

The 30th Anniversary @ NorthWest Chinese Baptist Church

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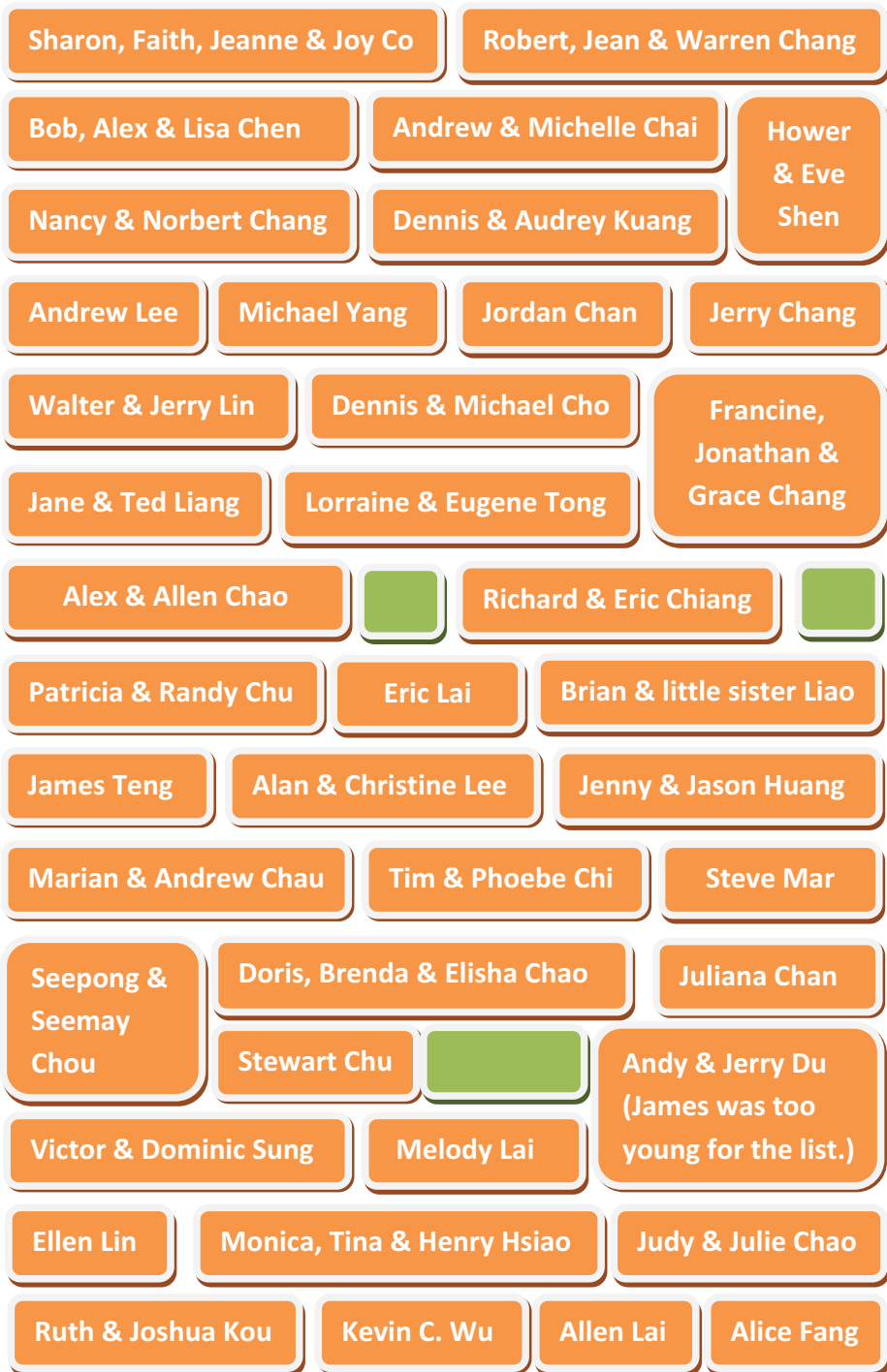
Ever since day one, in October 1982, we have faithfully served God and His people at Northwest Chinese Baptist Mission and then the Church, in Houston, and we've called it our church home. So, this is our 30th year with the congregation, for we missed the first, opening service by about six months.

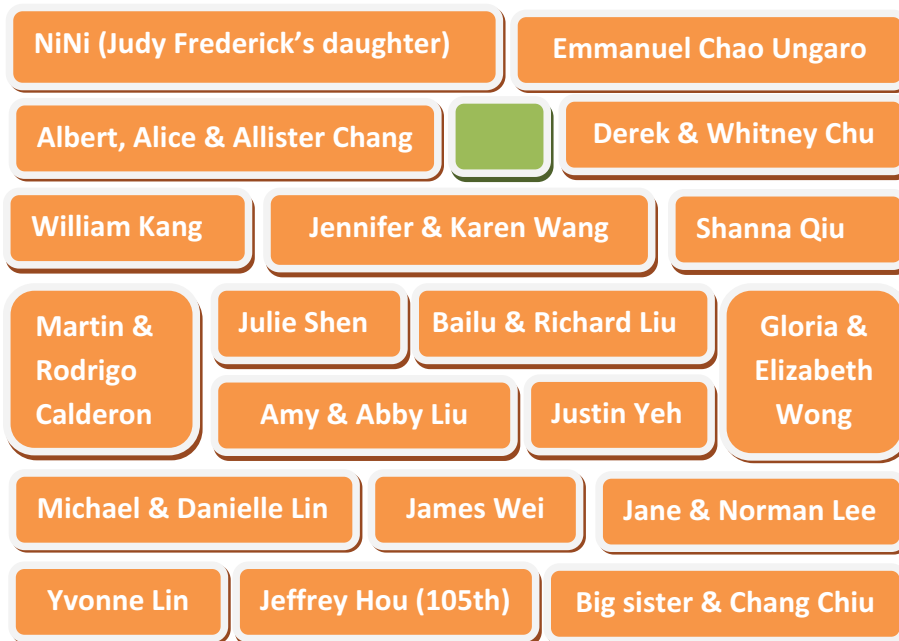
We persevered week in and week out even though there were disputes and in-fights, and we overcame adversities from betrayal and loss of friendship. We have become mature believers rooted in the Word of God and have remained steadfast. We hope to be stable and steady for another 30 years, God willing. We long for the second coming of Christ, our Lord and Savior.

God has blessed us with saved family members including two sets of grand parents, spiritual growths, and well rounded service in all aspects of church life to all age groups. Though church doors have been revolving, we have been specially blessed to remain at one place and to reap its benefits. For, we have met and fellowshiped with so many loving brothers and sisters in Christ, and have witnessed and played a part in the growths of many youths, as well. Still, it was tough to say goodbye to some of them, for good reasons or bad.

We came to the big church family in our early thirties

with young children, so naturally we got involved closely with the younger generation. Many of them have their own family and are productive citizens and faithful church members, now. This article is dedicated to them, and we shall try to name most of them in the following to show how extensively the church has served this age group, over the years.





And let's not forget some of our youth leaders, counselors and directors, and English Sunday School teachers who contributed to the growths.



As Patricia said, this is "a stroll down memory lane!" And, thank God for the wonderful memories.✝