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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)

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### **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



# ARE YOU READY FOR COMBINED CAMP 2017?

## WE ARE LEAVING TODAY!

**MEETING POINT & TIME:  
ESSO STATION  
OUTSIDE LIM AH PIN ROAD  
AT 1.45PM**



# Sermon Outline

## THE HELMET OF SALVATION

*Sermon outline by bro Alvin Lin*

**Text: Eph 6:17**

### **I. Describing the helmet of salvation.**

#### **A. Roman helmet.**

1. Brow ridges – protecting the eyes and nose.
2. Cheek plates – protecting the head and face.
3. Back plates – protecting the neck.

#### **B. Salvation.**

1. Saved from trespasses and sins (Eph 2:1-7).
2. By God's grace (Eph 2:8).
3. Through human faith (Eph 2:8-10).

### **II. Defending with the helmet of salvation.**

#### **A. Protecting the eyes.**

1. The brow ridges protect against blows to the eyes, which is important for sight.
2. Likewise, the helmet of salvation guards us in what we see (Mat 6:22-23).
3. It is important to guard our eyes because they affect our thoughts (Mat 5:28-29) – we ought to set our sights on Christ (Heb 12:2).

#### **B. Protecting the head.**

1. The cheek plates protect against blows to the head, which is important for thought.

2. Likewise, the helmet of salvation guards us in what we think (Pro 23:7).
3. It is important to guard our thoughts because they affect our actions (Mar 7:21-23) – we ought to renew our mind (Rom 12:2).

### **C. Protecting the neck.**

1. The back plates protect against blows to the neck, which is important for movement.
2. Likewise, the helmet of salvation guards us in what we do (Mat 7:17-20).
3. It is important to guard our actions because they affect others (Mat 18:6-9) – we ought to do all things for the edification of others (2Co 12:19).

## **III. Donning the helmet of salvation.**

### **A. Wearing it personally.**

1. One will not be protected by having others wear the helmet for him.
2. But some think that they can be saved by the merits of others.
3. One has to work out his own salvation (Php 2:12).

### **B. Wearing it correctly.**

1. One will not be protected by wearing the helmet a different way than it is designed.
2. But some think that they can be saved by any way they choose.
3. One has to obey God's plan of salvation (Act 8:35-38).

### **C. Wearing it continually.**

1. One will not be protected by wearing the helmet once and then taking it off.
2. But some think that they will always be saved once they are baptized no matter what they do.
3. One has to remain faithful unto death to receive the crown of life (Rev 2:10).



# *Elder's exhortation*

*by bro Jimmy Lau*

***1Ki 15:13 And also Maachah his mother, even her he removed from being queen, because she had made an idol in a grove; and Asa destroyed her idol, and burnt it by the brook Kidron.***

Asa was the third king of Judah after the division of Judah and Israel. He succeeded Abijah, son of Rehoboam, and reigned for forty-one years in Judah. He was zealous in maintaining the true worship of God, and in rooting out all idolatry, with its accompanying immoralities, from the land. He even removed his mother (or grandmother) from being the queen-mother because of her idolatry.

*"Reformation must begin at home. Bad practices will never be suppressed in the country while they are supported in the court. Asa, in every thing else, will honour and respect his mother; he loves her well, but he loves God better,"* (Matthew Henry Comm).

The devil often comes to a man in the shape of a woman. Solomon built idol altars for his wives. Samson was defeated by Delilah. David's otherwise clean record was marred by his adultery with Bathsheba (1 Kgs 15:5). Of all the people in Job's household, the devil only spared Job's wife and used her to entice him to sin (Job 2:9). Ahab was corrupted by his wife Jezebel (1 Kgs 21:25).

Some men managed to overcome a woman's temptation. Joseph fled when Potiphar's wife tried to seduce him (Gen 39:7-13). Job did not listen to his wife's evil counsel and sin against God (Job 2:10). Asa removed his idolatrous mother as the queen-mother.

