

## Prayer Items

1. Pray for the formation, confirmation and work of this year's Nominating Committee -- the group who will identify candidates for open positions on next year's Governing Board.
2. Please continue to pray for the kids who attended this year's VBC: that they and their families might attend church worship services and other gatherings, and grow in their knowledge of Jesus!
3. Please pray for Pastor Feng Li and Mrs. Li. They were officially commissioned by the Christian and Missionary Alliance this May, and their whole family will be serving as international workers in Israel, sharing the Gospel with the Jewish people. Please pray for them as they prepare, fundraise, and plan their move by the end of the year, and the presence of God be with them!
4. Please pray for college students returning to school--that God will give them peace and joy as they transition back onto their campuses, and that they will be encouraged in their relationship with Jesus during the semester.
5. Pray for our Governing Board as they meet with a trainer/coach to process and understand the results of the PEAK Survey. (Although the Board is eager to share the results with the congregation, the PEAK coach has advised holding off for now, until the Board itself better understands the findings. The plan is to present to the congregation at the Fall Members Meeting.)
6. Our church's 2025 annual theme is "The Lord's Coming" (Titus 2:13). Please pray that God will renew our hope in Christ alone!
7. Please pray for those among us who are struggling with illness and physical challenges -- including those whose allergies this time of year make each day challenging.
8. Please continue to pray for our search for an Associate Pastor (who will focus largely on the Youth ministry). Pray especially for the Pastoral Search Committee and its work, as they "reboot" the search process.
9. Please pray that brothers and sisters will invite new friends to church to attend Sunday worship and bring others to hear the gospel so that they might come to know the truth, and experience rebirth and salvation. Please pray for the salvation of new friends!
10. Please pray for the church's fellowships. Some groups, such as the Sisters' Fellowship and Rock Fellowship, have daily Bible reading. Through reading the Bible together, may brothers and sisters be led to draw closer to God and become more involved in caring ministries. Also, pray for the evangelism efforts of the groups, asking God to bring new friends to each group. During this joyful season, may we invite more people to join in fellowship activities.
11. Please pray that brothers and sisters will have the desire to study God's Word, and that they will not only have regular devotional time, but also intimate time with God. Pray also that the Lord would equip and encourage them, so that they might use their gifts to serve God, to benefit others and to glorify our King!
12. Please pray for each fellowship group so that new people can join. Pray also for the group leaders of the fellowship, asking God to give them wisdom and strength to lead these groups and make them a source of love, fellowship and spreading the gospel. The fellowship also invites many gospel friends to participate through evangelistic meetings.
13. Please pray for all the various missionaries and missions endeavors we support, including the UConn outreach, Pastor Rebecca Mao and COCM in England/Europe, and Pastor Ed Stuart and his work with SALT (Support and

