



# JESUS IS BETTER

## A STUDY OF HEBREWS



HOUSTON  
CHINESE CHURCH  
鐵士頓中國教會

**A Task Unfinished**

**Preacher: Jason Tarn**

**Sunday, August 24, 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

Testimony

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Reading, *Romans 15:14-24*

Worship in the Word, Jason Tarn

"A Task Unfinished" - [Sermon Outline](#)

Worship in Song

Benediction & Doxology

### Confession of Sin

We confess our sins together  
whenever we gather so we  
never forget our need of mercy  
and God's abundant provision  
of it in the gospel.



## UPCOMING SERMON SCHEDULE

Every Sunday at 9:15 AM

### A Better Inheritance

August 31 | Hebrews 11:1-12:3 | Jason Tarn

### A Better Mountain

September 7 | Hebrews 12:4-29 | Henry Ow

### A Better City

September 14 | Hebrews 13 | Jason Tarn

### The Dreamer and His Dreams

September 21 | Genesis 37 | Stanley Chang



### 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 from 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.

**The World at Your Doorstep** | Chapel



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## SERMON NOTES

AUGUST 24, 2025  
JASON TARN

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### HCC Missions Weekend

A Task Unfinished

*Romans 15:14-24*

Evangelism and missions are related but distinct tasks. In evangelism, the focus is on winning as many souls as possible for Christ. But the focus in missions is on reaching all people groups for Christ. The missionary's task is unfinished and ongoing, and it calls for participation by all believers in the church.

1. The missionary's ambition

2. The missionary's urgency

3. The missionary's strategy

## UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

**Taiwan Missions Trip Sharing** | *TODAY* | 1:00 PM-2:30 PM | *Youth Room*

Come to hear what God has been doing in Taiwan this past July through the local churches partnered with our team. Get the early scoop on how to be a part of the team for the 2026 and 2027 summers.

**Building Renovation—Follow-up Q&A Meeting (bilingual)** | *TODAY* | 1:30 PM | *Room 115*

In advance of the General Membership Meeting (GMM), members are invited to a follow-up Q&A to discuss a proposal to expand the scope of our building project's Phase 1 to include the second floor Children's ministry space currently reserved for Phase 3. If you cannot attend in person, you can join via Zoom: [hcc.lv/QA2025](https://hcc.lv/QA2025). The GMM will be conducted on **Sunday, August 31st at 12:30 PM in the sanctuary**. Approval will be met by a two-thirds majority.

**Baptism and Membership Classes** | *August, 31st* | 11:00 AM-12:15 PM | *Trailer 416*

Ready to proclaim your faith through baptism or just want to know more? Class on August 31st will walk through becoming a member of HCC.

**Houston Welcomes Refugees Orientation** | *August, 31st* | 12:30 PM | *Trailer 412-414*

The ministry Houston Welcomes Refugees will be hosting an orientation for volunteers interested in helping refugees in the Houston area. For more information and to RSVP go to [hcc.lv/HWR2025](https://hcc.lv/HWR2025).

**Church Football League (CFL)** | *Sunday afternoons, September–October* | *Willow Park*

CFL aims to provide a Christ-centered environment for believers and nonbelievers within and outside of HCC through the game of flag football. Registration is open now ([hcc.lv/CFL2025](https://hcc.lv/CFL2025)) and closes on 9/3 at 6:00 PM. If you have interest or questions, contact James Gao at [jamesxiaohugao@gmail.com](mailto:jamesxiaohugao@gmail.com).

**Fathers of Little Ones (FOLO) Gathering** | *Sat, Sept. 6th* | 9:00 AM-10:30 AM | *Whitt Johnson Park*

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, contact Alan Bennett at [ab@alumni.rice.edu](mailto:ab@alumni.rice.edu).

**2025 Diaspora National Conference** | *Fri-Sat, September 12th–13th* | *Kingdom City Houston*

Diaspora Network's annual 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](https://hcc.lv/diasporanetwork).

**Cantonese Evangelistic Worship** | *Sunday, September 21st* | 9:15 AM-10:30 AM | *Chapel*

There will be a Cantonese Evangelistic Worship on Sunday, 9/21. Please remember this in your prayers and invite Cantonese speaking nonbelievers to attend.

**50th Anniversary Retreat “One Church, One Future”** | *October 17th–19th* | *Trinity Pines*

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. The next raffle is today for a gifted book from your pastor/elder! Register or learn more here: [hcc.lv/retreat](https://hcc.lv/retreat).

