

***** **Announcements:** *****

Mission

- **Short-Term Mission Fundraise:** We have fundraised a total of \$2,876.10 from Food/Bake sales on 7/17 and 7/24. We also received a total offering of \$1,938.22. Please continue praying for SFCC short term mission. If you would like to make an offering to short term mission, you may write a check to SFCC with a note that says, "Short –Term Mission".
- Taiwan summer mission trip this year starts on 8/6-8/20. Please pray for God’s guidance, each team member’s heart and safety as well as the ministry in Guogou.

Serving

- We need volunteers to pick up lunch dishes and return trays to restaurants. If you would like to help, please contact Daniel Chen.
- In order to reduce waste and cost, please remember to bring your own dishes and utensils on Sundays. Please also remember not to waste any paper product. Thank you for your support to protect our environment.
- In order to keep our church clean and safe, please remember to do the following after meeting at church and GNAC:
 - Turn off coffee and tea pot
 - Turn off all the lights and close the windows
 - Clean and take out the trashes and lock the door

Connection

- On 8/10 and 8/24 from 10:30-11:00am, PK group will have Chinese story time at GNAC. All parents with infants and toddlers are welcome. Please invite your friends.
- On 9/10 at 10:00am-11:30am at GNAC, we will have a workshop-“How to apply for college”. This workshop is for high school students who will apply for college soon. We will invite current college students and graduates to share their advices and tips. Please invite high school students you know and parents to attend. There are flyers on the reception table. Feel free to get copies.
- Please pray for the couples that are expecting: Jeremy & Eunice; Daniel & Mavis.
- Please pray for Gail Chen, Pastor Walt's sister-in-law, who's diagnosed with breast cancer. Please pray for God's peace and healing to be with the whole family.
- Please pray for the searching process for our Taiwanese Ministry Pastor.
- August birthdays: Ian, Zelina, Amy Tsai, Brian, Amy Yao, Gloria and Jack Liao.

**** **Upcoming Events** ****

8/6-20: Taiwan Short Term Mission
 8/14-9/2: New Deacon Nomination
 9/25: Mission sharing combined service @ 10am

***** **Pastor Office Hours, Fellowships & Small Groups** *****

Pastor Walter Office Hour	Mon & Sat 1-5pm, at GNAC; Wednesday 1-5pm at SFCC
Fellowship & Small Groups:	Meets At:
Youth Group (Jr. High, High School) Walt Chen: pastorwalt@seattlefcc.org	No meetings until 9/10.
College Mat Lee: mythicalphantasm@gmail.com	Fridays, 5pm, at church.
Timothy (Young Adult, Mandarin) Sally Chen: sallychen8@hotmail.com	Fridays, 7:30pm.
MBS (Men’s Bible Study) Walter Chen: pastorwalt@seattlefcc.org	No meeting in August
Family Fellowship Jack and Jessica: doodoo729@yahoo.com	Sundays, contact Jessica for details.

***** **Service Helper** *****

	8/7/11	8/14/11
Speaker:	Walt Chen	Walt Chen
Ushers:	Jessica, Jamie	Joy, Alex H
M.C.	Jeremy	James
Tech:	Lawrence, Ted	Lawrence, Ted
Projector:	Lawrence, Ted	Lawrence, Ted
Lunch Crew:	MBS + S.A.L.T	YG + FF
Children’s Ministry	Eunice/Sandy, Amy, Sharon	Eunice/Sandy, Amy, Sharon

Last Week	TM/ Children	EM/ Children	Total
Attendance	71/ 9	50/ 13	143
Building/ Expansion Fund	\$1,708.64	\$778	\$2,486
General Fund	\$1,000	-	\$1,000

西雅圖台語基督教會

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One in the Spirit

Sunday Services:

10:00 am 台語禮拜 Taiwanese Worship Service
 兒童/青少年 Children & Youth Ministry
 12:00 pm 英語禮拜 English Worship Service

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Order of Worship
August 7th, 2011

- Prelude
- Welcome and Praise
- Offering
- Children Message
- Announcement
- Message *A saint who acted like a pagan*
- Response song
- Benediction

Genesis 20

¹ Now Abraham moved on from there into the region of the Negev and lived between Kadesh and Shur. For a while he stayed in Gerar, ² and there Abraham said of his wife Sarah, “She is my sister.” Then Abimelech king of Gerar sent for Sarah and took her.

³ But God came to Abimelech in a dream one night and said to him, “You are as good as dead because of the woman you have taken; she is a married woman.”

⁴ Now Abimelech had not gone near her, so he said, “Lord, will you destroy an innocent nation? ⁵ Did he not say to me, ‘She is my sister,’ and didn’t she also say, ‘He is my brother’? I have done this with a clear conscience and clean hands.”

⁶ Then God said to him in the dream, “Yes, I know you did this with a clear conscience, and so I have kept you from sinning against me. That is why I did not let you touch her. ⁷ Now return the man’s wife, for he is a prophet, and he will pray for you and you will live. But if you do not return her, you may be sure that you and all yours will die.”

⁸ Early the next morning Abimelech summoned all his officials, and when he told them all that had happened, they were very much afraid. ⁹ Then Abimelech called Abraham in and said, “What have you done to us? How have I wronged you that you have brought such great guilt upon me and my kingdom? You have done things to me that should not be done.” ¹⁰ And Abimelech asked Abraham, “What was your reason for doing this?”

¹¹ Abraham replied, “I said to myself, ‘There is surely no fear of God in this place, and they will kill me because of my wife.’ ¹² Besides, she really is my sister, the daughter of my father though not of my mother; and she became my wife. ¹³ And when God had me wander from my father’s household, I said to her, ‘This is how you can show your love to me: Everywhere we go, say of me, “He is my brother.” ’ ”

¹⁴ Then Abimelech brought sheep and cattle and male and female slaves and gave them to Abraham, and he returned Sarah his wife to him. ¹⁵ And Abimelech said, “My land is before you; live wherever you like.”

¹⁶ To Sarah he said, “I am giving your brother a thousand shekels of silver. This is to cover the offense against you before all who are with you; you are completely vindicated.”

¹⁷ Then Abraham prayed to God, and God healed Abimelech, his wife and his slave girls so they could have children again, ¹⁸ for the LORD had closed up every womb in Abimelech’s household because of Abraham’s wife Sarah.

Sermon Title: A saint who acted like a pagan

Sermon Series: The adventure with the father of faith

Sermon Passages: Genesis 20

I. A Saint who fell short (vv. 1-2)

II. Why Abraham lied again (v. 11-13)

First, he feared for his own life (v. 11).

Second, he rationalized his lie (v. 12).

Third, he talked Sarah into joining him (v. 13).

III How God judged him (vv. 8-9)

IV. How God showed mercy (vv. 3-7)

V. Lessons

1) Sin doesn't have an _____ date, even for believers!

2) When believers sin, they _____.

3) Sinning believers can be _____ and _____.