

The unique geographical location and cultural heritage of Hong Kong cultivates the development of a subtle and intimate rapport between churches in Hong Kong and those in China. Regardless of social issues that has arisen at different times in the past, the dilemma of Hong Kong residents to choose to emigrate or stay, or even the internal complex and mixed feelings towards churches in China, our Heavenly Father is still motivating and commissioning “people with a heart for China” to carry on His work.

Characteristics of “people with a heart for China”

- The needs of churches and leaders in China naturally attract their attention
- They are touched by the experience of evangelists in China repetitively
- They feel the hardship of churches in China and pray for them compassionately

Questions “people with a heart for China” might ask

- I want to know more about the situation of churches in China, how can I get more information? I am hearing many rumors, which ones are true?
- I was in touch with or participated in certain China Church ministry in the past. Though many changes might have taken place by now, I still care very much about their needs. How can I resume my support?

To find out more, come and join us here ...

Events organized by CCL

Ministry Sharing Meetings



**Mandarin-speaking Community
Ministry Sharing Banquets**



**Events Organized by Individual
Churches**

Mission/Evangelism Sunday Services



Prayer Meetings for Churches in China



Bazaars



We are relying on God's grace in the midst of changes and obeying His command while serving. May you join us to become "people with a heart for China" and use our consolidated effort to partner and grow with the churches in China!

Innovative Showcasing of Mission Education

“Great Work in Minorities”--

God's magnificent work is seen among ethnic minorities in China

- The Mandarin-speaking Community Ministry team collaborates with local churches to conduct Mission education projects
- Objective: To cultivate local believers' aspiration for mission and to broaden their views on outreach.
- Method: Seminars, sharing sessions, exhibitions, experiential learning, etc.
- Target: Suitable for church fellowships and small groups.

Whenever the team has the opportunity to talk to pastors of local congregations, these pastors all find the project very innovative and interesting. **In retrospect, the inception of this project was to cope with the local situation: it is not easy to talk about ministry in China and local congregations are both worried and hesitant to various extent. We really need to be “innovative” in order to get past the bottleneck!**

Looking back at these two years

The “Great Work in Minorities” project has been ongoing for two years. Individual churches have been inviting the team to share at their weekly fellowship meetings. Through the written language, music, and paintings of ethnic minorities, believers get to know the needs of ethnic minorities in China for the gospel and the situation of the local churches and pastors. We also hold On-site Handicraft Sessions, so that participants can make handicrafts related to the theme. The process enables participants to gain a deeper impression and reminds them to “constantly remember the ethnic minorities in China”.

We thank our Lord. We received a lot of suggestions and feedback from participants and pastors after each meeting. The following are some of the sharing that touched the team the most:

- **God's work is stunningly real**

“I have believed in Jesus for a long time, so long that I almost forgot about His love, but this time when I heard about what God is doing in China, I was touched by His love once again.”

- **Life truly affects life**

“More than a hundred years ago, missionaries came to China, they are truly marvelous individuals. Today, ethnic pastors are mostly descendants of families that have been believers for many generations, they follow the example of and dedicate themselves just like the pioneer missionaries. The impact of missionaries is significant, how would I want to impact the lives of others?”

- **Stronger desire for in-depth understanding**

“Previously I was unaware that there are so many ethnic minorities in China. Thanks to your sharing, I have now learned more about them, and your approach is very interesting. I hope you can come back and share more in the future.”



Participants finish and take home the “Great Work in Minorities” handicraft with the expectation that they will remember the needs of ethnic minority churches in China in prayers.

The ethnic minority hanging decorations as shown are nicknamed “Think of Me”, each one includes:

- an ethnic style weaved cord
- Walnut with green shell (made of clay): this symbolizes evangelists’ “labour”, they de-shell walnuts in order to earn a meager salary to support their ministry.
- jigsaw puzzle: as a token of participants’ willingness to care about the evangelists and respond with action.



Co-workers share the religious beliefs commonly practiced by ethnic minorities in China at a church youth fellowship.

What Next . . .

We are grateful to the pastors who have given us a lot of valuable advice on this project. They have suggested that “Great Work in Minorities” should be structured into a series rather than a standalone event so that believers can be nurtured continually. To this end, we are making the following adjustments:

“Great Work in Minorities” Series

| Aspects in Minorities | Theme |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| Language | The influence of language |
| Art (music, painting) | The life and ministry of evangelists in China |
| Heretical influence to counteract | Biblical teaching available to believers in China |

** The content of each session includes testimonies (of overseas missionaries, pastors in China, etc.), sharing and discussions involving participants, and handicrafts related to the theme.*

We sincerely invite you

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General Donation for Mandarin-speaking Community Ministry

Use: Mainly travel expenses of co-workers to and from China, insurance, and related local operation costs

Annual Fund Needed: USD 128,205

You're sincerely invited to support us. Thank you!

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