

## *Golden Years Sharing – George Kong*

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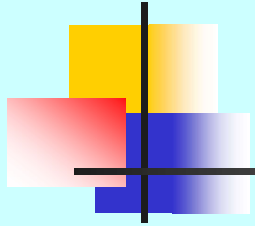
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A. Before retirement -> Missions, Caring, Outreach (MCO)  
退休之前 -> 宣教, 關顧, 外展

B. In retirement -> MCO + *Community Ministry*  
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## *Career Transition at 50's*

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### **1. Career Transition at 50's - from Nortel to Healthcare**

50歲的事業過度 - 由北電到醫療保健

- Nortel layoff and the challenge to stay in hi-tech
- My prayer -> from now on to make an impact in people's lives
- God opened opportunity to study healthcare in Gerontology
- Opposition from sister to work with seniors i.e. depressing
- My prayer answered over the past 10 years
  - Served seniors with health and social services, seniors are healthier and happier
  - Had opportunity to share the Gospel and witness some seniors came to know Christ and accepted Him as Lord & Savior



## *Retirement Transition at 65 – Decision*

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### **2. Retirement Transition at 65** 65歲的退休階段

#### **A. Decision to Retire** 退休的決定

Seek God's Will and timing => Retired in July, 2016

- Reached 65, a retirement age and eligible for OAS & CPP
- Worked 40 years (30 at Nortel, 10 in Healthcare), need a break!
- Daughters have permanent job, no need for support
- Wife already retired a year ago



## *Retirement Transition at 65 – First 8 months*

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### **2. Retirement Transition at 65** 65歲的退休階段

#### **B. First 8 months of Retirement** 退休後的最初8個月

Question people often ask: What do you do in Retirement?  
你退休後做什么？

- **Catch up on home projects & clean up** 房屋維修整理
- **Community service and ministry** 社區服務和事工
- **Enjoy Retirement life** 享受退休生活

# *Catch up on home projects & clean up*

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## *Community Service, Enjoy Retirement Life*

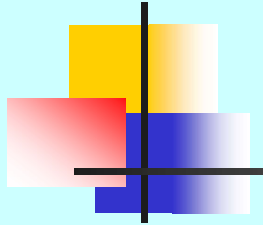
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#### **B. First 8 months of Retirement 退休後的最初8個月**

- **Catch up on home projects 房屋裝修和維修整理**
  - home repairs & improvements, clean up clutter & junks
- **Community service and ministry 社區服務和事工**
  - serve in THCA Community Board, Yet-Keen Advisory Committee, NRORC Seniors work, outreach to neighbors and friends
- **Enjoy Retirement life 享受退休生活**
  - keep in good health (eat well, sleep well, exercise regularly)
  - more time in God's Word and prayer with spouse
  - attend concerts/shows, health/seniors workshops, read books
  - meet with friends for coffee/meal, travel (Toronto, London U.K.)
  - Bethel Church Cornerstone Grp: Lunch & Talk, Drop-In Breakfast





## *Ministry Focus – Before Retirement*

### **3. Ministry Focus** 事工焦點

#### **A. Before retirement → Missions, Caring, Outreach (MCO)**

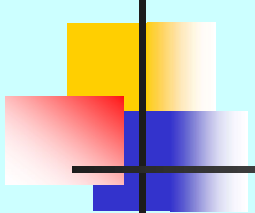
退休之前 → 宣教, 關顧, 外展

**Missions** 宣教 – support missions organizations and missionaries

Missions organizations – OMF and FEBC

Our family supports 6 missionaries; an investment in God's eternal Kingdom. In life we invest in education, career, house, children, mutual funds, likewise we also invest in God's Kingdom work.

It is a faith-lesson, trusting God's provision as we seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things will be given to you as well. Matt. 6:33 你們要先求他的國和他的義, 這些東西都要加給你們了。



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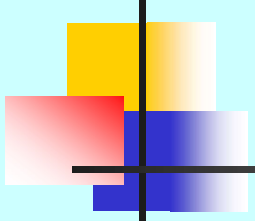
**Caring & Visitation** 關顧- family, friends, neighbors going thru difficult times (sickness, depression, bereavement, lost jobs).

Matthew 25:40 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did it for me.'

我實在告訴你們，這些事你們既做在我這弟兄中一個最小的身上，就是做在我身上了。

When people are suffering or in difficult times, they often asked the question: ***Where is God TODAY? Does God Care?***

God has sent you and me to visit/care for them as a Ministry of Presence and a Ministry of Listening.



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**Outreach to non-believers** 外展 – God provides opportunities to reach out to non-Christians: family, friends, neighbors, seniors  
1 Peter 3:15 ... be ready always to give an answer to every man that ask you a reason of the hope that is in you. Preached the Gospel in season and out of season! 有人問你們心中盼望的緣由，就要常作準備，以溫柔、敬畏的心回答各人

November 2016 – at the funeral service, share with 3 seniors  
December 2016 trip to U.K. – At Travelodge with Shrijan (Nepal) and a visitor. At Royal Albert Hall with Kempes, a Malaysian Chinese. Hampton Court Palace, met a person from Kazakhstan.  
January 2017 at Camp Fortune with neighbor Din-Lee



## *Ministry Focus – During Retirement*

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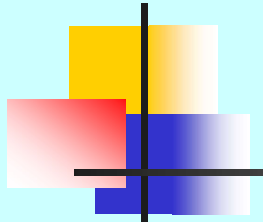
#### **B. In retirement → Missions, Caring, Outreach *plus* + *Community Ministry***

退休期間 → 宣教, 關顧, 外展 + 社區事工

At Nortel – BNR-Nortel Christian Fellowship, Bible Study, Alpha Course

At Seniors healthcare – Served seniors, shared God's love and Gospel In Retirement, and ***Community Ministry*** (neighborhood)

- Volunteer in THCA Board, NRORC seniors work, know my neighbors
- Graeme, Pres. of THCA, invited him to Cornerstone seniors' group
- Vince, a neighbor came to Alpha Course & Men's Fellowship Grp
- Farook, a Muslim neighbor came with me to Bethel Church 'Lunch and Talk, he invited me to share at 2 mosque on Seniors Healthcare
- Penny & Benita, non-believer & Catholic, widows in the neighborhood



## Golden Years Sharing – In Closing

### In closing

- Recently read a book Finishing Well - Life I & Life II 上半場和下半場 from Success to Significance, a quote from book ***"We can retire from our job, but we can never retire from our calling"***
- **What do you want for the rest of your life?**  
您餘下的生命想做什么?  
My life's prayer: Greatly bless by God and greatly used by Him to bless others and make a difference in their lives.
- I trust you want to live a **positive, healthy, meaningful, fulfilling** life. I am willing to give an hour of my time to reflect with you on what God has done in your life and how you can be used by Him in your Golden Years for His Kingdom work!  
=> We can arrange a time at Tim Hortons