

5 MARCH 2017

# 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

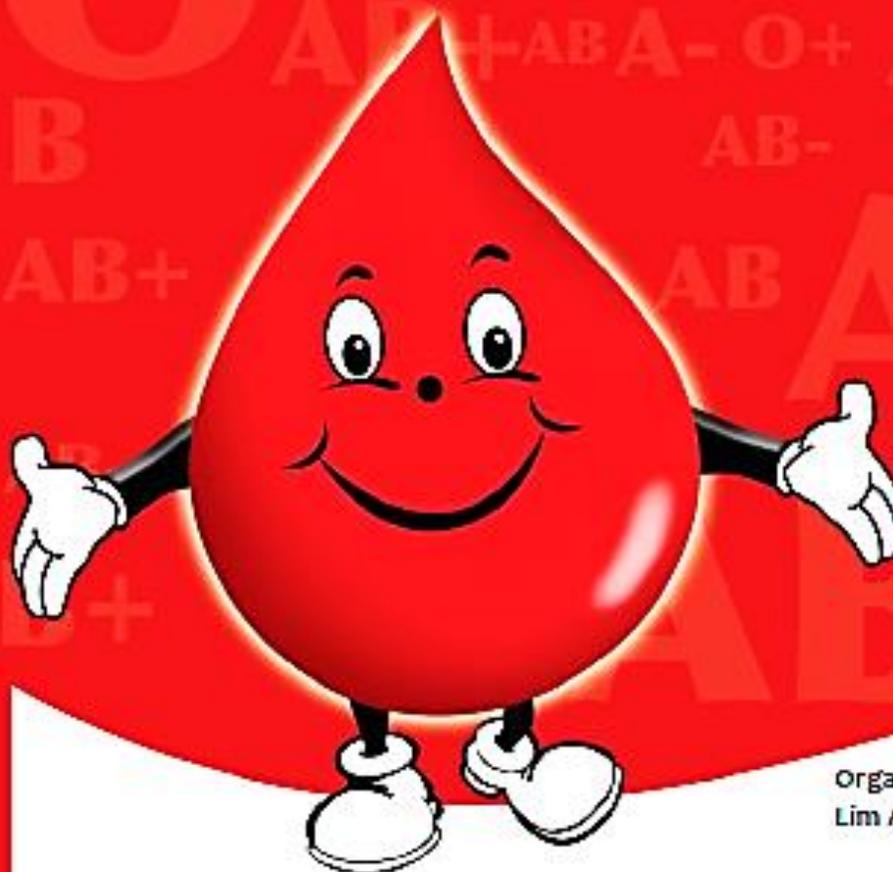
### Preachers

Bro Alvin Lin  
Bro Ernest Lau

### Administrator

Sis Goh Ser Ern

# Give blood. Save lives.



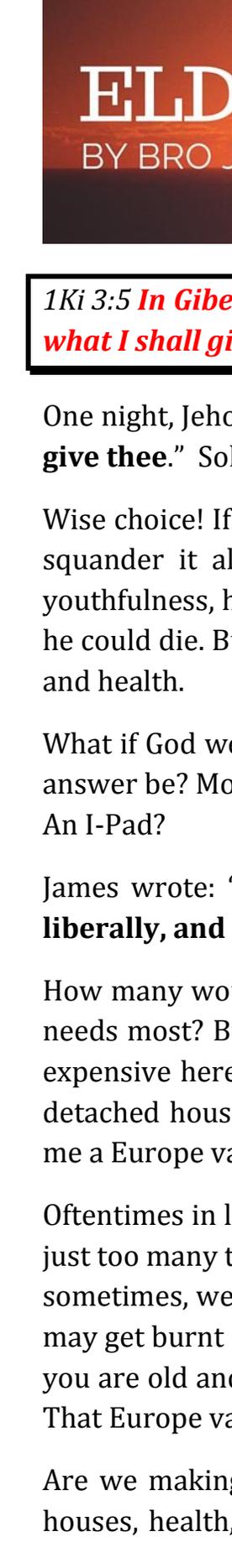
Organised by  
Lim Ah Pin Church of Christ

**Date** : 8 April 2017, Saturday  
**Time** : 11am – 5pm  
**Venue** : Lim Ah Pin Church of Christ  
20 Lim Ah Pin Road, S(547839)



Give Blood. Give Life.

