



SHA TIN CHURCH

*Priests &
Ministers:
All the
people of
God*

Church On Fire

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

Morning Worship

2nd December 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**-----

CHURCH ON FIRE

- **passionate worshippers**
- **committed disciples**
- **an international church making a difference for the Kingdom of God**



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2nd December 2007

Morning Worship

Opening Praise

God is Great
Let everything that has breath praise the Lord
O Lord You lead me
You are worthy
Irresistible
Eagle's wings

Jon Keelty

Greeting & Welcome

Young Peacock

Reading

Romans 8:18-30

Sue Keelty

Kingdom Kids go out for Prayer Walk.

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

Collection of Tithes and Offerings

All creatures of our God & King

Silent Offertory Prayer

Announcements

Intercessions

Robert Tsoi

Sermon

Advent Series “Breakthrough – Expecting God’s Kingdom. Dale Hanson
Series 1: “Now and not yet – the Tension of the Kingdom”

Thanksgiving Song

Blessing

Dismissal

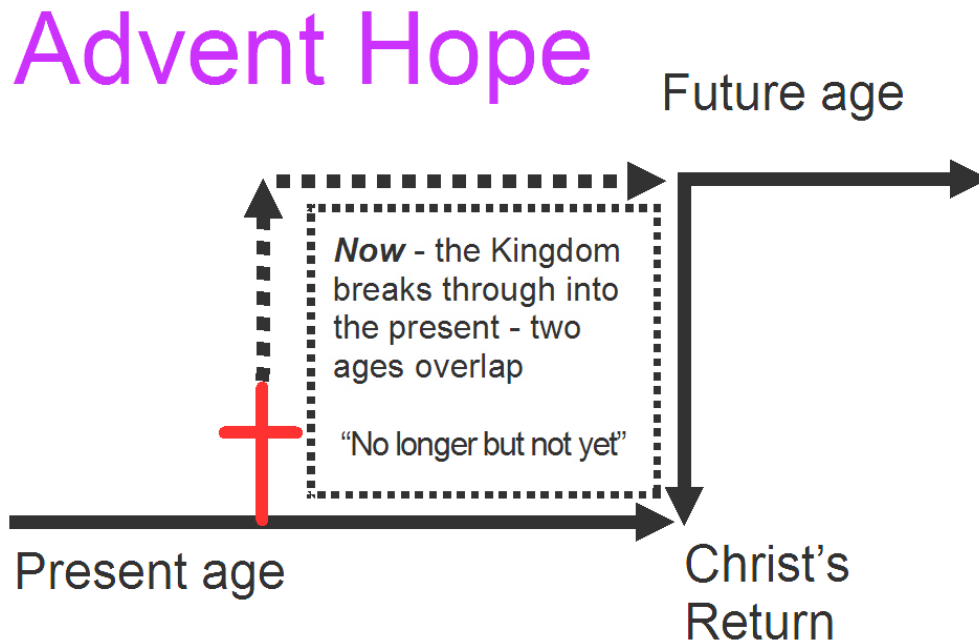
Leader: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People: In the name of Christ. Amen.

Reprise

ADVENT

Advent is the beginning of the Church Year for most churches in the Western tradition. It begins on the fourth Sunday before Christmas Day.

The word **Advent** means "coming" or "arrival." The focus of the entire season is the celebration of the birth of Jesus the Christ in his First Advent, and the anticipation of the return of Christ the King in his Second Advent. Thus, Advent is far more than simply marking a 2,000 year old event in history. It is celebrating a truth about God, the revelation of God in Christ whereby all of creation might be reconciled to God. That is a process in which we now participate, and the consummation of which we anticipate. Scripture readings for Advent will reflect this emphasis on the Second Advent, including themes of accountability for faithfulness at His coming, judgment on sin, and the hope of eternal life.



A prayer of preparation for us to use during Advent:

*Almighty God,
as your kingdom dawns,
turn us from the darkness of sin to the
light of holiness,
that we may be ready to meet you
in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.*

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS

23rd December: **Carols & Readings – Children's Nativity**

24th December: We are planning to have a **Carols by Candlelight at Maranatha House** on the Christmas Eve evening. Details to be confirmed. Please check it out later.

25th December: Please come to join our Christmas Service (at church=the school) at 10am to celebration the birth of our Saviour!

FRIENDSHIP SUNDAY – 16TH DEC

16th December is our **Friendship Sunday**. The **Youth** “Solid Rock” & the Youth Leaders will lead & share with us. Please share the gospel with your friends, bring them to hear the testimonies.

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 before the service & if you want the information or you missed the sermon on Sunday. **Starting from January 2008**, we will only print 50 hard copies of the bulletin for those who can't access internet, and print the service order for the date so as to save the environment.

