



The Unfinished Task of a Mission-Minded Church Preacher: Henry Ow

Sunday, October 16, 2022 | 9:15am - 10:30am

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ENGLISH WORSHIP SERVICE

9:15 AM - 10:30 AM Welcome & Call to Worship Recitation of HCC Articles of Faith Worship in Song Confession of Sin Assurance of Pardon Worship in Song Offertory **Pastoral Prayer** Scripture Reading, Romans 15:14-24 Worship in the Word, Pastor Henry Ow "The Unfinished Task of a Mission-Minded Church" - Sermon Outline Worship in Song **Benediction & Doxology**

UPCOMING SERMON SCHEDULE

To the Known God October 23 | Acts 17:16-32 | Andy Lee (Guest Preacher) Wiped Like a Dirty Dish October 30 | 2 Kings 21:1-26; 23:24-37 | Stanley Chang How Long, O LORD? November 6 | Habakkuk 1:1-11 | Jason Tarn God in the Dock November 13 | Habakkuk 1:12 - 2:20 | Henry Ow

ENGLISH ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Join us for Sunday School classes at 11:00am -12:15pm. Jesus calls us to be disciples, workers, and leaders. Our teaching ministry aims to produce believers who are committed to the call of Jesus.

New Testament Survey (Part 1 of 3) | Trailer 412/414 Systematic Theology Survey (Part 1 of 3) | Rm 115 Old Testament Survey (Part 4 of 6) | Trailer 411 Family Life: Senior Care | Rm 113

LUNCH PREPARATION

Jason & Theresa + Aaron & Mimi's Community Groups (this week) Enoch Fellowship + Crossroad Fellowship (next week)

VISION STATEMENT

HCC seeks to be an urban Chinese-heritage church in central Houston that reaches all those in our lives, Chinese or otherwise, through equipping, sending, and planting.



The Unfinished Task of a Mission-Minded Church

Building the Vision, Leaving a Legacy Romans 15:14-24

Although there exist more churches than ever before, the task to take the gospel to the unreached remains. According to the Joshua project, there remains 7,417 unreached people groups. This means that among these groups, there is little to no gospel witness. Mission work requires believers to overcome cultural and linguistic barriers to bring the gospel to these groups. How does a mission-minded church engage in this unfinished task?

1. The task of the church is to make disciples (vv 14-17)

2. A mission-minded church recognizes that the task is unfinished because unreached people exist (vv 18-21)

3. A mission-minded church engages in the unfinished task by supporting work to the unreached (vv 22-24)

UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

Food Drive for CCSC | TODAY, Oct 16 | After Service | Lobby

We will be collecting food pantry items for the *Christian Community Service Center* next Sunday, 10/16, between 10:45-11:15am in the lobby. List of food pantry needs can be found here: <u>tinyurl.com/HCCFoodDrive2022</u>

Legacy Grandparenting Summit | Thurs, Oct 20 - Fri, Oct 21 | 9:00 am - 4:30 pm

HCC is hosting a simulcast site with Legacy Grandparenting Summit. Grandparents, come learn how to partner with your children to make an impact on your grandchildren. Register at <u>hcc.lv/registerGparent</u>. Scroll down to **Texas** and select **Houston Chinese Church** as your site. Learn more at <u>hcc.lv/Gparent</u> or email **Pastor Fred** at <u>pastortow@hcchome.org</u>.

Building the Vision, Leaving a Legacy Churchwide Conference | Sat, Oct 29 | 10:00 am You're invited to join us for the Churchwide Building Project Conference! We'll have a time of worship, hearing testimonies of God's Grace, and sharing the HCC Vision and Building Plan. The conference will be on Saturday, 10/29 in the sanctuary. For background information: <u>hcc.</u> <u>Iv/BuildingProjectInfo</u>. Questions? Contact <u>communicationscommittee@hcchome.org</u>

Women's Ministry Fall Event | Sat, Oct 29 | 1:30 - 3:00 pm | Various/Zoom

Join us for our Women's Ministry Fall Event "For Such A Time As This," hosted at various women's homes or on Zoom. We will enjoy a time of fellowship with other ladies and will reflect on God's faithfulness and the hope He provides through these current times. Register at <u>hcc.lv/wmfall22</u> by 10/16. For questions, please email <u>womensministry@hcchome.org</u>.

