

Mississauga Chinese Baptist Church



2025 Ministry Annual Report

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PASTORAL STAFF REPORTS

***“To Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations.”
(Eph. 3:21)***

As we reflect on 2025, we give thanks to God for His faithfulness, His provision, and His transforming work among us. This past year has been marked by renewed vision, deepened discipleship, and joyful celebrations. By God’s grace, our English Congregation has initiated growth as a **Teaching, Training, and Transforming Church** - a community committed not only to ministry, but to multiplying servants of Christ.

Inspired by the vision of becoming a Teaching Church, we have sought to be a place where believers are equipped in Scripture, formed through service, and transformed by the Holy Spirit. Like a teaching hospital that heals while training future healers, we desire to minister to people while raising up future ministers - rooted in God’s Word and shaped for His mission.

“And the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable people who will also be qualified to teach others.” (2 Tim. 2:2)

1. Worship, Word, and the Life of the Congregation

Sunday Morning Worship

Throughout 2025, our congregation gathered faithfully around the Word of God. Through preaching series in Ephesians, Proverbs, John, Lamentations, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, The Letters of John, 1&2 Samuel, Haggai, Zechariah, and Isaiah, and more, we were nourished by Scripture and reminded of God’s faithfulness across the whole counsel of His Word. We were also blessed by guest speakers and mission partners who encouraged us toward gospel faithfulness and global vision.

Average Worship Attendance: ~120 –150 weekly

Our worship gatherings have remained a vital place of Biblical teaching, Corporate prayer, Intergenerational fellowship, and Gospel encouragement

In November, we celebrated the 40th Anniversary of the English Congregation, with over 250 attendees, joyful testimonies, worship, and thanksgiving for God’s enduring grace across four decades.

2. Teaching & Training: Growing as a Teaching Church

Central to our identity this year has been the renewal of our commitment to the Triple Ts:

Teaching

Through Adult Sunday School and teaching ministries, members were equipped in: The Books of Zechariah, Daniel, Lamentations, Zephaniah, Spiritual Companionship, and Isaiah. Scripture remains the foundation of all we do!

Training

We emphasized learning by serving - encouraging members to step into ministry alongside mentors, growing through real-life discipleship, leadership development, and service opportunities.

Transforming

True transformation is the work of the Holy Spirit. We have witnessed growth in faith, service, generosity, and spiritual maturity as Christ continues to be formed in us.

3. Young Adult Ministry: A Flourishing Community

One of the most encouraging developments this year has been the growth of our **Young Adult Ministry**.

Key Highlights:

- Weekly Young Adult Study & Fellowship (12–20 participants)
- Apologetics, Mental Health, and Foundational Doctrine classes (Avg. 15 attendance)
- Gym Nights, Potlucks, BBQ Fellowship (30+ at Thanksgiving event)
- Career Testimony Workshop
- Mentorship relationships initiated
- New fellowship identity being explored (committee formed; Think Tank created; etc.)

Demographics:

- Ages: 18–30+
- ~60% students / 40% working professionals
- A meaningful mix of believers and seekers

Urbana 2025 Short-Term Mission

A major milestone was the formation of a Short-Term Mission Team to Urbana (Dec. 26 – Jan. 1) with 10 participants. This reflects a growing heart for missions, evangelism, and global gospel engagement among our young adults.

4. Youth, Families, and Community Outreach**Youth Ministry**

Our youth continued to be served through:

- Sunday School classes
- Retreats and mission opportunities (“Toronto Remix”)
- Friday fellowship gatherings
- Ongoing prayer for renewed leadership and pastoral care

Outreach & Community Ministries

We continued to serve our community through:

- Restarted of our Welcome / Connections Ministry (updated forms and procedures)
- Alpha (11 registered guests)
- Zumba classes (15–30 weekly participants)
- Breathing, Chinese Exercise & wellness programs
- Tutoring outreach to children
- Food bank fundraising
- “Missions at Our Doorstep” (workshop on Ministry to Muslims)

These ministries have allowed us to extend Christ’s love beyond our walls, building bridges with our neighbourhood and inviting others into gospel-centered community.

5. Baptisms, Membership, and Pastoral Care

Baptisms in 2025

We rejoiced in God's saving work through baptism:

- June 22: Chrissie Chan and Jenny Tang
- December 14: Gianna Leung, David Phan, Tina Phan; Daniel Tian and Samuel Tian

New Members Received: Chrissie Chan, Michael Tham, Daniel Tian and Samuel Tian

Pastoral Care & Community Life

God's shepherding care continued through:

- **Approximately 85 people attending 9 Small Groups**
- Pastoral visits and counseling
- Weddings and memorial services
- Fellowship gatherings
- Small Groups and discipleship (various studies, including "Generosity")

These moments remind us that the church is not merely a program, but a family - walking together through seasons of joy, sorrow, growth, and hope.

Looking Forward with Gratitude and Hope

As we step into the coming year, we do so with hearts full of thanksgiving and renewed faith. God has been faithful to sustain, grow, and guide us. We pray that He will continue to make us a people who:

- Love His Word
- Serve His church
- Reach His world
- Multiply faithful disciples

May we continue to be a **Teaching, Training, and Transforming** Church, for the glory of Christ and the blessing of generations to come.

***"Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever. Amen."* (Eph. 3:20-21)**

1. The overall ministry in 2025 was blessed; everyone fulfilled their duties in their respective ministry positions, working together to accomplish their mission.
2. The number of worshippers at the Cantonese congregation increased slightly, with a greater proportion of new guests being young people. We thank Lord for this! The average attendance each Sunday, both in person and online, was approximately 300 people.
3. The number of choir members also increased slightly this year, and we hope that more people will be willing to commit themselves to sacred music ministry next year. The worship teams also increased from three to four. May everyone's service be pleasing to the Lord.
4. Our church is a trilingual church, and opportunities to gather in this spiritual family are few, but there are:
 - (1) Two joint baptismal services are held annually, on June 22nd and December 14 with 150-180 people attending each time. This year, 11 people from the Cantonese congregation were baptized or received the sprinkling ceremony.
 - (2) A joint Christmas worship service on December 25, 2025, approx. 378 people attended.
5. The Cantonese and Mandarin congregations also held two joint services this year:
 - (1) The Good Friday service on April 18, approx. 191 people attended.
 - (2) Mission Sundays: 307 people attended on June 29, and 298 people attended on November 23.
6. We hope that the 2026-2027 theme, "Equipping Saints," will lead us into another new milestone.
7. For details of other ministries, please see the respective ministry reports.

Sunday Service

- ♦ Preach once or twice every month.
- ♦ Lead the communion according to the roster.
- ♦ Connect and get familiar with brothers & sisters in the Sunday service.

Wed. evening Prayer Meeting

- ♦ Lead the prayer meeting once every month.
- ♦ Lead and pray with brothers & sisters in the zoom breakout room weekly.
- ♦ Prepare 2025 schedule and roster list.
- ♦ Enhance the rundown and content of the Prayer meeting.

Joshua & Jireh Fellowship

- ♦ Regularly join the fellowship and visit the cell groups.
- ♦ Home Visitations of various fellowship members.
- ♦ Play the consulting role in the committee meeting as necessary.
- ♦ Construct a bible study program, about the good kings in the book of 2 Chronicles, provide monthly material and model answers for the group leaders.
- ♦ launch more concrete idea and workable proposals to enhance the fellowship and cell groups activities in 2025, so that brothers & sisters can grow more deeply in the spiritual directions.
- ♦ Meet and pray with the brothers and sisters of the fellowship, intermittently.

Various church ministries

- ♦ Ministry of Christian Ed.: regularly launch bible and faith related courses. Launch 3 sessions of interactive bible reading and coaching.
- ♦ Ministry of Cantonese Evangelism: Participate in the Organizing committee of Oct gospel day. Join and lead the Family outreach evangelical group (once bi-monthly). Share in the Sat. outreach lunch and program regularly.
- ♦ Ministry of Connection: Assist the organizing of Gym Day Lunch, sharing and caring accordingly.
- ♦ Ministry of Fellowship: enhancement in group dynamic training and coaching.

Other in-person support

- ♦ Hospital visit and prayer for the MCBC members.
- ♦ Participate in various departmental and fellowship meetings.
- ♦ Participate in the church baptism.
- ♦ Care and provide various home visitations of other MCBC members, upon request.
- ♦ Participate in the singspiration rehearsal for the worship service.
- ♦ Share in the Bethel fellowship (once)
- ♦ Support the Green Pasture ministry.

