**Dec 1, 2024**

**Welcome!** *We are so glad you joined us today.*

 *We pray that you will be blessed!*

Speaker: Pastor Dennis Wenceslao

Message: A Prayer Heard

Text: Luke 1:1-25

11 Then an angel of the Lord appeared to him, standing at the right side of the altar of incense. 12 When Zechariah saw him, he was startled and was gripped with fear. 13 But the angel said to him: “Do not be afraid, Zechariah; your prayer has been heard. Your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you are to call him John. 14 He will be a joy and delight to you, and many will rejoice because of his birth, 15 for he will be great in the sight of the Lord. He is never to take wine or other fermented drink, and he will be filled with the Holy Spirit even before he is born

Announcements:

1. English Congregation Christmas Party on Dec 7, 11:30 AM at the Fellowship Hall. Let us sign-up and bring food to the party. Please coordinate with Shirley and Ruby for the food that you will be bringing. We will also have an exchange gift of a new item worth $25.
2. Christmas Eve Worship (12/24 Tue):This is a first joint worship service on Christmas Eve in recent years. Jesus Christ is the reason for the season. Let's worship Him together as a church. A musical choir has been formed with 30+ participants, and more are welcome to join this choir. Please contact Pastor Fenfen for more details.
3. Young Adults and Youth Year-Ender on Dec 29 after the worship service. Lunch will be provided. Please reserve the date and encourage one another to join.
4. The CEF Good News Club (GNC) hosted at our church will cancel the meeting in December. Starting in 2025, the monthly meeting will change to be on the first Saturday. The next meeting date is January 4 at 4:30 - 6:00 p.m. Welcome children ages 5-12 to join. More GNC information is available on the church website.

 **First Evangelical Church Association**

1. **2024 FECA Delegates Convention**

The 2024 FECA Delegates Convention will be held in person on 12/8, Sunday, at 2:30 p.m. at FEC Diamond Bar (20504 Earlgate St., Walnut, CA 91789). We request that the **2024 Delegates** from all member churches reserve time to attend this important annual event. We emailed the agenda package to all Delegates on 11/25 (Monday). **A quorum of 50% or more of the delegates attending should be met to start the meeting. Therefore, each delegate’s participation is essential.** We appreciate your support of FECA’s ministries. Please contact the FECA office at 323-727-7077 or email office@feca.org with any questions.

1. **FECA Pastoral Fellowship and SPAC Meeting**

The 4th Quarter FECA Pastoral Fellowship will be held on 12/5 (Thursday) from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at FEC Glendale.

**Speaker**: Anita Meng Liu, Ph.D., LMFT

*Associate Professor of Counseling & Associate Director (Research & Strategic Initiatives Department (RSI)) of China Evangelical Seminary North America*

**Topic**: ***Spiritual Formation and the Pastorate***

Senior Pastors Council (SPC) will meet after fellowship. May the Lord bless the gatherings with meaningful and beautiful fellowship.

1. **Handel's Messiah at Glendale Church**

The FECA combined Choir will perform Handel's Messiah at Glendale Church on 12/14 at 4:00 p.m. followed by dinner.  Many singers from different FEC churches have joined this combined choir. We warmly invite you to bring your family and friends to celebrate this Christmas with us.

1. **WILL Music Ministry's Short-Term Mission to Malaysia and Taiwan**

WILL Music Ministry will travel to Malaysia from 12/19 to 12/26 to conduct Christmas sermon concerts at various churches, orphanages, senior centers, and community centers and participate in local church visitation ministries. From 12/26 to 1/4, they will hold music sermon concerts in Taiwan at churches, juvenile rehabilitation centers, drug rehabilitation centers, and prisons in Hualien, Taichung, and Kaohsiung. We earnestly ask for your prayers for WILL’s short-term mission: may God protect the team, be with them, manifest the power of the Gospel, lead many to Christ, and may all glory be to the Lord!

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| **Last Sunday's Worship In-Person Attendance and Offering** |
|  | ***Glendale*** | ***SGV*** | ***Diamond Bar*** | ***ACC*** | ***Arcadia*** |
| ***SGV*** | ***HOA*** | ***Arcadia*** | ***GCDC*** |
| ***Mandarin*** | 104 | 265 | 74 | 102 | -- | 43 | 20 |
| ***Cantonese*** | 20 | 114 | -- | 83 | -- | 108 | -- |
| ***English*** | 135 | 81 | -- | -- | 84 | 53 | -- |
| ***Youth*** | w/English | w/English | 10 | 15 | -- | 11 | -- |
|  **Total: 1,322** |
|  | ***Glendale******SGV*** | ***SGV*** | ***Diamond Bar*** | ***ACC*** | ***Arcadia*** |
| ***10/24 Sur./Def.*** | 3,447  | (13,891) | (8,121) | (2,415) | (3,621) |
| ***01-10/24 Sur./Def.*** | 62,616  | 101,857  | (113,349) | 48,623  | (42,517) |