



2016 SR Conference 社會責任年會

**“Justice 101:
Biblical Justice and Race”**
「聖經・種族・公義」

4/22-4/24 (Chinatown 華埠), 5/1 (Newton 牛頓)

WELCOME TO SRC CONFERENCE 2016

In March of 2001, our Social Responsibility Conference speaker, Pastor Soong Chan Rah, addressed the topic of “Race and Reconciliation”. He challenged both English and Chinese speaking congregations to recognize the sin of racism and consider how a church might be a place for uniting people from different races and ethnicities. Much has happened over the last 15 years as we return back to this topic. We have witnessed the deaths of Michael Brown, Eric Garner and Freddie Gray as part of a larger string of controversial cases involving law enforcement and the African American community. As a result, we have also observed the continuing rise of the Black Lives Matter movement. Recent events in Boston Chinatown as well as New York City have caught our attention as incidents between the Asian and African American community have unearthed existing tensions. Presidential candidates have also used the topic of race to distinguish themselves from their opponents.

As the country continues to be embroiled with issues on race and justice, the Social Responsibility Committee felt that as a church, BCEC needs to understand these issues from a Biblical perspective so that we can respond in a Godly manner. Even though we may not be direct victims of these noted issues, we as a Chinese church should seek to be informed and involved so that we can display God's mercy and justice.

We hope you will join us over this weekend to listen, discuss and learn more about what the Bible has to say about justice and the place of race in seeking Biblical justice.

Jay Leung and John Wong
BCEC SR Committee Co-Chairs

MEET OUR SPEAKERS



MARK G. HARDEN

As Dean of the Boston campus of Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary, Dr. Mark Harden has more than 20 years of leadership experience in community service ministry and graduate theological education. With many publications, he is the lead faculty member of the Master Theology program in Practical Theology. He has also served in various pastoral roles as an ordained Baptist minister. This July, Dr. Harden will take on a new role as the President of Ashland Theological Seminary in Ohio.



MAKO NAGASAWA

Mako Nagasawa and his family live in a Christian intentional house in a mostly black neighborhood in Dorchester near Boston. A speaker at previous Social Responsibility Conferences, Mako co-authored the “Lazarus at the Gate” economic discipleship curriculum and contributed to the Justice Study Bible as a commentator on Ezekiel. Mako has been involved with campus ministry since 2001 and founded New Humanity Institute in 2014 to reach out to different college campuses. He is currently working on a Christian Restorative Justice curriculum focusing on discipling our use of political power.



BAK FUN WONG

Dr. Bak Fun Wong is one of the elders at BCEC and previously served as the Principal of the Josiah Quincy Elementary School, the Deputy Superintendent of Schools and Leaders of Boston Public Schools, the Headmaster of Josiah Quincy Upper School, and the Special Assistant to the Superintendent. He still serves on the boards of several local organizations. Elder Bak Fun and his wife Mei Kee Liu Wong are two of the founders of ACCESS.



CONFERENCE PROGRAM

4/22 – FRIDAY
Chinatown
華埠

- 7:30 PM English: Dr. Mark Harden (120 Shawmut Ave.)
"Being the Stranger: The Struggle for Acceptance"
粵語和國語：黃伯勳長老 (249 Harrison Ave.)
「從歧視分歧到和好合一」

4/23 – SATURDAY
Chinatown
華埠

- 3:00 PM English Workshop 1: Mako Nagasawa (120 Shawmut Ave.)
Racial Bias in Our Criminal Justice System"
- 4:30 PM English Workshop 2: Dr. Mark Harden (120 Shawmut Ave.)
"Engaging the Stranger: The Struggle to Care for Others"
- 6:00 PM Dinner (120 Shawmut Ave.)