- Please bring your NRIC/Passport/Work permit/Donor card
- Donor aged 15 and 17 will need to bring a signed parental form at: [ISA.GOV.SG/PARENT\\_CONSENT](http://ISA.GOV.SG/PARENT_CONSENT)
- Visit [GIVEBLOOD.SG](http://GIVEBLOOD.SG) for eligibility requirements
- For enquiries, please call Red Cross at 6222 0155. Thank you!



# ELDER'S EXHORTATION

BY BRO JIMMY LAU

***1Ki 3:5 In Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night: and God said, Ask what I shall give thee.***

One night, Jehovah appeared to King Solomon in a dream and said to him: “**Ask what I shall give thee.**” Solomon asked for wisdom.

Wise choice! If he had asked for wealth but did not have the wisdom to manage it, he would squander it all away. If he had asked for immortality but did not have the health or youthfulness, he would end up as a very weak and feeble old man whose only wish was that he could die. But with wisdom, he could be a wise king, and know how to manage his wealth and health.

What if God were to ask you what you want and He would give it to you? What would your answer be? Money? Worldly Success? Celebrity Status? A new car? A job? A wife? A husband? An I-Pad?

James wrote: “**If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him,**” (Jas. 1:5).

How many would be like Solomon and feel that he lacks wisdom and it's the very thing he needs most? But wait a minute; the Singapore dream is to own a house. And houses are so expensive here. “Yes, give me a 4-room flat. Oh, hold on; give me a 3-storey freehold semi-detached house.” If you are a teenager: “Give me an I-Pad.” If you are a young adult: “Give me a Europe vacation.”

Oftentimes in life, we have to make choices. Many times, we are spoilt for choices. There are just too many things laid before our eyes that we have difficulty deciding what we want. And, sometimes, we make bad choices. That I-Pad will break down and stop working. That house may get burnt down and have you thought about maintenance for such a big house, or when you are old and your children have married and moved out, what will happen to the house? That Europe vacation will end and you are back to square one.

Are we making the right choice? Are we asking God for the right thing? We can ask for houses, health, wealth and cars; none of those things are bad in and of themselves. But is

that all we are asking for? **“Ye ask, and receive not, because ye ask amiss, that ye may consume it upon your lusts”** (James 4:3).

What about asking for spiritual victories? What about asking for victory over a sin with which we’ve been struggling? What about asking for our children not merely to behave but to develop a deep and enduring relationship with God? What about simply asking for wisdom?

Yes, wisdom to bring up faithful children; wisdom to overcome temptations; wisdom to live a godly life; wisdom to lead the flock of God; and wisdom to encourage and help others.

What the world needs today is godly wisdom; the wisdom that is from above. **“But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy”** (James 3:17).

Governments need godly wisdom to rule and remove sin. Governments that approve gay marriages and abortions are contributing to the immorality that exists in society. Governments that remove discipline in schools are contributing to wayward children. Governments that remove censorship are contributing to increased sexual crimes and premarital sex.

**“God said, Ask what I shall give thee.”** What is your answer? Ask God for a wife or the wisdom to find a good wife? Ask God to remove the nasty boss or the wisdom to manage human relationships? Ask God to remove the present problem or the wisdom to manage problems. You will see that wisdom is a better choice.

