



Andrew & Elena Au

Missionaries to Hong Kong

Sending Church:

North Valley Baptist Church
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Dr. Jack Trieber, Pastor

"To preach the gospel in the regions beyond you" II Corinthians 10:16

Dear Pastor and Praying Friends,

2023 has been off to a great start! As many of the pandemic measures have been lifted (except for the mask mandate, which most of the locals do not mind), we are seeing new and returning visitors back in church. A new year represents new beginnings and we are thankful for new names written in heaven.



Isaac, our son Alex's classmate, came to church on Christmas day. He heard the Gospel but didn't make a decision. But on the first day of the New Year, he came to church early because he wanted to learn more. **He then received Christ as his personal Savior. Pray for him as he and his family just immigrated to Australia at the end of January. Similar to many others in Hong Kong, they left because of the changes with the government.**

This New Year is also promising new beginnings in other ways. One of our church couples just celebrated a new baby being added to the family. Another couple just announced their engagement and are looking forward to a new life together. Praise the Lord for a new year and new opportunities.

January 22-25 was Chinese New Year. With the first of the New Year being on Sunday, we were not sure what to expect with our attendance, as that is a very important day in this culture. **Praise the Lord for the spiritual growth we saw in our church family when many remained faithful and chose to be in church that day. There was also an additional blessing because, after 3 years without being able to have special fellowships, we were finally able to gather.** We celebrated with a BBQ and "Poon Choi", which is a traditional Chinese meal. There were new visitors and everyone enjoyed the fellowship. We thank God for the opportunities we have to meet new folks and strengthen friendships!



Prayer Requests

- Pray for men in the church to lead and for members to be faithful as we will be on a short furlough this spring.
- Pray for our safety as we travel and juggle a full homeschool schedule while reporting to churches.
- Pray that we will see souls saved and that we can introduce and encourage more to the mission field.

*In Christ,
Andrew, Elena, Alexander, Angela, Anthony, and Ashley Au*