

ST. TIMOTHY e-NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 2013 No. 1

OUR THEME FOR 2013 IS "TOGETHER, WE CAN LEAP FORWARD".

NEW YEAR'S GREETING FROM THE SENIOR PASTOR:

Dear friends at St. Tim:

2012 was a wonderful year. God has blessed us with many good things. There were many people who served the church and I am very thankful for their dedication. Without their prayers and devotion we would not be where we are right now. There are also many unrecognized people who gave their time and love for the church. I would like to express my deep appreciation from my heart. Your love and sacrifice for the church are never wasted; they are the very soil from which God's seed of life will bear fruit. Because of your dedication, now we can face 2013 with confidence and new hope. I have learned again that it is God who leads and moves the church through the people who humbly serve and love God. So with prayerful hearts we begin the new year. Let us have confidence and approach the new year with hope in God.

- Rev. In Kee Kim

TOP TWELVE HIGHLIGHTS OF 2012 FOR ST TIMOTHY ESM (IN SEMI-CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER)

1. Rev. In Kee Kim's sabbatical from February to April in preparation for the Happiness Seminars II.
2. KCWA Gala, in which St. Timothy sent more than 60 people to support the Korean community at large.
3. Local Missions – Evangel Hall Ministry, Habitat for Humanity Project & Teesdale Food Bank.
4. Hi-C Ministry – Retreats & Fellowship under the guidance of Rev. Jane Yoon
5. ESM Summer Retreat to Fair Havens in June with Rev Kim discussing "The Meaning of Life".
6. Congregational Bible Study followed the retreat where our spiritual fire was ignited.
7. VBS in July where the attendance continue to grow due to our dedication to excel.
8. Annual Civic Holiday Picnic at Simeon Park.
9. Elder Election on September 30th when John Chung & James Choe were chosen as the first ESM Elders.
10. Success of Korean School culminating in the Korean Harvest Day on Oct 6th.
11. Another successful Career Night in October with a great turnout. Go Stephanie and Team!
12. Thanksgiving Celebration on October 7th where we also welcomed the Newcomers who joined us.
13. A Concert on October 21st honouring our church anniversary and Rev Kim's 25th ordination anniversary.
14. Christmas Celebration on December 22nd where every group participated, even the Men's Group.

(We could not stop at 12 as there were so many memorable events. How many events were you part of?)

NEW COMMITTEE STRUCTURE FOR THE YEAR 2013

On November 24th, the newly elected Elders, BOM members and the Pastors took part in the annual Leadership Retreat at the Queen of Apostles Retreat Centre in Mississauga. They reviewed the organizational structure of our church, developed a strategic plan for the coming year and articulated a vision for the next 5 years. The following section outlines the newly aligned committees and a brief description of each committee's plan.

WORSHIP

The worship committee led by Elder John and Simon Park is working hard to change the format and flow of worship to be more *intentional* during our Sunday service. The *new format* will start on Sunday, January 6th to start the New Year. Please come to church **10 minutes to Noon** so that we may all become one in Spirit and Body during our Sunday worship.

Simon Park: park.simon@gmail.com

FELLOWSHIP

Danielle Paik and Minjoo Kim are the BOM members with Elder John who will be leading this ministry. First event: New Year's Party: Sat. Jan 5, 2013 @5:30-9 pm. Skating, Dinner and Entertainment are planned for the evening. Please let the group leaders know of your intent to attend. They have numerous events planned throughout the year. Please support these events where we can come together outside of our Sunday worship to have great fellowship with our brothers and sisters in Christ.

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MEMBERSHIP

Veronica Park, Ruth Kim and Elder James encourage all to welcome our newest members to our church as member care and newcomer care is everyone's responsibility in the congregation. We hope to have an intimate Welcome Gathering on Sat. Jan 26, 2013 with all the ministers, elders, BOM and the past year's newest members. We will be hosting these small welcoming gatherings 3-4x/year. Bob Kim will be in charge of the Small Group coordination.

Veronica Park: vhpark8583@rogers.com

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Bob Kim: bobkimca@hotmail.com

SOCIAL OUTREACH

With Bryan Yeo's great dedication and passion, we have Evangel Hall, Teesdale Food Bank and Church, Yonge Street Mission that we support. With this ministry, we hope to do more in reaching out to the various parts of the city. ESM will gradually take over the year's commitment from the KSM regarding Evangel Hall. There will be two opportunities to partake in the Habitat for Humanity Projects this year. If you have any ideas on where St. Timothy's can serve, please let Bryan Yeo know.