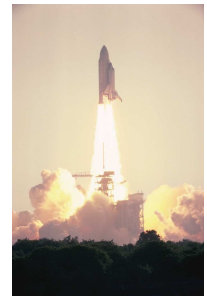
DVD AVAILABLE FOR SALE

1. **Church Camp** (2 disc @\$40.-) containing the fun & activities during the camp and Pastor Victor's preaching.
2. **Young Adult's Friendship Sunday** (18-11-2007) (1 disc @\$20.-) featuring the whole lovely service & testimonies which led by our young adults.

There will be a sign up sheet at the end of the Sunday service, at the refreshments area, for two weeks starting from today and those who would like to order, **please pay in advance**. Details, contact **Edwin Cho on 9732 3888** or chochikong@netvigator.com.

ALPHA TO TAKE OFF SOON, IF YOU JOIN THE TEAM!

We are planning to start our next Sha Tin Church Alpha Course in early February and finish at the end of April. We need people to help in practical ways and lead / help with small groups, lead worship or sing, according to your areas of interest. We will have 3 training sessions for the whole team in January. If you would like to be involved in this exciting ministry of evangelism and discipleship and are available to commit yourself for 4 months from January till May, please take a step of faith and contact Ps. Dale stchurch@shatinchurch.org.hk or Vanaja vanaja.jesudian@gmail.com. Thank you!



NEW ROSTER

It's time to prepare the next roster for Christmas Seasons. Please kindly let me know your schedule if you will be away for Christmas & New Year holidays.

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

SIGN UP TO HELP WITH SUNDAY ROSTER

We need volunteers to help with some ministries (such as Creche, Refreshments, Hall Set Up, Pre-service Prayer etc) on Sundays. Please kindly sign up your name on the sign up sheet if you can help. When you join, you will not have to do it every week - there will be a roster. Please note that signing up does not guarantee you will be able to serve. Some ministries require that you do an audition, internship or probational period first.

CHRISTMAS CARDS SALE

From this Sunday we are selling Christmas cards at the back of the church hall. All the profits will go for the church to use. Please come along and have a look at the beautiful but very cheap Christmas cards that are designed by physically disabled people in China. Thank you!

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



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. If you are 11 – 14 years old, come and join the RW's Sunday group meetings. Every 1st Sunday of the month we meet the whole morning starting at 10 a.m. The second Sunday, we serve as ushers followed by a group meeting. The third Sunday we join the service, and the fourth Sunday, we have a group meeting.

This month's schedule is:

Dec 02 (today): RW Sunday, meet at 10 am in Rm 6

Dec 09: Ushering (Arrive at 9:50 am) & Small Group meeting at 10:30 am

Dec 16: Youth Friendship Sunday (RW Skit)

Dec 23: KK Christmas Program

Dec 30: Join Church Service (no RW meeting)

What do we do in RW's?

Praise & Worship...Ice breakers...Games...Refreshments...Bible Study...Testimonies...Sharing...Prayer

KINGDOM KIDS

Programme Times

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"



Kingdom Kids Prayer Walk, Wo Che Sunday, 2 December 2007

Dear Parent

The Kingdom Kids are living a life of worship through loving, serving and praying. As we enter Advent and remember the greatest act of love of God by giving us his only son, the Kingdom Kids will be taking the gospel message to the surrounding areas of Tsang Shiu Tim School. The various Small Groups will be going to the following places on their prayer walk:

- LifeSavers – Wo Che Shopping Centre
- Overcomers – basketball courts across Yuen Wo Road
- Crown Jewels – the park next to school
- Rainbows – school grounds
- F.R.O.G. Kids – Lek Yuen estate
- Lambs of God – bus stops on Yuen Wo Road

The children will also be handing out Christmas cards and gospel tracts along their walk. Please pray with your child at home in preparation for this Prayer Walk. Who knows what opportunities there may be for people to hear and receive God's great good news for the first time!

We will start off in the hall for Worship at 10:00am and go down to G02 after the Reading. We will then organise the children into their respective small groups and each group with their leader will head off on their Prayer Walk. The walk should take about 30 minutes. The leaders and children will come back to G02 after the walk before being dismissed for the morning.

Please sign the consent form below for your child to participate on 2 December. Thank you.

You are welcome to join us!

Sincerely
Evelyn Yan and the Kingdom Kids Team

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I give my consent for my child _____ to go on a Prayer Walk with Kingdom Kids on 25 November 2007 as described above.

I am aware of the usual risks which surround such an outing and agree that I will not hold St. Andrews' "Shatin Anglican Church" or any of its staff or members liable for any injury, damage or loss arising from or in relation to the visit.

Parent's signature _____ Date _____

Parent's name (block letters) _____

Please return this form to Linda Chan.

NOVEMBER & DECEMBER

“Not to us, O Lord, not to us but to your name be the glory, because of your love and faithfulness.” Psalm 115:1

“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>)	
Life under God's Grace	
Dec 5	Amazing Grace (Janakan)
Dec 12	(to be confirmed)
Dec 19	(to be confirmed)
Dec 26	Oasis Christmas Party

PHILIPPINES FELLOWSHIP

Schedule

Dear lovely sisters!