General Membership Meeting | Sun, Oct 30 | 12:30 pm | Sanctuary

A General Membership Meeting will be held following Sunday School on 10/30. This meeting will be to vote to affirm the deacon/elder nominees for 2023-2024 and to affirm the building project. We need 51% of the church membership to attend this meeting to meet quorum to vote; otherwise, we will hold another meeting on 11/6. This meeting will be in-person only.

Public Theology Lectures: On Christianity and the Arts | Sat, Nov 5th | 5:30 pm How do you watch a movie through Christian eyes? Our next PTL, which will feature Professor Bearden Coleman from Houston Christian University, will help us explore the fascinating intersection of faith and film.

World Vision Chosen Launch | Sun, Nov 27 | Lobby

HCC is partnering with World Vision through "Chosen" child sponsorship to support children and families in Vietnam for \$39 a month. We invite you to prepare your hearts and pray about your participation. Sign-up for "Chosen" will start on November 27.



SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

IN OUR COMMUNITY: Kids Bible Club

Interested in impacting children in the community with God's Word? Join our Kids' Bible Club team! Learn more and sign up at <u>tinyurl.com/2022KBCsignup</u> or email **Yvonne Lee** at <u>ytsanglee@gmail.com</u> for questions.

IN OUR CHURCH: Calling All Drivers!

We need volunteers to serve by driving students to and from Rice campus on Sunday mornings so they can attend Sunday worship with us! If you can help, please contact *Dingding Ye* at *dy32@rice.edu* or meet in the lobby after Sunday School!

CHURCH NOTICES

Pastor Appreciation Month

October is Pastor Appreciation Month! If you would like to write a note or drop off a card to thank our ministerial staff for their faithful service, please find the collection basket in the lobby.

Building Project Info Session Recording

The info session held on 08/21/2022 for the HCC Building Project "Building the Vision: Leaving a Legacy" was recorded. Please email <u>communicationscommittee@hcchome.org</u> to request access to this recording and background materials on the project or to ask any questions.

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Job Opportunities: Staff Needed

We are looking for candidates for the following positions to work at HCC:

- Chinese Administrative Assistant (full-time)
- IT Coordinator (part-time)
- Nursery Caregiver (part-time)

For PCC Campus, we are looking for a full-time **Youth Minister**. Email <u>pastorsearch@hcchome.org</u> to apply or find out more at <u>hcc.lv/opportunities</u>

Staff Itinerary

William Soo: vacation, 10/16 - 10/18



PRAYER

Join us as we pray for our long term workers in this month's Global Outreach Spotlight: <u>hcc.lv/GoPrayOct22</u>



COVID PROTOCOL Green Zone: Low Risk

Masks are welcome. Continue to self-isolate if positive for COVID-19, and stay up to date on vaccines/ boosters.

ABOUT US

COVID Church Facilities Update

HCC welcomes everyone to our indoor worship and activities. Check: <u>hcc.lv/covid</u> for the most updated protocols. For more info contact us at: <u>hccoffice@hcchome.org</u> New or Visiting HCC?

If you are a newcomer or visitor we would love to connect you with our church community! Take a moment to fill out our Vistor's Welcome form: <u>hcc.lv/Welcome</u> OR stop by our welcome desk in the lobby for a gift. We will contact you with on ways to connect with our community!

Sign Up for Our Newsletter | <u>hcc.lv/news</u>

Subscribe to our weekly newsletters with announcements, opportunities, and updates.



Please submit English bulletin announcements and inserts to Elise Tan at <u>englishadmin@</u> <u>hcchome.org</u> by Wednesday noon for approval. Any announcements received after Wednesday at noon will be put in next week's bulletin.

