

# CHINESE BAPTIST CHURCH OF ORANGE COUNTY 橙縣華人浸信會

聖 誕 聯 合 崇 拜 Joint Christmas Service December 24, 2023, 10:00 AM



#### 默禱 Meditation

會衆 Congregation



#### 樂團伴奏 Instrumental Ensemble

聽啊! 天使高聲唱 Hark! The Herald Angels Sing 聖誕佳音 The First Noel 小伯利恆 O Little Town of Bethlehem



#### 宣召及祈禱 Call to Worship & Pastoral Prayer

張耕良牧師 Pastor Ryan Cheung



#### 敬拜讚美 Singspiration

齊來,衆主信徒 O Come, All Ye Faithful 耶穌作王 Jesus Shall Reign

Peter Luk & Kevin Woo 會眾 Congregation

#### O Come, All Ye Faithful 齊來, 衆主信徒

Translated from Latin by C. Frederick Oakeley | Music by John Francis Wade

O come all ye faithful
Joyful and triumphant
O come ye O come ye to Bethlehem
Come and behold Him
Born the King of angels

齊來宗主信徒 快樂又歡欣 齊來一齊來大家上伯利恆 來朝見聖嬰 天使干已降生 O come let us adore Him
O come let us adore Him
O come let us adore Him
Christ the Lord

齊來虔誠同崇拜 齊來虔誠同崇拜 齊來虔誠同崇拜 主基督

# Sing choirs of angels Sing in exultation O sing all ye bright hosts of heav'n above Glory to God all Glory in the highest

天使結成樂隊 歡然同歌唱 光明眾天軍來高聲同讚揚 至高之處所 榮耀歸於君王 O come let us adore Him
O come let us adore Him
O come let us adore Him
Christ the Lord

齊來虔誠同崇拜 齊來虔誠同崇拜 齊來虔誠同崇拜 主基督 Yea Lord we greet Thee
Born this happy morning
Jesus to Thee be all glory giv'n
Word of the Father
Now in flesh appearing

救主生於今晨 我眾來歡迎 天人諸榮耀完全歸主一身 大哉父本像 藉聖子來顯明 O come let us adore Him
O come let us adore Him
O come let us adore Him
Christ the Lord

齊來虔誠同崇拜 齊來虔誠同崇拜 齊來虔誠同崇拜 主基督

### Jesus Shall Reign

#### 耶穌作王

Original Words by Isaac Watts | Original Music by John C. Hatton Addt'l. Words and Music by Keith Getty | Kristyn Getty | Ed Cash

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
Does its successive journeys run
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore
Till suns shall rise and set no more

日月所照萬國萬方 耶穌必為統治君王 東西南北海洋極岸 主國普及永久無疆 Blessings abound where'er He reigns
The pris'ner leaps to lose his chains
The weary find eternal rest
And all the sons of want are blessed

主治理下多蒙福樂 罪人跳出捆綁束縛 倦者能享永恆安息 豐盈富足賜與貧者 To our King be highest praise
Rising through eternal days
Just and faithful He shall reign
Jesus shall reign

當讚美至高君王 祂興起直到永遠 以公義信實統治 耶穌作王 People and realms of every tongue

Dwell on His love with sweetest song

And infant voices shall proclaim

Their early blessings on His name

各處各方萬族萬民 共享主愛歌頌不停 嬰孩也來同聲讚美 及早頌揚救主聖名 To our King be highest praise
Rising through eternal days
Just and faithful He shall reign
Jesus shall reign

當讚美至高君王 祂興起直到永遠 以公義信實統治 耶穌作王 Let every creature rise and bring Blessing and honor to our King Angels descend with songs again And earth repeat the loud amen

> 受造群生皆當奮興 特向君王尊崇致敬 天使不停歌頌歡欣 地上萬民同應阿門

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#### 悔禱 Prayer of Confession

陳勁暉長老 Elder Kenneth Tan



#### 獻詩Praise

## 快來到伯利恆 Come Down to Bethlehem 榮耀歸主 Glory to God

真道華人浸信會詩班 Truth Chinese Baptist Church Choir

聽啊,天使高聲唱,榮耀歸與新生王。 星夜裡我們看守群羊, 深夜無人安眠卻發現大光, 天使降臨,眾人都驚慌。

Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King". One starry night as we watched our sheep, It was dark, we could not sleep when bright as day. The angel came, we were so afraid.

