Life Groups & Ministries

And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, (Hebrews 10:24 NIV)

# The Christian Pilgrim Journeys On

Blessed is the man whose strength is in You, Whose heart is set on pilgrimage.

As they pass through the Valley of Baca, They make it a spring; The rain also covers it with pools.

They go from strength to strength; Each one appears before God in Zion.

(Psalm 84:5-7 NKJV)

Keep on with Jesus till we reach Home to Him!

### **Our Vision**

Isaiah 54:2-3 Kingdom Enlargement

### Mission Statement

Influence people for Christ to enlarge God's Kingdom.

### **Trustees**

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Lighthouse Christian Fellowship began on 4 March 1990 and a member of New Life Churches International.

### Affiliated Church:

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Write name clearly & specify your giving.

# LIGHTHOUSE

February 5, 2023

Family News

## Outsiders: Home

(Revelation 7:9,10; 12:22; 21:1–5; Psalm 84:5–10; Hebrews 11:8–10, 13–16; 1 Corinthians 3:10–15; 2 Corinthians 5:9,10; John 14: 1–23)

Someday, the Outsiders will become Insiders. We will go home.

The ambassadors get recalled home from a life of mission and service. The exiles make it through the journey and trials of life to reach the home where they belong in peace and security. The pilgrims reach their destination of worship and devotion.

There is a place for us to call home.

Yet home is not about being in a place. It's about being in His Presence. And in His eternal presence, there is reward, wholeness and joy everlasting. Our Lord promises this. His Word is faithful and true.

But here's the amazing thing. We can be present in His presence both now and forever.

That's because we can experience God's presence now. And because we can, we can bring heaven to earth, into our everyday. As ambassadors, pilgrims and exiles, we get a sense, a taste of home even on earth. Where we are no longer Outsiders but Insiders, in God's presence, as His children, His friends, His people, His citizens.

For even as Jesus tells us that He goes to prepare an eternal place for us that has many mansions (dwelling places in His presence), He also tells us that the Father will love those who love Jesus and keep His word on this earth. And God the Father and God the Son will come to us and make their home with use (John 14: 1–23).

This home, *moné in* Greek, is used nowhere else in the Bible but only twice in John 14. To describe our eternal home and God making His home in us today.

Home. In Heaven, And on Earth.

Outsiders no longer. But Insiders. At Home. Now and Forever.

Jeffrey

Get up. Keep going. Finish strong.

## TODAY

For great is his love toward us, and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever. Praise the LORD. (Psalm 117:2 NIV)

Morning Prayer @ 8.00am

Celebrating Our Lord @ 9.00am
(live stream)
Praise & Worship
Holy Communion
Welcome & Prayers
The Word
Notices
Birthdays

Benediction
Coffee & Tea

## Birthdays

05/02 Anna Ting 06/02 Jun Unlayao 07/02 Adele Chan 08/02 Dorena Lau 09/02 Jeannie Tan

Psalm 71:5 for our young people and our adults

For you have been my hope, Sovereign LORD, my confidence since my youth. (NIV)

For You are my hope,
O Lord GOD;
You are my trust from my youth.
(NKJV)

Keep going with our Lord, and keep praising HIM.

# Water Baptism

NOW
is the time
for you
to obey
our Lord's word.

A necessary step, an important one, for everyone who confesses Jesus Christ As his/her Lord and Saviour.

Please contact any of the Pastors for prior prep.

## Hallelujah!

Shouts of joy and victory resound in the tents of the righteous: "The LORD's right hand has done mighty things!" (Psalm 118:15 NIV)

Fill the week with shouts of praise to our Lord God.

## 2022/2023 Church Theme



6/3 – 13/3 Introduction To the Church Theme 6/3 Outsiders (Part 1) 13/3 Outsiders (Part 2)

> 20/3 -10/4 We, The Citizens 20/3 Becoming Citizens 27/3 The Protection For Citizens 03/4 The Provision For Citizens 10/4 The Purpose of Citizens

17/4 Resurrection Sunday
24/4 Chosen Exiles, Living Hope
01/5 Chosen Exiles, Living In Hope
08/5 Chosen Exiles, Naomi and Ruth
15/5, 22/5, 29/5 Ultimate Exiles, Daniel and Friends
05/6 Pentecost Sunday in the Lord
12/6, 19/6, 25/6 Living As Exiles: Humble Example
JULY Living As Exiles: Flourish And Bless
AUG/SEPT Ambassadors: God's Diplomats

OCT/NOV Living as Pilgrims (discovery, faith, hope)
DEC The Ultimate Outsider
JAN Psalm 84 (A Pilgrim Psalm)

**SEPT/OCT Ambassadors/Warriors** 

Themes for the past 7 years

2021/2022

complete 7 perfect

2020/2021 Contrast: Jesus Is The Difference

2019/2020 Who Am I? Jesus Is: Therefore, You Are

> **2018/2019** City On A Hill

2017/2018 Chosen Generation

2016/2017 Higher, Wider, Deeper

**2015/2016** Forward

## V COMMIT 2 PRAY

05/02 (**Sun**): Lighthouse filled with the love of Jesus, for Jesus!

Our testimony to our Lord!

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06/02 (Mon): Let NZ experience Your love, dear Jesus! All the churches demonstrating love in humility. Amen.	07/02 ( <b>Tue</b> ): Our Lord's grace to the bereaved during last week's storm, and to the hurting over property damage. Amen.
08/02 ( <b>Wed</b> ): Our Lord love and watch over Lighthouse Hong Kong and Ping River Church, Chiangmai. Glory to God.	09/02 ( <b>Thu</b> ): Dear Lord Jesus, let all our Lighthouse young people experience Your amazing love. Glory to God! Amen.
10/02 ( <b>Fri</b> ): Let the love of our Lord Jesus spark all our adults into a new vibrancy for Him, and making Him known! Hallelujah!	11/02 ( <b>Sat</b> ): Our Lord's Presence fill our Sundays into special anointed gatherings. Let Your Spirit touch, spark, heal! Amen.

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever! (Psalm 118:1 ESV)