

### **Election of Elders Announcement:**

*On 8th May 2020, Session met and resolved to elect 6 elders to the Chinese Presbyterian Church, Sydney Congregation. The following have been nominated, by Session, for election by the congregation as elders of this congregation, and if so elected, to be ordained and inducted as elders of the church: Dorothy Choi, Robert Lam, Warren Lowe, Eldon Wong, Ken Wong, and Bucky Peng Zou. The election of elders will take place at an Extra-ordinary Congregational Meeting to be held 12 noon Sunday 25 October 2020 via ZOOM. The ordination and induction of elders will take place at a Special Service of the whole church on a day yet to be determined. Please be prayerful about the candidates for the eldership.*

### **長老選舉公告:**

2020年5月8日,長老議會議決為雪梨華人長老會會眾選舉6名新長老。下列成員已由議會提名讓會眾作出選舉;如果獲選,他們將受按立並就職成為本教會的長老:蔡小麗,林緯權,劉德章,黃振強,黃偉恆和鄒鵬。長老選舉將在2020年10月25日,星期日中午12時在通過ZOOM舉行的在線特別會友大會上進行。長老的按立和就職禮將在全教會的實體聯合崇拜上舉行,日期有待決定。請為長老候選人禱告。

## *Agenda for Extraordinary Congregation Meeting*

- *Constitute*
- *Apologies*
- *Election of new Elders*
- *Any Other Business*
- *Close*

### ***Motion for the Extraordinary Congregation Meeting:***

To elect Dorothy Choi, Robert Lam, Warren Lowe, Eldon Wong, Ken Wong, and Bucky Peng Zou to be ordained and inducted as elders of the Chinese Presbyterian Church, Sydney.

### **特別會友大會議程**

- 召開會議
- 請假
- 長老選舉
- 其他事項
- 會議結束

動議: 選舉, 按立並委任蔡小麗, 林緯權, 劉德章, 黃振強, 黃偉恆和鄒鵬為雪梨華人長老會的長老。

## Dorothy Choi 蔡小麗



My name is Dorothy Choi. I am single and my immediate family including my parents live in Sydney. I was born in China and moved to Hong Kong when I was in primary school. Sydney has been my home since I moved to Australia with my family. I completed my university degree in Sydney and worked in the IT industry before doing a theological degree. CPC has been my spiritual home since 1989. I served in various Cantonese fellowships and took up different roles including COM and the Language School.

I first heard about the gospel when I attended Christian primary school in Hong Kong. As part of the school curriculum, I attended the worship service regularly. After a few years, I believed in God and would like to be a Christian. When I came to Australia, there were more opportunities for me to learn about Jesus and to affirm my commitment to follow Him. The gospel is now an integral to my life and I would like to see many more people to glorify God and enjoy Him forever.

When I learned about the Session intended to nominate me for eldership, I prayed for God's guidance. Being an elder would enable me to serve with others who love God and to lead CPC on a permanent basis. I was not certain whether God would guide me elsewhere especially with my heart for mission. After prayers, God gave me confirmation via a bible passage, and I humbly accepted the nomination to be an elder. I later learned that I could take a break from eldership and serve wherever God sends me if necessary. "The Lord gave and the Lord has taken away; may the name of the Lord be praised." Job 1:21. For me, spiritual leadership requires a servant heart and submission to God. I am willing to serve the Lord whether in a seemingly lowly or relatively elevated position.

