

SHATIN CHURCH

Church On Fire

S.K.H. Tsang Shiu Tim Secondary School, Wo Che Estate.

Rev. Dale Hanson

**Priests &
Ministers:**
*All the
people of
God*

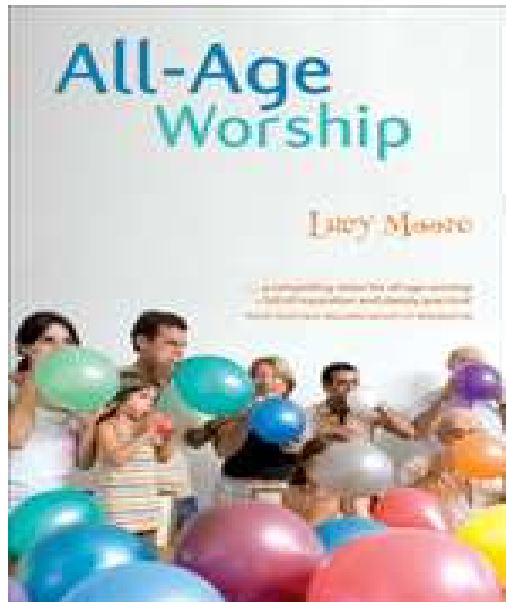
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***The Fruitful Useful
Joyful Life In Jesus***

Epiphany 4

30th January 2011

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 room for parents with young children (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*



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

Church Secretary

Alf Lam

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30th January 2011

All Age Worship

Greeting & Welcome

Vanaja Jesudian

Opening Praise

The Beauty Of The Lord
Arms Of Love
The Stand
Made Me Glad

JonKeelty

Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

*Almighty God,
who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy upon us,
pardon and deliver us from all our sins,
confirm and strengthen us in all goodness,
and keep us in life eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Song

Show Us Your Truth

**Greeting of Peace including
Announcement**

Reading

Acts 19 v 23 – 20 v1

Pat Hanson

Declaration of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

Sermon

Dale Hanson

Intercessions

Robert Tsoi

Collection of Tithes and Offerings

True Love

Offertory Prayer

Thanksgiving Prayer

Disciples Prayer

Holy Communion

Show Us Your Truth

Post Communion Prayer

Dale Hanson

Blessing

Dismissal

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



TST SCHOOL – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR ENGLISH CONVERSATION

TST School has asked Shatin church to help them by offering some volunteer native English speakers to hold conversations with small groups of students aged 12 – 13 years old. Preferred time is 4:00 to 5:00pm once a week the day depending on our availability. We hope to get a team together for introductory sessions from later in February to the end of May.

This is a great opportunity to bless the school community and to build links between church and community.

For more information please contact Dale via the church office – 2694 9928
stchurch@shatinchurch.org

PRAYER TRIPLETS

After Chinese New Year we are resuming the highly successful “prayer triplets” scheme.

TRIPLETS are where people sign up and are allocated to a group of three people for three months at a time;

By signing up we agree to meet together three times (short meetings that could be for coffee, lunch or a meal before or after work) to share with two other people the answers to three questions ("How are you doing with the Lord?" "What can we pray for you at the moment?" "What do you give thanks for at the moment?").

People may well keep in touch via SMS email or phone in addition to the meetings but this provides a way for busy people to know that others are praying for them. After the three months the triplets are re-formed with at least one different person for those who wish to continue.

Please remind you and your family's members to wear enough clothes!



A number of international churches in Hong Kong have got together to launch a 40 day Bible listening programme next March which will enable congregation members to listen to the entire New Testament during this time. We call the program “You've Got the Time Hong Kong” .

The vision is for all international churches in Hong Kong to join in as a visible sign of unity, rallying around the hearing of God's Word. Our hope is for many lives to be transformed as people listen to the Word of God and respond.

CD's of the audio New testament in MP3 will be available for free in a number of languages – meaning we are all free to participate by hearing the Bible in our own “heart language” .



