kwan	(楊關素婷)	Ada Con	(簡慧屏)
Marleen Wong	(黃李恩恩)	Yee Louis	(雷鄭綺年)
Alice Wong	(黃銀鳳)	Garland Chow	(李家麟)
Holly Siu	(蕭雷慕娟)		

教育顧問 - EDUCATION ADVISORS TO SESSION:

BOARD OF EDUCATION: Chair- Dr. Remy Fu Tam (譚傅秀紅)

1. SUNDAY SCHOOL PRINCIPAL: Linda Con (主日學校長: 簡黃翠蓮)
2. PRESCHOOL SUPERVISOR: Samantha Chan (幼兒園主任: 何陳秀雯)
3. CHINESE SCHOOL PRINCIPAL: Grace Ng Wong (中文學校長: 黃吳錦城師母)
4. VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL DIRECTOR: Lela Ling (暑期聖經班主任: 林理祿)

CHURCH SECRETARY - 教會秘書: Esther Wong (黃簡蕙舜姊妹)

CHURCH CUSTODIAN - 教會總務: Anderson Hao Zhen (甄浩)

MEMBERS AND FRIENDS: (會員及會友)

Members on the Roll as of December 31, 2018

會員: 2018 年 12 月 31 日 (120 + 4 + 1 - 3 - 3) = Total 119

Added to Communion Roll in 2018

A. By Baptism of Adults - 成人洗禮: (+ 4)

1. Qin, Xiao Hui (Sabrina) (秦曉暉)
2. Mo, Stacy (莫藝施)
3. Chen, Shaofen (Amy) (陳少芬)
4. Wu, Jia Bin (吳家斌)

Confirmation - 堅信: (+ 1)

1. Yu, Raymond Ho Ning (余浩能)

B. By Baptism of Children/Infants - 幼兒洗禮：(2)

1. Yu, Leo
2. Yu, Marcus

C. Transfer In - 轉會：(0)

D. Removed from Roll in 2018 - 會友名冊刪

By action of Session 堂議會的決定 (0)

By death 去世 (- 3)

By transfer out 轉會 (- 3)

IN MEMORIAM 2018 - 悼念：

Members - 會友：(- 3)

1. Elder Kevin Fong Sang (方勵強長老)
2. Mrs. Vivian Liang
3. Dr. King-Chiu Kwong (余蔭敬朝)

Friends/Adherents - 朋友/會眾：

1. William Mon Bew Lee
2. Karen Seto
3. Peter Sze

ATTENDANCE in 2018:

Average Attendance at OCM Services 英文堂平均人數: 46

Average Attendance at Chinese Services 中文堂平均人數: 66

Approx. Total average combined Attendance per week 每週平均人數: 112

Average Attendance at the Combined Services (5 times in 2018) 聯合崇拜平均人數: 122

Respectfully Submitted,
Elder Adrian Wong

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT

The Board Of Education at CPC would like to thank all the members for their dedication to Christian education and their love for the Lord as this type of service is voluntary and on the basis of love for God and His children. Since its inception on October of 2016, the Board has added a new member elder Billy Lo whose internet technical skills has been a tremendous asset to Christian education. The existing members are Lela Ling , the Secretary who takes all the minutes of all meetings; Linda Sze, the Treasurer who keeps the budget and oversees the expenditures; Samantha Chan ,Teacher and Supervisor of the preschool; Grace Wong, the Principal of the Chinese Language School and elder Remy Tam, Chairman of the Board.

The essential function of the Board is to ensure that the mission of the church is sustained as its primary focus and that is to reach out to all families of young children with the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ through education in a safe, healthy and nourishing environment. Our program strives to enable each child to learn about God's love, love for others through social interactions, group settings, making music together, as well as to help them develop creativity through self expression, self control, exhibit responsibility and the joy of learning for life! Needless to say, the preschool aims to prepare them for kindergarten readiness. The Chinese Language program ensures the children to learn and appreciate the Chinese language and its rich Chinese cultural heritage through texts, poems, music and drama in a foreign land like Canada. More and more, we are seeing young children with immigrant parents from China. We are here to help preserve the value of Chinese language and culture in-order to appreciate and understand intergenerational differences going forward and to better relate to peers with different set of cultural background and identity.

For 2018 our Preschool enrollment numbers are 15 juniors and 16 seniors and there are 200 children for the Chinese Language School. The classes will be held in the same location until the end of this semester June 30, 2019. The move to another location has been postponed due to the delay in church redevelopment project.