## CHURCH NOTICES

**2025–26 HCC Awana Clubs** | *Fridays, Sept. 5th, 2025 – May 22nd, 2026* | 7:15 PM-9:00 PM

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](https://hcc.lv/Awana25-26). Late fee of \$30/clubber will apply starting 9/12.

**2025–26 HCC Awana Clubs** | *Volunteers Needed*

HCC Awana is in need of volunteers to serve as Listeners and Small Group Leaders, especially for our Sparks Club (K-2nd Grade). Sign up at [hcc.lv/KidsVolunteerApp](https://hcc.lv/KidsVolunteerApp) or talk to Director Winnie Poon.

**2025–26 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](https://hcc.lv/HCCCS2025). For questions, email: [hccchineseschool@gmail.com](mailto:hccchineseschool@gmail.com).

# HOUSTON CHINESE CHURCH FACTS & FIGURES

LAST SUNDAY'S ATTENDANCE AND FINANCIAL SUMMARY FOR AUGUST 17, 2025

HCC WORSHIP

PEARLAND WORSHIP

334

ENGLISH

75

CANTONESE

229

MANDARIN

60

YOUTH

86

CHILDREN

32+45

ENG+MAND

19

CHILDREN

880

TOTAL



HCC SUNDAY SCHOOL

70

ENGLISH

55

CANTONESE

70

MANDARIN

PEARLAND SUNDAY SCHOOL

15

ENGLISH

29

MANDARIN

15

YOUTH

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CHILDREN



AUGUST 17, 2025	OFFERINGS	YTD RECEIVED	YTD (DEFICIT)/SURPLUS	
			THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR
HCC GENERAL	\$13,206.21	\$1,337,126.85	(\$442,980.38)	(\$521,826.21)
PCC GENERAL	\$1,236.00	\$138,744.00		
HCC BUILDING	\$500.00	\$247,352.90		
ORIGINAL PLEDGE PAYMENTS	\$7,325.16	\$841,026.24		
RENOVATION PLEDGE PAYMENTS	\$8,100.00	\$469,213.08		
CAMBODIAN KINDER PROJECT	\$335.00	\$7,156.00		
LAOS WATER WELL	-	\$2,480.00		



## LUNCH PREPARATION

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

**YOUTH/Phil & Jenn** (this week)

**Labor Day (No Lunch)** (next week)



## 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.



50th Anniversary Church Retreat

*One Church*

*One Future*

October **17-19** at Trinity Pines



**Register Now!**



# PERSPECTIVES USA

PERSPECTIVES IS A 15 WEEK COURSE THAT  
EQUIPS BELIEVERS TO SEE HOW SCRIPTURE,  
HISTORY, CULTURE, AND STRATEGY CONVERGE  
TO REVEAL THE UNFOLDING OF GOD'S  
REDEMPITIVE PURPOSES.

