



RHCBC

RICHMOND HILL (CHINESE) BAPTIST CHURCH

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Celebrating God's Faithfulness

Since 1991

WELCOME TO SUNDAY WORSHIP

Thank you for choosing RHCBC as your place of worship today. Whether you are just visiting or looking to stay, it is great to have you with us.

Please join us for refreshments in the Welcome Centre (in Room 101) after the worship service. If this is your first time visiting and you have not received a Welcome Package, please ask one of our ushers or pastors. We would love to get to know you better and keep in touch!

Godly Quotes:

"I cannot even imagine where I would be today were it not for that handful of friends who have given me a heart full of joy. Let's face it, friends make life a lot more fun."

- Charles R. Swindoll

"Each day holds a surprise. But only if we expect it can we see, hear, or feel it when it comes to us. Let's not be afraid to receive each day's surprise, whether it comes to us as sorrow or as joy. It will open a new place in our hearts, a place where we can welcome new friends and celebrate more fully our shared humanity."

- Henri Nouwen

"When you rise in the morning, give thanks for the light, for your life, for your strength. Give thanks for your food and for the joy of living. If you see no reason to give thanks, the fault lies in yourself."

- Tecumseh

TODAY at ESC

Sermon Title: "God's Joy Now"

Scripture: Isaiah 9:1-5

Speaker: Rev. Barry Duguid

AV Team: Jeffrey C, Vincent & Ian

Music Team: Caleb & team

Host Team: Bethel Fellowship

Family Sharing by Rev. Duguid

Sunday School at 11:30am

1. Biblical Interpretation (2nd Floor Room 201)
2. Who is Jesus? (Basement Room 10)
3. Authentic Christ-Centered Community that Transforms Character (Basement Room 14)
4. Senior High (Basement Room 9)
5. Junior High (Main Floor Room 102)

Prayer Items of the week:

1. As we enter the 2016 Christmas season, may God help us in preparing our hearts to commemorate the nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ and taking this opportunity to share the gospel with others!
2. May God help us slow down and be quiet as we reflect on and thank Him for His blessings in our life!
3. Pray for the high school and university students as they prepare for tests and exams. May God give them wisdom and strength!

NOTE: 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.

Family News & Events:

1. **AGM and 4th QMM is on Sunday, December 18 at 2pm at basement chapel.** Agenda for AGM & QMM and Minutes of last QMM are available at Welcome Centre. Please plan to attend. If you have any questions about Advance Voting for Deacons and Executives, please talk to the b/s at the main floor Reception Counter.
2. **December 18, 25 and January 1 are joint worship Sundays;** children are encouraged to join their parents in worshipping with the church family. To parents: please note that there will not be any children programs on these two Sundays, but the nursery will be opened for use by parents.
3. **RHCBC will have a joint Christmas Eve celebration on December 24 (Saturday) at 8pm to 9:30pm in the sanctuary.** The focus is on the Gift of Hope, Joy, Love and Peace. There will be scripture reading, hymns and sing-along.
4. **ESC Christmas Dinner on Friday, December 16 at 7:00pm to 9:30pm.** Theme is "Celebrating God's Faithfulness" (same as our 25th Anniversary theme). You may invite friends. Please register with James and Hannah Tang after ESC worship.
5. **From Finance Ministry:**
 - a. **Dec 25** is the last offering collection day for 2016.
 - b. Please write your name, offering number and \$ amount on the offering envelope for easier offering counting and to avoid recording mistake.
6. **From Community Services:** Erhu class is accepting registration for all levels. Classes are held on Wednesday evenings. Language: Cantonese, Mandarin & English. Please contact Angela Wong for details.
7. **Shuttle bus service** between the church and Montessori School is in place from December until March. 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 CSC worship.
8. **Today is Family Badminton Day from 2:30 to 5:30pm.** Everyone is welcome! We encourage you to bring your non-church friends to this outreach program.
9. **Valentine is on vacation Dec 12-16.**
10. **Chair stacking team:** CSC for the month of December. Thanks!

The Week Ahead in ESC:

Wed 8:00-9:30pm Church Prayer Meeting

Friday Christmas Dinner at 7:00-9:30pm
NO Fellowship Meetings

Sunday 10:00am Join Worship
 • Speaker: Rev. Jack Yuen
 • Title: “It’s a Love Story”
 • Scripture: Luke 2:8-20
 NO Sunday School

Attendance & Offering record from last week:

	ESC	CSC	Children
Worship	121	208	Activities: 11 + 4 helpers
Sunday School	73	77	Worship & Small Group: 21 + 12 helpers
Mandarin Bible Study	--	14	
Church Prayer Meeting	17		
Offerings: \$23,586.75 Accumulated Offerings: \$627,582.48			

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

Advisory Pastor: Dr. Dennis Ngien

Interim Senior Pastor: Rev. Barry Duguid

Pastors: Rev. Dr. Bernard Sin, Rev. Jack Yuen

Pastoral Interns: Angie Chan, Christopher Kam, Cindy Li, Elijah Wong,
Joseph Liu

Administrator: Valentine Chiu

Community Services Coordinator & ESC Office Assistant: Angela Wong

CSC Office Assistant: Elaine Poon