



PASTORAL NEWSLETTER

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The story of Hannah reminds us that even in seasons of deep difficulty, God can still use us to impact the lives around us, especially those closest to us, as we persevere in faith and continue seeking Him. Hannah cried out to God in her great distress, yet the Lord heard her and worked through her life in ways far beyond what she could see. As Scripture says, “In bitterness of soul Hannah wept much and prayed to the Lord” (1 Samuel 1:10). Her honest, persevering faith became the very means through which God shaped the future of His people. May her example encourage us: In spite of our brokenness and limitations, God is still at work, shaping us and using us for His kingdom purposes.

Here are a few questions for you to ponder this week as you face your daily challenges:

What challenges are you facing that you are tempted to give up on, but God may be urging you to “keep on keeping on”?

What does it look like for you to accept God’s invitation to trust in His sovereignty more deeply in the midst of your difficult journey?

How can you remind yourself that even when God does not answer your prayers in the exact way you desire, He is still God, and He is still worthy of your worship?

May the Lord grant you the strength that comes only from Him.

Warmly,
Pastor Sol



Evangelical Chinese Church of Seattle – Seattle English

5/17/2026

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 Minister Christopher Hui
"The Power to Commission"
Matthew 28:16-20

| | TODAY | NEXT WEEK |
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| SPEAKER | Christopher Hui | Solomon Liu |
| MODERATOR | Ling Hong | Lydia Perng |
| WORSHIP | Keziah Liu | Amanda Shu |
| A/V TECH | Edison Hao, Christabel Lo Benjamin Hoang | Rachel Leung, Hannah Ng |
| LIVESTREAM | Evan Leung, Julia Wang Michael Lee | Hannah Cho, Edison Leung Kylie Cheung |
| DOOR ROTATION | SEA-Cantonese | |

Prayer for Our ECC Community

PRaises AND PRAYERS *ECC Seattle Church Board*

- Praise God for His gracious presence and leading during our May 9 Church Board meeting. We give thanks for the unity of the Spirit He cultivated among our leaders, for their faithful presence, and for the heart of engagement that shaped every discussion. We praise God for the willingness of board members to listen deeply, speak with humility, and discern together what would honor Christ and bless His church. As the board now turns toward implementing the decisions made, we pray that the Lord Himself would guide every next step—granting clarity, wisdom, and steadfast obedience so that all plans may align with His purposes and bear fruit for His glory.
- Pray for the Lord's continued grace over the entire church board as they serve in this season. Ask God to anchor every vision, every plan, and every decision under the leadership of Jesus Christ—our foundation and our Great Shepherd. Pray that He strengthens these leaders when the work feels heavy, renews their spirits when the days feel long, guards their unity, deepens their humility, and fills them with a joy that comes from serving in His presence. May their shepherding leadership reflect the gentleness, wisdom, and character of Christ, and may their service be sustained by His unfailing grace.
- Pray for the discernment process now beginning across all eight congregations as pastors, elders, and leaders reach out to deacon and deaconess nominees for the 2027-2029 term. Give thanks for those who have been identified and invited to consider this calling. Pray that each nominee would seek the Lord with an open and willing heart, listening for His voice and discerning His leading. Ask God to grant clarity, peace, and courage as they consider whether to step forward as official candidates, trusting that He equips those He calls and uses every act of **obedience for the building up of His church.**

Pray for Our Missionaries

Devendra and Koko Rai are a part of the Commission to Every Nation. They are involved in setting up Bible School on Wheels (BSOW) and multiplying churches in NE India and other parts of Asia. They wrote about their friends who had a brief stopover in Bangkok and were being deported and needed to pass ministry equipment to them. Their family was not in town at the time, but thanks to God's connections, he was able to send someone to pick up the equipment. Meanwhile, a pastor in Thailand started a Burmese worship service in his apartment after landlords refused to rent to them. One of their children, Karen, delivered her first child, their third grandchild. Back in Bangkok, their church is next to a major university, allowing them to reach Mainland Chinese students. May their advertisements bring many students to be curious about God.

Pray for The World

- Please pray for the upcoming US-China summit. May the Lord bless the negotiations and help all parties to reach compromise for the good of the world.
- Please pray for God to preserve and strengthen the churches in Egypt. Once the majority, the minority Egyptian Christians face persecution on a daily basis but continue to persevere. May the Lord continue to help them be salt and light and be a reminder of the Christian heritage in the country.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NORTHERN THAILAND SHORT-TERM MISSIONS INFORMATIONAL MEETING

5/31 (Sun) | 1 PM | Redmond Cantonese Worship Hall

The short-term missions team is planning to serve in Chiang Rai from October 18-31 this year to participate in evangelistic ministry among the Akha and Dai ethnic groups. Brothers and sisters unable to attend in person can participate online at: <https://bit.ly/2026NorthernThailandSTM>
Meeting ID: 875 9280 2922 Passcode: 123321



CAMBODIA SHORT-TERM MISSIONS INFORMATIONAL MEETING

5/31 (Sun) | 7:30 PM | Edmonds Campus (dinner will be served at 6:30 PM)

The short-term missions team is planning to serve in Phnom Penh, Cambodia, from November 1-14 this year to serve schools and women's shelters with "Fullness in Christ Fellowship." Brothers and sisters unable to attend in person can participate online at: <https://bit.ly/2026CambodiaSTM>
Meeting ID: 828 1947 1601 Passcode: 123321



For inquiries about both Northern Thailand and Cambodia, please contact Pastor Yeung at homanyeung@eccseattle.org or Minister Wendy at wendychoy@eccseattle.org.

CHRONICLES OF REDEMPTION

5/30 (SAT) | 6:00 PM | Damascus International Fellowship, Seattle

Our KiNDRED church DIF will be performing a powerful stage play called "Chronicles of Redemption." Please come and watch a play that will depict true stories of faith and the redeeming power of Christ that saves lives.

YF CAMP 2026 REGISTRATION (DEADLINE: 6/7)

6/19-21 (Fri-Sun) | Camp Casey Conference Center, Whidbey Island, WA

Cost: \$150 Registration link: <https://tinyurl.com/ypnk8ntt>

Theme: "Rooted"

We welcome middle schoolers and current 5th graders.

Contact: Pastor Steve Moy (stevemoy@eccseattle.org)



MEXICO MISSIONS FUNDRAISING

The Mexico Missions team will be fundraising for their short-term missions trip (7/9 - 7/17) by offering their services to ECC congregants. If you have any yard work at your home that needs to be done, please contact Michael Liu to set up a time (mmichaeliu@gmail.com).