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Asylum Seekers & Refugee Ministry 尋求庇護者及難民事工



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 13,000 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份，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構，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13,000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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Statement & Foreword



Foreword

New Wine Ministries Hong Kong continues with its vision and mission to love and care for those who are disadvantaged and rejected within our community, including the homeless, poverty stricken and those who suffer from cancer and other serious health problems.

These past few years, emerging from the shadow of Covid, have been particularly challenging. We strive to continue to provide financial assistance, givings of food, clothing and essential personal supplies. We also assist with the teaching of English while providing emotional and spiritual support through fellowship gatherings for our asylum seekers. As for the cancer patients, we offer healing programs based on Christian faith.

STATEMENT

This year, we celebrate twelve years of New Wine Ministries Hong Kong. Founded by Reverend Noreen Siu-Richards and incorporated in September 2011, New Wine Ministries became a non-profit, non-governmental organisation in February 2014 and became a member of the Hong Kong Council for Social Services in 2015.

We started our ministries at our premises in Wong Chuk Hang in 2011. At the start, we received about 20 to 30 weekly asylum seekers who came for hymn singing, talks, fellowship, a hot meal as well as receiving a monthly living subsidy to assist with their daily living. In 2017, the group increased to 70 and we expanded to include a kitchen equipped to offer them a sit-down hot meal. We have, since then, expanded to give them food packages, clothing and basic necessities and personal supplies.

More recently, the number of asylum seekers at our Ministry has grown to 170. They receive only minimal support from the government and are not allowed to work. They look for NGOs like ourselves for extra support.

Besides the asylum seekers, New Wine Ministries Hong Kong also provide emotional and spiritual support to cancer patients. We invite them to our premise for healing programs as well as fellowship groups and social gatherings.

The annual funding we raise in 2023 will help us maintain support for both groups as well as expanding to include more people and provide additional services for these two communities.

Reverend Noreen Siu Richards
Founder & Executive Director Of
New Wine Ministries Hong Kong



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Guest of Honour



LEUNG Oi Sie, Elsie,
GBM, JP

**Congratulatory Message to
New Wine Ministries
Hong Kong Limited for Sing for Joy 2023**

Rev. Noreen Siu Richards, friends of New Wine Ministries Hong Kong Ltd., Distinguished guests, ladies, and gentlemen:

I thank Rev. Noreen Siu Richards for her kind invitation to this evening's event – Sing for Joy 2023 and to meet with friends and patrons of New Wine Ministries Hong Kong Ltd. on this jovial occasion. There are so many happy and beautiful faces here tonight because they gather for a very meaningful purpose, that is, to raise funds for the pastoral work of the organization established in 2011 and formally registered as an NGO in 2014.

The New Wine Ministries Hong Kong Ltd. looks after the spiritual needs as well as the physical needs of the people it serves, bringing them faith, love, and hope of Christianity and assistance to refugees, cancer patients, and inner healing of those suffering from bodily and emotional pains, not only to those who are directly affected but also to their family members and careers whom they support or bear the burden of supporting them. You can see from the website of the Ministries the gratitude and compassion shared by those receiving and those giving.

I often admire the courage of those non-governmental organizations who carry on charitable work and must at the same time raise funding for such purpose. The Government's spending on social welfare increased approximately 5 times since 1st July 1997 but is still never enough, because there are projects outside the prescribed scope of allocation, also by the time grants are received, the index of costs and the scope of service far exceed the original plan. It is, therefore, necessary to motivate the Third Power of our society, the charitable spirit of our citizens to support such expanded services. An event like tonight's will go a long way in making our society a caring and loving one. So please give generously.

I wish tonight's event every success and everyone good health, happiness, and peace. Enjoy the evening.

LEUNG Oi Sie, Elsie, GBM, JP
November 4th, 2023

—————*Messages of Founder & Executive Director*—————



Reverend Noreen Siu Richards
Founder & Executive Director
New Wine Ministries Hong Kong

蕭芷馨牧師
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' 2023 charity gala tonight. We would like to thank all our patrons, sponsors, supporters and dear friends for all your presence here tonight to raise funds in support of our work in helping asylum seekers and 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 your most precious time and your presence indeed have encouraged us.

