

### SHA TIN CHURCH

## Church On Fire

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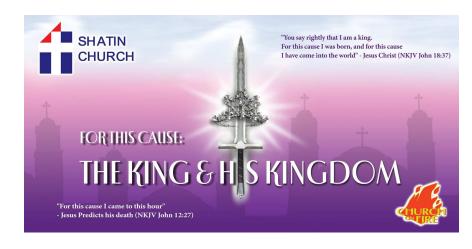
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### "For This Cause: The King & His Kingdom

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### **Morning Worship**

**12<sup>th</sup> August 2007** 



### -THE SHATIN CHURCH VISION-

To build a GROWING,

INTERNATIONAL, CELL GROUP BASED.

CITY WIDE CHURCH with

INTEGRATED MINISTRIES of WORSHIP

EVANGELISM, EQUIPPING,

FELLOWSHIP and

**SERVICE** 

To be: The BIGGEST LITTLE CHURCH in HONG KONG

Our Motto: "CHURCH ON FIRE"

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### 12<sup>th</sup> August 2007 Morning Worship

Opening Praise This is the day Paul Fox

Blessing & Honour

Hail Jesus, You're my King

When the music fades

Greeting & Welcome Robert Tsoi

**Reading** Romans 12:1-3 David Costello

**Declaration of Faith**The Apostles Creed

Confession

**Assurance of Forgiveness** 

May Almighty God,

who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith,

pardon us and set us free from all our sins,

strengthen us to do his will, and keep us in eternal life;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Greeting of Peace** 

<u>Collection of Tithes and Offerings</u> He brought me to his banqueting table

**Silent Offertory Prayer** 

Announcements

Children go out for Kingdom Kids.

**Intercessions** Young Peacock

Sermon Who or What do We Worship? Vanaja Jesudian

<u>Thanksgiving Song</u> Immortal, Invisible

**Blessing** 

**Dismissal** Leader: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: In the name of Christ. Amen.

Reprise

#### **MEN'S GROUP**

The Men's group has finished the series on Authentic Men and are now meeting at the same place but new time. We will investigate the 7 Promises of a Promise Keeper and other topics over the next 3 months. It is a great time to join us. Come on out!

Venue: Monte Vista Club House, Ma On Shan

Time: Meeting starts at 8:pm sharp (please note the Sharp!) to 9:30 end.

Contact: Brent Hauser Phone: 9633-1665

Email: <u>brent.hauser@gmail.com</u>

### **Meeting Schedule**

August 13	Topic: Pornography and Sexual Abuse	
	Leader: Jatinder Singh	
August 20	Topic: Homosexuality	
August 27	Topic:TBA	

### **PREACHING & COMMUNION**

Date	Service Type	Preacher	Topic	Leaders
12 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Morning Worship	Vanaja Jesudian	Who or What do We Worship?	Robert Tsoi
19 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Morning Worship	Dennis Abline		Brent Hauser
26 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Holy Communion	St. Andrew's Clergy		Susie Young
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sept	Morning Worship	Graham Young		John Del Favero

#### SHOWAID DVD



The long-awaited ShowAid Video is now on sale!!! It includes both a full-length film of the entire evening (talent show, fashion show, sponsored shave and finale), and the ShowAid Documentary, featuring special behind-the-scenes footage.

ShowAid was hosted by Solid Rock on 9th June and in one evening raised over \$45,000 for the Youth Mission Trip to the Phillipines. Praise God! The DVD is a must-have, both as a record of memories for those who were there, and as a chance to discover what went on for those who couldn't attend.

Please see Andrew Cope or Armilyn Lawas to get your copy.

Price: \$50

All proceeds will go to support future aid packages sent to Bulusan, Philippines.



TYPHOON & STORM— If the Typhoon Signal 8 or the Black Storm Warning is hoisted, all service or meetings at Shatin Church are cancelled. Please check your radio before setting out for Church in bad weather.

### OUR NEW PASTOR REV DALE R HANSON

My wife Pat and I are delighted to be writing to you all at Shatin Church to introduce ourselves. We remember one or two of you from a number of years ago when we lived in Hong Kong (1987 – 1991) and I was on the staff of St. Andrew's Church. We look forward to sharing new friendships and fellowship.



