



# RHCBC

## RICHMOND HILL (CHINESE) BAPTIST CHURCH

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### WELCOME TO SUNDAY WORSHIP

Thank you for choosing RHCBC as your place  
of worship today.

Please join us for refreshments  
in the Welcome Centre (in Room 101)  
after the worship service.

### QUOTES TO PONDER

I am an historian, I am not a believer, but I must confess as  
a historian that this penniless preacher from Nazareth is  
irrevocably the very center of history. Jesus Christ is easily  
the most dominant figure in all history. -- H.G. Wells

Buddha never claimed to be God. Moses never claimed to  
be Jehovah. Mohammed never claimed to be Allah. Yet  
Jesus Christ claimed to be the true and living God. Buddha  
simply said, "I am a teacher in search of the truth." Jesus  
said, "I am the Truth." Confucius said, "I never claimed to  
be holy." Jesus said, "Who convicts me of sin?"  
Mohammed said, "Unless God throws his cloak of mercy  
over me, I have no hope." Jesus said, "Unless you believe  
in me, you will die in your sins." -- Unknown

Because Christianity's influence is so pervasive throughout  
much of the world, it is easy to forget how radical its beliefs  
once were. Jesus' resurrection forever changed Christians'  
view of death. Rodney Stark, sociologist at the University of  
Washington, points out that when a major plague hit the  
ancient Roman Empire, Christians had surprisingly high  
survival rates. Why? Most Roman citizens would banish  
any plague-stricken person from their household. But  
because Christians had no fear of death, they nursed their  
sick instead of throwing them out on the streets. Therefore,  
many Christians survived the plague. -- "2000 Years of  
Jesus" by Kenneth L. Woodward,



## TODAY at ESC

Sermon Title: "Before Abraham was born I am"

Scripture: John 11:25

Speaker: Rev. Barry Duguid

Music Team: Caleb & team

Host Team: Footprints Fellowship

AV Team: Dara and Ian

Sunday Classes at 11:30 am:

- Gospel in Life (Room 101)  
This is an intensive eight-session course on how the gospel is lived out in all of our life – first in our heart, then in our community, and then out into the world.
- Career Workshops for Senior High Youth (Room 102)
- Summer Activities for Junior High Youth (Basement Room 015)

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### Prayer Items of the week:

1. Effectiveness in ministry is dependent upon prayer. Please pray that the dreaming, planning and execution of ministry will be saturated in prayer and not independent from it.
2. While we are celebrating Canada 150 anniversary, we would like to thank God for giving Canada peace and a multicultural country. Pray that Canadians are living a life with God's standard in order to please God.
3. Food Crisis in Northeast Nigeria, Somalia, South Sudan and Yemen: More than 20 million people in the region are at risk of starvation as a result of severe drought conditions or intensifying conflict. According to the United Nations, the world is facing the largest humanitarian crisis since World War II. Remember the people in this region during times of personal and community prayer. Pray for peace, for government leaders and for humanitarian workers in the region. Remember especially the 1.4 million children who are the most vulnerable. Make a financial donation to reputable aid agencies and the Government of Canada will match your individual donations and put that same amount into their Famine Relief Fund.
4. Kids Clubhouse will start tomorrow. Pray that God would prepare the hearts of the children. Pray that God will give strength and good spirits to the counselors so they are energized and have joy in serving at KCH. Also, pray for safety in all activities.

5. Pray that the Church retreat speakers will have insightful messages. Pray that brothers and sisters attending will have spiritual feast. May God bless the retreat committee and give them wisdom as they serve!

## **News & Events:**

1. Rev. Sin is preaching at Markham Chinese Presbyterian Church today. Please pray for him as he preaches God's words.
2. Pastor Barry and Marilyn will be on holidays from July 10th – 28th
3. Condolences: Angela Wong's father, Ku Lien Chao, went to be with the Lord on July 2. The funeral will be held in Hong Kong. Please pray for her family during this difficult time.
4. Angela Wong will be on vacation July 13 to 24.
5. Church Retreat information and map are available at the West Wing. They are also posted online at: <https://goo.gl/m7VrbR> or [www.RHCBC.org](http://www.RHCBC.org)
6. Offering Report for the month of June is available.
7. Today is Family Badminton Day from 2:30 – 5:30pm. Everyone is welcome! You are encouraged to bring your non-church friends to this outreach program.
8. Chair stacking: ESC for the month of July. Thanks!

**9. The Week Ahead in ESC:**

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

Friday Fellowship Meetings 8:00-10:00pm

Sunday 9:30am Worship  
 Speaker: Rev. Dr. Bernard Sin  
 Sermon: "A Fruit Bearing Life"  
 Scripture: John 15:1-8

11:30am Sunday School

**Attendance & Offering record from last week:**

	CSC	ESC	Children
Worship	212	104	Activities: 12 +4 helpers Worship & Small Group: 16 + 3 helpers
Sunday School	49	26	
Mandarin Bible Study	22	---	
Family Prayer Meeting	12		
Offerings: \$16,895.15			

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

**Interim Senior Pastor:** Rev. Barry Duguid

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

**Pastoral Interns:** Cindy Li, Elijah Wong, Joseph Liu

**Administrator:** Valentine Chiu

**Community Services Coordinator & ESC Office Assistant:** Angela Wong

**CSC Office Assistant:** Elaine Poon

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**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. Please check out Finance Ministry bulletin board if you would like to get an offering number.