

Our Father Abraham:

A SERIES IN
GENESIS
(PART 2)




HOUSTON
CHINESE CHURCH
曉士頓中國教會

From Shem to Abram

Preacher: Jason Tarn

Sunday, April 16, 2023 | 9:15am - 10:30am

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ENGLISH WORSHIP SERVICE

9:15 AM – 10:30 AM

Welcome & Call to Worship
 Recitation of the Beautitudes
 Worship in Song
 Confession of Sin
 Assurance of Pardon
 Worship in Song
 Offertory
 Pastoral Prayer
 Scripture Reading, *Genesis 11:10-32*
 Worship in the Word, Pastor Jason Tarn
 "From Shem to Abram" - [Sermon Outline](#)
 Worship in Song
 Benediction & Doxology

Call to Worship

The call to worship exhorts God's people to turn from worldly distractions and to focus hearts, minds, and actions on revering him.

UPCOMING SERMON SCHEDULE

Every Sunday at 9:15 AM

The Call of Abram

April 23 | *Genesis 12:1-9* | Henry Ow

Love, Lies, and Land

April 30 | *Genesis 12:10-13:18* | Stanley Chang

Battle and Blessings

May 7 | *Genesis 14:1-24* | Fred Tow

Counted as Righteousness

May 14 | *Genesis 15:1-6* | Jonathan Huang



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.

Systematic Theology Survey (Part 3 of 3) | Rm 115

Old Testament Survey (Part 6 of 6) | Trailer 411

New Testament Survey (Part 3 of 3) | Trailer 412/414

Healing Family Relationships: A Guide to Peace & Reconciliation | Rm 113

LUNCH PREPARATION

New to HCC? Newcomers can pick up a free lunch coupon at the Welcome Desk!

James & Wendy + Aaron & Mimi's community groups (this week)

Cambridge Fellowship (next week)



Our Father Abraham: A Series in Genesis (Part 2)

From Shem to Abram

Genesis 11:10-32

Biblical genealogies are rarely considered riveting passages to preach. But as divinely-inspired texts, they relate to the larger story of redemption being told in Scripture. This genealogy in Genesis 11 serves as a bridge that connects the depressing story of Babel with the hopeful story of Abraham and his kin.

1. Shem's genealogy gives hope that God always keeps his promises
2. Abram's pagan background reminds us that anyone can be chosen by God
3. Abram's obedience serves as a good illustration of genuine faith



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APRIL 29 **2023**

11 AM – 3 PM

COME TO ENJOY

- lunch + ice cream
- fellowship time
- organized games
- beautiful space with lake, trail, and playgrounds
- feel free to bring sports equipment and games

\$5 ADULT | \$3 KID

invite family and friends
(newcomers are free)



Kitty Hollow Park
Pavilion DD

9555 Hwy 6, Missouri City

UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

Mothers of Little Ones | *Wed, Apr 19* | 9:30 - 11:00 am | *Whitt Johnson Park*

MOLO will be having a park play date at Whitt Johnson Park this week! Contact **Amber Wolters** at amberdwolters@yahoo.com for questions.

Monthly FOLO Gathering | *Sat, Apr 22* | 8:00 - 10:30 am | *Whitt Johnson Park*

Join us for this month's FOLO (Fathers of Little Ones) Gathering on Saturday, April 22nd! We will have coffee/donuts, prayers, and discussions on fatherhood. Bring the kids, and we'll all have fun, hanging out. Contact **Jason Fang** at zf5@rice.edu for more details.

HCC Worship Jam Night | *Sat, Apr 22* | 6:00 - 9:30 pm | *Sanctuary & Chapel*

HCC English Worship is hosting a dinner and casual worship jam session. If you are interested in dinner, jamming as an instrumentalist or singer ("mic-ed" or not), or just hanging out, please RSVP on the evite here: tinyurl.com/hccjamnight

Annual Church Picnic | *Sat, Apr 29* | 11:00 am - 3:00 pm | *Kitty Hollow Park*

Join us for the annual church-wide picnic on Sat, 4/29 at Kitty Hollow Park! It will be a fun time to fellowship across all the congregations over food and games. Tickets are sold in the lobby after English service on Sundays - \$5 (adults) & \$3 (kids). Contact: sashen120@gmail.com.

EQ > IQ Family Life Conference | *May 5-6* | *HCC & Zoom*

Emotional intelligence Quotient (EQ) is the ability to be aware of our emotions and those of others and learn to manage those emotions & relationships. Register at hcc.lv/EQconference.

SAVE THE DATE! English Membership Meeting | *Fri, May 12* | 7:00 pm | *Sanctuary*

Join us for our quarterly English Membership Meeting on Friday, May 12th at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary. Childcare will be available for ages 3 and under.

