



The Justification Of God

Theodicy in Habakkuk



HOUSTON
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Wiped Like a Dirty Dish

Preacher: Stanley Chang

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

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ENGLISH WORSHIP SERVICE

9:15 AM – 10:30 AM

Welcome & Call to Worship

Recitation of the Nicene Creed

Worship in Song

Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardon

Worship in Song

Offertory

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Reading, *2 Kings 21:1-26; 23:24-37*

Worship in the Word, Minister Stanley Chang

"Wiped Like a Dirty Dish" - [Sermon Outline](#)

Worship in Song

Benediction & Doxology

Recitation of Ancient Creeds

Each time we say a creed it connects us with generations of Jesus's followers who preceded us and also reaffirms those truths that distinguish Christianity from other religions.

UPCOMING SERMON SCHEDULE

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

Yet I Will Wait

November 20 | *Habakkuk 3:1-19* | Jason Tarn

Chosen for Adoption

November 27 | *Ephesians 1:3-6* | Jason Tarn



ONLINE

Sermon notes and video recordings can be found here:
hcc.lv/sermons



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

Cornerstone Christian Fellowship (CCF) + Youth (this week)

Aihua Fellowship (next week)



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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Sun, Oct 30 · 12:30 pm · sanctuary

Church members, join us for the General Membership Meeting today, October 30th. We will be voting to affirm deacon/elder nominees for 2023-2024 and for the Building Project Master Plan. We will vote on: "I support the master plan proposal that the HCC Council recommends to address the facility needs related to the vision. This is with the understanding that, after a fundraising campaign is launched and its status is evaluated, appropriate adjustments can be made to the master plan proposal as necessary."

We need at least 51% of the church membership to attend the meeting to reach quorum. If we do not reach quorum today, we will call another meeting for on 11/6. If the second meeting does not reach quorum, a third meeting will be called on 11/13 when it will be considered binding with or without a quorum.

All HCC members age 18 & up are invited to vote. This meeting will be in-person only.

UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

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MOLO Park Play Date | Wed, Nov 2 | 9:30 - 11:00 am | Whitt Johnson Park

Mothers of Little Ones (MOLO) will be having a play date this week! Contact **Amber Wolters** at amberdwolters@yahoo.com with questions.

Churchwide Prayer Meeting | Wed, Nov 2 | 7:30 - 8:30 pm | Zoom: hcc.lv/JointPrayer

Join us Wednesday evening for our monthly churchwide prayer meeting conducted over Zoom at 7:30pm as we pray for each other, our church, and the nations.

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. See more information about the event at hcc.lv/PTLs After the lecture, join us for dinner and fellowship at House of Bowls! If you plan to come to dinner, please RSVP here by 11/2 as we will need to make reservations: tinyurl.com/PostPTL1105

Post-Sabbatical Dinner | Fri, Nov 11 | 7:00 - 8:45 pm | Sanctuary

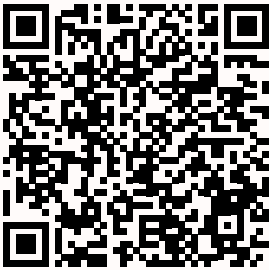
Please join us for dinner before our 11/11 English Membership Meeting. Pastor Jason will share about his sabbatical trip; dinner will be provided free courtesy of Pastor Jason's sabbatical grant, but you must RSVP by 11/4 at hcc.lv/Nov11Dinner. All congregations are welcome to join (English, Mandarin, & Cantonese). We look forward to seeing you there!

English Membership Meeting | Fri, Nov 11 | 7:00 - 8:45 pm | Sanctuary

Join us for our English Membership Meeting on Friday, November 11th at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary. Childcare will be available for ages 3 and under. If you need childcare for ages 4+ or would like to help watch kids ages 4-5th grade, please email englishadmin@hcchome.org. Childcare for ages 4-5th grade will depend on volunteers and pre-registration is required.

World Vision Chosen Project | 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. We are recruiting volunteers to assist with sign-up in the lobby on 11/27, 12/4, and 12/11. To volunteer, please contact **Amy** at 1goodpet@gmail.com.



SCAN HERE FOR INSERTS

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 tinyurl.com/2022KBCsignup or email **Yvonne Lee** at ytsanglee@gmail.com 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.

HOUSTON CHINESE CHURCH FACTS & FIGURES

LAST SUNDAY'S ATTENDANCE AND FINANCIAL SUMMARY FOR OCTOBER 23, 2022

HCC WORSHIP *ENGLISH RETREAT

PEARLAND WORSHIP

197+110	66	202	51	61	34+55	13	789
ENGLISH	CANTONESE	MANDARIN	YOUTH	CHILDREN	ENG + MAND	CHILDREN	TOTAL

HCC SUNDAY SCHOOL			PEARLAND SUNDAY SCHOOL			
33	60	85	9	25	14	6
ENGLISH	CANTONESE	MANDARIN	ENGLISH	MANDARIN	YOUTH	CHILDREN



OCT 23, 2022	OFFERING	YTD RECEIVED	THIS YEAR'S YTD (DEFICIT)/SURPLUS	LAST YEAR'S YTD (DEFICIT)/SURPLUS
GENERAL FUND	\$15,635.00	\$1,673,375.05	(\$312,835.58)	(\$186,532.24)
HCC BUILDING	\$5,000.00	\$94,473.86		
PEARLAND BUILDING	-	\$74,224.37		



