

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- We welcome everyone especially new friends who are worshipping with us this morning. May God bless those who attend today's service.
- * Next Sunday (10/20) we will have English service starts at 9:15 AM and Chinese service starts at 10:45 AM. Please join us. Chinese Adults Sunday school starts at 9:30 AM, English adult, youth and children Sunday school will start at 10:45 AM.
- * Our annual Strategic Planning Meeting will be Oct. 19 – 9:00 a.m. until around 3:00 pm. Please pray and make plans to attend.
- * English Conversation Class this Sunday at 1:00 pm after lunch. See Barbara for details.
- * Our church this week prayer meeting (10/16) will be In person at home and ON ZOOM from 7:30 PM. Please join us in prayer.
- * A friendly reminder: as we enjoy the new carpet, please help to keep the carpet area clean by not having food or drinks on the carpet area. Please use only drink ware with cap if you need to drink in the sanctuary.
- * Our local mission outreach will be on Friday Oct. 25th at John316. We need many volunteers to serve food, teach children & youth, lead in worship, pray with people, hang out with those who come. For more info see Elder Fang Xiang.

PRAYER

- * Pray for the Pastoral Search Committee - as they do their important work – pray for unity, wisdom, and discernment. Pray for our next Chinese pastor as the Lord prepares him.
 - * Remember Sister Susan Kao in her battle with cancer. Pray for courage, strength, and God's healing.
 - * Pray for our university students who returned to school that they will find good church homes and stay close to the Lord.
 - * Continue to pray for Paula as she readies to move back to Tulsa. There are many things to take care of including finding good airline tickets.
 - * Pray for our planned John316 mission night coming up as we seek to be involved in local missions Oct. 25.
 - * Pray for brother Tim Liu and a number of others who are in Asia for time with family and friends.
 - * Pray for the deacons and their families as they faithfully serve in our church.
 - * Pray that our Cell groups will help people will grow in their faith and that relationships will be strengthened.
 - * Sister Chen had cataract surgery recently. Pray for healing and good vision.
9. We are praying about our children & youth ministry – seeking the Lord's direction for more effective work. Pray!!

The Tulsa Chinese Christian Church **Welcomes You!**



Gen. 25:19-34 Jacob's Journey: The Chosen Schemer

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Rebekah had a struggle within so she:

Rom. 9:10-12 Not only that, but Rebekah's children had one and the same father, our father Isaac. ¹¹ Yet, before the twins were born or had done anything good or bad—in order that God's purpose in election might stand:¹² not by works but by him who calls—she was told, "The older will serve the younger."

JACOB & ESAU: CONTRAST!

APPLICATION

Like Rebekah, what drives you to I _____ of the LORD?

Before **you go on with something in your life that you're unsure about**, I _____ of the LORD! **Believe that God s _____!**

JACOB'S LIFE, OFTEN THE SCHEMER

SCHEMING – In several episodes of Jacob's life, we learn that he was a real schemer, sometimes trusting in d _____. He really lived his life his way, with his solutions to the situations he faced. He is certainly NOT a man of prayer in his early years – seeking the LORD'S counsel, will, way. Such scheming can get us into c _____, hurt relationships, tarnish our reputation. So much better to get godly counsel, know God's word and His ways, ask for the Spirit's guidance, don't act until you know God's mind. Especially learn to TRUST God rather than trust in our schemes! A great prayer: **Psalm 86:11 Teach me your way, O LORD, and I will walk in your truth; give me an undivided heart, that I may fear your name.**

NOT V _____ the blessings of God – Esau didn't v _____ what he should have, his birthright. How about us? All the blessings we have – are we taking them for granted? Are we ever wishing we had more, different blessings?

JACOB GOD'S CHOSEN