***“I asked for strength that I might achieve; I was made weak that I might learn humbly to obey.***

***I asked for health that I might do greater things; I was given infirmity that I might do better things.***

***I asked for riches that I might be happy; I was given poverty that I might be wise.***

***I asked for power that I might have the praise of men; I was given weakness that I might feel the need of God.***

***I asked for all things that I might enjoy life; I was given life that I might enjoy all things.***

***I got nothing that I had asked for, but everything that I had hoped for.***

***Almost despite myself my unspoken prayers were answered; I am, among all men, most richly blessed.”***



"Never marry a chef", says sister Jacqueline when asked to provide a short quip about how to introduce the new convert in the spotlight this week, brother Marc Wee. Besides being a husband to sister Jacqueline, father to their two bright girls, Edith and Thea, brother Marc is a chef who confesses to "think about food all the time" and signs off his emails with his job appropriate hashtag of #jiakbaba (to eat till you're full). Having had the privilege to dine at his bistro before to celebrate my birthday, all that devotion to his craft has certainly translated into great food which I happily lapped up. It was inspiring to have been able to glean insights into the mind of a chef, bistro owner, and head of his Christian family, and to welcome him to the spiritual feast at the Lim Ah Pin Church of Christ.

Full name: Wee Jun Jie Marc

Birthday: 19 March 1982

Baptism date: 25 August 2016

Hometown: Singapore

**1) Who's in your family and describe them for us.**

My wife Jac and my 2 girls Edith and Thea. I live with my mother in law, Esther. Aside from that I have my parents and a younger brother who live near by.



**2) What do you do for a living and how long have you been at it?**

I am chef and owner of Arbite, a small and cosy bistro at Serangoon Gardens. I started it with two other friends seven years ago.

**3) How did you come by this profession and why do you enjoy it?**

I have been in the F&B trade since 15 and have been passionate about it since then. I started out as a waiter and slowly progressed to working in the kitchen. I wanted to have my own restaurant since young and I thought it was crucial to learn all aspects of operation. I love the atmosphere and the vibe of a restaurant. The pressure involved is somewhat addictive. You push yourself physically and mentally daily. Having been here for some time I have seen some of my customers' kids grown from toddlers to primary school and from secondary to working adults. That to me is satisfaction - feeding people and creating friendships.

**4) Here's a two-pronged question for the chef: What dish do you like making the most and, if given a choice, what would your last meal on earth be?**

I love making pasta especially the accomplishment of making something from scratch. One can make two completely different pastas from just eggs and flour and you can actually taste the work behind it. It's simple but yet fulfilling. My last meal would be a simple plate of pasta made by hand.

**5) Being such a busy and popular chef, what do you do in your free time? (If any, as a chef)**

Spending time with my kids. Cycling if I do get the chance.

**6) Do you have a favorite Bible character yet? What makes this person stand out to you?**

Job. His faith is astounding. After all the trials he faced he does not blame God. We face so many challenges in life and if we can look at life the same way as he did, it gets easier.

**7) Any hymn that strikes you profoundly in the hymn book?**

Pilot me. It is a hymn which the girls sang when they were very young. The lyrics strike me as it gives the perfect instructions on how to live our lives. Let God pilot us.

**8) Tell us something that would surprise people about you.**

I think about food all the time.

**9) Share the proudest moment in your life with us.**

Marrying Jac. She has changed my life completely.

**10) If you were to describe yourself in one word/phrase, what would it be?**

Unfinished

**11) Finish this sentence to finish the interview: "Ever since I became a Christian, I have..."**

...learnt to be an instrument of God.

*#jiakbaba*

*Bro Marc, interviewed by bro Timothy Ng*



**Meeting Reminder**

**MC Meeting**

Date: 5 March 2017, Sunday (TODAY)

Time: 1.30pm

**Business Meeting**

Date: 19 March 2017, Sunday

Time: 12.30pm

**Health**

1. Pray for **Auntie Yeoh**, who has been suffering from swelling of her hand, and has been on antibiotic drip.
2. Pray for **Lisa (bro David Sum's daughter)** who was recently diagnosed with Arnold-Chiari malformation type 1. She has an appointment on 7 March to review her MRI report. Please pray for favourable results.

