

Shatin Family Life

A monthly newsletter by and for the Shatin Anglican Church family
September 2018

A Special Guest

Our special missions guest, Rachel from OMF will be presenting at our monthly Praise and Prayer evening on **31st August at 8pm at the church centre**. Due to the sensitive nature of her work, please come to the Praise and Prayer Meeting to find out more.

Get to Know Our Mission Partners



The Hutton Family

“ I [Andy] first came to Hong Kong during the summers of 1992 and 1993 to be involved in short-term mission serving the Chinese Church. With a very clear call from God, I moved from the UK to Hong Kong again to serve the Chinese Church in March 1997. Emie, who became a Christian shortly after arriving, came to Hong Kong from the Philippines as a domestic helper to work for a couple living in the Mid-Levels in 1998. Emie and I met in 1998, became a couple in 1999, and married the following year. We began attending Shatin Church in September 1999. As a cross-cultural couple, we realised being in a third culture was beneficial and have done our best to make Hong Kong home.

Although it is difficult for them, the children have been educated in local schools in order to get a good grasp of Cantonese. This year Joshua begins his final year of high school, Daniel moves up to secondary, Caleb begins S4 and Esther P5. And Benjamin begins kindergarten. Emie's mom moved to live with us in 2015. After two decades we still await the Lord's call to move.



Currently I am working with Empower Asia, a ministry reaching senior high school students, university students and young professionals with the gospel through training, coaching and mentoring. I joined the ministry in April and have been undergoing life coach training with Creative Results Management, a Christian ministry, to achieve an International Coaching Federation (ICF) qualification. **My main responsibility has been to prepare a Christian mentoring programme, which will be presented for the first time in mid-September.** In addition to being a wife and mother, we are praying about how Emie can be more involved in ministry. She currently has 10 hours part-time work each week to help with our finances.

We enjoy family time, hiking, entertaining, going to the cinema, playing board games and relaxing watching TV. I also play chess.

Please pray for ministry opportunities for Emie, the children's education and improved support. Specifically for Andy, please pray for a successful trip back to UK to raise awareness and the fund for the ministry. I will be in the UK from 22nd August to 11th September. Pray also for me to achieve the ICF qualification and complete the mentoring training programme.

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Karen and Lester Whenuroa



“Lester and I met a long time ago when we were both studying to become teachers. We married about 3 years later and then about 4 1/2 years later our daughter Elyse was born (1986) followed by our son Logan (1988). Up until we came to Hong Kong in July 2008, we lived in New Zealand teaching in a number of different towns and cities. Our last teaching post before coming to Hong Kong was in a large Christian school very similar to where we are now at ICS (International Christian School).

How do you see yourselves living out the Christian faith in the workplace?

Being role models for students is a big responsibility and opportunity to walk our faith. We can't say we always get it right but we strive to teach and interact with others from a Biblical perspective. This means we need to be mindful of being very connected to God daily.

How can we pray for you?

We don't take lightly the business of shaping young lives, so we need to have grace, knowledge and discernment to lead them towards Christ in ways that are authentic. We are a family living in three different countries -- our daughter Elyse, her husband Dave and three grandchildren (Spencer, Emily & George) are in Bangkok currently, and bringing up a family of three children there is not easy. Our son Logan and his wife Helen, newly weds this past February, are in New Zealand. We would appreciate prayers for them to be grounded in the faith.

