

Jesus Good Shepherd Church(JGSC)

1. History and Status

Jesus Good Shepherd Church, under the tentative name "Jesus Love Church" (unregistered), started its first Sunday service on March 10, 2019 at the Education Center of Vancouver Agape Church(826 12th St, New Westminister, BC V3M 4K3).

Founding Members were John Heo, Grace Son, Kyung Sook Kim, David, Lucy, James, Joseph, Jinhee, and Chinese co-workers Yongqing Lin, Shi Zhang, Wang Cheng Chen, and Nai Ge Wang.

From May 5, 2019, the meeting place was rented at Surrey Christian School (#122 Classroom 15353 92 Ave Surrey BC) for worship services.

On June 14, 2019, Charity was registered by the BC government under the name Jesus Good Shepherd Church.

On October 23, 2019, it was registered as charity by the federal government (Charity Number: 78742 1874 RR001).

Since the spring semester of 2019, JGSC by weekly has been preaching Gospel to SFU Chinese students and international students and teaching one-on-one Bible study. SFU students is Terry(Environmental Engineering), Tim(Health Science), Jinwon(Political Diplomacy), Ziqin(Economics), Mike(Economics), Kurt(TWU, Biology), Hamin(Grad11)...

The 2019 Summer Ministry (7~8) held a barbecue party, cooking school(making kimchi), baking school, etc., attending 50 Chinese people and their children in the vicinity to share the grace of the Gospel.

The Sunday service on December 22, 2019 was held as a praise service for the celebration of Christmas. 15 songs of praise were praised for the birth of Jesus, the cross of the ransom, the glory and grace of resurrection, and a buffet dinner and gifts were prepared. We invited about 30 new friends and had a gracious time.

Since April 2020, due to Covid-19, face-to-face meetings cannot be held, so on-line worship, prayer meetings, and Bible studies are being held. As far as the government's guidelines permit, Church Members have a meeting at outdoor parks and restaurants. Also, by preparing masks and gifts, we are helping and caring brothers and sisters of the Chinese immigrants. Although it is a small amount financially, JGSC support Surrey Christian School, New Livingstone Fellowship, ESF Canada, Compassion Canada, etc.

2. The Purpose of establishment

Jesus Good Shepherd Church was established to serve Chinese immigrants and international students for God's kingdom. In the future, we want to broad our horizon by God's guidance.

We have purpose to raise God's disciples. Firstly, each believer imitates and resembles Jesus, the Good Shepherd. So, our goal is the godliness, character, and service of Jesus's life. We know that only the grace and love of Jesus, our good shepherd, is the source of our true satisfaction and joy, so, we experience it in our daily lives.

We also want to testify of Good Shepherd, Jesus to our family and friends, occupation and community with service and love of Jesus. Since we were immigrants, we especially need to serve Chinese immigrants and international students with compassion and love of Jesus, and we consider their difficulties as our difficulties and serve them with the compassion of Jesus, and lead them to Jesus, the good shepherd.

