

**NEW
YEAR**

**NEW
HOPE**



New Year greetings to everyone!

Lunar New Year is the most significant festival to many! Office workers look forward to the lunar new year for long holidays, family trips, unions and joy. During this festive time, people visit each other, exchange greetings, gifts and good wishes such as “Be blessed with abundance and prosperity”, “May everything go well with you”, “May your wishes come true”... Though deep down, we all know these are merely reciprocal wishes, not guaranteed realities.

Moreover, every new year a lot of people make their wishes, hoping for better life the coming year than that last year, for improved academic performances, promotions and salary raises, health and safety for the whole family.

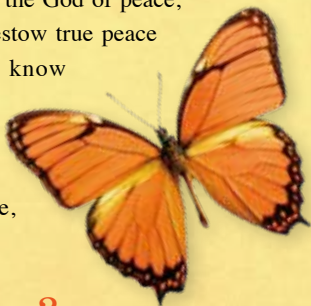
Yet, the global economy has deteriorated dramatically. Countries are drowning in debt; Hong Kong’s economy is sluggish, layoffs and downsizing continue, finding jobs is harder than before, family financial

burdens grow heavier, and our health deteriorates as years go by.

All these varied and mounting difficulties have rendered us helpless. And who can offer us true hope, peace, and blessings?

Knowing God Brings Peace and Blessings

The only true God, who created the universe and mankind through His Word (the Bible) tells the world : “Submit to God and be at peace with him; in this way prosperity will come to you.” (Job 22:21, NIV) The Scripture refers to “God,” not man-made idols, but the Creator—the only true God who gives l i f e and breath. He is the God of peace, who is able to bestow true peace upon those who know
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matter what
hardships or adversities they face,



no matter what anxieties or fears they have in their hearts. He can rescue them, granting them inner peace and strength to overcome all difficulties and enjoy spiritual well-being.

What Are The Blessings

If We Know God?

The Bible says: “Submit to God and be at peace with him; in this way prosperity will come to you.” When a person believes and accepts Jesus, the Son of God, as their Saviour, he immediately receives all these blessings from God:

1. Forgiveness of sins. From this point onwards, he is spared the punishment for the sins he has committed in his lifetime, and he will not suffer eternal torment in hell. Instead when he dies, his soul ascends to heaven and enjoys eternal pleasures.
2. Jesus as his personal Saviour, his timely help and deliverance in his life.

3. The Holy Spirit granted to him by God dwells in him now and forever, bringing to him continual peace and joy, victory over sinful addictions, harmony in relationship with others, and true spiritual freedom.

4. A new life granted to him by God. He becomes a child of God, with the right to pray to Him anytime, to be in His care. He shepherds us throughout our life, loves us to the very end—what a blessing!



This is what God wants to give you now.

How Can We Truly Know God?

Consider this: When one sins, selfishness, deceit, envy, and impure desires fill his heart. How can one who is in such conditions ever stand before the holy God and be able to know Him? Thank God, for He loves the world so

much that He has sent His only Son, Jesus, to come into the world as the Lamb of God to take away the sins of the world. Jesus was crucified on the cross, and on the third day, He rose from the dead, ascended to heaven, and now is seated at the right hand of the throne of God. He sends the Holy Spirit and grants eternal life to all who believe in Him. Therefore, only when we believe in and accept Jesus as our Saviour, we really know God and receive the peace and blessings He bestows. Yes, salvation is found in no one else apart from Jesus.

Over the years, by God's grace, at numerous gospel meetings or in private conversations, I have witnessed the joy, peace, and salvation granted by God to a lot of people upon accepting Jesus as their Saviour. You too can receive these blessings by believing in Him. God is waiting to bestow His blessings upon you.



How Can You Receive This?

The Bible says: “If you declare with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.” (Romans 10:9, NIV) This means: When you believe in your heart that Jesus is the Lord who has died and resurrected, and then pray aloud to God, you will immediately receive the peace and blessings He gives. Therefore, I earnestly ask you to pray aloud using the following prayer:

“Lord Jesus, I believe in and accept You as my Saviour. Please forgive all the sins I have committed in my life. Please come into my heart as my Lord and grant me Your Holy Spirit and life. Thank You, God, for saving me. I pray in the name of Lord Jesus. Amen.”

—— *Samuel Ching*

New Life New Hope

Colleges Meeting

7:30p.m. Feb. 6 (Friday)

5 Observatory Rd., Tsim Sha Tsui

Chinese New Year Gospel Meeting

11:00a.m. Feb. 22 (Sunday)

Tsim Sha Tsui :

5 Observatory Road

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