我叫蔡小麗。我是單身的。我的直系親屬包括我住在悉尼的父母。我出生在中國，小學時移居香港。自從我和家人移居澳大利亞以來，悉尼一直是我的家。我在悉尼完成了大學學位，並在資訊科技行業工作一段時間後，再攻讀神學。自1989年以來，CPC一直是我屬靈的家。我曾在不同粵語團契事奉，並在教會擔任過不同的職事，包括在 值理會和語言學校。

當我在香港上基督教小學時我第一次聽到福音。作為學校課程的一部分，我經常參加崇拜。幾年後，我信主，並想成為一個基督徒。當我來到澳大利亞時，我有更多的機會去了解主耶穌，並確認我要委身跟隨祂。福音現在是我生命中不可缺少的一部分，並我希望看見到更多的人榮耀神，並永遠以祂為樂。

當我得知議會有意提名我作長老時，我祈求神的指引。作長老，我能夠與愛神的人一起事奉，並長期領導華人長老會。當時我不確定神是否會引導我到別處去，特別是跟隨我心中對宣教的負擔。祈禱後，神通過聖經的話給了我印証，我就謙恭地接受了長老的提名。後來我了解到，若需要的話，我是可以從長老的職份上請假一段時間以便去到神差我去的地方事奉的。「賞賜的是耶和華，收取的也是耶和華。耶和華的名是應當稱頌的。」約伯 1:21。對我來說，屬靈領袖須有一顆僕人的心，並委身於神。我願意事奉主，不計較是人看為卑微或較崇高的職份。

## Robert Lam 林緯權



My name is Robert Lam.

My wife is Peggy and we have 3 children. Our eldest child is called Petrina who is at university. Prisca is our second child, in Year 12 and Roysden is our youngest, in Year 8.

I was born in Hong Kong. My family migrated to Australia in 1986 and we have been living in Sydney since.

I have been worshipping at CPC since 1994. When I was first invited to CPC by Peggy, I was adamantly against Christianity, firmly believing that Jesus was not the only God, nor the Bible the Word of God. Notwithstanding, I was still willing to join the Cantonese Evangelistic Class. Ironically, the main reason why I wished to join was to debate with my group leaders, and prove to Peggy that Christianity was a waste of time, and in doing so, discourage her from attending church. Though I had these beliefs, by God's mercy, after spending almost three months in the class, I finally was able to recognise the truth that Jesus is the Son of God who has saved me through His death on the cross.

Over the years as a Christian, I have grown spiritually in Him through serving in different ministries such as the Cantonese Choir, Cantonese Student and Worker Fellowship Committees, Cantonese Evangelistic Committee and Sunday School. Since 2014, I started attending the Mandarin Service and began participating in the Mandarin Ministries Committee. I am currently leading a New Christian Nurturing Class and occasionally lead a bible study group.

To me, the Gospel is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes. When I now look back, I am so thankful that I have had the opportunity to listen to the gospel and become a Christian.

When I was first approached about the eldership nomination, I was reluctant to accept the nomination as I thought serving the Lord did not require a formal title that I would receive as an Elder. However, I was encouraged and challenged by brothers and sisters to reconsider this nomination. I earnestly prayed to God for guidance and a sign that it was His will for me to accept this nomination. After God answered my prayers and gave me the 'go ahead', I submitted to the Lord's will and look forward to seeing where He takes me.

我的名字叫林緯權。

我的妻子名叫禰麗琪,我們有三個孩子。他們的名字分別是千惠,千穎和俊熙。大女兒在上大學,二女兒上高中十二年級,細兒子上初中八年級。

我在香港出生。在 1986 年我隨著家人移民到澳洲,此後我一直住在雪梨。

自 1994 年以來,我一直在雪梨華人長老會參加聚會。在我首次被麗琪邀請到這教會時,我是個堅決反對基督教的人,堅信耶穌不是獨一的神,聖經也不是神的話。儘管如此,我仍然願意參加粵語信仰探索班。諷刺的是,我參加這探索班的主要原因是想要與我的小組負責人辯論,並向麗琪證明基督教信仰是浪費時間,希望說服她不要參加教會聚會。

儘管我有這些念頭,因著神的憐憫,在課堂上度過了將近三個月時間之後,我終於能夠認識到耶穌是神的兒子,祂死在十字架上是為了我的罪。多年來,藉著參與查經班和不同的事奉(例如在粵語詩班、學生團契、職青團契、粵語福音事工委員會和主日學),我的屬靈生命也得以成長。自 2014 年,我開始參加國語堂崇拜,並參加國語事工委員會。我目前在國語堂負責帶領初信栽培班,並偶爾帶領查經小組。

