

*A note from*

*Pastor Francis ...*

**... Welcome to our Worship Celebration today. We are glad you are here!**

**... We are very intentional about creating environments where people will hear God's voice speaking to them. We are a culturally diverse congregation from various countries of origin like *China, Hong Kong, Thailand, India, Malaysia, the Philippines, Jamaica, South Africa & Zimbabwe*. Indeed, God is at work among us, and He desires to speak to us today!**

**... We are excited about what God is doing among us as we passionately commit to learning biblical truth and passionately seek to apply biblical truth in our lives as we go about our daily routines. We are serious about walking with Jesus daily!**

**... Today (on lessons from the early church, Acts 2:42-47), we reflect on the characteristics of a Holy Spirit-filled church. May we be church that walks in the Spirit!**

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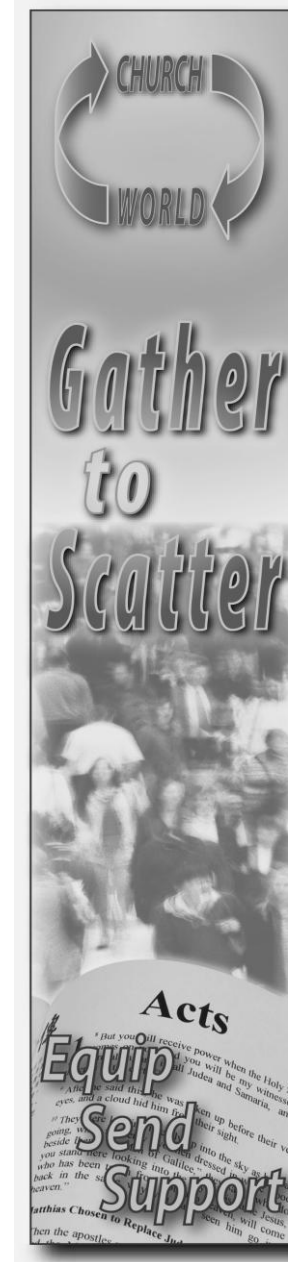
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**Our three intentional pursuits...**

- Seeking intimacy with God
- Seeking fellowship with other believers
- Seeking to influence non-believers for Jesus



*Welcome to our English Speaking Congregation...*

**SUNDAY  
CELEBRATION**

**April 28, 2013**

**9:30 - 10:50am**

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## WELCOME TO TODAY'S WORSHIP CELEBRATION!

Pre Worship-based Prayer Time (9:25am)

~ Come a little early to prepare your heart for corporate worship each Sunday morning ~

### Prayer

Pastor Francis

### Worship in Songs

Eliot & Music Worship Team

### Worship in Hearing the Scriptures

Lessons from the Early Church -

"Walking in the Holy Spirit"

(Acts 2:42-47) Pastor Francis

### Response / Reflection

Eliot & Music Worship Team

### Welcoming / Recognition of Guests

### Family Matters & Highlights

Pastoral Team

### Prayer / Blessing

Pastor Francis

## TODAY:

**PRAYER Focus:** ESC Executive Board

**AV Team:** Jeffrey, Jon N, & Raphael

**HOST Team:** Bethel Fellowship

**CD TEAMS @ 11:30am - 12:30pm.** We have classes for all ages. Everyone is welcome!!!

**Today** is last day for shuttle bus service.

**Today** is ESC's turn to stack up chairs after CD Teams. Please return to the main auditorium (here) to serve with others in such practical ways. Thank you for your cooperation!

## NEXT SUNDAY

Speaker: Pastor Aaron

**\*\*Please Note:** Audio copies of today's Worship Celebration (or of any other Sunday) can be **borrowed** from the **library**. If you wish to **own a copy** for yourself or to give to a friend (for just \$3), visit the **ESC Welcome Centre** in Rooms 101/102.

## FAMILY NEWS & HIGHLIGHTS...

WELCOME! Yes, this is a church community where God is bringing people from *various walks of life & lands of origins* - and **transforming them for His glory!** Please participate and express your worship to God in ways that fit with who you are. **Everyone**, please join us for refreshments in the **Welcome Centre** (in Rooms 101/102) after the service!

### The 2nd Quarterly Membership Meeting

will be held **TODAY at 2:30pm** in the basement Chapel. Remember to pick up the minutes of the last meeting, the revised agenda and ministry reports from the Welcome Centre. **Lunch is available at \$5 each.**

**SGBC will be celebrating its 6<sup>th</sup> anniversary and church independence in June. You are all invited to attend the following events:**

- **SGBC Independence Thanksgiving Service:**  
Date/Time: Saturday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 4- 6pm  
Place: Oscar Peterson Public School
- **SGBC Independence Celebration Banquet:**  
Date/Time: Saturday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 6-9:30pm  
Place: Stouffville Legion Hall (150 Mostar St, Stouffville, L4A 0Y2)

Please contact Valentine Chiu for tickets. Price:

- Adult: \$35
- Senior (65 yrs & up): \$15
- Full time students (13 yrs and up): \$10
- Child (3-12 yrs - kids menu): \$10
- Infant (2 yrs & under): free if they do not occupy a seat at the table.

**Softball News:** Please note that our church **will not** have softball teams this 2013 season. A **BIG Thank You** to all those who have served faithfully & participated over the years ... your time, dedication, effort, and sacrifice have been greatly appreciated. To everyone else, thank you for all your prayers and support of this ministry.

**Used Battery Drive:** There is a collection bin set up for used batteries starting now **until May 26** in the West Wing. These batteries will be disposed of responsibly by Toronto Recycling Inc. This is just a small way we can demonstrate good stewardship of this planet that God has created for us. Let us be good stewards!!!

**Fridays (7:10-8:10pm) is our corporate Prayer Meeting. Let's continue to be in prayer** for our various ministries ... **Prayer** is the engine that drives the church. Our theme this year is "Gather to Scatter." *April through July*, is our "horizontal focus" = connecting with one another within the church family. Pray that we grow deeper in our relationship with our Father and with one another. **If you have a Prayer Request or an Answer to Prayer**, let our Pastoral Team know so that we can all participate in what the LORD is doing in and through us!

## PRAYER FOCUS ...

**Pray for Frank Lung** battling cancer.

**Pray for Anthony Ching** as he continues his cancer treatment. Pray also for his family.

**Pray for Matthew Cham** and his family as he continues his rehabilitation at the hospital

**Pray for Candace Chan** as she prepares for a Missions Opportunity with Power to Change....

**Pray for Angie Chan** also preparing for a Missions opportunity this year.

**Pray also** about possible Missions Opportunities locally & overseas **this year!!!** Our Missions Ministry is trusting God for greater things!!! Stay tuned for updates!!!

## UPCOMING SOON...

- **BETHEL, SALT, & FOOTPRINTS:**  
May 3 (8:30pm)
- **LIGHT FELLOWSHIP:** May 18 (7:30 - 9pm)
- **Pastor Bernard's Ordination Ceremony** will be held on Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup> at 5pm. Everyone is welcome to attend the ceremony.
- **Church Retreat will be July 26-28 @** Durham College. Please mark your calendar. Watch for additional details.

## ~ SOME FACTS FROM LAST WEEK ~

**Attendance, Tithes & Offerings**

Worship: 115; CD Teams: 59

Prayer Meeting: 25

Tithes & offerings for last week: **\$6,298.15**

Accumulated offerings: **\$177,541.70**

Thank you for your continued partnership in the Lord's work through rhcbc!!!

**Remember**, be a blessing to someone TODAY!