Fellowship Ministry

- “Alpha Group” (one of the small groups under the Daniel Fellowship): This group began in March 2025. Its core members are three families from Oakville, among whom two fathers are not yet believers, while the rest are Christians. As their children are mostly at elementary to junior high school age, I led the group using the Alpha Family & Parenting Course materials. During the sessions, we learned practical parent-child interaction skills (for example, the Five Love Languages) and shared our personal growth stories. As a result, relationships within the group became much closer. May the Lord lead the two fathers who have not yet believed to come to faith soon.
- “Daniel Brothers Prayer Meeting”: I attend the Daniel Brothers’ Prayer Meeting on alternate Monday evenings, sharing joys, bearing one another’s burdens, and praying for one another.
- Last year, one member of the Daniel Fellowship decided to be baptized and join the church.
- Last year, several members of the Daniel Fellowship, or their family members, encountered serious illnesses. I visited the hospital on multiple occasions to accompany and care for one particular family.



Connection Ministry

- We give thanks that the Kairos group has continued to grow in number, from just over ten people initially to around thirty attendees by the end of last year. Most of them are not yet believers or are new believers. Therefore, last year we structured our weekly meetings around the “Five-Color Evangelism” framework, with the hope that non-believers would come to faith in the Lord.
- During the summer, we organized one camping trip and one retreat. We thank God that relationships among mentors and members, as well as among members themselves, deepened significantly. Members also shared their feedback and hopes for Kairos.
- Joshua and Jeremy participated in the “Jingwu Discipleship Training” course that I organized under the Christian Education Department. Their biblical and theological knowledge improved, and in 2026 they even took up fellowship leadership roles, being responsible for the area of spiritual devotion.
- By the end of 2025, Kairos had established its own leadership team (with Sean serving as leader). The weekly meeting content in 2026 will be led by the leadership team, with mentors providing support. It is hoped that by 2027 Kairos will become a self-sustaining fellowship and be placed under the Fellowship Department.
- The themes of the weekly meetings from January to December are as follows:



Month	Content	Month	Content
1	Creation and New Year Resolutions	7	Who Am I
2	Valentine's Day Sharing	8	Fun and Sharing
3	Survival on a Deserted Island	9	Escape Room – The Coming of Glory
4	True Love – Titanic	10	Choices in Life
5	Bible Knowledge Competition	11	Faith MMA
6	Journey of Faith	12	Animation Carnival

Christian Education Ministry

- In the first quarter of last year, the course “Church Spirituality Traditions” was offered. Using Dr. Daniel Shun-keung Pang’s book Two Thousand Year’s History of Spiritual Theology as the main text, the course surveyed different spiritual traditions in order to enrich our spiritual lives. The course content was as follows:

March 4: Introduction and the Apostolic Fathers	March 11: Asceticism
March 18: Mysticism	March 25: Eastern Orthodoxy
April 1: Lutheranism	April 8: Reformed Tradition
April 15: Anabaptists	April 22: Jesuits
April 29: Carmelite Order	May 6: Anglicanism
May 13: Puritans	May 20: Methodism
May 27: Pentecostalism	

- In the third quarter, the “Jing Wu Discipleship Training Course” was offered, with two options: for credit and audit. More than ten participants enrolled. In the end, three participants chose the credit option, completed the examinations, and received certificates. The course content was as follows:

September 17: The Great Commission and Its Practice	
September 25: Evaluating Time According to Biblical Principles	
October 2: How to Allocate Time	October 9: Introduction to Evangelism
October 16: Introduction to Evangelistic Methods	
October 23: How to Share the Gospel and Control the Conversation	
October 30: Assurance of Salvation	November 6: The Devotional Life
November 13: The Prayer Life	November 20: The Victorious Life
November 27: Myth? The Word of God!	December 4: A Life of Obedience
December 11: Christ Is Lord	

Sermons

- Sermons continued to focus on the church theme “Spiritual Growth, Kingdom Expansion,” equipping the congregation accordingly. Together with other pastors, I also expounded on the Book of Judges, and reflected on possible lessons from “The Five Women in Jesus’ Genealogy.” The sermon titles and Scripture passages are as follows:

Dates	Topics and Scriptures
January 5, 2025	“Five-Color Evangelism (2): The Fall of Humanity” (Romans 1:18–32)
January 19, 2025	“Five-Color Evangelism (3): Jesus’ Redemption” (1 Corinthians 1:17–2:5)
February 9, 2025	“Five-Color Evangelism (4): Justification by Faith Alone” (Romans 10:9–10; James 2:24)
March 2, 2025	“Five-Color Evangelism (5): The Hope of Eternal Life” (Revelation 21:1–4)
March 30, 2025	“A Mighty Judge?” (Judges 7:1–25)
April 27, 2025	“The Crime of Rape and Murder in Judges” (Judges 19:22–30)
May 25, 2025	“Before and After Believing” (Ephesians 2:1–10)
June 22, 2025	“Philip, Bold in Evangelism” (Acts 8:26–40)
July 20, 2025	“The Five Women in Jesus’ Genealogy (1): Tamar” (Genesis 38:1–11)
August 24, 2025	“The Five Women in Jesus’ Genealogy (2): Rahab” (Joshua 2:1–24)
October 26, 2025	“The Five Women in Jesus’ Genealogy (3): Ruth, Part One” (Ruth 1:1–5)
November 30, 2025	“The Five Women in Jesus’ Genealogy (3): Ruth, Part Two” (Ruth 2:1–7)

In addition, I also preached in the English and Mandarin congregations last year, as follows:

January 26, 2025	〈The Armour of God〉 (Ep 6 : 10~20)
February 16, 2025	“Responding to Emotional Struggles through the ‘Three Solas’” (Luke 19:1-10)
November 16, 2025	“A Mighty Warrior?” (Judges 7:1-25)

Evening Prayer Meetings

- Using the film *The Pilgrim’s Progress*, I introduced its themes and offered reflections for spiritual devotion and prayer.

Mission department

- From July 2 to 15, 2025, together with four brothers and sisters, I participated in a short-term mission trip to Göttingen, Hannover, and Clausthal-Zellerfeld in Germany. The main activities included evangelism among local Chinese students and families, sharing testimonies, leading worship songs, visiting people, and participating in games and love feasts. We give thanks that during this trip we were able to sow gospel seeds using the “Five-Color Evangelism” approach.



- From September 5 to 15, I joined a short-term mission trip to Panamá with SEND International. The ministry focused on evangelism, discipleship, leading worship songs, visitation, games, and love feasts among the local Chinese community (most of whom are from Huadu, Guangzhou). We thank God that during this trip about five gospel contacts made decisions to follow Christ, and that we were also able to help an elderly woman remove idols from her home.



All is grace! Glory to God alone!

Seize the Present, Work for the Lord

The present age is evil, and many signs indicate that the time of our Lord's glorious return is drawing near. In John 9:4, Jesus explains how we should use the time God has given us in our lives—urging us to make the most of every opportunity, redeem the time, and work for the Lord.

This is Jesus' message about the "urgency of the hour" in which each of us lives. God has granted us a limited span of time and entrusted us with a specific task. We glorify God by faithfully completing the work He has assigned to us. Because God is all-wise, the time He gives us is sufficient to accomplish the mission He has called us to fulfill.

Work itself carries dignity. We are created in God's image—a truth rich with meaning—but one key aspect is this: we are meant to be workers. God Himself is a working God. He is actively at work at every moment of every day, never passive, always moving purposefully.

The event recorded in John chapter 9 took place near the end of Jesus' earthly ministry—just six months before His crucifixion. His public ministry lasted a little over three years, and now the sun was setting; night was approaching. As Jesus neared the cross and the end of His earthly life, His heart was filled with urgency. That same urgency should mark our response to the work God has called us to do.

John 9:1–4 (ESV):

"As he passed by, he saw a man blind from birth. And his disciples asked him, 'Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?' Jesus answered, 'It was not that this man sinned, or his parents, but that the works of God might be displayed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming, when no one can work.'"

From this passage, we see three truths:

First, a Clear Ministry:

God gave His Son a clearly defined task. Jesus said, "We must work the works of him who sent me." Here, Jesus makes it plain that God had assigned Him a specific responsibility.

The word "must" expresses divine necessity. Jesus did not say, "I would like to" or "I hope to," but "we must." This is a matter of obligation—of fulfilling the mission the Father entrusted to Him on earth.