HCC Women's Ministry Fall Event

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Saturday, October 29, 2022 1:30 PM – 3:00 PM

A Hybrid Event: gather with small groups of ladies online or at a hostess's home for a time of fellowship and reflection.

REGISTER NOW



Child Evangelism Fellowship

According to American Worldview Inventory 2022, only 2% of parents of preteens have a biblical worldview and very few parents are searching for individuals and experiences that will promote such a worldview to their children.¹ Therefore, if parents are not teaching their kids, then their beliefs on issues such as gender, sexuality and the value of human life are being shaped by what the world is teaching them. The children who do not attend church have even less of an opportunity to learn the basic concepts of sin, salvation and the practices of Biblical faith. If you have a desire to impact the children in the community with God's Word and give them eternal hope, join our Kids' Bible Club team! We teach the children about God and the Bible through Bible lessons, Scripture memory, songs and other activities. Our church is partnering with the YMCA to have a weekly club at an apartment complex near the church during the school year. If you are interested in joining our team, sign up at tinyurl.com/2022KBCsignup or email Yvonne Lee at vtsanglee@gmail.com for questions.

¹ George Barna, Cultural Research Center, Arizona Christian University





Dear members of HCC,

May this letter find you in good physical and spiritual wellness. At this time of the year, the Church Council presents to the congregation the Elders and Deacons for Year 2023-2024 for your affirmation. Elders and Deacons/Deaconesses are elected officers in this church. They with the pastoral staff serve to facilitate the believers' maturity and to further the mission of HCC.

Deacons Ken Li, Raymond Tang, Shaowen Hu, Frank Fang, Jaw-Ching Liu and Deaconess Alison Woo have completed their second term and will be on furlough. Elders Brian Ng and John Hsieh and Deacons Alex Wu and Wei Wang have completed their first term of service and chose not to renew a second term. We thank them for their faithful service.

Below are the nominees that will start a two-year term in Church Council beginning 2023:

Elder:	Niey-Bor Hsyung
	Wenbiao Liu*
Deacons:	
General Affairs	Dianren Xia*
English Family Life	Chris Lu
Chinese Family Life	Dean Yeh
English Children	Winnie Poon
English Local Outreach	Phong Lam
Chinese Youth	Fengxiao Liu*
Chinese Local Outreach	Yongsheng He
Chinese Fellowship	Jun Wu
Chinese Welcoming & Receiving	Dong Liu
English Welcoming & Receiving	Jack Wang
*second term	

Open Deacon Positions: Cantonese Fellowship, Chinese Children's Ministry, English Adult Education, English Worship, Treasurer for Finances

On Sunday October 30, a General Membership Meeting to vote to affirm these nominees will be held at 12:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. More information about each of the nominees is provided separately. As required by the HCC constitution, we need 50% of active membership to meet quorum. If quorum is not met on October 30, a second meeting will be called on November 6. If the second meeting does not meet quorum, a third meeting will be called on November 13 when it will be considered binding with or without a quorum. Thank you for your time and may God continue to guide HCC.

In Christ,

Frank Fang Chairperson HCC Council of Elders and Deacons

HCC PRESENTS OUR 2023-2024



JOIN US IN THE SANCTUARY AT 12:30 PM ON OCT 30 FOR GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING, WHERE WE WILL VOTE TO AFFIRM THE ELDER & DEACON NOMINEES. WE NEED 51% OF CHURCH MEMBERS TO ATTEND TO REACH QUORUM.

READ ON TO SEE OUR ELDER & DEACON BIOS!

