

12/10/2023 - Pastor Rob
The Greatest Gift
John 15:9-17
12/10/2023 Announcements

1. **We welcome everyone to our Church Gathering, and especially new visitors.** Please use our online welcome form (QR Code) to fill in your information and prayer requests, OR just speak with one of our church leaders. Then drop by the Welcome Room after service to pick up a newcomer gift bag and get connected.



2. **Lunch will be provided following the Cantata.**

3. **Operation Christmas Child Online Shoebox Goal and Donations** - Please help us to reach our goal of making 150 online shoe boxes by December 31. You can make a shoebox online at (<https://sampur.se/46eTc7j>) for a donation of \$25 (\$10 for shipping, \$15 for gifts). Building your shoebox online through our RCCC Operation Christmas Child link will help us keep track of the online shoeboxes that we are making.

Thank the Lord that 44 online shoebox has already been made so far. Also, you can help with the shipping costs of the "in-person" shoeboxes, by placing your donation (payable to Samaritan's Purse) in the Operation Christmas Child Offering Box located on the Youth Table in the lobby.

4. **This is the season to show our appreciation to our pastoral staff.** If you wish to show your appreciation, you may contribute to a pool of collections that will be distributed to the staff (Pastor Liang, Pastor Chau, Pastor Rob, Pastor Jerry, Minister Harry, Minister Pai-Lien and Minister Raymond). You may contribute to (1) an undesignated pool that will be distributed proportionately to the staff and/or (2) give to a specific staff member by designating your gift to that person. Please note that Gifts ARE NON-TAX DEDUCTIBLE PER IRS REGULATIONS. Please contribute to the love offering by writing a separate check from your regular tithes and offering. Write on the memo line of the check "Christmas offering" or Christmas offering for (name of staff)" and the amount if more than one person. The date for Christmas love giving is 11/26 - 12/17. Thank you for remembering the staff during this holiday season. You can also donate Via by Realm.

5. **Please submit your church expenses by Dec 31, 2023.**

6. **The FPO budget for this year is \$53,830 and the offering received up to date (12/5) is \$40,041.92.** If your Sunday offering is designated to FPO, please specify "FPO" in your Check. Please pray for Global Missionaries and the FPO ministry.

7. Are you interested in finding out what Christianity is all about? **A new Sunday School class named "New Beginnings" will go through a 11-week curriculum to help you gain a better understanding.** This is a Women only class for the winter and spring SS quarters. Please reach out to Anne Johnson or Laura Poon if you are interested. **The kickoff for this class is today at 9:30-10:45 AM in Room A134.**

8. **The Sojourners meet on Wednesday from 7 - 8:30 PM.** The Bible study portion is an in-depth study of The Second Letter to the Corinthians. Come join us either for Bible study or prayer or both! Zoom Meeting ID: 249 122 2044, Passcode: 24680.

9. **The ongoing Growing Sunday School Class** focuses on helping us to grow deeper in our faith and in our impact with others. The current study topic is The Gospel of John. Class is held from 9:30 to 10:45 AM in room A122. Videos and resources are available online at <https://www.raleighccc.org/main/growing-english/>. Pastor Rob can be reached at robthestans@gmail.com for any questions.

10. The church has restarted the **ESL** classes. Interested students and teachers, please contact Rachel Yan at yanrachel393@gmail.com. Or 919-637-6198

11. **Bridge Fellowship will take a pause in December and resume next January with Women's Group meeting on 1/13/24 and Men's group meeting on 1/27/24. Contact Irene Chao with any questions.**

YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. **Celebrate Jesus During the Advent/Christmas Season**—Let's celebrate Advent and the Christmas Season differently this year. Join us as we Worship Jesus Fully, Spend Less on Ourselves, Give More to Causes that Count, and Love Others Like Jesus Loves Us!
2. **Friday Youth Group—Youth Christmas Fellowship**—Join us for Youth Group on this Friday, December 15. We will start with potluck meal at 7 p.m. in the 5 Flex in the old building.
3. **Youth Sunday School** - Join us on Sundays from 9:30-10:45 a.m. for our in-person classes.
4. **Wednesday Youth Prayer** - Join us for prayer on this Wednesday, 12/13, from 7:00-7:40 p.m. through Zoom.
5. **Youth QT Plan - The God Who Is With Us - 12/ 12-16** , Contact Pastor Jerry to join this plan.
6. **M-Fuge Youth Mission Trip - Virginia Beach, VA (Regent University) - July 1-5, 2024**—See Pastor Jerry for the registration form and church waiver form. A non-refundable \$75 deposit check is required at the time that you submit your registration form and church waiver form. This deposit will secure your spot on this trip. The total cost for this camp is \$433.54, which includes the \$75 non-refundable deposit. The deadline to register for this camp is Sunday, January 28. We have spaces for up to 30 students to participate in next summer's youth mission trip.
7. **Youth Sunday School Teachers, Friday Youth Counselors, and Disciple-Makers Needed**—If you feel called to be a Youth Sunday School Teacher, a Friday Youth Counselor, or a Disciple-Maker for our Youth, please contact Pastor Jerry or our Youth Deacon, Ed Lam, for further info on how you can get involved.

Children Info. (Nursery – 5th Grade)

1. The children's department provides in-person Sunday classes from Preschool to Grade 5. Online teaching stopped. Looking forward to seeing your children . The location is in the old building, and the courses are as follows:
 In-Person Children's Sunday School: 9:30-10:45am
 In-Person Children's Sunday Worship: 11:15am – 12:30pm
 AWANA class Friday 7:30 pm-9:30pm
2. AWANA registration is now open. Please register by use the QR code. Please email mikeianliu@gmail.com if you have any questions regarding AWANA at RCCC.



