












WELCOME TO WILLINGDON CHURCH | February 2 & 3, 2019
Baptisms & New Members

BAPTISMS	Sunday Sanctuary									Connection
	8:30am					11:30am				11:45am
										
	Zhao Ji Zheng	Peter Lee	Cindy Lee	Mary Ma	Linda Chen	Sylvia Sze	Peter Heang	Christopher Cheung	Denis Starozhuk	Ellen Chen

Confession of Faith	Sunday					
	8:30am				10am	
						
	Priscilla Chee	Hye J Kim	Jee Woo Choi	Kyuseok Choi	Kelly Maurice	
	11:30am					
						
	Susan Fun	Laurie Heang	Jennifer Cheung	Steve Sun	Brad Choi	Esther Sohn

Please keep these new Willingdon Church members in your prayers!

New to Willingdon willingdon.org

Thanks for visiting us today. Come see us in the Welcome Centre. We would love to say hello in person. You can also ask any questions you may have about Willingdon or find out how you might get connected.

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| <p>Regular Weekend Services
 Saturday:
 The Connection 5:00pm, 6:30pm
 Sunday:
 Sanctuary 8:30am, 10:00am, 11:30am
 The Connection 10:00am, 11:45am</p> <p>Nursery Available: Saturday 5pm
 Sunday 8:30am, 10:00am, 11:30am</p> | <p>Prayer and Resource Centres
 Saturday • 4:30pm - 8:00pm
 Sunday • 8:15am - 1:15pm</p> <p>Having trouble finding your way around? Our Info Desk volunteers are happy to help direct you and answer any questions you may have.</p> | <p>Discovery Classes (in the Chapel)
 A series of small group studies about Jesus Christ and the Church Family. Pick up a Discovery sign-up brochure at the Info Desk, Resource Centre or drop by the Chapel.
 Saturday • 5:00pm
 Sunday • 10:00am & 11:30am</p> |
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| <p>Children's Ministry
 Saturday Kids' Classes: 5pm
 Sunday Kids' Classes: 10am & 11:30am. Kids who are first-time visitors or guests, please visit the Kids Info Desk (1st floor).</p> | <p>Student Ministry
 In-Service Weekend: check out the service with your family and get connected to the larger church.</p> |
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THIS WEEK AT WILLINGDON

New to Willingdon

We're glad you're here. If this is your first time visiting Willingdon Church, please come visit us at the Welcome Centre! We would love to meet you and help get you connected with all that's going on here at Willingdon!

Guest Speaker: Dr. Christopher Yuan

Willingdon is pleased to welcome Dr. Christopher Yuan as he speaks at our weekend services on Feb 23 & 24.

In addition, Willingdon will be hosting three sessions on Feb 22 and Feb 23:

Session 1: Fri. Afternoon Feb 22: 1pm to 4:30pm

Who am I? & Holy Sexuality

Session 2: Fri. Evening Feb 22: 7pm to 8:30pm

Ordinary Parents, Extraordinary Father

Session 3: Sat. Morning Feb 23: 9am to 12:30pm

Myths and Purpose of Marriage & Singleness

All Sessions are free but registration is required to reserve your seat by Feb 18.

Please register online at willingdon.org/christopheryuan-sessions

(or fill in a paper registration form available in the lobby info stands.)

Translations in Cantonese, Farsi, Mandarin, Portuguese, Spanish will be available during some sessions. Please check online for full details.

Discipleship Pathway Classes

Sundays, 8:30am-9:45am, Room 3040. Spaces are limited. Email mlee@willingdon.org for more info and to RSVP.

Feb 3 – Evangelism Training (walk-ins welcome)

Feb 10 – Bible Reading Journaling Training

Feb 17 – Discipleship Groups Information Session

Feb 24 – Community Groups Information Session

Kids Choir Spring 2019

Registration for the Kids Choir Spring 2019 is now available. Practices will begin Feb 17.

Registration forms are available downstairs at the Kids Info Desk.

Ongoing Ministries

High Voltage (Gr. 6 & 7): willingdon.org/high-voltage
Fri, Feb 8, 7pm, Connection: Gym Jam. Cost \$5

Riptide (Gr. 8-10): willingdon.org/riptide
Thurs, Feb 7, 7pm, Yth Ctr: Gab Groups

Encounter (Gr. 11 & 12): willingdon.org/encounter
Tues, Feb 5, 7pm, Yth Ctr: Small Groups: Hot Topics

The Exchange (Age 18-30): willingdon.org/theexchange
Wed, Feb 6: Life Groups offsite

Christ Centered Singles: Sat, Feb 16, 7pm, Chapel.
"Searching for True Love" film and Greek dinner \$18.
RSVP by Feb 8. Contact Selina 778-554-5947.

New Horizons (Seniors): Thurs, 1pm, Chapel.

A Man and His Marriage: Sun, Feb 3–Mar 10, 8:30am, Room 3060. Open to all married & single men who desire to prepare themselves for a Christ-centered marriage.

Marriage Prep Course: For seriously dating or engaged couples. Email Pastor Isaac ilee@willingdon.org before Feb 28 for info and registration package.

Creation Science Class: Sat, Feb 23, 2pm, Fireside.
Contact Barb at matthew633@shaw.ca for more info.

GriefShare: Sun, 8:30am, Rm 3030
Thurs, 7pm, Rm 3090

DivorceCare: willingdon.org/divorce-care
To sign up, email Selina at selinachow2010@gmail.com.