More information will follow soon and you can find out more from:
<http://www.faithcomesbyhearing.com/youve-got-time>
and <http://www.faithcomesbyhearing.com/>

Soon Hong Kong will have its own dedicated “You've got the time Hong Kong” web site for convenient download of bible material! There are also free bible “apps” (Bible.is for iphone) and there will be free CD's.

Pray expectantly on the two themes of the power of God's word when it is heard and the power of the church moving in unity:

***Isaiah 55:10 As the rain and the snow come down from heaven,
and do not return to it without watering the earth
and making it bud and flourish, so that it yields seed for the sower and bread for the eater,
11 so is my word that goes out from my mouth:
It will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire
and achieve the purpose for which I sent it.***

***Psalms 133:1 How good and pleasant it is
when brothers live together in unity! ...For there the LORD bestows his blessing,
even life forevermore.***

Dale

STAFF ON LEAVE

Joyce is on leave and back to church office on 28th Feb. 2011. A part-time secretary Alf Lam has appointed and work with us until Joyce back.

A WELCOMING CHURCH?



*Welcome
To our Church*

One of the challenges every church faces is to welcome the guest, the newcomer and the stranger in the name of Jesus. Many of us are encouraged by the warm welcome we receive from friends here at Shatin Church and we thank God for this!

How can we extend this kind of friendship to even more people, especially those who are newcomers? A few suggestions:

1 why not use “The Peace” to greet people you do not know and ask their name? Perhaps set aside one Sunday every month where you will avoid talking to your friends and try to minister encouragement with a warm greeting to someone you have not spoken to before. You could make a point of saying “hello” again at the end of the service and inviting them to join us for refreshments.

2 can you join the team of welcomers or ushers (“greeters”) to welcome people on one Sunday a month?

3 can you help our team who serve refreshments after the service?

PARENTS WITH YOUNG CHILDREN



We are delighted that so many families with young children are part of our worshipping community. During the service we make classroom 4 available for parents and young children under the age of two to use; the service is relayed through loudspeaker and there is at least one person available to help you with the care of your child. We hope this allows a parent to hear what is going on and have some help in caring for their child during the service. This is not as such a “crèche”, as we ask one parent to remain with your child, but we hope it will help us all to benefit as much as possible from our experience of worship at Shatin Anglican Church.



Please note that **NO PARKING** is allowed in the school ground!

Thank you!

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Twentieth Annual General Meeting of Shatin Anglican Church will be held at the Tsang Shiu Tim Secondary School Hall, Wo Che Estate on Sunday 27th February 2011 immediately after the 10:00 am service.



At the meeting we will:

1. Elect a Church Committee for the period until the next Annual Meeting in 2012.
2. Receive Reports concerning the life of the Church. Reports are due in by Monday 7th February please.
3. Discuss any Motions, which have been presented to the Pastor in writing at least 2 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 on Sunday 27th February).

It is now open for enrolment until Monday 14th Feb. Those who are already on the ER need not re-apply; a copy of the 2010 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 14th February and should be handed in by then.

The 2010 elected Committee members are Brent Hauser, David Hunter, Evelyn Yan, Matthew Peacock, Paul Fox, Susie Young, Vanaja Jesudian, Warren Islip and our 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.

There will not be any morning tea after the service that day.

LEADERS' REPORT – ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

I have contacted ministry leaders and have invited them to please write and prepare your ministry report to be sent to church office: stchurch@shatinchurch.org.hk on or before 7th Feb. 2011 for inclusion in our Annual report.



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REFRESHMENT TEAM – STRONG ARMS NEEDED

We are seeking a strong people (male or female!) for helping our refreshment team members carry the hot water container we use to prepare drinks after the service. If you can help us; please contact Refreshment Team Leader: Carol Wong for details : woncarol@gmail.com

CALLING ALL MUSICIANS AND SINGERS



Calling all

musicians and singers!

