

China Gets in Your Blood!

By Cindy Carlson

Recently a friend came across two letters I wrote back in 1992 (before going to China) and 1994 (when I returned to the US). I started musing about how much it has meant to me to live and teach in China. The biggest impact has come through the men and women who were my adult English students my first two years in China. All of them were Jr. and Sr. High English teachers in small cities, towns, and rural villages. They taught with 50 to 80 students in a class. Some had good English skills and some wished they could change jobs and leave teaching. Now 24 years later I am so proud of these people. Many of them entered graduate school immediately after leaving our college where they earned their Bachelor's degrees. A number have earned PhD's. Some have stayed in their small towns and taught exceptionally well, preparing their own students to go to college. Others now have more responsibility than they want as they teach or have administrative roles in university English departments. Some left teaching early and have become businessmen, lawyers, entrepreneurs, etc. The most talkative of my former students has over 20 years experience in marketing. On a trip to visit his wife's family in New Zealand he heard about Christ from her family. His wife accepted Jesus first, then he followed. He has a goal of forming a Christian businessman's network in the future.



Whenever I would return to China to teach, I'd always include a trip to my China hometown, Hefei, and a visit to Shanghai. My students would send word I was in town and we'd have a reunion. Several students have come to the US for short or longer stays. Last year three of them were visiting scholars in CA, MI, and OH. They, along with my former teammate, met in Cincinnati for a reunion. It is so special to maintain these friendships over the years.

In addition, there have been so many wonderful families (not my former students) who have come to Cincinnati to do research at UC or the hospitals. God really has worked through the Cincinnati Chinese Church and local friends to meet and befriend these families. For four consecutive years I met a new family each year and grew to love them. One of the husbands accepted Christ. He shared his faith story with a newcomer dad, who shortly after chose to follow Jesus. Both families have returned to China. The first friend said when he gets together with his high school classmates they call him "Pastor" because he speaks openly about his faith.

God has brought me such a long way from my initial prejudice against Chinese people because of their communist form of government. He broke down the prejudice and proceeded to send me to China as a teacher and witness to Him. I'm so grateful He did. Now, China is in my blood and I'll never be the same.

All-Church Chili Cook-off!

Next Sunday, January 29th, at 12:30pm, we will once again have our Annual All-Church Chili Cook-off. Please bring your best chili, cornbread, or brownies to share and enter into the competition. Everyone who attends will vote for their favorites, and the top three in each category will win prizes!



During lunch, we will hear about Summer 2017 ministry plans from the Children, Youth & Family team. Even if you aren't a child, a youth, or a family member of one, this is a great opportunity to learn all the ways you can support our kids as part of their community of faith that has promised to help raise them to know and follow Jesus!

If you're planning to bring chili, cornbread or brownies, please sign up at the table in the atrium or by emailing Robyn Hubbuch at rhubbuch@chpc.org so we can make sure there will be enough food for everyone!



Children & Youth Helpers in Worship

Children ages Kindergarten through third grade are invited to a Children's Worship service each week. Start off with your families in both the 9am and 11:15am service, then listen for the announcement dismissing the kids to their special service. Just before the sermon, children will be dismissed to their special study and worship time.

This week's helpers are:
9:00am Jason M.
11:15am Sarah & Jared L.

Next week's helpers are:
9:00am Elizabeth D.
11:15am Nicholas D. / Aidan M.

Adult Spiritual Formation Classes

By William Custer

Our Winter series continues this week with most classes beginning at 10:10am on Sunday morning. Notice that the Multiethnic Conversation is offered on Sunday mornings and on Monday evenings.

Multiethnic Conversations

When: Sunday mornings January 8 – February 26 at 10:10 am OR

7pm – 8:30 on Mondays January 9,23,30; February 6, 13, 20, 27 & March 6

Sundays - Room: Ministry Center Basement - Clubroom
Mondays - Room: Barnbas Center 201 & 202

Childcare will be provided for the Monday night classes. Please RSVP for Child Care with Mary Clare at 871-2309 or mclarepeck@hotmail.com.

Exploration Class If you have questions about becoming a Covenant Partner (member) of CHPC, this class is for you! The Exploration Class meets the next 3 Sundays (January 15, 22, & 29) at 10:15am on the 1st floor of the Ministry Center in the Conference Room near the Worship & Arts Ministry area.

Bible Study - 1 Peter

Room: Ministry Center Basement - Room A & B
Led by Scott Rice at 10:10. Class size limited to 15.

The Prayer of Jabez

Room: Ministry Center Basement - Room C
Led by Matt Wilbur at 10:10. Class size limited to 15.

Blessings of Jesus – The Beatitudes

Room: Ministry Center Basement - Room D
Led by Fran Kelley at 10:10. Class size limited to 15.

Sacred Marriage

Room: White House
Led by Jeanne Schneider at 10:10. Class limited to 15.

Financial Peace and Ignite will not be meeting this session.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Grief Support Lunch Care ministry invites those who are grieving the loss of a loved one to attend grief group on Monday, February 6 from 11:30am – 1pm. The group provides a place of support as you journey through the grief. Please RSVP to Jeanne Schneider at jschneider@chpc.org or 513-541-5676, ext. 1160 for questions or to register.

Multiethnic Conversations United In Jesus! Join the Spirit-filled interactions about ethnicity and race. We are committed to growing in healthy, unifying relationships. Multi-Ethnic Conversations will be our guide. We will be meeting on Sunday mornings or on Monday evenings. Invite your friends to come with you.

