

## Session Synopsis September 12, 2022

1. Rev. Morgan Wong planning to take the balance of his 2022 annual vacation leave from October 25 to November 22 (4 weeks).
2. Dr Dale Woods has invited Pastor Wong to attend a lecture series with 10 other ministers on the present challenges and future possibilities of the church. There will be four 90-minute sessions with Alan Roxburgh.
3. Session has approved the creation of a special property development fund called “Property Development Special Projects”, this fund is to cover special smaller development projects not covered by the Property Development budget. For example, this budget would cover developing a donor name recognition wall in the church or any other needed equipment or furnishings not covered in the original development budget. Any members/ families wanting to make a special donation to this project should note on their cheque “For property development special projects”
4. Remy and Tim Tam have started an English Bible study group via zoom every Thursday evening at 7:30. Any one interested should contact Elder Remy and Tim Tam.
5. Pastor Esther Leung-Kong will be preaching on Sept. 25, 2022 on Ministry to Indigenous People in the English service.
6. The Development project is moving along quite well, the roof is almost complete, the large crane is ready for removable. They are starting to work on the interior finishings. The Directors of the Trust are looking at the need for acquiring a loan. Furthermore, they are working closely with the lawyers and the accountants and Presbytery regarding the disbursement of funds as this is becoming an issue based on CRA’s new requirements in 2023 of 5% of total assets.
7. Preschool/ Day Care’s, “**proposals**” are still being reviewed by the Directors, Kiat Chang and Allison Eng have been assigned to do the review of proposals.
8. Grace Wong (*Tong*) is volunteering herself as acting advisor for restarting the Chinese Language School, possibly beginning in September 2023.
9. There will be a Teacher’s Dedication Service September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022 in the English Service. Linda Con has submitted her notice of retirement as the Sunday School Superintendent as of the end of this year and will be transitioning this role to Lela Ling, who Session has approved for the role and she has accepted. In discussion with Lela, there may be a term

nomination for the role in the future, such 2 years or 3-year term. Session will be recognizing Linda for her years of service In October during the combined Thanksgiving Service, as well a dinner is planned for December (potentially on the 10<sup>th</sup> of December), recognizing all current and incoming Sunday School teachers and Linda and Lela as outgoing and incoming Superintendents.

10. There will be two joints in-person services planned for later this year. potentially in Kerrisdale Church Hall, once in Thanksgiving Service, October 9, 2022 at 10:30 am and the other on December 24<sup>th</sup>, around 7 p.m. Christmas Eve Service.
11. Session has approved from the Fund-Raising committee the recommendation of creating a new donation recognition category of \$50,000.00 for which families may combine their donations as, such that they can be acknowledged.

## 2022 年 9 月 12 日堂議會會議摘要

1. 黃鼎盛牧師將從 10 月 25 日至 11 月 22 日 (4 週) 取年假。
2. 活士牧師邀請黃牧師及十位牧師一起參加有關教會當前的挑戰和未來可能性的系列講座。內容由 Alan Roxburgh 牧師舉行四場 90 分鐘的研習班。
3. 堂議會已批准設立一個名為“物業發展特別項目”的專項地產開發基金，此基金是用於未在預算中的特殊小型項目。例如，此預算將包括在教堂捐獻者姓之名識別牆或原有預算中未包括的任何所需設備或家具。任何想要為此項目特別捐款的會友/家庭請在支票上註明用於“物業發展特別項目”。
4. 譚仁德長老及傅秀紅長老在每週四晚上 7:30 透過 zoom 主持一個英語查經小組。若有興趣者請聯絡譚長老或傅長老。
5. 梁江爾欣傳道於 2022 年 9 月 25 日在英語崇拜中分享有關於向原住民的工作。
6. 新教堂重建工程進展順利，屋頂已基本完工，大型起重機即將拆卸。工人開始著手進行室內裝修。信託的董事們現正在考慮申請貸款的需要。此外，他們正在與律師、會計師和區議會就資金支付問題密切合作，因為按 CRA 2023 年的新條例要求我們每年支付總資產之百分之五，因而成為一個問題。
7. 有關幼兒園及日托的申請“提案”仍在董事們的審核中，並指派 Kiat Chang 和 Allison Eng 負責。
8. 黃吳錦城師母自願擔任中文學校的代理顧問，負責重啟中文學校，希望於 2023 年 9 月開始。
9. 教師奉獻禮將於 2022 年 9 月 18 日在英文崇拜中舉行。Linda Con 已提交主日學校長一職的退休通，並於今年年底生效，並將把這個角色轉交給 Lela

Ling, 且得堂議會批准而接受。在與 Lela 的討論中, 未來主日學校長一職可能會有一個任期的界定, 例如 2 年或 3 年任期。堂議會將在 10 月的聯合感恩節崇拜中致謝 Linda 的服務, 並籌劃在 12 月 (可能在 12 月 10 日) 舉行一次晚宴, 為所有現任和即將上任的主日學教師以及 Linda 和 Lela 兩位主日學校長而感恩。

10. 本教會計劃在今年餘下時間進行兩次聯合實體崇拜。可能在 Kerrisdale 長老會舉行。一次是在 2022 年 10 月 9 日的感恩節崇拜, 于上午 10:30 舉行; 另一次是在 12 月 24 日晚上 7 時的聖誕前夕蠟光晚會。

11. 堂議會已接納籌款委員會的建議, 即創建一個新的 \$50,000.00 元之捐贈認可類別, 以便不同的家庭可以將其捐款合併起來而獲得認可。