不要怕,因我到人間, 帶來大好的信息, 因主基督今日降生,來到伯利恆。

Fear not, for I come to you, Bringing great and glorious news, For Christ, the Lord today is born, go down to Bethlehem.

榮耀歸天上神, 地上平安歸與人, 快前往敬拜他, 來到伯利恆。

Glory to God in heaven, peace on earth, good will to men. Go now to worship Him, down in Bethlehem.

牧人來追尋,來追尋,向前行,牧人來追尋,來到伯利恆。

Shepherds, let's go down, let's go down, come on down, Shepherds, let's go down, down in Bethlehem.

當我們到達伯利恆, 敬拜聖嬰心虔誠, 當人們聽到天使聲, 何等震驚。

Then we went down to Bethlehem, found the Child and worshiped Him. When people heard the angel's word, they were so amazed.

榮耀歸天上神,地上平安歸與人, 快前往敬拜他,來到伯利恆。 快來到伯利恆。

Glory to God in heaven, peace on earth, good will to men. Go now to worship Him, down in Bethlehem. Go down to Bethlehem.

興起地上眾生靈,響應天上讚美聲; 天唱地和樂歡騰,基督降生伯利恆! 聽啊!天使高聲唱,榮耀歸與新生王。

Joyful, all ye nations, rise, join the triumph of the skies; With the angelic host proclaim, Christ is born in Bethlehem! Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King".

當我們見到小聖嬰, 心中充滿大歡喜, 一路讚美歡唱不停。

And when we saw the baby boy, we were filled with heaven's joy. When we went out, we joined to shout.

榮耀歸天上神,地上平安歸與人, 来,快来敬拜他,來到伯利恆。 快來到伯利恆,快來到伯利恆。

Glory to God in heaven, peace on earth, good will to men. Come, now to worship Him, down to Bethlehem. Come down to Bethlehem, Come down to Bethlehem.

榮耀歸主,榮耀歸主,榮耀歸至高主! 讚美到永遠,到永遠, 哈利路亞,阿門!

Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest! Praise God forever and ever, Hallelujah, A-men!

諸天都要讚美祂,天軍使者同歡唱。 齊聲歡欣讚美祂。全地讚美祂聖名。 哈利路亞! 讚美主!

Praise God from the tallest sky.
Praise God all you hosts on high.
Join now with a joyful voice.
Praise God all earth rejoice.
Hallelujah! Praise the Lord!

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地上萬物讚美祂,風雪和火同歡唱。齊聲歡欣讚美祂。全地讚美祂聖名。哈利路亞!讚美主!

Praise God from the earth below.
Praise God fire and wind and snow.
Join now with a joyful voice.
Praise God all earth rejoice.
Hallelujah! Praise the Lord!

榮耀歸主,榮耀歸主,榮耀歸至高主! 讚美到永遠,到永遠。 哈利路亞,阿門! 榮耀歸主!

Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest! Praise God forever and ever, Hallelujah, A-men! Glory to God!



馬槽歌 Away In a Manger 耶穌, 生日快樂! Happy Birthday, Jesus! 祝您聖誕快樂 We Wish You A Merry Christmas

> 橙縣華人浸信會兒童敬拜 CBCOC Children Worship

### Away In A Manger

馬槽歌

# Away in a Manger no crib for a bed The little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head

遠遠在馬槽裡,無枕也無床,

小小的主耶穌, 睡覺很安詳,

### The stars in the bright Sky look down where he lay

The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay

眾星都照耀著主安睡地方小小的主耶穌睡在乾草上

# The cattle are lowing the baby awakes but little Lord Jesus no crying he makes

眾牲畜嗚鳴,聖嬰忽驚醒小小小的主耶穌,卻無啼哭聲

# I love thee Lord Jesus, look down from the sky, and stay by my side until morning is nigh

主耶穌,我愛你,求靠近我旁 坐在我小床邊看守到天亮

# Be near me Lord Jesus I asked Thee to stay Close by me forever, and love me, I pray.

求主來臨近我,與我在一起

愛護我,親近我,永遠不分離

# Bless all the dear children in Thy tender care, And fit us for heaven to live with Thee there

求主賜福孩童 常關懷看顧 使我們在天家與耶穌同住

#### Happy Birthday, Jesus!

耶穌,生日快樂!