The trumpeters and musicians joined in unison to give praise and thanks to the LORD. **Accompanied by trumpets, cymbals and other instruments, the singers raised their voices in praise to the LORD and sang:** "He is good; his love endures forever."

2 Chronicles 5:12-14

Can you sing? Play an instrument? Do you have a heart for worship and service?

If the answer is yes then we would like to encourage you to use your talents and musical gifts in service as part of our vibrant worship team!

If you are interested in joining our growing team of musicians in the worship team we would love to hear from you! Don't hide your talents under a basket – step out in faith and use your God-given abilities in service to Him!

Please contact Robert Rigadon: robrig55@hotmail.com, Paul Fox: paulfox@a.polyu.edu.hk, or Jon Keelty: jkeelty@cais.edu.hk to let us know you are interested so we can provide you with more information!

DAYTIME WOMEN'S GROUP

MEETS ON THURSDAY MORNING



A Daytime Women's Group meets on Thursday mornings. If you might be interested in joining us, please email Pat Hanson for further details. patricia.hanson@virgin.net

LADIES' FELLOWSHIP

LADIES' BIBLE STUDY GROUP

The evening study will not be meeting over the Christmas holiday season. Please join us again on Jan. 10 at 8:00pm for a study on the book of Isaiah. See or email Janet Hauser for further details. janhauser@gmail.com



MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

MEN'S MONDAY

This term we will be moving our meeting place to the *Onoko office in Shek Mun*, starting on Monday the 17th January. It will be a bit more comfortable than the current location, as well as having a pool table to settle all those deep philosophical arguments... As there will be no church the previous day, please mark that date in your diaries today! Please email [<mailto:jonkeelty@hotmail.com>](mailto:jonkeelty@hotmail.com)* if you need directions to either location. Strength & Honour!

MA ON SHAN FRIDAY FAMILY FELLOWSHIP

FAMILY FELLOWSHIP

This fellowship group meets on Fridays from 8:15-10:30pm. We have praise and worship, bible study (adults and kids), prayer and fellowship time during the meeting. For further information, please contact Tracy at leoniacy@yahoo.com.hk.

TAI PO FRIDAY FAMILY SMALL GROUP

FAMILY FRIDAY

This group meets up two Friday's a month for food, fellowship and study from 5:30-8pm. If you're interested, please contact Tom Kamau (68712100) or Karl Udy (98348593).

KINGDOM KIDS

"Kingdom Kids" welcome all children aged 3-11 (as at the end of August). The Kids start off in the hall with Sunday Worship at 10am before going to separate rooms for their own programme. On Communion Sundays, the Kids and leaders rejoin the congregation for Holy Communion.

Rainbows (3-5 years old) - Room 103
F.R.O.G. Kids (6-7 years old) - Room 102
Logos (8-9 years old) - Room 101
LifeSavers (10-11 years old) - Room 105



The names and contact details of the Kingdom Kids leaders are on the back of the bulletin. For more information, please contact the Children's Ministry coordinator, Evelyn Yan (evevyan@gmail.com)

SOLID ROCK

FOR YOUTH (AGE 11 – 18 OR STILL IN HIGH SCHOOL) MEETS EVERY SATURDAY

Come join us in a time of fellowship/worship and chilling at our FoTan venue. Please visit [Facebook.com/solidrock.hk](https://www.facebook.com/solidrock.hk) for more information OR for more information call 9504 4994 David Chou for direction/details about Solid Rock.



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 and service. If you are 11-14 years old, come and join the RW's Sunday group meetings. We meet as a small group on the first, third and fourth Sundays, and join the worship service on the second and fifth Sundays of the month. On occasion, we will join the worship service on special Sundays such as Youth Sunday Service or when special speakers are preaching.

Jan 30	Join Family Worship Service
Feb 6	RW Sunday (Meet from 10am to 12pm, Pearl Chan)
Feb 13	Join Worship Service (Greeters/Ushers)
Feb 20	Small Group (Susie Young)
Feb 27	Small Group (Pearl Chan)

PRAYERS FOR SUNDAY JANUARY 30TH EPIPHANY 4

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.

