PASTORAL NEWSLETTER

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

“Do you want to be made well?” (John 5:6)

That may sound like an obvious question to someone who was living in pain and suffering, but Jesus knew that sometimes we don’t want to be well because getting well means embracing a new life. Yes, while we all want to be free from pain, our desire for relief can be outweighed by our reluctance to embrace the changes that healing requires.

I love the command that came with Jesus’ healing:
“Get up, take up your mat, and walk.” (John 5:8)

The mat had been part of the man’s life. It had carried him and may have come to define him.
But Jesus told him to pick it up, signifying that the mat would no longer control him; instead, he was now to control it.

What is the mat in our lives that we need to pick up so we can walk in the new life God has called us to live?
May the Lord give us the honesty and humility to recognize it and confess it, and the strength and courage to take it up and move forward.

May we no longer be defined by the life that once crippled us, but walk in the new life Christ has freed us to live.

Warmly,
Pastor Sol

Evangelical Chinese Church of Seattle - Seattle English

11/8/2026

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 Pastor Steve Moy
"Thirst No More: Come and Drink"
John 7:37-44

	TODAY	NEXT WEEK
SPEAKER	Steve Moy	Paul Eng
MODERATOR	--	--
WORSHIP	Keziah Liu	Keziah Liu
A/V TECH	Isaac Liu, Ray Li Titus Goh	Sharon Wu, Andrew Chen
LIVESTREAM	Evan Leung, Edison Leung Ellen Liu	Marcela Cho, Michael Lee David Li
DOOR ROTATION	SEA-Cantonese	

Pray for Our ECC Community

PRAISES AND PRAYERS
SEATTLE ENGLISH CONGREGATION

- Praise God that the Seattle English Choir was able to represent ECC at the 10th Anniversary Kindred Celebration. 30 plus members sang “One Day” at the top of their voices, pointing hearts to our hope in Christ and the promise of heaven.
- Praise God for the intergenerational relationships that make our congregation a warm and welcoming family. May the Lord continue to strengthen these bonds through love, care, encouragement, and Christ-centered fellowship.
- Praise God for our youth and their dedicated counselors. Pray that our youth will grow in faith, be firmly grounded in God's Word, and develop a lasting relationship with the Lord. We also look forward to the upcoming Youth Sunday as we celebrate God's faithfulness to our Youth Ministry.
- Pray for this Sunday's annual Thanksgiving Celebration, that it would be a joyful time of testimonies, fellowship, and gratitude, giving glory to God for His faithfulness and blessings.
- Pray for the many who are facing serious illnesses and also for their loved ones. May God's healing, comfort, and sustaining grace be upon them.
- Pray for young adults seeking employment, that God would provide opportunities and deepen their faith during this season of waiting.

PRAY FOR THE MISSIONARIES

Patty Chen had been part of the Living Room Missions for seven years. After prayers and intensive interviews, Patty became a missionary with “One Challenge” (OC). She has now moved to her new ministry field in Nis, Serbia, and started a student ministry. In Serbia, a country long affected by war, mutual mistrust among people makes gospel work challenging, Patty sometimes even faces resistance from churches fearful of change. Please pray that God clearly guides her regarding which churches or believers to partner with and opens doors for her ministry. We give thanks for God’s wonderful provision: a reliable used car donated by others has expanded the scope of her ministry and promoted the healing of her foot injury, and a suitable place to live is facilitating her service and connections with believers who are eager to pursue their faith and serve. Her sharing reveals a heart full of passion for God’s Kingdom and a willingness to dedicate her life to caring for and discipling those in need of the truth. Please pray that God continues to strengthen her and provide resources, guide her teaching ministry, and empower her in caring for others. Finally, we ask the Lord to heal Mary and Wei Yi—two sisters in Christ—of their cancer.

PRAY FOR THE WORLD

- Please pray for the central US as it faces a series of strong storms this week. May the Lord be gracious to unite churches and communities to help those who have suffered loss to recover.
- Please pray for the various ministries that are ministering to underprivileged children and orphans throughout the world. Please pray for organizations such as World Vision, Compassion International, and Partners International who are not only meeting material needs, but also discipling families and equipping churches to bring up the next generation in the Lord.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A KINDRED FAMILY CHRISTMAS

Sign-Up Link: https://tinyurl.com/yta8m8k9 (Deadline: 11/29)

Be an Adopting Angel this holiday season! Join us in supporting families from the Seattle Public Schools at our in-person Christmas "shopping" event on 12/11 (Friday) for an evening of shopping, food, and fun. Please sign up online, select the number of family members you'd like to support, and you'll receive a confirmation email with shopping details. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Kindred Family Box Drop-Off Date and Location:

After signing up, you can start bringing in your items in a box or bag (please do not wrap the gifts), label them with your name and for whom the gifts are for, and drop them off at the SEA campus (foyer of the gym), at the RED campus entrance, or at the EDS Campus by the sanctuary. Please check your name off the list provided. The last day for drop-off will be 12/6/26 (Sunday). You can also drop off directly at UPC on 12/6 up until 1:00 PM.

Volunteers Needed | 12/11 | UPC

We need volunteers to help with the gift box distribution on 12/11 (Friday), as well as to help decorate, set up props, distribute drinks and cookies, and assist with the photo booth. We encourage families to sign up to volunteer together.

MUSIC TESTIMONY SHARING WITH MISSIONARY SOLNAMOO SONG

11/21 (Sat) | 7:30 PM | Seattle Sanctuary | Dinner at 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall
Song Solnamoo (송솔나무) is a world-renowned South Korean flutist, composer, and founder of the NGO “The Solnamoo Foundation.” He is a missionary who set aside the spotlight of the world stage to answer God’s call. Through beautiful flute music and personal testimony, he will share how he has entrusted his life to the Lord. You are warmly invited to join us with your friends for an inspiring evening, and experience God’s abundant love and grace through music. In English with interpretation into Mandarin.

PERSPECTIVES｜EXPLORE GOD’S HEART FOR THE NATIONS

Perspectives is a 15-week discipleship course exploring biblical foundations, history, culture, and practical strategies to participate in God’s global purpose. ECC members are helping organize classes beginning January 2027 in Seattle (Mondays), Bellevue (Tuesdays), and Woodinville (Wednesdays).

Details and registration: tinyurl.com/PerspectivesECCSpring2027 — choose the location that works best for you.

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