Moreover, Jesus said "we must work," not "I must work." He spoke these words to His disciples, indicating that the Father had not only entrusted work to Him but also to them. By extension, this applies to every believer throughout history—each person born again into God's kingdom has been given a unique assignment by the Father.

We are not saved by good works, but by grace through faith in Christ—yet we are saved for good works. Our good deeds cannot earn us heaven, but they will follow us into heaven.

God has already entrusted a task to each one of you.

2 Corinthians 5:10:**Second, Seizing the Time:**

In verse 4, Jesus declares something profoundly significant: “While it is day, we must work.” Here, “day” is a metaphor for the time Jesus had on earth—His years, His opportunities, every moment available to accomplish His mission.

He continued, “Night is coming, when no one can work.”

This “night” refers to death—and in the context of the end times, it points to Christ’s return and the final judgment, when grace will no longer be offered. Therefore, we must act now. We cannot delay. We cannot postpone.

Jesus understood that He lived within the Father’s divine timetable, established before the foundation of the world. He could not afford to be idle or lazy. He had not only a specific mission but also a specific window of time to complete it.

Because He knew: if He delayed, He would fail to fulfill the Father’s will—and fall short of God’s glory.

Now, we too must say to ourselves: You have only so much time, yet you carry a great mission.

Psalm 90:12:

“So teach us to number our days that we may get a heart of wisdom.”

We need divine instruction to gain wisdom, for by nature we are foolish and often waste time and opportunities. Ask God to teach you to count your days—for you do not know how many remain. Therefore, everyone should live with holy urgency: Today, I must be about my Father’s business!

Third, the Finitude of Life:

The verse concludes: “Night is coming, when no one can work.”

In reality, every one of us is moving toward death. Our bodies are aging, weakening, and wearing down. Tomorrow you will be more tired than today; next year, weaker than this year. Therefore, God’s work must be done now!

God’s will for each believer is deeply personal—it is between you and Him. What has God called you to do? What mission has He entrusted specifically to you? Whatever it is, if you desire to glorify God—do it without delay! Do it today! Don’t let this moment slip away unused.

While it is still “today,” before the final judgment arrives, while you still draw breath—surrender your life fully to Jesus Christ. Let God use you. Live for Christ. Fulfill His purpose and plan for your life. Do not squander your days or waste your life, lest you stand before God with nothing to show for it.

Psalm 127:1 NIV

“Unless the LORD builds the house, the builders labor in vain. Unless the LORD watches over the city, the guards stand watch in vain.”

We give glory to God who give the increase and guides the children's ministry! We thank God for 2025, for His faithfulness to us and for watching over the Children's Ministry. Children's Ministry or Kids ROCK includes Kids Rock Sunday; this is our weekly Sunday worship for children grade 1 to grade 5. Sunbeam and Mandarin Sunbeam are preschool classes for children from 2.5 to 5 years old. And Kids Rock Friday, now it is Kids ROCK Saturday. It is our Fellowship time for children on all 3 congregations led by Pastor Maria Ching. We follow the school calendar (September to June). Kids ROCK Saturday includes harmonica class led by Deacon Sam Mok, watercolor class, indoor game, and craft led by Pastor Maria.

This year by God's grace we started the Children Led Choir for children, the purpose is for the children to serve God with their vocal skills and music instrument skills. It is for children from Sunbeam age to Midway. CLC practice from February to end of June and September to December led by Pastor Maria.

We thank God for the deacon board support especially for Deacon Susanna support and involvement in all aspect of the children ministry in MCBC. We also have a faithful Children's Ministry Committee team – Deacon Susanna, Laura tam, Rundong Li, Jose Choi and Pastor Maria to support the work that we do in Kids ROCK. We also thank God for the group of volunteers who faithfully commit their time, use skills, give of their resources, and love the children by teaching them God's Word and how to walk by faith. We count it our blessing to have the opportunity to teach and nurture the children at MCBC and their parents as we journey with them.

We continue to support our parents with Parent Page resources for them to use to disciple their children at home during family time and weekly communication. We also have the monthly Cantonese Family Children Program led by Pastor Maria. Our mission is to share God's Word with the children and help them experience God's love personally. May God's name be glory in who we are and all that we do.

2025 Highlight:

Children Led Choir 2025 - Easter Song Presentation – April 20, 2025

- Song – “He is King” by Ron Hamilton
- Children Led Choir members presented in 3 congregations
- Children ages from Sunbeam to Midway (Grade 6-8)

Mother's Day Song Presentation – May 11, 2025

- Song – “My Beautiful Mommy” by Anna Chekhovskyy
- Children Led Choir members presented in 3 congregations
- Children ages from Sunbeam to Midway (Grade 6-8)

Father's Day Song Presentation – June 15, 2025

- Song – “I see a hero” by Shawna Edwards
- Children Led Choir members presented in 3 congregations
- Children ages from Sunbeam to Midway (Grade 6-8)

40th Year English Anniversary Drawing Contest – July 2025

- Drawing Contest Committee Members: Keevin Cheung, Josiah Poong, Deacon Susanna Tse, and Pastor Maria Ching
- Grade 1-3 Category first place winner: Queeny Sun
- Grade 4-6 category first place winner: Sophie Mok

40th year English Anniversary Song Presentation– Nov. 1, 2025

- Song – “I am thankful” by Angie Killian, James Stevens, & Joelle Einerson
- Children Led Choir members presented in 3 congregations
- Children from Sunbeam to Midway (Grade 6-8)

Christmas Song Presentation – Dec. 25, 2025

- Song – “Sing For the King” by Angie Killian & Allie Gardner
- Children Led Choir members presented in 3 congregations
- Children ages from Sunbeam to Midway (Grade 6-8)

Summer Camp 2025 August 18-22 Full day camp for grade 1-grade 5,

- Praise God, 19 campers: first time accepted Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior
- 21 Bibles were given out
- Pastor Fred shares the Friday message to the camper
- Summer Camp Committee team: Yong Tang and Amy Law-Co-chairs; Charles Huang-Camp Director, Lydia Foo-Volunteer coordinator, Joy Lee, Charlsen Cheng, and Pastor Maria Ching. Supporting Deacon Susanna Tse.
- Approximately 100 kids attended the camp
- Jr. Volunteer from grade 6-8 were added to the volunteer team

Teachers Parents Lunch – November 30, 2025

- Led by the CMC and KRS volunteers
- Open to children/parent and volunteer of all 3 congregations
- Fellowship and game

Harmonica Class Presentation – December 21, 2025

- Led by Deacon Sam Mok,
- Presentation on Dec. 21, 2025, on all 3 congregations
- Children and parent from the harmonica class : Edwin Grebenc, Phoenix, Luo Osmond Ho, Joseph Tham, Mei Ho, Yan He and Patricia Ching–drum

The 7 Laws of the Teacher Virtual class– September 2025-March 2026

- Open to all 3 congregations and facilitated by Pastor Maria
- On the first Tuesday and first Thursday of each month

Cantonese Family Children Program – January to December 2025

- Once a month for Cantonese children
- Discipleship Jr. - Getting to know God- is a Bible-based program that utilizes the FUN aspect to build young disciples through interaction with Bible truth and with each other.

DEACON BOARD REPORT

1. A Dream Fulfilled

A highlight of 2025 was our 40th anniversary celebration of the English Congregation. It was wonderful to see the whole church coming together to give thanks. It was also a delight to see so many people who used to attend our church come back to celebrate with us. Just seeing them again certainly brought back many fond memories. One such memory was a discussion on how we should develop the young English ministry. Back then, we thought that in the not-too-distant future, it would rapidly outgrow the Cantonese congregation and become the dominant one. Apparently, God had other plans. Not only did the Cantonese congregation continue to thrive but a new Mandarin congregation was added. This observation underscores the fact that while we may not have gotten everything right, God is still in control and building his church. We may have made mistakes, but God's grace has once again proven to be sufficient. For that we must give thanks.

2. A Vision Cast

As we continue to grow, one thing became abundantly clear. We needed leaders to take on new roles. We quickly learned that a larger church meant that more organization and coordination were required. Scripture tells us that as Christians, we all have spiritual gifts. What's more, the Apostle Paul called the church, the body of Christ, and just as all parts of the human body are needed for it to function properly, everyone is needed in the body of Christ for her to fulfill the mandate given by the Head.

With that in mind, we have introduced the concept of the 'teaching church'. This is borrowed from the medical field, whereby a teaching hospital provides practical training for doctors to complement their classroom instruction. A typical teaching hospital would have all the major areas of specialties in medicine represented and can give opportunity for the new doctors to learn.

