

*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 as we reflect on Acts 5:17-20, we learn from the early church about 'standing up for the Lord Jesus Christ' in a world that is hostile to His truth ... this truth (Jesus Christ) influences and transforms lives.

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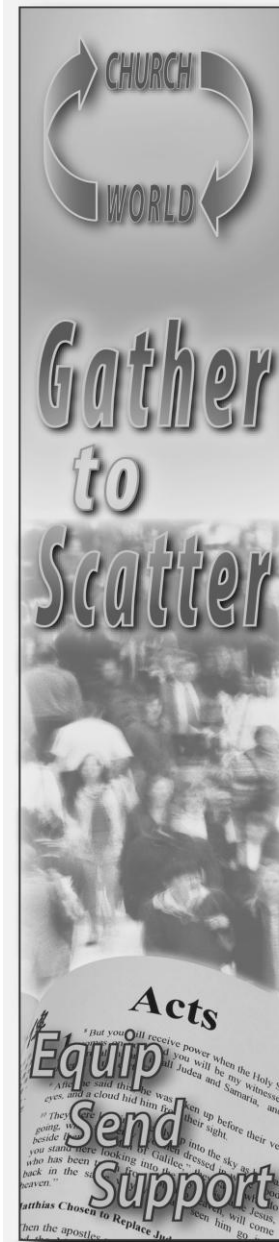
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Our three intentional pursuits...
- Seeking intimacy with God
- Seeking fellowship with other believers
- Seeking to influence non-believers for Jesus



Welcome to our English Speaking Congregation...

**SUNDAY
CELEBRATION**

**May 19, 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 Aaron

Worship in Songs

Caleb & Music Worship Team

Worship in Hearing the Scriptures

"The COST: Persecuted for Christ"

(Acts 5:17-42)

Pastor Francis

Response / Reflection

Caleb & Music Worship Team

Welcoming / Recognition of Guests

Family Matters & Highlights

Pastoral Team

Prayer / Blessing

Bobby (Pastoral Intern)

TODAY:

PRAYER Focus: Fellowship Ministry

AV Team: Dara, Egan, & Jonathan Tse

HOST Team: Salt Fellowship

All CD Teams (except the Junior High Team) would have joint classes TODAY on the topic of "Financial Stewardship" in Rooms 101/102 at 11:15 am. **See you there!!!**

NEXT SUNDAY

Joint Worship @ 10am to celebrate church 22nd anniversary

Speaker: Dr. Dennis Ngien

Children Ministry programs will not be available next Sunday, May 26th. All children will participate in the CSC/ESC joint worship with their family to celebrate our church anniversary on this day. Nursery Room will be open for parents to use but it will not be supervised.

****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!

In celebration of Pastor Bernard's ordination, RHCBC will host a ceremony TODAY at 5pm in the Main Auditorium. Everyone is welcome!

June is Seniors' month. Our church will have an outing with the seniors on June 1st from 10am to 2pm at Richmond Green Park (Leslie/Elgin Mills). Lunch is provided at \$8 (**free for 0-2 years or 65 years and above**). Please register at West wing today.

Church Retreat is on July 26-28 @ Durham College. Our theme is "Experiencing the Presence of God" - focusing on the ministry of the Holy Spirit in our lives. Registration starts today. Last date for early bird rate: June 2nd.

- **Adult:** Single room \$145 (**early bird:** \$135); Shared double \$100 p/p (**early bird:** \$90). Adult rate applies for child over 6 years old.
- **Toddler:** 6 & under \$ 22 each for meals if staying with parent(s) in one room
- **Infant** (under 2 years old): free if staying with parent(s) in one room

SGBC will celebrate its 6th anniversary and church independence on Saturday, June 22nd. You are all invited to attend the following events:

- **Thanksgiving Service:** 4- 6pm @ Oscar Peterson Public School
- **Celebration Banquet:** 6-9:30pm @ Stouffville Legion Hall (150 Mostar St, Stouffville, L4A 0Y2). Please contact Valentine Chiu for tickets. TODAY is last day.

Gym is not available for use on, Monday June 3 due to waxing of floor.

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 participate in what the LORD is doing!**

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 preparing for a Missions Opportunity with Power to Change....

Pray for Angie Chan & for Edwin Lee also preparing for a Missions opportunity with CTI this year. **Pray for May Leung** who has joined EMAS STM, which is a Christian organization, to East Asia and will return to Toronto in early June. **Pray** also for **Charles Chee, Chris Kam, Seemo Miriam** & other people who are considering other ministry opportunities this year! *Our Missions Ministry is trusting God for greater things!!! Stay tuned for additional updates!!!*

UPCOMING SOON...

- **BETHEL, SALT, & FOOTPRINTS:** May 24 (8:30pm)
- **LIGHT FELLOWSHIP:** June 15 (7:30 - 9pm)
- **June 8, Saturday, 6:30 -9:30pm, Centre for Mentorship & Theological Reflection (the Centre) is hosting its 15th anniversary celebration at Bayview Glen Church.** Speakers: Dr. Alister McGrath, Rev. Joe Boot and Dr. Dennis Ngien. Check www.dennisngiencentre.ca for details.
- **Summer VBS in China organized by New York Theological Education Centre - Toronto Office.** For enquires, call (905) 479-5447

~ SOME FACTS FROM LAST WEEK ~

Attendance, Tithes & Offerings

Worship: **122**; Joint CD Teams: **65**;

Tithes & offerings for last week: **\$13,293.76**

Accumulated offerings: **\$212,449.05**

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