

# Pastoral Newsletter



Dear Brothers & Sisters,

What a powerful illustration from Sunday's message: the stark contrast between the one-mile world record and the 4x400 relay. Hicham El Guerrouj's astonishing mile record from July 7, 1999, still stands as one of the greatest individual athletic achievements. And yet, as remarkable as his solo effort was, he would fall far behind if he competed against the US 4x400 relay team working together. Honestly, he might even lose to the middle-school relay teams I watched at my daughter's track meet last year.

What a reminder from the Spirit that our efforts in outreach are meant to be shared efforts, not solo events. Paul captures this beautifully in Philippians

1:27,

"Let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ.. standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel."

As you reflect this week, consider how God might be calling you to PARTNER with others in our church family by doing a few of the following:

**Pray together**  
**Appeal to common interests**  
**Reach out in love**  
**Tell our stories**  
**Nurture friendships**  
**Expect God to act**  
**Represent Christ with our lives**

Warmly,  
Pastor Sol

# Evangelical Chinese Church of Seattle – Seattle English

**2/8/2026**

Call to Worship  
Worship through Praise  
Congregational Prayer & the Lord's Prayer  
Worship through the Word  
Worship in Response  
Welcome and Announcements

*Offering is a part of our worship to God.*

*Free-will offering boxes are located at the sanctuary entrance and exits.*

*Online Offering: <https://eccseattle.org/en/give/>*

Message from Pastor Solomon Liu

*"What Destroys Relationships"*

*Philippians 2:3-8*

*Missed a sermon or want to share it? Listen to it at  
[www.eccseattle.org/en/sermons](http://www.eccseattle.org/en/sermons)*

	TODAY	NEXT WEEK
SPEAKER	Solomon Liu	Paul Eng
MODERATOR	Lydia Perng	Sharon Wu
WORSHIP	Faye Wu	Faith Hui, Jayden Lee
A/V TECH	Ray Li, Titus Goh	Hannah Ng, Benjamin Yang
LIVESTREAM	Evan Leung, Edison Leung	Hannah Cho, Michael Lee
DOOR ROTATION	Tim Perng	Geoffrey Wong

# Prayers for Our ECC Community

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## **PRAISES AND PRAYERS**

### ***ECC CHURCH BOARD***

- Praise God for the Lord's gracious leading in our recent congregational meeting — gatherings filled with a joyful spirit as all congregations reflected on God's work among us and looked ahead with hope toward all He will do in 2026. We especially praise God for the 2025 ministry highlight video recorded by our pastors and ministers—a vivid reminder that every testimony and every moment of ministry reflect His faithful hand.
- We give thanks for the faithful deacons, deaconesses, and elders who have completed their terms of service. Their steady leadership, prayerful hearts, and sacrificial commitment have blessed our church family. As they enter a season of sabbatical rest, we pray that this time renews their strength and joy in Him.
- Praise God for the ongoing smooth ministry and council transitions during this season. We are grateful for the recent new deacons' orientation and the spirit of cooperation and hope shaping our shared ministry.
- Pray for the Lord's continued grace over our entire church board as they begin a new season of service. Pray that they place every vision, every plan, and every decision under the leadership of Jesus Christ—our foundation and our Great Shepherd. Ask God to strengthen these leaders when the work feels heavy, renew their spirits when the days feel long, guard their unity, deepen their humility, and fill them with a joy that comes from serving in His presence. Pray that their serving and leadership reflect the gentleness and character of Christ.
- Pray for the upcoming church board retreat on March 14. Ask God to guide all preparations, grant focus to those planning, and ready every participant's heart to listen, discern, and respond to His leading. Pray that this retreat becomes a time of spiritual refreshment, shared

vision, and deeper commitment to serve Christ and His church with faithfulness and hope.

### **PRAY FOR OUR MISSIONARIES**

Jason and Angie Hunemuller and their three children serve in East Asia with Cru. Post-pandemic, they relocated to Thailand to serve Thai and East Asian families through discipleship and other parenting groups. They wrapped up 10 weeks of a Mandarin parenting group. Angie especially has a burden for one of the moms in this group, who is a non-believer. Please pray for follow-up with this person, that she might be open to meeting and hearing more about Christ's love. After 5 weeks of their Thai parenting group, all the participants were interested in meeting for another round! They've all been fulfilled to share and learn from each other. Please pray that they will experience the Lord as He meets them in their need, and in their fellowship with each other.

### **PRAY FOR THE WORLD**

- Please continue to pray for those impacted by the deadly winter storms affecting North America and Japan. May the Lord be merciful to those who must work outside and to those most vulnerable, to find warm shelter. May the Lord also be gracious to the millions that face travel disruptions, to bring them safely to their destinations.
- Please pray for Bible colleges and seminaries throughout North America to respond to the shifting demographics. With one closing every five weeks, may the Holy Spirit grant their leaders humility and wisdom to respond to the changing needs of society and to develop appropriate models for ongoing theological education, both for the training of pastors and the equipping of the laity.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

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## **STAFF UPDATE**

Our IT Manager, Deborah Cai, has resigned to focus on caring for her family. We are grateful for the contributions she has made at ECC and for her faithful service. We extend our heartfelt thanks and prayers to Deborah and her family, asking for God's peace, strength, and guidance in this next season.

## **NOW HIRING - IT MANAGER POSITION**

We are looking for an experienced **IT Manager** to oversee and maintain our church's technology infrastructure. If you or someone you know may be interested, please visit the church website (<https://eccseattle.org/en/open-positions/>) for more information and application details. Any questions, contact Elder Howard at [howardh@eccseattle.org](mailto:howardh@eccseattle.org).

## **ECC REDMOND CANTONESE CONGREGATION – PASTOR/MINISTER OPENING**

ECC is looking for a full-time **Cantonese pastor/minister** to shepherd the ECC Redmond Cantonese congregation. The ideal candidate will be spiritually mature with at least 5 years of church-related ministry experience, a seminary graduate with a Master of Divinity degree or equivalent, and familiar with both Chinese and North American cultures. To apply, please send a completed Employment Application Form and a CV to [resume@eccseattle.org](mailto:resume@eccseattle.org).

## **2026 SHORT-TERM MISSIONS (STM) INFO MEETING**

FEB 15 (SUN) | 8 - 9 PM | ZOOM LINK: <https://bit.ly/2026STMINFO>

MEETING ID: 844 1938 0004    PASSCODE: 228303

If you are interested in taking part in any of our short-term missions trips this year, mark your calendars to attend an info session via Zoom (highly recommended for first-timers).

Meeting objectives: to communicate information about STM policies, guidelines, criteria, expectations, required training, and church support.



## **CAMBODIA SHORT-TERM MISSIONS SHARING (IN ENGLISH)**

2/15 (SUN) | 1:00 PM | EDMONDS GYM

2/22 (SUN) | 1:00 PM | REDMOND CANTONESE WORSHIP HALL

Come and see how God's love is at work in Cambodia. You're invited to join our Cambodia STM sharing and hear how God opened hearts in powerful and unexpected ways as we served 500+ children and youth at the Pleroma primary and secondary schools, Home for Girls, and community center.



## **SAVE THE DATE: 2026 VBS (SEATTLE CAMPUS)**

This year's Summer Vacation Bible School (VBS) at the Seattle campus ("Rainforest Falls: Exploring the Nature of God") will be held in the mornings from July 13–17. We encourage parents to reserve these dates so their children can enjoy a joyful and welcoming environment while learning God's word.