In a 'teaching church', all the roles practiced within it can be used as opportunities for someone to learn how to serve. If one does not yet know his spiritual gift, we will help him to first discover and then to hone it. We will provide a mentor to journey with him and help to find an opportunity for him to serve. In this way, we hope to take advantage of one of the best things about the congregational system, that is, as part of a royal priesthood, we all have a part to play in building up the body of Christ.

3. A Time to Choose

40 years ago we made a choice. We chose to invest in the English ministry. It is time to make another choice. By the grace of God, we have grown to become a mid-sized church. To stay a mid-sized church, we must choose to mentor those whom God has brought to us. In order to be successful in this endeavor, however, we must choose to practice Heb 13:17,

'Have confidence in your leaders and submit to their authority, because that keep watch over you as those who must give an account. Do this so that their work will be a joy, not a burden, for that would be of no benefit to you.'

Those in positions of leadership should do so with humility, remembering that they must give an account. Those under their leadership should have confidence in them and submit. If we are able to maintain this balance, I believe we will experience growth in a way that we have not seen before. Let's go on this exciting journey together.

MINISTRY REPORTS

APPRECIATION FOR MINISTRY PARTNERSHIP

“PRAYER IS THE ROOT OF MISSION; MISSION IS THE FRUIT OF PRAYER”

With this conviction, the Mission Department expresses our heartfelt gratitude to the Cantonese, Mandarin, and English Congregation ministries for their faithful support and partnership throughout 2025. Your dedication collaboration, and continual prayer have strengthened the Mission work of our church and enable us to serve together with unity and purpose.

- 1) Mission Open Day – January 26, 2025 – Introduction of the Mission Department’s ministries and plans for the year.
- 2) Weekly Online Mission Prayer Meeting – Every Saturday from 8:30–9:00 AM (for 3 congregations) — all three congregations).
- 3) Missionary Sharing at Wednesday Night Prayer Meetings
 - a. Cantonese Congregation: Rev. Daisy Pun, Rev Tong, Carol Vuong, Rev. Joseph Wong
 - b. Mandarin Congregation: Rev. Daisy Pun, Rev. Conrad Kwok
 - c. Short-Term Mission Teams: Taiwan, Germany, and Panama team
- 4) Muslim World workshop shared by Lebanon missionary Joe Bridi on March 1
- 5) Special Online Sharing – April 11 Online Testimony from Pastor Lee on the women’s drug rehabilitation ministry at the Samuel Home in Northern Thailand.
- 6) Short-Term Mission Training Class -May 17 Training led by Rev Joseph Wong
- 7) Missionary Sharing- September 21, Kathleen & Colin Wassenaar (Cambridge) at English Congregation.
- 8) Online Mission Sunday School – 12 Lessons
 - a. Mandarin: May to July
 - b. Cantonese: August to November
- 9) 2025 Short-Term Mission Trips
 - a. Taiwan: May 30 – June 12
 - b. Toronto Remix: June25- 29
 - c. Germany: July 2 – 15
 - d. Panama: September 5 – 15
 - e. Urbana Conference: December 26 – January 1,2026
- 10) Muslim Awareness Seminar on August 9 – Morning and afternoon led by Pastor Stephen Hawkins.
- 11) Mission Sunday – June 29
 - a. Chinese Congregations speaker: Rev. Conrad Kwok
 - b. English Congregation speaker: Pastor Joe Bridi
- 12) Annual Mission Conference – November 22–23, 2025
 - a. Chinese Congregations speaker: Rev. Daniel Lau
 - b. English Congregation Speaker: Pastor Jordan Lim

- Praise the Lord! Chinese Evangelism Department committee include Renee, Mandy, Nonnie, Lekhanh, and Vany.
- In 2025, gospel tracts were distributed at various Chinese supermarkets every two months on Saturdays, each time led by a different team leader, with fellowship members invited to participate. The activity paused during the winter months of January, February, and March.
- The church held outreach activities every Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. (except for long weekends), including table tennis, Liu Tong Boxing, and line dancing. Each week, about 50–55 people attended, among whom 10–15 are friends who have not yet believed. At 11:15, there was a mid-session break with refreshments, message sharing, testimonies, and singing. In the summer and at Christmas, all groups came together for a special lunch gathering.
- The Women’s Group meets once a month on Saturdays, with about 15–18 participants, engaging in activities based on different themes. On the first and third Wednesday of each month, a family outreach gathering was held, mainly for non believers. Each meeting had about 18–20 attendees, including 8–10 non-believers.
- From Monday to Friday, Michelle leads a Zoom tapping exercise class with about 10–15 participants, including some non believers, several of whom also attend the family gatherings.
- Praise the Lord! The 9th EE (Evangelism Explosion) training course began in September. The students have completed the course and are diligently practicing evangelism through Saturday outreach and family gatherings.
- The Evangelism department WhatsApp prayer group includes 18 brothers and sisters from different fellowships who pray together for all the ministries, helping more people understand the needs and direction of the evangelism work.
- On February 3, 2025, during Chinese New Year celebration at Dixie Park mall, we partnered with the Toronto Short Term Mission Centre. The brothers and sisters were enthusiastic in sharing the gospel and distributing tracts, and their spiritual lives were greatly strengthened. Praise the Lord!
- On October 19, 2025, the Gospel Sunday message was delivered by Rev. Pang Wai Yin, titled “A Lifelong Friend.”
- In 2025, five friends made decisions to follow Christ. All glory be to God!
- Finally, please continue to pray for all outreach ministries.

Three things we must give thanks to the Lord our God.

1. We thank God for His inspiration. Although all the programs we ran in 2025 (children story hour, Zumba and tutorial classes) were under the banner of the English Evangelism Ministry, brothers and sisters from all three congregations (English, Cantonese, and Mandarin) were involved in every single one of them, even though we attended different language and dialect worship services. Only God can move us to come together as one and work together to reach the unchurched.
2. We thank God for His grace. Out of 27 brothers and sisters involved in all the outreach programs, some of them had never been involved in any ministries before. It is God's grace that He called those who loved Him to fulfill His will and to accomplish His purposes.
3. Thank be to God for His faithfulness. We ran three programs in 2025. At the beginning of the year, we had the children story hour, but it was dropped on June 30th due to lack of attendees. In July, the tutorial classes program was introduced to replace the children story hour program. It started off with 15 or 16 students attending the classes. When the Chinese school started in September, only 3 or 4 students came to the classes. Regarding the Zumba class, out of all the people who attended, we have four or five unchurched friends regularly attending the class every week. Since it is God's work, the Holy Spirit moves the unchurched friends keep coming to His house week after week so that we have a chance to share God's love with them.

1. Held an online fasting and prayer event during Easter.
2. Participated in the Missions Department's Ramadan Prayer initiative for Muslims.
3. Joined and helped lead the Missions Department's Saturday morning prayer meetings.
4. Hosted the full-day workshop "Following in Paul's Footsteps" (May 10, 10am–4pm).
5. Organized and joined the short-term mission team to Taiwan.
6. Participated in the Summer Children's Tutoring Program with the English Congregation.
7. Assisted with the church summer camp.
8. Organized the Mandarin Congregation's welcome lunch for new friends and parents of summer-camp children (August 24), and conducted follow-up phone calls.
9. Invited Rev. Yao Yueping to preach on Gospel Sunday; Emily made a decision for Christ and joined the baptism class.
10. Invited Tim and Jessica from InterVarsity Canada to host the online seminar "Our Journey in Missions" in November, with 76 participants.
11. Coordinated and supported the Missions Department in preparing for the Missions Annual Conference (November 22–23).

1. In-person and concurrently livestreamed Sunday Worship has been carried out throughout the year of 2025. There are approximately 250 people on average, with 50 households viewing the livestream Worship.
2. Continue providing QR code to view Sunday Worship bulletin.
3. Choir team presents 2 times (1st and 3rd week) per month in-person in 2025.
4. Worship chairperson training class was held on March 2nd as led by Rev. Wayne Cheung.
5. Performed the in-person and concurrent stream live of Cantonese and Mandarin joint Good Friday Worship Services.
6. With the help from Cantonese Fellowship Ministry, we have carried out the annual fellowship month held in July. All fellowships contributed greatly to encourage those interested in serving.
7. Performed the in-person and concurrent stream live of 3 congregations (English, Cantonese and Mandarin) joint Christmas Celebration Worship Service. Theme: Jesus, The Bright Morning Star.

