

07th December 2025, Week 49

Today's Message:

Hope, it's Worth the Wait

Luke 2: 22-38



Church Theme 2025-2027: Growing Communities, Moving for Christ

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THE YEAR OF OUR LORD

7th December 2025

Holy Communion Service

	Silent Prayer & Prelude	
	Preparatory Hymn	*The Lord is in His Holy Temple*
	Call to Worship	*Psalm 84: 4-7, 12*
(stand)	Praise and Worship	*What Sweeter Music, Can We Bring?*
(stand)	Opening Prayer	
(stand)	Response to Prayer	*Gloria Patri*
(stand)	Affirmation of Faith	*Apostle's Creed*
	Scripture Reading	*Luke 2: 22-38*
	Prayer of Illumination	*Lord Let my Heart be Good Soil (Handt Hanson)*
	Sermon	*Hope, it's Worth the Wait*
(stand)	Responsive Hymn	*O Holy Night (Placide Cappeau)*
	Tithes & Offerings	
(stand)	Offering Prayer & Hymn	*We Give Thee But Thine Own*
	Welcome & Announcements	
	Holy Communion	*Holy, Holy, Holy* *Christ has Died / is Risen / will Come Again* *Lamb of God (Agnus Dei)*
(stand)	Closing Anthem	*Now Unto Him*
(stand)	Benediction	
(stand)	Amen	*Four Fold Amen*

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Join us for refreshment after the service in Wesley Hall

Church Roster

	7-Dec-2025	14-Dec-2025
Church Event	Holy Communion	
Notes		
Call to Worship	Psalm 84: 4-7, 12	Psalm 8: 1-9
Sermon Title	Hope, It's Worth the Wait	Science & the Bible: Conflict or Confirmation?
Scripture Reading	Luke 2:22-38	*various*
Preacher	Rev James Chin	Pr Mark James
Response Hymn	O Holy Night (words by Placide Cappeau)	
Closing Hymn	Now Unto Him (Jude 24, 25)	
Liturgist	Hui Kung Lau	
Worship Leader	English Choir | Jonathan Lau	Lih Reng Foo
Liturgy Pianist	Evan Yong	Emily Wong
Ushers	Samuel Wong	Evan Yong & Sam Wong
Audio	Tim Ling	Wesley Law
Live Stream (Camera)	Annabelle Tiong	Thaddeus Ling
Slides Design & Control	Lydia Sim / Elijah Ing	Jarron Ting
Offering Counters	Kiw Nyuk Loong & Enoch Sim	Samuel Weng & Samuel Wong
Refreshments	Lydia Sim, Shirley Chin, Jenny Tiong	Sandy, 徐静, Lee Ping
Cleaning	TEAM A: Josephine, Wesley, Sean, Ivan, Jarron, Trinty, Jonathan, Clement, Annabelle, Tim, Thaddeus, Natania, Phoebe	Timothy Group 提摩太小组 / North北岸小组



1. Kitchen ministry. To place your pre-order, go to https://gcmc.nz/breakfast



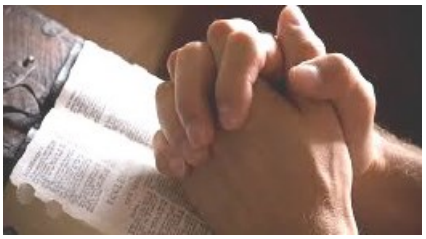

2. Prayer items from Lay Ministry

(a) Pray for our LCEC members. That God will guide, protect and strengthen them to serve Him in various ministries. That the LCEC will serve in unity and function as one team.



(b) Pray for our church building fundraising. God will provide us with the fund to pay for the loan and the cost to upkeep the building. That we will use the church to worship, to train and develop leaders and to reach out to serve each other and the communities.

(c) Pray for each other to keep up with daily devotion and prayer. To build a strong relationship with each other and with God. To cherish what God has given us and to learn to love one another because God first loved us, while we were still sinners. Because we received God love freely we ought to love one another too.



