

REBUILDING THE RUINS

A SERIES IN NEHEMIAH



HOUSTON
CHINESE CHURCH
德士頓中國教會

Rebuilding By Always Reforming

Preacher: Henry Ow

Sunday, May 5th, 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

Offertory

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Reading, *Nehemiah 13:4-31*

Worship in the Word, Pastor Henry Ow

"Rebuilding By Always Reforming" - [Sermon Outline](#)

Worship in Song

Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardon

Lord's Supper

Benediction and Doxology

Doxology

Any short, spontaneous word of praise or song exalting God; we sing it at the end of service to praise God for the time spent with him this morning.

UPCOMING SERMON SCHEDULE

Every Sunday at 9:15 AM

No Other Gospel

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

Called by Grace

May 19 | *Galatians 1:10-24* | Jason Tarn

A Pure Gospel

May 26 | *Galatians 2:1-10* | Henry Ow

Walking in Step with the Gospel

June 2 | *Galatians 2:11-21* | Henry Ow



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

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



Rebuilding the Ruins: A Series in Nehemiah

Rebuilding by Always Reforming

Nehemiah 13:4-31

Many of us have experienced God's faithfulness. He provides for us a spouse. He enables us to escape debt. He allows us to enter the school of our choice. These things remind us that God is with us. Yet we find ourselves lapsing over time into sin. Anger. Greed. Grumbling. How do we cultivate a lasting faithfulness after experiencing God's faithfulness?

1. The returnees lapsed in their faithfulness to God even though God faithfully helped them rebuild the wall of Jerusalem.
2. We lapse in our faithfulness to God because we are prone to wander.
3. Seek God's help to always reform so that we would be faithful to Him.

UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

YWAM Bake Sale | *Today, May 5th* | *Lobby*

Come support our bake sale for the YWAM Chico Orphanage in Vicente Guerrero, BC, Mexico. This bake sale will support over 70 orphans ranging from babies to teens! There will be boba tea, breakfast tacos, mango sago, desserts and more!

Additional Master Plan & Cost Estimate Q&A | *Today, May 5th* | *1:15pm* | *Rm 115*
Extra time dedicated for Q&A Session.

Membership & Baptism Classes | *Today, May 5th* | *11:00am-12:15pm* | *Trailer 416*

Ready to proclaim your faith through baptism or just want to know more? Classes on Sunday, May 5th and 12th are focused on baptism, and classes on Sunday, May 19th & 26th will walk through becoming a member of HCC. Contact englishadmin@hcchome.org

General Membership Meeting | *Sun, May 12th* | *12:30pm* | *Sanctuary*

Members, join us next Sunday to vote on the Masterplan of the new building.

FOLO Gathering | *Sat, May 11th* | *8:30am* | *Whitt Johnson Park*

Fathers of Little Ones (FOLO) is having its monthly gathering. Coffee and light breakfast will be provided. Bring the kids for a time of fellowship, encouragement, and fun.

For questions, contact Jason Fang at Jason.Fang@chevron.com.

Little Lambs Chinese Storytime | *Wed, May 8th* | *9:30am-11:00am* | *Rm 103B*

Little Lambs is a Chinese play group outreach ministry that meets on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month. Suitable for children ages 5 and under. Contact

stacyhuang@alumni.rice.edu or join our Discord <https://discord.gg/47SGY98pgm>

Women's Ministry Summer Event | *Every Wed, June 5th-July 24th* | *7:15pm-9:00pm*

Join us for an eight-session Bible study on prayers in the Bible to help strengthen our faith. Register here: hcc.lv/biblestudy24. For more info, visit our booth in the lobby or email womensministry@hcchome.org. Registration ends May 12th.

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

Enjoy spending time with children? Come help take care of the little ones of HCC. No prior babysitting experience needed. Volunteers, sign up at tinyurl.com/pno-volunteer.

Parents, registration is closed. 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*

Register online at hcc.lv/party4070 or visit our booth in the lobby for more info.

Deadline is May 9th. Contact Karen Ho for questions: Drkarenho@aol.com (713) 264-2475.

Family Life Marriage Retreat | *Fri, June 7th-Sun, June 9th* | *Houston Marriott Sugarland*

Family Life's "Weekend to Remember" is a highly recommended English marriage retreat.

Early Bird - \$150/person (\$300/couple) until May 7th. Regular - \$175/person. The Family Life Committee recommends this conference for any couple wanting to strengthen their marital covenant. Register at familylife.com/weekend-to-remember

CHURCH NOTICES

Hiring a Nursery Coordinator

Houston Chinese Church is seeking a Nursery Coordinator, starting June 2024. This is a part-time paid position under Children's Ministry. If interested, see Job Opportunities page on website for more details or email frankt@hcchome.org

No AWANA/Youth/Nursery on Friday, May 24th & 31st

There will be no Awana/Youth/Nursery childcare on 5/24 (Memorial Day weekend) and 5/31 (5th Friday). Fellowships and small groups should adjust their schedule accordingly.

Awana will finish out the year on 5/17 with a closing ceremony in the sanctuary. Awana will resume on 9/6. Registration will begin in late July.

HOUSTON CHINESE CHURCH FACTS & FIGURES

LAST SUNDAY'S ATTENDANCE AND FINANCIAL SUMMARY FOR APR 28, 2024

HCC WORSHIP

PEARLAND WORSHIP

300

ENGLISH

92

CANTONESE

222

MANDARIN

50

YOUTH

114

CHILDREN

35+52

ENG + MAND

13

CHILDREN

873

TOTAL



HCC SUNDAY SCHOOL

113

ENGLISH

66

CANTONESE

84

MANDARIN

PEARLAND SUNDAY SCHOOL

7

ENGLISH

33

MANDARIN

8

YOUTH

7

CHILDREN



APR 28, 2024	OFFERINGS	YTD RECEIVED	YTD (DEFICIT)/SURPLUS	
			THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR
HCC GENERAL	\$119,278.68	\$577,435.57	(\$426,923.14)*	(\$164,891.83)
PCC GENERAL	\$8,667.19	\$67,046.76		
HCC BUILDING	\$7,733.60	\$24,932.80		
HCC PLEDGE PAYMENTS	\$21,787.50	\$220,853.80		
RESTRICTED COMM SERVICE GRANTS	-	\$7,500.00		

* Includes one full-year \$241,539 annual insurance payment paid on 4/16 rather than the usual multiple payments spread throughout the year as in 2023.



STAFF ITINERARY

Mary Lee: Vacation, 5/9-22

Linh Phan: Vacation, 5/9-15



Lunch Preparation

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

Enoch/Jachin/Crossroads (this week)

Living Spring/Agape (next week)



PRAYER

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

hcc.lv/pray24

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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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