## FALL 2025

August 17 - December 9

**SUNDAYS**

5:30 PM



**CYPRESS**

FAIRFIELD BAPTIST

**MONDAYS**

6:30 PM



**HEIGHTS**

SEVEN MILE ROAD

**TUESDAYS**

6:30 PM



**SPRING BRANCH**

BAYOU CITY FELLOWSHIP

For More Information

**[perspectives.org](https://perspectives.org)**

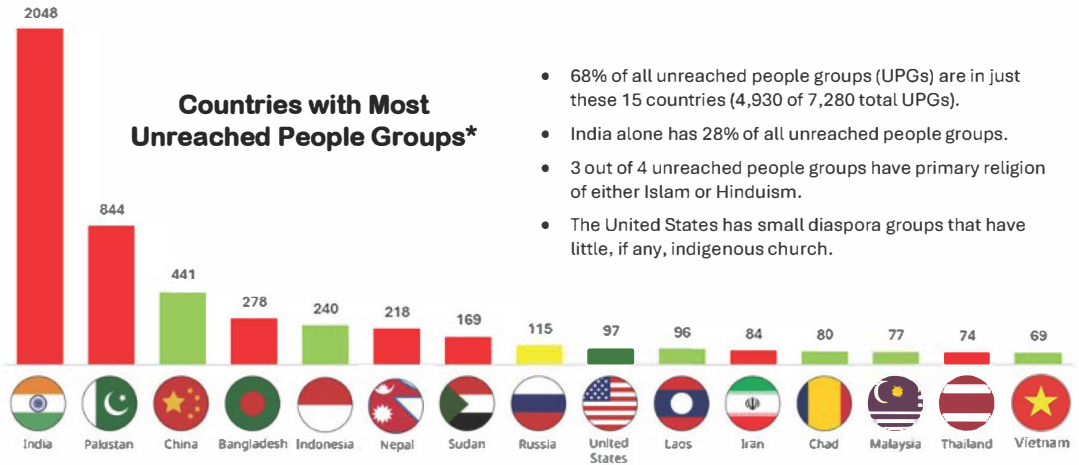




# Countries and Unreached People Groups

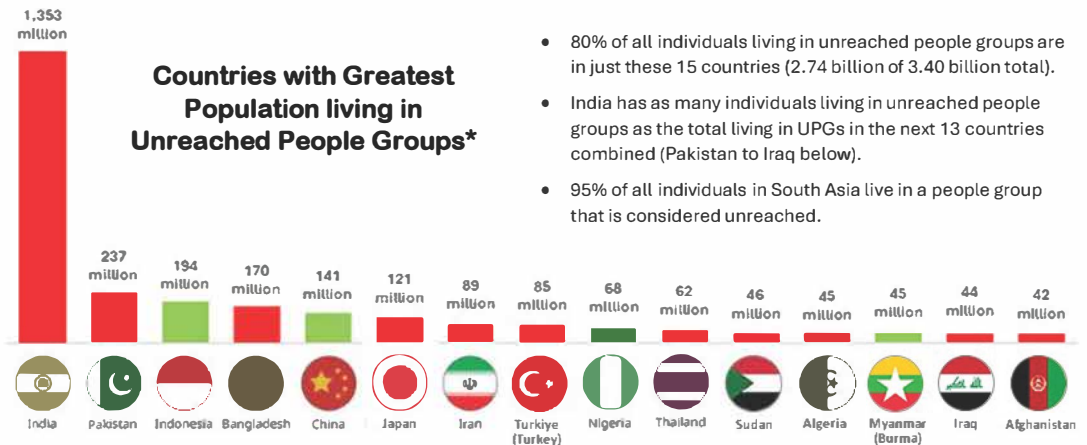
## Countries with Most Unreached People Groups\*

- 68% of all unreached people groups (UPGs) are in just these 15 countries (4,930 of 7,280 total UPGs).
- India alone has 28% of all unreached people groups.
- 3 out of 4 unreached people groups have primary religion of either Islam or Hinduism.
- The United States has small diaspora groups that have little, if any, indigenous church.



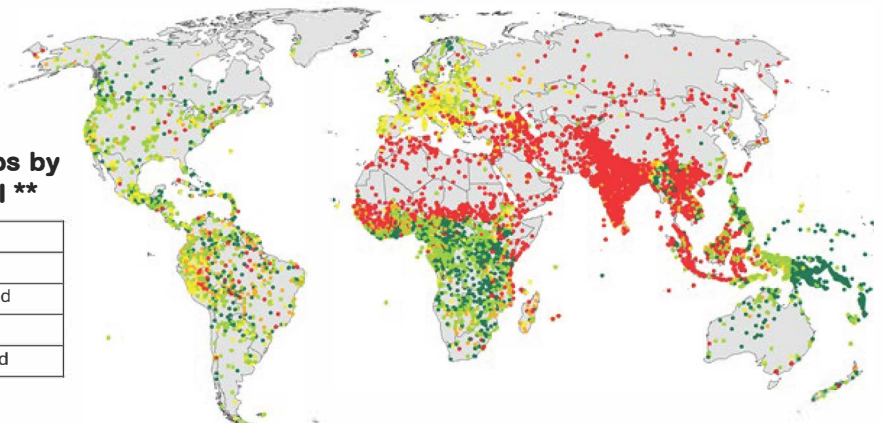
## Countries with Greatest Population living in Unreached People Groups\*

- 80% of all individuals living in unreached people groups are in just these 15 countries (2.74 billion of 3.40 billion total).
- India has as many individuals living in unreached people groups as the total living in UPGs in the next 13 countries combined (Pakistan to Iraq below).
- 95% of all individuals in South Asia live in a people group that is considered unreached.



## All People Groups by Progress Level \*\*

Unreached
Minimally reached
Superficially reached
Partially reached
Significantly reached



\* Bars in charts colored by overall country progress level. Adapted from Lausanne [“Status of the Great Commission”](#) report.

\*\* Dots on map colored by people group progress level. See [Joshua Project Progress Scale](#) for specific numeric metrics.