對我而言,福音是神的大能,要救所有相信的。當我現在回想時,我非常感恩神讓我有機會聽到福音並成為了基督徒。

當我第一次接觸長老提名時,我並不願接受該提名,因為我認為事奉神並不需要獲得像作長老這樣的正式名銜。後來,我受到兄弟姐妹的鼓勵和挑戰,讓我重新考慮這一提名。我懇切地向神祈

禱，並尋求祂的帶領和兆頭引證接受提名是出於祂的心意。神回答了我的禱告並給了我確定之後，我順服了主的心意，並期待著祂對我往後的引領。

## Warren G. Lowe 劉德章



Upon reflecting back in my childhood, I was fortunate to have been born and raised in a small town in New Zealand, called Timaru. Although it is a fading memory, I still recall attending Sunday School. This continued into primary school where we had one hour scripture lessons a week. I remember receiving a recognition prize for having the most well-kept and up to date scripture book. I guess that was a sign!

Being still young, I move to Sydney Australia when I was 12 years old with my parents; Anne, my late father Herbert, older sister Lynette, younger brother Brendan and younger sister Coralee.

Having this early exposure, at least made me aware that there is a God but my relationship with him was not tested until my High School and then University years. Thanks to University friends, I started attending CPC English Fellowship in the early 90's.

Becoming a Christian was not an 'overnight decision' for me but a progressive process where in hindsight, God continued to challenge me and revealed signs through my life. The admission of my faith in Christ was formally expressed when I was baptised at CPC in Aug 1992.

I have always attended the morning English Service at CPC but for about 2 years while working in Singapore, Jessie the 3 girls (Sarah, Emily, Alison) and I, attended ARPC (Adam Road Presbyterian Church). During English Fellowship, there were opportunities to lead bible studies with others of the same age. As that progressed into Young Adults, the opportunity to exercise faith through Welcoming of members and visitors seemed quite evident at CPC. Understanding God's Kingdom and being one body in Christ are seemingly natural outcomes of knowing and exercising the Gospel.

More recently, I have been assisting with bible studies at CPC on Sundays and involved in the Committee of Management (COM) convening the ICT subcommittee. The 'Living Word' bible study program has developed over the years with a large proportion of morning English Service members attending. Being an Engineer and working in the Telco and Technology Industry has allowed me to support COM as part of the ICT team.

Seeing the need for making newcomers welcome and reaching out with the gospel, has allowed me to be involved in some various ministry activities. The reinstatement of the English Ministry Committee (EMC) has allow a more structured approach and gather of leaders to further develop ministries for the benefit of members and growth of the church. Welcoming and Evangelism now forms one of these ministry streams I am involved with.

The good news about the Gospel is a fact that is known through history and being able to respond in Service reflects my understanding of what it truly means. It gives clear meaning and purpose in our lives that makes us whole and a reflection of God.

My Christianity continues to be a progressive journey, to have a sustained and enduring faith which is probably the growth path God has directed for me. Our girls are adults now and so I am at a stage in my personal life to reflect, look forward and to realise I have still much more to offer, not just to family friends, work etc but to God.

To be able to challenge myself with such thinking and questions, I guess has helped me reflect on the calling to be an Elder.

回想起我的童年,我很僥幸在紐西蘭一個叫蒂馬魯的小鎮出生和長大。雖然我的記憶有模糊,我仍然記得上主日學。這一直持續到小學,那時我們每周上一個小時的聖經課。我記得我曾獲獎,因為擁有保存得最好及最新的聖經課本。或許那是一個預兆吧!我尚年,12歲時和父母移居澳大利亞悉尼;母親安妮,我已故的父親赫伯特,姐姐勒奈特,弟弟布蘭登和妹妹卡洛莉。這早期的接觸信仰,至少讓我知道有一位神,但我與祂的關係直到高中,及後大學年代中才受到測驗。感謝大學的朋友,我在90年代初開始參加CPC英語團契。

