

Nottingham Chinese Christian Church 2025 Church Theme:

Pursuing spiritual growth, experiencing renewal through prayer

2 nd Feb	Church Prayer Meeting 1pm Combined Communion Service 2pm		
Title	God helps those who help themselves		
Scripture	Psalm 25:1-10		
Speaker	Rev. Fred Kin Fai Chau		

9 th Feb	English Service 1pm	Chinese Service 2:45pm
Title	GIFTS receive and use	Thankful for encountering
Scripture	1 Corinthians 14:12b-20	Psalm 138
Speaker	Rev. Francis Luckcock	Rev. Fred Kin Fai Chau



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome and greetings to everyone, especially to newcomers who are with us for the first time. We are happy to welcome you to our services, meeting together in person as the family of Christ.

Everyone please stay behind to enjoy looking around the Lunar New Year decorations prepared by our Sunday school children and tasting the fabulous special snacks in the Main Hall at the end of the service. We thank all those who have contributed!

Please visit and help yourselves to the reading materials on the bookshelves at the back of the hall. You may take home to read or to distribute to friends and families. All are FREE!

Church Prayer Meeting – 1pm TODAY!

Praise the Lord! We had over 20 people attending the church prayer meeting on the first Sunday of 2025. Let us start Lunar New Year with prayers together! Everyone is encouraged to attend to give thanks and to remember the needs of the world, the church and individuals.

Welcome to New NCCC Members

We warmly welcome Kin Chung Jacky So and Chui Foon Vanessa Yeung who have joined NCCC as full members. May they continue to enjoy fellowship, grow in Christ and serve the Lord in our church family!

If anyone who has been baptised and attending NCCC for at least 6 months, and is interested to become a member, please obtain an application form and NCCC's Constitution and Statement of Rules from Pauline. For any queries, please feel free to discuss with Rev Chau or Kwok Leung.

Election of Church Council Members – Call for Nominations

In accordance with NCCC's Constitution and clauses 3.3.1 and 3.1.2 of the Statement of Rules, the election of members of the Council shall be held at the Annual General Meeting on 2nd March. Only full members of the Church who have been baptised or confirmed as believers may be elected. Nomination forms may be obtained from

Pauline Tsoi, Church Administrator, and must be handed to Tango Chan, Church Secretary, by **NEXT Sunday 9th February**. The nomination must be signed by the Proposer and one Seconder in addition to the Nominee. Upon receipt of all nominations, the Council will discuss and publish the list of nominations on 16th February. For any informal enquiries, please contact Rev Chau, Kwok Leung or Simon Cheung, Council Chairperson.

Baptism Classes – Registration Open!

In preparation for the next baptismal service on Pentecost Sunday 8th June, we will hold a series of baptism classes from March. If you are a Christian and are considering to get baptised, please contact Rev Chau by Sunday 23nd February.

Hymn of February – I Pray

Introduction:

Originally, I chose the Mandarin version from the album Stream of Praise – Worship & Praise 10. However, by chance, I came across the Cantonese version online and was deeply moved by its beautifully translated lyrics.

Prayer is a way to build an intimate relationship with God. It is not just a means of expressing our needs but also a reflection of our trust and dependence on Him. This song reminds us to place ourselves in God's presence, knowing that even in times of difficulty and darkness, His Spirit remains our deepest source of strength and support.

Prayer is not merely a one-way expression but an interaction between us and God, allowing us to experience His guidance and comfort. We can entrust all our burdens and struggles to Him, believing that He will provide the best solutions according to His perfect plan.

May we cultivate a habit of daily prayer, deepening our connection with God and renewing our spiritual lives. As we journey toward His presence, may we continually experience His guidance and grace, growing in faith along the way.

<u>Demo used with permission</u>: English: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U7U2J_xnxbg</u> Cantonese: <u>https://youtu.be/DIPuE-yh41g</u> Mandarin: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5SRbnxAX0Aw</u>

Mandarin Ministry in Nottingham – Partnership with COCM Nottingham Chinese Gospel Church, at St Mary's Church, Wollaton Hall Drive, Lenton, Nottingham NG8 1AF

COCM has a church plant to support the need of Mandarin ministry in Nottingham and nearby region. They have regular Sunday service and fellowship gatherings. If you have friends, colleagues or families who are interested to attend, please invite them. For details, please visit www.nottinghamcgc.org.uk

PRAYER NEEDS

- We ask for the Lord's mercy and hope upon those who are caught up in the conflicts globally, including those in the Middle East and in Ukraine.
- As Lunar New Year starts, we ask for the Lord's continued mercy so that we may pursue spiritual growth and experience renewal through prayer. Holy Spirit, please grant us wisdom and strength to fulfil any unfinished tasks to witness Jesus Christ in Nottingham and beyond!
- We give thanks and continue to pray for the process of appointing Angus Chow as our incoming church minister to support/develop the English and youth ministries. In the meantime, we should continue to remember other areas of church development.
- As the election of church council members is approaching, we ask the Lord to prepare leaders to serve in NCCC!
- Following a recent assessment, Jessica Lee continues to receive chemotherapy for advanced ovarian cancer. Please remember her and her family in your prayers.



If you would like to post any notice or prayer items, please contact the church administrator at <u>enquiries@nottinghamccc.org.uk</u> **by Monday evening** for inclusion in the following week's bulletin.

CHURCH OFFERINGS – METHODS OF GIFTING

In addition to making your offerings during Sunday services, for convenience, you can also use online bank transfer for the general fund, details as follows:

Sort code: 40-35-18, HSBC Account No: 15373468, Name: Nottingham Chinese Christian Church

GIFT OFFERINGS (as collected during Sunday service)

From English and Chinese Services (26th Jan) General Fund £240.87 Building Fund £100

UK tax payers can donate to NCCC using Gift Aid. The church will then be able to claim 25% of your donation from HM Revenue & Customs. This may also be counted towards the personal allowance for your income tax. Complete a form obtainable from the Treasurer for more details.

NCCC website, Facebook Page and YouTube channel

Please visit the website <u>www.nottinghamccc.org.uk</u> where you can access information about the church. All the latest news can be found on our Facebook page.

Herald UK Newspaper

You can view the newspaper online at www.herald-uk.org

Sunday Service Schedule

Sunday Service	Date	Time	Location
Combined Service & Holy Communion	First Sunday of the month	2:00pm	

English Service	All Sundays except lifst	1:00pm	West Bridgford Baptist Church, Melton Road,	
Chinese Service		2:45pm	West Bridgford, Nottingham, NG2 7NF	

Fellowship Groups

We welcome adults to join one of these groups below for study and discussion of the applications of Scripture, prayers and some social activities. Please contact the coordinators on the list for details.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Friday	Saturday
Morning	1100-1230 Virtual [Mandarin] Rev Chau		1100-1230 [Cantonese] Fung Chi Sheung		
Afternoon		1300-1500 St Nic's Tower room [Cantonese] Wing Fong Tang			1400-1600 St Andrew's [1 st and 3 rd Saturdays] [Cantonese] Simon Cheung
Evening	2000-2130 Zoom [twice a month; flexible day] [English] Wai Yee Chan		1930-2130 Beeston Free Student fellowship [Cantonese/ English] Rev Chau	1930-2130 West Bridgford Baptist [1 st and 3 rd Fridays] [Cantonese] Erica Chau and Kevin Yeung	

CONTACT DETAILS

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