4/24 – SUNDAY
Chinatown
華埠

- 9:15 AM 國語: Mako Nagasawa (249 Harrison Ave.)
「耶穌如何面對逼迫」(路加福音19:1 - 10)
English: Dr. Harden (885 Washington St.)
"The Secret of a Great Life" (Matthew 7:21-27)
- 11:00 AM 粵語二堂: Dr. Mark Harden (249 Harrison Ave.)
「美好生命的奧秘」(Matthew 7:21-27)
- 11:15 AM 粵語三堂: Mako Nagasawa (885 Washington St.)
「耶穌如何面對逼迫」(路加福音19:1 - 10)

5/1 – SUNDAY
Newton
牛頓

- 9:15 AM 粵語: Dr. Mark Harden (218 Walnut St.)
「成為一個禱告戰士」(士師記 16:23-30)
- 11:00 AM English: Dr. Mark Harden (218 Walnut St.)
"Being a Prayer Warrior" (Judges 16:23-30)
- 11:15 AM 國語: Mako Nagasawa (218 Walnut St.)
「耶穌如何面對逼迫」(路加福音19:1 - 10)

SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY COMMITTEE

OUR MISSION

Our mission is to actively share the love, justice, and mercy of God as exemplified by Jesus Christ, to all persons in BCEC and the world and to motivate members of our church in the same pursuit both locally and globally.

We aim to encourage believers to live a (godly) socially responsible lifestyle through regular:

PRAYER	Praying God would break our hearts with the things that break His heart.
EDUCATION	Take time to understand the needs of our community and the world around us.
GIVING	Give (financially) regularly to organizations that serve the poor and needy.
SERVICE	Find opportunities to serve regularly.

We aim to encourage the church, as a community of God's people, to impact its world with a socially responsible witness.

There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free man, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus.

- Galatians 3:28



OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

LOCAL

Boston Rescue Mission

Serving meals to people who are homeless.
4th Sunday, every other month, 3:30-6:00pm, 39 Kingston St.

Chinatown Respite Care

Serving children in the Chinatown community with special needs.
Every first Saturday of the month, 4:30-8:00pm, 120 Shawmut Ave.

Community English Classes

Offering English and citizenship classes to the Chinatown community.
Saturday, 9am-noon, 120 Shawmut Ave.

Project Destiny Autumn to Spring

Providing afterschool homework help and enrichment activities for Chinatown area youths (grades 6-12).
Monday to Friday, 3-17 hours/week, 120 Shawmut Ave.

GLOBAL

World Vision Child Sponsorship

Supporting the development of children and their communities. BCEC is committed to supporting children in Minakulu, Uganda.
Sign up through this link:
my.worldvision.org/community-profiles/uganda/minakulu

Contact us for more information at srministry@bcec.net.

THE CHARITY FUND

ABOUT THE CHARITY FUND

The Charity Fund supports organizational partners in ministry areas that respond to local and global needs, assists individuals in our church and communities who are in crisis or transition, and sponsors church-wide events such as service projects and annual Social Responsibility conferences.

SUPPORTED ORGANIZATIONS

In Fiscal Year 2016, the Charity Fund is supporting the following organizations and programs:

ACCESS

www.chinatownaccess.org

Boston Rescue Mission

www.brm.org

Chinatown Respite Care

www.chinatownrespice.com

Boston Center for Pregnancy Choices

www.bostonpregnancychoices.org

Emmanuel Gospel Center

www.egc.org

Grace Community Empowerment

www.gceinternational.org

World Vision

www.worldvision.org

Chinese Christian Herald Crusades

www.cchc.org



RESOURCES AND RECOMMENDED READING

BOOKS AND ARTICLES

Generous Justice
by Tim Keller

The Good News About Injustice
by Gary Haugen

Making Neighborhoods Whole: A Handbook for Christian Community Development
by Wayne Gordon and John Perkins

Birmingham jail letters on moral disobedience
by Martin Luther King
https://www.africa.upenn.edu/Articles_Gen/Letter_Birmingham.html

The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness
by Michelle Alexander

NIV, God's Justice Bible
by Tim Stafford

Theirs Is the Kingdom: Celebrating the Gospel in Urban America
by Robert Lupton



MOVIES AND DOCUMENTARIES

Eyes on the Prize, America's Civil Rights Movement, 1954-1985

Selma





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