

Our Father Abraham:

A SERIES IN
GENESIS
(PART 2)




HOUSTON
CHINESE CHURCH
曉士頓中國教會

The God Who Sees Me

Preacher: Henry Ow

Sunday, May 28, 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 HCC Articles of Faith
 Worship in Song
 Confession of Sin
 Assurance of Pardon
 Offertory
 Pastoral Prayer
 Scripture Reading, *Genesis 16:1-16*
 Worship in the Word, Pastor Henry Ow
 "The God Who Sees Me" - [Sermon Outline](#)
 Worship in Song
 Benediction & Doxology

Pastoral Prayer

We follow the tradition of the apostles and early church by praying together for God to carry out his purposes on earth. This demonstrates our dependence on Him.

UPCOMING SERMON SCHEDULE

Every Sunday at 9:15 AM

A Sign of the Covenant

June 4 | *Genesis 17:1-27* | Jason Tarn

A Preposterous Promise

June 11 | *Genesis 18:1-15* | Jason Tarn

None is Righteous, No, Not One

June 18 | *Genesis 18:16-19:38* | Henry Ow

Same Old Abraham

June 25 | *Genesis 20:1-18* | Jason Tarn



ONLINE

Sermon notes and video recordings can be found here:
hcc.tv/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) | No class this week

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!

No church lunch service TODAY 5/28 (Memorial Day Holiday)

Jiixin and SYPF (next week)



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

The God Who Sees Me

Genesis 16:1-16

We may find ourselves thinking sometimes: Does God see me? Does he know that I'm in a bind? Does he know my needs? Will he ever provide for me a job I enjoy? Will he ever help me to overcome this chronic illness? Will he ever cure me of this feeling of loneliness? We feel that God averts his gaze from lives. What should we do when we feel that God has turned his eyes from our lives?

1. Belief that God doesn't see our troubles causes us to take things into our own hands (16:1-4).
2. When we take things into our own hands, it often leads to more trouble than we expect.
3. Only God can redeem a troublesome situation because he does see our trouble.

English Adult Sunday School – Summer 2023

11:00 am – 12:15 pm

Today marks the beginning of the summer quarter featuring two Sunday School classes. Feel free to join a class as we study God's Word together and learn more about how to apply truths from the Bible to our lives!

Strengthening Your EQ

Room 113

Teacher: Fred Tow

Our society places a lot of value on IQ (Intelligence Quotient), but research shows that EQ (Emotional Quotient) is of greater importance than IQ for success in life. EQ is the ability to be aware of our emotions and those of others and how we manage those emotions and relationships. EQ is being aware of feelings, in the moment, so we can choose to act like Jesus. Come and learn how to strengthen your EQ.

Christian Ethics

Room 115

Teachers: Samuel Huang, John Hsieh, Melvin Huang, Henry Ow, Jason Tarn, Jonathan Huang

Ethics is the study of right and wrong, and Christian ethics studies what is right and wrong for a Christian. Given the rapid advancement of technology, "What would Jesus do?" is an important and often difficult question for us to answer amongst the numerous moral issues that confront us today. The class will begin by discussing the Scriptural basis of Christian ethics and theoretical issues relating to Christian ethical reflection. Most of the class will be devoted to discussion of applied moral topics including bioethics, ethics in civil society, and personal ethics.



Women's Summer Bible Study

JUNE 8 - JULY 27

THURSDAYS | 7:15-9:00 PM

HCC YOUTH RM *or* ONLINE ZOOM

Join us for an eight-session 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.

QUESTIONS?
WOMENSMINISTRY@HCCHOME.ORG

*Register
online!*



UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

Membership Class | *Sundays in May* | 11:00 am - 12:15 pm | Trailer 416

Want to know more about our church or interested in becoming a member? Contact englishadmin@hcchome.org to sign up or to schedule a make-up class.

Women's Summer Bible Study | *Thurs, Jun 8 - Jul 27* | 7:15 pm | HCC & Zoom

Join us for an eight-session women's summer Bible study. Register now at hcc.lv/wm

Carol Huang Memorial Scholarship | *Applications due July 16*

High school seniors, undergraduate, and graduate students are invited to apply for the 2023 Carol Huang Memorial Scholarship. For details see hcc.lv/CHM23

Help Our Community through C.A.R.E | *Lobby*

Support Rodriguez Elementary School students by purchasing \$10 Chinese-American Relief Effort (CARE) raffle tickets. Your contribution will be used to provide backpacks and school supplies to students in need.