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IST TERM ELDER



NIEY-BOR HSYUNG

Holly and I met and married in Mandarin Student Christian Fellowship (MSCF). We have two teenage daughters. I am a practicing attorney and have been at HCC since 1987. During the past 30 years, I have served in adult Sunday school, MSCF, church activities, and church mobilization and participate in Ai-Hua Fellowship. After

much prayer, with family's support, I will humbly serve our Lord and HCC. "Only fear the Lord; and serve HIM in truth with all your heart: for consider how great things HE has done for you." (1 Samuel, 12:24)

IST TERM DEACONS



CHRIS LU | ENGLISH FAMILY LIFE

I am married to Katie, and my two sons are Titus and Ayden. I work for Concentra doing mostly occupational medicine with some urgent care and primary care medicine as well. I started attending HCC around 1992 (freshman year at Bellaire High School) and have been a member of Phil & Jennifer Chii's small group for the past 10+ years. Past ministry service at HCC include

leading and teaching on music teams, Youth Group, Children's Ministry, and English Adult Sunday School, and also being an offertory usher and Family Life Committee member. Ever since a sermon at HCC several years ago, I have felt that it would be a duty, a calling and an honor to serve as a deacon for HCC. The Family Life Deacon role will be an opportunity to serve the Lord and our church family by both planning and executing various ministries and by participating in the decision-making processes of the Church Council.



DEAN YEH | CHINESE FAMILY LIFE

I am married to Amber, with one son, Benson, and one daughter, Candace. I have been attending HCC since 2009. I am currently working as an Engineer. I have attended BASIC fellowship (English) and Mandarin Student Fellowship before. Currently we attend Jiaxin Fellowship, which is the Young Family fellowship in

Mandarin Congregation. I have served as a small group leader, as well as in the Worship Department, and I previously had the privilege to serve as the Mandarin Worship Deacon. HCC's church family has been a great encouragement to me and my family in our spiritual growth with the Lord. We are very grateful for the encouragement from our brothers and sisters as we journey together in fellowship and in our service to the Lord together. As a father with two young children, a Christ-centered family life is important to me. I am honored to receive the call and I am looking forward to serve and to grow together with the Family Life ministry team.



WINNIE POON | ENGLISH CHILDREN

My name is Winnie Poon and my husband is Victor Leung. My day job is a talent coordinator. I have been attending HCC since June 1996. I have been going to Ken & Rebecca Li's community group for fellowship each week. Serving in AWANA has been part of my life since 2001. Now I serve in the Children's Ministry as an AWANA Ministry Director (aka AWANA

commander). On occasion, I also serve in Children's Sunday school as needed. My passion is to see parents partnering with HCC to help their young ones to build a personal relationship with God. I want to educate and equip current and future parents so they can pass their faith to their next generation.



PHONG LAM | ENGLISH LOCAL OUTREACH

I am single and currently working as a registered nurse providing care to both pediatric and adult populations. I have been attending Houston Chinese Church since 2015 and am a part of James and Wendy's community group. The Lord has blessed me with the opportunities to

serve as a Young Adult Small Group Liaison when it existed, Young Adult Retreat Co-director, Community Group Co-leader, Missions Department/Global Outreach member, and HCC's International Outreach through English Buddy Leadership Team. Though I am eager to go overseas to live and share who Christ is, I've decided to stay for a time here in Houston. Though I'm nervous about serving as a first-time deacon, I will lean on the Holy Spirit all the more and am excited to see how God will work to equip us and to partner with others to reach our neighbors here at home by remembering always who our God is and who we are in Him, all for His glory.



YONGSHENG HE | CHINESE LOCAL OUTREACH

My name is Yongsheng He and I am married to Xiaoxue Chen, and we have an adult son and a daughter in high school. I thank God that he saved me in 2002 while in Houston. In 2007, I started coming to HCC and later became a member. I have been part of the Aihua

fellowship during my whole time at HCC. Thank the Lord that I was able to once serve as the fellowship chair for a year or so. I am currently serving as a small group leader within Aihua and also serve in various ways during Sunday service. Thank God that he chose me in Christ and that through his Word and the power of the Holy Spirit, my faith has been strengthened. I thank God for giving me this chance to serve him. By God's grace and mercy, I accept this deacon nomination and to serve with my brothers and sisters so that we may mature in our faith and worship and glorify God through our service together.