UPCOMING SERVICE

12/17

Pastor Rob

12/10/2023 華語堂 Rob 牧師 證道題目

最偉大的禮物

約翰福音 15:9-17

12/10/2023 報告

1. 我們歡迎所有參加聚會的人，請第一次來的人使用我們線上表格填寫您的資料和需要代禱的事項。我們會儘快與您聯繫。鏈接如下 <https://www.raleighccc.org/main/contact-us/>
2. 參與室內聚會戴不戴口罩，按個人需要自行決定。但仍鼓勵大家戴口罩。
3. 今天成人主日學暫停一次。今天有午餐供應
4. 主日「福音」饗宴。11:15am 用粵語崇拜堂。今天暫停一次。12/17 陳培材弟兄主講：「浪子几时归」。邀請朋友來聽福音。(上網則用 Zoom: 831-4510-6230, PSW: 24680)
5. Operation Christmas Child 線上鞋盒目標和捐款—請幫助我們完成 150 個線上鞋盒。經由我們的 RCCC Operation Christmas Child 鏈接(<https://sampur.se/46eTc7j>)製作您的鞋盒。建議捐款\$25 (運費\$10，禮品\$15)。將幫助我們追蹤製作線上鞋盒的情況。截止日期是 12 月 31 日。感謝主! 已經製作了 44 個線上鞋盒。如果您想幫助支付實體鞋盒的運送費用，您可以將捐款放入位於大堂青少年桌上的「Operation Christmas Child」捐款箱中。支票抬頭請註明 Samaritan's Purse。
6. 在這感恩的季節，教會將為教牧同工(梁牧師,周牧師, Rob 牧師, Jerry 牧師, 陳煌輝傳道, 陳百鍊傳道和丁少文傳道)準備禮物, 以表謝意, 也邀請您共襄盛舉。奉獻的方式有二: (1) 不指名的奉獻, 所收到的總數按比例分贈, (2) 指名奉獻給某位同工。請注意: 根據美國稅務局的規定, 餽贈奉獻不得抵稅。聖誕愛心奉獻的日期是 11/26 - 12/17。請您將愛心奉獻的支票與十一奉獻的支票分開, 並於支票左下角註明“聖誕愛心奉獻”。您若要指名奉獻, 請寫下同工(們)的姓名和對其奉獻的金額。你也可以在 Realm 上奉獻。
7. 請於本月 31 日前把今年替教會的開銷填表報帳。
8. 教會的信心奉獻 (FPO-Faith Pledge Offering) 是專門用於支持我們在全球的宣教士的事工。今年的信心奉獻預算為 \$53,830。感謝主! 至今 (12/5) 收到 \$40,041.92。如果會眾的周日奉獻是指定給 FPO，請在支票上注明。請為全球宣教士及 FPO 奉獻事工禱告。
9. NCSU 團契恢復實體聚會並提供飯食。請有負擔的人，至教會網頁的 Resource → activity registration → [NCSU Student Fellowship Meals Signup](#) 上登記。
10. 一些英/粵語堂的會眾希望學習中文。有興趣作老師的請參加 Mandarin as a Second Language (MSL) 的老師培訓。請聯繫郭震威弟兄 (jkuo@nc.rr.com) 和教會秘書 (secretary.rccc9266@gmail.com)
11. ESL - 有興趣的學生，請聯繫 Rachel Yan — yanrachel393@gmail.com ; 919-637-6198

青少年事工報告

1. 在降臨節/聖誕節期間慶祝耶穌的誕生——今年讓我們以不同的方式慶祝降臨節和聖誕節。加入我們，全心全意地敬拜耶穌，少花錢在自己身上，多為有意義的事奉獻更多，並像耶穌愛我們一樣愛他人！
2. 週五青少年聚會—青少年聖誕節聚會—歡迎參加 12/15 星期五青少年聚會。我們在舊堂的 5 Flex room 晚上 7:00 開始有 Potlock。
3. 青少年主日學—歡迎參加每個主日 9:30–10:45 AM 的實體主日學。
4. 週三青少年禱告會—歡迎參加 12/13 週三 7:00PM 經由 Zoom 舉行的青少年禱告會。
5. 新的青少年靈修計劃—The God Who Is With Us - 12/12-16。請與 Jerry 牧師聯絡加入此計劃。
6. M-Fuge 青少年宣教之旅—Virginia Beach, VA (Regent University) - 2024 年 7/1-5 日—請聯繫 Jerry 牧師領取報名表和教會責任豁免表。預留名額有 \$75 的 non-refundable 費用, 支票抬頭請寫 RCCC。所有費用 \$ 433.54 (包括註冊費 \$75), 截止日期是 1/28 /2024 主日。今年名額僅限 30 名學生。
7. 青少年事工需要主日學老師、週五輔導員和負責門徒訓練的人—如果你有感動擔任青少年主日學老師、週五青少年輔導員和負責門徒訓練的人，請與 Jerry 牧師或 Ed Lam 聯繫。

兒童事工報告

1. 兒童部提供實體 Preschool 到 5 年級的主日課程。線上教學停止。期待您的孩子參加。
地點在舊堂, 課程如下:
實體兒童主日學: 9:30-10:45am
實體兒童主日崇拜: 11:15am – 12:30pm
周五 7:30-9:30 pm 有 AWANA 課程於 9 月 8 日重新開始。
2. AWANA 開始報名, 請掃描 QR code, 有問題請與 mikeianliu@gmail.com 電郵聯繫。



請為下週主日講員代禱

日期	國語	粵語	英語
12/17	陳煌輝傳道	洪善丰弟兄	Pastor Rob