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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

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ABC's of Raising Children

<u>A is for Accountability</u>. Hold your children accountable for their behaviour (Matt 12:36).

<u>B is for Boundaries</u>. Set specific limits, and make clear the repercussions if those limits are exceeded.

<u>C is for Consistency</u>. Hold to the same principles and practices (Rom 2:21-22).

<u>D</u> is for <u>Discipline</u>. Make the punishment fit the crime. Never discipline in anger (Pro 13:24).

<u>E is for Example</u>. Children are in greater need of models than critics. Set a good example (John 13:15).

F is for Forgiveness. Practice it and teach the importance of forgiving (Matt 6:14).

<u>G is for Giving.</u> Teach the joy of giving, not only to family and friends, but to strangers in need (Luk 6:38).

H is for sense of Humor. Keep your sense of humor. Promote laughter with your children (Pro 15:13; 17:22).

<u>I is for Imagination</u>. Be creative, and play with your children. Read and sing with them (Eph 5:19).

J is for Justice. Be fair, and insist that they be fair, also (Col 3:24-25).

<u>K is for Knowing</u> your children's friends and their parents as well as their teachers.

<u>L is for Listening.</u> Listen to your children. It will teach them how to listen to others, and their thoughts will give you insights (Jam 1:19).

M is for Morals. Be sure your own standard of conduct is sound (1 Pet 1:15).

N is for No. Use it, and mean it (Exo 20).

O is for Over-reacting. Give the kid a break. Be firm, but don't act as if the world is coming to an end. Remember that they are but flesh (Psa 78:39).

<u>P is for Pressure</u>. Reduce the pressure on your children, but insist they maintain high standards (Phil 3:14).

Q is for Questions. Pay close attention to their questions and give simple answers unless they demand more (1 Pet 3:15).

R is for Respect. Show respect, teach respect and earn respect (Eph 6:2, 4).

<u>S is for Source of Strength</u>. Share your own faith or beliefs with your children. Faith can be their port in the storms of life later (Deu 6:6-8).

<u>T is for Togetherness</u>. Have special, designated times to be together as a family--but know when to let go too.

<u>U</u> is for <u>Uniqueness</u>. Understand the uniqueness of each child, and let that child be who he or she is.

<u>V is for Voice</u>. Tone of voice can convey more to a child than the words spoken (Pro 15:1).

W is for Words. Keep your word. Promises broken destroy trust (Ecc 5:5).

X is for eXamine. Examine constantly and be aware.

<u>Y is for You.</u> Take care of yourself mentally, physically and spiritually. A happy parent helps a child to be happy.

Z is for Zowie! Who would have thought they would grow up so quickly?

Adapted

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2Ki 10:16 And he said, Come with me, and see my zeal for the LORD. So they made him ride in his chariot.

Jehu was commanded by God to cleanse the house of Ahab and remove Baal worship from Israel. He did it with the utmost enthusiasm. He lost no time in the doing all of it. I am impressed by the zeal with which he carried out the tasks that were given to him. How I wish we have more brethren like Jehu.

There are many things that are attractive about Jehu.

1. HE WAS A BRAVE AND FEARLESS SOLDIER.

He was a captain of the army of Israel (2 Kgs 9:5). He was known by the way he drove his chariot. When he was still far off from Jezreel, the watchman upon the city wall was able to distinguish him in the dim distance by the way he drove his horses. "The driving is like the driving of Jehu the son of Nimshi; for he driveth furiously" (2 Kgs 9:20). It is a picture of a brave warrior charging at his enemies.

We are to be good soldiers of Christ (2 Tim 2:3). A good soldier is brave. You can't win a war if your soldiers are timid and afraid. We are in a spiritual warfare (Eph 6:12). We need good Christian soldiers to fight against false teachings that are perverting the gospel of Christ (Jude 3). "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith" (2 Tim 4:7).

2. HE COMPLETED HIS TASKS WITH UTMOST ZEAL.

God commanded him to purge the house of Ahab and remove Baal worship in Israel. He wasted no time in doing it. Jehu is one person who can be relied on to carry out a task. He will hand in the task given neat and done.

When you have a worker like Jehu, you don't have to remind him or supervise him. You don't have to worry if he will finish the job. You can be rest assured that he will finish it and well. "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might" (Eccl 9:10).

3. HE WAS A STRATEGIST.

We see how he seduced the princes of Israel to carry out his plan to execute the sons of Ahab (vs 1-11) and the strategy he used to slaughter the prophets of Baal (vs 18-28).