### Happy birthday, Jesus! I'm so glad it's Christmas

生日快樂,耶穌

我很高興今天是聖誕節

All the tinsel and lights

And the presents are nice

But the real gift is You

所有的金屬絲和燈光

也有很好禮物但真正的禮物是您

Happy birthday, Jesus!
I'm so glad it's Christmas

生日快樂,耶穌

我很高興今天是聖誕節

All the carols and bells Make the holiday swell And it's all about You 所有的頌歌和鐘聲, 讓假期熱鬧起來, 這一切都是關於您

## Happy birthday, Jesus Jesus I love You

生日快樂,耶穌

耶穌我愛您

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生日快樂,耶穌

耶穌我愛您

#### I love You Jesus

耶穌我愛您

# We Wish You A Merry Christmas

祝您聖誕快樂

## We wish you a merry Christmas (X3) and a happy new year

我們祝您聖誕快樂 (X3) 新年快樂 Good tidings we bring to you and your kin We wish you merry Christmas and a happy new year 我們為您和您的親人帶來好消息 我們祝你聖誕快樂 和新年快樂

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短劇 Skit

衪值得嗎?Is He Worthy?

初中及高中團契 CYF/RA



#### 祈求 Prayer of Petition

梁誠德牧師 Pastor Tony Leung



#### 獻詩Praise

主啊!我深愛祢! Cantique de Jean Raciné 榮耀頌 Gloria

國語詩班 Mandarin Choir



# 主阿我深愛祢甚所我沒屬称。

Lord, I love you deeply, and I hope to be always yours

# (哦)主我深愛祢 甚願我永遠屬祢 永遠屬祢

Lord, I love you deeply, and I hope I will always be yours.



## 間奏



## 在天我還有誰

我在地亦無所愛 Who else do I have in heaven? I have no love on earth,



Who else do I have in heaven? I have no love on earth,

## 惟願掬我衷情 傾於 我主的) 主胸懷

I only wish to share my true feelings and surrender to the Lord.

## 金銀有千萬聲譽遍塵寰

## 一旦失去了祢我心何安

Even loaded with gold and silver, fame spread to the end of the world. Yet how could I have peace if I lost you?

主我心深愛祢我(是)永遠屬祢外永遠屬祢

Lord, I love you deeply, and I am yours forever,



Because you have first loved me and given yourself for me.
Lord, I love you deeply,

## 我願永遠屬祢

## 我永遠屬祢

I desire I shall always be yours.



l hope you live in my spirit and never be separated.



## 榮耀頌

#### Gloria

詞/曲:余遠淳 Yenn Chen Er

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THE HEAVENS DECLARE THE GLORY OF GOD, THE FIRMAMENT PROCLAIMS HIS DEEDS, AND THE CRY OF PRAISE IS LIKE A ROARING TORRENT

太陽普照溫暖世界 月亮星宿發出光輝 宇宙的萬有 必大聲讚美

THE SUN SHINES AND WARMS THE WORLD, THE MOON AND STARS SHINE BRIGHTLY, AND EVERYTHING IN THE UNIVERSE WILL PRAISE LOUDLY.

高唱 Gloria Gloria 高唱 Gloria Gloria 但願普天下的人 向至高神下跪

SING GLORIA, GLORIA, SING GLORIA, GLORIA, GLORIA, MAY ALL THE WORLD KNEEL BEFORE THE MOST HIGH GOD.