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ALL WOMEN please plan to attend the IF:Gathering LIVE Simulcast on Friday, February 3, 6:30-10pm, and Saturday, February 4, 9:30am - 6pm, at CHPC! This is a women's discipleship event hosted by the Woven Ministry. Please register and invite friends and family. Still spaces available! Light Breakfast and Box Lunch provided Saturday. Awesome list of Equippers: Jennie Allen, Jo Saxton, Roce Anog, Amena Brown, Shelley Giglio, and so many more! Questions? Contact Janet Dumford 541-8281 Also, sign up for IF:20 Days of Prayer emails leading up to this event at ifequip.com

Jennie Allen (the founder of IF:) is coming to CHPC Sunday, February 19, 2017 at 6:30pm! There is a ticket purchase required. There will be a limited number of 'gifted' tickets available, please contact Missi K. (missiker-shner@gmail.com or 254-6908) if needed. Childcare will be available for this event for a nominal fee. The link for tickets is on chpc.org. You can also purchase tickets in-between services at the Woven Table.

Looking for a way to serve? Bryan and Carolyn Madison are looking for someone who would be willing to pick up donated fruit for Sunday morning worship from their store Madison's at Findlay Market and bring it to the church. Pickup would best be done on Friday or Saturday. If you can help with this ministry please call Carolyn for more details at 513-542-2009.

WANT TO HOST A GOURMET DINNER? Come to Main Street to purchase chances and additional information. You can also contact Bev Graves - 541-5676, Lance Brown - 522-7569 or Joe Breiner - 741-8022. A winning chance for you and winning possibilities for the sponsoring organizations!! Proceeds of the event will be shared with Feast of Love and Son Light Power.

CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILY

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MEGABLAST, CRASH, and Huddles meet tonight from 6-8pm! Kids in 4th-12th grade are invited to come to the Fellowship Hall for worship together, small groups, and games! Eat dinner before you come, but feel free to bring a snack to share!

Family Game Night is next Sunday, January 29th from 6-8pm! Families of all ages are invited to build relationships by playing games together!

SERVING IN WORSHIP & ARTS AT CHPC

AFRICAN CHOIR If you are interested in learning a new tongue to worship the Lord and can sing then come join the African Choir. You will also learn about the history and the culture. We will be singing with the Chancel Choir on Sunday February 5. Rehearsal dates are as follow: Thursday, January 26 @ 8:00pm Thursday, February 2 @ 8:00pm

Call for Handbell Ringers Have you been a handbell ringer? Never been a ringer but think you might like to try it? If you have played handbells before and are willing to play again or you have not played handbells but would like to give it a try, please contact Michael at mparker@chpc.org or 513-312-9473. We would like to include handbells on some anthems this Spring.

SERVING IN OUR COMMUNITY

Opportunity to help Refugees Donate a sewing machine to a Refugee living in Cincinnati. Refugees meet on Tuesdays to learn to sew. They can earn their own machine after attending classes and doing volunteer work. If you would like to donate a machine or assist in the sewing class to teach a sewing skill such as quilting, please contact Robin Riechel, 675-4375.

LOST & FOUND

Once again our lost and found is running over! If you may have left any items on campus, please check with the front desk. Any items not claimed by January 29 will be donated or discarded.

Prayer Page

"... without ceasing I remember you always in my prayers," Romans 1:9

CHPC Community

Jenn Williams	Roger Williams
Mazie Jordan	Chris Roediger
Charolett Phoenix	John Phoenix
Favia Leary	Paul Leary
Laura Saylor	Joey Saylor

Staff

Sam Routzon - Communications

Officers/Leadership

Leon Terry - Deacon

Home Bound/Health Center

Ethel Siefert

Ministries

MEGABLAST

Global Workers

In the Military

Adam Steveley US Army	Chris Jaeger USMC
Cary Jaeger USMC	Kirk Kalmbacher US Coast Guard
Zach Scharf Army National Guard	Nyjoel Baker US Air Force
Danny Holian US Navy Pilot	Will Connor US Army
Gus Carpenter US Marines	Andrew Deiters US Marines
Peter & Amanda Leugers US Navy	

College/Career Students

Tim Rice Jacob Russell



January 22, 2017
UNITED
Everybody Helps
Preaching: Rev. Drew Smith

Welcome to College Hill Presbyterian Church

Thank you for worshiping with us today. Single, married, with children or not, there are many opportunities for knowing Christ, worshiping, personal growth and discipleship, service and ministry within the church and beyond the walls.

Visitors - Stop by the welcome table or the desk in the Atrium to find out more about College Hill Presbyterian. Return and become part of this dynamic Church Family.

Upcoming Services

Jan. 29 **United - Everybody a Witness**
Chili Cook-off Following 2nd Service

Feb. 5 **United - Everybody is Needed**

Feb. 12 **United - One New Humanity**

Feb. 19 **United - One Family**

Today's Order of Worship

Prelude
Call To Worship & Opening Prayer
Songs of Praise
Time of Confession & Forgiveness
Passing the Peace
Song of Response
Scripture & Sermon
Pastoral Prayer
Offering / Closing Song
Announcements
Charge and Blessing
Postlude

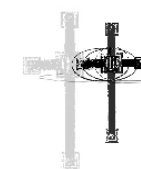
Available Help

Ushers have copies of the song lyrics for the 9am service. Ushers can also provide help with wheelchairs and equipment for hearing assistance. Handicapped accessible restrooms are located off the exit hallway to the right side of the main platform. This exit also leads to handicapped parking spaces.



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