成為基督徒對我來說不是一夜之間的決定，而是一個漸進的過程。回顧中可看見神在當中不斷挑戰我，並在我生命中揭示祂的跡象。1992年8月我在CPC受洗，藉此正式表達了我對基督的信靠。

除了有2年的時間我在新加坡工作，那時太太潔西，3個女兒(莎拉, 艾米莉, 艾莉森)和我參加了ARPC(亞當路長老會)，我一直參加CPC的上午英語崇拜。在英語團契，我有機會在同齡的人中帶領查經。及至年輕人階段，我找到機會以歡迎來到本教會的新來賓是明顯的事奉機會以實踐信仰。明白神的國度及成為基督合身軀中的肢體，似乎是認識和行使福音的自然果效。

最近，我一直在CPC協助周日帶領查經，並參了值理委員(COM)，作為資訊及電腦科技小組ICT的召集人。"活的話語"查經小組已經有多年的發展，有很大一部分上午英語會眾參加。作為在電信和科技業工作的一名工程師，我能夠支援值理會的事工，作為ICT團隊的一部分。

看到教會的需要，得讓新來賓受到歡迎並接觸福音，也引至我參與了其他不同的教會事工。重組了的英語事工委員會(EMC)現能聚集更廣的領袖參與，更有系統地為教會及會友發展事工。這些事工中歡迎新人和傳福音的工作是我現正主要的參與。

福音是好消息已是經歷史考驗的事實。以事奉回應反映了我對福音的理解。它賦予我們在生命中明確的意義和目的，使我們的生命完整，能夠反映我們的神。

我的信仰是一個繼續進展的旅程。有一個持續和持久的信仰，這可能是神引導我的成長道路。我的女兒們已是成年人。在我個人生活這階段中，我反思，期待和意識到我有更多可作貢獻的機會，不僅對家庭，朋友，工作等，更是對神。

憑著這種想法和問題來挑戰自己，幫助了我想思考成為長老的召喚。



## Eldon Wong 黃振強



We are a family of four. Shirley and I have two children, Wilfred is 20 and Caitlin is 17.

I was born in Hong Kong.

I have lived in Sydney for 33 years.

I have been worshipping at CPC for 27 years.

Shirley and I mainly worship with the 10:30am Cantonese Service, and occasionally with the 9am English Service. Over the years, I have involved with various ministries, from fellowship groups such as Cantonese Students and Workers in the past, to Home Fellowship

groups and Digital Ministry at present.

I received Jesus Christ as my saviour and Lord while in university after experiencing setbacks in life over a period of several years. God had not only helped me to recover from these setbacks, but also given me a new perspective on life. Despite feeling unworthy of His grace and being incapable to fully comprehend His love, I eventually obeyed God's calling and became a Christian.

The Gospel sets us free from the bondage of sin, and displays God's sacrificial love and gift of grace for all of us.

God instructed me to pray for a "role" during a meditation excursion with ministry co-workers. At first, I thought it meant a professional role due to continuing uncertainty around my work. However, unknowing at the time, I was in fact moved by the Holy Spirit to seek first His kingdom and His righteousness. This had only become clear a year later as I sought His confirmation on becoming an elder; instead of praying for work, I had spent most of that year praying for CPC, and obeying to equip myself to serve Him. God was in fact preparing me for this role. In addition, despite feeling unequipped and unworthy of His calling, God reassured me that it is Himself who accomplishes His plans for CPC; I am merely His chosen instrument, a witness to His work. Therefore, I accepted the nomination with a grateful heart.