## 高唱 Gloria Gloria 高唱 Gloria Gloria 惟獨基督是主配得天上地下 永永遠遠一切的榮耀與尊貴

SING GLORIA, GLORIA, SING GLORIA, GLORIA, CHRIST ALONE IS LORD, WORTHY OF ALL GLORY AND HONOR IN HEAVEN AND ON EARTH, FOREVER AND EVER.

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高山誇耀神的偉大 洋海歌頌祂的信實 讚美的呼聲 如澎湃的大水

THE MOUNTAINS BOAST OF GOD'S GREATNESS, THE SEAS PRAISE HIS FAITHFULNESS, AND THE CRY OF PRAISE IS LIKE THE ROARING WATERS.

## 花朵欣然向主開放 小鳥歡然飛在天上 宇宙的萬有 必大聲讚美

FLOWERS HAPPILY OPEN TO THE LORD, BIRDS HAPPILY FLY IN THE SKY, AND EVERYTHING IN THE UNIVERSE WILL PRAISE LOUDLY

高唱 Gloria Gloria 高唱 Gloria Gloria 但願普天下的 向至高神下跪

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高唱 Gloria Gloria 高唱 Gloria Gloria 但願普天下的人 (但願天下人) 向至高神下跪

SING GLORIA, GLORIA, SING GLORIA, GLORIA, MAY ALL THE WORLD KNEEL BEFORE THE MOST HIGH GOD.

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CHRIST ALONE IS LORD, WORTHY OF ALL GLORY AND HONOR IN HEAVEN AND ON EARTH, FOREVER AND EVER.

## Glo-ri-a!



#### 讀經 Scripture Reading

路加福音Luke 2:8-14

周修強牧師 Pastor Raymond Chow (國 M) 唐海威弟兄 Brother Andy Tong (粵 C) 周理博長老 Elder Shell Joe (英 E)



- 8在伯利恆之野地裡有牧羊的人、夜間按著更次看守羊群。
- 9有主的使者站在他們旁邊、主的榮光四面照著他們·牧羊的人就甚懼怕。
- 10 那天使對他們說、不要懼怕、我報給你們大喜的信息、是關乎萬民的
- 11因今天在大衛的城裡、為你們生了救主、就是主基督。
- 12你們要看見一個嬰孩、包著布、臥在馬槽裡、那就是記號了
- 13 忽然有一大隊天兵、同那天使讚美 神說、
- 14在至高之處榮耀歸與 神、在地上平安歸與他所喜悅的人。



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- 8 And in the same country there were keepers of sheep in the fields, watching over their flock by night.
- 9 And an angel of the Lord came to them, and the glory of the Lord was shining round about them: and fear came on them.
- 10 And the angel said, Have no fear; for truly, I give you good news of great joy which will be for all the people:
- 11 For on this day, in the town of David, a Saviour has come to birth, who is Christ the Lord.
- 12 And this is the sign to you: you will see a young child folded in linen, in the place where the cattle have their food.
- 13 And suddenly there was with the angel a great band of spirits from heaven, giving praise to God, and saying,
- 14 Glory to God in the highest, and on the earth peace among men with whom he is well pleased.



#### 信息 Sermon

#### 大喜的信息 Good News of Great Joy

楊保羅牧師 Pastor Paul Yang

傳譯(英) English Translation 梁小瑤姊妹 Sister Brenda Wang

# Good News of Great Joy

# 大喜的信息

路Luke 2:8-14

- <sup>10</sup> And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. <sup>11</sup> For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. -ESV
- 10 那天使對他們說: 「不要懼怕! 我報 給你們大喜的信息,是關乎萬民的; 11 因今天在大衛的城裡、為你們生了救主。 就是主基督。