Our Lord wants us to be "wise as serpents, and harmless as doves" (Matt 10:16). The devil is no idiot; he knows how to seduce and cause men to sin. Paul says: "we are not ignorant of his devices" (2 Cor 2:11). We can't defeat an enemy we do not know; we will be hitting the air. But we know the devil. Morality is at its lowest; America has endorsed gay marriages. More countries will follow. It's the work of the devil. We need to arm ourselves with the word of truth to defend God's morality. "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth" (2 Tim 2:15).

4. HE WAS THOROUGH IN HIS EXECUTION OF WORKS.

The scripture testifies of him: "Thus Jehu destroyed Baal out of Israel" (2 Kgs 10:28). He did not submit a half-baked job. We need this spirit of Jehu when we serve God. Our bible class teachers and preachers need to learn from Jehu: don't submit a half-baked lesson. Saturdays are not meant to finish the lessons but to rest and to rehearse the lessons which we should have prepared much earlier. Last minute work is always half-baked and it shows a lack of responsibility.

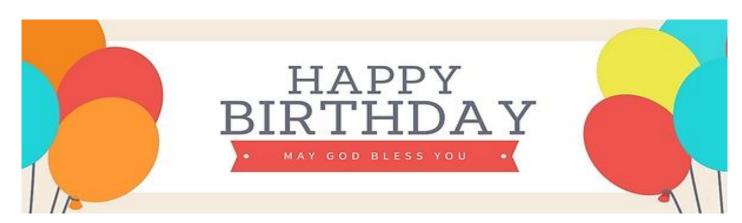
The way one executes an assignment tells us if he is a responsible and reliable worker. Why is it that some workers are favoured above others? It is because they have shown themselves to be responsible. Bosses like them because they will always do their best and complete the jobs well and on time.

The reports by the servants who were given five and two talents were they have gained another five and two respectively; that's a hundred percent improvement (Matt 25:20-22). God wants us to put in a hundred percent in our services to Him. "Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things,

I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord" (Matt 25:21).

What kind of worker are we in the church? Many put in a lot of their time and energy in their secular jobs. Are they showing the same kind of zeal in the Lord's kingdom? I wish they do. This congregation will double her membership if every member works like Jehu.

Let's be like Jehu in our services to God. Let us put in our very best effort to serve God. "Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord" (1 Cor 15:58).



DECEMBER

12	Chin-Loke Pooi Fun	2	Chua Kian Hong			
13	Tan Shu Fang	2	Yeow Mei Leng			
13	Ng Wei Xiang	2	Aguisando, Christine			
17	Lin Min Han, Alvin	4	Tiang Tsuey Ing, Jenny			
18	Jovilyn D. Patacsil	5	Tan Hui Xian Elsa			
20	Goh Thiang Ghoi, John	6	Lim Wei Ren, Farand			
24	Kwan Tai Choom	7	Wee Hwee Ping, Jacqueline			
25	Wu-Yu, Sara	9	Wong-Leo Siew Yair, Suzie			
29	Lee Xin Hui, Iris	11	Lee Jun Jie, Kevin			
30	James B. Medez	11	Lau Jeng Sang			
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WEEKLY NEWS

Health

We thank God for **bro Ivan's** successful biopsy last Wednesday. Please pray that the results of his biopsy will be favourable and for his health as he undergoes chemotherapy treatment.

Travel (Pray for travelling mercies)

- 1. Vietnam Mission Team (bro Ernest, bro Henry Chee, bro Edwin, bro Axel, bro Izaac & sis Stephanie) in Can Tho till 5 Dec.
- 2. **Bro Benjamin Kwan** in KL today and will be worshipping with Klang COC.
- 3. **Sis Christine Chan** in Taiwan till tonight, and will be worshipping with Taipei COC.
- 4. **Sis Yuet Ming** in Japan for 2 weeks.
- 5. **Bro Peter Chin and sis Pooi Fun** in Malaysia till the end of the month.

