

### 方惠芬姊妹心声： 你的神有多伟大？

「你不要因他们惊恐，因为耶和华你神在你们中间是大而可畏的神。」(申命记 7:21)  
当奉行马克思主义者在埃塞俄比亚掌权时，一位美国牧师兼作家被邀请到当地的众地下教会主领聚会。教会请他偷运 50 本研读本圣经；虽有点儿保留，但他仍带着研读本圣经上路。不出所料海关没收了全部圣经。数天后海关致电给教会领袖，说高层海关官员要与领袖们见面。大事不妙！教会领袖常常身陷囹圄，他们称监狱为「大学」，(当神觉得是时候，就把他们送进大学培训进修。犹如旧约的约瑟般，有些领袖会被给予特权，在狱卒闲懒休息时，便给他们没有弹膛的步枪，命令他们看守犯人。)出乎意料地高层海关官员退还「非法」圣经，条件是不要让人知道。他也私留了一本给自己！

一首主日学诗歌：「我的神是如此的宏大，如此的强大，如此的伟大 - 祂没有难成的事。」难道我们已失去这基本的认知吗？难道我们已失去这基本的信心吗？凭信心向前踏步，每当我们凭信心向前走时，我们会看到神是如何的伟大，更能体验到保罗那真理名言：「神照着运行在我们心里的大力充充足足的成就一切，超过我们所求所想的。」(以弗所书 3:20)

我们的**神是伟大**的！千万不要萎缩祂！

### Heartfelt Words from Sister Katherine Fong: How **BIG** is Your **GOD**?

“Do not be terrified by them, for the Lord your God, who is among you, is a great and awesome God.”  
(Deuteronomy 7:21)

An evangelical Christian author and senior pastor of an America church once was going to spend two weeks preaching in Ethiopia when it was still under Marxist rule. The underground churches there asked if he would smuggle 50 study Bibles into the country. He had reservations but eventually he did. Sure enough the customs agent confiscated the Bibles. A few days later a local church pastor received a call that the head customs official wanted an interview with the leaders of the churches. They feared the worst - church leaders in Ethiopia spent so much time in prison that they referred to it as “The University.” (This is where God would send His leaders when He really wanted them to grow. Like the biblical Joseph, some of the church leaders would be put in charge by the prison guards when the guards wanted to go on break. The guards would take the bullets out of their rifles and hand them to the Christian prisoners to stand watch until they got back!) During the interview, to the church leaders’ surprise the head official gave them back the “illegal” Bibles on the condition of telling nobody while he kept one for himself!

Back in Sunday School days we got used to sing “My God is so big, so strong and so mighty there’s nothing my God cannot do.” Have we lost that basic idea? Have we lost that basic faith? Step out in faith. And every time we step out in faith, we see the greatness and awesomeness of God, and then we realize the truth of Paul’s words, “Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us.” (Ephesians 3:20)

Our **God** is **BIG**! Don’t ever shrink Him!

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礼拜日 11:30am 华语敬拜

侍奉 Privilege	今周 This Week		下周 Next Week	
	周六 Sat (11/08)	主日 Sun (12/08)	周六 Sat (18/08)	主日 Sun (19/08)
主席 MC:	李颖	Deacon Willa 许	Judy 徐	Tina 周
敬拜 Worship:	李颖	张波	Katherine 方	方伊梓, Shelley 刘
乐手 Musician:	-----	Gavin 余	-----	Gavin 余
读经 Scripture Reading:	-----	于潇潇	-----	苏亚
讲道 Preaching:	Katherine 方	卞国兴牧师	Pastor Daniel 蔡	Pastor Daniel 蔡
传译 Interpretation:	李颖	-----	Deacon Willa 许	-----
青年小组 Youth Cell:	-----	Elisa 蔡	-----	Elisa 蔡
儿童事工 EBK:	-----	Leona 陈	-----	Deacon Kristy 蔡, Grace 邹
音控 Sound Control:	Harry 蔡	Jason 黄	范兵	Enzo 佩
收/数点奉献 Collect/Count Offering:	May 陈 Gina 李	徐江萍 Amanda 王	May 陈 Kitty 黄	Crystal 陆 Angela 施
接待 Greeter:	Judy 徐	柳明, 周青	Kristy 蔡	白俊英, Leona 陈

### 《 家事分享 Announcement 》

- 蔡牧师夫妇休假直到 15/8。期间教会事宜请联络执事 Willa 许师母或 Stanley 邓。  
Pastor Daniel and Kristy are on holidays till 15/8. For all church matters during this period please contact Deacon Willa Hui or Deacon Stanley Tang.
- 戴继宗博士(前「中国内地会」创办人戴德生宣教士第五代后人)奥克兰宣教培灵华语聚会: (1) 18/8 周六 @ 晚上 7:30, 华语传讲, 粤语翻译, 五岁及以上托儿服务。  
St. Columba Presbyterian Church, 480 Ti Rakau Drive, Botany.  
(2) 21/8 周二 @ 晚上 7:30, 华语传讲, 五岁及以上托儿服务。  
Mairangi Bay Primary School Hall, Galaxy Drive, Mairangi Bay, North Shore.  
Auckland English events of Dr James (Jamie) Hudson Taylor, the great-great-grandson of CIM/OMF founder Hudson Taylor:  
(1) 18/8 Saturday @ 4pm, St. Columba Presbyterian Church, 480 Ti Rakau Drive, Botany.  
(2) 19/8 Sunday @ 10:30am, Auckland Baptist Tabernacle, 429 Queen Street, City.  
@ 2:30pm, Greyfriars Mount Eden Presbyterian Church, 544 Mt Eden Road, Mt Eden.

### 《 代祷事项 Prayer Item 》

- 请記念周六和主日的会众能学习和实践上帝借着方姊妹和卞牧师所传讲的信息。  
Please pray for Saturday and Sunday congregations to live out God's message through Katherine Fong and Pastor James Bin's sermons.
- 请为新执事与蔡牧师祈祷, 在上帝的带领下, 华语事工更蒙主祝福。  
Please pray for the deacons and Pastor Daniel that Chinese ministries be further blessed under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.
- 请为教会司库 Christina 王和李颖祈祷, 求主加添智慧和能力, 管理教会财政。  
Pray for Treasurers Christina King and Li Ying. May they have God's wisdom to manage church finance.
- 请为在筹备中的妇女组代祷, 更为负责人许师母和 Judy 徐姊妹祈祷, 求主加添她们智慧和能力。  
Please pray for the planning of a new women cell group. Pray for wisdom and blessings be upon the organizers Deacon Willa Hui and Judy Xu.
- 求主赐蔡牧师夫妇休假旅程平安。  
Pray for safe and blessed trip of Pastor Daniel and Kristy.

上周六 (04/08) 和主日 (05/08) 敬拜出席人数 Last week worship attendance 15 和 35

上周三 (08/08) 祈祷会出席人数 Last week prayer meeting attendance 1