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# Prayer Comes First

1 Tim 2:1-7 ESV

## PERSONAL AND LIFE GROUP REFLECTION QUESTIONS

1. As you think about prayers, is Jesus reflected as your mediator and ransom? What do your prayers reveal about who you think Jesus is? Repent and try praying thinking of Jesus as mediator and ransom.
2. What does it mean to you that Jesus wants you to know he is mediator and ransom? Where might you find out more about this in the Bible? Would you commit to searching more in the Bible about one or both of these descriptors of Jesus?
3. Who do you need to tell about Jesus' mediation and ransom of you? Who does Jesus bring to mind? How might Jesus want you to speak to that person? How might you pray for our nation and leaders with these thoughts in mind?

## Announcements and Upcoming Events

### Welcome! Are you new to CCAC or perhaps you want to communicate with the church.

Fill out our new welcome form at: [bit.ly/welcometoccac](http://bit.ly/welcometoccac) and we will get back to you! If you are a baptized Christian and desire to become a member at our church, you can transfer your membership. Talk with [Chris Leong](#), and fill out this membership transfer application and submit it to [Pastor Jon](#).

### NEW CCAC Website

CCAC has launched a new website [ccac.life](http://ccac.life) (English and Cantonese versions are up now; Mandarin is coming soon) It is much more user friendly, with a number of new features and pages. We are still in the process of adding to it in the coming weeks, so check back often! The old website will still be operational for the next

month or so to transition. If you have any questions or suggestions, please contact **Haley Truong** or **Pastor Jason** or use the Contact Form found in the new website.

### ROCK 2020-21 is looking for counselors

We're looking for disciples who are called by God to help God to transform youth into Christ-centered, Spirit-Empowered, Mission-focused, multiplying disciples of Jesus Christ. Would you pray about being a counselor or worker in the Student Ministry? Please contact Abe Trinh ([abraham.trinh@gmail.com](mailto:abraham.trinh@gmail.com)) by **August 7**

**The Youth Sunday School team of teachers are looking to expand their team.** In the Fall, we will be using Zoom video conferencing to deliver the lessons. If you are tech savvy and want to get to know our church's youth, please contact **Alfredo** at [alfredowong99@gmail.com](mailto:alfredowong99@gmail.com) or by phone at 403-464-7999.

### CCAC COVID-19 Reopening Updates:

- Cantonese and English Sunday services are starting to broadcast the service live from church
- The church reopen task force will require more time to prepare for the logistic and to setup training sessions with brothers and sisters who will be serving on the worship service. The BOE agrees to **postpone the date to August 9** for allowing a limited number of congregants to be physically present at church for worship service
- Due to the difficulty to transition between Mandarin and Cantonese Sunday services with physical gathering, the BOE agrees to delay the broadcasting of the service from church and reopening of the physical gathering of Mandarin Sunday service to a later date

Due to ongoing **water drainage issues** on the North side of the church, the BOE discussed with the Admin Committee to approve exploring the replacement of the existing HVAC units and fixing the landscaping, up to a cost of \$100,000. This amount has already been budgeted for 2020. The BOE accepted the proposal and would like to seek if anyone is capable and interested to perform the work. Please reach out to [Pastor Jason](#) for further details before **August 2, 2020**.

	YTD 2020 (June)	YTD 2019 (June)
Offering/Income	464,275	528,413
Expense	421,902	583,769
Capital Disbursement (Renovation)	(105427)*	94,696
Current Cash Flow	603,641	546,383

\* The current year's capital disbursement was positive (compared to last year's disbursement of -94,696) due to reimbursement of legal expenses received from the insurance company.

**Away Camp 2020 will be AT-HOME!** We are planning activities for the weekend of August 21-23. Sign-up your **Grade 4 to Grade 8** youths to get updates, online at [tinyurl.com/ccacawaycamp20](http://tinyurl.com/ccacawaycamp20). Registration closes Aug 19.

**Children's Ministry Blog** - Find all the latest news and resources by checking [tinyurl.com/kidminBlog](http://tinyurl.com/kidminBlog).

- **Kidz Online** (Saturday 4pm fellowship) will now be 1st and 3rd Saturdays of Summer Months online
- **Kidz Sunday School** will also continue the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month at 11am

**Reaching out**  
CCAC cares about you and is starting up a few ministries to help reach out!  
Click on these if you want to serve on the [Outreach Team](#) or have [needs you want to communicate](#). **Andrea Wong** ([andreaknwong@gmail.com](mailto:andreaknwong@gmail.com)) or **Andy Tang** ([andytang4@gmail.com](mailto:andytang4@gmail.com)) would love to connect

**Here are some on-going implementations of CCAC COVID-19 Reopening:**

- **A Reopening Task Force** has been formed to think through the many different considerations and decisions that must take place in the coming weeks and months. Please pray for this committee, led by Elder Gordon Kwok, as they begin to consider what needs to be done. The health and safety of our church members is our priority, and we want to take this responsibility very seriously
- **The church building will continue to remain closed** until the Task Force has prepared a reopening plan. It is now limited only to staff members, cleaning services, and individuals who are involved in the reopening preparations
- **Life Groups and smaller fellowship gatherings** are allowed to meet together outdoors and in other public or private locations, **as long as everyone is compliant to the guidelines set out by Alberta Government and AHS**
- **The church parking lot is also available for LG** and fellowship gatherings, as long as guidelines are being followed. No access to the church building will be available until further notice. **Only one group at a time. Please book through the church office with Agnes Leung** via [email](#) or phone
- Online worship services will continue until the end of 2020, even as we consider the timeline for relaunching our physical worship gatherings
- More [information](#) about the public health and safety guidelines

If you have any questions regarding the reopening of the church, please contact **Elder Gordon Kwok** ([kwokgordon@gmail.com](mailto:kwokgordon@gmail.com)) or **Rev. Jason Fan** ([jason.fan@calgarychinesealliance.org](mailto:jason.fan@calgarychinesealliance.org)). Please pray for CCAC as we all continue to trust God during this difficult time.

