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WELCOME TO SUNDAY WORSHIP

Godly Quotes

Conflicting quotations showing the diversity of beliefs about the virgin birth:

"Larry King, the CNN talk show host, was once asked who he would most want to interview if he could choose anyone from all of history. He said, 'Jesus Christ.' The questioner said, 'And what would you like to ask Him?' King replied, 'I would like to ask Him if He was indeed virgin-born. The answer to that question would define history for me'."

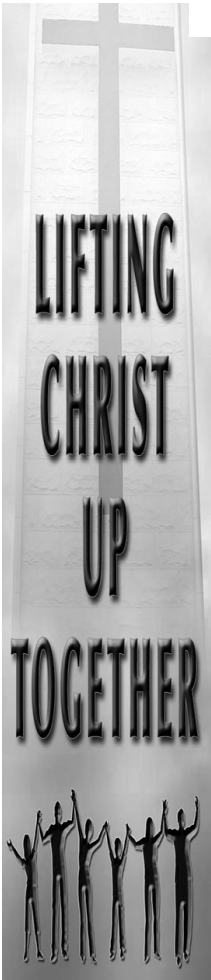
From Just Thinking, RZIM, Winter 1998

"Although the virgin birth cannot be understood as a historical-biological event, it can be regarded as a meaningful symbol at least for that time."

Hans Küng, "On Being a Christian"

"The virgin birth is an underlying assumption of everything the Bible says about Jesus. To throw out the virgin birth is to reject Christ's deity, the accuracy and authority of Scripture, and a host of other related doctrines that are the heart of the Christian faith. No issue is more important than the virgin birth to our understanding of who Jesus is. If we deny Jesus is God, we have denied the very essence of Christianity."

John F. MacArthur, Jr.



TODAY at ESC

Theme: “The Virgin Birth”

Scripture: Isaiah 7:14

Speaker: Rev. Barry Duguid

Music Team: Caleb and team

AV Team: Edison and team

Host Team: Bethel Fellowship

Sunday School: Details are posted at ESC bulletin board

- We do not pass around offering bags during worship celebration. Offering boxes are placed inside and outside the sanctuary for you to give as you have purposed in your heart. To request an offering number, please check out Finance Ministry bulletin board.
- All sermon CDs (songs & sermons) can be borrowed from the library, or you may order a copy (@ \$3) at the Welcome Centre.
- Today is Canaan’s turn to stack up the chairs after worship.

Prayer items for this week:

Pray hard for ESC’s Christmas banquet this Friday. May God’s love touch peoples’ hearts to draw them to Christ! Pray also for the Joint Christmas Service on Dec 21 that God receives all the glory from heaven and the earth.

My response to God’s Word is ...

Family News & Events

1. **Thank you children for sharing Christmas carols with us this morning!**
2. **Shuttle bus service** between the church and Montessori School is now available. We will pick up drivers at the school to the church from 11:00 to 11:30 am, and will take drivers to the school within 15 minutes after the end of CSC Sunday worship.
3. **ESC Christmas dinner will be held on Friday, Dec 19 at 7:00pm.** This is an outreach opportunity to invite your friends and family to celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ and to share our faith. The theme this year is "The Light Has Come". We have Christian Rap Artist Mark Durksen performing, and speaker is Rev. Rob Hayes. Ticket is \$15, guests \$5. Today is the last day for tickets sales; please check out the booth at West Wing.
4. **Missionary Ling** will share at ESC's prayer meeting on **Dec 17.** On the same evening, there will be a prayer meeting for Missionary Tang and wife from 9:30 – 10:15pm.
5. **Gym will not be available for sports activities** on Dec 16-17 and Dec 24.
6. **Next Sunday is joint worship;** we encourage everyone to worship together as a family so there will not be a children's program. The nursery will be open for mothers to use.
7. **From Finance Ministry:** latest offering report is posted and Dec 28 is the last offering collection day for 2014.
8. **From Community Services:** Samuel Wong will retire as the badminton instructor at the end of 2014 after serving in this ministry for 18 years. He has blessed the community by training up many young and adult students. May God bless his retirement life!
9. **Congratulations to** Raymond and Wendy to be grandparents. Their daughter, Grace (husband Jeremy Yeung), **has given birth to twin girls** (Meghan - 6 lbs and Kaitlynn - 5 lbs. 6 oz) on Dec 5 in Hong Kong. Praise the Lord for His great blessings; mother and babies are well.
10. **2015 Church Calendar** is available at \$2.50 at the CSC Reception Desk in the main foyer. Today is last day for purchase.

Summary of ESC & CSC events for the month of December:

Dec 19 ESC Gospel banquet

Dec 21 Joint Worship @ 10am

Dec 24 CSC Christmas Eve meeting at 9pm;

No prayer meeting for ESC and CSC

Dec 28 Baptism @ 10:30 – 11:30am

(ESC worship @ 9:30 - 10:15am; CSC worship @ 11:30 -12:40pm)

Dec 31 **No** prayer meeting for ESC and CSC

The Week Ahead in ESC

Wednesday 8:00pm Prayer meeting in Room 102
Note: prayer meetings on Dec 24 and 31 are cancelled.

Friday **NO** Fellowship meeting on Dec 19 (Christmas Banquet)

Sunday 10:00am – Joint Worship
 Theme: “A Child is Born and a Son Given”
 Scriptures: Isaiah 9:6
 Speaker: Rev. Barry Duguid
 NO Sunday School; NO Children Program

Next week is joint worship; we are asking the whole congregation to help stack up the chairs after worship.

Attendance & Offering record from last week

	ESC	CSC	Children
Worship	117	217	26 + 12 helpers
Sunday School	56	72	16 + 1 helpers
Seeker’s Group	14	--	--
Prayer meeting	3	11	--
Mandarin Bible Study (CSC)		10	--
Offering: \$42,101.50	Accumulated offerings: \$629,658.69		

Pastors & Staff (see ESC bulletin board for contact information)

Interim Senior Pastor: Rev. Barry Duguid
ESC Pastor: Pastor Jennifer Gibb, Mr. Elijah Wong (Pastoral Intern)
CSC Pastors: Rev. Bernard Sin, Rev. Jack Yuen
Administrator: Valentine Chiu
ESC Office Assistant & Community Services Coordinator: Angela Wong
CSC Office Assistant: Elaine Poon