

*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!

... Our theme this year is "Gather to Scatter." July through September, we focus on: connecting with our community (*those we rub shoulders with regularly*) when we work, study, play, shop, etc. May we grow deeper in our relationship with our Father so that we impact the world around us for Christ!

... Today, as we study Acts 11:1-18, we learn the value of welcoming and extending the "true hand of fellowship to all who have trusted the Lord Jesus Christ as their Saviour!"

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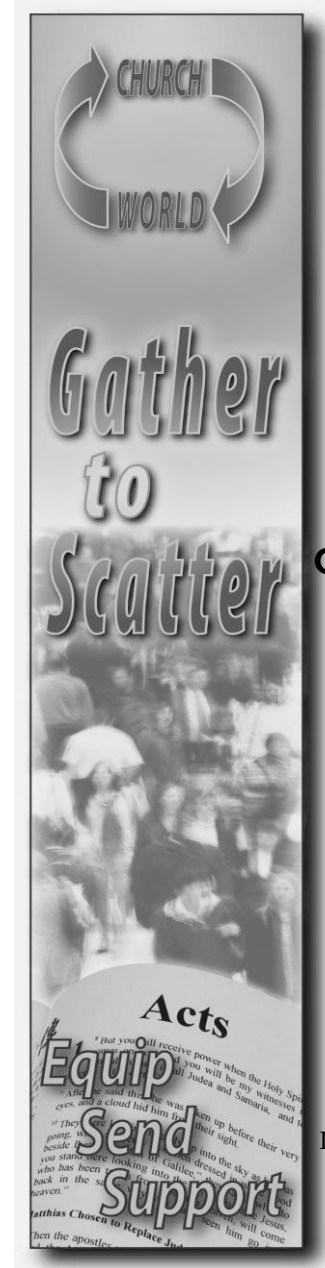
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**Our three intentional pursuits...**

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



Welcome to our English Speaking Congregation...

**SUNDAY  
CELEBRATION**

September 1, 2013  
9:30 - 10:50am

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... RHCBC is affiliated with The Fellowship of Evangelical Baptist Churches in Canada (FEBCC) - a denomination with 512 churches across Canada.

## 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

Eliot & Music Worship Team

### Worship in Hearing the Scriptures

"Welcoming Other Disciples of Jesus into God's Family" (Acts 11:1-18)

Pastor Francis

### Worship in Communion Celebration

#### Response / Reflection

Eliot & Music Worship Team

### Welcoming / Recognition of Guests

#### Family Matters & Highlights

Harold Chan (AGM Committee)

Bobby Wong (Pastoral Intern)

Community Carnival

#### Prayer / Blessing

Pastor Francis

## TODAY:

**PRAYER Focus:** AGM (New Leaders for 2014)

**AV Team:** Hin, Peter, & Thomas

**HOST Team:** Salt Fellowship

**COMMUNION Assistants:** Chi-Tak, Angie, Dorcas, Billy, Erving, James, Charles & Sylvia

## NEXT SUNDAY

Missions Sunday – Part 1

"Missionaries – Why Bother?" Matthew 18:16-20

Rev. Dan Baetz, Fellowship International (Director)

**\*\*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 **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!** Everyone, please join us for refreshments in the **Welcome Centre** (*in Rooms 101/102*) after the service!

**Election of new 2014-2015 Executive Board Ministry Leaders and 2014-2017 Trustees** will take place at Annual General Meeting on November 3, 2013. Please complete and drop off nomination forms in the nomination collection box at West Wing. Today is deadline.

### Deacon Board Announcements:

- ESC Intern *Bobby Wong* has just completed his internship with RHCBC on *August 31*. He has been a great asset to the Pastoral team and a blessing to many through his ministry in RHCBC. Please join us in expressing our appreciation to Bobby and pray for God's continued guidance and provision in his future ministry.
- There will be a special membership meeting (SMM) on *Sunday, September 8, 2013* to vote on the following motion:  
"The Board of Deacons motions to hire Ms. Jennifer Gibb as full time Pastoral Assistant on a 18 months contract effective *September 15, 2013*." This meeting will be held in the main auditorium right after CSC worship.  
SMM agenda is available at Welcome Centre.

Our next Baptism is planned on December 22nd, Christmas Sunday. If you need guidance, please talk to the Pastoral team, any of the Deacons or CD Team leaders.

**From Facility Ministry:** due to lighting system breakdown in the gym, all evening programs for this week will be cancelled.

**Our condolences** to Richard & Amy Law & family: the funeral of Mrs. Law, dearest grandmother of Marron and Aaron, was held yesterday. Pray that God will comfort them during this difficult period.

Fridays (7:10-8:10pm) is our corporate Prayer Meeting. ... Prayer is the engine that drives the church. **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 / PRAISE FOCUS ...

**Pray** for Frank Lung battling cancer.

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

**Praise** God for the safe return and ministry of **Angie Chan** (Honduras), **Edwin Lee** (Singapore), **Charles Chee**, **Enoch Chow** (China), **Chris Kam** (North Africa), **Candace Chan** (North Africa) and **Seemo Miriam, James Cheung, Jenelle Chow & Norman Allen** (Zimbabwe). We will be creating opportunities to hear God Stories from those who participated in the Short-term Missions. **Stay tuned!!!**

## UPCOMING SOON...

• **BETHEL & SALT:** Sept 6 (8:30pm)

• **FOOTPRINTS:** Sept 6 (8:10pm)

• **Summer Carnival Sept 7<sup>th</sup> 10am to 2pm:** It's an opportunity to connect with our neighbours and let them know we are here in the community! It'll be a fun time, but we need volunteers to man game booths, art booths, balloon animals, etc., as well as setup and clean up. Please go to [www.rhcbc.org](http://www.rhcbc.org) to signup online! **There are flyers in the Reception Desk** on the main floor foyer. Please feel free to get the flyers and invite your friends to this great event!

• **Light Fellowship:** Sept 21 (5:30-7:00pm)

• **Pastor Bernard** will be on vacation Sept 10-13.

## ~ SOME FACTS FROM LAST WEEK ~

Attendance, Tithes & Offerings

Worship: 120; CD Team: 46

Prayer Meeting: 5; Fellowship camping: 28

Tithes & offerings for last week: \$16,102.55

Accumulated offerings: \$386,412.75

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