CHURCH NOTICES

Family Life: Caregiver Support Group Interest Survey

Are you looking for support as you care for an elderly family member or friend? Would you be interested in being part of a caregiver support group? Please complete the following short survey to help us better understand your interests and needs: hcc.lv/caregiverSG

2023 English Members Prayer Guides Available

Come pick up a 2023 prayer guide in the church office (one per family).

SERVE! Volunteers Needed for Video Editing & Visual Teams!

We are looking for brothers and sisters to serve on the video editing & visual teams for English worship. Contact thcmarhk@yahoo.com (for visuals) & denobug@gmail.com (for video editing).

YWAM Chico Toy Collection | Box in Lobby

Collecting new and gently used small toys to give as prizes in Mexico. Ex: Hot Wheels vehicles & Happy Meal toys. Collection ends on 6-18-23. Contact KatieLChong@yahoo.com for any questions.

Suggest Names for Deacon Nominations

HCC members are encouraged to pray over and provide names of qualified members to be considered for the offices of deacon. Open deacon positions for the 2024-2025 can be viewed in the lobby or on the suggestion form. Submit names by TODAY **May 28, 2023** via the lobby table or online Deacon Suggestion Form: hcc.lv/deaconsuggestion23. All submissions are strictly confidential. If you have any questions, please contact phongquoclam@gmail.com

HCC KIDS

No Nursery, Children, & Youth Programs on June 2, 2023

Friday, 6/2 HCC will have no nursery, children, and youth programs. Please plan accordingly!

Parent Dedication

Parents interested in dedicating their child to the Lord on Father's Day can sign up at hcc.lv/Dedication by Sunday, 6/4. Pastor Fred will contact the parents for a home visit.

Promotion Sunday on June 4, 2023

Children will be promoted to the next grade level, according to their age on 9/1/2023, beginning on Sunday, 6/4. An email will be sent to parents of toddlers through fourth grade with details on new classrooms. Contact **Mr. Frank** at frankt@hcchome.org with questions.

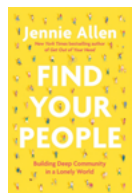
HCC VBS & Kids Camp | June 19-23 (Registration closes on 6/4)

Registration for FAITH Lab Science VBS & Kids Camp is now open at hcc.lv/2023VBS.

Find Your People: Building Deep Community in a Lonely World by Jeannie Allen

You are created for community. As messy as relationships might be, we cannot live life alone. With scientific insights and biblical references, the author shares ways to identify the type of friend you need, how to have authentic conversations, what a true community looks like, and how conflict can strengthen relationships rather than destroy them. Drop by the Home Life Center to browse this featured book.

While there, enter the drawing for a free copy of the book!



HOUSTON CHINESE CHURCH FACTS & FIGURES

LAST SUNDAY'S ATTENDANCE AND FINANCIAL SUMMARY FOR MAY 21, 2023

HCC WORSHIP

PEARLAND WORSHIP

271	65	208	36	90	}	24+41	15	750
ENGLISH	CANTONESE	MANDARIN	YOUTH	CHILDREN		ENG + MAND	CHILDREN	



HCC SUNDAY SCHOOL

PEARLAND SUNDAY SCHOOL

54	53	80	}	10	31	10	6	
ENGLISH	CANTONESE	MANDARIN		ENGLISH	MANDARIN	YOUTH	CHILDREN	



MAY 21, 2023	OFFERING	YTD RECEIVED	YTD (DEFICIT)/SURPLUS	
			THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR
HCC GENERAL	\$23,631.85	\$663,070.09	(\$247,286.48)	(\$103,403.93)
PCC GENERAL	\$865.00	\$70,613.05		
HCC BUILDING	\$1,133.00	\$55,705.86		
HCC PLEDGE PAYMENTS	\$1,100.00	\$251,968.32		
PCC BUILDING	\$100.00	\$19,391.52		
ETHNOS CHURCH PLANT	-	\$32,903.12		



Staff Itinerary

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

Tim Lai: Sabbatical, 6/1-8/16

Now Hiring: HCC is hiring for **Facilities Supervisor**, **English Admin**, and **Chinese Admin** roles. Also hiring: Children's Ministry Intern (full-time), IT Coordinator, Nursery Caregiver, and Pearland Lead Pastor. For details, go to hcc.lv/opportunities

Appreciation for Willam Soo and his service as Church Administrator

We want to express our gratitude for brother William Soo, our Church Administrator for the past three years. He recently expressed an interest to pursue new endeavors and requested June 1st to be his last day in the office. Please thank him for his service



PRAYER

Join us as we pray for our long term workers in this month's Global Outreach Spotlight:
hcc.lv/GoPrayMay23

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



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