我是黃振強。我和太太小玲有兩個孩子。兒子樂勤今年二十歲，女兒樂婷今年十七歲。

我在香港出生，定居悉尼已經三十三年。在 CPC 這大家庭也有二十七年了。

我和太太主要參加十點半的粵語崇拜，偶爾亦會參加九點的英語崇拜。在這些年間，我曾參與過不同的事工，例如曾在粵語學生團契及就業團契服侍，以及目前在粵語家聚和 CPC 數碼事工。

我在大學期間接受了耶穌基督作為我的救主和生命的主。在信主前曾經歷了幾年的挫折，神不僅幫助我處理這些挫折，更給了我對生命的新視角。儘管我感到自己不配得神的恩典，也無法完全理解祂的愛，但我最終還是聽從了神的呼召，成為了基督徒。

福音使我們從罪的捆鎖中得釋放，並顯示神給世人的恩典與犧牲的愛。

神在一個靜修默想日中指示我向祂祈求一個『崗位』。起初，由於我在工作上持續不穩定，我以為這意味著必須祈求一個穩定的職位。然而，在不知不覺中，我實際上被聖靈感動去先求祂的國和祂的義。一年後，當我尋求祂旨意去確認應否成為長老時，這一切才變得清晰起來；在那年的大部分時間裡，我並非為工作禱告，而是為 CPC 禱告，並且順服神，裝備自己去事奉祂。原來，神一直在準備我！此外，儘管感到自己欠缺裝備，又不配祂的呼召，但神激勵及提醒我，神自己會完成祂對 CPC 的旨意；我只是祂所揀選的器皿，要見證神的大能。因此，我感恩地接受了提名。



## Ken Wong 黃偉恆



My name is Ken Wong.

I am married to Grace, and have two joyful and lively kids, Isaac (13) and Natalie (10). My parents, Andrew and Helene, also worship at CPC.

I was born in Sydney and have lived in Sydney all my life (other than a short stint in Canberra). I have attended CPC ever since I was born! My family and I now worship at the 9am English Service, although we spent close to 15 years at the Evening Service.

I have been involved in different ministries over the years - participating in the running of the worship services, music ministries, bible studies, newcomers groups, welcoming ministries as well as being involved in

children's ministries such as Sunday School, Oasis and Kids Club. I am currently a member of the English Ministries Committee.

My worldview has always included God. I can't think of a world without Him as far back as I can remember. Through my parents and my grandma, and through my faithful Sunday School teachers, my understanding of Jesus grew, until in my teenage years, I was moved by the Spirit to make a decision to accept Jesus into my heart and follow Him as Lord. It has been a journey ever since - and along the way I have had my wife, my children and other Christian brothers and sisters to encourage me!

The gospel is the best news I have heard. I know I can stand secure in the promises of God. I rejoice and give thanks knowing that God is the Mighty Saviour and Jesus has done it all on the cross. By the grace of God I have come to understand that God does not give up on His people: "The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness" (Lam 3: 22-23, ESV). The gospel has challenged me to be loving and kind, just as Jesus is; the gospel has challenged me to be welcoming, just as God extends his invitation to all.

Grace and I are very conscious of the responsibility it is for me to be an elder at CPC. Our heart is to serve the Lord and the Lord's people at CPC. We want to see CPC as a place where the gospel is preached and upheld in every way; we want to see people rejoicing in Jesus and not weighed down! Our testimony is that God has always looked after our household; we want to trust Him and respond now to His call to look after His house. We cannot say no to that. I think of how God has prepared the way in my heart with 4 generations of my family now connected to CPC. We look forward to serving CPC in this way if the Lord so wills it.

我叫黃偉恆。我的太太是黃周慧然 ( Grace ) , 我有兩個快樂活潑的孩子, 黃健寧 ( Isaac 13 歲) 和黃欣祺 ( Natalie 10 歲)。我的父母黃潤賀和陳安瀾也參加 CPC 的崇拜。我出生在悉尼, 一生住在悉尼 (除了坎培拉一段短時間)。自從我出生來, 我一直參加 CPC! 我的家人和我現都參與上午 9 點 英語崇拜, 雖然我們曾有十五年的時間參加了下午崇拜。

多年來, 我參與了教會不同的事奉 - 主持崇拜聚會, 音樂敬拜, 查經班, 新人組, 歡迎事工。我也曾參與兒童事工, 如主日學, 「綠洲」和「兒童俱樂部」。我目前是英語事工委員會的成員。

我的世界觀一路來都包括神在其中。在我的記憶中我從來不能想像一個沒有祂的世界。通過我的父母和奶奶, 並通過我信實的主日學老師, 我對主耶穌的理解增長了, 直到在我十幾歲的時候, 我被聖靈感動, 決定接受主耶穌進入我的心, 跟隨祂為我的主。從那時起, 我走上了一段旅程, 一路上, 有我的妻子, 我的孩子們和其他基督徒兄弟姐妹來鼓勵我!