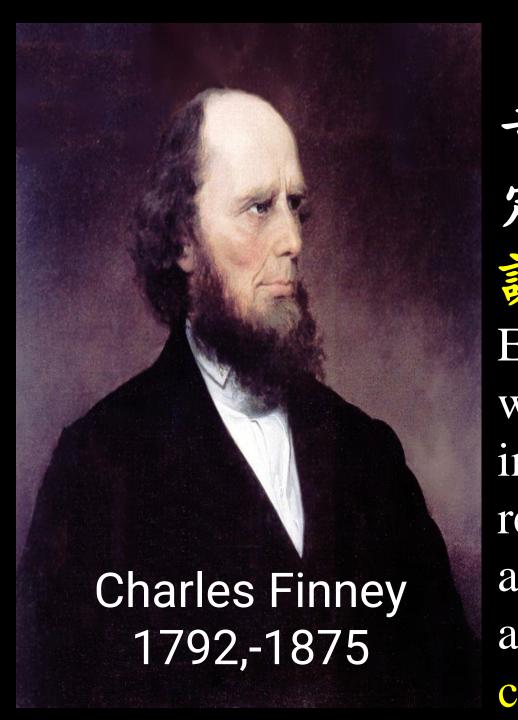




"如果世人不在神公義 圣洁的律法面前颤抖, 他們將永遠無法領受上 帝赦罪的恩典。"

"People will never accept grace till they tremble before a just and holy law."





"上帝的律法始終都必需為福 音來開路,忽视这一点,几乎肯 定会导致错误的標準和盼望。并 讓教會充斥著無數的假信徒。 Evermore the Law must prepare the way for the gospel. To overlook this in instructing souls is almost certain to result in false hope, the introduction of a false standard of Christian experience, and to fill the church with false converts."





#### 請聽天使在高唱 Angels We Have Heard on High 聖誕頌讚 Festival of Carols

雙語堂詩班 Bilingual Choir

### Angels We Have Heard On High

請聽天使在高唱

Traditional French Carol
Arranged by
Alice Parker and Robert Shaw

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Angels We Have Heard on High 請聽天使在高唱 1/6

Angels we have heard on high Sweetly singing o'er the plains And the mountains in reply Echoing their joyous strains

請聽天使在高唱 歌頌聲田天播揚 奇妙曲音多響亮 清歌高唱好景象 Angels We Have Heard on High 請聽天使在高唱 2/6

Glo - ria, in excelsis Deo Glo - ria, in excelsis Deo

榮耀啊 榮耀歸於真神 榮耀啊 榮耀歸於真神

Angels We Have Heard on High 請聽天使在高唱 3/6

Come to Bethlehem and see
Him whose birth the angels sing
Come, adore on bended knee
Christ the Lord the newborn King

齊來同往伯利恆 天使所唱聖嬰生 屈膝跪拜新生王 救主基督今降生 Angels We Have Heard on High 請聽天使在高唱 4/6

Glo - ria, in excelsis Deo Glo - ria, in excelsis Deo

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Angels We Have Heard on High 請聽天使在高唱 5/6

See Him in a manger laid
Whom the choirs of angels praise
Mary, Joseph, lend your aid
While our hearts in love we raise

快來馬槽見聖嬰 童女馬利亞所生 天使天軍齊響應 世人同唱樂歡騰 Angels We Have Heard on High 請聽天使在高唱 6/6

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#### **Festival of Carols**

聖誕頌讚

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#### Joy to the world! The Lord is come Let earth receive her King Let every heart prepare Him room

普世歡騰! 救主下降 大地接她君王 惟願眾心預備地方

## And heav'n and nature sing And heav'n and nature sing And heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing

諸天萬物歌唱 諸天萬物歌唱 諸天,諸天萬物歌唱 O come, all ye faithful
Joyful and triumphant
O come ye, o come ye to Bethlehem
Come and behold Him
Born the King of Angels

齊來宗主信徒 快樂又歡欣齊來 一齊來大家上伯利恆來朝見聖嬰 天使王已降生

O come, let us adore Him O come, let us adore Him O come, let us adore Him Christ, the Lord

齊來虔誠同崇拜 齊來虔誠同崇拜 齊來虔誠同崇拜 主基督 Hark! The herald angels sing "Glory to the newborn King"

Peace on earth, and mercy mild God and sinners reconciled

聽啊!天使高聲唱 榮耀歸於新生王 恩典臨地平安到 神人此後能和好

#### Joyful, all ye nations rise Join the triumph of the skies With th'angelic host proclaim

興起地上眾生靈 響應天上讚美聲 天唱地和樂歡騰

# Christ is born in Bethlehem Hark! The herald angels sing "Glory to the newborn King"

基督降生伯利恆聽啊!天使高聲唱 榮耀歸於新生王

He rules the world with truth and grace
And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness
And wonders of His love

