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New Wine Ministries Fellowship Conference 2024



An asylum seeker is a person who fled from their country but is not accepted yet as refugee. Refugees and Asylum Seekers are different. Universal declaration of human rights specifies that "everyone has the right to seek and enjoy asylum abroad from persecution". They aim to become refugees in order to apply to countries where they can settle. The UNHCR is the government agency in Hong Kong that looks after their application in processing their papers. The latest statistics showed there are approximate 15,000 Asylum Seekers (inclusive of asylum seekers, refugees, and torture claimants) in Hong Kong. The success rate for their application is very low. Often times, they stay in Hong Kong for many years.

Additionally, they are not permitted to work according to Hong Kong law, any violation may result in penitentiary.

尋求庇護者是指逃離本國，但仍未獲接納為難民的人士。難民與尋求庇護者的名稱卻是不同。根據《世界人權宣言》的定義，「當你受到迫害便有權在他國尋求並享受庇身之所」。尋求庇護者的目的是獲得難民身分，以便向其他國家申請居住權。聯合國難民署是設於香港的政府機關，負責替尋求庇護者處理文件以助他們申請。最新的統計資料顯示，香港大約有15,000名尋求庇護者及難民。可是，尋求庇護者的申請成功率極低。他們通常要在香港等待多年。並且，政府嚴禁他們工作否則觸犯法例而被判監禁一段較長的時期。

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—Messages of Founder & Executive Director—



Reverend Noreen Siu Richards

*Founder & Executive Director
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香港新葡萄基督使工
創辦人及執行董事

Founder & Executive Director New Wine Ministries Hong Kong

On behalf of New Wine Ministries Hong Kong, we welcome you to our 'Sing for Joy' Christmas Charity Gala 2024 tonight. We would like to thank our patrons, sponsors, supporters and advisers for all your presence here in support of our work in helping asylum seekers and refugees as well as the cancer patients in our local community.

We are indeed most honoured to have Dr. Elsie Leung Oi Sie, GBM, JP to be our Guest of Honour this evening. We thank Dr. Leung for her precious time and her presence indeed have given us encouragement for our future work. We are equally honoured and are grateful to many honourable guests being present in support of our cause as well as to celebrate our 13th year anniversary of New Wine Ministries Hong Kong.

During the outbreak of war in Ukraine & in Middle East recently, we have seen a large influx of asylum seekers and refugees by the millions daily seeking asylum in countries of safety in order to flee for their lives. Presently in Hong Kong we have approximately 15,000 asylum seekers & refugees. The government is giving them an assistance program but it's not enough to maintain their daily life especially the fact that they are not allowed to work in Hong Kong.

New Wine is equally compassionate towards helping cancer patients. We have developed courses to help their recovery during hardship whom we offer love and care.

Therefore, we thank you for your presence tonight and hope to have your compassion and generosity this evening.

May God Bless you all!

Rev Noreen Siu Richards
BA, MBA, MCM

Guest of Honour



Dr. LEUNG Oi Sie, Elsie
GBM, JP

**Congratulatory Message to
New Wine Ministries Hong Kong
for Sing for Joy 2024**

Christmas is the time when we give thanks to friends and benefactors for their kindness throughout the year. Again, we shall gather together for a very meaningful purpose, that is, to give thanks to those who contributed towards the pastoral work of the organization known as New Wine Ministries Hong Kong and to raise funds to support its operation as we welcome the year 2025.

The New Wine Ministries Hong Kong Ltd. has a passion for compassion as its mission and vision. It gives love to those sick, impoverished, or rejected by society. It provides healing, both physical and emotional, to those in need, such as cancer patients, asylum seekers as well as their family members. You can see from the website of the Ministries the gratitude and compassion shared by those receiving and those giving. Through loving and caring, the New Wine Ministries also bring them faith, love, and hope in Christianity.

In 2024, we emerged from the shadow of Covid-19, and law and order were restored to our society. Life returns to normal. However, the economy has not yet recovered and it affects all strata of the society, particularly the underprivileged. Shops and services which struggled hard to survive in the past 4 years found it no longer sustainable to continue their business. Notwithstanding the economic hardship, I believe there are still many good-hearted citizens who are willing to lend a helping hand to those in need. Another feature of Sing for Joy is the beautiful and happy faces I saw in every past annual event. Everyone who attended enjoyed the gathering and they lit up hope and faith for those in need as well as those who give. Therefore, please give generously. The contribution you make will go a long way in making our society a caring and loving one.