I initially studied Natural Sciences at Cambridge University and completed graduate study at the University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada in "biopsychology" (well done if you have heard of that!). My time in Canada was very good because I met and married Pat there. At the time she was working for the campus staff of "Campus Crusade for Christ".

When we returned to England I spent some time working as a camera salesman (photography is one of my hobbies) before training for Ordination in the Church of England at Ridley Hall, Cambridge.

Since my Ordination in 1984, I have served in Liverpool (north west England), Kowloon, Billingham (north east England) and currently Durham (a historic Cathedral city in the north east of England). Our time in Durham has been wonderful. We have been here just short of twelve years. I have been involved in a number of exciting developments in our children's, youth and student ministry. We have seen God use the "Alpha" course powerfully to bring people to faith. Overall, we have seen people finding their place in God's church and exercising the gifts and ministries he intends for us. We have managed to become a church that demonstrates "unity with diversity" which I see as a biblical pattern. We have a strong sense of our core vision and values but we seek to prosper healthy "dissent" so that different voices can be heard as we move forward together. We try to model the grace of God in giving people opportunities to explore and discover faith at the pace that is right for them. There is so much more to do here but we have reached the conclusion that we have done all that God has called us to do



and He has someone else in mind to lead the next phase of the life of St. Nicholas Church. Please pray for God's guidance to be clear in the process of appointing my successor. At St. Nic's I am profoundly grateful that I followed on from previous faithful and fruitful Christian ministry in this place and I know that is the situation in Shatin Anglican Church too. Please pray for Pat and me as we prepare for our move to join you and also for our children Cora (aged 23) and Peter (aged 21) as they adjust to life in England without us.

It was a very emotional day for us as the news of our move was announced to our four congregations here in Durham; people were quite shocked but they overwhelmed us with their understanding, compassion and love. People prayed for us and the church in Hong Kong and Shatin in a lovely, gracious way. I trust their prayers for people to come to faith and Christians to be built up and sent out will be fulfilled over the next few years.

Finally, I hope to find some people to play squash with (another of my hobbies) and I look forward to returning to some of my favourite places in the New Territories, such as Mai Po and Tai Po Kau (I am a keen bird watcher). While in Durham, Pat has been teaching English to adult speakers of other languages and we will see what opportunities to continue this emerge for her alongside any ministries in the life of Shatin Church that are right for her at this time. We can hardly wait to join you – but please be patient with us when we arrive as we learn names and acquaint ourselves with life in Hong Kong as it is today. In the meantime, please be assured of our prayers for you.

### **CHURCH CAMP 2007**

Dear sisters and brothers in Sha Tin Church,

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus! It's so nice to see those in church who came back after travelling outside Hong Kong during the summer holidays. We also warmly welcome those who have recently joined Sha Tin church.

The Summer holiday season is near to the end and our all-ages Sha Tin Church Family Camp (September 28 to 30) is approaching fast. The church family camp aims:

- 1. To bring us closer to each other as a whole family of Christ, which provides a very rare opportunity to spend several nights & days together
- 2. To enjoy each other's presence within our lives
- 3. For refreshing and re-energizing away from the busy life of Hong Kong
- 4. It is a specially designated time (time, money and effort-wise) for the Spirit to take us into a much deeper Spiritual level by tuning to Him church-wide so we can be more real, authentic and truly committed Christians.

This year's camp will be a very special and important one because we will **spend time** with our newly arrived **Pastor Dale & his wife Pat** from England. It will be a wonderful and perfect chance for us be together and to develop closer relationships. We will also enjoy the presence of our camp guest speaker **Pastor Victor & his wife Kelly** from Malaysia. The church family camp details are as follows:

Venue: **Breakthrough Youth Village** in Sha Tin

Day/Time: September 28 – 30 (Friday 7:00 pm to Sunday 1:00 pm)

Cost: **HK\$350 per person (subsidies available)** or

HK\$70 just for Sunday

(Application forms will be available from the end of August)

So please mark the date of our church family camp in your calendar and let's begin preparing our hearts with prayer for the coming Sha Tin Church Family Camp – can we pray for:

- 1. God to bring everyone to camp
- 2. God to speak to people's hearts and bring them into a deeper relationship with Him
- 3. Unity, love, passion, vision and spiritual sensitivity for the church
- 4. God's anointing, guidance and strength for the speaker Pastor Victor
- 5. God's joy, strength and inspiration for the worship team, prayer team, welcome team, refreshment team, and for everyone helping with the church camp
- 6. To reveal God's glory through our worship, meditation on Word, and fellowship
- 7. God's guidance and protection throughout the whole camp, and that it will run smoothly without any incident or accident.

