

## HOC4 Official Statement Regarding Jonathan Chang

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Over the past year and half, the church has investigated and discussed with Elder Jonathan Chang regarding his handling of the church's finances between the years of 2001-2012, which appear to bring about some serious irregularities. The leaders of HOC4 have attempted to resolve these issues, but with no success. Because the church was unable to resolve these issues, two members of the church filed a civil lawsuit against Jonathan Chang. The church hoped that the truth would be resolved through this process. This past week, the Justice Department of the United States filed an indictment in federal court against Jonathan and his wife, Grace Chang. Under the current circumstances, the church prays that the truth would still come out. This week the Board of Elders officially suspended Jonathan Chang from his "eldership" position of Home of Christ Church in West San Jose (HOC4) pending a final decision by the Board of Elders and Deacons regarding his eldership.

Concerning this situation, our church has learned a few important lessons. The first is that we need to serve the Lord with faithfulness and kindness. The second is that we must be more accountable with our financial stewardship. And finally we believe that God is purifying each of our hearts as a church body for His glory. We will also cooperate fully with the FBI and the Department of Justice concerning this case. Let's pray together for church unity and peace and together may we serve the Lord faithfully.

## 基督之家第四家關於常如武的聲明

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過去一年半，教會調查發現常如武長老在2001-2012年間處理教會的財務時，某些做法與常理有嚴重的不同，也與常長老討論過這些問題。教會的牧者和主要同工們試圖內部解決這個問題，但不成功，於是兩位會友對常長老提出民事訴訟。教會希望真相能藉此案水落石出。上週，美國司法部在聯邦法院起訴常如武、李薇林夫婦。現今的情況下，教會禱告祈求真理得彰顯。目前，長老會暫停常如武在基督四家的長老職務，其長老職份將由長執會最後定案。

此事件讓教會學會重要的功課。首先，我們要以忠心與良善來服事主。其次，我們必須在財務事工上應更為負責。最後，我們相信神在煉淨每一個人的心，教會才能成為祂榮耀的肢體。關於這個案件，我們應當全力配合聯邦調查局和司法部。讓我們一起為教會的合一與和平來同心禱告，願我們每個人都全心全意服事主！