"The English Worship Ministry experienced God's abundant provision and grace throughout 2025. At the beginning of the year, there was a clear need for additional brothers and sisters to serve in various areas of the ministry. When this need was shared, brothers and sisters faithfully responded and stepped forward to serve in different aspects of worship. As we look ahead to 2026, we continue to seek more people to serve, trusting that God will provide in His perfect timing.

On average, 116 people attended the English worship service in 2025, representing a slight increase from an average attendance of 113 in 2024. On Easter Sunday, attendance was 156 people gathered to worship together.

On November 1, we joyfully celebrated the 40th anniversary of the English Ministry. Alumni, former pastors, and deacons joined us for this special occasion. In conjunction with the celebration, we also held a cross-congregational fundraising effort for the Mississauga Food Bank, with an initial goal of raising \$15,000. By God's grace, we exceeded this goal and raised \$28,514. Through donation matching, this contribution was multiplied, enabling us to provide 56,770 meals to those in need in Mississauga. All glory be to God.

1. Choir retirement: Rev. Chiu conducted a training session on the theme of life, spirituality, and mission in the morning, and Sister Helen Chu conducted a training session on sacred music in the afternoon.
2. Joint Mandarin and Cantonese choir performed hymns for Good Friday worship; ten (10) choir members from the Mandarin Church participated.
3. Joint Mandarin and Cantonese choir performed hymns for Christmas worship; nine (9) choir members from the Mandarin Church participated.
4. Three (3) new users joined the ministry service, providing them with opportunities to practice ministry after baptism.
5. With the church's assistance, AV hardware, sound control, and training were provided.
6. A new pianist from the Cantonese Church assisted the Mandarin Church; all cooperated harmoniously.
7. Three (3) new choir members joined as hymn leaders, and two (2) new choir members participated in choir ministry.

The Cantonese Christian Education Department exists to equip believers to grow in the knowledge of God's Word, mature in Christlikeness, and live out their faith faithfully in daily life. We are grounded in the Bible Scriptures. Our ministry seeks to obey the Lord's command to teach and disciple God's people. Our programs' aim is not only to impart biblical knowledge, but also to nurture God's children, spiritual formation, and transformation, equipping believers for serving our Lord.

2025 Total 20 Classes Conducted, 389 head count participated. Average Attendance: Approximately 98 students per quarter.

We enrolled to ABSCC Summer Online course, our church has 30 members signed up that online course. Few members gave positive feedbacks.

We invited Dr. Jimmy Chan from ABSCC as our Christian Education Sunday Service speaker. The main theme was "Christian Education for all people, all individuals, all families." "全民, 全人, 全家的神學教育". And also, we had a special workshop in the afternoon, the topic was "New Challenges in the AI Era." "AI 時代新挑戰"
Attendance: Approximately 60 participants

We thank God for His faithfulness, the dedication of teachers and volunteers, and the commitment of all participants. As we move forward, the Christian Education Department remains committed to nurturing disciples who love God's Word, grow in faith, and serve the church and community faithfully. Pray that God will use the Christian Education ministry to equip and nurture brothers and sisters to serve in various areas.

The 2026 Christian Education Sunday is scheduled on July 12, 2026, due to the availability of our speaker. We invited Dr. Lawrence MH Ko (高銘謙博士) as our speaker. He will fly to Toronto to conduct the graduation ceremony of ABSCC programs. We are blessed to catch this opportunity to book him as our speaker. The month of July is also the Fellowship month. Jireh fellowship will serve on the same date too.

In 2025, we continued to offer Sunday school classes on books of the Bible, roughly following Pastor Fred's preaching schedule. The vision for the last few years has been to grow disciples by studying and living out His Word. In addition, we collaborated with the Small Groups ministry to organize a special two-part series on Spiritual Companionship to initiate deeper community within the English congregation. We are extremely grateful for the brothers and sisters who taught each class and for those who attended. The list of 2025 Sunday school classes is below.

- Zechariah (February) - Clement Cheng
- Daniel (March-May) - Jim Beerley
- Learning to Lament in Quiet and Creativity (May/June) - Victoria Mok
- Zephaniah (July-August) - Gordon Wong
- Spiritual Companionship (September-October) - Denise Fan (external)
- Isaiah Part 1 (November-December) - David Lai

In addition to adult Sunday school, the Christian Education ministry has also taken on the responsibility for coordinating Sunday school classes for WAY (Gr 9-12). We tested a format where a curriculum was selected and divided into 3-4 week teaching blocks. We then brought on teachers from the young adult to working adult age range to teach the class. Each teacher was also paired with a more senior mentor. This format will be continued in 2026. The two curricula used in Fall 2025 are listed below.

What is a Christian? (Francis Chan)

The Jesus Covenant (The Foundry)

I. Introduction: God's Abundant Grace and the Word of Truth

"All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness." (2 Timothy 3:16)

Looking back at 2025, we first offer our heartfelt gratitude before the Lord. Throughout this year, the Mandarin Sunday School Department has experienced God's abundant grace and guidance. We firmly believe that studying God's Word is not only the foundation for a believer's spiritual growth but also an essential prerequisite for spreading the Gospel and witnessing for the Lord. As members of the Baptist tradition, we continue to uphold and practice the fine tradition of "Either a Sunday School teacher or a Sunday School student," encouraging every brother and sister to actively engage in truth-equipping—whether through teaching or learning—growing together in the Lord.

II. 2025 Ministry Review

Over the past year, our Sunday School ministry has operated primarily through two time slots, offering flexible teaching tailored to different groups and learning needs:

1. Class Overview and Attendance

- a) Sunday School (In-person + Online): Conducted every Sunday morning using a hybrid model of in-person gathering and Zoom connection. Thanks be to God, the average weekly attendance remained at over ten people. Even in the midst of harsh winters or summer heat, the brothers' and sisters' thirst for the truth remained fervent.
- b) Tuesday Evening School (Online): Conducted every Tuesday evening via the internet, accommodating working professionals and members living further away. The average weekly attendance was over twenty, with an active classroom atmosphere and deep interactions.

2. Curriculum Review

The curriculum design for 2025 strove for balance, covering both Old and New Testament studies as well as theological doctrines and practical life applications. We specifically arranged courses of varying depths for seekers, new believers, and those pursuing deeper spiritual growth.

- December 2024 – February 2025
 - a) Sunday: Suspended due to the Germany Short-term Mission, encouraging members to practice the truth through mission work.
 - b) Tuesday: Rev. Qiu taught "The Gospel of God's Revelation," laying a solid theological foundation for the Gospel.
- March 2025 – May 2025
 - a) Sunday: Brother Tang Siliang (Alex) led "Alone with God," guiding believers to establish a close, Lord's Prayer-based devotional life amidst their busy schedules.
 - b) Tuesday: Rev. Qiu taught "Fundamental Truths of the Bible," helping believers systematically understand the core of our faith, specifically targeting seekers and new believers.

- June 2025 – August 2025
 - a) Sunday: Sisters Zhang Lumei, Vicky, and Jenny Xu jointly taught "12 Extraordinary Women of the Bible (Part II)," observing God's work in history from a female perspective.
 - b) Tuesday: Pastor Chen and Brother Mingo taught "12 Lessons for Introduction to Missions," broadening our kingdom vision and participating in God's Great Commission through learning.
- September 2025 – November 2025
 - a) Sunday: Wendy, Zhao Liping, Tang Siliang, and several other teachers jointly explored "The Big Questions," using apologetics and answers to faith-related inquiries to respond to modern-day challenges.
 - b) Tuesday: Rev. Qiu led the study of "1 Thessalonians," providing precious exhortations regarding eschatology and church life.

3. Faculty Team and Teaching Model

A major highlight of this year was the diversification of our faculty. Beyond the pastoral care of our ministers, God raised many brothers and sisters to participate in the teaching ministry. We adopted a "Joint Teaching" model (such as in the "12 Extraordinary Women" and "The Big Questions" courses), where multiple teachers collaborated. This not only lightened the load for individual teachers but also fostered mutual learning and support among co-workers during preparation, achieving growth for both teachers and students.

III. Thanksgiving and Testimonies

1. The Dedication of Pastors and Co-workers

We would like to express special thanks to Rev. Qiu for his systematic biblical teaching on Tuesday nights despite his heavy pastoral duties. We also sincerely thank Rev. Cheung from the Cantonese congregation for his long-standing support and help, which serves as a beautiful testimony of being one family in the Lord and providing mutual support across language congregations. We thank all the teachers for their faithful dedication in the Lord, spending time in preparation and correctly handling the word of truth.

