

P2G Choir *parents & children ages 4-11*

1st & 3rd SUN @VCBC

Richard Cheng (vcbc.children.choir@gmail.com)

Pioneer Clubs *ages 4-11*

FRI 7:30pm @VCBC

*On Break December 13 to January 3*

Queenie Yip (childrenvcbc@gmail.com)

EDGE Youth *grades 6-12*

FRI 7:30pm @VCBC

*On Break December 27 and January 3*

Brian Lee (youth@vcbc.bc.ca)

Men's Group

2<sup>nd</sup> SAT 10:00am

Jackson Leung (jacklc.leung@gmail.com)

Young Adult Women's Group

Kathy Jung (kmjung@telus.net)

Dayspring Ladies Bible Study

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> TUES 9:30am

Carolyn Yip (cindyso@vcbc.bc.ca)

Jacob's Well Service Opportunity

THU Dec 19, 2:30-8:30pm @Downtown Eastside

Hope and Love 4 U Event

SAT Dec 25, 12:30pm @Downtown Eastside

Tsawout Winter Trip

Dec 28-29

Guatemala Missions Trip

July 28-Aug 7, 2020

VCB-Creatives *photography lovers*

1<sup>st</sup> SUN 1:00pm

Penta Sport *sport lovers*

TUES Nights

Panterest *cooking lovers*

3<sup>rd</sup> SUN 2:00pm

B-interest *craft lovers*

3<sup>rd</sup> SUN 5:00pm

Interested?

contact [connectiongroups@vcbc.bc.ca](mailto:connectiongroups@vcbc.bc.ca) for more details

JOURNEY *college to 25yrs*

Eunice Wong ([journey@vcbc.bc.ca](mailto:journey@vcbc.bc.ca))

CAREER *adults 26yrs+*

Pastor Brian ([careerfellowship@vcbc.bc.ca](mailto:careerfellowship@vcbc.bc.ca))

YOUNG FAMILY *young couples & family*

Jason Wong ([youngfamily@vcbc.bc.ca](mailto:youngfamily@vcbc.bc.ca))

HOMEBUILDERS *mature family*

Flora Cheung ([homebuilders@vcbc.bc.ca](mailto:homebuilders@vcbc.bc.ca))

EVERGREEN *retired*

Henry Lew ([aquila@vcbc.bc.ca](mailto:aquila@vcbc.bc.ca))

**NEXT GEN**  
empowering and equipping

**CONNECTION GROUPS**  
friendship, interest, interaction

**DISCIPLESHIP**  
accountability, spiritual discipline

**LIFE @ VCBC**  
community, service, mission

**FELLOWSHIPS**  
growth, support, bonding, service



**VCBC**

**Blessed To Bless**

*Raise up Generations of Christ Followers and Disciple Makers*

**Third Advent Sunday Service 2019.12.15**

*Follow and Witness God in All Areas of Life*



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### UPCOMING EVENTS

Dec 15 @1:00pm P2G Choir Practice	Dec 19 @2:30-8:30pm Jacob's Well Service Opportunity	Dec 22 @9:40am Celebration of Baptism	Dec 25 @10:30am Christmas Day Service	Dec 25 @12:30pm Hope & Love 4 U Event	Dec 28-29 Tsawout Winter Trip
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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Today's Message:** That's Why Jesus Christ Was Born

**Speaker & Passage:** Rev. Paul Chan, Matthew 1: 1-6; 16-17

## CHURCH NEWS

**1. Christmas Baptism** - Next Sunday *Sharon Fong* and *Kenneth Wong* will be baptized at the 9:40 English Service, and *Cora Chan, Nicole Lam, Ginny Mak, Leland Yang,* and *Kelly Xi* (Mandarin) will be baptized at the 11:15 Cantonese Service. Please pray for these baptismal candidates.

**2. Offering & Expenditure Report for November 2019 (unaudited).**

	Offering	Expenditure	YTD as of Nov. 30
General Fund	\$75,035.37	\$65,918.18	\$(33,241.64)
Mission Fund	\$9,169.30	\$12,355.67	\$(25,406.98)
Charity Fund	\$1,750.00	\$0.00	\$12,956.00
Building Fund	\$11,136.00	\$786.97	\$47,500.84

**3. CNBC Christmas Offering for International Missions ("Lottie Moon")** - For **today** and **next Sunday** only, please use the special offering envelopes right next to the Offering Box in the foyer. Please write your name and your VCBC Offering # on the envelope, and make cheques payable to "VCBC" (note: this offering will be included in your 2019 VCBC Offering Report and Receipt which will be issued early February).

