

\*\*\*\*\* **Announcements** \*\*\*\*\*

- We will have a church wide clean up next Sunday after lunch. Please dress appropriately. Here are the area assignments:  
 Sanctuary: Timothy  
 Windows in the Sanctuary and Lobby: Youth Group  
 Upstairs Lobby & Stairs: College Fellowship  
 Downstairs Lobby: MBS  
 Nursery/Toddler room: Family Fellowship
- On 12/15/12, 2PM, we'll go ice-skating at the outdoor Magic Season Ice Arena in Downtown Bellevue Park. There are other holiday festival activities to do at the park and nearby Bellevue Square. Bring your whole family and friends. Admission/rental is only \$4 per person (free if you just want to hang out at the park). No experiences necessary. Please contact Mike Shen if you are interested.
- On 12/23 at 10:30am, Seattle area Taiwanese churches will jointly hold a bilingual "2012 Christmas Musical Service" at SFCC. Please invite your families and friends to join us for this special Christmas celebration. We will use Greenlake Park and Ride as the main parking lot and provide shuttle service from P&R to church.
- Starting in 2013, the first Sunday of each month will be combined service and we will have Sacrament and new member acceptance ceremony.

**Education**

- There will be a baptism ceremony on 1/6. A basic doctrine class will be held on 12/2 (today), 12/9, 12/16 and 12/30. Anyone who has accepted Christ can register for the class in preparation for baptism. Please contact Pastor Walt or Ya-Ling.
- Children Ministry teacher's training workshop:** We are inviting the trainer from Child Evangelism Fellowship to give teachers and TAs a workshop. The workshop includes: vision and passion for the children, how the brain learns, lesson planning, discipline that disciples, classroom management, etc. All the current and future teachers and teaching assistants please attend the workshop. Parents are welcome too. It's from 9 am to 12 pm on 12/15 (Saturday) at SFCC. Please sign up with Eunice.

**Connection**

- December Birthdays: Amy Chang, Belle Chen, Yordan Chen, Joyce Huang, Jessica Liao, Emily Wang, Jeremy Wu, and Howard Yang.
- Please pray for the couples that are expecting: Chu-Chen and Yu-Chi, Jeanette and Lawrence.

\*\*\*\*\* **Upcoming Events** \*\*\*\*\*

- 12/9 – Church-wide clean-up
- 12/15 – (Sat) Children Sunday School teacher training
- 12/23 – Joint Christmas Musical Service

\*\*\*\*\* **Fellowships & Small Groups** \*\*\*\*\*

Fellowship & Small Groups:	Meets At:
Youth Group (Jr. High, High School) Jim Liang: <a href="mailto:jim.liang14@gmail.com">jim.liang14@gmail.com</a>	Saturdays, 6pm at GNAC
College Jim Liang: <a href="mailto:jim.liang14@gmail.com">jim.liang14@gmail.com</a>	Fridays, 5pm, at church.
Timothy (Young Adult, Mandarin) Sally Chen: <a href="mailto:sallychen8@hotmail.com">sallychen8@hotmail.com</a>	Fridays, 7:30pm.
Men's Bible Study Walter Chen: <a href="mailto:pastorwalt@seattlefcc.org">pastorwalt@seattlefcc.org</a>	Fridays, 7:30pm, at GNAC.
Family Fellowship Tom and Dong Hui: <a href="mailto:tom.y.chang@gmail.com">tom.y.chang@gmail.com</a>	Sundays, contact Tom or Dong Hui for details.