主藉真理恩治萬方要使萬邦證明 我主公義 無限光榮主愛奇妙莫名

## And wonders of His love And wonders, wonders of His love Joy to the world

主愛奇妙莫名主愛 主愛奇妙莫名 普世歡騰



#### 祝福 Benediction

三位牧師 Pastors



#### 午餐溫馨提示 Invitation to Lunch

吳漢英長老 Elder Daniel Ng



#### 謝飯禱告 Blessing of the food

楊積庠長老 Elder Chi Yang





#### 浸禮 Baptism

#### TESTIMONY 見證

Luke Liu 刘路加

我叫劉路加,今年11歲,現在讀六年級。 我的父母每周日 都帶我去教會敬拜神。我從教會瞭解到聖經和耶穌,祂是 神的兒子,祂為我們而死,將我們從罪惡中拯救出來。但 我一直沒有接受耶穌作為我個人的救主,直到有一天我撒 謊,咸覺非常糟糕,然後我媽媽和我一起禱告,我覺得我 需要耶穌的幫助來改變我的熊度和不好的行為。我想在神 的愛中有一個新的開始。我被聖靈引導並有從神來的平安, 我很高興能在信仰上不斷成長並分享它給我帶來的喜樂, 然後我決定接受洗禮。

#### TESTIMONY 見 證

Yan Jin 靳艳

Christmas Eve, December 24, 2023, is an unforgettable day. Thanks to God's mercy and grace, our little granddaughter has just turned 100 days old! May she grow up happily in the atmosphere of love. This day also ushered in an important period in my life. This period is long, as it has lasted 65 long years. However, this period can also be short, because in less than a year, my worship and awe of God has gone from ignorance to understanding, followed by the desiring the power and sweetness of God's words, step by step, walking into the presence of God.

John 3:16 says: God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have everlasting life. When I knew that I was a sinful person, it was our Heavenly Father who atones for my sins with the precious blood of His only begotten Son, allowing me to be saved and grateful for God's love. Romans 6:23 For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. John 14:6 Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father except through Me."

These verses convinced me that accepting Jesus Christ is the only way to eternal life.

Heavenly Father, I need your help. You promise us that "if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved" (Romans 10:9)

Today I am willing to accept Jesus Christ as my Savior and Lord of my life, and I invite Him to come into my heart to be with me forever.

Thanks to Pastor Chow from Truth Chinese Baptist Church, Pastor Zheng, Pastor Yang, and Pastor Chen for their wonderful sermons. I thank the brothers and sisters of the church for their companionship and encouragement! Let us enjoy the oneness of peace, the peace of souls, and the security in His peace!

#### TESTIMONY 見證

Xue (Michelle) Zheng 郑雪

Brothers and sisters, peace! I'm Michelle, I'm very happy and excited today that I can be formally baptized, cleansing by Jesus precious blood, and become the daughter of God.

I came from mainland China, I was an atheist until I was diagnosed with advanced breast cancer last year. After I was diagnosed with breast cancer, I came to the church with a skeptical attitude. But I was encouraged by

During in therapy and soul search for God's will over the past year, I learn that God has always been with us and

my Christian friends to learn who God is.

He is a real God to me.

I remember that on the second Sunday after I regularly go to church last year, I went to Minister Meng's Sunday School. Psalm 23: They are my favorite verses. I believe it is also the favorite of many brothers and sisters. My favorite and the first verse I recited. Before get out of class, after praying, he said to me: "MICHELLE, I just prayed." You were very calm when you confessed, feeling God's promise that God will definitely give you peace. For the first time in my heart, I felt the peace from God, which gave me a lot of confidence! Thank God!

