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LAP BULLETIN

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Worship Schedule

SUNDAY

9.30 am Worship (English)

11.15am Bible Class (English)

3.45pm Bible Class (Mandarin)

5.00pm Worship (Mandarin)

7.00pm Worship (English)

THURSDAY

7.45pm Bible Class (English/Mandarin)

Elders

Bro Jimmy Lau Bro Lee Tian Seng

Deacons

Bro Henry Leow Bro Jerry Cheong

Preachers

Bro Alvin Lin Bro Ernest Lau

Administrator

Sis Goh Ser Ern

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. John 3:16 (Mariles Wood



THE GREATEST LIFE EVER LIVED

Sermon outline by bro Alvin Lin

Text: Luk 1:32

I. THE GREATEST LOVER

- A. Jesus was not married, but He is the greatest lover.
- B. He showed that He is the greatest lover in dying for man (Joh 15:13).
- C. His purpose in coming to earth was to die for man (Mat 20:28).
- D. To live life to the greatest potential, we need to have love (1Co 13:13).
- E. Since our Lord has shown us such great love, we ought to love Him above everything else (Mat 10:37-38).

II. THE GREATEST INSTRUCTOR

- A. Jesus was not highly educated, but He is the greatest instructor.
- B. He showed that He is the greatest instructor in giving man the words of eternal life (Joh 6:68).
- C. His purpose in coming to earth was to preach the gospel (Mar 1:38).
- D. To live life to the greatest potential, we need to have knowledge (Pro 4:7).
- E. Since our Lord has given us such great teachings, we ought to study it diligently (Mat 13:52).

III. THE GREATEST FOLLOWER

- A. Jesus was not a slave, but He is the greatest follower.
- B. He showed that He is the greatest follower in keeping the law of God perfectly (Heb 4:15).
- C. His purpose in coming to earth was to do the will of God (Joh 6:38).
- D. To live life to the greatest potential, we need to have humility (Mat 18:4).
- E. Since our Lord has demonstrated such great submissiveness, we ought to submit and do the will of God (Jas 4:7).

IV. THE GREATEST EXEMPLAR

- A. Jesus was not a Pharisee, but He is the greatest exemplar.
- B. He showed that He is the greatest exemplar in washing His disciples' feet (Joh 13:15).
- C. His purpose in coming to earth was to serve (Mar 10:45).
- D. To live life to the greatest potential, we need to serve (Mat 23:11).
- E. Since our Lord has exhibited such great selflessness, we ought to serve one another in love (Gal 5:13).





Joh 7:24 Judge not according to the appearance, but judge righteous judgment.

In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus said: "Judge not, that you be not judged" (Matthew 7:1). Does this mean we are never to judge? Certainly not, for Jesus also said: "Judge not according to the appearance, but judge righteous judgment" (John 7:24).

Hence, we can judge, but judge righteously. We are not to judge according to appearance. Outward appearance is often deceptive. Only in movies do good guys and gals look exceptionally handsome and beautiful. In reality, this is not often the case.

Righteous judgment is based on conclusive evidence; on fairness and truth. Yet, oftentimes, we judge on the basis of appearance, personal opinions, hearsays, unsubstantiated suspicions, prejudices, relationships, emotions, and etc.

If we condemn someone for something we do ourselves, we bring condemnation upon ourselves. This is the kind of judgement that God hates; it's hypocrisy. "Therefore thou art inexcusable, O man, whosoever thou art that judgest: for wherein thou judgest another, thou condemnest thyself; for thou that judgest doest the same things" (Romans 2:1).

In Matthew 7:1, Jesus is not forbidding judgment of any kind. His point is to show that some people judge from a self-righteous, condemning, and hypocritical stance. Such people are so self-righteous that they are even blind to their own hypocrisy, being unable to see the log in their own eyes.

Unfortunately, much as we know the word of God, we are still judging based on outward appearances. It is the reason that many of our judgments are wrong. It is also the reason for many conflicts in the church.

The easiest thing to see in a person is a fault. One can find a fault with just anyone in this world. It could be the way he talks or picks his nose. It could be the way he preaches or sings songs. It could be the way he treats his wife and children.

Just for an exercise: think of someone whom you don't like. Why don't you like him? Has he done anything wrong to you? Has he been guilty of any grievous sin?

