



SHA TIN CHURCH

*Priests &
Ministers:
All the
people of
God*

Church On Fire

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

4th Sunday of Epiphany

1st February 2009

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.



恭賀新禧

*Wishing You A Happy
& Prosperous New Year*

-----THE SHATIN CHURCH VISION-----

CHURCH ON FIRE

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



BULLETIN & SERMON (MP3) AVAILABLE AT
www.shatinchurch.org.hk

1st February 2009

Morning Worship

Greeting & Welcome

Susie Young

Opening Praise

Here is our king
Your Grace is enough
Amazed
This is the air I breathe

James Low

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.*

Reprise

The Stand

Declaration of Faith

The Apostles Creed

Greeting of Peace

Collection of Tithes and Offerings

Remedy



Silent Offertory Prayer

Reading

Colossians 3:1-14

Janet Hauser

Announcements

Intercessions

Matthew Peacock

Sermon

“Dress for success”

Dale Hanson

Thanksgiving Song

Blessing

Dismissal

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

Reprise

FINANCE UPDATE - JANUARY 2009

Looking back

We have now prepared the 2008 financial statement for Shatin Anglican Church in preparation for our auditors. I am delighted to say that we ended 2008 with a small “surplus” in giving over expenditure for the year. Generous giving by Shatin church members in December means that we avoided the “deficit” that looked likely. We rejoice at this demonstration of God’s faithful provision and we are grateful for the commitment of the Shatin Church community.

I also wish to thank both Kenneth Au, our volunteer treasurer, in his first year of service to us, and Eva Ma who is working as church secretary during Joyce’s leave. They have both worked very hard on behalf of Shatin Church to ensure the timely preparation of accounts and all the supporting materials required.

Looking forward

As I have previously said, no doubt 2009 will bring challenges and opportunities for us to demonstrate faith, thankfulness and generosity in our giving.

We expect to have opportunities to give beyond our budget, including, for example, the re-activation of our plans for a ministry centre for this church.

We look to Shatin Church to sustain our budget for ministry and mission in 2009 and also to give beyond this as opportunity arises.

Your Pastor, Dale, on behalf of our church committee.

PRAYER AND PRAISE MEETING

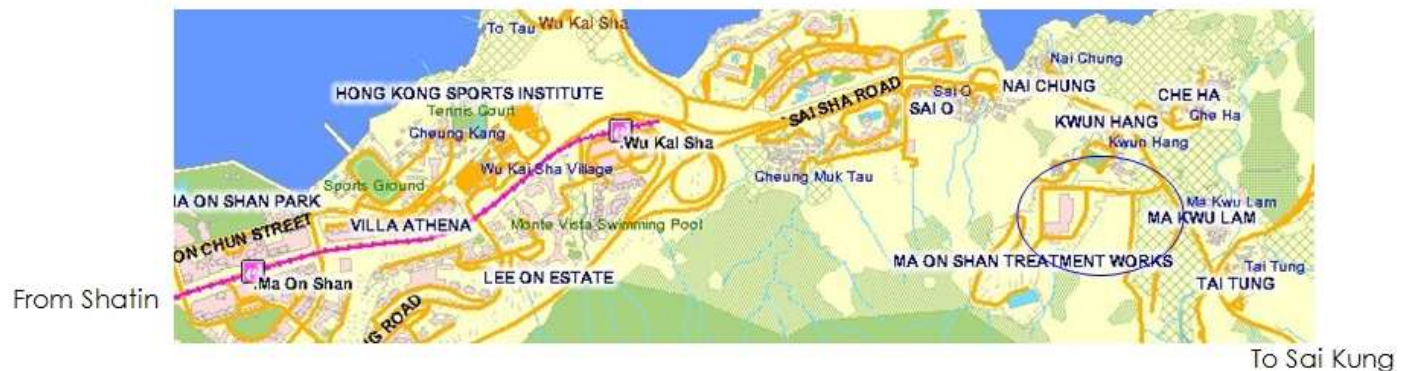
Our next meeting for “Prayer and Praise” will be on Friday 6th February 7:45pm at

No 33 Ma Kwu Lam Village, Sai Sha Road
Phone 24432034

From **Shatin Shopping Centre** take 299 to Sai Kung. There is a bus stop directly outside the village.

