



SHA TIN CHURCH

*Priests & Ministers:
All the people of God*

Church On Fire

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***“For This Cause:
The King & His Kingdom***

Holy Communion

28th October 2007

We welcome everyone to our service, especially those who are newcomers today. Please make yourself known to us and sign the **Welcome Folder** which is downstairs on the **Welcome Table**. We run a **Children’s program** every Sunday – details inside. A **Crèche** (Rm 4) is available. Please ask an usher if you want to know where these are located. Also you are invited to share **Refreshments** with us downstairs after the service.



-----**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
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To be: The BIGGEST LITTLE CHURCH in HONG KONG

Our Motto: “CHURCH ON FIRE”

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28th October 2007

HOLY COMMUNION

Opening Praise

All praise
Church on Fire
God of Miracles
Filled with Glory
More Love
Without You

Jon Keelty

Greeting & Welcome

Brent Hauser

Reading

John 16:17 – 33

Young Peacock

Declaration of Faith

I Believe

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

Collection of Tithes and Offerings All praise

(Communion assistants come forward:

YH Siew, Janet S, Linda T, Brent H & Lisa DF)

Offertory Prayer

Thanksgiving Prayer

Disciples' Prayer

Holy Communion

It's your blood
All creatures of our God & King



Post Communion Prayer

Blessing

The Children and leaders go Kids program

Announcements

Intercessions

Robert Tsoi

Sermon

It's not what you know but who you know

Dale Hanson

Thanksgiving

Dismissal

Leader: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People: **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

Reprise

BULLETIN & SERMON (MP3) AT OUR WEBSITE

Please note that you can easily find our weekly bulletin & sermon from our website: www.shatinchurch.org.hk, please check it out if you want the information or you miss the sermon on Sunday. In future, we may start printing less hard copies of the bulletin so as to save the environment.

SERMON SERIES

28th October: "It's not what you know but who you know" John 16 v17-33
4th November: "The heart of Jesus" John 17 v1-19
11th November: "Unity that testifies" John 17 v20-26

MEN'S GROUP

Men, 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.
Day: Mondays
Contact: Brent Hauser
Phone: 9633-1665
Email: brent.hauser@gmail.com

LADIES BIBLE STUDY

The Ladies Bibles Study group meets:

Venue: Monte Vista Club House, Ma On Shan
Time: 7:30 – 9:30 pm
Day: Mondays

Please see Young Peacock or Janet Hauser for directions.

NEW ROSTER

Please pick up your new roster (4/11-9/12) at the back table and make your own swap if you are not available on your duty date.

Thank you very much for all your support & great work to serve His people.

KINGDOM KIDS

NEW YEAR

Kingdom Kids have started this year's topic: Living a Life of Worship.

The programme times are:

Every Sunday: 10:00am in the hall followed by:-
1st Sunday of each month : G02 for Small Groups
2nd Sunday of each month: G02 for Large Group
3rd Sunday of each month: G02 for Small Groups
4th Sunday of each month: G02 for Large Group

If you have any queries or need more information on the Children's ministry, please contact the Church Office or any of the leaders named on the back page of the bulletin.

Blessings, From the Kingdom Kids Team"

REMINDER TO PARENTS

If you have not done so, please complete and return the Registration Form for your child to Evelyn Yan, thank you. We need the information to know who is responsible for your child and who to contact if we have queries, and to allocate your child to a small group.

REVELATION WARRIORS

Revelation Warriors is the Sunday Youth Program for 11-14 year old youths at Shatin Church. It is geared toward preparing youths for full participation in the Church community in worship & service.

Our current format is as follows:

1st Sunday of the month (RW SUNDAY)

RW's meet for the full Sunday morning from 10am – 12:15pm. Our program includes Praise and Worship, Bible Study, Sharing, Ice-breaker, and Prayer.

2nd Sunday of the month (SERVING)

Starting Nov, 07, RWs will join the Welcome Team meeting welcoming Church members and attendees. Regular RW small group meeting will follow at appr. 10:30 a.m.

3rd Sunday of the month (JOIN WORSHIP SERVICE)

RW's join the worship service. No small meeting is scheduled.

4th Sunday of the month (SMALL GROUP)

RW's meet after announcement for small group meeting.

5th Sunday of the month (JOIN WORSHIP SERVICE)

When a 5th Sunday occurs, RWs will join the church's family service.

This month's schedule is:

- Oct. 7th small group meeting after church announcements (Room 6)
- Oct. 14th small group meeting after church announcements (Room 6)
- Oct. 21st RWs join worship service, no small group meeting
- Oct. 28th small group meeting after church announcements (Room 6)

NOTE: Please do not bring any food, snacks, or drinks (except water) into the Church Hall or any classroom or onto the school sport playground. According to the school rules, Food & Drinks are only allowed in the Covered Area downstairs.