(d) Pray for our pastors, God will watch over them and their family. He will protect them and provide all their needs. Grant them strength and wisdom to carry out their daily tasks of shepherding the church and guiding the various ministries.

3. **Fellowship Events**

Youth Fellowship: N/A (Summer Break)

English Fellowship: N/A (Summer Break)

4. **Ministry of Social Concerns Collection List**

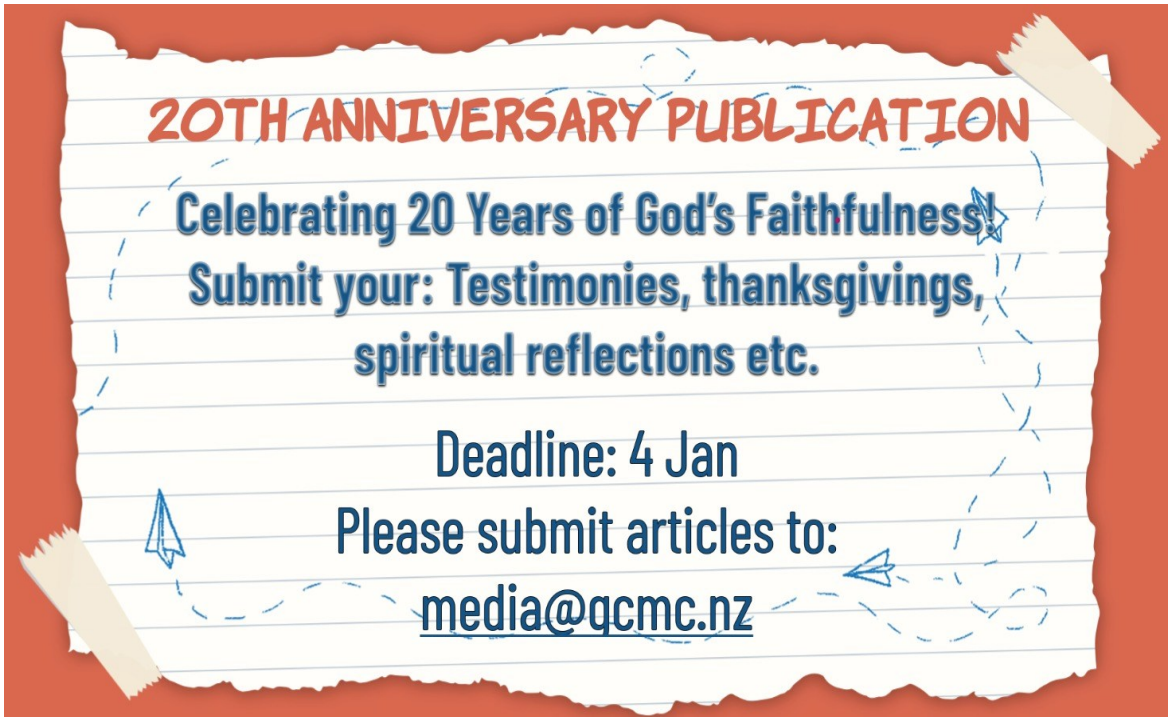
- Food: Non perishables (canned tuna, canned soups, canned vegetables)
- Toiletries
- Feminine hygiene products
- Clean winter clothing

5. **English Service LCEC Directory**

LCEC Directory (English Service)

Chair	Betty Hii (betty.hii@gcmc.nz)
Lay Leader	Hui Kung Lau(hk.lau@gcmc.nz)
Treasurer	Clement Tiong (clement.tiong@gcmc.nz)
Praise and Worship	Olivia Wong (olivia.wong@gcmc.nz)
Christian Education	Alice Hii (alice.hii@gcmc.nz)
Mission and Evangelism	Eliza Chin (eliza.chin@gcmc.nz)
Operation	Lydia Sim (lydia.sim@gcmc.nz)
Property	Andrew Liew (andrew.liew@gcmc.nz)
Media and Literature	Samuel Wong (samuel.wong@gcmc.nz)
Social Concern	Lih Reng Foo (lr.foo@gcmc.nz)
English Fellowship Chair	Cecilia Hii (cecilia.hii@gcmc.nz)
Youth Fellowship Chair	Jacqueline Wong (jacqueline.wong@gcmc.nz)

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7. HOW TO GET INVOLVED IN CHURCH BUILDING FUNDRAISING



You can support the new church's earthquake strengthening, renovation, and expansion work through financial donations (one-time or periodical donations).

