# Life Groups & Ministries

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

# The resilient soul in Christ

Can Sing With All Faith

Never a trial that He is not there,
Never a burden that He doth not bear;
Never a sorrow that He doth not share,
Moment by moment, I'm under His care.
Moment by moment I'm kept in His love,
Moment by moment I've life from above;
Looking to Jesus till glory doth shine;
Moment by moment, O Lord, I am Thine

(Second stanza & chorus of "Moment by Moment" hymn, Baptist Hymnal, 1975)

#### Ponder

I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace.
In this world you will have trouble.
But take heart! I have overcome the world.
(John 16:33 NIV)

I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. I can do all this through him who gives me strength.

(Philippians 4:12-13 NIV)

# Our Vision Isaiah 54:2-3 Kingdom Enlargement

Mission Statement Influence people for Christ to enlarge God's Kingdom.

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Stay Calm. Let Go, **HOLD ON**. Bounce Back. (Truly Resilient, James 1:2–5)

Last Tuesday, Taiwanese weightlifter Kuo Hsing-chun (郭婞淳) clinched Taiwan's first gold at the Tokyo Games by setting Olympic records in the women's 59kg weight class with a combined lift of 236 kg (103 kg in the snatch and 133 kg in the clean and jerk). This is her story:

- There were so many complications in her birth that she almost didn't make it. Her name "Hsing-chun" has a similar pronunciation of "luckily-through" or "just survived" in mandarin.
- She grew up in a very poor indigenous family: never met her father, constantly subject to bullies at school; moved houses a lot due to housing debts. If not for her sports scholarship, her family couldn't have survived let alone afforded her education.
- When her talent in weightlifting became apparent and was selected to join the
  national team for the 2014 Asian Games, an accident occurred. Her thigh muscles
  were severely torn. That almost put an end to her sport career. But she recovered,
  and started to have wins in many international competitions, and now, the Olympics.

"Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart." (Hebrews 12:1-3)

We need a purpose or goal to live through hardship and preserve in life challenges. The formation of this perseverance has to go through numerous smaller challenges or difficulties, in which we learn to be resilient, not giving up or giving in so easily.

As Christians, our Heavenly Father teaches us that when we withstand in sufferings, perseverance develops in us: with perseverance God's character and with character, hope. (Romans 5:3-4)

Today in my sharing, I am unpacking some elements of resilience and how it can be developed in us. May the Lord edify you with His Words spoken through the Holy Spirit today.

Rocky Wong

# TODAY

"Fear not, for I am with you; Be not dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you, Yes, I will help you, I will uphold you with My righteous right hand." (Isaiah 41:10 NKIV)

Morning prayer @ 8.00am

Celebrating Our Lord @ 9.00am (with live stream)

Praise & Worship Holy Communion Welcome & Prayers Kids Ministry The Word Notices Birthdays Benediction

Tea & Coffee

# Birthdays

01/8 Jackie Lai 02/8 Raquel Simbahan 05/7 Fred Sibug 07/8 Alice Lau

#### **UPGRADES**

(screen, camera, projector, lightings, computer) are progressively being installed.

Budget is \$50K. Continually trusting in our Lord for ministry provisions.

Thank you to all who have cheerfully contributed. About \$25K+ to date (Food sales \$1489/=)

"And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus." (Philippians 4:19 NIV)

# July Reaching Month "Truly Resilient"

Make Jesus known!

Share.

Help.

Listen.

Sow.

Pray.

Invite.

Persevere.

It's about LIFE!

Wonderful, Healthy to make Jesus known!

Pray with.

Confirm.

Bless.

No other Name for salvation! No other Way! No other Hope, Life! **ONLY JESUS!** Yes, ONLY JESUS!

#### 2021/2022 Church Theme



# 7/3 What God Starts, He Completes.

(Hebrews 13:20-21; Ephesians 4:11-13; Psalm 18:30-33; 138:8; Philippians 3:12-14; 1:6)

# 14/3 Unfinished Business: Completing Our Character

(1 Corinthians 6:19,20; Luke 14:27–30; Philippians 3:12–14; 1:6)

### 21/3 To Our God Be The Glory!

31 years by His Will and His Word. Completing. Awakening (Psalm 34:1-3; 115:1, 14-15)

28/3 The Lord Jesus Enters (Matthew 21)

4/4 Resurrection Sunday

(Matthew 28; Mark 16; Luke 24; John 20)

11/4 After The Resurrection. What's Next?

(Acts 1:3; 1:8, John 21:15-19)

**18/4 Over To New** (Mark 10:46-52)

25/4-30/5 Wholeliness

(1 Thess 5:23; Genesis 1:26–31; 1 Peter 1:15,16; Col 2:9,10)

6/6 - 27/6 True Love

(1 John 4:7-16; Matthew 22:34-40; John 13:34,35)

4/7-8/8 Reaching Month -- Truly Resilient (James 1:2-5) Stay Calm, Let Go, Hold On, Bounce Back

Pay attention to God's Word!

# Themes for the past 6 years 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

"Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock." (Matthew 7:24 NIV)

# √ COMMIT 2 PRAY

01/8 (Sun): Our Heavenly Father, how glorious You are our Lord God! Your Kingdom come powerfully everywhere to all people groups! Amen.

02/8 (Mon): Lord Jesus, there is none like You! Let Your Church be all out to make You known quickly. Your Kingdom come!

03/8 (Tue): O Holy Spirit, strengthen all of Lighthouse as Your truly resilient witness. Empower us with Your love and boldness.

04/8 (Wed): Our Father, thank you for Your amazing grace. O God, powerfully turn the hearts of the Japanese to You.

05/8 (Thu): Dear Jesus, fill, fill Lighthouse with songs of praise. The joy of You overflows as precious testimonies. Amen.

06/7 (Fri): Holy Spirit, enlarge all our Life Groups with resilient love for Jesus. Let the life and love of Jesus flow strongly.

07/8 (Sat): Blessed Father, Son and Holy Spirit, bless Lighthouse. Your face shine upon us so to shine all the more brightly!

"For with God nothing will be impossible." (Luke 1:37 NKJV)