

BCBC 30th Anniversary Edition

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Thank God! I came to Canada in 1975 to study, work, believed in Christ, established my family, became immigrant, and settled in Brampton. My family of four came to Brampton Gospel Mission in 1984, the church was not yet established at that time. We went to Brampton First Baptist Church for Sunday Worship and for fellowship. I soon joined to serve our Lord in different areas of the ministries. My two sons accepted Christ and baptized in this church. They also established their families in this church.

Looking Back Thankfully

I am glad to be one of the founders of Brampton Chinese Baptist Church, and had over 30 years of experience with BCBC. I recalled that when I first came to BCBC I was around thirty years old, and was even younger than my sons now. I am now over sixty years old and with a lot of gray hairs. Right after the Church became independent we began to prepare to buy a piece of land and to build the church building. The church building was built and completed in 1989. After that we split our fellowship into four fellowships, and separate the church worship into two, Chinese and English worship services. We started the fellowship lunch in the church. In 1995 we had our church expansion so that we had more space for classrooms, choir and fellowship meetings. Thank God, over the years BCBC had built up a number of missionaries, sent many missionaries and pastors to other towns and overseas to spread the gospel. In the last two years South Asians worship service was established in BCBC to spread the gospel to our neighbors.

Challenges of our Church in future

BCBC is now a church with two languages and three dialects. In future BCBC will develop into a multi-cultural and multi-lingual church. Maintaining unity of the church is one of the biggest challenges in the multi-lingual environment with people from different cultural backgrounds. Dealing with social trend and society changes are always another challenge to the church. The purpose of the church is to teach God's Word and biblical truth, with faith, hope and love as the basis. Upon the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we will be able to bear fruit and do God's mission to spread the gospel to the nations. Although the environment will change with the time, the purpose of the church remains the same. God's Word should be passed from generation to generation as well as God's blessings.

I hope that our brothers and sisters have passion to read the Bible, often to pray to God, have devotions, really know the will of God, obey to the Holy Spirit, do everything to please God, and to witness our God in whatever positions we are in. Finally, I would like to quote these Bible verses: "Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight. Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the LORD and shun evil." (Proverbs 3: 5-7)