**First Evangelical Community Church**

**East Lansing Campus**

English As A Second Language (ESL) Program

As one of the ways to bring individuals to our church, the ESL program is designed to teach English conversational skills to Chinese of varying ages. Instead of being a stand-alone component, the ESL program is an integral part of the Saturday/Sunday worship opportunities. While Christians are attending the Saturday/Sunday school class, non-Christians may attend any of the ESL classes prior to the sermon. Merely attending an ESL class without staying for sermons is not intended. Currently, there are three levels of classes to tailor to the learners’ needs:

1. Two beginning classes:
2. Beginning class 1: No English skills are required. The learners start with the 26 letters of alphabet, pronunciations, basic vocabularies and expressions.
3. Beginning class 2: The learners must have already possessed the knowledge of 26 alphabet letters, pronunciations, basic vocabularies such as days of the week, months of the year, addresses, phone numbers, etc. Students need to have attended the beginning class 1 for a minimum of three months.
4. The instructors teach primarily in Chinese.
5. Intermediate class:

The learners have some experience with English and are able to understand English instruction delivered by the instructors more than half of the class period.

1. Two Advanced classes:

The two advanced classes are of the same level and are taught by native English speakers. No Chinese is used for any part of the instruction.