It was exciting to see a record number of preschool parents, alumni and church members who attended the annual church picnic at Maple Grove Park in July, 2018 : 165 people all in all ! A big thank you to Elders Garland Chow and Tim Tam, Sandy and Ken Troung and the PAC committee in making this picnic a big success!

Another good news is there will be computer software classes coming February, 2019 at the church venue to be taught by elder Billy Lo. This was initiated by the Youth Advisory Council a year ago with a proposal and it is happening soon. The BOE encourages you all to invite your friends young or old to participate in this venture. Glory be to our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ!

Please continue to pray for the Board and its members to faithfully carry on its mandate for the sake of the Gospel of Christ.

Remy Tam

Chair BOE

2018 CHINESE LANGUAGE SCHOOL REPORT

“Train a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not turn from it.”
Proverbs 22:6

A year has slipped by and 2019 just rushed in. Another year has passed, but God's grace lasts forever.

I thank God for His blessings who has given me an opportunity to serve Him in Chinese Language School for the past 16 years. In retrospect, my heart is filled with a fixed feeling of countless joy and melancholy. In these years, I have established many lasting relationships with parents, students and teachers. Their unspeakable love and care toward one another have made a lasting imprint upon me.

I recall in the early stage, elder and Mrs. Tony Tsang assisted in administrative duties at Chinese Language School. Besides that, they taught Bible lessons and stories which benefitted the students. How could I forget these happy moments!

Dear brothers and sisters, I would like to sincerely thank you for your support, care, encouragement, instructions and prayers in all these years. In August, 2019, I will formally step down from Chinese School. God's grace is bountiful; He will send His beloved child to serve at Chinese School. Hallelujah, praise the Lord!

Report from Chinese Language School:

- Due to the proposed relocation of Chinese School, the further travel distance has affected the enrollment of the school.
- Currently, we have approximately 210 students. There are 11 teachers and they are very committed and well-experienced.
- Students did an excellent job in both the Christmas & Graduation Performances this year. Thank you teachers for their dedication in teaching the students. Especially, Ms. Michelle Ng's efforts should be recognized. She has spent enormous time every year with students to prepare for the skit of the First Christmas. So that, the nativity story can be seen on the stage.
- A big thank you to Ms. Michelle Cheung, a passionate and generous alumni parent, in supporting our school. She donated trophies for students who had outstanding achievement every school year. She dedicates herself in education and sets a good example in supporting students. May God richly bless her!

- At last, I thank Rev. Morgan Wong for his guidance, Anderson Zhen for his loyal service, Samantha Ho for her assistance and all the elders, treasurer, the Board of Education members, the Board of Managers and all dear brother & sisters for your care, support and prayers. May God richly bless you all!

In Christ,
Principal Grace Ng

PRESCHOOL ANNUAL REPORT

We thank God for his guidance and all his blessings throughout the year. We thank him for providing support needed to help the school run smoothly.

In 2018, after a large senior class graduated in June, we started our new school year with two senior classes that are taught by me and Ms. Chen. In the afternoon, we have a large junior class taught by Mrs. Wong and Miss Kam. We are so glad that Mrs. Esther Wong joined our teaching team as she is a very caring and experienced ECE teacher. I sincerely thank you all the teachers (Ms. Sue Chen, Mrs. Esther Wong and Miss Kelly Kam) for their dedication in teaching the children and for their support. Most importantly, thank you God for providing such a good team to work with me so that we can run this preschool with love and care.

The parent committee's dedication to the school is also very much appreciated. Ms. Maggie Chan and Ms. Yvonne Lam have led the PAC for three years and organized many fun activities for our students at CPC. They successfully united the church families and school families through the annual picnic in July. In 2018, we hosted our Grandparents Appreciation Day, school field trip to Kidtropolis, Sports Day, Easter Party and our two performances for Christmas and Year-End Graduation.

After dealing with the City of Vancouver for over one year, we managed to get the jobs done for the temporary school site in Taiwanese Presbyterian Church. Although the process was not smooth, God has guided us and opened the path whenever we needed. It was another opportunity to experience His guidance! Currently, we are waiting for the City to have a final inspection and then applying for the Occupancy Permit before we can start preschool there in September, 2019.