I wish the event every success and to everyone good health, happiness, and peace.

Dr. LEUNG Oi Sie, Elsie, GBM, JP
November 13th, 2024

Messages of Co-Chairman



Dr. Edmund K. Li

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**Organizing Fund Raising Committee,
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It is indeed a privilege for me to welcome you to our Christmas Charity Gala 2024. This year we have many special Christmas program including Christmas songs and dance performance additional to the fund-raising activities such as raffle prizes, silent auction as well as donations by QR code. I hope you will enjoy this evening.

The vision and mission of New Wine Ministries is loving and caring for those who are poverty stricken and rejected by society, such as asylum seekers & refugees in Hong Kong. Also, we help those who are sick from illnesses such as cancer. We will continue with our tasks to provide living subsistence to asylum seekers and necessary tools through our Christian fellowships and healing programmes of prayers, teaching and preaching in order to assist those who are longing for spiritual and emotional support.

I thank those who have given generously and to all of you for your kind attendance tonight. Particular thanks to our philanthropist sponsor, title sponsors, sub-title sponsors, diamond sponsors, gold and silver sponsors who are listed in our booklet. We would like to acknowledge those who have supported us with donations, advertisements and other contributions as well as those who have worked tirelessly behind the scene.

May I wish all of you good health, and have a most enjoyable evening.

*Dr. Edmund K. Li
Director & Co-Chairman*

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梁愛詩博士GMB, JP、各位贊助人、各位嘉賓、各位使工，晚上好！歡迎大家蒞臨香港新葡萄基督使工慈善晚宴，承蒙各位支持，是次晚宴已踏入第十年，並且是香港新葡萄基督使工成立十三週年，荷蒙梁愛詩博士 Dr. Elsie Leung Oi Sie, GBM, JP蒞臨主禮，以及各位嘉賓光臨指導、鼎力支持，本人衷心感謝。本人有機會再次擔任慈善晚宴籌委會主席，得以稍盡綿力，幫助有需要人士，感到十分榮幸。

香港新葡萄基督使工於2014年正式成為一個非牟利慈善機構。香港新葡萄基督使工本著「神愛世人」的精神，幫助癌症患者面對治療和心靈康復，於黃竹坑使工中心設辦課程及講座；使工亦為貧窮的難民和尋求庇護人士伸出援手，給與機會參加英文班、講座、團契等，並為他們供給每月津貼和物資，以提供生活上的支助。

是次慈善晚宴得以成功，實有賴各位贊助人及嘉賓鼎力支持。所有慷慨捐款都會令我們所事奉及有需要的人士受惠。祈望各位繼續支持，協助我們為更多有需要人士提供服務。

最後，祝大家身心健康！主恩常在、永享福樂！多謝！

蕭曾鳳群 女士

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Messages from Advisers



**Reverend Dr. Edmund
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*Senior Pastor of Pentecostal Church
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*Honorary President of
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Adviser

New Wine Ministries Hong Kong

I extend my heartfelt gratitude to Rev. Noreen Siu and her dedicated team at New Wine Ministries Hong Kong. Since 2011, they have tirelessly assisted asylum seekers and cancer patients, demonstrating unwavering commitment and compassion despite numerous challenges and hardships. Rev. Noreen Siu's selfless dedication is particularly commendable; she has set aside her own career to focus on helping those overlooked by society, offering them care, support, and the Gospel, so they too may experience the love, healing and deliverance of our Heavenly Father. This steadfastness and devotion truly inspire admiration.

Our Lord Jesus said, "...inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me." (Matthew 25:40, NKJV)

I pray that the Lord Jesus will personally reward Rev. Noreen Siu and her team. May He continue to empower them, granting them strength upon strength and grace upon grace. May they continually receive the Lord's grace, provision, and power, finding joy and fulfillment in their service, so they can continue to be a blessing to many. May the Lord be with them!

Reverend Dr. Edmund Cheung

Messages from Advisers



Reverend Colin W. Dye

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*Senior Minister Kensington
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Adviser

New Wine Ministries Hong Kong

The world has changed and continues to change. Covid-19 had a profound effect on global thinking. Both nationally and individually we are living with changed attitudes. Uncertainty and vulnerability are now deeply embedded in our psyche. We have lost confidence in the best of our human capacity to manage crises.