My spiritual life officially started here. I began to slowly get to know the Lord, the church, and my faith toward Him. I used to always thought I am a loving person and act according to my conscience, so I should be a good person, but after listening to sermons and studying the Bible, I gradually understood that I was really a sinner, not knowing God is actually the greatest sin, just like the Bible Romans 3:10 and 23 says: "There is none righteous, not even one. All have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. (Romans 6:23)

After continuous learning and understanding, I am convinced that I am a sinner, not only did I not know Him in the past, but my conduct was far from His standards. Now, when I sincerely accept Jesus as my personal Savior and Lord of my life, I will follow Him until the day I see Him face to face. This is why for me to be baptized here and publicly declare He is my Lord. Believing in Jesus and receiving eternal life is the greatest blessing and joy in my life. Not only that, I often pray, ask God to have mercy on me and heal my body. At the church prayer meeting, brothers and sisters also intercede for me every time, which makes me very touched.

Moreover, Aunt Jia also invited me to go to a group for Christian sisters who have breast cancer. The sisters in this group have many common topics and experience. Some sisters have been healed by God, and some are just like me. Some sisters who had completed the treatment and came back to the group to serve us who is still in treatment. We have various types of gathering times every week. We pray together, reading the Bible, talking about illness, and talking about delicious food, every sister has a story with God, and everyone shares her stories with each other.

I am very thankful that to find this supporting group. Thank you, Sister Joy for bringing me in also gave me a variety of organic food produced by her family. Thanks Candice always comfort me, pray for me, listen to my nagging, and always remind me of what to praise God and what to do to be thankful. Thank you, Sister Claire help me explain my examination report, help me translate English emails, and analyze my condition pros and cons, and many sisters encouraged me in time of when my physical condition was in trouble. I am really grateful to the Lord this year for them always being with me and being my help all the times.

I am very thankful that my parents came to the United States to take care of me in such an urgent time. The insurance ensured that my treatment process was possible, took care of my family, and even sent so many angels came to me, making me feel extremely warm. Thanks for coming all the way. Sister Yijuan specially organized the Christmas family gathering in LA in order to attend my baptism. Sister EC, Sister Huili and other sisters also finished Sunday school in order to attend my baptism. Thank you to the brothers and sisters in CBCOC for caring and thinking about me. Everyone, thank God for making us a family that loves each other. Please continue to pray for me. Pray God used me to bless others.

## TESTIMONY 見證

Kenneth Shan 单旷达

My dear brothers and sisters,

Today is a day with profound significance for me as I stand before you, preparing to embark on a journey that echoes the faith and devotion of generations past.

My grandparents, who were baptized in China in the 1930s by Swiss missionaries, served in a missionary hospital during the years of the Second World War. Their commitment to healing and helping others left a long-living mark on my family as both my father and I have taken part in the art of healing as physicians.

I owe much of my personal growth to my earthly father, a man who embodies qualities I aspire to emulate. His heart is generous, his love boundless, but above all, he is a man devoted completely to God. And as a child, I always remember when my dad takes me to church, telling me the acts of Jesus from the gospel of Matthew and Luke. As I reflect on his influence and witness the impact of his faith, I find myself yearning to follow in his footsteps.

Growing up and now, as I navigate the responsibilities of having my own family, I've come to a profound realization about the person I aspire to become. I want to be like Jesus Christ —kind, loving, forgiving, and devoted to the greater good, the kingdom of God. In light of this realization, I have chosen to embrace my faith more intentionally.

On this day, December 24th, near the day of Christ's birth, I baptized alongside my earthly brothers and sisters who share similar testimonies.

This act represents my commitment to forget my past, my sins, and the wrongs I have done to those on this earth, seeking forgiveness for my faults and sins.

As I take this transformative step, I vow to emerge as a new person reborn in the love of Christ — a person molded by the teachings of Christ and a commitment to His path. Today, I stand not only as a man seeking redemption but as a member of a community bound by shared beliefs.

I extend my deepest gratitude to those who have guided me on this spiritual journey like pastor Yang, Minister Meng, Philip Zhao and to my family for providing a foundation rooted in faith.

May this baptism signify not only my personal rebirth but also a continuation of the legacy left by my grandparents and carried forth by my father.

Thank you for being witnesses to this significant chapter in my life.