**4. Our Christmas Day Service** will be happening on **Wed Dec 25**, 10:30 am in the sanctuary. Join us as we celebrate the gift of Christ's birth.

**5. Jacob's Well Community Dinner.** We have an opportunity to prepare & share a meal with the friends at Jacob's Well for their community dinner on **Thurs Dec 19**. We are looking for volunteers to help between 2:30 pm and 8:30 pm. **Today** is the last day to sign up!

**6. Hope & Love 4 U** - We will have another opportunity to share Christmas joy and blessings in Downtown Eastside. **(1)** We will be collecting gently used winter clothing again for this **Dec 25** event. Collection will take place **today and Dec 22**. **(2)** Assisting with event on **Wed, Dec 25**

from 12:30-1:30pm. Sign-up is available today and next Sunday.

**7. VCBC members will have an opportunity to join Christmas caroling on Wed, Dec 25** (organized into 2 groups: 1st group: 9:30-11am, 2nd group: 12-1:30pm) in conjunction with the Hope & Love 4 U event. There will be a caroling practice on **Sat, Dec 21** from 1:30-3:30pm at VCBC room B3-5. For more information, please contact Steven Cheng at [skscheng@shaw.ca](mailto:skscheng@shaw.ca)

## NEXT GEN

**8. P2G Choir Practice - Today at 1:00 pm** in the Sanctuary. Contact: *Richard Cheng* ([vcbc.children.choir@gmail.com](mailto:vcbc.children.choir@gmail.com)).

**9. EDGE Fellowships** will be on break on Dec 27 and Jan 3; will resume on Jan 10.

## MISSIONS

**10. Donations/funding for Emma Li (Youth With A Mission).** To financially support Emma for participating in YWAM's 5 month discipleship program in Los Angeles starting in January, please visit [ywamla.org/donatepay](http://ywamla.org/donatepay) and select "Make a payment for a student". **(1)** The site will ask you for the name of the student you are donating to: "Emma Li" **(2)** and it will ask you for the school/seminar they are enrolled in: "Compassion DTS". **Note:** Donations are in US dollars and there will be no tax deductible receipts issued. If there are further questions, contact Emma at [emmaali910@gmail.com](mailto:emmaali910@gmail.com)

**11. Tsawout Winter Trip** will be happening on **December 28 and 29**. This is a great opportunity to reconnect with our friends from the Tsawout community. For more information, contact Brian Lew ([vcbctsavout@gmail.com](mailto:vcbctsavout@gmail.com)).

**12. Save the date: Jan 31 & Feb 1, Missions Fest 2020.** For info, please see bulletin board.

**13. Journey Discipleship Course.** For info, please see bulletin board.

# PRAYER ITEMS

Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign: The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel.

—Isaiah 7:14

*Praise God for:*

- Joyful and wonderful fellowship last evening at the Christmas Celebration. Thanks to all the volunteers who helped out at this meaningful event.
- The true joy that we find in Christ Jesus.

*Pray for:*

- The brothers and sisters who will be baptized on Dec 22.
- Planning of the Christmas Service on Dec 25. May those attending the service experience the joy of Christ's birth.
- Sensitivity towards those who are going through a difficult time, especially during the Christmas season.
- Meaningful connections to be made while serving in the DTES at Jacob's Well (Dec 19) and Hope & Love 4 U (Dec 25).
- Brian Lew as he plans and leads the Tsawout Winter Trip on Dec 28 and 29.
- Our daily worship and prayers to God, in words and action, to translate into a consistent and visible lifestyle.

## ORDER OF SERVICE

- Welcoming
- Advent Video—Joy
- Lighting of the Joy Candle and
- Call to Worship
- Praise and Worship
  - Son of God*
  - Joy to the World*
  - Crown Him King of Kings*
- Sharing of Community Life
- Congregational Prayer
- Tithes and Offering
  - Humble King*
- Message
  - That's Why Jesus Christ Was Born*
- Response
  - Light of the World*
- Closing Prayer
- Doxology

### Children's Sunday School

9:40am–11:00am @ VCBC Basement  
\*Children are asked to stay in the service for Praise & Worship before proceeding to their Sunday School classes with their teachers.

### Matters of the Heart

(Jack Young)  
VCBC Room B14

### JC Kidz

11:00am –12:00pm  
VCBC B3-5

### Grades 7-8

(Carmen & Larry)  
VCBC Room E2

### Grades 9-10

(Brian Lew & Cindy)  
VCBC Room E1

### Grades 11-12

(Henry C. & Kathy)  
VCBC Room W2

Preschool to Grade 6  
VCBC CHILDREN

After Service @ 11:30am  
SUNDAY LIFE GROUPS