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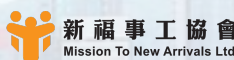
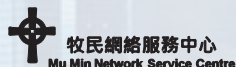
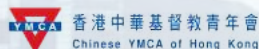
For the success of HKCNP Poverty Forum 2018,
we are so honoured to have the support
from the following organizations and churches.
Their help is deeply appreciated.

(in no particular order)

Core Team:

St Andrew's Church, Evangelical Free Church of China Kong Fok Church,
Shatin Baptist Church, Kei Yam Alliance Church,
Kowloon Methodist Church, Island Evangelical Community Church

Supporting Organizations:



International Day for the eradication of poverty event
on Oct 19, 2019 at St. Andrew's Church, please join us !

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教關扶貧研討會2018
HKCNP Poverty Forum

希望在今TEEN
HOPE FOR TEENS

2018.11.22

Introduction

The government's Poverty Situation Report shows that the poverty population and poverty rate of children in 2016 were 229,000 and 23.0% respectively, in which almost 1/4 of children aged 18 or below were born in poor families. In spite of the drop of child poverty rate slightly from 25.4% to 23.0% since 2009, however, the child poverty rate of HK is ranked fourth among 35 OECD countries, following Turkey, Israel and Spain. It is ridiculous for Hong Kong as a “glorious” cosmopolitan city with a booming economy having so many children and young people suffering from poverty on behind.

For that, HKCNP Poverty Forum has chosen the theme of Poverty for Children and Adolescents, being different from the past. We invited pastors, NGO workers and believers that are ambitious in their youth ministries and are willing to help grassroots youth to get rid of poor. Hundreds of participants, with common beliefs and goals, come together to gather ideas and brainstorm. We are sure that we can produce useful and creative ideas. Don't let any idea lost, try your best to share it with your peers, and to build a plan helping the youth!

We pray to the Lord to use us. With the limited resources, we will continue to uphold the spirit of Christ and bring hope and motivation to the youth! We pray for the HK young people, for even they face difficulties from all sides but not to trap. Experiencing hardship but not to disappoint, being persecuted but not to discard, being knocked down but not to be defeated! Amen!

Program Rundown

9:00am

Worship

Kevin and team

Opening Prayer

Rev. Alex McCoy, Vicar of St Andrew's Church

Welcome & Introduction

Ms Susanna Ma, Executive Director of HKCNP

9:35am

Theme Message - Hope for TEENS

Dr. Philemon Choi, Vice-chairman of HKCNP

10:15am

Panel Discussion

Professor Paul S.F. Yip, Associate Dean of HK University,
Department of Social Work and Social Administration

Dr. Charles Yu - EQ Specialist Consultant

Mr. Cheng Ching Chi

11:35am

Workshops

Details in Workshop Introduction

12:40pm

Summary

Dr. Philemon Choi, Vice-chairman of HKCNP

Closing Prayer

1:00pm

Ministry Fair

Details in Ministry Fair Introduction

Workshops Introduction

**The workshops are conducted in Cantonese & has simultaneous English interpretation;
With Q&A section**

1 “How to equip grassroots children from the starting line?”

Venue: G/F Lounge of Christian Center

Host: Island ECC

Target: Primary school children

Introduction: Due to lacking of financial support, children in grassroots families may have poor performance in study. Their parents feel helpless when seeing their children much behind in the starting line. The workshop will share valuable experience and problem-solving methods through the dialogue between the YWCA social workers and the Hope Foundation Director. We will explain how the churches can co-operate with grass-roots families to serve their children.

2 Middle School Youth: Companions for Tomorrow

Venue: 1/F Christian Centre

Host: Sha Tin Baptist Church

Target: Secondary school youth

Introduction: The workshop will introduce how the "Child Development Fund" (CDF) program can help the young people at the grassroots level and bring breakthrough opportunities. We will also share the current status and challenges of CDF operation, and other experience in serving the grassroots scheme. Above that, we have invited an experienced mentor who is also a current church mentor leader to share his testimony.

3 Sharing of life transforming Stories of Post-secondary Youth

Venue: Room 33-34 Lower Floor, Life Auditorium

Host: St. Andrew's Church

Target: College students and their families

Introduction: The workshop will share the family-based service plan by the Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui Welfare Association. They will share how to help secondary students prepare to proceed to a new environment and enhance their ability to move upwards, resulting in helping their families escape from poverty.