A very special thanks to the members in the Board of Education: Elder Remy Tam, Mrs. Lela Ling, Mrs. Linda Sze, Elder Billy Lo and Principal Grace Ng for their guidance and support to the preschool. Thank you, Principal Ng, for spending time with our students in practising the percussion band for the graduation performance as well. Also, thank you, Rev. Morgan Wong, for his support and prayers, as well as giving up his Tuesdays day off to talk to the parents at the Christmas and Year End Graduation ceremonies. We also thank Elder Tim Tam, Elder Garland Chow and Ms. Sandy Yip for helping the PAC organize the Annual Picnic. All the elders, the board members, and the church family, thank you so much for your support and prayers as well.

We continue to trust God in his leadership and guidance and direction. May all glory be given to him.

In Christ,
Samantha Ho

CHINESE ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

“Show me your ways, O LORD, teach me your paths. Guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my Saviour, and my hope is in you all day long.” Psalms 25:4-5

We thank the Lord for Elder Tony Tsang and Mrs. Grace Tsang's devoted services in leading the Chinese Adult Sunday School for the past many years. During 2018, Elder Tony Tsang and Mrs. Grace Tsang have stepped down from the leader's role due to health reasons. May God bless their health and may they find other areas of service in their capacities.

We are very happy to have Andrew Wong to step up to take this leader role by serving as the new Chinese Adult Sunday School teacher. Andrew has been attending Bible Study Fellowship (BSF) for many years and has been a small group leader in the BSF for past several years. May the Holy Spirit guides Andrew as he shares the lessons and God's words with the class.

The Chinese Adult Sunday School class meets at 9:45 am every Sunday morning before the Chinese Sunday Service. During 2018, we studied the following topics:

Chapter 72 – Church Revival

Chapter 73 – Love

Chapter 74 – Praise

Chapter 75 – Offering is a Grace

Chapter 76 – Healing by Miracle

Chapter 77 – The Lord's Day

We pray that God continues to bless this Adult Sunday School class and its members. Also, may God's words build each member spiritually and that we may live each day by what we have learned so that we can shine into the world following Jesus Christ's teaching.

“But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come.”

John 16:13

In Christ,
Elder Diana Wong

2018 BOARD OF MANAGERS REPORT

The Board would like to thank its current members, Andrew Wong, Trong Phu and Daniel Lai, for their hard work and contribution, to thank the Treasurer Linda Sze for participation and managing CPC's financial matters. We also thank the Session, Reverend Wong for continued guidance and support.

The board would like to recognize and thank the contribution of Billy Lo and Nelson Chan who have continued to support and assisted in Board activities after being called as elders. Thank You sincerely for the continued support. The Board welcomed Trong Phu to service in the fall of 2018.

A summary of the critical items addressed throughout 2018 and continuing to be of importance include;

1. The Church rental properties which were managed by VHL, had a number of repair requirements and tenant related issues which occurred during the year. The Board followed the principle of incurring only those expenses deemed necessary for safety of the tenants. The agreement with VHL was successfully terminated in October 2018 upon the sale of the properties.
2. Unfortunately leaks in the Church building have continued. Given the pending redevelopment current focus is on ensure safety of facilities, please raise any items to the Board for consideration and awareness.
3. Several administrative and technical challenges presented themselves throughout the year. The Board would like to thank Billy Lo for his hard work and technical abilities to resolve, notably challenges related to the Wireless Internet.
4. The Board will continue to work with the Transition committee with respect to the storage and disposition of all items within the church (not located in the sanctuary). More information will be available as we draw closer, please feel free to raise concerns or questions to the Board of Managers for consideration and discussion.
5. The Church purchased the expiring lease of the Photocopier, which is now owned by the Church.

The Board strong encourages anyone who feels the calling in their heart to speak with an existing Board Member if they are interested in joining or assisting.

In the Lord's service,

Derek Dewald
BOM Chair

CHINESE CHOIR

“My son, pay attention to what I say; turn your ear to my words. Do not let them out of your sight, keep them within your heart; for they are life to those who find them and health to one’s whole body. Above all else, guard your heart, for everything you do flows from it.”

Proverbs 4:20-23

The Vancouver Chinese Presbyterian Church celebrates its 123rd anniversary in 2018. "God's words are grace...", relying on God's protection and guiding, Sandy Phu, Lily Yee joined us as pianist; in 2018, the youth pianists continued to support our Chinese Choir:

Colin Lee, Mathew Lee, Meghan Lee,

Christy Lo, Vincent Lo,

William Chan, Vanessa Chan

With their accompaniment, we sing praises together, thank the Lord!