Lord Jesus Christ,
light of the nations and glory of Israel:
make your home among us,
and present us pure and holy
to your heavenly Father,
your God, and our God.
Pray for the nations of the world:

1Tim. 2:1 “I urge, then, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone— 2 for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. 3 This is good, and pleases God our Saviour, 4 who wants all to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth.”

We remember the great nation of China, praying for wise leadership and Godly expressions of freedom of conscience, thought and religious practice. We pray that her growing influence on the “world stage” will result in increasing justice and peace throughout our troubled world.

We pray for Hong Kong with our unique arrangement of “one country – two systems” that we may use the freedoms we enjoy to the glory of God and the benefit of all people.

We pray for Egypt, with ongoing demonstrations in Cairo, Alexandria and other cities. We pray for the enormous impact that what happens in Egypt will inevitably have on the Arab world and the wider middle east.

Continue to pray for all those Christians who face persecution and hostility for no other reason than their Christian faith itself. May they triumph through the power of the cross and the supernatural ability to love even their persecutors:

Matt. 5:43 “You have heard that it was said, ‘Love your neighbour and hate your enemy.’ 44 But I tell you: Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, 45 that you may be sons of your Father in heaven.

Continue to pray for the life and mission of Shatin Anglican Church, praying for the conclusion of the handover of the lease of Maranatha House; pray too for the search for a new pastor that recent encouraging conversations may come to a successful conclusion in the eyes of the Lord and those making decisions here.

NOTES FOR OUR SERMON TODAY

“Hinge” verse:

Eph. 4:1 As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received.

Chapters 1-3 God's Purpose REVEALED – Who He is and what He does

Chapters 4-6 Our Purpose REVEALED – Who we are and what we do

Acts 19:23 About that time there arose a great disturbance about the Way. 24 A silversmith named Demetrius, who made silver shrines of Artemis, brought in no little business for the craftsmen. 25 He called them together, along with the workmen in related trades, and said: “Men, you know we receive a good income from this business. 26 And you see and hear how this fellow Paul has convinced and led astray large numbers of people here in Ephesus and in practically the whole province of Asia. He says that man-made gods are no gods at all. 27 There is danger not only that our trade will lose its good name, but also that the temple of the great goddess Artemis will be discredited, and the goddess herself, who is worshiped throughout the province of Asia and the world, will be robbed of her divine majesty.”

Acts 19:28 When they heard this, they were furious and began shouting: “Great is Artemis of the Ephesians!” 29 Soon the whole city was in an uproar. The people seized Gaius and Aristarchus, Paul’s traveling companions from Macedonia, and rushed as one man into the theater. 30 Paul wanted to appear before the crowd, but the disciples would not let him. 31 Even some of the officials of the province, friends of Paul, sent him a message begging him not to venture into the theater.

Acts 19:32 The assembly was in confusion: Some were shouting one thing, some another. Most of the people did not even know why they were there. 33 The Jews pushed Alexander to the front, and some of the crowd shouted instructions to him. He motioned for silence in order to make a defense before the people. 34 But when they realized he was a Jew, they all shouted in unison for about two hours: “Great is Artemis of the Ephesians!”

Acts 19:35 The city clerk quieted the crowd and said: “Men of Ephesus, doesn’t all the world know that the city of Ephesus is the guardian of the temple of the great Artemis and of her image, which fell from heaven? 36 Therefore, since these facts are undeniable, you ought to be quiet and not do anything rash. 37 You have brought these men here, though they have neither robbed temples nor blasphemed our goddess. 38 If, then, Demetrius and his fellow craftsmen have a grievance against anybody, the courts are open and there are proconsuls. They can press charges. 39 If there is anything further you want to bring up, it must be settled in a legal assembly. 40 As it is, we are in danger of being charged with rioting because of today’s events. In that case we would not be able to account for this commotion, since there is no reason for it.” 41 After he had said this, he dismissed the assembly.

