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## Chinese Baptist Fellowship of the United States and Canada

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## **20th Biennial Conference** September 24-28 2018

The 20<sup>th</sup> Biennial Conference of the Chinese Baptist Fellowship of the US and Canada was held from September 24-28 2018 on board the Carnival Inspiration sailing from Long Beach California to Ensenada Mexico with a dropping of anchor off Catalina Island. More than 200 Chinese Baptists, many pastors and wives, from the US and Canada attended.



The Conference on board a cruise ship was meant to be a time for participants to take a break from ministry and be refreshed spiritually and have

something to

take home to help them in ministry. What a refreshing it

was to hear from our Keynote Speaker, Dr. Daniel Block, who brought the Book of Ezekiel alive each morning. Dr. Block, formerly the John R. Sampey Professor of Old Testament Interpretation at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, is an eminent



Dr. Daniel Block, Keynote Speaker & Interpreter Rev. Daniel Chan

Old Testament scholar and an acclaimed authority on the Book of Ezekiel. Apart from the teachings from the Word, we also had the opportunity to think through several practical issues that the church faces through Workshops on Preaching, Financial Management, Succession of Leadership, Next Generation Ministry, and our Baptist Heritage.

Augustine Hui, Worship Leader

It was noteworthy that all the teaching and learning sessions were enthusiastically attended which commenced at 8:00 in the morning through 12 noon each day (Tuesday and Wednesday) and all-



day Thursday with a break for lunch. Most of them worked



Deacon Sau Wing Lam led the Workshop on Financial Management & provided counseling on individual personal finances



Rev. Ting Leung led the Workshop on Leadership Succession in the Church



edly, there were many opportunities for fellowship as they shared meals together and met Chinese Baptists from all over. Wives of ministers were also ministered to.

around their on-shore activities to

fit the teaching sessions. Undoubt-



Rev. Peter Chan. Rev. Philip Kwong, Rev. Amos Lee & Rev. Johnny Wang facilitated the Workshop on Baptist Heritage



Rev. Francis Chung and Rev. William Eng facilitated the Workshop on NextGen Ministry

## Inspiring Worship and Attentive Learners:

This despite meeting in dimly lit "converted" meeting spaces like the Rock 'n Roll Bar, the Monte Carlo Room, and the Candlelight Aft Lounge— truly a meeting of the sacred and the "sacrilegious".



At the Business Session of the Fellowship, most of the officers and team members who were elected to serve at the 19<sup>th</sup> Biennial Conference in Vancouver (2016) were reaffirmed to serve another two years with new additions. We also affirmed



plans from the various ministries for the next two to five years, including the need to help churches become healthy, to train and coach more church planters, to minister to ministers more holistically, and to help churches develop their NextGen



ministry. A two-year budget of \$208,000 was approved for the ministries of the Fellowship. The next Conference, the 21<sup>st</sup> Biennial Conference, will be held in the San Francisco Bay Area in September 2020 which is also the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Fellowship.

What a Conference it was! We praise God for His grace that made it happen. We thank God



Here We Come San Francisco Bay Area! September 2020

for the group of pastors in Southern California who worked hard putting it all together. All glory to God!





We were blessed to have the opportunity to listen to a group of youths who did a spirited recitation of the Book of James, Chapters 1 and 2. (They could have recited the entire book if they were alloted more time!) *May their tribe increase!* 















Volunteers are key to the ministry of the CBF and the success of the Conference is no exception. The Planning Committee, comprised of pastors, worked for hours behind the scene even before the event. Many brothers and sisters gave of their time and effort. **To all of you: Thank You!** 



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### 美加華人浸信會聯會第 20 屆雙年會報告 2018年9月24至28日

美加華人浸信會聯會第20屆雙 年會已於 2018 年 9 月 24 至 28 日在嘉年華啓發號郵輪上舉行。 該郵輪從加州長灘啓航行往墨西 哥恩塞納達,並停靠卡塔利娜 島。有超過二百位來自美國和加 拿大的許多浸信會教牧同工,師 母和教會領袖參加是次會議。

遊輪上的聚會讓參加者在事奉中 得以稍息,在心靈上得到更新,並能夠有所學習,可 以有所得著,以有助他們的事工。主題講員博達理博



Sampey 紀念教授,他是一位傑出的舊約學者,也是 以西結書的著名權威。除了聖經的教導之外,我們還 有機會於有關講道,財務管理,領導承傳,下一代事 工和浸信會歷史等研討會中,去思想教會所面對的實 際問題。



主題講員博達理博士 翻譯陳東昇牧師



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前,讓我們得著

啓發。博達理博 土以前是南方浸 信會神學院舊約

釋經的 John R.

敬拜領唱許諾牧師

值得注意的是,與 會者熱情地參加了 所有在周二和周三 早上8點到每天中 午12點,並周四 全天的教學和學 習。大多數的參加 者都以配合教學課



林修榮執事帶領財務規劃 工作坊及輔導個人財務問 題。



梁廷益牧師帶領教會領 袖的薪火相傳工作坊



Aft Lounge) 等"改造"的地方舉行聚會,這實在是神聖的 與世俗的結合!



程來安排他們的岸上活 動。毫無疑問地,在共享 佳餚中大家有機會認識來 自各地的浸信會會友,並 享受團契。同時師母們也 受到服侍。



陳德全牧師, 鄺雄輝牧師, 李英柏 牧師及王其昌牧師帶領浸信會的 傳承工作坊



伍偉廉牧師及鍾惠賢牧師帶領建 立跨文化團隊工作坊

美好的敬拜 細心的學習 儘管是在光線幽暗的 搖滾樂酒吧(Rock'n Roll Bar),蒙地卡 羅舞廳 (Monte Carlo Room), 和船尾燭光 休憩廳 (Candlelight

在聯會的議事會上,在溫 哥華舉行的第 19 屆雙年 度會議(2016 年)中當 選的職員和團隊成員都獲 連任兩年,並增加了職 位。我們並確認各部門在 未來兩到五年的計劃,當 中包括幫助教會變得更健



康,培訓和指導更多栽植教會的傳道人,更整全地 服侍傳道人,以及幫助教會發展他們的下一代事 工。議事會中通過了聯會兩年共 208,000 美元的事 工預算。 下一屆會議,即 第 21 屆雙年會, 將於 2020 年 9 月在舊金山灣區 舉行,同時這也 是聯會的 40 週 年。

這次是一個何等 美好的大會!我 們讚美上帝的恩



2020 年九月 加州三藩市灣區 一 我來也!

典,祂使之成為事實。我們也為南加州的教牧同 工們在籌備上的努力感謝神,將一切榮耀都歸於 我們的主耶穌基督!