I would like to thank Mrs. Anna Tsang, and every member of the choir for their loyal service. Thank you, Mr. and Mrs. Tu Chun Fok for recording the weekly anthem and uploading them to Youtube. Thank God for giving us good health so that we can continue to use music to spread the kingdom of God.

Thank God! He gives me the opportunity to serve as the Chinese Choir leader. I am honored to be the leader for three years. We are very pleased that the sister Cecilia Chan was appointed as the leader of the new Chinese Choir in 2019. I hope that the Lord will accept her ministry and bless our new choir's leader and her family.

“And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.”

Romans 8:28

With grateful hearts we thank God for the opportunity to sing in the choir and to glorify our Trivne God.

In Christ,

Mandy Kwan Chan

Chinese Choir Leader

(Translated from the original Chinese version)

EZRA FELLOWSHIP

“Let the word of Christ dwell among you richly in all wisdom; teaching and helping one another with songs of praise and holy words, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.”

Colossians 3:16

In 2018, the fellowship continues the vision from 2017 by reaching out to members who are confined in Senior Homes or in their own homes due to their inability to attend church activities. Therefore, we do visitations as part of our “people building” goal periodically.

At Christmas time, we did carolling and visited several families and individuals. We were happy to have Elder Billy Lo and Eliza Lo joined us in this event. At one of the Senior Homes, we even attracted a couple of non-CPC members to join us in this celebration of Christmas. They were attracted by our singing of familiar Christmas songs and hymns. This gave us opportunity to evangelize by sharing the Gospel with non-Christians. Praise the Lord!

During the times when we are staying inside, the fellowship continues our weekly devotion/bible study led by each member on a rotation basis. The purpose is to help members to grow more spiritually and be rooted deeper in God’s words. Instead of randomly choosing bible verses to share each week, we have decided to study the book of Isaiah during 2018, and will continue to study this book in 2019.

During construction of our new church, Ezra Fellowship will continue its weekly meeting. We thank God for providing us with complimentary use of space at the Oakridge Baptist Church.

May God continue to bless Ezra Fellowship and every member, expand our ministry, provide us with outreach opportunities, revive the members spiritually, and increase the membership in numbers.

“Not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the day approaching.”

Hebrews 10:25

In Christ,
Elder Diana Wong

LADIES' BIBLE STUDY

"Every part of scripture is God-breathed and useful one way or another - showing us truth, exposing our rebellion, correcting our mistakes, training us to live God's way. Through the Word, we are put together and shaped up for the tasks God has for us."

2 Timothy 3: 16,17 (The Message)

The Ladies' Bible Study group (English) meets on alternate Friday mornings under the leadership of Pastor Morgan Wong.

Our format is: Observation (what does the scripture say?),
Interpretation (what does the scripture mean?)
Application (how do we apply this Biblical truth?)

In 2018, we studied Philippians, Colossians and began studying 1st Corinthians.

Themes in Philippians: rejoice in the gospel

Themes in Colossians: Christ is the fulness of God and the preeminent all-sufficient Saviour

We all benefit from looking into the scriptures and seeking God's guidance to apply what we learn into our lives.

Respectfully submitted,
Sue Yuen Mar

MANDARIN BIBLE STUDY FELLOWSHIP

Praise the Lord the Mandarin Bible Study Fellowship has grown steadily from 2016 to 2018 under the leadership of David Chen and Edith Cai and Elders Tim Tam and Remy Tam and full support from the Session with the goal of establishing a Mandarin worship service in the future by the will of God.

The attendance fluctuates from 10-15 members. In 2018, 3 members received baptism by immersion and shared their personal testimony in the Chinese worship service. It is a delight to see them commit their lives to Christ as Lord and Saviour. Most of the members are immigrants from China. We now have a total of 5 baptism for the past 2 years.

We meet on Fridays from 7:00 pm to 9:30 pm with a delicious meal as a way of hospitality followed by praise in songs, prayer and inductive Bible study on the Book of Genesis. Sharing time is encouraged after each session with either question, personal testimony, prayer time.