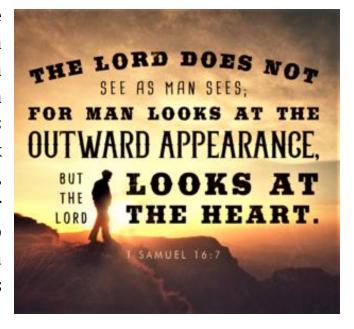
You will find that you cannot find any fault in him. It is just differences in personality. You judge him based on your own personality. What's wrong with a person who is different from you? We are all created different.

"But the LORD said unto Samuel, Look not on his countenance, or on the height of his stature; because I have refused him: for the LORD seeth not as man seeth; for man looketh on the outward appearance, but the LORD looketh on the heart" (1 Sam 16:7).

We can be fooled if we judge by outward appearance or even facial expressions and even some actions. Do you know of anyone who has a mean look on his face? What do you think of him? Of course, his face tells you that he is a mean person, right? You are intimidated by that person and judged him to be unfriendly, and not a nice person.

Well, the only person who is mean is actually you. You have not gotten to know him

but you have already judged him. If you have given him a chance, you might be in for a surprise. You might find that he is actually a Christian, kind-hearted and has compassion on elderly people. You will find that he is hardworking, honest, and caring. If you look at his face, you will still see the same look, but he is not what he looks like. On the other hand you may also know of someone who has a smile on his face, but is lazy, cheats on his wife, and dishonest in his business dealing.



Let us not judge according to outward appearances. When we point a finger at someone, three other fingers are pointing at ourselves. It is God's design telling us to think thrice and check ourselves first before we point a finger at someone. Let us be righteous ourselves when we judge.

WEEKLY NEWS



Lisa has been discharged from hospital to recuperate at home. Please pray for her continued recovery.

<u>Travels</u> (Please pray for travelling mercies)

- 1. **Bro. Peter & sis. Pooi Fun** are worshipping with Kota Kemuning COC today as bro. Peter spoke at the OPEN FORUM program organised by the Klang COC yesterday.
- 2. **Bro Justin** is travelling for work till 3 June.



- 1. Bro Alex & sis Rui Shan (San Francisco)
- 2. Kenny Kee (sis Debbie's husband)
- 3. Gan Sok Ting (bro Reuben's friend)
- 4. Brandon Soo (bro Benedict's friend)

- 5. Shalen Manuel (sis Seow Hui's helper)
- 6. Triston
- 7. Andrew Seah



Youth Fellowship

UPCOMING EVENTS
MARK IN YOUR CALENDAR!

Date: 10 June, Sunday **Time:** 1.30pm – 3pm **Venue:** Church Building

Agenda: Sharing session on how to pray better,

and a group prayer session

Php 4:6 Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God.

FAMILY CAMP 2018

Date: 4 – 7 June, Monday - Thursday **Venue:** Berjaya Waterfront Hotel **Theme:** Christians & Communication

There will be a short briefing next week after bible class.

Combined Youth Fellowship

Date: 23 June, Saturday **Time:** 12pm – 6pm

Venue: City Hall (exact location TBC) **Agenda:** Lunch & Amazing Race

Bible Curriculum

of the month

June

Sunday	3 Jun	10 Jun	17 Jun	24 Jun	
Worship Sermon	The Responsibility of Godly Parents Lee Tian Seng	Helping our Children to Respect Their Parents Kwan Tai Choom	Helping our Children to Know the Bible Peter Chin	Helping our Children to Love the Church Jerry Cheong	
Adult Class (Men & Ladies	Facing Up to Life's Struggles	Facing Struggles When Friends Forsake Us	Facing Struggles When We See Open Sin in the Church	Facing Struggles When We Are Tempted to Murmur	
Class)	Henry Chee Tingwei	Henry Chee Kim Choo	Kenneth Quek Nancy	Kenneth Quek Kim Tian	
Young Adult Class	Book of Colossians Ong Jun Wei				
Foundation Class	Important Doctrines of the Church Isaac Chua				
Upper Primary	Hosea - Return To God	Joel - Amos	Jonah - Nahum	Obadiah, Micah, Habakkuk, Zaphaniah & Haggai	
Class		Tii	gwei		
Lower Primary	A poor widow who was rich	A beautiful woman	A man who came from the dead	Two sisters at home	
Class					
Nursery Class	A Man Who Remembered To Say "Thank You"	The Good Samaritan	The Woman Who Gave All Her Money	Jesus Heals A Man Who Could Not Talk Or Hear	
	Jacqueline				
Cradle Roll	The Best Book & the Best Gift Rhui Yin				