福音是我聽到最好的消息。我知道我能在神的應許中站立得穩。我歡欣並感謝, 知道神是大能的救主, 並主耶穌在十字架上已經成就了一切。藉神的恩典, 我已明白, 神不會放棄他的子民: " 我們

不至消滅、是出於耶和華諸般的慈愛、是因他的憐憫、不至斷絕。每早晨這都是新的。你的誠實、極其廣大。" (表 3: 22 - 23) 。福音挑戰我要像主耶穌一樣, 有愛和善良; 福音挑戰我要歡迎他人, 就像神向所有人都發出邀請一樣。

慧然和我意識到作為 CPC 的長老要負的責任。我們的心是為主和主的子民服務。我們希望看到 CPC 是一個以各種方式傳揚福音和維護福音的地方; 我們希望看到人們在主耶穌裡歡欣鼓舞, 而不是被壓垮! 我們的見證是, 神一直照顧我們的家庭; 我們要信靠祂, 現在回應祂的呼召, 照顧他的家。我們不能拒絕。我想到神如何藉著我家庭已有四代參與 CPC 來準備我心。主的旨意既是如此, 我們就期待著這樣為 CPC 服務。

## Bucky Zou 邹鹏



Hi, I am Bucky Zou, Chinese name is 邹鹏(Peng Zou). I am married to Judy and have no child yet. I am a single child in my family and was born in China Mainland. Although my parents are members of the Communist Party, they have encouraged me to understand the world with an open mind since I was a child. Therefore, when I was still in a primary school, I was already exposed to some biblical stories. Although I didn't believe in the Lord at that time, and even considered the Bible story as some kind of myth; the name of Heavenly Father and Jesus had planted the seeds in my heart.

After graduation from Chinese university, I came to Sydney for further study at the end of 2004. At the moment of arriving in Australia, I had an idea to go to church for learning more about Jesus and Western culture. So, I visited a lot of local cathedrals in 2005. But because of my poor English at that time, I quickly lost interest in visiting church. During studying in the Master of Professional Accounting, one of my classmates invited me to participate in CPC Mandarin Sunday worship. Then I stepped into CPC for the first time in July 2006.

Initially, I continuous to come to our church just because CPC's food attracted me. I remembered that I often argued with brothers and sisters about the scriptures of Bible. I refused to give up materialism and evolution and believed that egoism was the only driving force for social development, although the egoism got me bothered frequently. It's the selfless love of brothers and sisters that changed me. I found that they did not insult me even though I always argued with them. Instead they accepted me tenderly and lovingly. They warmly invited me to attend the Seeker group and bible study fellowship. I became curious about their motivation and reason for treating me like this. Then I started listening what they sharing and thinking the words of our Lord. With learning more and more about God, I began to accept and trust in Jesus. Finally I was baptized in CPC in 2007. Currently, I am one of Thursday Bible Study Group (Dandelion fellowship) co-workers and Sunday Seeker Group leader.

I work as a full-time accountant Now. I pray to God that use me to be a witness of His Gospel in my workplace.

After accepted Gospel, my life is transformed. I finally found the reason why I was always troubled by sadness and the fact that I was a sinner. Instead I have joy and peace in my heart, because I have the Lord who loves me. He is the Lord of heaven and earth, both righteous and abundant in love. With him, we have the ultimate hope.