We have started to have other participants leading the Bible study as a way of discipleship and participation from the group. It is a thrill to discover that gifts and talents can be developed among the members going forward. It is encouraging to see new faces from time to time. Thanks to the Session for endorsement of this ministry along with the church as a body of Christ for its financial support to jump start this ministry. Your continuous prayers would be appreciated as we look forward to study the Book of Acts in the very near future. Few members attempt to join the CPC worship services either because of language barrier or the order of worship is not culturally adaptive to what they are used to.

We believe God has a purpose for this ministry to grow in our present location as we see many Mandarin speakers in our vicinity! They just need to be invited to come and worship that Jesus is Lord. May God's will be done among us for the glory of his name!

David and Edith Chen
Tim and Remy Tam

PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT TASK FORCE REPORT

We continue the process for the redevelopment of our Church, summaries of 2018 activities are:

A: Presbytery

- 1) On February 20 2018, The national Committee on Church Architecture "COCA" endorsed our church design
- 2) On June 19, 2018 PDTF concluded the negotiation of the terms of the Escrow agreement with the P&F committee of Presbytery
- 3) Submitted updated supplemental information requested by P&F committee on Oct 16, 2018.
- 4) Presented to the P&F committee our vision and development plan on November 26, 2018.
- 5) Submitted to the Presbytery for release of VCPC Funds to reimburse redevelopment costs incurred on October 22, 2018
- 6) Engaged a CPA to review the expense payments and report to the Presbytery P&F committee to reimburse costs to VCPC in December 2018
- 7) On-going dealings with Presbytery P&F committee with respect to approval of the redevelopment of CPC. Discussion on engaging a "Development Consultant" to oversee the process for Presbytery and VCPC.

B: Building Permit / Construction

- 1) Construction start has been delayed due to the Presbytery approval process. It is now forecasted to start after July 2019. Timing is uncertain as the reports required to satisfy Presbytery to release their fiduciary duty is complex and multi-disciplined.
- 2) GBL has requested a fee increase of \$ 84,000 due to the length of the process and a more complex endeavour in design.
- 3) Building Permit application was slated for December 2018 but is now delayed due to loss of design momentum and Presbytery constraints.
- 4) So far including GBL there are eleven consultants involved in the ongoing design of this project
- 5) To the end of December 2018, VCPC has spent \$ 328,508 in consulting fees and \$ 76,427 to the City of Vancouver for Development Permits. All work by VCPC is done on a voluntary basis.

- 6) In December, we sent out request for proposals for the Construction Management of this redevelopment and budgets. The revised development budget is around \$ 22.5 Million plus permits and consultant fees and civil and sewer work as required by the City.
- 7) The current target is to submit the Building Permit application in March 2019 and by June with the full application.
- 8) There are uncertainties with respect to how Presbytery is going to be engaged with “Oversight” of our selection process and construction process.

C: VCPC

- 1) The sale of the duplex properties completed on October 4, 2018. The transaction saw net proceeds of \$ 27 Million deposited into the TD Escrow Account per our agreement with Presbytery.
- 2) In November, PDTF visited Charity Lawyers Norton Rose and Fulbright to discuss this development including daycare, nursery school and general risk profiles.
- 3) Despite our previous submissions to the Presbytery, they have requested studies and verifications and many other reports to be compiled by independent consultants. This has created a necessity to concentrate our efforts to provide these reports
- 4) On the recommendation of PDTF, the committee has now morphed into “VCPC Building Committee” which comprises of two task forces:
 - a. Presbytery Liaison Committee – The primary task is to engage and represent VCPC in providing the required reports to P&F of the Presbytery. This task force is made up of: Rev. Morgan Wong, Elders: Adrian Wong, Garland Chow, John Con, Remy Tam, Victor Ling and Nelson Chan
 - b. Construction Committee – This group is to continue with the design process and Building Permit application process. To manage the construction process and to dispose or recommend otherwise the rental units. This task force is made up of: Elder George Sze, Linda Sze, Andrew Wong and Kiat Chang.

We are excited about the prospect of bringing renewal to our congregation through the work that can be done when the new building is completed. Our location is central and our mission to serve our community is clear. God has been with us along the way. Even as we find the process with the Presbytery frustrating at times, we have to focus on our mission and not at distractions. God has shown his way since we embarked on this in 2013. The path to follow Him is narrow and at times put our faith to test.

We like to thank the congregation for your continual support with prayers, encouragements and very grateful for all the pledges and donations. To serve our local community at Oakridge and our Chinese Community with needed Gospel Missions and provide services in daycare, nursery, Chinese language schools and vacation Bible schools are vital to fulfill our Mission and to stay relevant.