Alongside: Sun, Feb 17, 1:15pm, Rm 3030. RSVP to alongsidecare@gmail.com.

Prayer Meetings: Wed, 6:30am, Café
Sun, 8am, Connection

Global Hotspots Prayer: Sun, 10am, Rm 3090.

Mission Circle: Tues, 9:30am, Rm 1500.

International Language Ministries:
willingdon.org/international-language
9 International Language fellowships meet throughout the week. A sample of groups meeting this week:
Filipino - Sun, 1pm, Rm 3040
French - Tues, 7:30pm, Café
Korean - Sun, 1:30pm, HQ

PRAYER

Prayer Requests: Fill out a Prayer Card and drop it in one of the boxes at the Resource Centre, Info Desk, or Welcome Centre. You can also email prayer@willingdon.org.

Prayer Chain: Bev Leonard (604-803-0052)

Pastoral Visits: Pastor Walter (604-435-5544)

Prayers 4 Women: Women, if you have a prayer or care request you feel more comfortable sharing with another woman, please email prayers4women@willingdon.org or call the church office.

Prayer Info Card: A prayer info card with family matters and ways to get involved in prayer can be found on the Info Stands and at the Info Desk.

BIBLE STUDY QUESTIONS

1. Take some time to catch up. How did this week go? What steps of obedience did you take and what has God been teaching you?
2. Take time to read Revelation 2:8-11. What stands out to you from the text and/or sermon that Bryan preached? Was there something you had not noticed before?
3. Jesus describes Himself to the church as "the first and the last, who died and came to life." Why would this description be particularly meaningful to the church in Smyrna? Read Matthew 10:28-33 to help answer the question.
4. Around the world, we have brothers and sisters who are suffering physically, emotionally, economically, and relationally because of their faith in Jesus. Take some time to pray for the churches in countries you know of that are being persecuted.
5. Most of us don't compromise in our faith because we are afraid of being killed. We compromise for far less than that. In which areas of life do you think Christians most feel the pressure to compromise? From where does that pressure come?
6. How do you feel led to respond to this week's message and text? Are there steps of obedience you feel the Spirit asking you to take? How can we pray for you as a group?

GLOBAL PRAYER

The Lord continues to open doors for Willingdon to send short-term mission teams. Please pray that God will give discernment to know which opportunities to step into, and that the people He invites to these teams will say yes. We are currently recruiting for 6 teams. If you are interested in short-term missions, consider attending an info meeting this Sun, Feb 3, 1pm, Room 3070.

YEARLY GIVING

A reminder that if you moved in the last year, please advise us of your new address immediately.

You can contact the Church Office at 604-435-5544, or by email at database@willingdon.org.

VOLUNTEER NEEDS

Here are a few areas with urgent volunteer needs and the person to contact if you wish to sign up:

- Parking Attendants (tcastro@willingdon.org)
- Welcome Center Hosts (stam@willingdon.org)
- First Aid Attendants for Sundays (stam@willingdon.org)
- Info Desk Volunteers for Saturday evenings (nrschmidt@shaw.ca)
- ILM SafeKids Team Sundays from 1-3pm (jbtest@willingdon.org)
- Food services - special events (rklassen@willingdon.org)

WEDNESDAY CAFÉ

Wednesdays from 5pm-7:30pm.

This is a great opportunity for fellowship and a delicious meal for only \$5!

RIGHTNOW MEDIA

Please note that Willingdon Church no longer has a subscription with RightNow Media. If you are interested in a subscription, please contact Right-Now Media directly.

CHURCH PHOTOGRAPHER

Please be aware that there is a Willingdon Church photographer on site taking photos in service and around the church. Please note the photos may be shared on social media channels.

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The Lord Jesus was direct in His warning to the Church in Smyrna – they were going to suffer. Christ never hides from His people that they can anticipate opposition, and violent hostility in many instances. To be frank, suffering for Jesus' sake is a foreign concept for most of us in North America, although increasing antagonism towards evangelical Christianity suggests our situation is beginning to change. The message to the Church of Smyrna is full of both warning and tremendous encouragement for us. Will we stand fearless and remain faithful when the tests grow tougher?

1. **Rely** on the **person** of Jesus (2:8)

To persevere for the sake of Christ requires that we know the resurrected Lord.

2. **Recognize** the **reality** of your situation (2:9-10)

“I know of your afflictions and your poverty – yet you are rich!”
What a statement! Grinding suffering contrasted with spiritual wealth and vitality.

3. **Respond** in Christ's **strength** (2:10)

In their own strength, the believers in Smyrna would have been fearful and faithless, but Jesus calls for the exact opposite response – be fearless and faithful.

4. **Receive** your **reward** (2:10-11)

Jesus is “the first and the last” who rewards those who overcome with the crown of life. The true purpose of a Christian's suffering is meant to both prove and improve our faith.

WILLINGDON CHURCH ELDERS

Phil Balzer	Ruben Heyn	Mark Loewen	Rick Reimer	Ed Thiessen
John Best	Danny Lee	Dave Marshall	Vince Reimer	Wayne Wiebe
Jim Eisenhauer	Paul Lee	Ken Redekopp	Willy Reimer	
Ray Harms-Wiebe	Ron Leonard	Mark Reimer	Norm Schmidt	

Please continue to pray for the elders.

If you wish to contact an elder, please email
elders@willingdon.org.