From **University MTR** or **Wu Kai Sha MTR** take either the 807K or 807B (they follow the same route and come down Sai Sha Road. Look for the restaurants with lots of neon lights at Sai O and then keep going. Ma Kwu Lam is the village after Che Ha on your left. The entrance is a little hidden by trees so look for the bus stop.

If you want to drive there is free visitor parking at the south east end of the village (turn right as you come through the gate – the barrier should just open for you!)



CHURCH LUNCH – INVITE FRIENDS TO JOIN US

Our next church lunch will be on Sunday 15th February. This is a great time to invite friends to join us at the service that morning and stay for lunch with us.

“TRIPLETS”

The next prayer triplets will get underway soon. Please email Dale at dale@shatinchurch.org.hk to join.

COLLECTION OF THE NEW ROSTER COPIES

The new roster for 1st Feb to 8th Mar 09 has been prepared. Ministry team members please collect a copy from the information table after the service.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The eighteenth **Annual General Meeting** of Shatin Anglican Church will be held at the Tsang Shiu Tim Secondary School Hall, Wo Che Estate on Sunday 8th March, 2009 immediately after the 10am service.

At the meeting we will:

1. Elect a **Church Committee** for the period until the next Annual Meeting in 2010.
2. Receive Reports concerning the life of the Church. Reports are due in **by Monday 23rd February please.**
3. Discuss any **Motions** which have been presented to the Pastor in writing at least two weeks before the Annual Meeting.



The Electoral Roll is our church membership of those who are eligible to vote at the Annual Church Meeting (this year will be on Sunday 8th March). It is now open for enrolment until Sunday 22nd Feb. Those who are already on the ER need not re-apply; a copy of the 2008 roll is available for your reference.

To join the roll you need to be 18 years old or above, baptized, regularly attending Shatin Church, and not on the roll of any other church in Hong Kong. You must fill in the enrolment form which is available at the back of the hall or from the Church Office.

Registered members may nominate other members for one of the EIGHT elected Committee positions. **Nominations close on 23rd February** and should be handed in by then. The 2008 elected Committee members are Brent Hauser, Evelyn Yan, Lori Wollen, Matthew Peacock, Paul Fox, Susie Young, Vanaja Jesudian, Wendy Blackmur and the Treasurer, Kenneth Au, attends meetings also.

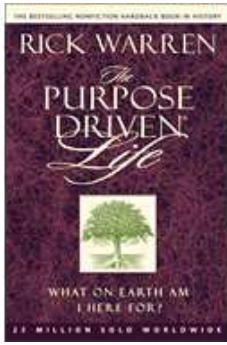
We hope you will be able to come and share in this important aspect of our church's life. We will attempt to be brief. There will not be any morning tea after the service that day.



LEADERS: AGM REPORTS

All Church Leaders, please write and prepare your ministry report to be sent to the Church Office by 23rd February for the Annual Meeting Report.

MA ON SHAN LADIES GROUP NEW SERIES– “PURPOSE DRIVEN LIFE”



During Lent, February 25 - April 11, the Evening Ladies Bible Study in Ma On Shan will be reading through Rick Warren's book, *The Purpose-Driven Life*. Lent is a time of preparation and reflection in the 40 days leading up to Easter. 'This book will help you understand why you are alive and God's amazing plan for you-now and for eternity.' The daily readings will be discussed each Monday as we share with one another what the Lord is teaching us. Please join us! See Janet Hauser for more details or email her at janhauser@gmail.com

SERMON SERIES: COLOSSIANS – “CHRIST OUR LIFE”

The aim of our series is that we will mature in our relationship with Him as we gain a fresh and clear vision of the majesty of our Lord Jesus Christ.

08 Feb. : “Christ at home and work” (Col 3 verses 15 to chapter 4 verse 1)

15 Feb. : “Whatever you do – don’t love!” (Col 3 verses 12 to 14) [Church lunch]

22 Feb. : “Talking for the Kingdom” (Col 4 verses 2 to 18)

PRAYERS FOR THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY



God of heaven,
you send the gospel to the ends of the earth
and your messengers to every nation:
send your Holy Spirit to transform us
by the good news of everlasting life
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

We pray for the whole church of God – that we may demonstrate the transforming power of the Spirit in our life.

We thank God that he has enabled us to share in the risen life of Jesus.

