



# SHA TIN CHURCH

*Priests &  
Ministers:  
All the  
people of  
God*

## *Church On Fire*

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***The Fruitful Useful  
Joyful Life In Jesus***

**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday before Advent**

**26<sup>th</sup> October 2008**

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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[www.shatinchurch.org.hk](http://www.shatinchurch.org.hk)

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**2<sup>ND</sup> NOVEMBER 2008**  
**4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT**  
**Morning Worship**

**Greeting & Welcome**

Young Peacock

**Opening Praise**

Here I am to worship  
Jesus, what a beautiful name  
Mighty to save  
Draw me close to You

Jon Keelty

**Words of Knowledge & Encouragement**

**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.*

**Song**

It's Your blood that cleanses me

**Declaration of Faith**

The Apostles Creed

**Greeting of Peace**

**Collection of Tithes and Offerings**

How great is our God

**Silent Offertory Prayer**



**Reading**

Mark 1:32-45

Lori Wollen

**Announcements**

**Intercessions**

Matthew Peacock

**Sermon**

“The attractiveness of Jesus”

Dale Hanson

**Thanksgiving Song**

**Blessing**

**Dismissal**

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

**Reprise**

## **MEN'S MONDAY GROUP**

Men's Monday at Monte Vista Estate, 9 Sha On Street, Ma On Shan.

Contact Brent Hauser at 9633-1665 or [brent.hauser@gmail.com](mailto:brent.hauser@gmail.com)

Come and join Men on Monday at 7:55 pm. We are starting the next Authentic Men Series and this is the perfect time to join us.

In this series we will endeavor to:

- Develop a personal mission for your life that fits "the real you"
- Discover your unique design and what brings you alive
- Learn best practices of successful men
- Learn how to focus your life and get results
- Beat boredom and other opponents of authentic manhood
- Find your road to significance
- Break out of the fog
- Find teammates to "get you there"
- Learn how to begin with the end in mind
- Deal with unfinished business
- Avoid shortcuts (that are really "dead ends")
- Regain a sense of forward momentum
- Find heroes who won't disappoint
- Explore what it means to take the "high ground of life"
- Learn how to leave a legacy you'll be proud of
- Discover the eternal rewards waiting for you

Join us and together we will rediscover the sense of adventure and excitement that God intends for our lives.

## **CHINESE SPEAKING LADIES BIBLE STUDY GROUP**

Chinese speaking ladies Bible Study at Ma On Shan on Friday from 9:30am to 11:30am with optional lunch afterwards. If you are interested or if you know anyone that might be interested, please contact Susanna at 67774095. God bless!

## **CHURCH FINANCE UPDATE – OCTOBER 2008**

We give thanks to God for the generous giving that we have seen this year; in the first six months of this year we gave more than sufficient to cover our budgeted needs and also raised about HK\$100000 to support the mission in Dancalan.

However, over the summer months our giving to general fund declined noticeably raising the possibility that we will end the year with a significant deficit.

We commend this situation to your prayerful response. We pray that our giving in the final three months of 2008 will be sufficient to meet the needs that, under God, we have budgeted for.

Pastor Dale and the church committee



**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.

## **NEW ROSTER (9/11 – 14/12)**

Please kindly pick up your new church roster at the back table. Thank you!



## **PRAYER & PRAISE – 1<sup>ST</sup> FRIDAY OF THE MONTH**

Come and pray at our regular monthly meeting – 7.45pm Friday November 7<sup>th</sup> at TST School.

We will be praying for our world and the nations in the light of the global economic crisis and the Presidential election in the United States of America as well as praying the church and personal concerns.

## **PLEASE JOIN PF FELLOWSHIP AT MARANATHA HOUSE ON 9<sup>TH</sup> NOV**

The Philippino fellowship is inviting all of you sisters and brothers in Shatin church to our afternoon fellowship on November 9<sup>th</sup> at Maranatha house. We would be so grateful if you could come to fellowship and see how and what we are doing in our fellowship, get to know us much better, and also have the chance to look around the lovely Maranatha house where we spend every Sunday afternoon.

A hired bus will pick us up from church at 12:40 pm after the morning service, and a cooked lunch and drinks will be provided by us, your Philippino sisters. So, please sign up on the sign-up sheet today!

We look forward to having fellowship with you at Maranatha on November 9<sup>th</sup>. Thank you!

## **PRAYERS FOR THE 4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT**

**God of glory,  
touch our lips with the fire of your Spirit,  
that we with all creation  
may rejoice to sing your praise;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

We pray for God's hand to be upon the United States of America as its people vote for a new president. The outcome of this election will have a huge impact on the whole world not just the United States. Pray that whoever is elected, they may be an influence for good, for justice and for peace throughout the world, remembering that as Proverbs 14 verse 34 puts it:

*"Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin is a disgrace to any people".*

We pray for all our needs as a church; give thanks to God for his provision for us in every way and pray that God will lead us all to give the resources of time, energy and money that we need to sustain and develop our mission and ministry.