Equally honoured and grateful am I to have so many honourable guests to be present in support of our cause and to celebrate this 12th years anniversary of 'New Wine Ministries Hong Kong's Sing for Joy' charity gala 2023. We would like to thank those who supported us but could not be here this evening.

We are truly blessed and we are grateful that all Covid restrictions are lifted so we are able to enjoy all the programs to follow. We have but one purpose tonight and that is to raise as much funds in support to our asylum seekers and refugees as well as helping people suffering from cancer or have survived cancer.

The recent Ukraine War and the most recent uprising in Israel showed us daily large influx of people by the millions seeking asylum to other countries as they face death or torture if they stay in these countries. Hong Kong is a place of peace and safety in comparison to those war-zone like countries. We do have those escaped to Hong Kong due to political, economic or religious reason. Hong Kong has a no-visa entry policy that attract those who want to escape quickly. But little do they know once they enter they can be stuck here for years and years.

Existing we have around 15,000 asylum seekers and refugees in Hong Kong. As the government's financial assistance are below their subsistence, they look to NGO groups like us and others to help in their livelihood. Most often this group has been neglected, rejected and dejected by our community at large. Usually a 4-6 persons shared housing near the Tuen Mun or near the mainland border is what they could afford with a mere \$1500 per month housing allowance. A further food coupon of \$1200 per month and \$300 travelling allowance are all they got each month.

New Wine Ministries are equally compassionate towards the cancer patients. Throughout the past 12 years, we have offered them emotional and spiritual healing which often their lives are transformed and their illness recovered.

We thank you again for tonight and May God blesses you abundantly!

Rev Noreen Siu Richards
BA, MBA, MCM



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Messages of Co-Chairman



Dr Edmund K. Li

*Honorary Clinical Professor,
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香港新葡萄基督使工
董事及籌委會主席

Director & Co-Chairman

**Organizing Fund Raising Committee,
New Wine Ministries Hong Kong**

Good evening,

It is indeed a privilege for me to welcome you to our annual New Wine Ministries Charity Dinner. This year we have this new venue for our celebration gathering and I hope you may 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, and those who are sick from illnesses such as cancer has not changed. We will continue with our tasks to provide the necessary tools through our Christian fellowships and healing programmes of prayers and deliverance to assist those who are longing for spiritual and emotional healing.

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

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

Dr. Edmund K. Li
Director & Co-Chairman

—Messages of Co-Chairman—



Mrs. Siu Tsang Fung Kwan

SBS BBS MBE

*Chairman of Women's Welfare Club,
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*Hon. Vice President of
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*Honorary Fellowship of
HKU SPACE 2016*

*Director of Tung Wah Group of
Hospitals, 1980*

Director of Po Leung Kuk, 1979

*Co-Chairman of
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蕭曾鳳群 女士

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Co-Chairman

Organizing Fund Raising Committee, New Wine Ministries Hong Kong

梁愛詩博士 GBM, 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，是次晚宴已踏入第八年，並且是香港新葡萄基督使工成立十一週年，荷蒙梁愛詩博士 Dr. Leung Oi Sie Elsie GBM, JP 蒞臨主禮，以及各位嘉賓光臨指導、鼎力支持，至深感謝。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 2011 年成立，今年是第十一週年，在 2014 年正式成為一個非牟利慈善機構，亦是香港新葡萄基督使工本著「神愛世人」的精神，使工有幫助癌症患者治療和康復，現有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，給與機會可參加英文班、講座、團契等等。使工並為他們供給每月津貼，以提供生活上的支助。

是次慈善晚會得以成功，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和需要的人士受惠。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

SBS BBS MBE

Messages from Advisers



**Reverend Dr Edmund
Cheung**

*Senior Pastor of
Pentecostal Church of
HK Tai Po Church,
Honorary President of
International Pentecostal Seminary*

Adviser

New Wine Ministries Hong Kong

The work of New Wine Ministries Hong Kong is incredibly challenging. They are tasked with caring for cancer patients on one hand, and assisting underprivileged individuals such as asylum seekers on the other. This demanding and often thankless work requires immense dedication. We are grateful to God for Rev. Noreen Siu and her team's unwavering commitment to serving, supporting, encouraging, guiding, and praying for these individuals in countless ways. Not only does Rev. Siu forego a salary, but she also goes above and beyond by actively raising funds to support the ministries.

