

Douglas Wu prayer letter

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I Chronicle 28: 9-10 “And you, my son Solomon, acknowledge the God of your father, and serve him with wholehearted devotion and with a willing mind, for the Lord searches every heart and understands every desire and every thought. If you seek him, he will be found by you; but if you forsake him, he will reject you forever. 10 Consider now, for the Lord has chosen you to build a house as the sanctuary. Be strong and do the work.”

Praise the Lord! After five years of labors and prayers, Rustenburg’s only Fuqing church was born at the end of August. Five brothers are willing to serve the new church, therefore we invited Elder Bai-Yi Chuang, Outreach Director of Taiwan Christ’s Disciples Training Seminary, to speak at the church dedication service and ordain them as Coworkers. They are XiaoPing He, XiangYang He, YuDong Chen, ZeLei Huang, and XingHua Xie. Following the dedication, Elder Chuang conducted a two-day training course for the coworkers, so that they may be equipped to serve their church. He also trained PECCC and PEFCC coworkers on another occasion. God’s glory was evident in all the events! May His name be praise, and the Gospel be propagated to all African Chinese through us.

In respect to name Rustenburg’s new church, Whitney and I were touched by brothers and sisters’ consideration. Originally, they planned to name her “Rustenburg Evangelical Fuqing Chinese Christian Church.” After many discussions, they decided to eliminate “Fuqing” for fear of limiting the involvement of other Chinese ethnic groups. Therefore the official name is: “Rustenburg Evangelical Chinese Christian Church (RECCC)”. We pray that all Chinese in Rustenburg may be blessed by the church, not just the Fuqings.



Dedication of Rustenburg Evangelical Chinese Christian Church /PECCC choir/Offertory from RECCC



New coworkers of RECCC: XingHua Xie, ZeLei Huang, YuDong Chen, XiangYang He, and XiaoPing He

RECCC Founding History:

2005 Mrs. He Ping Xue, Brother XiangYang He’s mother, noticed there were more than ten believers locally while she visited her children in Rustenburg. So she started a Christian gathering with Ms. Ting Wang for Bible study, singspiration, and prayer. The fellowship went on about half a year till Mrs. He went back to China then

stopped. Even though there was no one to lead the group, brothers and sisters in Rustenburg continued to pray for reinstating the fellowship.

2007. South Africa's crime rate soared in year 2007. More than ten Chinese immigrants were murdered during robbery. In September, two Fuqings became vegetable due to violent gun assault. One of them was Sister BiJin Chen's husband. Surviving Fuqings responded quickly to aid the victims by planning to send them back to their homeland for treatment. However, they needed help from the Chinese government. Therefore, they brought the request to Chinese Consulate General during a special banquet in Johannesburg. Douglas Wu, a CIM missionary, was one of the invited guests. He reported on current conditions and the needs of the victims. He also made commitment to coordinate transporting patients. That's where Douglas Wu met XiaLing Huang and MingYun Weng, two Christian sisters from Rustenburg.

2008. January 1, Through Huang and Weng's recommendation, Douglas and Whitney made their first visit to Rustenburg and helped revive Fuqing's Bible study group.

March 15, 2008. Fuqing Christians began to meet first Saturday of each month at the house where Sister Huang, Sister Weng, and Sister Wang rented. Missionary couple, Douglas and Whitney Wu, traveled from Pretoria each month in support and lead the Bible studies. Four members of the He family took charge of the logistics of the meetings such as cooking and preparing for love feast.

2008. June 28, Monthly Sunday evening service began to take place at Rustenburg Baptist Church.

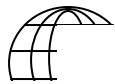
2009. August 3, Bible study fellowship met at He's home on the first and third Monday of every month.

2010. August 16, First church-building committee meeting was taken place. We prayed in one accord till today. God answered our prayer and the church was erected.



Xiang Yang He: Scripture reading/ZeLei Huang: Church History/Bai-Yi Chuang: Encouraging

We are very thankful for Elder Chuang's training sessions conducted at three different locations. Brothers and sister were so eager to learn and to serve God which reminds me of I Chronicles 29:3,6 "Besides, in my devotion to the temple of my God I now give my personal treasures of gold and silver for the temple of my God, over and above everything I have provided for this holy temple... 6 Then the leaders of families, the officers of the tribes of Israel, the commanders of thousands and commanders of hundreds, and the officials in charge of the king's work gave willingly." This passage recorded how David gave for God's temple with a willing



heart which inspired others to give. In a similar situation, five brothers from Rustenburg church gave themselves for the service which inspired fifteen more to come for training. Four of them are Coworkers from PEFCCC, and eleven of them are brothers and sister from PECCC, even if they don't have any Coworkers in their church. Elder Chuang's theme was "Characters of God's Servant." He said, God cares more about His servants than their work. If the "person" is right (after God's heart), God will keep His servant and bless his work. Even if the servant may face hardship, they are prepared for future blessings. The main goal is to follow God's will. After two-day training, all participants were inspired by the messages heard.

