



JESUS IS BETTER

A STUDY OF HEBREWS



HOUSTON
CHINESE CHURCH
鐵士頓中國教會

A Better Hope

Preacher: Melvin Huang

Sunday, July 27, 2025 | 9:15 AM – 10:30 AM

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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, *Hebrews 7:1-28*

Worship in the Word, Minister Melvin Huang

"A Better Hope" - [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

A Better Covenant

August 3 | *Hebrews 8:1-9:14* | Henry Ow

A Better Blood

August 10 | *Hebrews 9:15-10:18* | Jason Tarn

A Better Assurance

August 17 | *Hebrews 10:19-39* | Jeremy Cheng

A Task Unfinished

August 24 | *Romans 15:14-24* | 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 11:00 AM–12:15 PM. Jesus calls us to be disciples, workers, and leaders. Our teaching ministry aims to produce believers who are committed to the call of Jesus.

A Praying Life | Rm 113

Survey of Church History | Rm 115

Enhancing Personal Study of the Bible | Rm 219



Jesus is Better: A Study of Hebrews

A Better Hope

Hebrews 7:1-28

Many of us have experienced, or are now going through, various types of brokenness and hardship in our lives. As a result, we may struggle to keep in step with Christ, or worse, are tempted to give up following him altogether. But what can stir up and sustain an enduring devotion to Jesus? Answer: A complete confidence in who he is as our great high priest. By divine design, the author uses Melchizedek, an enigmatic priest-king from the life of Abraham, to encourage us in our adversity to turn our eyes to Christ. In him we have not just a better Melchizedek, but a **better hope**.

1. Jesus is our better hope because the great Melchizedek and his priesthood foreshadowed him (7:1-10)
2. Jesus is our better hope because he is from the superior priesthood of Melchizedek (7:11-19)
3. Jesus is our better hope because he has been appointed by God to be our eternal high priest who continually intercedes for us (7:20-28)

UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

Perspectives Course | *Starting Mid-August* | *Various Times & Locations*

Perspectives is a 15-week discipleship course on world missions and understanding God's heart for the nations. To register, visit perspectives.org (under "find a class", search "Houston" locations to select a church location).

HCC Missions Conference | *Friday, August 22nd-Sunday, August 24th* | **HCC**

This year's Missions Conference will be highly interactive and is open to all ages. Friday night's event in the sanctuary is for everyone ages 5+ and will include Minute-to-Win-It type games. Saturday's Mission Escape Room (Youth & Adults) has limited 1-hr time slots. Sign up here <https://volunteersignup.org/LXQKY>. First come, first served. Pre-registration is also required for child care for children aged 0-4 on Saturday:

hcc.lv/25missionsChildcare

2025-26 HCC Awana Clubs | *Fridays, Sept. 5, 2025-May 22, 2026* | **7:15 PM-9 PM** | **HCC**

HCC Awana is our Friday evening kids program where children 3 years old (+potty-trained) through 5th grade learn God's Word in a fun atmosphere. Registration is \$200 for the year and includes club bag, uniform, 1 handbook, and Theme Nights throughout the year. Register at hcc.lv/Awana25-26.

50th Anniversary Retreat "One Church, One Future" | *Oct 17th-19th* | **Trinity Pines**

Registration is now open! Join us as we celebrate five decades of God's faithfulness with a weekend full of fellowship, spiritual growth, and joyful reflection together as a whole church - while looking ahead to all that's to come. For every week you're registered, you'll earn a raffle ticket for a chance to win exciting prizes. Register by August 10 for a chance to win our first prize, 50% off your registration! Register or learn more here: hcc.lv/retreat

2025 Diaspora National Conference | *Fri-Sat, Sept 12-13* | **Kingdom City Houston**

Diaspora Network's annual conference will be held this September at a church on the west side of town. The conference is aimed primarily at a diaspora audience, meaning 1st, 1.5, and 2nd generation immigrants. The theme is *Diaspora Church Planting and the Renewal of the City: Joining the Quiet Revolution Transforming North America*. HCC will participate in the Global Potluck and Multicultural Worship scheduled on Friday night. Register online at hcc.lv/diasporanetwork.

Weekly Churchwide Legacy Ministry | *Every Wednesday* | **10:00 AM-2:00 PM** | **HCC**

All older adults are welcome to join. Contact Eugene Leong for more information at eyleong@yahoo.com. If you are interested in viewing past exercises done at the Legacy Ministry look up "Trainer June at HCC" on YouTube or Facebook.

CHURCH NOTICES

Summer Youth Camp Pick-up

Location: Chinese Baptist Church (900 Brogden Rd., Houston, TX)

Camp Impact: Buses will return to the same location at 4:00pm today (Sunday, July 27).