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\*\*\*\*\* **Service Helper** \*\*\*\*\*

	12/02/12	12/09/12
Speaker:	Pastor Walt	Pastor Walt
Ushers:	Amy Yang, Sharon Ma	Eric Juang, Katherine Yang
M.C.	Eunice/Jeremy	Daniel Hu
Tech:	Ted/Lawrence	Ted/Lawrence
Projector:	Ted/Lawrence	Ted/Lawrence
Lunch Crew:	Youth/Family	Timothy

Last Week	TM / EM / TM CM / EM CM
Attendance	81/58/48/9
General Offering	\$3073/\$1911
Hurricane Sandy	\$720

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# 西雅圖台語基督教會

Seattle Formosan Christian Church

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Experiencing God

**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

Prelude  
Welcome and Praise  
Offering  
Children's message  
Announcement  
Message:  
Response song  
Benediction

*No More Cliques*

### Acts 10:17-35

<sup>17</sup> While Peter was wondering about the meaning of the vision, the men sent by Cornelius found out where Simon's house was and stopped at the gate.

<sup>18</sup> They called out, asking if Simon who was known as Peter was staying there.

<sup>19</sup> While Peter was still thinking about the vision, the Spirit said to him,  
"Simon, three men are looking for you."<sup>20</sup> So get up and go downstairs. Do not hesitate to go with them, for I have sent them."

<sup>21</sup> Peter went down and said to the men,  
"I'm the one you're looking for. Why have you come?"

<sup>22</sup> The men replied,  
"We have come from Cornelius the centurion. He is a righteous and God-fearing man, who is respected by all the Jewish people. A holy angel told him to have you come to his house so that he could hear what you have to say."

<sup>23</sup> Then Peter invited the men into the house to be his guests. The next day Peter started out with them, and some of the brothers from Joppa went along.

<sup>24</sup> The following day he arrived in Caesarea. Cornelius was expecting them and had called together his relatives and close friends.

<sup>25</sup> As Peter entered the house, Cornelius met him and fell at his feet in reverence.

<sup>26</sup> But Peter made him get up.

"Stand up,"

he said,

"I am only a man myself."

<sup>27</sup> Talking with him, Peter went inside and found a large gathering of people.

<sup>28</sup> He said to them:

"You are well aware that it is against our law for a Jew to associate with a Gentile or visit him. But God has shown me that I should not call any man impure or unclean."<sup>29</sup> So when I was sent for, I came without raising any objection. May I ask why you sent for me?"

<sup>30</sup> Cornelius answered:

"Four days ago I was in my house praying at this hour, at three in the afternoon. Suddenly a man in shining clothes stood before me

<sup>31</sup> and said, 'Cornelius, God has heard your prayer and remembered your gifts to the poor.'<sup>32</sup> Send to Joppa for Simon who is called Peter. He is a guest in the home of Simon the tanner, who lives by the sea.'<sup>33</sup> So I sent for you immediately, and it was good of you to come. Now we are all here in the presence of God to listen to everything the Lord has commanded you to tell us."

<sup>34</sup> Then Peter began to speak:

"I now realize how true it is that God does not show favoritism<sup>35</sup> but accepts men from every nation who fear him and do what is right.<sup>36</sup> You know the message God sent to the people of Israel, telling the good news of peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all.<sup>37</sup> You know what has happened throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached--<sup>38</sup> how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power, and how he went around doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil, because God was with him.<sup>39</sup> "We are witnesses of everything he did in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They killed him by hanging him on a tree,<sup>40</sup> but God raised him from the dead on the third day and caused

him to be seen.<sup>41</sup> He was not seen by all the people, but by witnesses whom God had already chosen-- by us who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead.<sup>42</sup> He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one whom God appointed as judge of the living and the dead.<sup>43</sup> All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

<sup>44</sup> While Peter was still speaking these words, the Holy Spirit came on all who heard the message.<sup>45</sup> The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles.<sup>46</sup> For they heard them speaking in tongues and praising God. Then Peter said,

<sup>47</sup> "Can anyone keep these people from being baptized with water? They have received the Holy Spirit just as we have."

<sup>48</sup> So he ordered that they be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked Peter to stay with them for a few days.

**Sermon Title:** No More Cliques

**Sermon Passage:** Acts 10:17-35