2. Student Exemplars: Faith Undeterred by Storms

Among our many students, we must specifically mention two elders—Sister Bao and Brother Tang. Although both are in their 80s, their thirst for God's Word is deeply moving. Regardless of the extreme cold, heat, or rain, they persisted in attending the in-person Sunday School early every Sunday morning without fail. In class, they always listen intently and take meticulous notes. Their spirit of "lifelong learning" and the importance they place on Sunday School serve as the best example and inspiration for all teachers and students.

IV. 2026 Ministry Plans and Outlook

Looking ahead to 2026, we will continue to cultivate the depth and breadth of truth. Our plans are as follows:

- December 2025 – February 2026
 - a) Sunday: Feng Hui (Bill), Tang Siliang, and Richard will lead the study of "12 Ordinary Men," seeing how the Lord uses ordinary people to achieve extraordinary things.
 - b) Tuesday: Rev. Cheung from the Cantonese congregation is specially invited to teach "Evaluating Charismatic Movements through the Bible," helping believers discern truth in a confusing age.
- March 2026 – May 2026
 - a) Sunday: The "Chinese Alpha Course" will be offered, coordinated by Tang Siliang, Zhang Lumei (Ruby), Vicky, Richard, Wang Yang, and others. This is an excellent opportunity for seekers and new believers to know the Gospel.
 - b) Tuesday: Teacher CT will lead "Prison Epistles: A Glimpse into Paul's Inner World – Ephesians," delving into the apostle's heart and the mystery of the Church.
- Special Gathering (May 1–3, 2026)
 - a) We will hold our Annual Spiritual Revival and Evangelistic Meeting. Rev. Kang Laixiang will be our guest speaker, with the theme "Christians and Faith" We hope this gathering will revive the spiritual lives of our brothers and sisters.
- June 2026 – August 2026
 - a) Sunday: Led by Rev. Qiu (Topic TBD).
 - b) Tuesday: Deacon Mo (Sam) will teach "Hymn Theology through Church History," guiding us to understand theology through history and poetry.
- September 2026 – November 2026
 - a) Sunday: Topic TBD.
 - b) Tuesday: Led by Rev. Qiu or Rev. Cheung.

V. Conclusion

May the Lord continue to lead the Mandarin Sunday School ministry. May we grow not only in knowledge but also in the fruit of life in the coming year. May everyone who comes to Sunday School be touched by God's Word and become a soldier for Christ.

"Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path." (Psalm 119:105)

May all glory and praise be to our Father in Heaven!

In 2025, three major events were held by the ministry department. The first event was the Small Group Leader Enrich Program held in May (5/4 and 5/26). It was led by Rev Wayne Cheung. The first session was a in person, while the second session was held online. There are approximately 30 people attended each session. The programs were aimed to improve group leaders skill, and also provide training for potential group leaders.

The second event was the revival Sunday service held in June 8. We were glad to have Rev John Kwok shared with us the topic of “Connect, Support, Renew”. He encouraged us to love/support each other, under the Holy Spirit. In the afternoon, he shared with us a couple/family topic “Love till the end”. There are about 50 people attending the seminar. He provided a lot of insights to improve the relationships with our spouse, and the feedback is very positive.

The third event was the July fellowship month, in which fellowships were responsible to lead the Sunday Service. Each fellowship tried their best to serve the Lord. There were so many new faces to lead the services, and with many different characteristics.

Please continue to pray for the fellowships, especially all the existing and new committee members. The followings are details reports from each fellowship.

Enoch Fellowship

May Fung

After holding an in-person gathering in August 2024, the Enoch Fellowship received an unexpectedly positive response from the seniors. As a result, in early 2025 we organized a Lunar New Year’s Eve lunch outing, allowing the seniors to gather in person once again. We are truly grateful that every event has been covered by the Lord’s grace and peace.

At the in-person gathering this July, we tried something new by not ordering takeout. Instead, the co-workers divided the tasks and prepared several homemade dishes and desserts to share with the seniors, making the meal both more delicious and healthier. To our surprise, everyone turned out to be very skilled in cooking. We would like to give special thanks to Rev Cheung, who personally prepared two signature dishes to bless the seniors. Everyone could truly taste the love in the food!

One of the most memorable moments of the gathering was the testimony shared by Sister 黃夏寶石. She shared that every Saturday night before Sunday worship, she would carefully prepare the clothes she would wear to church the next day. She regarded attending worship as an important appointment with the Lord. Her attitude became a wonderful example to us all. Sadly, two weeks later, she left us and returned to the Lord’s embrace. This beautiful testimony remains forever in our hearts, and we miss her dearly.

This year, Sister 蘇秀梅, one of our fellowship members, decided to be baptized and return to the Lord before Christmas, for which we give thanks and rejoice.

Fellowship Department – Cantonese 2025 Report (cont'd) William Chan

Enoch Fellowship (cont'd)

There will be some minor changes in the Enoch Fellowship team next year. The new fellowship leader will be Brother Philip Chow, and the new sound team co-worker will be Sister Winnie Chan. The rest of the team members will remain and continue serving the seniors. May the Lord use us, and may we be blessed as we serve Him.

Bethel Fellowship

Leo Mok

In 2025 Bethel Fellowship organized different events for brothers and sisters to experience the fellowship life.

In Chinese New Year we gathered in Mandarin Restaurant enjoying buffet to celebrate Chinese New Year. In August we went to Gairloch Gardens to have fellowship meeting there and afterwards we have lunch in Japanese restaurant.

For spiritual growth, we have speakers on different topics – Holy Spirit, how to understand Bible and how to live out life in this end time.

For health talk – How to control diabetes and know the general health knowledge.

For alternate month small group bible study – in the first half year we study on Zechariah reminding us our commitment to serve and rebuild our faith. In the second half year we study on Faith, Hope and Love.

To encourage brothers and sisters using the public transport, our first time public transport trip is to visit Etienne Brule garden to watch the return of salmon and the autumn scenery.

We hope that brothers and sisters to participate more in our gathering. We build up our friendship in Christ and follow what God teach us in the Bible.

Joshua Fellowship

Candy Chung

In 2025, Joshua Fellowship continue to study God's Word in depth, helping us better understand the Lord's will and learn how to live out His truth in our daily lives.

Pastor Wayne Cheung specifically designed a brand new Bible study series for the Fellowship to strengthen both the Fellowship and small group growth. We learned from the deeds of eight "good kings" in the book of 2 Chronicles, imitating them in doing what was right in the eyes of the Lord, while also taking warning from the aspects of their human weakness.

This year, the Fellowship Committee has added a new "Outreach/Evangelism" position to support ministries for visitation and community care. We reached out to those who have not heard the Gospel through the "Living Out the Faith, Community Care" outreach campaign and by distributing gospel tracts at supermarkets in Mississauga, serving as a bridge for the Gospel.

Joshua Fellowship (cont'd)

For our Fellowship meetings, we invited brothers and sisters who have participated in short-term missions and community services to share their testimonies and personal journeys. By hearing how they stepped out of their comfort zones, we hope to encourage Fellowship members to consider participating in various forms of ministry/service as they plan for their retirement. We also explored how to practice biblical patience within a large and diverse church family, and how to continually draw strength from the love of Jesus and grow together in harmony.

May we continue to live out the love of the Lord Jesus in the days to come, constantly reflect on our faith, and ths live lives pleasing to God in the secular world, supporting one another as we journey forward in faith.

Jireh Fellowship

Arthur Chan

The Jireh Fellowship is made up of more than ten families, with around twenty-plus members. The fellowship meets once a month in the church and once for a small group. There are currently two small groups. Most members' s children have already entered university or have graduated and are working. Many fellowship members are also approaching retirement age. They actively participate in various ministries in the church, serving faithfully and contributing their gifts.

The theme of the fellowship for 2025 is “Offer Yourself as Living Sacrifices, Be United in the Renewal of Your Mind.” The theme scripture is Romans 12:1–2. The purpose is to encourage members to dedicate themselves to serving the Lord, allowing God to broaden their vision and renew their thinking, so that they may understand God’s wonderful plan.

The Jireh Fellowship emphasizes caring and prayer. Each gathering concludes with small-group prayer. Every month features different types of activities, such as a New Year gathering, topical seminars, hymn-sharing sessions, barbecue, hiking, Bible quiz competitions, and more.