Thursday	7-Jun	14-Jun	21-Jun	28-Jun
Adult Class	How To Be A	How To Be	How To	How To Be A
	Person People	Confident &	Encourage &	Person Who Can
Adult Class	Respect & Trust	Influence People	Motivate People	Handle Criticism
	Danny Poo	Ernest Lau	Danny Poo	
Primary Class	Helping the	The Ethiopian	Peter and	Paul and Silas in
	Needy		Cornelius	Jail
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Nursery Class	Jonah	Shadrach, Meshach, Abednego	Daniel	Esther
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Thursday Bible Class Ruth Chapter 4

by bro Ernest Lau

Birthday of the week

1 Jun (Fri) – Mergie *2 Jun (Sat)* – Steven ★★★★★★★

Please send any news & prayer requests to limahpincoc@gmail.com

PRAYER REQUESTS

Overseas:

- Sis Shuan Kwee in Hong Kong
- Sis Farah & bro Siang Yee in London, UK, for studies
- **Bro Long Jun** in China
- **Bro Nigel** in Dubai
- Bro Kenneth Liong and sis Iris in San Francisco

Health

- Sis Baby's & Auntie Yeoh's health
- Sis Suan Kiang's, sis Linda's & sis Molly's health
- Sis Doris' recovery from her trigger finger surgery
- Sis Alice's recovery from a closed fracture
- Lisa's (bro David Sum's daughter) recovered from her surgery.
- Sis Molly's brother's health
- Bro Capi's mother's health
- Sis Siew Siew's mother's, sis Shu Fang's mother's, sis Doris' mother's, sis Shermin's grandmother's & sis Sarah's grandmother's health
- **Bro Gideon's** recovery from his jaw recovery

Pregnancy

• Sis Lydia (Jun'18), sis Jasmine Chan (Jun'18), sis Debbie (Jun'18), sis Stephanie (Dec'18)

NSF

• Bro Kevin, bro Wei Jie, bro Benedict, bro Titus

MEN-TO-SERVE SCHEDULE

Morning Worship @ 9.30am		27-May-18	3-Jun-18	10-Jun-18
Song Leader		Ernest Lau	Joel Lee	Benjamin Kwan
Opening Prayer Leader		Danny Poo	John Goh	Charlie Teo
Psalms Text		Psa 66:11-20	Psa 67:1-7	Psa 68:1-13
Preacher		Alvin Lin	Lee Tian Seng	Kwan Tai Choom
Lord's Supper Text		Isa 53:4-9	Php 2:5-11	1 Cor 11:23-29
Lord's Supper Servers	Scripture Reader	Cornelius Lee	Marc Wee	Nicodemus Oey
	Prayer: Bread	Henry Chee	Wong Sek Hoong	Lim Poh Teng
	Prayer: Fruit of Vine	Ling Leong Dak	Danny Poo	Farand Lim
	Prayer: Offering	Martyn Gostelow	Ong Jun Wei	Andy Lin
	Assistant	Paul Lim	Titus Goh	Ng Wei Xiang
	Foundation Class	Benjamin Tan	Lau Jeng Sang	Arthur Yap
Announcer		Jimmy Lau	Benjamin Kwan	Jimmy Lau
Greeters		Malaphone Inthilath	Benbin Aspacio	Jessica Patete
		Lois Chee	Ellen Hernandez	Maria Fu
Evening Worship @ 7pm				
Song Leader & O.P.		Kevin Lee	Alvin Lin	Ernest Lau
Speaker		Ernest Lau	Andy Lin	Alan Poon
Lord's Supper, Giving & C.P.		Shawn Wong	Martyn Gostelow	Cornelius Lee
Thursday Service @ 7.45pm			31-May-18	7-Jun-18
Song Leader			Alvin Lin	Ernest Lau
Opening Prayer Leader			Reuben Lim	Peter Kwan
Closing Prayer Leader			Benjamin Tan	Ong Jun Wei