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



“OASIS” YOUTH ADULT ZONE (AGE 18-35)

PASSIONATE WORSHIPPERS: PREACHERS OF THE GOSPEL: PRAYERFUL BELIEVERS

Oasis meets every Wednesday night at 8:00 p.m. in SKH Tsang Shiu Tim Secondary School (hall stage).

Oasis Meeting Schedule

Passionate Worshippers (<i>Heb. 13:15-16</i>)	
Preachers of the Gospel (<i>Matt. 28:19-20</i>)	
Prayerful Believers (<i>1 Thessalonians 5:17</i>)	
Date	Topic
Oct. 31	(Outing)

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 **people 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.**

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.

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.

OUR GIVING

WE SUPPORT - 2007

Please pray for the people and organisations we support with Our Giving:

<i>China / Communist Asia</i>	<i>Hong Kong</i>	<i>International</i>
1) Generation Ministries (Asian Children)	4) Clarissa Gafoor (Crossroads)	9) All Nations Believers Church (Tanzania)
2) WEC International (Chinalink)	5) Christian Action (Domestic Helpers Program)	10) African Enterprise
3) Mekong Evangelical Mission (Laos & Thailand)	6) Christian Action (Chung King Mansions Service Centre)	11) Lifeway Bible Church Inc
	7) Philip Murphy (Chai Wan Street Kids)	12) Carol Schrecker (Project Exodus - Romanian Gypsies)
	8) Youth With A Mission (Sports Services International)	13) Carlos Choi (with St. Stephen's Society in Cebu)
		14) Christian Solidarity Worldwide
		15) STC International Giving Fund

We give away **15%** of all offerings to ministries outside of Shatin Church.

The Price of Peace

From Stephen Lungu

Dear partners in ministry,

When people think of African Enterprise, they mostly think of our work of evangelism. Or perhaps training programs or expressions of loving care and concern for the poor and disadvantaged through our practical self help projects. All these are true, but fundamentally African Enterprise has been a ministry of reconciliation, reconciling men and women to God through Jesus Christ through the proclamation of the gospel.

As the Apostle Paul reminds us in 2 Cor 5:18, "All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation". Our great concern is that those who have committed their lives to Christ become disciples of our Lord and then as close personal followers make a difference in the world around them. A key part of this is for people to recognise that once they have been reconciled to God they also need to be reconciled to each other.

So important did we feel this ministry was, that we appointed a senior AE leader to head up our reconciliation ministry. Emmanuel Kopwe has been working behind the scenes in many places of ethnic conflict ever since.

The price of peace has not been cheaply won, and some AE members have paid the ultimate price for standing up for truth and justice. Emmanuel has carried on in that tradition, and has gone into some of the most dangerous areas you can imagine during periods of conflict.

Emmanuel has undertaken many trips into Burundi, a country with the same volatile ethnic mix as Rwanda, and in no small part has helped bring about a degree of stability, not only within political leadership, but also within parts of the church. People have experienced much trauma as a result of friends and family having been killed through ethnic violence. Often a spirit of unforgiveness exists, even within churches where there are different ethnic or political mixes.

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who reconciled us to
himself through Christ and
gave us the ministry of
reconciliation."*

2 Cor 5:18

The Burundi Leadership mission later this year, and next year our citywide mission to Bujumbura, the capital, are a testament to the ministry that is now able to be undertaken, because the fighting has stopped.

Across the border to the west, in the Democratic Republic of Congo, the country is trying to recover from a widespread war, which has killed an estimated four to five million people over the last eight years. Many observers believe this was the single biggest conflict on the planet since the end of the second world war in terms of loss of life, yet this has largely gone un-noticed by countries in the West because there was no direct involvement such as in Korea or Vietnam.

Here, too, Emmanuel has been working effectively, especially among political leadership to help try and avoid political divisions between the many factions spilling back into bloodshed.

For someone to say, "I looted and participated

in the destruction that happened, but now the Lord has changed my life and I want to tell everybody I am a different person," is a powerful testimony to the power of the gospel and the work of reconciliation to change lives.

The price of peace is high. Not only in terms of the dangers that are often faced by Emmanuel and his small team as they work tirelessly behind the scenes, but because the cost of ministry in these areas of conflict is expensive.