By the way, I am very glad to announce that this year Carmen Lee joined to organize the church camp together with me. Praise the Lord!

Thank you so much!

Church camp coordinators, Young Peacock and Carmen Li

### NO REFRESHMENTS SERVICE

We are sorry to inform you that we cannot provide any Refreshments Service during August due to school renovation works at the covered area. Sorry for any inconvenience caused. The Refreshments Service will back to normal in September when the work is finish.

### ITEMS IN REFRESHMENTS CUPBOARD

There are 3 glass vase and 1 box of kitchen utensil that has been left in the refreshments cupboard for the past 4 weeks. We will leave it at the canteen area for the responsible parties to pick up, Otherwise we should just dispose or give it away. Thank you!

### KINGDOM KIDS

#### SUMMER PROGRAM

Dear Parents,

We have been learning about Prayer in Kingdom Kids. This summer, we will introduce the Names of God to the children so they can know more about the God to whom we pray. The Summer Programme will be led by various persons, groups and ministries from church every Sunday with the timing as follows:-



- 10:00am service in the hall
- When announcement is made by the service leader, go down to G09 for KK programme.

The Names of God we will be looking at are: Jehovah, Jehovah Nissi, Jehovah Jireh, Jehovah Shalom, Jehovah Rapha, Jehovah Raah, Jehovah M'Kaddesh, Jehovah T'sidkenu, El Elyon, Adonai, Elohim, El Shaddai.

Many thanks to the KK workers who have been working hard all year and are taking a well-deserved break over the summer!

Many thanks to our fellow workers in the Kingdom for taking up the summer programme!

Yours sincerely

Evelyn Yan

Children's Ministry Co-ordinator

\*If you have any queries or want to know more about the children's ministry, please contact Evelyn Yan at <a href="mailto:eyan@blq.com.hk">eyan@blq.com.hk</a> or 98777618.

### SOLID ROCK

### SOLID ROCK MEETS EVERY SATURDAY

Solid Rock at Maranatha House. The details are:

Hired Buses: Leave Chik Wan Street, Tai Wai near the KCR at 4:00 and 5:00 pm

Youth Band, please take the 4 pm bus for practice

**Return:** We will return to Shatin at around 9:00 pm

Bring: Money for McDonalds (or whatever) with your

friends afterwards (This is up to your parents.)

Age Limit: Everyone age 11 to 18 (or still in high school) is

welcome

### YOUTH MISSION TRIP



I thank the Lord for all the team members who joined. Each one of them is much appreciated. From the youngest to the oldest of the team had their own way of being a part of it. They are all a servant hearted people.

The outreach was very successful. Weather is good, it rains a bit but it didn't hinder us from doing what we have to do. People are very open to the word of God. They are always

smiling and willing to listen.

I will give you more updates in August.

### "OASIS" YOUTH ADULT ZONE (AGE 18-35)

### PASSIONATE WORSHIPPERS: PREACHERS OF THE GOSPEL: PRAYERFUL BELIEVERS

"Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise--the fruit of lips that confess his name. And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased."

Hebrews 13:15,16

• Oasis will miss Andrew and James P. when they go back to England on Aug. 2 (A) and Aug. 15 (J).

Oasis meets every Wednesday night at 8:30 p.m in SKH Tsang Shiu Tim Secondary School (hall stage). We have snacks at 8:00 p.m. in the covered playground.

### CHURCH PRAYER REQUESTS

"Dear Lord,

We pray that You would enlarge the Territory and "Borders" of Shatin Church.
In Jesus' name. Amen."

"I urge then, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for EVERYONE."

1 Tim 2:1

#### FOR THE SICK & THOSE IN NEED

▼ For any folks at Church feeling stressed and overloaded at work. For help, wisdom, and courage to find a good work / life balance.

### FOR OUR LEADERS

- ▼ Please pray for more small group leaders for Kingdom Kids (Our Children's Ministry).
- ▼ Please pray for all our Church Committee, Ministries & Cell Leaders.
- ▼ For the Prayer & Fundraising Committee for the "Church Ministry Centre" as they work.
- Pray for God's guidance and His mighty helping hands to be with Pastor Dale and his wife Pat as they are going through a lot of preparations before leaving England and joining Shatin Church.