Since 2011, they have tirelessly worked day and night to help those whom society has forgotten. Witnessing the tangible results of their years of labor, seeing many of these individuals healed and their lives rebuilt, fills me with profound gratitude for the work that God is accomplishing through their ministries. May our God, the creator of all mankind, remember, provide for, and reward them abundantly from His glorious riches. May He continue to bless Rev. Noreen Siu and her team, enabling New Wine Ministries Hong Kong to be a vessel for His Kingdom and a source of blessings for Hong Kong.

Reverend Dr Edmund Cheung



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Messages from Advisers



Reverend Colin Dye

BD

*Senior Minister,
Kensington Temple
London City Church, UK*

Adviser

New Wine Ministries Hong Kong

The Good Samaritan story appeals to all who have a humanitarian conscience. The Samaritans were a despised community, and most would not have considered them worthy of compassion or support. The story was told as an example of good neighbourliness. Who is my neighbour? The person in need.

New Wine Ministries is a ministry of compassion and love to those who are often forgotten or blamed for their situation of dire need. I am so delighted to commend this ministry again this year. Since 2011, Rev. Noreen Siu has given herself unstintingly to the task of loving care and provision to those who are less fortunate than ourselves. Despite the challenges of Covid and other major obstacles, Noreen has continued steadfast.

I am inviting you to give generously and help her fulfil her vision to help those who have no other visible means of support. Please give today and ensure that this vital work continues.

Thank you.

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

Messages from Advisers



Reverend Randall Naylor
MDiv
PAOC Hong Kong

Adviser

New Wine Ministries Hong Kong

This is a wonderful time of thanksgiving to celebrate "Sing for Joy" Charity Gala 2023!

It is an occasion to reflect on God's goodness, faithfulness, and provisions and to rejoice in the Lord's blessings over the past year. NWMHK has continued to provide practical acts of kindness and love to those within the community of Hong Kong who are in need of help and assistance during difficult times in their lives.

What a joy and privilege it has been for me to be involved with this work and to have a small part in the ministries.

Our prayer is that NWMHK will continue to be blessed by God with wisdom and understanding to have a greater impact in Hong Kong. May your passion and compassion for others inspire many to receive the power of healing, comfort, peace and joy from God so their lives will be changed forever.

"The joy of the Lord is your strength." (Nehemiah 8:10)

Be Blessed and Be a Blessing,

Rev. Randall Naylor, MDiv
PAOC Hong Kong



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— 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

Our absolute delight that the Sing for Joy Dinner is back with us, is In scripture, whenever God wants to move his people forward in their relationship with Him and their future, he always does something new amongst them.

God always steps into human history at its most critical times and declares He is doing something new amongst us. This is always God's heart – to move His people forward by a new act of sovereign work here on earth.

We believe with all our hearts God is doing a new act of sovereign work here in Hong Kong in 2023. If we are honest, we need him to. It's been a challenging past few years for us, and we know there are going to be challenging times ahead.

As a city we are longing to find again our vitality, vision, and identity. I believe it will come only by a new work that God does amongst us, something he always does in pivotal moments of history.

The pioneering work that New Wine Ministries is doing amongst cancer patients and asylum seekers is, we believe, a conduit to the new things God has intended for our city. And that process begins in Isaiah 43:18-19 by God declaring over Israel he is 'doing a new thing'. This is such a new thing that he tells them to forget all the old things, all the old work he has done amongst them. None of that matters for what lies ahead.

While we celebrate and are grateful for all the things God has done for us in the past, if we are able to perceive the new thing God is doing in 2023 here in Hong Kong and in our lives personally, it will require us releasing our previous expectations and perspective. Watch this space!

Reverend Dr John Snelgrove and Mrs Sandra Snelgrove

Rev. Dr John & Sandra Snelgrove



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