



# Morning English Service

North Side Chinese Alliance Church

18 May 2025

25 May 2025

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## SERMON

*Lest We Forget* | Lillian

*Baptism sharing* | Ps. Eric Lai

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## BIBLE PASSAGE

*Matthew 28:16-20* | Carina

*1 Corinthians 12:12-14, 25-26* | Minh Tu

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## SERVICE LEADER

Patrick Or

Ps. Eric Lai

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## WORSHIP TEAM

Gabriel (leader) and music team

Eric (leader) and music team

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## USHERS

Wendy Tam, Phoenix Mak

Joyce Cheung, Agnes Tang

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## POWERPOINT

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## SPECIAL EVENTS

Baptism & Membership Service

## Welcome to North Side!

We're delighted you could join us! MES (Morning English Service) is an English service that meets every Sunday to worship and praise God, and to hear from His Word. We welcome people of all ages and backgrounds to join in our worship.

Are you new to MES? Or would you like to leave a comment/response for today's service or let us know how we could be praying for you? We'd love to hear from you! Please help us by filling in our response form using the QR code →

*English Pastor: Ps Eric Lai | 0420 373 043 | Church Tel: 9868 7003*

*Note: The recording of MES will be available online on that Sunday afternoon.*



## English Ministry Groups

We encourage you to continue spending time with God in word and prayer, such as using our daily Bible reading chart and weekly prayer points. We also encourage you to continue engaging with others via the small groups activities (NSY, Growth Groups etc.).

As well as our English service, our English ministry also has different groups that meet to deepen our faith in Jesus, or for those seeking to find out more. Please contact Ps Eric if you'd like to find out more about these groups:

<b>NSY (North Side Youth)</b>	High school students (all years 7-12)	7-9pm, Friday nights during school term
<b>Growth Groups</b>	Tertiary aged young people, Young workers and adults	Different meeting times for each group
<b>Ladies' Group</b>	Women of all ages	TBA throughout the year
<b>Men's Ministry</b>	Men of all ages	TBA throughout the year

## *Matthew 28:16-20 (NIV)*

<sup>16</sup>Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. <sup>17</sup>When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. <sup>18</sup>Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <sup>19</sup>Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup>and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

Outline:

1. Jesus calls such-and-such disciples
2. Jesus covenanted His disciples to go back to the beginning
3. God's presence is the source of power to carry out the Great Commission

Reflective Questions:

1. What are specific ways you can live out the command to “go and make disciples” in your daily context?
2. How do you most experience God’s presence in your life?
3. How does the assurance of God’s presence help you overcome fear or hesitation in sharing the gospel?
4. Are there people in your life whom God might be calling you to mentor or evangelize?
5. Are there areas in your life where obedience to Jesus’ commands needs renewal or growth?

# What's On at North Side?

1. **NSY** NSY will be having a praise and worship night this Friday. For those in highschool, we hope to see you at Church on Friday nights 7-9pm.
2. **Monthly Prayer Calendar** The prayer calendar for May has been posted on the church website for brothers and sisters to download and refer to, and a small number of copies have been printed and placed at the reception. Let us unite in prayer and support the ministry of the church.
3. **Baptism and Membership ceremony (25/05)** The following people will be getting baptised (B) or transferring membership (M) next Sunday:
  - 9am MES (English, in Hall 1) – Hannah Tam (B), Weilin Yu (M), Kai-Senn Yee (M)
  - 10am 1CS & 2CS (Cantonese, in Epping West Public School) – Lan Chi Chung (B), Lai Siu Josephine Yau (M), Elza Pun (M), Dawn Tang (M), Gary Keung (M), Karen Yeung (M), Leo Wong (M), Miranda Lam (M), Ronny Yip (M), Sabina Wong (M), Neutron Chung (M), Pinky Shum (M), Matthew Wong (M), Gordon Liu (M), Peggy Tang (M)
  - 11am MMS (Mandarin, in Hall 1) – Guoyou Yao (B)
4. **Parking Permit** Application forms for Elderly/Infant Parking Permits are available at the front of the church office counter. Those who wish to apply, please fill out the form and return it to the church office. Parking permits are distributed on every Sunday. CS1 Traffic Team and CS2 Deacons will allow permit holders to park in the designated senior/infant parking spaces on a first-come, first-served basis. If you have any questions, please contact the deacons.  
Note: If you fill out the online form by clicking the link below, you do not need to complete the paper form available at the church office counter.  
<https://elvanto.nscac.org.au/form/46bbc15b-40b9-4544-a4dd-1ae1e2043362>
5. **Upcoming Special Events/Services**
  - Church Cleaning Day on Saturday, 16/6, from 9am to 1pm. It's a wonderful opportunity to come together, serve, and keep our church looking its best. We'll also enjoy some great fellowship over morning tea and lunch, which will be provided. Whether you can stay the whole time or just for a bit, every effort makes a difference. See you there!
  - Children's Sunday School Sunday Service will be held on Sunday 15/6 during 2CS.
  - C&MA Elders/Diacons Training will be held on Saturday, 21/6 from 9:45am to 3:15pm in LG1-3. Attendance is by invitation only.