In His Service

CPC Property Development Task Force

RE-DEVELOPMENT FUND-RAISING COMMITTEE

This committee was formed by Session in April 2016. Member included: Grace Ng Wong and Victor Ling (co-chairs), Ada Con, Billy Lo, Gladys Kwan, Jean Ip (deceased) and Mary Lam. Sue Yuen and Tim Tam stepped down in 2017 for health reasons. The target was to raise \$2 Million for the Redevelopment of our church property. Funds will be raised from the congregation and friends of the church. Donors will be given opportunities for naming spaces and to give in memory of their loved ones.

The fund-raising campaign was launched at the Thanksgiving joint service on Oct 9th, 2016 where everyone received a 2020 Vision card with the information on the building project. The theme was taken from 2 Corinthians 9:7 "Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver".

Throughout this past year we heard inspiring testimonies from congregation members as to why they decided to support this redevelopment project. A recurring theme was gratitude for God's blessings, His faithfulness, and loving care. Another was appreciation of how this congregation has been welcoming and generous.

The official fund-raising campaign ended with a celebratory Thanksgiving dinner at the Grand Crystal Seafood Restaurant on November 11, 2018. The dinner was co-chaired by Elders Diana Wong and Tim Tam. Over 200 friends and relatives of VCPC members attended. Videos and sharing that evening recounted God's blessings and faithfulness over the past 123 years. Elder George Sze presented on building project and our 2020 Vision.

Praise the Lord, as of January 24, 2019 the total amount pledged was \$1,334,819.00 of which \$1,298,408.16 was received in cash or securities. While the campaign has officially ended we encourage members to continue to give to this fund.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Committee
Victor Ling and Grace Ng Wong

'SHARE & PRAY'

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present our requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:6-7

'Share & Pray', a prayer fellowship of the English-speaking congregation, meets monthly in the home of Lenora Der, to pray for the Lord's wisdom and the Spirit's guidance. Prayers are offered for our church's leaders and ministries, the church family, and the needs of our greater society.

The Lord's Sovereignty and timing has guided us throughout the year, and we are grateful for His blessings and answered prayers. We continue to seek His Will for our congregation.

Your prayer concerns are welcome. Confidentiality is respected.

You are welcome to join us.

Respectfully submitted,
Sue Yuen Mar

SUMMER CONFERENCE ENGLISH REPORT

The CPC Summer Conference 2018 was a very unique and successful one looking over the past years in that the English congregation attendance was 86 mainly because the CMDS Vancouver chapter (Christian medical and Dental Society) enthusiastically joined our church in hosting Dr. John Patrick from Ottawa the President of the St. Augustine College to be our keynote speaker on the topic of “Be Wise As Serpent.” He started with a powerful quotation from Niall Ferguson’s *Civilization: The West and the Rest* with the following excerpt:

“ We were asked to look into what accounted for.... the pre-eminence of the West all over the world....At first we thought it was because you had more powerful guns than we had. Then we thought it was because you had the best political system. Next we focused on your economic system. But in the past 20 years, we have realized that the heart of your culture is your religion: Christianity. That is why the West has been so powerful. The Christian moral foundation of social and cultural life was what made possible the emergence of capitalism and then the successful transition to democratic politics. We don’t have any doubt about this.”

He ended with a Sunday worship service focusing on the “sermon on the Mount” about gift of repentance and the function of Christians in our daily living with moral virtues such as obedience, meekness, loving God and others and being merciful and doing what is necessary and right as salt and light of the world. It is an awakening moment when he affirmed the truth that “children have a moral language before they speak.”

Thanks to the medical and dental music team for leading us in worship and before each session. Thanks to all the Summer Conference committee members and helpers in making the event a successful one. A special thank you to Elder Tim Tam and Elder Nelson Chan for coordinating the food catering and to Elder Billy Lo for the printed brochures and the advertisement.

Remy Tam

(Memo: For the “Chinese Summer Conference Report” please refer to the Chinese Edition of the Annual Report.)

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

“Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old, he will not depart from it.”

Prov. 22:6

We praise and thank God for his continued guidance over our Sunday School. Our staff consists of 11 dedicated teachers and three substitutes who give his/her time and commitment to teach God's Word to children, youth and adults each week. As a staff, we meet two to three times per year at a Potluck Lunch to plan for the year's activities. The children continue to bring offering each Sunday and in 2018, we used our funds to support Presbyterian World Service and Development programs and Camp Douglas.

