

## **SUMMER BASKETBALL MINISTRY 2010**

### **BACKGROUND**

The First Chinese Baptist Church (FCBC) of San Francisco is involved in the Chinese Christian Union (CCU) Basketball League as an affirmation of our Christian faith through fellowship with other Christians. We believe interaction with other churches and other Christians helps to build our personal relationship with Christ. Through the years our involvement with the CCU Basketball League has also been an important outreach as FCBCers invite their friends to come to church and to play on our FCBC teams.

### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of the CCU Summer Basketball Ministry of FCBC is:

1. To model and strengthen Christian character and sportsmanship
2. To teach basketball strategies and techniques
3. To provide an opportunity for outreach and continuing involvement in FCBC
4. To fellowship with other Christians and to have fun.

### **STRUCTURE**

Each FCBC basketball teams will be led by:

- (1) a coach, selected by the Sports Ministry Committee, who will:
  - a. oversee all practices and games
  - b. model good sportsmanship on and off the court
  - c. collect all fees, permission slips, and attend CCU meetings
- (2) a team captain, a member of the team who will:
  - a. assist the coach in areas where needed
  - b. may serve or assist as the team spiritual leader
  - c. take responsibility for planning fellowship times

### **ELIGIBILITY FOR PARTICIPATION**

To become a member of an FCBC Basketball team, one must:

- (1) Take an active part in the ministries of FCBC or another church
  - a. regular attendance at worship service and/or
  - b. regular involvement in a church Sunday School or Bible Study
- (2) Complete the Church Application/ Health Form, the CCU Waiver and Media Release forms, and pay in full all fees (see below). Return the completed application and registration fee by **March 7** to John Tom or Pastor Chris Otani. Deadlines will be enforced.
- (3) Commitment to the Pledge of Behavior (distributed & explained prior to league play)

The Sports Ministry Committee (SMC) will make all decisions about eligibility.

## **PARTICIPATION FEES**

Each person will be required to pay a **\$50** registration fee for participation, which includes a **\$5** refundable penalty deposit, due by **March 7**. Registration fee is **\$45** for continuing players who have kept their \$5 deposit with FCBC. You will not be eligible to play until all fees are paid. If a team completes the season without a penalty fine, the team members will either receive back their penalty deposits, or carry forward to the following year

If you need a new basketball jersey, an additional **\$45** will be collected by the coaches during the practice season. Payment is due **May 1**. Teams will be using the same FCBC jerseys as in previous years. If a player currently has a jersey, please indicate the number and size on the application form. A limited number of used jerseys is available.

Make all checks payable to "*First Chinese Baptist Church*" earmarked with "CCU Basketball" and your name. Contact John Tom for more information by E-mail to [johnptomjt@gmail.com](mailto:johnptomjt@gmail.com) or call (415) 387-8157.

## **PRACTICES**

After earning a spot on one of CBC's teams, all team members must regularly attend practices. Practice is not only important for the development of skills, but also for a team to develop unity. Practice time and location will be arranged by the coaches because we do not have access to Chinese Recreation Center for a practice gym any more.

## **BASKETBALL GAMES and EVENTS**

The season runs from June to mid August. Games are held weeknights (Monday through Friday, beginning at 6:00 p.m. at El Camino High School gymnasium in South San Francisco. Another gym site may be available this year. Family and friends are encouraged to come and cheer for the church teams. The CCU game schedule will be available at the end of May. There is a CCU Tip-off fellowship in mid June, and a league dinner in mid August. FCBC will have an awards dinner on Sunday, August 15 at the church.

## **TRANSPORTATION**

Team members will be responsible for arranging their own transportation to and from games and practices. Though coaches may be available to drive team members home, it should not be expected. Where possible, rides should be arranged prior to the start of the game. Parents and friends are encouraged to come and support the teams.

## **QUESTIONS**

Direct questions to John Tom or the Sports Ministry Committee.