Here is our schedule with some upcoming events for the PF meetings. In spite of your busy schedules, please let's try to get together for fellowship with our Lord and together:

- December 2 (today) - No meeting (Free day)
December 9 - Outing to Do Fung Shan Centre (start at 1:00).
Please bring your lunchpack and drinks
December 16 - Meeting in Room G02, TST school
December 23 - Christmas Outreach at Maranatha.
Please bring along friends. There will be plenty of food, drinks, fun games and carol singing.
December 25 - BBQ at the Hutton's

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.

CHURCH PRAYER REQUESTS

"Dear Lord,

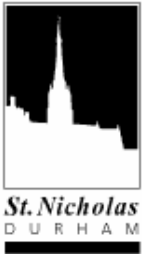
*We pray that You would enlarge the Territory and "Borders" of Shatin Church.
In Jesus' name. Amen."*

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



Pray for the Alpha course planned for Shatin Church in the New Year. Ask God to show you who you could invite to join the course. Ask God to show you any way that you can be involved in the course.

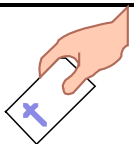
Give thanks to God for the Franklin Graham Festival here in Hong Kong. Thank God for the faithful proclamation of the gospel and pray that all those who professed faith in Jesus will go on to maturity in Him and in fellowship with other Christians. Pray for strength and power for Franklin Graham in the final events of the festival.



Pray for wisdom for Pastor Dale, the church committee and all those in leadership here at Shatin Church. Pray too for St. Nicholas Church, Durham, England where final decisions concerning the appointment of their Vicar (successor to Dale) are being made following interviews on Thursday.

Continue to pray for Yoo Sang-joon, a former North Korean refugee who was arrested and imprisoned in China sometime in August of this year for the "crime" of assisting North Korean refugees to reach a third country and avoid forcible repatriation to North Korea. Mr. Yoo is now a South Korean citizen. Christian Solidarity Worldwide HK learned on 21 November 2007 that the Chinese government will put Yoo Sang-joon on trial in an unspecified Inner Mongolia court of law on Monday, 26 November 2007.

PLANNED GIVING



IF YOU ARE ATTENDING SHATIN CHURCH, WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO JOIN IN "PLANNED GIVING" (WHERE YOU RECEIVE A NUMBER FOR ANONYMITY AND CAN GIVE BY BANK TRANSFER OR MONTHLY ENVELOPE). THOSE WHO REGISTER FOR PLANNED GIVING RECEIVE TAX RECEIPTS AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR. IF YOU WISH TO GIVE TO THE LORD THROUGH THE CHURCH PLANNED GIVING SCHEME, THE FORMS ARE ON THE WELCOME TABLE DOWNSTAIRS. FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE EMAIL THE CHURCH TREASURER, LINDA TSE ON lindac@nwtbb.com OR CALL 9372 5600. CHEQUES SHOULD BE WRITTEN TO "SHATIN ANGLICAN CHURCH". PLANNED GIVING IS TAX DEDUCTIBLE. THANK YOU!

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

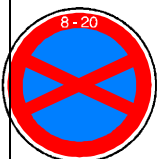
We give away **15%** of all offerings to ministries outside of Shatin Church.

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*Unclassified – these items have been placed by members of Shatin Church
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SPECIAL MEETING ORGANISED BY AGLOW HONG KONG

Date: Wednesday 5th December, 2007
 Time: 9:30am - 12:30pm
 Venue: The General's Arms, Hong Lok Yuen Country Club, Tai Po
 Fees: \$25 (free for newcomers!)
 Facilities: Coffee/Tea and festive refreshments; Free parking
 Speaker: Daphne Hay
 Theme: Restoration and Celebration



NO PARKING

Please note that No Parking is allowed in the school grounds!

Thank you!

FRIENDS FROM UK

Hello!

Our names are Bec and David Pinkerton we have the great pleasure of planning a trip around the world. Our aim is to visit and experience a variety of strands of missionary work and social outreach and more importantly to see and understand what God is doing around the globe today.



We both finished a leadership and discipleship course called 'Transit' in the UK with the 24-7prayer movement at the end of June, 'Transit' was essentially a period of time living in Christian community following life rhythms practised by the monastic movement. We both feel that we want to 'put into action' some of the ideas and concepts we learnt with 24-7, we thus have a heart to serve the individuals and communities we will be visiting. Whether our serving be digging a big hole, babysitting or public speaking we wish to be led by God and have the freedom to follow him.

We start our trip on the 18th October 2007 and after a 24-7prayer conference in Spain we will be spending 20 weeks in Asia, four weeks in New Zealand, finishing with ten weeks in America. We will be visiting Hong Kong from the 3rd until the 24th of January 2008 and would love to come and serve your church.

If you wish to follow our travels we have a blog at the address www.tornadochasers.wordpress.com and you can get in touch with us at think_pinky@hotmail.com.