



# AWAKEN HOUSTON

THE DEAD SHALL RISE



HOUSTON  
CHINESE CHURCH  
休士頓中國教會

No One is Too Far Away  
The Preacher: Henry Ow

Sunday, March 9, 2025 | 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, *1 Kings 17:17-24*

Worship in the Word, Pastor Henry Ow

“No One is Too Far Away” - [Sermon Outline](#)

Worship in Song

Benediction & 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

### In Response to a Faith-Filled Request

March 16 | *2 Kings 4:18-37* | Jason Tarn

### Motivated by Jesus' Compassion

March 23 | *Luke 7:11-17* | Jason Tarn

### Empowered by His Word

March 30 | *Luke 8:40-56* | Henry Ow

### It is Never Too Late

April 6 | *John 11:1-44* | Jason Tarn



### ONLINE

Sermon notes and video recordings can be found here:

[hcc.lv/sermons](http://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.

**Old Testament Survey (Part 6 of 6)** | Rm 113

**Shepherding a Child's Heart** | Rm 115

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



**The Dead Shall Rise: A City-Wide Praying & Fasting Initiative (HCPN)**

No One is Too Far Away

*1 Kings 17:17-24*

Distance strains relationships. Physical distance prevents people from connecting. Think of a long-distance dating relationship. Mental distance occurs when you think of other things when people talk to you. We experience emotional distance when people fail to understand how we feel. If distance strains our interpersonal relationships, then it also strains our relationship with God. What does God do when people find themselves far away from him?

1. God allows people to experience the strain of distance (17:17-18)

2. God appoints his people to intercede for the distant (17:19-21)

3. God overcomes the distance with resurrection (17:22-24)

## UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

### **Women's Ministry Spring Event** | Saturday, April 5th | 9:15am-11:30am

Registration is open now through Sunday, March 23rd at [hcc.lv/women](http://hcc.lv/women). We'd love for you to invite ladies in your small groups/fellowship groups and your friends and neighbors to attend! Contact [womensministry@hcchome.org](mailto:womensministry@hcchome.org) with your questions.

### **Good Friday Service** | Friday, April 18th | 6:30pm | Sanctuary

Join us on Good Friday for a bilingual, combined service to commemorate our Lord's obedience to the point of death on a cross. The Lord's Supper will be observed. Children are welcome in the service. Nursery care is available for ages 3 & under.

### **ZION Caravan Tour** | Sunday, April 27th | 7:30pm | Sanctuary

The ZION CARAVAN TOUR is coming back to Houston on April 27th and HCC will be the venue again! Come enjoy the music of The Gray Havens, John Mark Pantana, Antoine Bradford, and LOVKN. Use discount code "HCC" to get \$10 off!

## CHURCH NOTICES

### **Update: Building Renovation Pledge Campaign**

As of 3/1, we have received 142 pledge responses, totaling \$4,388,813.75. This campaign has concluded, but new pledges are always welcomed and can be submitted at [hcc.lv/renov-pledge](http://hcc.lv/renov-pledge). You can also continue to give towards the Building Fund through Paypal Giving Fund (use "22" in the cents amount, e.g. "\$250.22"). Thank you for your prayers and participation. The Church Council will determine the next steps. Please keep Council members and building project members in prayer!

## FAMILY LIFE EVENTS

### **No Nursery/Youth/AWANA This Friday, March 14th**

Due to HISD Spring Break, there is no Nursery, Awana, and Inspire this coming Friday. Friday night small groups/fellowships should plan accordingly.

