



Figure 2. Barbara, Chinese New Year Celebration.

### What is happening in Hong Kong and Macau?

**Barbara and I** continue to be in good shape here despite the protests last year and the pestilence that now threatens Asia. God continues to provide for all our needs in abundance. We have masks, toilet paper, and paper towels. A few weeks ago, there was a shortage of these things, but Barbara's shopping routine has kept us stocked. I did see people lined up to buy toilet paper, so I got in the line and bought a pack. Barbara was pleased with my purchase. Everyone wears a face mask. Many people stay home unless they step out to buy food or go to work. Some businesses are closed. Some restaurants have closed because they do not have enough business to stay open. Many are suffering economic loss because of this virus.



### Prayer Requests, Praises, and Thanks

THANK YOU, LORD...

1. For Lutheran School for the Deaf in Hong Kong.
2. For Concordia School of Special Education in Macau.
3. For Barbara's successful removal of a basal cell carcinoma from her arm.

LORD, hear our prayer.

4. For all affected by the coronavirus.
5. For the children who are not able to attend classes.
6. For those who do not yet trust in Jesus Christ.

**Amen.**



Figure 1. Lion dance gives hope for successful year. Christ offers hope for eternal life with God.

**The Deaf School** is so quiet. Classes have been suspended since the Chinese New Year. We thought classes might resume on March 16<sup>th</sup>, but we received word now that classes may resume after the Easter break on April 19<sup>th</sup>. A few students were here this week, preparing for the exams they take before graduating. We were happy to see each other. I continue to work on lesson plans and a new series of classes on "The Miracles of Jesus". This extra time allows me to make great PowerPoint presentations. I keep in touch with the students I tutor, using the internet.



**My travel to Macau** is suspended. The church services are canceled. The after church "Table Talks" are suspended. The good news is that Pastor Wu continues to facilitate our Friday night Bible Study group meet using the internet. Thank God for modern technology. Concordia School for Special Education has suspended classes.

**Barbara** is doing fine. She continues her routines. Since we have not gone to Macau, I still bring Barbara to Victoria Harbor. She loves walking by the water. This is her favorite activity. While at Central ferry pier, Barbara buys from Subway store some chocolate chips cookies which she loves. We take the ferry (which is free) to Central. There are not many people in these places now. Then



we walk to the Wing On department store and catch a bus back to Kwai Fong. God has put us in this place, and we serve Him joyfully. +++



As the new year of 2020 began, Hong Kong has quieted down a bit. Then came the bad news about the coronavirus, COVID -19, before the celebration of the Chinese New Year or Lunar New Year on January 25 - 27, 2020. The classes were to resume after the holiday on Wednesday, February 5th, but, due to the virus outbreak, the classes have been postponed three times until Monday, April 20<sup>th</sup>, at the earliest .

David and I are fine so far. We wear the surgical face masks and bring the hand sanitizers with us when out in public. The bi-monthly trip to Macau has been suspended, because the ferries are docked until further notice. The world is in a grim shape with continued fighting between the nations, ongoing protests against governments, raging fires in different countries, and spreading different diseases.

Jesus said,

*“I am the light of the world.  
Whoever follows me will not walk  
in darkness but will have the light  
of life.”*

David and I are to bring His true light to the people who live in the darkness. May we all pray for His true light to continue to shine upon the world and upon everyone who seek for comfort, endurance, and peace.

*“Gloria in Excelsis Deo! Hallelujah,  
Hallelujah, Hallelujah!”*



## REPORT

**LSD CLASSES.** Now, because of the coronavirus, classes have been canceled until at least April 19<sup>th</sup>. I am continuing to work on lesson plans and keep in contact with students and staff using the internet.

**PROTESTS.** Continue to be quieted down a bit for a while, but the coronavirus has become the greatest concern. For a few weeks there were shortages of face masks, toilet paper, and paper towels, that situation has improved recently. In some stores, the shelves of rice were emptied but now have been resupplied.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL.** In Macau, St. Peter Lutheran Church has canceled classes for the children and have canceled church services. The ferry to Macau has also been canceled. We still have access to Macau using the new bridge.

**BARBARA & I.** We have no plans in leaving Asia. David renewed his work visa for two more years. We know no one with the coronavirus. +++

## Teaching LSD Hong Kong.

While school is out, I am preparing lessons plans for the future classes. We may share some homework via internet.

The topic of this series of lessons is “*Miracles of Jesus.*”

In these lessons, using PowerPoint, I aim to have the students identify the 1) problem, 2) the characters, 3) the solution, and 4) what did you learn? I also hope the students will recognize Law and Gospel. +++

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# MACAU



Ferry to Macau, parked. Concordia School for Special Education (CSSE) suspended classes. St Peter Church suspended services.

# HONG KONG

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