When I heard that I have been nominated as an elder candidate, my first reaction was to refuse. Because I believe to be an elder, I need to face various disputes, attend various meetings and consume much energy. However, after becoming a Christian, one of the important things I learned was to seek God's will before having my own thoughts. Therefore, I invited my wife to pray with me about this. After keeping praying, I gradually felt that becoming an elder is not to serve the church with my strength as a human being, but with the strength from God. And it makes me feel peaceful and confident. "Be strong and very courageous. Be careful to obey all the law my servant Moses gave you; do not turn from it to the right or to the left, that you may be successful wherever you go."(Joshua 1:7) After study the book of "Joshua", I agreed to be a candidate for elder.

May God let me go from strength to strength until we meet you face.

大家好·我是邹鹏·英文名是 Bucky。我与妻子 Judy 在 2018 年成婚·但还没有孩子。我出生于中国大陆的一个平凡的家庭·并是家中唯一的孩子。虽然我的父母都是中国共产党员·但他们

在我的幼年时代就鼓励我“风物长宜放眼量”，学知识“无问西东”。因此，当我是小学生的时候，我就已经接触到一些圣经故事。虽然那时候我还不信神，甚至把圣经中的内容当作某一种神话故事，但神已然把一颗“种子”放入了我的心间。

我在中国大学毕业后，于 2004 年来到悉尼继续学业。在我刚到澳洲的那段时间，我一直认为：欲要了解西方文明必先了解基督教文化。所以我在来澳洲的第二年（2005）开始就拜访这里的很多大教堂。但因为我拙劣的英文，什么都听不懂也没法交流，又很快失去了去教堂的兴趣。但神的呼召从未停止，我在攻读会计硕士期间，一位同学邀请我参加 CPC 国语的崇拜。因此，我于 2006 年 7 月第一次踏入雪梨华人长老会。

老实说，在一开始我能坚持去教会，可能一个重要原因是教会的食物很好吃，而且还不贵。我记得我在参加慕道班以及查经班学习圣经的时候，还经常和兄弟姐妹们发生争论。那时候我拒绝放弃进化论以及唯物主义观点，并坚信利己主义是促使社会发展的唯一推动力，尽管这些思想经常让我陷入非常困苦的境遇。是教会兄弟姐妹们用无私的爱让我开始发生一些改变。我发现在争论中哪怕我用词很激烈，他们也没有嘲笑羞辱我，反而以温柔和慈爱待我。他们温和地鼓励我继续参加慕道班和查经班。慢慢的，我开始认真聆听兄弟姐妹们的分享和思考神的话语。随着对神的认识慢慢加深，我对神逐渐接受并开始信祂。于是，我在 2007 年在 CPC 做了决志祷告并于同年接受洗礼。现在我是国语堂慕道班和周四查经小组的一位同工。

在平时的日常生活中，我是一位全职会计。我向神祷告，祈求我们主让我在生活的点点滴滴每时每刻都为神做见证。

在信主之后，我的生命开始发生转变。我发现之前一直让我陷入困苦的原因是我身上的罪。而因为我们主的救赎和恩典，神的平安和喜乐充满我的心灵。祂是天上的主，也是地上的主，满有公义和慈爱。因为祂，我们有了最终的盼望。

当我听见我被提名为长老候选的时候，我的第一反应是拒绝。因为我当时觉得如果我成为一位长老，我将需要去面对很多纠纷，需要参加各种各样的会议。这些会耗尽我的精力。但成为主的门徒后，我学到一门重要功课就是在做任何决定之前首先要恳切祷告。因此我邀请我的妻子 Judy 和我一起同心祷告。在持续祷告后，我意识到作为一名长老并不是用人的力量和智慧去服事教会，而是用神的力量。这让我心里有了平安和信心。“只要刚强，大大壮胆，谨守遵行我仆人摩西所吩咐你的一切律法，不可偏离左右，使你无论往哪里去，都可以顺利。”（书 1：7）在查完约书亚记后，我答应成为一位长老候选。

愿主让我力上加力向前行，直到见主面。