

HEALING

SUNDAY, JULY 4, 2021 | MARK 1:21-34 | REV. FREDDY LAM

CHURCH NEWS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Donation to Richmond Hill Food Bank

Due to the severe pandemic, lots of people have to live on the food from Food Bank. MCBC will collaborate with Richmond Hill Food Bank by collecting food to support them. Please support the needs of our neighbours generously with acts of love.

Food collection dates:

- Sat., July 10 from 10:00 AM to 12 Noon;
- Sun., July 11 from 2:00 to 4:00 PM.

It will be a non-contact collection; please leave the food donated inside the car trunk of designated vehicles at the church parking lot.

Items needed:

- FLOUR AND SALT
- PASTA SAUCE
- TETRA DRINKING BOXES (APPLE JUICE, FRUIT PUNCH, AND ORANGE)
- HONEY, JAM
- MUSTARD, KETCHUP, BBQ SAUCE, SALAD DRESSINGS
- PUDDING CUPS AND CRACKERS
- INSTANT COFFEE
- HYGIENE PRODUCTS, SHAMPOO

To facilitate arrangement, please register in advance: <https://forms.gle/bjo8VAoUoF4s5CP2>.

For more information, please contact Deacon Paul Ng (paul.ng@mcbc.com).

2. "Summer+" Camp Prayer

Summer+ Prayer Updates: We know most of you won't be joining us for virtual camp, but we hope that you'll join us in prayer. Each week, we'll be uploading a prayer update with camp stories and prayer requests and we hope that although you won't be with us virtually, we will still be united in spirit through prayer.

Please visit the YLD Children webpage for updates: SUMMER+ PRAYER UPDATES – Markham Chinese Baptist Church (<http://mcbc.com>)

3. Volunteer at Sparrow Gardens

Are you feeling blessed? Would you like to pay it forward? One initiative that MCBC's community concern committee is supporting is Sparrow Gardens, a non-profit farm that supplies fresh produce to families in need (<https://www.sparrowandco.org>). Sparrow Gardens is looking for volunteers to help with: (1) Working on the farm OR (2) Delivering fresh veggies to families in need. For more information, contact Kari Miu karimiu@gmail.com or Paul Ng paul.ng@mcbc.com.

4. 2021 Softball Season

In anticipation of Step 2 of Ontario's Reopening Plan, we are tentatively planning to start our 2021 season in early July. Softball is a great way to exercise and fellowship with each other in a casual environment; all ages and skill levels are welcome. This year, there is very limited availability and roster spots will be given on a first-come-first-serve basis. Please contact softball@mcbc.com or visit <https://mcbc.com/en/sports> for more information or to register.

5. Hiring Children's Ministry Interns!

Children's ministry is looking to hire 3 children's ministry interns with a passion for reaching children ages 2-12 for Jesus! Most if not all of this work will be done remotely from your own home. You must be between the ages of 15-30 to apply for this job. The job is about 20 hours/week for 14 weeks. For more details, please see the full job description under the "About - Employment opportunities" section on our website (<https://mcbc.com/en/about/#hiring>).

6. English Ministry Summer Worker

English Division has an 8-week summer position to help in Genesis fellowship (university students and new grads) and web site design and/or development. We are looking for an individual, age 20 to 30, with a heart to serve God and a passion to connect with young adults to build a strong community for the future. Please contact Deacon Alex Wong at alex.wong@mcbc.com or Pastor Freddy at freddy.lam@mcbc.com for more information.

7. Church Office Reopening

Starting from June 3, the church admin office reopened during regular operation hours: Monday to Friday 9 AM to 5 PM. All doors of the church building will stay locked. Brothers and sisters can ring the doorbell at the west or north side entrance to access the building and drop off offerings into the offering box. For any other business, please contact the office in advance for arrangement. Please be reminded that mask wearing is mandatory inside the church building at all times (face shield is not a substitute for wearing a face mask or covering).

8. English Small Groups 2020-2021 are OPEN!

English Small Groups are open for newcomers to join and be a part of our spiritual community. We have intergenerational, young adults and family small groups throughout the week. Please check <https://mcbc.com/en/small-groups/> for the available day and time which will meet your needs and register by filling out the form by clicking on the yellow button. Our team member will connect with you shortly.

9. Pastoral Caring and Support

While all on-site gatherings are suspended, pastoral shepherding continues. Brothers and sisters, if you have any caring needs and/or prayer requests, feel free to contact any of our pastors in their respective divisions. We will do our best to render as much assistance and support as we can.

10. English Prayer Meetings

Brothers and sisters can join one of our three prayer meetings to pray for one another, our church, our community and the world. There are three timeslots to choose from in order to meet different needs:
Sisters' Prayer Meeting - First Monday 10 am to 11:30 AM and Third Tuesday 8:30 PM to 9 PM
Brothers' Prayer Meeting - Second and Fourth Wednesdays 8:00 to 9:00 PM
Saturday Prayer Meeting (Brothers and Sisters) - Every week from 10:00 to 11:30 AM
Zoom links will be posted on the website at www.mcbc.com/en/prayers

11. Four Ways of Offering

We can continue our obligation of offering (details at <https://mcbc.com/en/give/>) while worshipping at a distance via:

1. E-Transfer
2. Paypal Giving Fund program: make offerings at <https://www.paypal.com/ca/fundraiser/charity/3450711>
3. Mailing in cheques to the church office (Please do not send cash)
4. Putting your offering (cash or cheque) into the offering collection box during church office hours.

Note: Brothers and sisters, if you would like to donate specific amounts to Mission Fund, please do so via E-Transfer or by cheque. Donations made via Paypal will have the total amount allotted to General Fund.

HIRING

We are now hiring for the following positions:

- Director of Media Ministry (Part-time)
- Summer Workers (CSJ)
 - English Ministry Summer Worker (Part-time)
 - Children's Ministry Interns (Part-time)
 - 3 positions to be filled

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