PLEASE CLICK HERE FOR THE PLEDGE FORM

https://gcmc.nz/en/cb-pledge/

- Praise God and with a grateful heart we get to own our church building with full scope of renovation. Thank you to everyone who contributed with donations, time and effort so far.
- Now with the completion of renovation we have concluded that the final amount we owe is **$2.328 million.** The debtors are:

Debtors	Amount	Estimated Pay Off Duration
Christian Savings (CS) Loan	$1.49 million	15 years
Additions and Alterations Cost (Remaining Balance)	$500k	6 years
Interest Free Loan from CCMC and DCMC	$200k	**Urgent, in 1 year**
Interest free loan from GCMC families	$138k	3 years

- To ensure we are able to serve the debtors above we need **$47k per month** for the next **18 months**. Then we're left with only Additions and Alteration cost and CS loan to serve with a lower monthly target ($30k per month from August 2026). We strongly encourage contribution from everyone as a church family for regular donation (weekly, fortnightly or monthly).
- The FundRaising Committee (FRC) is now appealing to the congregation for a **pledge reset** for the **next 18 months starting Feb 2025 to July 2026** for the purpose of monthly repayment forecast / planning.
- FRC has the following pledge suggestion:
  - $100 per week x 100 individuals x 4 weeks = $40k per month.
- We urge each of us to pray and complete the online pledge form below by **31 March 2025**.

If you have any enquiry, contact Lih Reng 021-2076231

Our **tithes and offerings** record for 30th November 2025

主日奉献 Offering	中文崇拜 Chinese Service:$ 325.5, 英文崇拜 English Service:$ 72, 儿主 Children Sunday School:$ 48.5, 外币 Forex:$ AUD 10.00, 银行转账 Online Transfer: $
十一奉献 Tithe	3:$50; 8:$150; 14:$100; 16:$350; 21:$100; 23:$210; 24:$250; 27:$1800; 62:$310; 64:$430; 80:$961; 89:$70; 98:$262; 105:$250; 112:$100; 117:$100; 118:$70; 119:$10; 153:$24.55; 156:$100; 180:$190; 224:$100;
建堂奉献 Church Build	3:$25; 14:$300; 16:$150; 17:$500; 25:$498.75; 28:$100; 29:$20; 36:$400; 64:$85; 65:$100; 71:$250; 80:$420; 82:$400; 106:$50; 112:$100; 116:$15; 170:$20; 176:$50;
感恩/其他 Thanksgiving/General	
新普利茅斯布道所 NPCMMC	58:$200; 32:$1000;

	建堂	新普利茅斯布道所	总额
实收	$184,509.75	$9,740.00	$194,249.75

Bank Transfer

Online	$10,601.30
In Person	$516.00
Total	$11,117.30

Here are our account numbers for bank transfer:
Please provide as much detail as possible,

General Offerings: 12-3077-0658357-02
Church Building: 12-3077-0658357-50
English Fellowship: 12-3077-0658357-06

Donations $5 or more are eligible for tax

REFERENCE: building (or tithe, thanksgiving, etc.)
CODE & PARTICULARS: your name or offering number

Donations $5 or more are eligible for tax re-bates.

rebates

"For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also" (Matthew 6:21)

7. CMCNZ Prayer Meeting



CHINESE METHODIST CHURCH IN NEW ZEALAND
紐西蘭基督教華人衛理公會

追求成聖 履行使命

Pursue Sanctification Living the Mission

全紐同工營
CO-WORKERS CAMP 2026

講員 Speaker



劉世堯牧師
Rev Dr Thomas Lau Sie Ngiu

CHRISTIAN YOUTH CAMP
148 WAINGARO ROAD, NGĀRUAWĀHIA 3720
29 MAY - 01 JUN (FRI-MON)

	成人 ADULT	小孩 KIDS (6-11 YR歲)	小孩 KIDS (3-5 YR歲)
ENDS 至 31/12/2025	$265	$250	$195
ENDS 至 28/02/2026	$285	$270	$215

REGISTER 報名
SCAN ME

bit.ly/4fupz7T

Contact 查詢: coworkercamp@hcmc.nz

CHINESE METHODIST YOUTH FELLOWSHIP IN NEW ZEALAND

MYF CONVENTION 2026

REGISTER NOW!



