

# **FLC Annual General Meeting**

Sunday April 27, 2025

11:15am | In-Person + Live Stream Online

All Fraser Lands Church members are encouraged to attend the Annual General Meeting.

## **Meeting Agenda**

1. Introduction
2. Election of Elders & Nominating Committee,  
Appointment of Independent CPA
3. Senior Pastor's Report
4. Missions Report
5. Financial Report
6. Thanksgiving Sharing and Q&A
7. Election Results
8. Closing Prayer

# The Election of FLC Elders

## Overview

Church Elders are to be members in good standing and who have a good testimony in loving the Lord, His church and His people. They are to meet Biblical qualifications, particularly from 1 Timothy 3:1-7 and Titus 1:5-9.

## Election Process

There are 4 Elder candidates nominated:

**Berlinda Chan, Justin Chan, Joyce Chen, and Nicholas Lai**

The Elders election will be voted by confidential ballot at this meeting. All members (those who have been baptized at FLC or transferred membership) are eligible to participate in the election of Elders.

Please prayerfully consider each of the Elder candidates.

# Responsibilities of an Elder

1. To direct and manage the spiritual affairs of the church through the regular attendance and participation at the Elders Board meetings.
2. To carry out the ministerial duties appointed by the Board of Elders.
3. To develop and establish policies in regards to the Spiritual, Administrative, and Operational affairs of the church.
4. To ensure compliance with the Christian & Missionary Alliance (C&MA) Constitution, Fraser Lands Church Bylaws, and government regulations pertaining to the operations of a charitable and religious organization.
5. To protect the church body against false teaching and disunity.
6. To partner with Pastoral staff in the shepherding of the entire church-wide FLC body. (Acts 20:28)
7. To maintain a good standing in accordance with the Elder's Covenant.

# Qualifications of an Elder

1. Is an exemplary member actively participating in the core activities of the church including worship, prayer, Christian education, and other major church activities.
2. Has a consistent daily devotional relationship with Christ through the Word of God, prayer, and personal worship.
3. Committed to and practices regular financial tithing to the FLC church body.
4. Has demonstrated the ability and desire to continue to shepherd the FLC body through the use of his or her spiritual gifts of discernment, wisdom, teaching, leadership, shepherding, and administration.
5. Be above reproach in the following areas:
  - Family - A faithful husband or wife of one spouse, and whose children believe and are not known to be wild or disobedient. (1 Tim. 3:2,4; Titus 1:6)
  - Character - Blameless, not arrogant, temperate, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, able to teach, not given to drunkenness, not violent but gentle, not quarrelsome, and not a lover of money. (1 Tim. 3:2-3; Titus 1:7-8)

- Spiritual Character – Loves what is good, upright, holy and disciplined. (Titus 1:8)
  - Social Reputation – has a good reputation in all areas of life such as work, school, church, home, neighbourhood, socially, etc. (1 Tim. 3:7)
6. Has a solid understanding of the Word of God and a willingness to uphold truth.

# Berlinda Chan

Fraser Lands has been my home church for more than 25 years. It is here that I met my husband, Steve, and we have two wonderful daughters, Tamara and Lauren. In my younger days, God gave me a love for children, so I was active serving in the Kidz Ministry by teaching Sunday School. I enjoyed witnessing kids deepen their understanding of Christ, as well as coming to faith. Together with Steve, we led small groups, were fellowship counsellors and were Alpha Ministry leaders. Recently, God gave me a passion for helping others in a practical way with the People Helping People Ministry.



Professionally, I am a designated CPA, CA, with most of my experience in local government and not-for-profits. Over the last couple of years, I've had the pleasure of being a member of the Finance Committee at our church, and have recently helped fill the role of Accountant.

I believe that my stronger spiritual gifts are serving, giving, and administration. Jesus says in Acts 20:35b, "*It is more blessed to give than to receive.*", and I have indeed been tremendously blessed.

