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CHINESE BAPTIST CHURCH

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Music Therapy - God's Healing For the Souls

1 Samuel 16:14-16, 21-23 , James 1:17

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Welcome to CBC

We are excited for you to join us in worship today. Our prayer is that through the singing of gospel truths, hearing the scriptures proclaimed, and being around the saints, you will leave edified and equipped to live on mission with God for His glory.

Preparation	1 John 4:9-10 (NIV)
Welcome	Gary Sham
Adoration	Christ Is Enough Here I Am To Worship 10,000 Reasons (Bless The Lord) Ancient of Days
Prayer	Raymond Yu
Scripture Reading	1 Samuel 16:14-16, 21-23 James 1:17 (NIV) Davy Chin
Proclamation	Music Therapy - God's Healing for the Souls Pastor Kai Yuen Choi
Response Music	Pastor Kai Yuen Choi
Offertory Prayer	Davy Chin
Announcements	Erin Joe
Benediction	Pastor Donald Gardner



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1 Samuel 16:14-16, 21-23 (NIV)

14 Now the Spirit of the Lord had departed from Saul, and an evil spirit from the Lord tormented him. **15** Saul's attendants said to him, "See, an evil spirit from God is tormenting you. **16** Let our lord command his servants here to search for someone who can play the lyre. He will play when the evil spirit from God comes on you, and you will feel better."

21 David came to Saul and entered his service. Saul liked him very much, and David became one of his armor-bearers. **22** Then Saul sent word to Jesse, saying, "Allow David to remain in my service, for I am pleased with him." **23** Whenever the spirit from God came on Saul, David would take up his lyre and play. Then relief would come to Saul; he would feel better, and the evil spirit would leave him.

James 1:17 (NIV)

17 Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows.

Notes:

Introduction

- I. Music is part of our Christian worship
- II. Music therapy – in the Bible
- III. Value of Classical music

Conclusion

Pastor's Word by Pastor Donald Gardner

“Resources/Money Should Never Limit Our Service!”

Teaching a course in Church Administration a number of years ago, I read a book that presented the idea that one can tell the spiritual health of a church based on its yearly budget! I was intrigued by what I read and challenged myself to realize that, whether the statement was 100% accurate or not, there was certainly some truth in the comment. The boldness of planning and supporting various ministry efforts is tied to our understanding of material resources and our stewardship over these. If a Church's Budget is focused only on the activity that impacts the lives of church members, one can certainly ascertain that "the lost" of our world are not part of that church's values and concern. If the Budget is highly tied to parties, activities, outings, and the like, one needs to consider whether there is clear evangelistic intent in these or not? When buildings and their development come into play, the question needs to be considered as to how the upgrading or building will benefit the Kingdom of God on a daily basis and not just on Sunday's.

If the "Tithe" is 1/10 of our monthly income that we return to the Lord for His service, I would have to say that most churches should be doing well even without any further "offerings or alms" for the next level of giving. Don't misunderstand, the giving of offerings and alms is good after one returns the tithe but most churches should be able to build a budget based on the tithe alone. Of course, we have to admit that many believers are struggling with their understanding of the tithe and how it impacts the work, vision, and boldness of a church's direction. Let us pray that CBC is able to grasp that ALL we have belongs to God and that giving back to Him, for his Church's Ministry, is a "reasonable service."

May we all be blessed as we develop a church known for our obedience (Ecclesiastes 12:13) and faithfulness. May we remember that we are to be the "ginger of the dish" as we seek to be creative for reaching our lost world.

Announcements

- **CBC Office will be closed on Wednesday, Jan 1, 2025 and reopen normal hours on Thursday, Jan 2, 2025.**
- **Our Blood Donor Drive will be on Sunday, Jan 5, 2025 from 9 am to 1 pm in the FLC.** Please sign up via the link below, if you interested in donating blood:
https://www.commitforlife.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/395089.
- **Short Term Missions information and discussion will be on Sunday, Jan 12 and Jan 19, 2025 from 1 pm to 1:30 pm in room 134.** There will be information and discussion about upcoming short term mission trips for 2025 which include: 1) The Spring Break Mission Trip in Galveston, Tx (March 12-15 / March 16-19, 2025) with Texas Baptists Youth Missions, 2) The Summer Mission Trip in Dallas, Tx (June 7-8, 2025) with the SBC North American Mission Board, 3) The Overseas Mission Trips in Cambodia (June 29 - July 6, 2025), and Taiwan (July 5 - 11, 2025). Everyone who is interested is welcome to join.
- Please view your 2025 lunch rotation serving schedule at: <https://tinyurl.com/lunch-rotation-2025>

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