CONVENTION SPEAKER: REV. SIMON GOH (WCMC)

WORKSHOP SPEAKER: REV. PHILIP WONG (ACMC)

FRIDAY 29TH MAY - MONDAY 1ST JUNE

CHRISTIAN YOUTH CAMP
148 WAINGARO ROAD, NGĀRUAWĀHIA 3720

SERVE GOD, SERVE OTHERS



- 1 CHILD: $250
- 2 CHILDREN: $430 (+$180)
- 3 CHILDREN: $580 (+$150)
- 4 CHILDREN: $700 (+$120)

Bishop: Rev. Dr. Chan Lai Liong

Pastoral Advisor: Rev. Joel Siew

Church Name	Minister	Time	Address
North Shore Chinese Methodist Church	Rev. Frederick Tang 021-2946357 fredericktina@gmail.com	2:00 PM (C)	67 Eban Ave, Hillcrest, Auckland,
Greenlane Chinese Methodist Church	Rev. Aaron Sim Rev. James Chin jjjchin@yahoo.com	10:00 AM (C) 10:00 AM (E)	193 Campbell Road, Greenlane, Auckland
Auckland Chinese Methodist Church	Rev. Dr. Chan Lai Liong Rev. Philip Wong acmc@xtra.co.nz	10:00AM (C) 10:00 AM (E)	12 Young Road, Mt Wellington, Auckland
Hamilton Chinese Methodist Church	Rev. Hammond Ho pastor@hcmc.nz	2:00 PM (C)	120 Masters Avenue, Silverdale, Hamilton
Hamilton Chinese Methodist Preaching Point	Rev. Hammond Ho pastor@hcmc.nz	9:30 AM (C)	4 North City Road, Hamilton
Tauranga Chinese Methodist Church	Rev. Eunice Hwong Ling Ai eunicehwong@tcmc.org.nz	2:00 PM (C)	56 Chadwick Road, Greerton, Tauranga
New Plymouth Chinese Methodist Mission Centre	Ps. Allan Huang npcmmc@gmail.com	2:30 PM (C)	89 Liardet Street, New Plymouth
Palmerston North Chinese Methodist Preaching Point	Rev. Simon Goh Ps. Patrick Li sgoh.wcmc@gmail.com	2:00 PM (C)	12 Morris Street, Palmerston North
Wellington Chinese Methodist Church	Rev. Simon Goh Ps. Patrick Li sgoh.wcmc@gmail.com	10:30 AM (C/E)	4 Gordon Street, Avalon, Lower Hutt
Wellington Chinese Methodist Preaching Point	Rev. Simon Goh Ps. Patrick Li ps.patrickli@gmail.com	2:00 PM (C)	46-48 Boulcott Street, Wellington
Christchurch Chinese Methodist Church	Rev. Dr. Adrain King Rev. Chen Qing Ming Rev. John Ling office.ccmc.nz@gmail.com	10:00 AM (C) 10:00 AM (E)	165 Papanui Road, Merivale, Christchurch
Christchurch Chinese Methodist Preaching Point	Rev. Chen Qing Ming qingming0@gmail.com	4:00 PM (C)	3 Brake Street, Upper Riccarton
Dunedin Chinese Methodist Church	Rev. Huang Da jeremiah@dcmc.co.nz	10:00 AM (C/E)	500 Great King Street, Dunedin
Queenstown Chinese Methodist Preaching Point	Rev. Yeo Kwang Tau tau7038@gmail.com	2:00 PM (C)	50 McBride Street, Frankton