Emmanuel will shortly be visiting Australia and New Zealand, and I encourage you to take the opportunity of meeting him if you can. But please also encourage him by your support for the vital work that AE is carrying out across Africa. Please pray for him, for his safety and his health, and please give whatever gift you can as the Lord enables.

Grace and peace to you in Christ.



Stephen Lungu
International Team Leader



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JOINT ALPHA WEEKEND



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Date: **9th - 10th November, 2007**

Venue: **SKH Tang Shiu Kin Secondary School**
(9 Oi Kwan Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong)

Speaker: **Dr. Jackie Pullinger** 

Bilingual Event
[English-speaking with Cantonese interpretation]

A dream come true.....
You have always wanted to run the best Alpha Weekend but don't know how?
The Alpha Hong Kong office has laid out the banquet table for you.....

Date & Time	Friday, 9th November 7:30 p.m. - 10:00p.m. Saturday, 10th November 9:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. [8:30am - 9:20am Christian Aerobics & Light Breakfast (Optional)]
Venue	SKH Tang Shiu Kin Secondary School (9 Oi Kwan Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong)
Costs	HK\$280
Registration deadline: Monday, 5th November, 2007	

1. Live talks given by Dr. Jackie Pullinger

A little-known fact: Jackie was involved in the praying and interceding for God to move in a mighty way at Holy Trinity Brompton that eventually led to the revival of the church and the start of Alpha at HTB. Come and be encouraged by the vision-holder.

2. "Helping One Another" campaign

Nicky Gumbel has always said that people should not be kept from attending an Alpha Weekend due to short of funds. We are encouraging churches/individuals to give to help those who may find it difficult to pay for the costs of the Alpha Weekend. Ask the Alpha office for the "Helping One Another" Campaign Form or go to www.alpha.org.hk whether you would like to GIVE or to RECEIVE.

3. A Time to Rejoice

The Alpha Weekend consists of a time of fun and fellowship. To add to the colours and to display your creativity, churches or groups are encouraged to wear the same colour T-shirts/Polo shirts. This is of course optional.

4. A breath of fresh air

We have made arrangements with the Jockey Club which is next door to Tang Shiu Kin School to be the venue of our light lunch. This we believe will allow everyone a chance to stretch our legs and refill our lungs.

5. The power of prayer

Most importantly, the Alpha Weekend is a time when the guests on Alpha (and not a few helpers and leaders) experience the mighty work of the Holy Spirit which bring about changes and rededication of one's life. Powerful and amazing testimonies of past Alpha Weekends tell us that God will continue to move and work in a mighty way.

PART TIME HELPER AVAILABLE

A part time helper of Susanna Hui is looking for more job: Eddie Lam, cell phone # is 92303206. She charges \$60/hr for all types of housework including cleaning, cooking, buying & planning meals, & taking care of kids or elderly. She lives in the Ma On Shan area and she is willing to travel. Her service is great and reliable. Please contact her if you are interested or has questions.

SERMON – NOTES FOR GROUP DISCUSSION

Bible passage John 16 v5-15 “Not what you know but who you know”

Talk together about people who have influenced your lives:

- What were they like?
- What did they do?
- How did they influence you?
- Why do you think they had that influence on you?
- Are there ways in which their influence on you has been passed on by you to others?

In our Bible passage today:

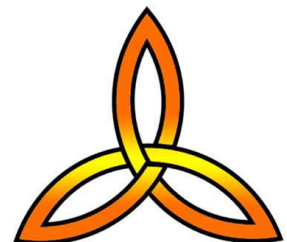
- What do we learn to encourage us in prayer?
- In what ways have you experienced the prayer and the joy that Jesus talks about hear – how can you grow in these?

This is a very sad time with Jesus telling his disciples that He will soon be leaving them (see especially verses 32 & 33)

- What does Jesus promise them is going to happen when they face trouble in this world?
- In what ways have you experienced this promise of Jesus (that Has overcome the world so we can have peace)?
- One person makes this comment on Jesus teaching in verses 32 & 33,
“The Christian joy and hope do not arise from ignoring the evil in the world, but from facing it at its worst. The light that shines for ever in the Church breaks out of the darkest pit of gloom”
Do you agree? How does this happen?

In John Chapters 15, 16 & 17 Jesus shows us a picture of God that Christians have always described as “The Trinity” – One God revealed as three Persons, God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit

- In John 15 & 16 how does Jesus teaching show us the Trinity?
- What do you find encouraging and what do you find confusing about relating to God as Trinity?



You could take time to pray for people and situations that you know

- where Christians are facing “trouble” in this world and pray that we will know the peace that Jesus promises and be assured that he has indeed overcome the world
- for us all that we may grow in our relationship with the true and living God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.