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

1. **Sis Stephanie** will be returning to the Philippines tonight. She will be working on a year-long project, teaching ladies how to use children's class materials.
2. **Sis Eunice** in Wellington, New Zealand, till 6 March.
3. **Bro Ernest** will be travelling to the Philippines from 9 - 18 March. He will be preaching at Greenplains Church of Christ

**Guests Last Week**

1. Sis Low Rui Shan  
*(Columbia Heights COC, San Francisco)*
2. Stephanie Tolentino  
*(Skudai COC, Malaysia)*
3. Chia Yock Ee *(bro Daniel's wife)*
4. Samuel Dela Cruz *(sis Mergie's husband)*
5. Bai Jia Wei *(sis Farah's friend)*
6. Amanda & Deanna *(sis Charlene's friends)*

**UPCOMING EVENTS**  
MARK IN YOUR CALENDAR!

**11 March 2017, Saturday**

**Senior Fellowship**

Time: 9.00am - 12.30pm

Activity:

A morning walk in Chinese Garden

***Please inform bro Alvin or sis Ser Ern if you are interested to attend.***

**12 March 2017, Sunday**

**Youth Fellowship**

Time: 1.30pm - 3pm

Venue: Church Building

***Come join us for an afternoon of discussion and sharing on the topic "When my love to Christ grows weak".***

**18 March 2017, Saturday**  
**Evangelism Sunday Tracting (KIV)**

Time: 4.30pm

Meeting point:

Blk 461 Hougang Ave 10 Singapore 530461  
(Nearest to Hougang MRT)

**25 March 2017, Saturday**

**Area Cleaning**

Time: 10am – 12nn

Venue: Church Building

***More hands make light work!***

**26 March 2017, Sunday**

**Evangelism Sunday**

Time: 9.30am

Venue: Church Building

Topic: *The Goodness & Severity of God*

Speaker: *Bro Alvin Lin*

***Invite your family & friends to hear the good news!***

**8 April 2017, Saturday**

**Blood Donation Drive**

Time: 11am – 5pm

Venue: Church Building

***Please inform sis Rachel Poo if you are interested to donate.***

**Blood Drive MRT Tracting**

Dates:

**25 March, Sat –**

11.30am-2.30pm

**26 March, Sun –**

1.30pm – 3pm

**1 April, Sat –**

11.30am – 2.30pm

**2 April, Sun –**

1.30pm – 3pm

***Please inform bro Andy or sis Rachel Poo if you are interested to help.***

**14 April 2017, Friday (Public Holiday)**

**Dementia Health Forum**

Time: 10am-12pm

Venue: Church Building

Topics: Dementia and related conditions

***Please inform bro Alvin or sis Ser Ern or sign up thru [goo.gl/44eafr](http://goo.gl/44eafr) if you are interested.***

**1 - 3 June 2017, Thursday - Saturday**

**12<sup>th</sup> Annual Chinese Asian Bible Lectureship**

Venue: Syeun Hotel (*Ipoh, Malaysia*)

Cost: RM360/pax for twin sharing



诚意邀请您参加  
**第12届**  
亚洲华文圣经研讨会

**因信称义**  
**的生命**

{ 罗马书之教义与生活应用 }

日期 1至3日 • 6月 • 2017年 (周四至周六)  
地点 舜嘉大酒店 (SYEUN HOTEL)  
怡保 马来西亚

***Please sign up on the Chinese noticeboard if you are interested to attend.***

**11-14 June 2017,**

**Sunday- Wednesday**

**Combined Camp 2017**

Venue:

Lotus Desaru Beach Resort

Theme:

One Big Family

Cost:

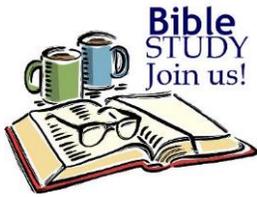
\$230/adult, \$90/child

***Book your leave now & sign up at the Events noticeboard!***

# NEWS



## Thursday Bible Class



Interpretation –  
Discover What It Means!

