

REBUILDING THE RUINS

A SERIES IN NEHEMIAH



HOUSTON
CHINESE CHURCH
德士頓中國教會

Rebuilding By Repopulating

Preacher: Jason Tarn

Sunday, April 21, 2024 | 9:15am - 10:30am

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ENGLISH WORSHIP SERVICE

9:15 AM – 10:30 AM

Welcome & Call to Worship
Worship in Song
Confession of Sin
Assurance of Pardon
Offertory
Pastoral Prayer
Scripture Reading, *Nehemiah 11:1-6; 22-26*
Worship in the Word, Pastor Jason Tarn
"Rebuilding By Repopulating" - [Sermon Outline](#)
Worship in Song
Benediction and Doxology

Expository Preaching

Expository preaching communicates a biblical idea derived from a passage of Scripture and applies it to the listener.

UPCOMING SERMON SCHEDULE

Every Sunday at 9:15 AM

Rebuilding By Consecrating

Apr 28 | *Nehemiah 12:27-13:3* | *Fred Tow*

Rebuilding By Always Reforming

May 5 | *Nehemiah 13:4-31* | *Henry Ow*

No Other Gospel

May 12 | *Galatians 1:1-9* | *Jason Tarn*

Called by Grace

May 19 | *Galatians 1:10-24* | *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.

Biblical Finance | Rm 115

Birds & Bees | Rm 113

5 Lies That Ruin Relationships | Room 114

Systematic Theology Survey (Part 3 of 3) | Rm 210

Old Testament Survey (Part 3 of 6) | Trailer 412/414 (**NO CLASS TODAY**)

New Testament Survey (Part 3 of 3) | Room 220



Rebuilding the Ruins: A Series in Nehemiah

Rebuilding by Repopulating

Nehemiah 11:1-12:26

With its walls rebuilt and gates restored, Jerusalem was habitable again. But it was far from desirable. In contrast to the preexilic heyday of Israel, it was more appealing to live in neighboring towns than to settle in the burnt ruins of Jerusalem. But the people of God were challenged back then – just as we are today – to commit, through sacrifice and service, to being a holy city that shines God's light into a dark world.

1. A people willing to be God's holy city

2. A people willing to sacrifice their comfort

3. A people willing to serve together as one

UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

Newcomer's Lunch | Today, Apr 21st | 12:30pm | Youth Room

Are you new to Houston Chinese Church? Interested in learning more about our church and how to get connected? Join us for a free lunch today!

Makeup Master Plan Presentation | Today, Apr 21st | 8:00pm | Zoom

If you missed our master plan presentation, there will be a makeup on Zoom tonight. Join us here: hcc.lv/masterplan Meeting ID: 812 3518 7037. Passcode: HCC

Goal Estimate Presentation | Sun, Apr 28th | 1:15pm | Sanctuary

A churchwide meeting to present the rough cost estimates for the building project will be held next Sunday. We encourage your attendance, so that you will be informed and ready to vote on the proposed master plan in a general membership meeting scheduled to take place on Sunday, May 12th at 12:30pm. The presentation will be for all three congregations. It will be presented in English.

Submit Names for Graduation Sunday! | Sun, Apr 28th | HCC

Today is the last day to submit names at hcc.lv/2024grads

YWAM Chico Missions Toy Collection | Sun, June 16th

YWAM Chico Missions is collecting new and gently used small toys to give as prizes in Mexico. We will take these toys in our luggage, so please donate toys smaller than your fist. Examples: Hot Wheels vehicles and Happy Meal toys. Please leave toys in the collection box in the lobby between the welcome tables. Collection ends on June 16th. Contact KatieLChong@yahoo.com for any questions.

"Let's Talk About Sex, Baby" Zoom Discussion | Tues, Apr 30th | 8:30pm-10:00pm

Mother's of Little Ones is having a women-only evening discussion about sex in marriage with speaker Miltinnie Yih. Please contact Yi Wang at eeex101@gmail.com for details. You can post anonymous questions here: hcc.lv/moloquestions

Annual Church Picnic | Sat, May 4th | 11:00am-3:00pm | Kitty Hollow Park

Join us for our annual church-wide picnic! It will be a fun time to fellowship across all the congregations over food and games. Tickets will be sold in the lobby after English service on Sundays: \$5 (adults) & \$3 (kids). Cash or credit card is accepted.

Parents' Night Out! | Sat, May 11th | 4:00pm-8:00pm | Rm. 103b, 108, 203, 204

Need someone to watch your child so you can go out and come back refreshed? Volunteers from HCC will take care of your kids while you go out for \$6/child. Volunteers, sign up at <http://tinyurl.com/pno-volunteer>. To sign your children up, please visit <http://tinyurl.com/pno-signup>. Registration closes May 3rd. Contact PNO@hcchome.org

Parent Dedication | Sun, May 12th | Sanctuary

Parents interested in dedicating their child to the Lord can sign up at hcc.lv/Dedication. Pastor Fred will contact the parents for a home visitation.

Pastor Fred Tow's Retirement Celebration | Sun, June 9th | 5:30pm-8:00pm

Join us at Lam Bo Ballroom (behind Lam Bo Buffet) on Westheimer. \$60/person, limited seating. Each child attending counts as 1 adult ticket purchase. Register online at hcc.lv/party4070 or visit the our booth in the lobby for more info. Deadline is May 9th. Contact Karen Ho for questions: Drkarenho@aol.com. (713) 264-2475.

CHURCH NOTICES

Old Testament Sunday School Class Cancelled Today!

Nursery Notice:

Our Nursery has a limited capacity and runs on a first come first serve basis. English congregation parents who are not attending English Sunday School should pick up their young children after English worship by 10:45am latest. This will allow us to provide Nursery childcare for families attending Chinese worship.

HOUSTON CHINESE CHURCH FACTS & FIGURES

LAST SUNDAY'S ATTENDANCE AND FINANCIAL SUMMARY FOR APR 14, 2024

HCC WORSHIP

PEARLAND WORSHIP

297

ENGLISH

87

CANTONESE

180

MANDARIN

67

YOUTH

126

CHILDREN

28+50

ENG + MAND

13

CHILDREN

848

TOTAL



HCC SUNDAY SCHOOL

106

ENGLISH

72

CANTONESE

84

MANDARIN

PEARLAND SUNDAY SCHOOL

10

ENGLISH

30

MANDARIN

7

YOUTH

7

CHILDREN



APR 14, 2024	OFFERINGS	YTD RECEIVED	YTD (DEFICIT)/SURPLUS	
			THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR
HCC GENERAL	\$11,388.61	\$440,972.39	(\$263,991.81)	(\$186,456.99)
PCC GENERAL	\$7,245.00	\$57,595.57		
HCC BUILDING	\$100.00	\$16,902.20		
HCC PLEDGE PAYMENTS	\$1,300.25	\$198,866.30		
RESTRICTED COMM SERVICE GRANTS	-	\$7,500.00		

STAFF ITINERARY

Fred Tow: AALC Conference, 4/21-25

Karen Liang: AALC Conference, 4/21-25

Jason Tarn: AALC Conference, 4/22-25

Stanley & Christine: Vacation, 4/22-29

Frank Tan: Orange Conference, 4/23-25

Lunch Preparation

Newcomers can pick up a free lunch coupon & voucher to book stall at the Welcome Desk!

Wilson & Dena/Akhil & Amanda (this week)

Patrick & Debbie/Phil & Jennifer (next week)

PRAYER

Join us as we pray for our long term workers in this month's Global Outreach Spotlight:

hcc.lv/pray24

SCAN HERE FOR HCC FAITHFUL 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

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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