It has been said that we cannot choose our mother, but we certainly can choose our own wife. Young men, choose your wives carefully. Know what you want for yourself and for your children. The woman whom you choose will either be a

blessing or a curse for the rest of your life. She is either your life's greatest support or greatest problem. Solve the issues before and not after marriage. When you are madly in love, you think you can live with a certain flaw in that woman, and true enough, you will go through the rest of your life living with that certain flaw. And it has become the most common reason for divorce: irreconcilable differences! The same advice goes to the sisters who are looking for a husband.

"Reformation must begin at home" (Matthew Henry). And it begins with us making the right choice. Our Lord says: **"He that loveth father or mother more than me is not worthy of me: and he that loveth son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me"** (Matt 10:37).

Asa loved God more than his mother. His mother was an idolater; he purged away her influence from the court. He didn't want her to be an influence to his family – his wife and children. He chose to be right with God even if it means to sever ties with his relations.

Our Lord asked his disciple Simon Peter: **"Lovest thou me more than these?"** (John 21:15). Oftentimes, we have to make a choice too. We have to choose between our works over our spiritual commitment. We have to choose whether our work or our worship and service to God come first in our lives. We have to choose to marry a non-Christian or one who loves God as we do. Are we willing to purge those obstacles away like king Asa?

To love God more means we have to forsake all that comes in between. We have to remove the things that hinder our devotion and faith. The scripture exhorts: **"Let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us,"** (Heb 12:1). The ESV reads: **"Let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely."**

What clings so closely to you that you cannot let it go?

Brethren, to follow Jesus, we must let it go: **"If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me"** (Luke 9:23).



# WEEKLY NEWS



## Wedding

We rejoice with **sis Debbie and Kenny** on their marriage yesterday! Bro Jerry Cheong & family would like everyone to join them on this happy occasion **TODAY** to a buffet lunch after the bible class.

## New Management Committee (MC) 2017/2018 Nomination

Please submit your nomination form for the new management committee in the MC nomination box at the pulpit area by **25 June**.

## Guests Last Week

1. Bro John Yo (*Tai Chung COC, Taiwan*)
2. Bro Bob Xiang & family (*China*)
3. Sis Pan Jia Ni & sis Zhang Lulu (*China*)
4. Bro Andy Ling (*Kota Kemuning COC, Malaysia*)
5. Bro Robbie & sis Julie Andrews (*Jurong COC, Singapore*)
6. Sis Yeoh Swee Teen (*sis Swee Inn's sister*)
7. Bro Samuel & Alexis (*bro Poh Teng's family*)
8. Chia Yoke Ee (*bro Daniel's wife*)
9. Samuel Dela Cruz (*sis Mergie's husband*)
10. Anna Jezreel F. Tinnguil (*sis Mergie's sister*)
11. Kenny Kee (*sis Debbie's husband*)
12. Stephanie Senna (*bro Martyn's friend*)
13. Xiao Cai (*sis Jia Ni & Lulu's friend*)
14. Shalen Manuel (*sis Seow Hui's helper*)
15. Triston

## Health

1. **Sis Peiyi** has been hospitalized in SGH for gastric pain after suffering pain for a few months. The doctor found some blockage in her large intestine and has scheduled her to go for a scope tomorrow to find out the cause of the blockage. Please keep her in prayers that the scope results will be good and that it is not anything cancerous.
2. **Bro Roberto** will be undergoing a MRI scan for his knee. Please pray for positive results, and that he can receive the right treatment and recover from the pain in his knee.
3. **Lisa**, bro David Sum's daughter, will be undergoing a surgery tomorrow (12 June) at KKH. Please pray for the success of her surgery and her recovery from ACM.