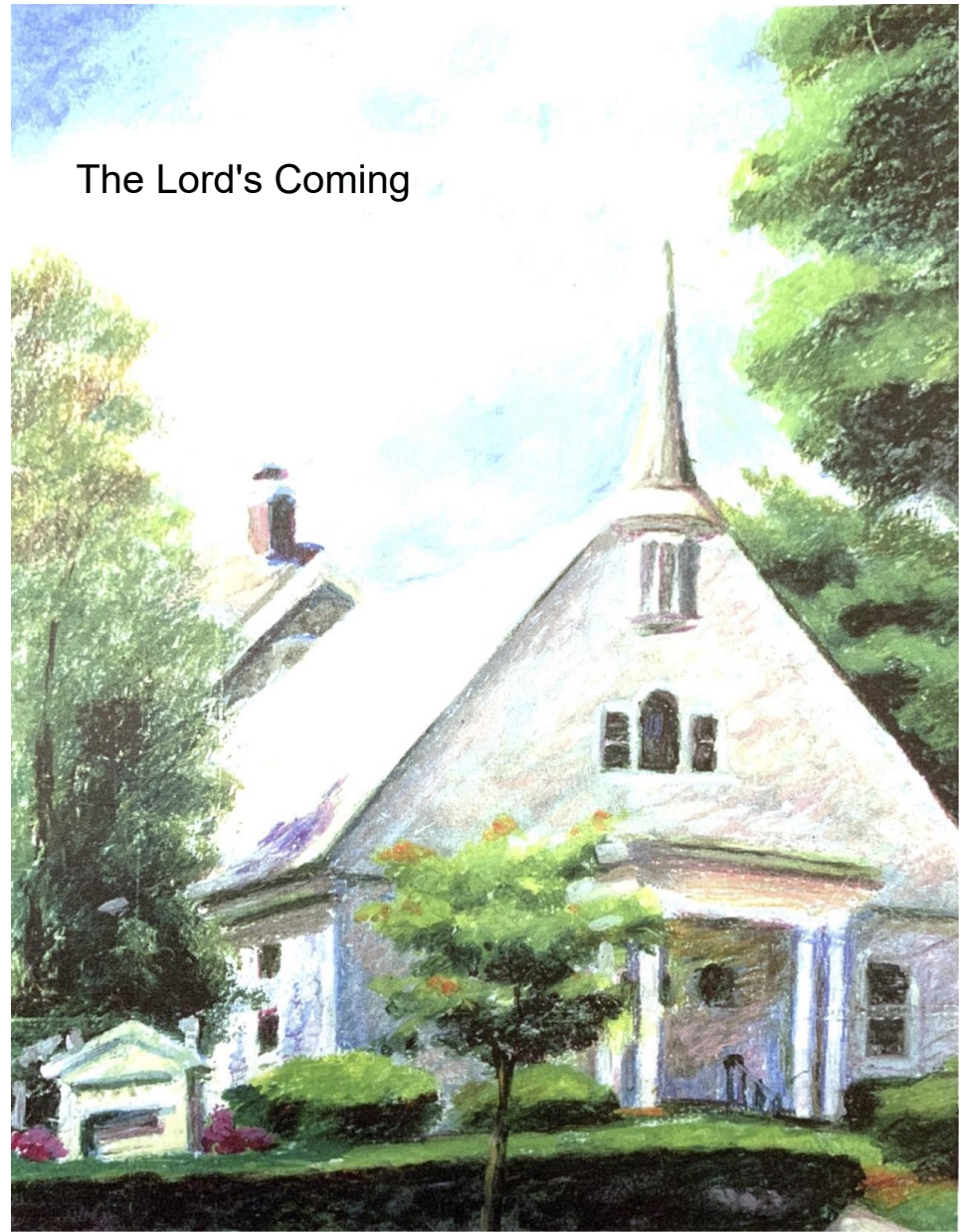
Leadership Training). Please pray especially for Pastor Achara -- not only for her ministry with the Pakping Church and Christian School in Khaolak, Thailand -- but also for her health.

## Today's Scripture Reading:

## Mark 2:1-12 ESV

<sup>2</sup> And when he returned to Capernaum after some days, it was reported that he was at home.<sup>2</sup> And many were gathered together, so that there was no more room, not even at the door. And he was preaching the word to them.<sup>3</sup> And they came, bringing to him a paralytic carried by four men.<sup>4</sup> And when they could not get near him because of the crowd, they removed the roof above him, and when they had made an opening, they let down the bed on which the paralytic lay.<sup>5</sup> And when Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, "Son, your sins are forgiven."<sup>6</sup> Now some of the scribes were sitting there, questioning in their hearts,<sup>7</sup> "Why does this man speak like that? He is blaspheming! Who can forgive sins but God alone?"<sup>8</sup> And immediately Jesus, perceiving in his spirit that they thus questioned within themselves, said to them, "Why do you question these things in your hearts?<sup>9</sup> Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Rise, take up your bed and walk'?"<sup>10</sup> But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins"—<sup>11</sup> he said to the paralytic—"I say to you, rise, pick up your bed, and go home."<sup>12</sup> And he rose and immediately picked up his bed and went out before them all, so that they were all amazed and glorified God, saying, "We never saw anything like this!"

## The Lord's Coming



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English Worship

11:30 AM

# Chinese Alliance Church of Westchester

## English Worship Service

August 24th, 2025, 11:30 a.m

Psalm 86:8-10

<sup>8</sup> Among the gods there is none like you, Lord; no deeds can compare with yours.<sup>9</sup> All the nations you have made will come and worship before you, Lord; they will bring glory to your name.<sup>10</sup> For you are great and do marvelous deeds; you alone are God.