Conflicts and wars have increased. Asylum seekers and refugees are more numerous than ever. Deep social and economic problems are present in many if not most countries in the world. Humanity is facing crisis.

In the midst of all this New Wine Ministries has not stopped working, not stopped caring. The need is more urgent than ever. Rev Noreen Sui is a woman of compassion and determination. She has led the ministry through all the challenges presented in recent years. The goal remains the same – to reach the poor, the needy and the weak. Not just with words of love, but with actions that demonstrate love. Hundreds of men, women and children regularly receive support and care. This would simply not happen if New Wine Ministries did not exist.

Once again, I wholeheartedly commend this work to you. Your support and encouragement are crucial in order that New Wine will continue to flourish and grow. The ministry must not only keep doing what it does, but also expand into new areas and take on new initiatives. Without your valuable support New Wine could never have come so far. With your support it can go even further.

*Rev. Colin W. Dye
BD, Kensington Temple, London England*

Messages from Advisers



Reverend Randall Naylor

MDiv
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Adviser

New Wine Ministries Hong Kong

This is a wonderful time to celebrate the “*Sing for Joy*” Charity Gala 2024! It is good to reflect on God’s faithfulness, His grace and to rejoice in the Lord’s blessings over the past year.

NWMHK has been building a Legacy for God within the community of Asylum Seekers and cancer patients. It has been a joy and honour to participate in this ministry over the years and to see the impact of NWMHK in the lives of so many people in need.

Eugene Peterson expressed it well - “The character of our work is shaped not by accomplishments and possessions but in the birth of relationships. People are at the centre of Christian work.”

It is important to remember that the secret of living a life that makes a difference in this world is realizing that it is NOT what you do for yourself BUT what you allow God to do in and through your life for others.

Our prayer is that NWMHK will continue to grow from strength to strength, provide spiritual guidance and give practical help and support through loving acts of kindness.

*“Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, **stand firm and immovable, and work for the Lord always, work without limit, since you know that, in the Lord, your labour is not in vain.**” (1 Corinthians 15:58)*

Be Blessed and Be a Blessing,

*Rev. Randall Naylor, MDiv
PAOC Hong Kong*

Messages from Advisers



**Reverend Dr. John Snelgrove
&**

Mrs. Sandra Snelgrove

*Co-founders Priscilla and Aquila
Limited*

Founding Pastors The Vine Church

Adviser

New Wine Ministries Hong Kong

5 This is what the Sovereign Lord says to these bones: I will make breath enter you, and you will come to life. 6 I will attach tendons to you and make flesh come upon you and cover you with skin; I will put breath in you, and you will come to life. Then you will know that I am the Lord.' Ezekiel 37:5-6

As we sat down to pen a few words for this significant event, we sensed that the above verses, popularly known as the Valley of Dry Bones, were so appropriate. There is a prevailing sense of urgency in these challenging times for our fallen world. And we praise God for ministries like New Wine who are, by selfless service and positive action, breathing new life especially into those who have lost hope, namely asylum seekers and cancer patients.

You see, much of this generation is like dry bones, in need of spiritual nourishment but often looking in the wrong places. They are hungry for truth and life.

The goal of New Wine and similar agencies is to be the living water for them, pouring out God's message of life and truth as vessels for His use.

Biblical references, such as Ezekiel 37:5-6 and John 17, highlight the importance of speaking life into today's generation, just as God breathes life into dry bones.

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The importance of listening to and empowering those who are crying out for help needs to be emphasised, including hearing their cries and facilitating their voices in transformative processes. Sacrifice, collaborative learning, and wisdom are encouraged as ways to sustain and pass on the faith to future generations.

New Wine has been planting seeds for more than a decade. The metaphor of planting small seeds to grow into mighty trees emphasises the potential of small, scalable strategies.

We never ceased to be amazed at the tenacity and persistence of Rev Noreen Siu Richards and her team and have observed the following godly characteristics:

- A focus on listening to the Holy Spirit for fresh revelation and living out the true identity of disciples through love and servant leadership.
- Collaboration, servanthood, and resisting worldly temptations are seen as essential practices in the kingdom of God.
- The concept of unity through belonging and identity, rather than just theological unity, is significant in fostering a sense of community.

It is that community that we celebrate at the "Sing For Joy" dinner. Let's raise a glass to toast this amazing work of God's hands that we have the privilege to witness and partner with.

Rev. Dr. John & Sandra Snelgrove

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