We are continuing our monthly Sunday School Teachers' Prayer meetings on the first Sunday of each month. All congregation members are welcome and our purpose is to pray for the needs of the Sunday School and the church and to praise and thank God for his blessings. We are thankful to God that our numbers have increased slightly and we hope that more people will join us in 2019.

Our registration from preschool to College and Career classes was 30 students. We also had one Adult Bible class consisting of 5-6 members and an Adult Drop in Sermon Discussion class with 3-4 participants. Our Mandarin Sunday School class rescheduled their class to Friday evenings and has become a Mandarin Fellowship Group. Our total enrolment continued to decrease this year due to a lack of students from the preschool level to Grades 4/5. It seems to be the sign of the times that other activities take precedence over coming to Sunday School. Our children today need to know the gospel to help them face the temptations and distractions in the uncertain and fractured world we live in. Our weekly attendance from preschool to adult classes was about 40-45 students.

Due to the lack of young children in our English Worship service, we decided to cancel the Kids' Kare program which existed for many years. The older children (about 4-5) now sit in the English-speaking service and join us for worship.

However, our Youth Orchestra continues to meet for practices on Sundays from 12:30 to 1:00 p.m. and have participated in several events this year. We praise the Lord for giving us fourteen talented young musicians. They are at varying levels of ability but the experienced ones are very helpful and patient with the younger members which is most appreciated. This year the orchestra performed at our English Worship services on Easter Sunday, Ordination of Elders Service, Thanksgiving, and Christmas. Our goal continues to be to instill in the students a desire to praise and glorify God with their musical talents.

Please continue to pray for our Sunday School that the Lord will bless us with more students especially in the preschool to Grade 4/5 levels and that the students will have a desire to learn God's word and to develop a personal relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ.

Respectfully submitted

Linda Con

Sunday School Superintendent

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORT

Vacation Bible School 2018 was held daily from July 16th-20th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Our theme was 'Shipwrecked: Rescued by Jesus' a program created by Group Publishing, Inc. The focus of the program was exploring God's love for his children.

God blessed us with almost 50 registrants, and He provided us with approximately 24 adult helpers plus 14 youth leaders from both the English and Chinese Congregations who gladly helped to plan, decorate and assist during the week of VBS.

Praise the Lord! Each morning began with staff devotions followed by lively singing and a skit that introduced the theme of the day. The students separated into small groups each under the leadership of one or two youth leaders to engage in a variety of activities organized by the volunteer teachers. The morning activities for the children included: Music, Skits, Bible Story Time, Recreation, Snacks and Science activities with each station incorporating the day's Bible message. At the end of each day, we finished with more music and recapped the day's message.

As is our tradition during Vacation Bible School, the children also took part in a Missions project administered by Operation Kid-to-Kid, an international mission project that allows children to serve children around the world. The Lord blessed this mission with faithful and eager young leaders, experienced volunteer teachers, enthusiastic music leaders, many prayer warriors, delicious snacks for the children and staff and amazing children.

We were blessed by the delicious staff appreciation lunch provided by the family of Mrs. Kam Wong from the Chinese congregation and a delicious cake provided by members of the Chinese congregation. We were especially thankful for the prayers of both congregations and their generous support. I am certain that the students, volunteers and congregations received God's blessings.

In His Service,
Lela Ling
VBS Coordinator

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I lift up my eyes to the mountains – where does my help come from? My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth.

Psalm 121:1-2

Thank you God for His abundant blessings and give us the chance to gather as a group in the fellowship every 1st and 3rd week of the month. Besides studying Bible, we chat with each other and pray for other's needs. It is a great opportunity for brothers and sisters to count God's blessings too.

I sincerely hope all brothers and sisters can join us every first and third Wednesdays, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. so that we can experience the joy and support from each other.

The committee members are:

Chair: Grace Ng

Secretary: Siu Wah Law

Program: Eleni Ye

Consultants: Kam Wong, David Tsang

Contact: Linda Tsang, Choi Chu Kan, Mary Lam

General Managers: Yuet Yin Quon, Annie Wong, Sau Hing Wong

Devotion: all members

Chaplain: Rev. Morgan Wong

I sincerely thank all the committee members for their enthusiastic service and joyful participation. May all the glory and praise be given to our Lord!

In Christ,
Grace Ng