My dreams for Fraser Lands Church are to exemplify Christ in all that we do, and to put on love above all else. I'm grateful for all the teachers, mentors, pastors and friends God has provided to me at FLC. Let's spur one another along to set our minds not on earthly things, but rather on things above (Colossians 3:2).

# Justin Chan

I have been blessed to call Fraser Lands Church my home for over 20 years, being baptised in 2003, and currently a member of the English congregation with my wife, Fong, and six-year-old son, Noah. I am incredibly thankful to my mentors, teachers, friends and companions in my faith journey and most of all to God for the provision of this community, our home of worship, prayer and ministry.



Over the years, God has revealed to me spiritual gifts of leading and teaching. I have been blessed with opportunities to serve with my wife as fellowship counselors, small group leaders and now as team leaders of the pre-marriage ministry. God continues to call me as a worship leader, previously in the adult English congregation, particularly enjoying collaboration with our Cantonese and Mandarin congregations, and now returning to children's worship. With my second term as an elder coming to an end, I have been challenged and engaged to serve God in new ways, together with faithful brothers and sisters in Christ.

As a recipient of the blessings God has passed down through the traditions and leaders of our church, I have a



dream that Fraser Lands can be a community that equips believers of all ages and languages to come together to serve him passionately and earnestly. Let's equip ourselves to honour God and be a blessing to our local community.

# Joyce Chen

I have been a member of Fraser Lands Church for over 20 years. My passion has always been with children so the first active role I took was teaching Children's Sunday School. It was through this ministry and Nexus Fellowship that brought my husband, Tombert, and myself together. We have three sons, Evan, Elijah & Luke, who are a part of the Teens ministries and Souljourners Fellowship.



*Micah 6:8 says, "He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God."* God demonstrates His mercy and goodness in my life and I go where He leads. He prepares me for His work by allowing me to serve at Fraser Lands in leading small groups, teaching children, and missions work. I enjoy learning His Word through Bible Study Fellowship and am comforted and amazed that God still speaks to us today. In humble obedience, I will use the gifts given to me, teaching, serving, and giving, to glorify God.

What do I dream for Fraser Lands Church? I pray that we will be a loving community where the lost, the lonely, and the

rejected will be welcomed. I hope that God's presence will be evident and that more people will come and be saved by the Lord. Let us shine God's love, mercy and hope into the darkness of the world. Let us live out the Great Commission: *"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."* (Matthew 28: 19-20)

# Nicholas Lai

As I contemplate on the elder candidacy offered to me, I reflected on what God is doing in my life the past few years after my retirement. He has opened many opportunities for me to engage in His Kingdom work related to church properties and development as well as projects in the private sector consultancy. However, the most significant engagement has been in missions where various circumstances led Jamie and I into initiating the 'Help for Lytton' ministry and participating in two overseas mission trips to Guatemala and Cambodia. I am reminded that retirement is not a time to dread or purely in pursuit of pleasure, but rather, it is a time of increased opportunity to do God's work in another season of my life. It is with this mindset that I accepted the elder nomination.



According to the Scripture, elders are selected to provide guidance, support, and oversight to the congregation, playing a vital role in shaping the church's vision, mission, and policies. Eldership is crucial for the growth, stability, and well-being of the church. I am thankful that God has led Fraser Lands through the completion of our building addition

and provided new opportunities for our church ministry. Looking into the future, it is important that we continue to align our church with God's plan.

I have served in numerous positions in the church through the entire history of Fraser Lands ranging from teens Sunday School teacher, small group leader, elder, Mission Committee chair, and Building Completion Committee chair. God has also led me and Jamie to involve in reaching out to many families and individuals across Fraser Lands various congregations.

Jamie and I have been married for 46 years, and we have an adult son Joshua.

My prayer for myself and Fraser Lands Church is found in one of my favourite verses - *"But you, beloved, build yourselves up on your most holy faith; pray in the Holy Spirit; keep yourselves in the love of God; wait for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life."* Jude 1:20, 21.







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