In the Lord's name, Amen.

## TESTIMONY 見證

Chuifan Qiu 邱垂釩

I was born in the Chaoshan area of China in 1995. Most people in my hometown believe in Buddhism. I used to believe in Buddhism when I was a child, but since I became an adult, I have discovered that Buddhism is actually an imagination. What came out was not real, so I gradually left Buddhism. In 2018, I came to America, I discovered that there are crosses in many places in the United States. I don't know what they are. This inspired me. Out of curiosity, I began to ask my friends around me for advice. My friend told me very carefully: It is the Church of Jesus Christ and recommended a movie about Jesus called "Jesus" for me to watch.

I watched, and from then I heard about Jesus, and knew that Jesus was crucified. When He died, the ground shook violently. This scene lingers in my mind. I came to the United States again this year. This time I wanted to understand Jesus more in depth. My aunt's friend take me to CBCOC to listen to the pastor's sermons and read the Bible. And participated in Minister Meng's baptism class, etc., which gradually gave me a little understanding of the Christian faith.

Especially when I understand that according to Scriptures, everyone is a sinner and will be punished forever. That is separated from God and living in darkness and pain forever and ever.

But God loves us, so much that He is willing to send His only and beloved Son, Jesus, to the world to be our scapegoat. Jesus died on the cross for us so for those who follow Him and believe in Him will no longer die eternally.

Instead of dying, I will gain eternal new life and will enter heaven to be with God forever. After realizing this, I know that I was a sinner and that I needed God's salvation. I want to be His disciple, follow and trust Him all your life. So I decided to be baptized on Christmas Sunday and declare in public that from now on, I am a child of God. I also know that I have not been in the church for long, and I have no understanding of the Bible, the church, and God.

My understanding is very limited, and I don't know how to be a Christian who pleases God, so I will study the Bible well, practice praying to God, attend church meetings regularly, and intercede for other brothers and sisters. Eager to learn from others and please pray for me. May God help me to grow spiritually. I pray God use me in the future. Thank you all.

## TESTIMONY 見證

Joseph Meng 孟约瑟

## 下午好,

我叫約瑟,我來這裡是為了與大家分享我的見證。 我一直 在基督教童年中長大。我的父母都是基督徒,小時候我一直 相信耶穌。我總是宣稱自己是一名基督徒並相信好消息。 我讀聖經時總是認為這些故事只是故事,但當我繼續讀聖經 時,我意識到它不僅僅是故事,它是關於上帝所做的事情。 這些故事都是關於上帝的力量、仁慈和正義。我意識到福音 是關於神如何愛我們,以至於他派他自己的兒子為我們的罪 死在十字架上。神要求我們付出的一切就是與神建立關係。 我意識到,雖然我宣稱自己是一名基督徒,但我並沒有按照 聖經的要求在生活中表現出來,相信我可以靠自己解決所有 的罪孽。

我仍然繼續在學校等地方犯罪,在那裡我會在別人背後說閒 話,在家裡我沒有立即服從父母。就在covid-19封鎖解除後, 我去了一個基督教營,在那裡我更加明顯地意識到我無法獨 自處理我所有的罪孽。我需要悔改,讓耶穌帶走我所有的罪 孽。當我聽了許多營員的見證時,我開始懷疑自己是否真正 相信過上帝。我開始明白,我們在主日學校學到的這些東西 並不會這麼快就被遺忘。這讓我意識到耶穌死在十字架上讓 我擺脫了罪孽並過上了新的生活。耶穌不僅願意除去我的罪 孽,他還想與我建立關係。

我覺得以前我只是在勾選一些框,如果我每天去教堂,如果 我祈禱。但這並不是為了滿足要求,而是為了在個人層面上 與耶穌建立聯繫。耶穌確實是我的救世主和彌賽亞,發現這 一事實讓我想要更多地尋求耶穌並與耶穌交談。雖然我仍然 會犯錯誤,但我希望通過祈禱、讀經和小組活動,我的信仰 能夠繼續成長,並與上帝建立牢固的關係。 感謝您聆聽我的見證。