

Calvary Assembly of God 加略山神召會

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Mission: To be a spirit-driven multi-ETHNIC church that EXALTS Jesus as Lord, ENCOURAGES believers to EDIFY one another, and EQUIPS disciples to EVANGELIZE the community and the world.

History: In 1956, Rev. and Mrs. Albert Kehr, former missionaries to China, were appointed by the Assemblies of God to start a new church in Hawaii to reach out to the Chinese-speaking community. Initially, services were held at the First Assembly of God and at the Central Intermediate School. In 1961, a new church building for the Calvary Assembly of God was completed at 961 Io Lane. English and Chinese church services were offered.

Rev. Martin Cho joined the Chinese-speaking pastoral staff in 2002, as Associate Pastor of Korean Ministries, and Korean language church services joined the weekly schedule.

Activities The Assembly offers the following ministries:

- 1) Family Ministries, including *Children's Church* (a weekly program held during the Sunday Celebration Service offering crafts, games, singing and Bible lessons); *College Ministries* (a monthly ministry to college students); *Heart-to-Heart* (fellowship for married couples, held monthly usually on the 4th Sunday evening in the homes of various couples, with a focus on improving marriage); *Koinonia* (that maintains the unity of the church through fun "family" activities); *Men's Ministry* (monthly men's fellowship held on the 3rd Saturday morning, during which Bible studies and sharing underscore the importance of a man's role in family and church); *Nursery* (childcare for children under 4 years of age); *Senior Fellowship* (held every Tuesday morning, and consisting of food, fellowship, and fun for seniors); and *Youth Ministries* (outreach activities, sports and recreational activities, Bible study and worship for youth, every Saturday afternoon).
- 2) Discipleship Ministries, including *Christian Education* (the weekly Sunday School Program with classes for toddlers through adults); *Cell Groups* (home accountability groups that meet throughout the week); *New Life Class* (part of the "New Believers" series offering the "next step" program for converts to the church); *Rhema Night* (the Leader's Discipleship Program held every Wednesday evening); *Korean 1-1 Discipleship Training* (intensive discipleship program for Koreans every Wednesday evening); *Calvary Teacher's Certification Program* (five-session certification program for leaders who would like to teach in the church); *Short-term Missions Training* (for those who would like to participate in a short-term missions trip); and *Pastoral Internship* (Bible College Intern Program for leaders who would like to go into the ministry).
- 3) Outreach Ministries, including *Evangelism* (the Home Missions Outreach Ministry, including

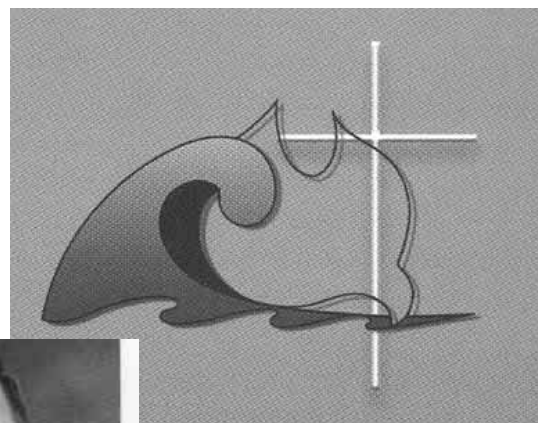
special outreach services, holiday events such as Christmas and Easter Programs, community outreach, Feeding the Homeless programs and outreach to Chinese youth); *Missions* (the World Missions Outreach Ministry, including a Missions Month to raise pledges to support foreign missionaries, China church planting, short-term missions trips and developing missionaries); *Backdoor Ministry* (the Follow-up Ministry, consisting of visitations, hospitality centers, greeters and ushers, visitors' lunches, and attendance tracking); and *Conversational Cantonese Lessons* (held every Saturday morning).

4) Multi-Ethnic Ministries, including *English-speaking ministries* (including the Sunday Celebration Service, Christian Education Program, Children's Church, Rhema Night, Zoe Mountain, the College Ministry and the Youth Ministry); *Chinese-speaking ministries* (including the weekly Sunday Chinese Service, Christian Education Program, fellowship activities, Bible study and prayer, Conversational Cantonese Lessons, and Cantonese Youth Ministry); and *Korean-speaking ministries* (including the weekly Sunday Korean Service, Korean Prayer and Intercessory Meetings and Discipleship Training).

5) Spiritual Life Ministries, including *The Upper Room Experience* (focusing on Baptism in the Holy Spirit, and held as part of the Sunday Christian Education Program; baptism is encouraged and administered during altar times); *Spiritual Life Activities* (including monthly Spiritual Life Service on a Sunday night, with themes including praise and worship, healings, intercessory prayer and altar times); *Zoe Mountain* (a Thursday evening of intercessory prayer); and *Morning Prayer* (held Tuesday to Saturday mornings at 5:00 am).

6) Worship and Creative Arts Ministries, including *Music* (a Worship Ministry, featuring a team of vocalists, musicians and technicians who lead the congregation in praise that is energetic and enthusiastic and worship that is warm and intimate); and *Drama and Dance* (our Creative Arts Ministries, presenting in outreach events and church services).

*Sources: Referral by
Hawaii Chinese
Christian Mission
Gospel Center,
publications of the
Calvary Assembly of
God, and corre-
spondence with Rev.
Gregory Li*



Above: The logo of the Assembly; left: Associate Pastor for Chinese Ministries Rev. Gregory Li

Membership:

About 180 people attend services each week.

There are approximately 120 members of the church. Members must believe 1) that the Scriptures are inspired, 2) in the one true God, 3) in the deity of the Lord Jesus Christ, 4) in the fall of man, 5) in the salvation of man, 6) that holy communion and water baptism by immersion are the ordinances of the church, 7) in the baptism in the Holy Ghost, 8) that the initial physical evidence of the baptism in the Holy Ghost is speaking in tongues, 9) in sanctification, 10) in the church and its mission, 11) in the ministry of the church, 12) in divine healing, 13) in the blessed hope of Christ's Second Coming, 14) in the millennial reign of Christ, 15) in the final judgement, and 16) in the new heavens and the new earth. Members must also be baptized in water, profess agreement with the doctrines of the church, and attend a pre-membership class. With membership, individuals gain voting rights and access to pastoral care.

Pastors

1956–67 Rev. & Mrs. Albert Kehr

1967–76 Rev. & Mrs. Howard Ha

1976–78 Rev. & Mrs. Alan Leong

1979–1999 Rev. & Mrs. Wai Pun Siu

1999–2001 Rev. & Mrs. Stephen Cheah (interim)

2001–pres. Rev. & Mrs. Terry Wong

Above:

*Senior Pastor
Rev. Terry Wong
with his family*