At this point, I'd like to mention Brother MingXiong Chen from Pretoria. In spite of his lumbar injury, he came the first day for training. On the second day, his pain increased, he still came. On the third day, he could not stand or sit straight, but he insisted in coming. His heart was burning for God which encouraged us all.



Rustenburg Coworker Training



Training coworkers in Pretoria



Elder Bai-Yi Chuang visiting and praying for brother and sisters



PECCC 16th Anniversary

Our Friday English class is thriving. Because Chrisna gives herself for the ministry, university students from C2S2 were inspired to give themselves as well. They take turn to come and assist teaching beginner English class on Friday nights. Their bilingual ability aided the teaching and learning. May the Lord bless them and their service.



PECCC 16th Anniversary



Offertory by PECCC College Students



Offertory PECCC choir



First anniversary thanksgiving dinner at PEFCCC

Clarence, our son, experienced three weeks of permeative life at school sponsored Bush Camp. His daily allowance for food was only \$1. There were no telephone, no Internet service, no computer, and no cars were provided. One day out of these three weeks, he lived on his own for 30 hours without assistance (each student were 40 feet apart). Thank God that he survived and came home safely. We felt that he has matured through the process. At the end of the Camp, one of the teachers asked him, “what’s your goal for life?” He answered, “I want to be a dentist.” The teacher responded with laughter, “Don’t you know that dentists have the highest suicide rate?” Clarence answered in confidence, “First, I thank God for giving me a joyful heart. Second, my big sister, Sharon, majors in psychology. She can be my counselor. I’m pretty sure that I’ll be a good dentist.”



Awesome creation of God found at wild animal park

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THANKSGIVING

- 1、 Thank God for bringing Elder Chuang from Taiwan CDTS for RECCC’s dedication service and coworkers’ training at Rustenburg and Pretoria.
- 2、 We give thanks for RECCC new church dedication and ordination of five coworkers.
- 3、 Rustenburg Brothers and sisters have consecutively opened their homes for ministries for over two months. Praise the Lord that they are willing to serve the Lord by opening their homes.
- 4、 Mrs. and Mrs. Alex Ko have already started their theological studies at CDTS in Taiwan.
- 5、 Elder Chan of CCICNV will come from Northern California in September for short term mission work.
- 6、 Clarence came back safely from a strenuous camp which helped him mature as a person.
- 7、 Praise the Lord for university students at C2S2 who are willing to assist the Beginner English class.



SUPPLICATION

- 1、 Whitney and I desperately need God's wisdom and guidance in pastoring RECCC, so that the new church may be built on a firm foundation.
- 2、 Continue to pray for Mr. and Mrs. Alex Ko who are being equipped in Taiwan. We hope that their child may find a school suitable for him.
- 3、 Pray for CCICNV Elder Chan's safe trip to South Africa from California. Pray also for three weeks of mission work
- 4、 Doulas and Whitney are planning for a deputation trip to the U.S. at the end of September. Please pray for their travel arrangements, people who will cover their work in South Africa, and people who will care for their children at home. May the Lord grant them grace and peace.
- 5、 Please pray for C2S2's counselor who will take charge of this collegiate ministry.
- 6、 South Africa Department of Home Affairs is reviewing records belong to Chinese immigrants with stringency. If discovered, those who came in with fraudulent visas may not reenter South Africa once they left the country which will cause great financial lost. Please pray for our brothers and sisters who will not face this situation when they apply for extention.
- 7、 Continue to pray for Brother Lin Tuan-An. He is still demanding for damages due to medical negligence through legal means. May God's justice be done.
- 8、 South African Chinese Ministries are in need of workers. May the Lord of harvest send His own laborers to harvest the field.
- 9、 [May the Lord raise His workers locally, so that we may co-labor for African Chinese.](#)
- 10、 South Africa's crime rate is very high. Please pray earnestly for our safety。 May our brothers and sisters become more safety-conscious.

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