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### ➤ GATHERING TOGETHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

- ❖ Call to Worship (Psalm 86:8-10)
- ❖ Praise and Worship in Song
- ❖ Pastoral Prayer
- ❖ Greeting One Another

### ➤ HEARING AND CELEBRATING GOD'S WORD

- ❖ Message - **The Power of Faith** (Calvin Chan)
- ❖ Scripture Reading (Mark 2:1-12)

### ➤ RESPONDING WITH THANKSGIVING

- ❖ Song of Response
- ❖ Prayer for Tithes and Offerings

### ➤ BEING SENT TO LOVE AND SERVE

- ❖ Community Life
- ❖ Benediction

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### Theme verse for August, 2025

Hebrews 12:1-2

Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

## Announcements

1. We are so glad that you have joined us for today's worship. God's blessing on you and your family!
2. Lunch will be provided today after the Chinese and English worship. Everyone is welcome to stay and enjoy a time of food and fellowship!
3. The new season of the Chinese Adult Sunday School is studying the Old Testament book of Daniel, led by Pastor Lee. The class will be held every Sunday at 11:40 AM, following the Chinese worship service, in the Fellowship Hall downstairs. The class schedule will be posted on the bulletin board at the entrance. We warmly welcome all brothers and sisters to join us in studying God's Word and growing in our knowledge and relationship with Him.
4. Northeast Gospel Camp will be held 8/29 - 9/1 at Harvey Cedars, New Jersey. There is no English main session, but there are English group discussions. Please pray for this and invite Chinese speaking gospel friends to attend. Contribution to help gospel friends to attend free is welcome, if you feel touched.
5. Everyone is welcome to join a fellowship group, to live a godly life, study the Bible together and live out the teachings of the Bible!
6. The English Bible Study meets on Friday evenings at 7:45PM. All are welcome to join for our new study in the Book of Mark. We gather in the basement of the church, and are also available online for those who cannot attend in person. For more information contact Jim Anderson.
7. You are welcome to invite your visiting friends to attend the church's Sunday worship and other related activities. May God bless you and your family with joy and peace!
8. Encourage brothers and sisters to participate in a Bible reading plan -- especially as we launch this new year! Read the Bible daily, pray, recite the scriptures continuously, and keep the word of God in their hearts, so that it will become a daily strength.
9. Brothers and sisters are welcome to join the Wednesday prayer meeting. The prayers of the saints are powerful, pleasing to God, and effective. All are welcome to attend, starting at 8:30pm for English (except first Wed of the month when it starts at 8pm). Online information on prayer meetings can be obtained from the pastor.
10. We sincerely invite brothers and sisters to serve in various ways to support our Sunday gatherings. The 2H'25 signup sheet is posted in the lobby. Please sign up to become a greeter at Chinese Services, for altar flowers, or for lunch helpers.
11. We are assembling the Nominating Committee for next year's Governing Board. Two candidates have been nominated: Feng Yang (杨峰) from the Chinese Congregation and Peter Khoo (邱武傑) from the English Congregation. An Election Buddy ballot will be sent out soon. Voting members are encouraged to participate so we can reach quorum. Please speak to the Pastors if you have any questions.
12. Pastor Lee will share the Word of God in the Chinese service next Sunday, Aug 31. Jim Anderson will preach in the English service.

## Church Prayer, Fellowship & Sunday School

**Church Prayer Meeting** 1st Wed at 8pm combined with Chinese congregation, all other Weds at 8:30pm via Zoom. There's great power in Corporate prayers and it's easy to join! Contact Pastor Alan for Zoom details.

**English Adult Sunday School** Please join us every Sun at 10am in person or via Zoom. Contact: Teshun@gmail.com

**English Bible Study Fellowship** The Friday Night English Bible Study Fellowship will begin a study in the book of Mark. Join us in person at church or via zoom at 7:45pm. Contact cacwbiblestudy@gmail.com

**Saturday Youth Fellowship:** unior or Senior High school students. Every Sat at 7pm at church. Contact: sister Ruth @ ruthwchan@gmail.com