Number of on-site attendees /online viewers in last week's Sunday services:

CS1	CS2	Mandarin	MES
113	187/42	58/0	131/4

Anyone wishing to join the WhatsApp group chat for MES general information and announcements, please scan this QR code.



**Online Offering** | Account: North Side Chinese Alliance Church | BSB: 062 113 | Account number: 1003 9146  
Write "MES GF" in the description if you are from MES and wish to offer to the General Fund. Similarly, please use "CMF" (Church Mission Fund), "TG" (Thanksgiving), "BF" (Building Fund) and "GCF" (Great Commission Fund).

Financial Report April 2025	YTD (4/2025)	Apr-25	Mar-25	Feb-25	Bank Balance
Offering	831,669	72,368	92,314	80,400	30/4/2025
Expenses	759,945	65,484	66,579	57,884	98,233
Surplus/(Deficit)	71,724	6,884	25,735	22,516	
Pledge Amount		Total Received 4/2025		Achieved %	
Church Mission Fund	72,000	62,403		87%	
Great Commission Fund	72,000	33,762		47%	

# Prayer Points – 18<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> May 2025

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## Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> – Cross-Cultural Missions

- M&L: Praise God for sustaining them through 8 years of service and for the faithful support. Pray for much-needed rest after a demanding season. Thank God for the provision for the business M&L have been developing. Pray for wisdom as the new employees learn to work together, and pray for a spiritual breakthrough in their journey toward God.
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## Monday 19<sup>th</sup> – Church-Wide Ministries

- The church will hold a baptism and membership transfer ceremony on 25 May. Give thanks for those applying for baptism and membership transfer. Pray that the Lord will strengthen their faith as they continue to rely on Him and grow spiritually. Also pray for the planning of the event, including the message and testimonies, so that all attendees, whether believers or seekers, may be encouraged to move forward in their faith journey.
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## Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> – Cantonese Ministries

- Pray for the family harmony:
    1. Pray for the Lord to establish love and peace in each family, with Christ's truth at the centre of family worship.
    2. Pray for the children's faith development, that they may know Jesus Christ and be rooted in His love.
    3. Pray that we may live as humble examples in our families, learning to submit to God's will like Christ did.
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## Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> – Mandarin Ministries

- Pray for the second phase of the "MasterLife" discipleship training this year. Ask God to lead students to commit to learning, experience spiritual growth, and follow Christ as His disciples. Pray for the teachers, assistants, and prayer partners to be filled with wisdom, strength, and love as they guide and accompany the students in their journey.
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## Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> – English Ministries

- Pray for God to provide a new youth pastor for us to help us lead NSY and disciple our next generation of Christians. At the same time, pray for Pastor Eric as he transitions into the new role as the English congregation pastor. May God continue to give him wisdom and strength to serve.
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## Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> – National & World Affairs

- Pray for the safety and courage of Syria's Christian community amid rising violence and the threat of starvation as a weapon, following a wave of violence that left over 1,000 people dead in March this year. Ask God to protect and strengthen Christian workers in Syria, ensuring they receive the necessary support. Pray for God's provision and the successful delivery of aid, that Syrian Christians feel His presence and hope in the midst of suffering.
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## Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> – Cross-Cultural Missions

- Josh & Jaclyn: Pray for God's financial provision for Ruang Studios through steady clients and projects. Ask for wisdom as they consider relocating after recent severe flooding. Pray for their children to thrive at school and grow in faith. Pray for unity and strong relationships within the team, and for wisdom as they lead a ministry focused on developing future Cambodian leaders.
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## Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> – Church-Wide Ministries

- Please pray for the church's future direction, that the pastors, elders, and deacons may discern God's vision and lead the church in unity to be rooted in Christ and win more people for the Lord. Also, pray that the three congregations—English, Mandarin, and Cantonese—will work closely together without division, sharing resources and jointly testifying to the Lord's love and presence.
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