Acts 20:1 When the uproar had ended, Paul sent for the disciples and, after encouraging them, said good-by and set out for Macedonia.

OUR UPCOMING SERVICES

Sunday 30th January

“All age” Worship
“See it big – work it out small”

Sunday 6th February

Morning Worship
Ephesians 4 verses 1 to 16 “Growing up in Unity”

Sunday 13th February

Holy Communion
Isaiah 42: 1-9 and Matthew 3:13 end
The Revd. Jenny Low “Surprised by Jesus”

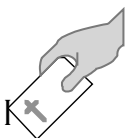
OUR GIVING

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

- 1) **Generation Ministries (Asian Children)**
- 2) **Clarissa Gafoor (Crossroads)**
- 3) **Christian Action (Domestic Helpers Program)**
- 4) **Christian Action (Chung King Mansions Service Centre)**
- 5) **Youth With A Mission (Sports Services International)**
- 6) **Karl & Amy Udy (Campus Crusade for Christ)**
- 7) **Shatin International Giving Fund**
- 8) **African Enterprise**
- 9) **Lifeway Bible Church Inc**
- 10) **Dancalan Christian Fellowship**
- 11) **Carlos Choi (with St. Stephen’s Society in Cebu)**
- 12) **Christian Solidarity Worldwide**
- 13) **Carol Schrecker (Romanian Gypsies)**
- 14) **Misha Del Favero (Dancalan, Philippines)**
- 15) **Entheos – Craig Gibbon**



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 call the church office or email the Church Treasurer, Kenneth Au on kenaushing@yahoo.com. Cheques should be written to “Shatin Anglican Church”. Planned Giving is tax deductible. Thank you!



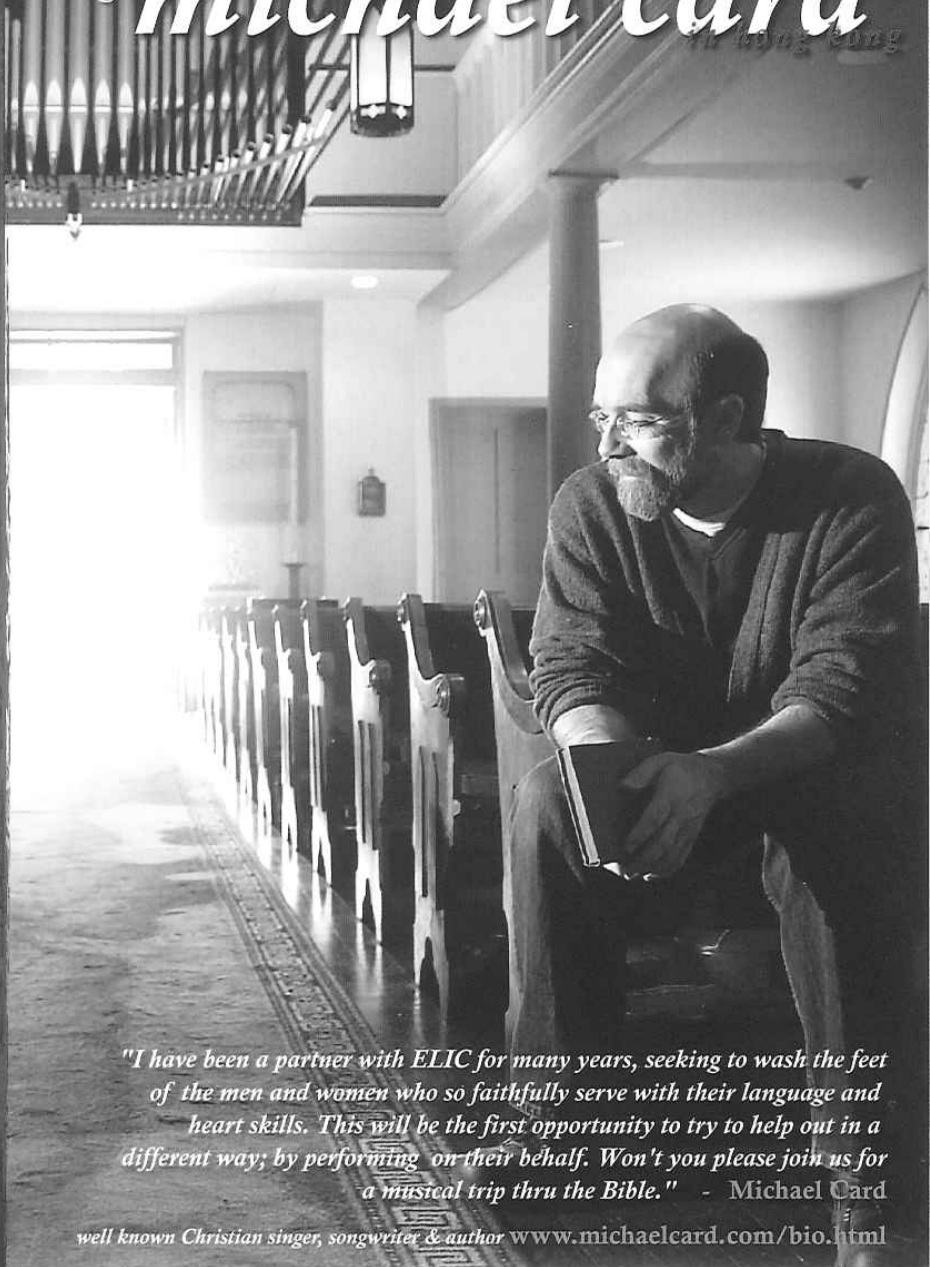
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Light not Heat: developing awareness of origins