Houston Welcomes Refugees | *Fri, May 12 & Sun, May 14*

Help us meet the needs of refugees new to Houston with honor and dignity by donating items for a Bedding Kit at our collection drive on May 12 (7-9pm) and May 14 (9-11am) in the lobby! Sign-up and details here: tinyurl.com/HWRHCC. Houston Welcomes Refugees will distribute these Kits to refugee families when they first arrive! Questions or interested in helping further? Email communityservice@hcchome.org

1000 Hills | *Sun, May 14* | 2:00 - 4:00 pm | *Downtown Houston*

We are partnering with 1000 Hills Ministry to serve the homeless population in downtown Houston through a time of worship, preaching God's Word, prayer, and serving a meal. Fill out the form if you are interested in helping: tinyurl.com/HCC1000Hills

SAVE THE DATE! Women's Summer Bible Study | *June 8 - July 27* | 7:00 pm | *HCC & Zoom*

Join us for an eight-session Women's summer Bible study as we trace the path of Joseph's life in the Book of Genesis to observe how God's sovereignty reigns, even in our darkest moments. We will meet on Thursdays from June 8 - July 27. Registration opens on Apr 30.

REGISTER NOW! HCC VBS & Kids' Camp | *June 19-23* | 9:00 am - 4:00 pm | *HCC*

Registration for FAITH Lab Science VBS & Kids Camp is now open at hcc.lv/2023VBS. Cost: morning VBS (\$25) and full-day VBS + Kids' Camp (\$160). Late fee of \$20 begins 5/15. Registration closes on 6/4. For questions, contact frankt@hcchome.org

CHURCH NOTICES

Parent Dedication

Parents interested in dedicating their child to the Lord on Mother's Day Sunday can sign up at hcc.lv/Dedication. The deadline for signing up is May 7th. Pastor Fred will contact the parents for a home visit.

Submit Names for Graduation Sunday!

We will be celebrating all of our graduates on Sunday, 5/7. If you have a friend, sibling, or child who will be graduating from high school, undergrad, or graduate school this year and you would like them to be prayed over in our worship service, please submit their name at this link: hcc.lv/2023grads by 4/30.

Children's Ministry Internship Opportunity

Children's Ministry has a job opening for an intern/resident to run from June 2023 to June 2024. This is a combined full-time 12-week internship followed by 9-month residency, closely working with and under the Children's Minister. See hcc.lv/opportunities for details.

HOUSTON CHINESE CHURCH FACTS & FIGURES

LAST SUNDAY'S ATTENDANCE AND FINANCIAL SUMMARY FOR APRIL 9, 2023

HCC WORSHIP

PEARLAND WORSHIP

342

ENGLISH

296

CHINESE

*COMBINED CHINESE SERVICE

40

YOUTH

119

CHILDREN

82

ENG + MAND

*COMBINED SERVICE

879

TOTAL



HCC SUNDAY SCHOOL

39

ENGLISH

71

MANDARIN

*NO CANTONESE SUNDAY SCHOOL

PEARLAND SUNDAY SCHOOL

7

ENGLISH

18

MANDARIN

7

CHILDREN



APR 9, 2023	OFFERING	YTD RECEIVED	YTD (DEFICIT)/SURPLUS	
			THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR
HCC GENERAL	\$14,812.00	\$451,987.72	(\$130,105.92)	(\$41,342.09)
PCC GENERAL	\$7,650.00	\$49,439.00		
HCC BUILDING	\$261.00	\$46,090.63		
HCC PLEDGE PAYMENTS	\$3,100.00	\$212,430.07		
PCC BUILDING	\$700.00	\$14,461.95		
ETHNOS CHURCH PLANT	\$900.00	\$18,101.44		



Staff Itinerary

Joseph Cheng: sabbatical, 3/16-5/31

Mary Lee: out of office, 4/25-5/21

Stanley Chang: out of office, 4/11-4/18

Christine Chang: out of office, 4/11-4/18



Now Hiring: Chinese Administrative Assistant & Other Roles

HCC is hiring a **Chinese Administrative Assistant**. Fluency in Mandarin is required; part-time/full-time status is flexible. We are also looking for the following: **Children's Ministry Intern (full-time)**, **IT Coordinator**, **Nursery Caregiver**, and **Pearland Youth Minister**. For details, go to hcc.lv/opportunities



PRAYER

Join us as we pray for our long term workers in this month's Global Outreach Spotlight:
hcc.lv/GoPrayApr23

SCAN HERE FOR HCC PAYPAL GIVING FUND



PPGF GIVING CODES

Without a giving code, your donation will default to the General Fund. Use these numbers in the cents amount to designate a fund. (e.g. \$250.25 for a pledge fulfillment)

- "25" - Fulfilling your Building Project pledge
- "22" - Designate to the HCC Building Fund
- "19" - Designate to the Pearland Building Fund
- "24" - Designate to the Ethnos Church Plant

ABOUT US

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 ways to connect with our community!

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