Building Project: Unique Ways to Fundraise

You can now earn money for the HCC Building Renovation Project not only by shopping at Kroger but also using the RaiseRight program to buy gift cards, shop online and eat out.

To learn more, go to hcc.lv/fundraising.

2025-2026 Chinese School Registration is Now Open

HCC Chinese School will begin the new school year on September 7th, with in-person instruction as the primary format. For registration and more details, please visit: hcc.lv/HCCCS2025. For questions, email: hccchineseschool@gmail.com.

Hiring English Administrative Assistant

HCC is now searching for an English administrative assistant. For more details, please go to hcc.lv/opportunities or email office@hcchome.org.

DONATION SUPPORT

Underwear Drive for Shearn Elementary

Shearn Elementary School is in need of new undergarments for the students. For details and to donate, go to <https://tinyurl.com/2025Underwear>. Items can be placed in the donation box in the church lobby.

Kerr County Flood Relief

Recent flooding has claimed the lives of many and caused damage to property in Kerr County. Our thoughts and prayers are with those affected by the flooding. To help those affected, you can give either to the Kerr County Flood Relief Fund (hcc.lv/floodrelief) or World Vision (hcc.lv/disasterrelief).

HOUSTON CHINESE CHURCH FACTS & FIGURES

LAST SUNDAY'S ATTENDANCE AND FINANCIAL SUMMARY FOR JULY 20, 2025

HCC WORSHIP

272

ENGLISH

87

CANTONESE

227

MANDARIN

30

YOUTH

92

CHILDREN

PEARLAND WORSHIP

35+43

ENG+MAND

15

CHILDREN

801

TOTAL



HCC SUNDAY SCHOOL

57

ENGLISH

57

CANTONESE

61

MANDARIN

PEARLAND SUNDAY SCHOOL

9

ENGLISH

23

MANDARIN

6

YOUTH

9

CHILDREN



JULY 20, 2025	OFFERINGS	YTD RECEIVED	YTD (DEFICIT)/SURPLUS	
			THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR
HCC GENERAL	\$18,978.66	\$1,167,881.17	(\$383,998.06)	(\$520,905.87)
PCC GENERAL	\$2,801.00	\$126,164.00		
HCC BUILDING	\$10,910.25	\$231,557.14		
ORIGINAL PLEDGE PAYMENTS	\$200.00	\$778,216.52		
RENOVATION PLEDGE PAYMENTS	\$1,600.00	\$356,880.29		
CAMBODIAN KINDER PROJECT	-	\$4,901.00		
LAOS WATER WELL	-	\$2,330.00		



STAFF ITINERARY

Mauricio Cardona: Vacation, 7/18-8/5

Stanley Chang, Jeremy Cheng: Youth Camp, 7/20-7/27

Thomas Wang: Vacation, 7/23-7/31



LUNCH PREPARATION

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

Jamison & Tiffany/Jeremy & Wendy (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/pray25

SCAN HERE FOR HCC PARENTAL GIVING FUND



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 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

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



50th Anniversary Church Retreat

One Church

One Future

October **17-19** at Trinity Pines



Register Now!

ALL AGES, ONE MISSION



Challenging all ages to get involved
in the Great Commission

Date	Topic & Time	Location
8/22 Friday	Intro to Missions (Youth & Adults) Steve Weemes(OMF), Harvey & Linda Phillips 7:15pm-8:30pm	Sanctuary
8/23 Saturday	Session 1 Missions Escape Room (Youth & Adults) Limited spots must sign up on QR Code for 1-hour Time slot Kirsten McClain(OMF) 9:00am-1:00pm	219
	Session 2 (Kinder to 5th grade) 6 Ways to Reach God’s World Min Lu Gonthier 10:00am-11:15am	208
	Session 3 (Youth & Adults) 6 Ways to Reach God’s World Steve Weemes (OMF) 10:00am-11:15am	Youth Room
	Session 4 Caring for Missionaries Steve Weemes (OMF) 11:30am-12:30pm	Youth Room
	Family session (Kinder to Senior) “Truth and Dare” missions board games Kirsten McClain (OMF) 7:00pm-8:00pm	Chapel
8/24 Sunday	A Task Unfinished Pastor Jason Tarn 9:15am-10:30am	Sanctuary
	The World at Your Doorstep Harvey & Linda Phillips 11:00am-12:15pm	Chapel
	Steve Weemes (Youth only) 11:15am-12:15pm	Youth Room

****Childcare will be provided for children ages 0-4 (Sat, 9-1pm)**



Please register by Sunday (8/17)
hcc.lv/25missionsChildcare

**Missions Escape Room
(Youth & Adults)
QR code to sign up**