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Dr. Jerry Layton, Creation Science Campus Evangelism

Dr. Hugh Ross, Reasons to Believe

February 19, 2011

Hosted by International Christian School, Hong Kong

Sponsored by Mr. and Mrs. Tom Chan, Friends of ICS

To gain a new perspective on issues of faith and science, interested Christians are invited to join an intellectually stimulating, inclusive, and respectful environment to explore origins. While affirming that God is the Author of science and faith, this conference will endeavor to shed light on the diverse opinions surrounding this topic.

Pursuit of current biblical and scientific inquiry will lead participants to increased knowledge and understanding on theories of origin and a heightened sense of appreciation for God's Word.

7:30-8:30 Registration and Breakfast—cafeteria 2/F

8:30-9:00 Devotion & Worship—Theater 1/F

9:00-10:30 Speakers: Laying the Foundations (25 minutes/speaker)—Theater

10:30-10:45 Tea Break

10:45-12:00 Going Deeper—Breakout sessions with speakers

12:00-1:00 Lunch—cafeteria 2/F

1:00 – 2:30 Speakers: (25 minutes/speaker)—Theater 1/F

2:30-2:45 Tea Break

Conference Schedule—Saturday, February 19, 2011

2:45-4:00 Going Deeper—Breakout session with speakers

4:00-4:50 Panel questions—Theater 1/F

4:50-5:00 Closing remarks

Fee:

HK \$100 which includes breakfast, lunch, tea breaks, and any materials.

Ticketing:

Ticket purchase

Tickets are available from the Elementary or Secondary office, International Christian School, 1 On Muk Lane, Shek Mun, Sha Tin, N.T., Hong Kong

Ticket reservation

If you are unable to purchase a ticket in advance, complete the online registration form at:

<http://tinyurl.com/24weoqn> to reserve your ticket.

Please collect your ticket and make payments in **CASH** on the morning of Saturday, February 19, 2011 during breakfast and registration (7:30-8:30am)

If you are in China and are having trouble with the link, please e-mail me at pd@ics.edu.hk to register.

Items you may want to bring:

Water bottle

pen