Guests Last Week

- 1. Sis Yeoh Swee Teen (sis Swee Inn's sister)
- 2. Sis Jessica & sis Jeje (Four Seas students)
- 3. Bro Patrick Ng, Sis Deborah Tan, Sis Kris Ewe, sis Trisha Lopez (Malaysia)
- 4. Sis Stephanie Tolentino, sis Jane Matidios, sis Georgie Rondez (*Philippines*)
- 5. Sis Eveline Subakti (*Indonesia*)
- 6. Bro Glen & bro Trevor Tattersall (Australia)
- 7. Bro John Grubb, bro Tim Burroughs, bro Tim Hayes, bro Jonathan Burns, sis Leanna Coats & sis Carol Pillow (*USA*)
- 8. Bro Dennis & sis Lisa Loh
- 9. Peh Guang Rong (sis Yan Ling's husband)
- 10. Kenny Kee (sis Debbie's husband)
- 11. Mervyn Tan (sis Sydney's friend)
- 12. Chloe Neo (sis Sydney's cousin)
- 13. May Tan & Chloe Yap (sis Mei Ling's friends)

<u>Placing Membership</u>

We welcome sis Ellen (friend of sis Ludina and member of Bicol COC), who has placed membership with us. Her particulars are as follows:

Name: Ellen Micah Hernandez

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HP: 90976131

UPCOMING EVENTS MARK IN YOUR CALENDAR!

Youth Fellowship/ **Prayer Meeting**

Date: 10 Dec (Sunday) *Time:* 1.30pm – 3pm **Venue:** Church Building

Come join us for the last youth fellowship for 2017.

Let's set aside time to bond and pray together, and thank God for His blessings.

30th Annual Youth Development Programme (YDP)

Dates: 18-21 Dec (Monday-Thursday) Venue: Port Dickson Golf & Country Resort

> Age range: 12 - 23 years old **Theme:** Life's Choices **Cost:** RM 330

Please sign up **by today** at the events noticeboard

For all participants, please take note that there will be a **short briefing on 17 Dec** in the Young Adults classroom right after the Bible class.



YOUTH COUNTDOWN

31 DECEMBER 2017 @ 8.30PM LAP CHURCH BUILDING





Thursday Bible Class 1 Peter 5

by bro Alvin Lin

Birthday of the week

4 Dec (Mon) –Jenny 5 Dec (Tue) – Elsa 6 Dec (Wed) – Farand 7 Dec (Wed) – Jacqueline 9 Dec (Sat) – Suzie

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

PRAYER REQUESTS

Overseas:

- *Sis Shuan Kwee* in Hong Kong for work
- Sis Joann in Perth, Australia, for studies
- Sis Farah in London, UK, for studies
- **Bro Long Jun** in China
- Bro Capi in Vietnam

Health

- Sis Baby's & Auntie Yeoh's health
- Sis Suan Kiang's, sis Linda's, sis Peiyi's & bro Ivan's health
- Bro Roberto's recovery from his knee surgery
- Sis Doris' recovery from her surgery
- Bro Capi's mother's health
- Sis Susan Goh's mother's, sis Jenny's mother's health.
- Sis Wenyu's grandmother's recovery from her surgery.
- Sis Diana's sister-in-law recovery from her condition.

NSF

• Bro Kevin, bro Wei Jie, bro Benedict

		MEN-T	O-SERVE SCH	EDULE
Morning Worship @ 9.30am		3 Dec 2017	10 Dec 2017	17 Dec 2017
Song Leader		Jonathan Yang	Kevin Lee	Ernest Lau
Opening Prayer Leader		Kenneth Quek	John Goh	Victor Lee
Psalms Text		Psa 47:1-9	Psa 48:1-14	Psa 49:1-9
Preacher		Robbie Andrews	Timothy Ng	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	Shawn Wong	Axel Chee
	Prayer: Bread	Wong Sek Hoong	Danny Poo	Henry Leow
	Prayer: Fruit of Vine	Danny Poo	Ling Leong Dak	Farand Lim
	Prayer: Offering	Joel Lee	Kenneth Liong	Ong Jun Wei
	Assistant	Titus Goh	Ng Wei Xiang	Zachary Ling
	Foundation Class	Justin Kwan	Lau Jeng Sang	Benjamin Tan
Announcer		Lee Tian Seng	Jimmy Lau	Amos Yang
Greeters		Jeshua Lin	Wang Tingwei	Grace Ler
		Nicodemus Oey	Teo Kim Tian	Lois Chee
Evening Worship @ 7pm				
Song Leader & O.P.		Amos Yang	Jimmy Lau	Ernest Lau
Speaker		Justin Kwan	Alvin Lin	Ong Jun Wei
Lord's Supper, Giving & C.P.		Henry Leow	Jerry Cheong	Tian Seng
Thursday Midweek Service			7 Dec 2017	14 Dec 2017
Song Leader			Jeshua Lin	Ernest Lau
Opening Prayer Leader			Lee Tian Seng	Kenneth Quek
Closing Prayer Leader			Ong Jun Wei	Danny Poo