

Summary of Report of 2014 Hong Kong English-speaking Church Survey
(International Churches)

Church Facts

- The Protestant community is composed of at least 1,287 Chinese-speaking churches and 60 English-speaking churches in Hong Kong.
- Majority of English churches located in Hong Kong Island (46.7%), Kowloon (36.7%) and New Territories (16.7%), whereas majority of Chinese churches located in New Territories (45.1%), Kowloon (39.3%) and Hong Kong Island (15.6%).
- The median of years of founding for all English-speaking churches is 15 years (Chinese 28 years). Within last 5 years, 9 new churches had been planted.
- In 2014, 78.3% responded English churches (47 churches) affiliated with denominations or networks, whereas 82.7% Chinese churches (1,064) affiliated with denominations or networks.
- More than a quarter of English churches (26.7%, 16 churches) owned their properties as the primary worship venues in 2014 (Chinese, 49.8%).
- In Hong Kong, 10.0% of English churches (6 churches) provided government approved marriage registry service, whereas 14.7% (189) of Chinese churches provided approved marriage registry service.

Congregational life

- 65.0% of English churches (39 churches) in Hong Kong have official church Facebook page, while only 17.7% (228) Chinese-speaking churches have Facebook page.
- In 2014, the average weekly attendance of worship services was 28,356 people. People attending Sunday service took up a majority, equals to 95.3% total attendance.
- 53.3% of English churches only use English in their worship service. Some churches used other languages, such as Cantonese, Mandarin in their services.
- The number of registered church members in English churches was 13,184 in 2014 while 6.7% of English churches have no membership system.
- The gender in the pew is 63.4% female and 36.6% male.
- The largest ethnicity group among the congregation was Chinese/Hong Kong, taking up 48.5% of total attendance. The second and third large ethnicity groups were Asian (34.3%) and Caucasian (10.1%) respectively.
- The number of people baptized in 2013 was 1,188 while 6.7% of English churches have no baptism system

Pastoral Staff

- The total number of church's employed staff was 674, while 570 of them were full time staff and 104 of them were part time staff in 2014. There were 236 pastors (or ministers), 232 ministry-related staff and 206 administrative staff.

- Most senior pastors stay in ministry within 4.5 years.
- Among 58 senior pastors (ministers in charge), 50 of them have received formal theological education.
- 38.3% of the senior pastors (ministers in charge) were Caucasian, while 26.7% came from China/Hong Kong (26.7%)