



VEF Worship Service

(November 15th, 2020)

*Address: #2 Jiangong 1st Road, Hsinchu.

*Website: www.vefellowship.com

Call to Worship	Psalm 51:10-12
Worship in Song	The Heart of Worship
Scripture Reading	Matthew 6:19-21
Worship in Song	Beautiful Savior You Are Beautiful Beyond Description
Announcements	Jims
Message	John Olson Philippians 3:12-4:1
Response Song	Beneath the Cross of Jesus
Benediction	John Olson

Children's Sunday school meets weekly. Children should go with their parents to the worship service and stay for the music portion of the service. After the music is done the children will be dismissed to their classes and can be picked up at 10:20.

Nursery (0-3 years old) – B101

Pre-school (4-6 years old) – B103 *Children should be 4 years old by September 1st, 2020

G1-G2 – B105

G3-G4 – B102

G5-G6 – B104

For safety reasons all parents need to fill out a registration form. Scan the QR code or go to <https://forms.gle/Rx5NSLB5fAByNu6H9> to register.



Questions for Group Discussion

1. What is something that you are thankful for this past week?
2. Do you have any questions about the message today?
3. What did God teach you?
4. Do you have any prayer requests?

Prayer Requests

Pastor Tom Curry and his wife, Rhonda, are in their last month of ministry in Indiana. Pray that they would be able to leave well. Also pray that their visa would be approved soon and that they would be able to find an apartment near the church.

Pray for the Guanxin Park church plant. Pray for Pastor Chung, Elder Lin, and other co-workers as they minister and try to reach out into the community. There will be a dedication service for the church on Sunday, Nov. 22.

VEF needs to find someone (or a team) who can help lead youth group on Friday nights. Pray that the right person(s) would step forward.

Announcements

Our annual Thanksgiving Potluck will be held next Sunday, November 22nd at 5PM. This is a great opportunity to invite a non-Christian to attend. The church will provide plates, bowls, utensils, and several turkeys. Each person should bring a food dish to share.

There will be a Christmas Market on Saturday, Dec. 12th. VEF will have a choir that will sing Christmas carols at this event. If you would be like to join the choir please contact Grace Chang or Peter Park. There will be two practices held after the morning service – 11/22 and 12/6.

VEF will have a Junior Choir (children/youth) on December 20th. There will be 2 practices – December 12th and 19th from 8:00-9:30am. Please contact Dora or Jessie Lin if you are interested in joining.

Join us on LINE or FB to get regular updates regarding VEF.



VEF needs a person or group of people who are willing to help lead the youth group on Friday nights. If you would like more information please talk with Linus or Pastor John.

Looking ahead

November 22 – Thanksgiving Potluck (5PM)

November 29 – Christmas Decorating Party (3PM)

December 12 – Christmas Market

December 24 – Candlelight Service (7:30PM)

Last Sunday's (11/8)

- Morning worship attendance – 91
- Afternoon worship attendance – 43
- Children's Sunday school attendance – 46

How to pay tithes by Wire Transfer You can transfer your offerings to Victory's Postal account, the bank code is 700, follow by the account number - 0061021 0478485. Contact Pastor John at vefpastor@gmail.com or Yu-Hwa at yhwang217@yahoo.com.tw. Please make sure to contact one of them to make sure the money goes into the VEF account and transfer was properly made.

VEF Contact Information

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Philippians 3:13-14 (NIV) – Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

<https://www.bibleref.com/Philippians/3/Philippians-3-13.html>

Paul's goal is perfection, but he has not reached it yet. He is not faultless, nor does he expect to achieve perfection before his death. Instead, he uses the analogy of a runner in a race to depict the motivation of his spiritual life. Like a dedicated runner, he has a single goal. Just as a runner cannot be successful unless they concentrate on the race, neither can Paul be successful growing in Christ if he allows other goals to interfere.

Continuing the running analogy, Paul also chooses to live by an important principle: keeping his attention on the road in front of him. A runner cannot look back and still focus on the goal ahead. The two ideas are mutually exclusive. A runner's goal is to focus on the next step toward his or her goal. Paul's spiritual life is the same. He will not look back to past steps, but focus on improving each step in his race until reaching the goal of being with Christ.

Christians can learn from the past, but we are not bound to the things we have done. Instead of being chained by our past mistakes, we can move forward, knowing that we carry Christ's forgiveness.