**CCAC's online giving**  
Electronic Giving is up and running. You can follow the instructions at [www.calgarychinesealliance.org/eng/giving/](http://www.calgarychinesealliance.org/eng/giving/) in order to give.

☸ **Prayer items** ☸

**Pray for the world happenings:** Pandemic and phase 2, 3 opening in province; frontline workers

**Pray for VBS 2020**

**Pray for the BOE, Reopening Task Force and COVID-19 Special Committee** as we seek the best way to open up the church and keep everyone safe.

**Pray for Julian Ho (Dennis & Jennifer)** who was diagnosed with leukaemia since the middle of February. He is currently staying at the Children's Hospital for treatments and will be there until at least July. Please pray that he responds well to the treatments, and that Julian and his parents experience God's peace and presence during this difficult time.

**Pray for Pastoral Positions to be filled**  
CCAC is looking for two Pastors to be hired. One for the position of Children's Ministry Pastor. The other for Student Ministries Pastor. Please pray that God would lead the right person to be the Pastor. That they would be full of God's love and gifted in the right ways for this time. Pray for the leaders who would meet them to discern God's call about a Pastoral candidate. Pray also for God's deep grace and provision for the many Children's and Student Ministry workers as they continue to love and minister to many children, youth and youth adults

**Pray for the brothers and sisters who are serving in the mission field all around the world:**  
Nicole Leung, David and Mimie Fong.

☸ **Life Groups** ☸

Online Lifegroups and Fellowships are meeting through the Zoom Technology. Please contact the life group leaders individually for more information on how to connect.

**TBD Lifegroup** - Wednesdays 7pm (TBD will be taking a break during the month of August)  
[ccac.tbd@gmail.com](mailto:ccac.tbd@gmail.com)

**Wednesday Night Lifegroup** - Wednesdays 7:30pm  
[ccac.wlg@gmail.com](mailto:ccac.wlg@gmail.com)

**Thursday Night Lifegroup** - Thursdays 7PM  
[tsangnoel@gmail.com](mailto:tsangnoel@gmail.com)

**2-4-5 Lifegroup** - Meeting every 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month  
[amahcal@gmail.com](mailto:amahcal@gmail.com)

**ROCK Fellowship** - Grade 7-12 Fellowship, Summer Break (resume in the Fall)  
[ccac.rock@gmail.com](mailto:ccac.rock@gmail.com)

**Lifehouse Fellowship** - University and College Fellowship, Fridays 7:30pm  
[Lifehouse facebook](#)

**Naomi - Summer events:**

- o Saturday, July 18th (Naomi Connect Outdoor Gathering - Daytime)
- o Friday, August 7th (Naomi Connect via Zoom - Evening)
- o Saturday, August 22nd (Naomi Connect Outdoor Gathering - Daytime)

For event details, contact [naomistudy@gmail.com](mailto:naomistudy@gmail.com)

**Family Fellowship** - Every 1st and 3rd Saturday evening of the month  
[melodie.lau@gmail.com](mailto:melodie.lau@gmail.com), [gentson@gmail.com](mailto:gentson@gmail.com)

☄ Offering ☄

**Total in June: \$68,964.33**

**Church Reminder / Health Guidelines (Coronavirus & Flu)**

God's Reminder to Us in Crisis

**Focus on God's Provision**

Praise the Lord, my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name. Praise the Lord, my soul, and forget not all his benefits— who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit and crowns you with love and compassion, who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's. (Psalms 103:1-5)

**Christ Jesus gives us peace and healing**

Surely he took up our pain and bore our suffering, yet we considered him punished by God, stricken by him, and afflicted. But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed. (Isaiah 53:4-5)

**Suggestion Box**

The Board of Elders values your suggestions and feedback on how we can continue to improve CCAC. To help with this, there are three methods brothers and sisters can use to provide suggestions and feedback for our church ministries:


1. There is an online suggestion box that can be found at <http://bit.ly/2O0xDRR>  
The online suggestion box can also be found at CCAC's website in the "About Us" section, and then clicking on "Contact Us".

2. Suggestions can be emailed directly to: [info@calgarychinesealliance.org](mailto:info@calgarychinesealliance.org)

When writing suggestions, it would be helpful to be as specific as possible so we know the best person to direct the suggestion towards.

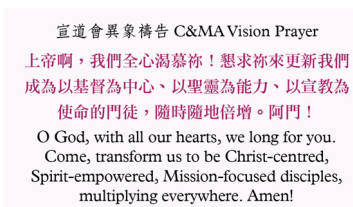
Let us grow together in the Lord!

☄ Our Vision ☄



福音：悔改 / 信靠 (可1:15)  
門徒：來 / 看 (約1:39)  
使命：去 / 傳 (可16:15)

GOSPEL "Repent and Believe" (Mark 1:15)  
DISCIPLESHIP "Come and See" (John 1:39)  
MISSION "Go and Tell" (Mark 16:15)



宣道會異象禱告 C&MA Vision Prayer

上帝啊，我們全心渴慕祢！懇求祢來更新我們  
成為以基督為中心、以聖靈為能力、以宣教為  
使命的門徒，隨時隨地倍增。阿門！

O God, with all our hearts, we long for you.  
Come, transform us to be Christ-centred,  
Spirit-empowered, Mission-focused disciples,  
multiplying everywhere. Amen!

**ENGLISH PASTORAL TEAM**

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