4 Marketplace Mission: Transforming Underprivileged Communities

Venue: Room 35-36 Lower Floor, Life Auditorium

Host: Kowloon Methodist Church

Target: Working youth

Introduction: The youth service is usually focusing students, but in fact, there is also a need in helping the working youth with low-income which can hardly help families get rid of poverty, school debt after graduation and narrow social upward movement. The workshop invites participants to discuss how to transform grassroots youth life in the workplace and change their status.

5 Youth addiction: cool to get high?

Venue: Room 41 Lower Floor, Life Auditorium

Host: Kei Yam Alliance Church

Target: Addictive youth

Introduction: Addictive groups are becoming much younger and the proportion of adolescent addiction is getting much higher. There is also new addictive behavior: video games which attract young people to fall into the trap of indulging. Kei Yam Alliance Church and its service centers have served drug or gambling addicted people for many years. This workshop will share their experiences and counseling methods.

6 Overview on Underprivileged Community

Venue: Old Church

Host: Mu Min Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Ying Tung

Target: The poor in HK

Introduction: The workshop will take Tung Chung District as a model to explain: the characteristics and needs of the clients, the different stage of ministry development, servicing mode, the key elements in mobilization and exploration of resources in network, etc. Participants will learn to explore the needs & abilities of community, practice experiences, and build service models for different communities.

7 Mentoring for Youth

Venue: Life Auditorium

Host: EFCC Kong Fok Church, Christian Canaan Church

Target: Youth

Introduction: Under the individualism and mobile addiction in the city, do youth still need peers to walk along with? What should be the life quality of those peers? How to walk with them and where should they go? All questions are worth discussing. The workshop includes practical experience, mentoring strategy and contribution. EFCC Kong Fok Church mentors will come to share their testimony.

Poverty Forum 2018 Ministry Fair

Time: 1pm-2pm, Nov 22 2018

Venue: Menear Amphitheatre & Grand Hall, Lower Floor , Life Centre

Ministry Fair Organizations :

Agent of Change	Jesus Online
Chai Wan Baptist Church Social Service	Kwun Tong Methodist Social Service
Charles Yu Training Co. Ltd	Mission To New Arrivals Limited
Christian Action	Life Association Ltd.
Faith Comes By Hearing	Lions Clubs International District 303
Fantastic Dream	Parenting Headline
Good Kitchen	Peace Evangelical Mission
Good Neighbourhood Volunteers Limited	Power Angels Social Enterprise Ltd.
H.K.S.K.H. Tung Chung Integrated Services	Ray Bakke Centre for Urban Transformation
Habitat for Humanity Hong Kong	St. James' Settlement
Harvest Evangelism (H.K.) Limited	The Boys' Brigade, Hong Kong
Hong Kong Christian Restaurant Ministries	Urban Peacemaker Evangelistic Fellowship
Hong Kong Church Network for the Poor	YMCA HK
Hong Kong Lutheran Social Service	Youth Global Network
Hong Kong Young Women's Christian Association	YWAM Hong Kong - Tuen Mun
J Life Foundation	(in no particular order)

5 Objectives of Poverty Forum

- Build up the relationship with International and Chinese Christian community in Hong Kong and serve together
- Update on local poverty situation and needs to increase awareness
- Share knowledge and cause brain storming of ideas of joint church service
- Worship in one fellowship and encourage each other in serving the local communities
- Support 10.10.10 HKCNP Anti-poverty Movement in unity

Child Development Fund (CDF)

Can you imagine how grassroots children grow up? The following are real examples from HKCNP and partners!

- Poor living environment, dark and messy cubicle room or tin house, no one can afford to pursue a dream.
- Never stepped in the world outside of living district and school, even do not know what they really can dream.
- Parents with low social and economic status, long working hours, limited gatherings between parents & children, children lack of education and caring by the elderly.

In 2008, the Government adopted HKCNP's proposal to promote the CDF, through a one-to-one mentorship program and a saving campaign by government, operating organization and family, to support and achieve grassroots children's dreams.

By only HK\$200, you can support a CDF mentee one-month saving. Till now 14,000 children are benefited in CDF. Your support can assist them to get rid of the dark world, see the possibility in life, pursued their impossible dream, and get rid of inter-generation poverty.

This year HKCNP will continuously donate & support our partner organization to operate CDF in 10 districts and 7 schools, benefited 1350 grassroots children. Please donate to support those children to be without limitations and achieve a more meaningful and colorful life.



*Be the Light of
the poor children!*