Pray for the Philippines Fellowship and their kind invitation to us all to join them at Maranatha House for the afternoon of November 9<sup>th</sup>. Pray that God will continue to guide and lead them in every way and pour out His richest blessings on the fellowship.

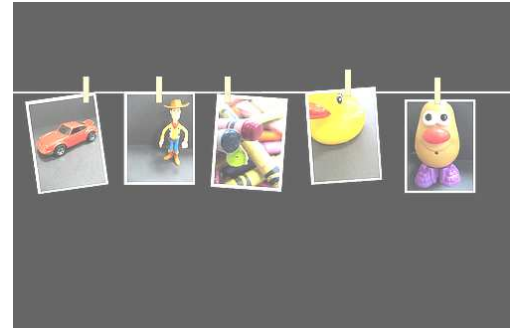
We continue to pray for a world in turmoil and being shaken by the economic uncertainties that continue. Help us to *"look forward to the city with foundations, whose architect and builder is God"*. [Hebrews 11 verse 10].

# KINGDOM KIDS

## New Year

Dear Parents

We are beginning a new year in our children's programme in September with the topic "Virtues and Values". The programme on Sundays start at 10:00am with Worship in the hall before we go downstairs to G02 to learn more about Virtues and Values. The children meet in one large group on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month and in Small Groups on the 1st and 3rd Sundays. We need to know the ages of your children for small group allocation and your contact details (for obvious reasons).



We would really appreciate you joining us in praying for God's covering on things as we start our programme. We would like the children (and everyone) to enjoy what it means to be truly surrendered to God in every part of themselves and to live the life that God has prepared for them.

If you have any queries, please contact any of the Kingdom Kids leaders, our names are on the back of the bulletin.

Looking forward to being with the kids again

In His Majesty's Service

The Kingdom Kids Team

## 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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.

*What do we do in RW's?*

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

*Schedule for Oct. - Nov. (There are some changes due to the Church Camp)*

*Nov. 2nd Small group with Susie Young*  
*Nov. 9th Small group with Pearl Chan*  
*Nov. 16th Join Worship Service*  
*Nov. 23rd Small group with Susie Young*  
*Nov. 30th Join Worship Service*

# SOLID ROCK

## SOLID ROCK MEETS EVERY SATURDAY

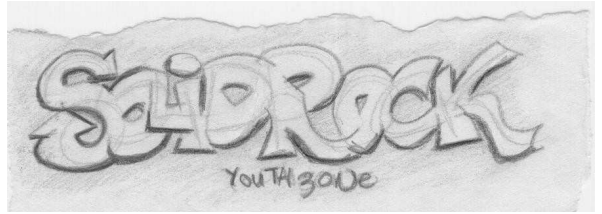
**Solid Rock at Maranatha House.** The details are:

**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



# PHILIPPINES FELLOWSHIP

## PF MEETING

- 2 Nov.** - Meeting at Maranatha (flag dance practice)
- 9 Nov. - Meeting at Maranatha (church-wide fellowship day)
- 16 Nov. - Meeting at Maranatha (with Patti Hunter)
- 23 Nov. - Meeting at Maranatha (with Pastor Dale)
- 30 Nov. - Meeting at Maranatha (Christmas planning & decoration & prayer for Christmas outreach)
- 7 Dec. - No meeting (free Sunday)
- 14 Dec. - Meeting at Maranatha (with Amy Udy)
- 21 Dec. - Meeting at Maranatha (With Janet Hauser)
- 28 Dec. - Meeting at Maranatha (Christmas party & outreach)

# “OASIS” YOUTH ADULT ZONE (AGE 18-35)

## OASIS

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

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

### Oasis Meeting Schedule

*“We lift You up for all to see your glory. Arise, O Lord, and shine on us until our generation sees Your glory fall.”*



## NO PARKING

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

# OUR GIVING

## WE SUPPORT

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

<i><b>China / Communist Asia</b></i>	<i><b>Hong Kong</b></i>	<i><b>International</b></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) Street Kids Chai Wan	12) Dancalan Christian Fellowship
	8) Youth With A Mission (Sports Services International)	13) Carlos Choi (with St. Stephen's Society in Cebu)
		14) Christian Solidarity Worldwide
		15) Carol Schrecker (Romanian Gypsies)

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

## UPDATE FROM CAROL IN ROMANIA

Hello everyone,

I have been very busy since my arrival. the first week I spent three nights and four days in the local hospital looking after the small child that used to live with me. She had been rushed into hospital the day before I arrived with an asthma attack. family are expected to stay with small children when they are admitted as this is not part of the nurses schedule. She was looked after by a teenage girl patient until I arrived. they have some strange rules here, such as, I had to wear a dressing gown when I went to eat at the canteen, I wasn't allowed in without one on. Nevertheless, Christie received fairly good treatment.