Meetings are held on the fourth Saturday evening of each month in Room 600. Potluck begins at 6:00pm, the fellowship meeting starts at 7:30pm; and concludes at 9:30pm.

New friends are warmly welcome to join us for fellowship in the Lord. We look forward to seeing you!

Daniel Fellowship

Albert Cheung

Theme: Following Jesus to Become Disciples

In 2025, Daniel Fellowship adopted the annual theme “Following Jesus to Become Disciples,” with the hope that brothers and sisters would not only come to know the Lord, but also become disciples who love Him, follow Him, and experience lives transformed by Him, living out their faith as a testimony in daily life.

Daniel Fellowship (cont'd)

Albert Cheung

I. Fellowship Overview and Leadership Structure

The year 2025 marked a significant season of continuity and transition for Daniel Fellowship. The fellowship was led by the newly appointed Fellowship Chair, Albert Cheung, together with four leaders (Rainbow Ng, Jose Choi, and Benny Fung) who formed the Fellowship Committee, sharing the responsibilities of leadership and pastoral care.

The fellowship was also blessed with spiritual covering and guidance from Deacon Kenneth Cheung and Pastor Dennis Chan, who served as advisors and mentors, providing direction and support to the leadership team in vision, spiritual growth, and ministry. The Children's Ministry is led by Pastor Maria.

At the beginning of the year, the fellowship set a target attendance of 80 people, including adults, youth, and children, with the desire to bring more lives to Christ. Looking back over the year, the average attendance was approximately 55 people, reflecting steady and healthy growth.

II. Fellowship Characteristics and Community Composition

Daniel Fellowship is a family-oriented community, consisting of young families with children and youth, as well as single working professionals. Members come from diverse backgrounds—some joined the church during their student years, while many are new immigrants. In Christ, the fellowship embraces one another, supports one another, and builds a spiritual family together.

III. Pastoral Direction and Spiritual Formation

We recognize deeply that helping brothers and sisters become disciples of Jesus Christ requires a stable and spiritually enriching community life. Therefore, the fellowship focuses on nurturing lives through small-group ministry and corporate spiritual practices.

1. Cell Group Ministry

In 2025, the fellowship organized Brother's Group, Sister's Group, and Alpha Group, emphasizing mutual care, spiritual companionship, and intercessory prayer. Each group held regular online and in-person prayer meetings, enabling members to support one another amid life's challenges and experience God's presence and guidance together.

2. Spiritual Growth

The fellowship encouraged members to build an intimate relationship with God by cultivating a consistent devotional life. A year-long Bible reading plan was launched, and members were encouraged to share their daily devotion reflections through a mobile messaging group. Weekly Scripture memorization was also practiced to help God's Word take root in their hearts.

Daniel Fellowship (cont'd)

Albert Cheung

In addition, after Sunday worship services, fellowship members would gather together to review key sermon messages and pray for those in need, allowing God's Word to be lived out in daily life.

Regarding faith commitment, the fellowship also encouraged members to have a clear understanding of salvation and to respond through baptism and church membership. This year, three brothers and sisters (Lawrence Cheung, Joy Lee, and Trista Ho) received baptism and were formally welcomed into the body of Christ, for which we give thanks to God.

IV. Evangelism and Outreach Ministry

Daniel Fellowship places strong emphasis on the mission of evangelism. In addition to actively supporting church-wide evangelistic events, the fellowship mobilized members to pray for Gospel Sundays and invite new friends to participate. This year, some members also responded to God's calling by participating in short-term mission trips to Germany and Panama, bringing the Gospel to different regions and broadening their spiritual horizons.

V. Fellowship Life and Community Building

The fellowship values life together and relationships among members. Through various gatherings and activities—including major holiday celebrations, summer barbecues, short outings, family meals, and recreational events—members were able to build trust and friendship in a relaxed environment, living out a loving and united Christian community.

VI. Looking Ahead

As we look to the coming year, Daniel Fellowship hopes to bear even greater witness for the Lord, actively engage in ministry, and grow in concern for the church and God's Kingdom. May our brothers and sisters recognize the value of souls, care for one another, love the Lord wholeheartedly, experience Him deeply, and build a closer relationship with Him. May we remain watchful and prayerful, continue to grow spiritually, and faithfully carry on the mission entrusted to us by Jesus Christ.

All glory be to God.



In the Small Group Ministry, we believe that anyone who desires to become a disciple of Jesus must prioritize gathering for worship and the teaching of God’s Word. Yet this alone is not sufficient. Discipleship requires life together — a community where we can be truly known and where we learn to live out His Word alongside one another.

The Small Groups of the English Congregation are built on four key pillars: Connection, Growth (transformation), Prayer, and Service. In 2025, the Small Group Ministry is led by committee members Meng Yang, Edith Yoshimura, and Tammy Tang, and is supported by Pastor Fred and the English Congregation Deacons.

Currently, there are nine small groups, with approximately 85 people participating. Each group varies in format and meeting frequency, though most meet bi-weekly and engage in Bible study and video-based discussions. Over the past four years, we have encouraged all small groups to use a common curriculum during the fall as a way to relaunch small groups and unite us around a shared focus. This year, we adopted the Practicing the Way series on the Practice of Generosity.

Last year, we had a workshop on “How to Be His Witness in Everyday Life.” As a practical expression of the learning on sharing the good news, we hosted an Alpha course in September. Twelve guests attended, coming from diverse ethnic and religious backgrounds, including several Muslim friends. This experience challenged us to rely on God, encouraged us to reach out intentionally, and engage in open and respectful conversations about faith. Follow-up is planned for the coming year.

As we continue to keep our goals in growing in connection and deepen our understanding of Scripture through small groups, we also see the need for a deeper kind of community—one where we are known deeply in both our strengths and our weaknesses. It is here that Christ forms us into people of love. This inward formation must also be paired with an outward-focused way of life, as we reflect the love of Christ within us to our friends and neighbours. There is power in living this integrated life of faith. We pray that God will deepen our desire to seek Him and shape us into a community marked by the His power.

2025 MCBC Mandarin Congregation Outreach Ministry Summary

In 2025, the Mandarin Congregation Outreach Ministry organized a total of 7 fellowship events. Below are the specific arrangements and summaries for each activity:

1. **New Year Celebration**

- Date: February 1, 2025 (6:00 PM - 9:30 PM) · Location: Church Room 500
- Activities: Potluck dinner, ministry introduction, games, etc.
- Attendance: Approximately 80 people · Responsible Group: Samuel Group

2. **Missions Sharing**

- Date: March 1, 2025 (6:00 PM - 9:30 PM) · Location: Church Room 500
- Activities: Potluck dinner, devotional sharing.
- Theme: Ramadan in the Muslim World · Speaker: Pastor Joe Bridi
- Attendance: Approximately 65 people · Responsible Group: Philip Group

3. **Movie Night**

- Date: April 5, 2025 (6:00 PM - 9:30 PM) · Location: Church Room 500 and Chapel
- Activities: Potluck dinner, devotional sharing.
- Movie: Jesus Revolution
- Attendance: Approximately 70 people · Responsible Group: John Group

4. **Holy Land Presentation (Speakers: Tim/Jessica)**

- Date: May 10, 2025 (3:00 PM - 8:30 PM) · Location: Church Room 500 and Chapel
- Activities: Potluck dinner, Holy Land presentation (Speakers: Tim/Jessica).
- Responsible Department: Outreach Ministry & Preaching Ministry

5. **Outdoor Fellowship**

- Date: July 12, 2025 (11:00 AM - 4:00 PM)
- Location: Charles Daley Park (Address: 1969 North Service Road, Jordan)
- Activities: Potluck dinner, hymn singing, devotional sharing, life testimonies, games, hiking, etc.
- Attendance: Approximately 100 people · Responsible Group: Luke Group

6. **Theme: "Reaching the Hearts of Teenagers - A Key Journey Parents Cannot Miss"**

- Date: September 6, 2025 (6:00 PM - 9:30 PM) · Location: Church Room 500
- Activities: Potluck dinner, devotional sharing, Theme Lecture: Speaker: Sister Peilan Qiu
- Attendance: Approximately 80 people · Responsible Group: Mark Group

7. **Thanksgiving Testimony Meeting**

- Date: October 4, 2025 (6:00 PM - 9:30 PM) · Location: Church Room 500
- Activities: Potluck dinner, hymn singing, devotional sharing, thanksgiving testimonies shared by 8 brothers and sisters.
- Attendance: Approximately 80 people · Responsible Group: Matthew & James Group

The Cantonese Connection ministry aims to connect the new comers and existing brothers and sisters to make MCBC their spiritual family to share God's love. We have witnessed many blessings from God in 2025 to continue to bring many new comers to MCBC. We are grateful to have a team of dedicated brothers and sisters to serve God faithfully in different roles

Major Ministry work in 2025:

1. Connection with NewComers

- Our Greeting Team consists of 24 brothers and sisters. 3 of them were scheduled on a monthly basis to greet everyone who attended the Cantonese Worship Service every Sunday with their kind and genuine welcome. The team is responsible to identify new comers and gather their contact information. The information was used to follow up with the new comers. In 2025, there were 48 newcomer registrations where each registration may include multiple family members.