**Away (Please pray for travelling mercies)**

1. **Bro. Peter & sis. Pooi Fun** are away with the brethren in Malaysia where bro. Peter is teaching and preaching at the Subang Jaya congregation.
2. **Bro Danny & sis Linda** in Malaysia till 12 June. They are worshipping with Melaka COC this morning.
3. **Bro Nigel** in Taiwan till 16 June and Hong Kong from 18-22 June.
4. **Bro Capi** in Taiwan till 21 June.
5. **Sis Susan Ng & family** in Nanjing, China, for an immersion programme till 12 June.
6. **Bro Benedict** in Taiwan till 29 June.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

MARK IN YOUR CALENDAR!

J U L

8 - SENIOR FELLOWSHIP

**Jul-Sep**

A U G

9 - BIBLE QUIZ

27 - LADIES FELLOWSHIP

S E P

1-6 - PHILIPPINES MISSION TRIP

# EVENTS FORECAST

O C T

**Oct-Dec**

N O V

22-25 - FSC LECTURESHIP

23-25 - GOSPEL MEETING @ LAP

D E C

CHURCH FELLOWSHIP

## NEWS



### Thursday Bible Class

The Work & Ministry of  
Angels in the New  
Testament  
By bro Alvin Lin

### Birthday of the week

11 Jun (Sun) - Leong Dak  
13 Jun (Tue) - Yuet Ming  
15 Jun (Thu) - Roberto  
16 Jun (Fri) - Jasmine Lim



Please send any news &  
prayer requests to  
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## PRAYER REQUESTS

### Overseas:

- **Sis Joann** in Perth, Australia for studies
- **Bro Long Jun** in China

### Health

- **Sis Baby's & Auntie Yeoh's** health
- **Sis Suan Kiang's, sis Linda's & Kwan Mama's** health
- **Sis Kim Tian's** recovery from her skin problem
- **Bro Chee Beng's & sis Susan Ng's mother's** recovery  
(Warded in AMK Thye Hwa Kwan Community Hospital, Level 2, Ward 1, Bed 1341)
- **Lisa's (bro David Sum's daughter)** recovery from ACM  
(operation on 12 June)
- **Bro Roberto's** recovery from osteoarthritis

### Expectant Mothers

- Sis Siew Siew (Sep), sis Adeline (Oct)

### NSF

- Bro Joel Lee, bro Kevin

## MEN-TO-SERVE SCHEDULE

Morning Worship @ 9.30am		11 Jun 2017	18 Jun 2017	25 Jun 2017
Song Leader		James Medez	Jonathan Yang	Kevin Lee
Opening Prayer Leader		Victor Lee	Jerry Cheong	Chua Kian Hong
Psalms Text		Psa 33:1-11	Psa 33:12-22	Psa 34:1-10
Preacher		Alvin Lin	Ernest Lau	Alvin Lin
Lord's Supper Text		Isa 53:4-9	Php 2:5-11	1 Cor 11:23-29
Lord's Supper Servers	Scripture Reader	Axel Chee	Paul Lim	Shawn Wong
	Prayer: Bread	Charlie Teo	Nigel Poo	Wong Sek Hoong
	Prayer: Fruit of Vine	Ling Leong Dak	Farand Lim	Danny Poo
	Prayer: Offering	Kenneth Liong	Martyn Gostelow	Ong Jun Wei
	Assistant	Ng Wei Jie	Zachary Ling	Gordon Loo
Foundation Class		Lau Jeng Sang	Benjamin Tan	Justin Kwan
Announcer		Jimmy Lau	Amos Yang	Benjamin Kwan
Greeters		Lim Poh Im Shum Chee Ming	Ludina Carrido Susan Cheong	Wang Tingwei Teo Kim Tian
Evening Worship @ 7pm				
Song Leader & O.P.		Andy Lin	Amos Yang	Ernest Lau
Speaker		Jerry Cheong	Ernest Lau	Jimmy Lau
Lord's Supper, Giving & C.P.		Andy Lin	Lee Tian Seng	Jerry Cheong
Thursday Midweek Service			15 Jun 2017	22 Jun 2017
Song Leader			Alvin Lin	Timothy Ng
Opening Prayer Leader			Lee Tian Seng	Kenneth Quek
Closing Prayer Leader			Danny Poo	John Goh