

# the gift of touch

"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy." (Matthew 5:7)

Jesus had a unique way of challenging people's thinking and giving them new perspectives as they looked at the world.

To those who looked at themselves and were proud of the fact that they had never murdered anyone, Jesus told them to look a little closer. He wanted them to see the anger in their hearts and to recognize that their words could be like an arrow aimed at another person.

To those who were persecuted and hurting, he helped them see there could be blessing amid pain. He told them to look deeper and to see the other side of pain and realize that God could use it to bring blessings into their lives.

The religious leaders looked across the landscape and saw it littered with undesirables such as tax collectors, prostitutes, lepers and sinners. Jesus saw these people and invited them as honoured guests to the banquet his Father was preparing for all who would follow the Son of God.

Since starting his public ministry, Jesus has been about the business of opening closed eyes and changing the way people see the world. This was true two thousand years ago, and it is just as true today! And so may our eyes be open to see afresh, anew the way of Jesus, the way of mercy!

See you this weekend!

Pastor Tim

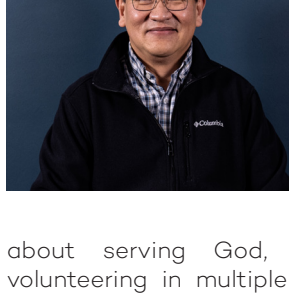


## Click here to take our survey!

Like much of the world, Foothills is moving through a period of transition. Part of this transition includes hiring a new Lead Pastor, and we want to hear from you. Take this short, five-minute survey and tell us how we're doing.

The answers in this survey will be used by our Elder Board. The results will help our Board make decisions on ways for Foothills to improve, and will help us in our interview process in hiring a new Lead Pastor. Your email will remain confidential, but the results may be announced during a weekend service or in a congregant-wide email.

## Meet our new Operations Director!



Nathanael Ong serves at Foothills Alliance Church as the Operations Director. He joined our team in November 2021. Prior to starting his position at Foothills, Nathanael worked for 20 years in property development. After being called by the Lord to serve him and his church, Nathanael enrolled at Ambrose University in seminary studies. Nathanael is passionate

about serving God, and has spent over 30 years volunteering in multiple capacities in the church, including: conducting choir, teaching in Sunday School and serving as a deacon on a board. He was also active in the Chinese Christian Congress on World Evangelization (CCCOWE), and Gospel Operations International – A missionary sending agency.

## Happening @ Foothills



### Gym Night

Nov 20 @ 8PM

Are you a young adult looking to connect with others? Come join us for an evening of volleyball at The Volleydome. Q? Email [ethan.strangway@myfoothills.ca](mailto:ethan.strangway@myfoothills.ca). See you soon!



### Foothills Alliance School Job Opportunity

We're looking for substitute Teachers and Assistant Teachers. Teachers should hold a Level 3 Child Care Certificate or BEd, and Assistants need a Level 1 or 2 Certificate(s). Please send your resume to [fapk@foothillsalliance.com](mailto:fapk@foothillsalliance.com) or call the School office at 403.547.2193



### Advent in a Box

Join us for Advent in a Box! Advent is the season where we prepare and anticipate the birth of Jesus Christ. This box is packed Christmas-themed activities to play throughout December. Do you know someone who would love to follow along? Buy them a box before Nov 15. Boxes are \$10. Click here for more.



### Financial Wellness Course:

Coach training

Nov 27 @ 8AM

Is it possible in this day in age to be living within your means? The road to financial freedom can have some challenging bumps along the way. Together, we'll look at some financial "best practices" to help you manage your finances wisely. Click here to register.



### Surviving the Holidays

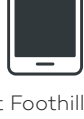
Dec 1 @ 9:30AM

Join us as we lift up our church, community and the world. Click here for more information.

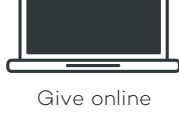
## Extravagant Generosity

We know COVID-19 has created many financial challenges for our Foothills family and friends. We have been blessed by your continued giving. Thank you for supporting us during this time!

### Ways to give online:



Text Foothills + amount to 73256



Give online



Download and fill out [this form](#) to set up pre-authorized debit.

## PRAYER

### Pray 1st

Next church-wide prayer gathering: Wed, Dec 8 @ 7PM on Zoom. Email reception for login details.

Please pray for:  
Brentview Baptist Church  
International Workers  
P&C McIver/B&K Thorne

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