ANTHONY WU | MANDARIN Fellowship

My name is Jun (Anthony) Wu, my wife is Fan Zhang. We have 3 children: Jeffery, Julia and Jeremy. I am a software engineer at the oil services company Schlumberger. My wife and I were baptized in 2003 at Clear Lake Chinese Church, and we joined Houston Chinese

Church in 2004. By God's grace and the love from our brothers and sisters, we grew spiritually and served in various positions in Aihua fellowship. I thank God that He provides this new opportunity for us to serve, I am accept this opportunity to serve Him humbly. Let's work together so that the gospel may reach more people in our community.



DONG LIU | CHINESE WELCOMING & RECEIVING

My name is Dong Liu and I have been married to Shen Wang for 23 years. We have two children (a boy and girl). I currently teach mechanical engineering at UH. My wife and I were baptized in 2000 at Greater Lafayette Chinese Alliance Church. In 2007, we

joined HCC and have been part of the Aihua fellowship ever since. I once served as the fellowship chair and also Deacon of Assimilation (predecessor to Warm and Receiving Ministry). I also served passionately in the Adult Sunday School and UH Student ministries. Thank God that he has always led us, allowed us to grow by his grace and our love and care for one another, and participate in his holy work. By God's mercy and with his help, I accept the nomination to serve as the Deacon of Welcoming and Receiving for the 2023-2024 term. I will humbly strive to help new friends and visitors understand our faith and our church, trust in God and glorify his name!

IST TERM DEACONS CONT.



JACK WANG | ENGLISH WELCOMING & RECEIVING

My wife, Rebecca, and I have four children (Bennett 6, Matthias 4, Elliott 2, and Thaddeus 6m). I'm currently working as a global demo environment manager in the technology industry. We've been at HCC since 2018 and have been attending the SHARE small group. In the time I've been at HCC, I have served as a small group leader

and a children's Sunday school teacher, gone on a mission trip to Nicaragua, helped plan a BASIC (young adults) retreat, occasionally participated on the worship team, and served on the welcome team. I'm excited to help HCC continue to develop a warm and welcoming atmosphere to first time (or repeat!) visitors as a demonstration of God's love for them. I also want to make sure newcomers know that they matter by following up and having any of their questions quickly and easily answered.

2ND TERM ELDER



WENBIAO LIU

2ND TERM DEACONS



DIANREN XIA | GENERAL AFFAIRS

I am Dianren Xia from Aihua Fellowship. My wife is Hong Shen and we have three children. I came to the States to study in 1999 and now am working in a cancer diagnostic company. Thanking God for his great love, I started to come to church regularly in 2003, and was baptized to be

Lord's disciple in 2004. After that, Lord has put me on various positions for my discipleship training inside the church (fellowship, adult education, kitchen, outreach, and children department etc.) and in my work and family out of the church, during which His grace and guidance lead me forward daily. May Lord keep on His mercy and guidance and make His will done.



FENGXIAO LIU | CHINESE YOUTH

My name is Fengxiao Liu and I am from Aihua Fellowship of HCC. Lili Yang and I have been married for over 21 years, blessed with a son and a daughter. I moved from Tennessee to Houston in 2009, working as an engineer in the energy industry. Shortly after we settled

down in Houston, we started attending HCC. Lili and I got baptized in HCC in 2012 and 2015, respectively. By the grace of God and with the help from pastors, brothers and sisters, our spiritual life could grow through some training and equipment. And we were able to start serving in various positions (fellowship, small group, children and youth). Thanks to the mercy and grace of God, we are humbled and blessed to answer His call, stepping out to serve our church, our brothers and sisters. "But to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God."

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REMAINING OPEN DEACON POSITIONS:

- CANTONESE FELLOWSHIP
- CHINESE CHILDREN'S MINISTRY
- ENGLISH ADULT EDUCATION
- ENGLISH WORSHIP
- TREASURER FOR FINANCES



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