We ask God’s forgiveness for the times we do not look beyond the day to day concerns of our life and ask His help to have the heavenly perspective that transforms our earthly life today:

“Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.” (Colossians 3 verses 1 to 4)

We pray that in the midst of the financial turmoil that continues to engulf our world, as Christian people we would demonstrate a distinctive attitude; may we be joyful and generous even in the midst of trials. Pray that we will be wise in all our dealings and be prepared to give faithfully and generously to the work of God through Shatin Church and beyond.

“Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you” (Luke 6 verse 38)

Ask God to guide the process of nomination election of our church committee through the annual meeting in March. Pray too for wisdom in considering the best use of buildings and facilities to serve our mission and ministry.

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.

What do we do in RW's?

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

KINGDOM KIDS

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 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.

In His Majesty's Service
The Kingdom Kids Team

OASIS

YOUNG ADULTS MEETING



Oasis meets at 7:30 p.m. every Wednesday. Please contact Karl Udy at 9834-8593 or Patrick Chan at 6735-3131 for further information!

SOLID ROCK

SOLID ROCK FOR YOUTH 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
Please visit~ <http://solidrock.hk>



PHILIPPINES FELLOWSHIP

PF MEETING

1 Feb. : No meeting (free Sunday)

8 Feb. : Meeting at Maranatha

15 Feb. : Meeting at Maranatha

22 Feb. : Meeting at Maranatha

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

MEN'S MONDAY GROUP

Time 7:55 to 9:30pm, Place: Monte Vista Estate, 9 Sha On Street, Ma On Shan.

Contact Brent Hauser at 9633-1665 or brent.hauser@gmail.com

It is not too late to join us! Come and discover (or rediscover) the sense of purpose and adventure that God intends for your life.



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.

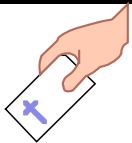
OUR GIVING

WE SUPPORT - 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) WEC International (Chinalink)	4) Clarissa Gafoor (Crossroads)	9) All Nations Believers Church (Tanzania)
2) Generation Ministries (Asian Children)	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.

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 or call 9257 1675. Cheques should be written to "Shatin Anglican Church". Planned Giving is tax deductible. Thank you!



NO PARKING

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

UNCLASSIFIED

Unclassified – these items have been placed by members of Shatin Church but their inclusion does not mean they are endorsed by Shatin Church in any way.

VOLUNTEERS FOR FLAG DAY

St. Barnabas' Society and Home is a ministry aim to outreach to the street sleepers, the poor, and the homeless on Hong Kong Island. Our goal is to love and reach out to the poor and homeless, the sick and distressed, to provide them both material and spiritual aid, and to minister to them through the power of the Holy Spirit. Not only do we care for these people in a practical way, but they help to reintegrate them back into society.

St Barnabas is going to have its flag day in the morning of Saturday, 14 Feb 09. So far we are short of volunteers to sell flags on that day. If you are available on that morning, please join us to sell the flags to help the weak and the poor. It is even better if you can come to join as a group to serve together. Please contact the Church office at stchurch@shatinchurch.org.hk or 2694 9928 for registration or visit <http://www.sbsh.org.hk> for more information.

Max Wong

St. Barnabas's Society and Home

LOOKING FOR A NEW MAID

If you are a Philippines maid and a born again Christian; and if you want to start a new contract from April 2009, please contact Barnabas at 9123 1240 for details.

COLOSSIANS 3:1-17 "DRESS FOR SUCCESS"

[Col 3:1] Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God.

[Col 3:2] Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things.

[Col 3:3] For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God.

[Col 3:4] When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

[Col 3:5] Put to death, therefore, whatever belongs to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires and greed, which is idolatry.

[Col 3:6] Because of these, the wrath of God is coming.

[Col 3:7] You used to walk in these ways, in the life you once lived.

[Col 3:8] But now you must rid yourselves of all such things as these: anger, rage, malice, slander, and filthy language from your lips.

[Col 3:9] Do not lie to each other, since you have taken off your old self with its practices

[Col 3:10] and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge in the image of its Creator.

[Col 3:11] Here there is no Greek or Jew, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave or free, but Christ is all, and is in all.

[Col 3:12] Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.

[Col 3:13] Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.

[Col 3:14] And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.

[Col 3:15] Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful.

[Col 3:16] Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God.

[Col 3:17] And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

1 New _____ means that we are called to be _____.

In other words "_____ative precedes _____ative".

2 New _____ on where we are _____.

3 New _____ require both positive and negative steps.

4 New _____tude of _____itude overcomes our _____.