### **"Seeds of Hope"** | Wednesday, March 26th | 8:30pm-9:30pm | Zoom

There will be a Q&A with three ladies who will share their experience with difficulty conceiving, issues with fertility, miscarriage, adoption, egg donation, and IVF. Event open to all women (e.g. single, no kids, adult kids, all women). Please submit questions beforehand at: [hcc.lv/seeds](http://hcc.lv/seeds). Contact Yi Wang at [eeex@gmail.com](mailto:eeex@gmail.com)

### **Fathers of Little Ones (FOLO) Gathering** | Saturday, April 5th | 9:30am-11:00am

FOLO is having its next gathering at Whitt Johnson Park (6540 Wakeforest Ave). Bring the kids for a time of fellowship and fun! For questions, or inclement weather, contact Alan Bennett at [ab@alumni.rice.edu](mailto:ab@alumni.rice.edu)

### **HCC VBS & Kids' Camp Volunteer Sign-Up** | June 16th-20th | HCC

This summer's VBS & Kids' Camp is looking for faithful co-workers who love God and love kids. Consider joining this year as a volunteer or team leader! Volunteers can sign up at [hcc.lv/vbs2025team](http://hcc.lv/vbs2025team) until April 13th. Details are listed on the sign-up form.

### **HCC VBS & Kids' Camp Registration** | June 16th-20th | HCC

Register for HCC VBS & Kids Camp at [hcc.lv/vbs2025](http://hcc.lv/vbs2025). Cost: \$30 for morning VBS (9am-12:30pm). \$170 for Kids' Camp (12:45-4:30pm). Regular registration will close on 5/11. Afterwards a late fee of \$10 (VBS) and \$40 will be assessed. For questions, contact [frankt@hcchome.org](mailto:frankt@hcchome.org)

# HOUSTON CHINESE CHURCH FACTS & FIGURES

## LAST SUNDAY'S ATTENDANCE AND FINANCIAL SUMMARY FOR MARCH 2, 2025

HCC WORSHIP

PEARLAND WORSHIP

**300**

ENGLISH

**92**

CANTONESE

**249**

MANDARIN

**57**

YOUTH

**100**

CHILDREN

**83**

COMBINED

**13**

CHILDREN

**894**

TOTAL



HCC SUNDAY SCHOOL

**109**

ENGLISH

**62**

CANTONESE

**91**

MANDARIN

PEARLAND SUNDAY SCHOOL

-

ENGLISH

-

MANDARIN

-

YOUTH

**6**

CHILDREN



| MARCH 2, 2025              | OFFERINGS   | YTD RECEIVED | YTD (DEFICIT)/SURPLUS |                |
|----------------------------|-------------|--------------|-----------------------|----------------|
|                            |             |              | THIS YEAR             | LAST YEAR      |
| HCC GENERAL                | \$19,977.27 | \$313,906.13 | (\$158,585.66)        | (\$163,420.21) |
| PCC GENERAL                | \$3,272.00  | \$41,291.00  |                       |                |
| HCC BUILDING               | \$1,605.00  | \$75,542.79  |                       |                |
| ORIGINAL PLEDGE PAYMENTS   | \$300.00    | \$222,774.12 |                       |                |
| RENOVATION PLEDGE PAYMENTS | \$11,500.00 | \$80,177.11  |                       |                |



### LUNCH PREPARATION

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

*Enoch/Jachin/Crossroads* (this week)

*Preston/Wilson & Dena* (next week)



### CONDOLENCES

Rev. Calvin Wong ( Sent out to plant West Houston Christian Church on 1991) passed away on February 22nd. The memorial service will be held on Saturday, March 22nd at 11:00 AM at the West Houston Christian Church.



### STAFF ITINERARY

*Jason Tarn:* Vacation, 3/6-11

*Tim & Amanda:* Vacation, 3/10-13



### PRAYER

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

[hcc.lv/pray25](http://hcc.lv/pray25)



### PPGF GIVING CODES

Your donation will default to the General Fund, unless you use a code to designate a fund (e.g. \$250.25 for a pledge fulfillment).

- "27" - Fulfilling your Renovation Pledge
- "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](http://hcc.lv/welcome) OR stop by our welcome desk in the lobby. We will contact you with ways to connect with our community!

**Sign Up for Our Newsletter** | [hcc.lv/news](http://hcc.lv/news)

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



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# RECRUITING DANCERS!

For the musical performance this year, ACTS Ministries is recruiting performers who like to dance (9th graders to young adults).

No dance background required.

If you're interested, please contact **Iris Li** at [irisli2020@gmail.com](mailto:irisli2020@gmail.com)

Rehearsals will start on March 30th, mostly Sundays.

Performances on November 21-22 at Stafford Centre.