### FOR THE CHURCH

- ▼ Shatin Church for church growth, and for protection. For all our Leaders.
- **▶** Pray for God to give us a **Church Office and Ministry Centre in His place & time.**
- **▼** For courage and initiative in Cell-based outreach events.
- ▼ For Cell Leader Training to be developed in STC in future.
- ▶ Pray for God to provide more excellent visiting Youth Speakers, Bands, and Events for Solid Rock. Give thanks for His provision of visiting teams & speakers in the past.
- Weekly Prayer Meeting at the Islip's home.
- ▼ Please pray also for guidance and provision of leadership for the next STC Alpha Course.
- For members to have confidence to share the gospel with their friends.
- ▼ Shatin Church pray for deep inspiration and understanding of God's written word and love of Jesus, unity and harmony, and commitment to Jesus.
- ♥ God to raise more PA team members and projection team members.
- ♥ Please pray for God's presence and guidance for those who are leaving Shatin Church and Hong Kong this summer. Pray that God will help them settle in their new environment smoothly and lead them to the right church and fellowship.
- ▶ Please pray for God's presence, joy and strength for families and individuals who are travelling overseas this summer.

#### FOR SCHOOLS AND UNIVERSITIES

- ▼ For University lecturers and school teachers for diligence rest, strength and times of refreshment.
- ▼ For All our students for help in exams, strength in their faith, confidence in their own abilities, strong Christian support groups, good friendship and clear direction.

### FOR THE WORLD

- ▼ For the AIDS situation worldwide roughly 200,000 people die of AIDS each month in Africa alone.
- ▼ For the Congo, Sudan, Indonesia, China, North Korea, Vietnam, Burma, Laos etc for all who face torture, persecution and oppression.

# ARRANGEMENTS FOR PASTORAL INTER-REGNUM

Duty	In Charge	
Acting Pastor	Vicar Rev John Menear	
Appointment of Leaders	Church Committee	Matthew Peacock
Chairman of the Church Committee	Matthew Peacock	
Church Bus	Peter Fung	Joyce Lin
Communion & Preach on 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	St. Andrew's Clergy	
Family Service (5 <sup>th</sup> Sun)	John Del Favero	
Friendship Sunday Preaching &	Brent Hauser	Assist by Siew Yoong Hing
Testimony Roster		
Leaders Dinner & Prayer Meeting Hosts	Warren & Christine Islip	
Maranatha House Care	Warren Islip	Joyce Lin
Preaching Roster for 1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	Vanaja Jesudian	Consultation w/
		Rev John Menear
Solid Rock Team Leader	Janakan Arul	Armilyn Lawas
Cell Zone Covering & Support:		
Philippines Fellowship	Young Peacock	Janet Suala &
		Lourdes Bisweten
Oasis Young Adults	Susie Young	Armilyn & Thelema
General Family Cell Groups	Church Committee	
Solid Rock Youth	Evelyn Lawas	Warren & Christine Islip

### SERMON NOTES

#### **Romans 12:1-3**

- Living Sacrifices
- 1Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God—this is your spiritual[a] act of worship. 2Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will

### 1) What / who can we worship?

Anything other that	an the Lord that	we worship becomes	an idol in our	lives
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E.g.M....R....W....A...

• H.....

Anything else you can think of?

<sup>&</sup>quot;Who or What do We Worship?" August 12th 2007

2) When you usually think of worship, what do you think of?
A definition of an idol can be:  I
3) What does our worship of God include?
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<ul> <li>4) Are we a letter of?</li> <li>2 Corinthians 3:1-3</li> <li>1Are we beginning to commend ourselves again? Or do we need, like some people, letters of recommendation to you or from you? 2You yourselves are our letter, written on our hearts, known and read by everybody. 3You show that you are a letter from Christ, the result of our ministry, written not with ink but with the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone but on tablets of human hearts.</li> </ul>
5)Worship is wonderful☺
WORSHIP The Sunday Worship is a culmination of our as we give Him thanks and praise. If it only or there, then something is not right. Worship declares " worthship"
Ware declaring we belong to the King Oand musical instruments add joy and beauty Rrelationships with the Lord and each other Sourselves to God Hand His alone I - "I" is
Pfollowing Him.
6) Are there any idols in our lives we need to andfrom?