### **First Chinese Baptist Church**

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**2010 CCU SUMMER BASKETBALL APPLICATION**

Participant's name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_ Height \_\_\_\_\_ Weight \_\_\_\_\_ CCU Division: \_\_\_\_\_

Platinum (A) Gold (BB) Silver (B) Bronze (C) Women's Youth

*If you currently have a FCBC Basketball jersey, list the following:*

Number \_\_\_\_\_ Size \_\_\_\_\_

*I want to be a volunteer official (referee) in addition to those assigned to your team. Check Box [ ]*

**HEALTH FORM and RELEASE OF LIABILITY**

I (the above named) am physically able to participate in the Chinese Christian Union Basketball League through the First Chinese Baptist Church of San Francisco. I understand that the CCU and FCBC will not be held responsible for any injuries or damages that may be incurred by my participation. I also do hereby release from any liability the First Chinese Baptist Church of San Francisco and any and all coaches, leaders, or church staff for any injury or incident, during practices and games whether enroute, during, or after. I also understand that the CCU and the FCBC are not responsible for lost or stolen articles.

In the event of an emergency, I understand that every effort will be made to contact the parent or guardian (if participant is under 18) or emergency contact listed below. If parent/guardian cannot be reached, I hereby authorize the coaches and leaders of First Chinese Baptist Church and the Chinese Christian Union to secure emergency treatment if deemed necessary.

In case of emergency, contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number of emergency contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Health Care Provider: \_\_\_\_\_

Medical number of participant: \_\_\_\_\_

*I do hereby affirm that all information above is accurate and true.*

Signature of participant \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

*If participant is under 18 years of age, this form must be co-signed by parent/guardian:*

Name of parent/guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

*Briefly explain why you desire to be part of FCBC Summer Basketball:*

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## 2010 SUMMER BASKETBALL MINISTRY PLEDGE OF BEHAVIOR

Participating in the Chinese Christian Union Basketball League is an exciting, fun, and competitive time for everyone. Many friendships have started through this gathering and many more will develop. We have seen how our participation in this league serves as an important time of outreach and fellowship. However, we have also seen how the game of basketball brings out the worst in a person in the heat of competition. As Christians, we need to stop and question our behavior on the basketball court. Are we being examples of Christ? Are we being good representatives of the church?

For these reasons, we have established the following as a Pledge of Behavior:

To the best of my ability during this basketball season, I, \_\_\_\_\_,  
commit and pledge the following:

1. To control my temper and my language on and off the basketball court during the heat of competition

*“Get rid of all bitterness; rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you. Be imitators of God, therefore, as dearly loved children, and live a life of love.”*

*(1Ephesians 4:31-5:2 NIV)*

2. To be regularly involved in the weekly programs of FCBC or another church.

3. To work as part of a team, under the direction of the Coach, by attending practices, following instructions, and participating in team fellowship.

*“Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful.” (Colossians 3:15 NIV)*

I understand that I am a representative of First Chinese Baptist Church and as an example of Christ, I will do my best to bring honor to the Lord. I also understand the penalties of reduced playing time and possible dismissal which will be determined by the Coach and the Sports Ministry Committee.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*“Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity.” (1 Timothy 4:12 NIV)*

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



## Chinese Christian Union Sports Media Release Form and Permission to Use Images

In my participation of the Chinese Christian Union Sports leagues (CCU Sports), I hereby give the Chinese Christian Union and its authorized photographers and personnel the absolute right and permission to publish, copyright, and use pictures and images of me in which I may be included in whole or in part, composite or retouched in character or form, in conjunction with (please initial all those applicable):

\_\_\_\_\_ my own name

\_\_\_\_\_ a fictitious name

\_\_\_\_\_ no name to be used

Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Full Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Church: \_\_\_\_\_

Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**If the person photographed is under 18, I certify that I am his or her parent or legal guardian, and I give my consent without reservation to the foregoing on his or her behalf.**

Name of Parent/Guardian (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_