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 pastorsearch@hcchome.org to apply or find out more at hcc.lv/opportunities

Staff Itinerary

Stanley Chang: conference, 11/2-11/4

Frank Tan: conference, 11/2-11/4

Fred Tow: conference, 11/2-11/4

Nathanael Tan: conference, 11/2-11/4

Henry Ow: preaching at Pearland, 10/30
conference, 11/2-11/4

Thomas Wang: conference, 11/2-11/4



PRAYER

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

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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: hcc.lv/covid for the most updated protocols. For more info contact us at: hccoffice@hcchome.org

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 Visitor's Welcome form: hcc.lv/Welcome 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 | hcc.lv/news

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



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

A close-up photograph of a young girl with dark, curly hair and black-rimmed glasses. She is smiling gently and looking towards the camera. She is wearing a light-colored, possibly grey, t-shirt. The background is slightly out of focus, showing what appears to be an outdoor setting with some greenery.

**If we don't
teach our
children, the
world will.**

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 ytsanglee@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:	
<i>General Affairs</i>	Dianren Xia*
<i>English Family Life</i>	Chris Lu
<i>Chinese Family Life</i>	Dean Yeh
<i>English Children</i>	Winnie Poon
<i>English Local Outreach</i>	Phong Lam
<i>Chinese Youth</i>	Fengxiao Liu*
<i>Chinese Local Outreach</i>	Yongsheng He
<i>Chinese Fellowship</i>	Jun Wu
<i>Chinese Welcoming & Receiving</i>	Dong Liu
<i>English Welcoming & Receiving</i>	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

elders
+ deacons

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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1ST TERM ELDER



NIHEY-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)

1ST TERM DEACONS



CHRIS LU | ENGLISH FAMILY LIFE

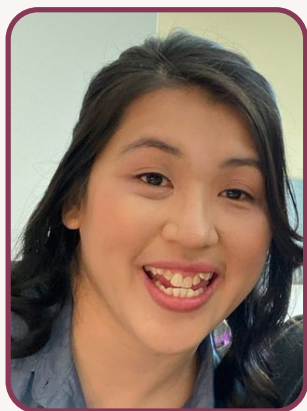
I am married to Katie, and my two sons are Titus and Ayden. I work for Concentra doing mostly occupational medicine with some urgent care and primary care medicine as well. I started attending HCC around 1992 (freshman year at Bellaire High School) and have been a member of Phil & Jennifer Chii's small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

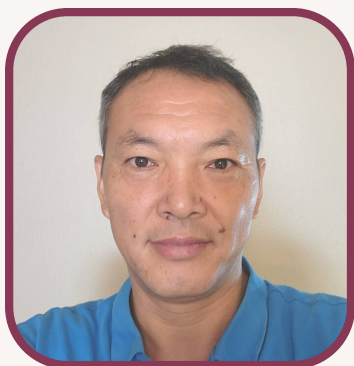
commander). On occasion, I also serve in Children's Sunday school as needed. My passion is to see parents partnering with HCC to help their young ones to build a personal relationship with God. I want to educate and equip current and future parents so they can pass their faith to their next generation.



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!

1ST 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



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



OCT 30
12:30 PM
SANCTUARY

GENERAL
MEMBERSHIP
MEETING

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曉士頓中國教會會友大會 HCC MEMBERSHIP MEETING

二零二二年十月三十日

October 30, 2022

二零二二及二三年長執選票

2023 - 2024 CHURCH COUNCIL BALLOT

On the 2023-2024 Church Council Nominees, I vote:
有關二零二三及二四年長老執事提名，我投票：

<u>贊成</u>	<u>反對</u>	<u>無意見</u>	<u>提名</u>	<u>職位</u>
For	Against	Abstain	NOMINEE	POSITION
[]	[]	[]	熊耐柏 Niey-Bor Hsyung [†]	Elder 長老
[]	[]	[]	劉文彪 Wenbiao Liu*	Elder 長老
[]	[]	[]	夏佃仁 Dianren Xia*	General Affair 總務
[]	[]	[]	葉德昌 Dean Yeh [†]	Chinese Family Life 中文家庭事工
[]	[]	[]	劉峰曉 Fengxiao Liu*	Chinese Youth 中文青少年
[]	[]	[]	Chris Lu [†]	English Family Life 英文家庭事工
[]	[]	[]	Winnie Poon [†]	English Children 英文兒童事工
[]	[]	[]	Phong Lam [†]	English Local Outreach 英文本地宣教
[]	[]	[]	何永生 Yongsheng He [†]	Chinese Local Outreach 中文本地宣教
[]	[]	[]	吳鈞 Jun Wu [†]	Chinese Fellowship 中文團契
[]	[]	[]	劉冬 Dong Liu [†]	Chinese Welcoming & Receiving 中文新來賓招待
[]	[]	[]	Jack Wang [†]	English Welcoming & Receiving 英文新來賓招待

* Nominee to serve for **Second Term** of 2 years (2023 and 2024) (第二屆事奉 / 二零二三及二四年)

[†] Nominee to serve for **First Term** of 2 years (2023 and 2024) (第一屆事奉 / 二零二三及二四年)

我的意見 (Comments) :

If you are under 18 years old, please do not vote. Thank you.

All ballots will be checked against the HCC member database.

Ballots casted by non-active members and nonmembers will not be counted.

所有選票將根據會員資料庫核對、非會員的選票將不計算在內。

十八歲以下，請勿投票。謝謝合作。