



VISION and DIRECTION

“Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it.” (1 Corinthians 12:27)

Union with Christ Church is an innovative Christian Reformed Church ministry to reach the Chinese speaking population for Christ in the Silicon Valley through a Discipleship Team cell group multiplication process that helps believers to live in Christ in all circumstances, because God has already united our spirit with the Spirit of Christ.

We knew planting a church from scratch in the Silicon Valley would not be easy. We have been praying for core team members with shared visions to live out Jesus’ teachings as the Body of Christ.

MINISTRIES THAT CHANGE LIVES

Line Dance pre-evangelism ministry



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It has been 4 months, since YiMing and Deborah came to the Bay Area to join force with us.



One ministry that was developed is a Line Dance pre-evangelism ministry. This is held very Wednesday and Friday from 1pm to 2:30pm. During the 15 minutes break, there are testimonies or short messages. Thanks be to God that He provided the facility and Line Dance teacher and other brothers and sisters from different churches to help. Yiming became the coordinator of this group. Most of the participants are non-believers and attends irregularly. However, gradually, many began to listen and shown interests. May God continue to work to save them.

San Jose CityTeam Love Gathering



James is involved in another evangelism ministry. Together with other brothers and sisters from other churches, a gathering is organized 2 hours before food distribution at Cityteam. James delivers the message. This is held twice a month on Thursday afternoons. Attendees are mixed, some are Christians and others are not. Most of them don’t attend church. May the Spirit move among them so that they may participate living in the Body of Christ.

Healthy Homes Parenting Workshops



Starting on October 6th, Winnis has been giving this workshop at PA CRC every Saturday, in order to help Chinese parents born overseas to parent their American born children. We are planning to have a Thanksgiving potluck so that we could know each other better. Please pray for building up a community united with Christ through this Union with Christ Church ministry.

East Meets West retreat 10.8-11.2018

James and Yiming are ministers of the Word in CRCNA. We got to know each other through this retreat years ago. This retreat helps Chinese pastors and leaders in CRCNA to connect with one another for support and share resources. We just concluded this year's retreat at Mount Hermon Conference ground.



FAMILY UPDATE

In late August, James' son Scott and his family came back to the Bay Area to find relief from molds in their home in Iowa. All of a sudden we have ten people together under one roof. Yiming's son just got married in April, and a banquet was held in Taiwan. However, the bride's family could not attend. Therefore, they will hold another banquet in December. Please pray for travel mercies.

PLEASE PRAY WITH US...

1. May God continue to show grace in our series of <Healthy Homes Workshop> in Palo Alto starting in October. May the Lord prepare the hearts of attendees.
2. May unity and love be present with us as the Body of Christ while our 3 families are adjusting to lives together.
3. May God continue to send His servants to us, so that our core team may multiply.
4. May God grant fruitful outreach, set people free from the bondage of decay so that missional communities of disciples may multiply and be salt and light in our communities.
5. May God heal James' coughing, Winnis' dental surgery, Yiming's insomnia, and Deborah's skin allergy.
6. May God help us to develop and strengthen our base of financial and prayer partners who share our vision.

"A voice of one calling in the wilderness,
'Prepare the way for the Lord,
make straight paths for him.
Every valley shall be filled in,
every mountain and hill made low.
The crooked roads shall become straight,
the rough ways smooth.
And all people will see God's salvation.'"
(Luke 3:4-6)

Serving the Lord in the Silicon Valley

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