- **Caring Team** is a team of 12 brothers and sisters and each Sunday 2 of them worked along with Greeting Team to engage to new comers for conversation to build connection and let them know about MCBC. The goal is to be the first point of contact for the new comers. A Friendship Lunch was held in June with 15 new comers from 2024 participated. They were introduced to the pastors and were connected with different fellowship and outreach leads to know more about our the different church activities. The Caring Team members would stay in contact with the new comers until they settle down with a particular fellowship or small group. Through more active communications and follow ups with the new comers, they feel that MCBC is a very welcoming church.

2. Connection with existing church members

- Other than the new comers, the Caring Team has tried to identify and connect with those who came to Sunday worship service but have not participated in fellowship groups.

- We also visited a few brothers and sisters who were sick at home or at hospital to talk and pray with them. We hope to share the loving care on behalf of MCBC Cantonese congregation to these brothers and sisters.

3. Connection to the young adults

- **Kairos Group** is our Cantonese speaking pre-fellowship group for the University students and young working adults. The group is led by Pastor Dennis and 4 counselors and they meet at church monthly (2nd Friday). We are grateful for the continued growth of Kairos group, from just over ten people initially to about thirty by the end of last year. Most of them are not yet believers or are new believers, so last year the counselors team applied the "Gospel in 5 Colors" as framework to plan the monthly program, hoping that the unbelievers would come to faith soon. A camping trip and a cottage retreat were held in past summer, which helped deepen relationships between the leaders and members, as well as among the members themselves.

Members also shared their opinions and expectations for Kairos. It is encouraging to share that Kairos has established a committee formed by the members. The members are responsible to plan 2026 monthly program with assistance the counselors. We hope that by 2027 they will become an independent fellowship.

4. **Connection to church families**

- **Gym Day Lunch** has continued to be very well received by church members the past year on every 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month. On average, there were about 120 people in attendance in 2025 to join lunch at the gym after worship service. We are thankful to have two main chefs and various helpers every time to prepare the healthy and delicious food. This ministry has proven to be a useful platform to connect brothers and sisters and a good way to invite newcomers to get to know the MCBC family. In 2025, we started to involve various fellowship groups to help as servers or as cleaning team. Their participation has witnessed that MCBC is their family. Gym Day Lunch has been financially self-sufficient from lunch payments by participants.

- **Special Events:** In 2025, Cantonese Connection Ministry celebrated Mother's Day and Father's Day by producing two short videos to acknowledge the mothers and fathers in our church families. Special Mother's Day and Father's Day photo backdrop were set up in the church lobby, and we had brother Alex Ng (a professional photographer) provide professional family photo taking service for church members. The service was extended to both the English and Mandarin congregations and was much appreciated by them.

We have humbly brought what we have – the time and resources contributed by many faithful brothers and sisters and placed them before God and may all glory be to Him. Through His guidance, we will continue our efforts to make MCBC a friendly and welcoming church, witnessing God's love in the community.

The year 2025 was marked by turbulence and challenges. During this time, several brothers and sisters were called home to rest in the embrace of our Heavenly Father. At the same time, the Mandarin Congregation also welcomed a number of new brothers and sisters. To care for and support newcomers, the Care Ministry organized a Welcome Fellowship Luncheon early in the year, specifically inviting those who were new to the church as well as new friends, in order to help them connect and integrate into church life.

During the church-wide Summer Camp, many children from Mandarin-speaking families participated. Taking this opportunity, the Care Ministry invited parents to attend a Friendship Gathering held in late August. While the number of new friends who attended was limited, the ministry team continues to seek the Lord's mercy and guidance for this outreach.

Toward the end of the year, a group of brothers and sisters transferred from other churches to join the Mandarin Congregation. We clearly witnessed God's leading in bringing them to our church, where we now worship together as one body, for which we give thanks.

In addition, fellowship time following Sunday worship services has been consistently maintained. Each small group takes turns preparing simple refreshments and fruit with love, providing brothers and sisters with opportunities to connect, communicate, and build relationships after worship, thereby strengthening fellowship within the church community.

I. Ministry Review: System Optimization and Team Building

The year 2025 has been a season of quiet cultivation and fruitful harvest for the Library and Publication Ministry. Through the united efforts and selfless dedication of our volunteer librarians, we have achieved several key milestones:

- **Collection Systematization:** We have reorganized the library collection, optimizing the categorization and physical placement of books on the shelves.
- **Digital Management:** Thanks to the brothers who developed our computer program and completed the data entry, we have significantly improved the efficiency of searching for and locating spiritual resources.
- **Labor of Love:** We give thanks for the time and heart invested by our coworkers. These seemingly simple tasks are a concrete practice of our love for the Lord and the church, providing the strength to sustain this ministry.

II. Theological Reflection: The Spiritual Value of Literacy Ministry

In an era where reading habits are changing, we are often asked: "Are people still borrowing books?" or "Is there still a need for a library in the church?"

We find our answer in the words of the Prophet Habakkuk: "Yet I will rejoice in the Lord, I will be joyful in God my Savior. The Sovereign Lord is my strength!" (Habakkuk 3:18-19). The value of literacy ministry is not measured solely by statistics. God continues to call faithful servants to offer their passion and time to Him—whether through management, reading, teaching, or personal devotion. Our library remains an essential outlet for the written word, standing firm in its post to be used by God.

III. 2026 Outlook and Call for Submissions

As we look forward to the coming year, we warmly invite brothers and sisters to contribute to our publication, "The Burning Wick." Share your experiences and testify to the power of the Lord through your writing.

- **Annual Theme:** "Mirrors of the City: Magnifying God's Love"
- **Content:** Stories and reflections from daily life that manifest the love of God.
- **Submission Deadline:** March 29, 2026
- **Publication:** All submissions will be reviewed for publication on the church website or in printed format.

Facilities Management Department 2025 Report provided by Keith Kee

It is the grace of God and the faithful ministry of all the volunteers that we can keep the church facility a safe and comfortable place for our congregations to worship and glorify our God the Almighty. In addition to the regular maintenance, the highlights of special projects for 2025 are as follow:

1. IT and Security:

- a. Setting up copiers and printers access security to help reduce paper consumption.
- b. Implementation of a new Library Management System.
- c. Developed a new Expense Management System for the Finance Ministry to replace Concur.
- d. Applied for the Ontario Government AHSP Grant to support the replacement of all exterior punched windows in the old building.
- e. Collaborated with the fire protection equipment vendor to address and correct several major deficiencies.

2. HVAC and Electrical:

- a. Working with new HVAC subcontractor to maintain roof top HVAC units to reduce cost and extend equipment life span.
- b. Replaced AC unit in the hub room.
- c. Continuation of lighting improvement church wide with high-efficiency LED units to improve brightness and reduce maintenance cost.

3. Audio and Video:

- a. Installation of new digital soundboards in both the sanctuary, and chapel (with new cabinet) to replace the aging analogue soundboards.
- b. Updated and repaired of various mics in the sanctuary.
- c. Installation of (2) projectors (donated) and tailor-made screens at the sanctuary backwall.
- d. Training of AV personnels from all (3) congregations.
- e. New sound mixer for Room 500.
- f. Setup new TV system in Room 304 for Young Adult Group.

4. General Maintenance:

- a. Replaced existing toilet bowls and washroom faucets.
- b. Renovation of the new Green Pasture home room with assistance from multiple ministry groups.
- c. Set up new change room in the basement for baptismal services.
- d. Repainted gym floor sporting lines.

5. Special Project:

- a. Resealing and repairing of the parking lot.
- b. Realignment of the Jersey barriers at the west end of the parking lot to regain (4) more parking spaces.

As the church continues to grow, the Facility Management Department continue to look for volunteers to improve and maintain the church facility, please contact us through email: fmd@mcbccanada.com if God calls you to serve in this areas, no experience required.