Bryan Yeo: bryan.yeo@gmail.com

FINANCE

Brian Park will continue to serve as the Finance Committee Chair. As most of you have received Elder James' message regarding our church finances, we thank everyone for responding to the message in a generous and positive manner. We have demonstrated our desire to take ownership of this church. There will be a congregational meeting to discuss and approve the Budget for 2013 later in January. There are challenges ahead but let us keep it going for 2013. Please pick up the 2013 offering envelopes from the Fellowship Hall.

Brain Park: bpark@tycoint.com

CHOIR

We wholeheartedly thank Jin Won Kim for his hard work and talent in leading our choir for many years. With his resignation, our choir will face a challenge filling this vacancy. It also represents an opportunity to grow with a new conductor. The search committee is in progress to find a new choir director. We were blessed to have Da Hye Kim who started in March 2012 to replace Sun Kyoung Kim as the accompanist. Please continue to pray for this ministry and join the choir if you have a desire to sing.

James Choe: james.choe@sympatico.ca

GROUP LEADERS

These are the newly formed representatives in each group. We thank them for their courage in taking on the leadership roles in the church. Please continue to pray for them and support them.

WOMEN'S GROUP

The new leaders for this group are:

Katherine Lee (Liu) chirokatherine@yahoo.ca

Darlene Kim (Yoon) darlenekim@hotmail.com

Sena Hong(Lee) ccona2002@hanmail.net

The WG does many things within the church to make a lot of our ministries run smoothly. Without their dedication and willingness to serve unseen, many of the events would not happen. We thank all of them for their hard work and continued generosity with their time. They ask for support from within the group as well as from the other ministries. They would welcome any suggestions or ideas that will make this a fun and exciting year.

MEN'S GROUP

Andy Lee is the new Men's Group president for 2013. We thank Andy for taking on this role voluntarily with such class and enthusiasm. We look forward to numerous contributions from the MG in the new year. Please contact Andy with any suggestions or ideas to support him with MG and our church.

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COLLEGE & CAREER GROUP

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In the past, the College and Career groups were led by separate teams but it was decided that going forward, they would join as one group with a representative for each contingent.

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UPCOMING EVENTS IN JANUARY 2013

- New Year's Party: Sat. Jan 5, 2013 @5:30-9 pm.
Skating, Dinner and Entertainment are planned for the evening.
- Welcome Gathering on Sat. Jan 26, 2013
Newcomers, leaders and pastors will attend this cozy event.
- BOM meeting: BOM 6pm on Sat. Jan 19 at Brian Park's place.

DID YOU KNOW...

There are Bible Apps you can download onto your smart devices whether you have an iPhone/iPod Touch/iPad or an Android based one. One such app is "Holy Bible" by YouVersion. You can download from the appropriate app store free of charge. Once you get the app, you can download various versions of Bible onto your device so that you have the Bible with you at all times. With a wifi connection, some Bibles can be read by the app to you or to your child. There are also various Bible reading plans and other features that can make Bible reading more enjoyable.

EDITORS' NOTE

So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

2 Corinthian 5:17

And the one who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I am making all things new.' Also he said, 'Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.'

Revelation 21:5

Happy New Year Everyone!

Thanks for making it to the last page of this newsletter! This is the inaugural issue of St. Timothy's monthly eNewsletter. This project is a "new creation" initiated to bridge the gap in communication among the congregation members. Many activities are planned and are taking place in our church but we are often not aware of them. In the spirit of visibility and transparency, we have produced this device that will enable the readers not only to keep up with the happenings of various activities in the church but to encourage the members to get involved in the church life that truly will be engaging and transforming. Group Leaders of each sections (MG, WG, YC, C&C, Hi-C & Elementary), please submit news and events pertaining to your group by the middle of each month to have them included in the next edition. This eNewsletter will be "pushed" out to your email box by your group leaders. Please keep them informed of changes to your current email accounts. This eNewsletter will also be a useful tool in introducing our church to newcomers.

We expect this eNewsletter to evolve over time into something greater. We hope to receive your input that will make this an amazing communication device. Overtime, the content may grow to include photos, articles, poetry, contests and other informative and creative items to make it a more pleasing visual experience.

One area we need your help in is deciding on a meaningful name for this eNewsletter. We encourage all members of our congregation to submit a name for this eNewsletter which we will be eagerly anticipated every month. There will be a prize for the person submitting a winning name (Prize to be determined!).

Once again, Happy New Year and may God bless us all as we leap forward!

Editors – James Choe, Veronica Park, Bob Kim & Ruth Kim (the Membership Committee)