The construction on the room is going well but slowly. I am getting used to the wonderful slow transport of horse and cart but it is a bit hard on the butt going over these dirt roads. It will probably be a few more weeks before I am able to move in. I am really looking forward to my own little clean and comfortable room.

I take the smaller children to school in the morning, we leave at 7.30am to get there for 8.00am. Children don't start school here until they are 7 years old and a shift system in operation in all the schools. There is a morning shift and then an afternoon shift for economic reasons, I presume!

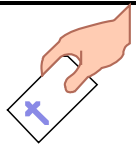
I am pleased with my progress speaking the language, it is paying off putting in the hours studying each week.

I want to take this opportunity to correct a mistake caused by a communications error. I apologise that I have made a mistake in understanding that these people do not pay for their electricity. they do pay for it on a complicated shared system, not worth explaining now. However they do take the water without paying. The pump in a nearish street broke a month or so ago and will probably be left unrepaired. This means that the only available water is from the local cemetery which means a very steep climb up the cliff behind the community. This is difficult as it is as it is about a 45degree

angle and roughly 30 feet high. it overlooks the rooftops of the houses. soon this will be sheer ice for several months as the temperatures drop to below minus twenty in this area and the snows will be coming in a couple of months.

I am feeling very positive and very much accepted in the community. It is so different actually living with these Gypsy people and sharing in their hardships than living in my previous comfortable apartment. It seems to have impacted their hearts that a woman from the west would live with them in this way. My health has been good, very good since my arrival. I am having no eye problems and the ME seems to have left again, remission is what the doc calls it.

## 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, KENNETH AU ON [kenaushing@yahoo.com](mailto:kenaushing@yahoo.com) OR CALL 9257 1675. CHEQUES SHOULD BE WRITTEN TO "SHATIN ANGLICAN CHURCH". PLANNED GIVING IS TAX DEDUCTIBLE. THANK YOU!

## UNCLASSIFIED

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### DTS WITH SPORTS OUTREACH

DTS, a discipleship training school, is a basic training course of YWAM, Youth With a Mission. It is a five-month program which includes both a lecture phase and an outreach. During DTS, you can deepen your relationship with God and be equipped to better tell about Him to others.

In January 2009 DTS here in Hong Kong, students can choose to focus on sports: in addition to normal DTS teaching they will learn the basics of sports ministry and during outreach can put it into practice in different sports.

The participants need to be at least 18 years old or have a high school diploma.

For more information please see [www.ywamhongkong.org/dts](http://www.ywamhongkong.org/dts) or e-mail Sports Services International at [ssi@ssi.corp.com.hk](mailto:ssi@ssi.corp.com.hk) or call 2524 6057.

**2008**  
**Citywide Christmas Caroling**

**21 Dec, Sunday, at all 12 venues:**  
**3pm: Opening and Special programs**  
**4pm-5pm: Harbourwide Caroling**  
**5pm-10pm: Special programs continue at Cultural Center and Avenue of the Stars**

**22-23 Dec at Cultural Centre and Avenue of Stars**  
**5pm-10pm: Non-stop Special programs**

**Everyone is welcome to join!**  
**🎵 Please wear Red Top and Red Caps to this event !**

Enquiry: 2337 4171 (HRECCU) / 2850 4548 (Citywide Renewal)  
 Web-site: [www.hkcccu.org.hk](http://www.hkcccu.org.hk) / [www.cityrenewal.com.hk](http://www.cityrenewal.com.hk)

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**INTER CHURCH BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT**

"Hello there! How are ya'll? =) Interested in getting a work out? Or maybe getting some much needed exercise? Or maybe just feel like playing basketball? Then please join us on saturday 29th November, 2008 for the 3rd ICBT (Inter Church Basketball Tournament). It will be located in Yew Chung International School; for those that don't know how to get there I will be waiting @ Kowloon MTR station near the 7-11 shop. We play 5v5 full court, I'll be mixing the teams, ages 15++ are welcome, 10am-6pm you can leave whenever. This will be a time we can get together, pray, share, and have fun. For more updates and information please leave a voice message, Call or Text 6346-9105 OR email [em\\_en@hotmail.com](mailto:em_en@hotmail.com) . My name is Emmanuel."

## Key Quote from Today's Sermon:

*“if Christians could only rediscover the sheer \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ, it would be the key to a reinvigorated discipleship, a more authentic church life and a more engaging style of evangelism”*