By bro Timothy Ng



Please send any news &  
prayer requests to

**Bro Alvin Lin**  
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OR

**Bro Ernest Lau**  
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OR

**Sis Ser Ern**  
[gserern@gmail.com](mailto:gserern@gmail.com)

# PRAYER REQUESTS

## Overseas:

- **Sis Joann & bro Mitchell** in Perth, Australia for studies
- **Sis Rachel Ting** in UK for studies
- **Bro Jong Wah & sis Nancy** in Perth, Australia
- **Our supported missionaries:**  
Bro Kwan, bro Bob & bro George (*China*), bro Glen (*Australia*),  
bro John Yo (*Taiwan*), bro Hai (*Vietnam*)

## Health

- **Sis Baby's & Auntie Yeoh's** health
- **Sis Suan Kiang's, sis Linda's & Kwan Mama's** health
- **Sis Susan Goh's mother's** health
- **Sis Kim Tian's** recovery from her skin problem
- **Sis Jasmine Lim's** recovery from her eye problem
- **Sis Susan Goh's** recovery from her fractured ribcage
- **Bro Joel Lee's** recovery from his knee surgery
- **Sis Doris'** recovery from her varicose vein surgery
- **Sis Shanice's** recovery from her eye surgery

## Expectant Mothers

- Cynthia Lee (Mar'17), Daryl Cheong (May'17)

## NSF

- Bro Gideon, bro Joel Lee, bro Kevin

# MEN-TO-SERVE SCHEDULE

Morning Worship @ 9.30am		5 Mar 2017	12 Mar 2017	19 Mar 2017
<b>Song Leader</b>		Alvin Lin	Amos Yang	Justin Kwan
<b>Opening Prayer Leader</b>		Danny Poo	Timothy Ng	Victor Lee
<b>Psalms Text</b>		Psa 22:12-21	Psa 22:22-31	Psa 23:1-6
<b>Preacher</b>		Ernest Lau	Lee Tian Seng	Paul Lim
<b>Lord's Supper Text</b>		Matt 26:26-29	1 Cor 11:23-29	Mark 15:24-37
<b>Lord's Supper Servers</b>	Scripture Reader	Cornelius Lee	Axel Chee	Shawn Wong
	Prayer: Bread	Charlie Teo	Nigel Poo	Wong Sek Hoong
	Prayer: Fruit of Vine	Ng Chee Beng	Henry Leow	Ling Leong Dak
	Prayer: Offering	Alan Poon	David Chua	Henry Leow
	Assistant	Yew Tian Geng	Jose Cardoza	Zachary Ling
<b>Foundation Class</b>		Arthur Yap	Kenneth Liong	Wee Hooi Kok
<b>Announcer</b>		Benjamin Kwan	Jimmy Lau	Amos Yang
<b>Greeters</b>		Wang Tingwei Teo Kim Tian	Constance Lau Wu Wenyu	Grace Ler Lois Chee
Evening Worship @ 7pm				
<b>Song Leader &amp; O.P.</b>		Alvin Lin	Jimmy Lau	Jimmy Lau
<b>Speaker</b>		Kenneth Liong	Alvin Lin	Ernest Lau
<b>Lord's Supper, Giving &amp; C.P.</b>		Lee Tian Seng	Jerry Cheong	Henry Leow
Thursday Midweek Service			9 Mar 2017	16 Mar 2017
<b>Song Leader</b>			Ernest Lau	Andy Lin
<b>Opening Prayer Leader</b>			Alvin Lin	Jeshua Lin
<b>Closing Prayer Leader</b>			Ong Jun Wei	Danny Poo