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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

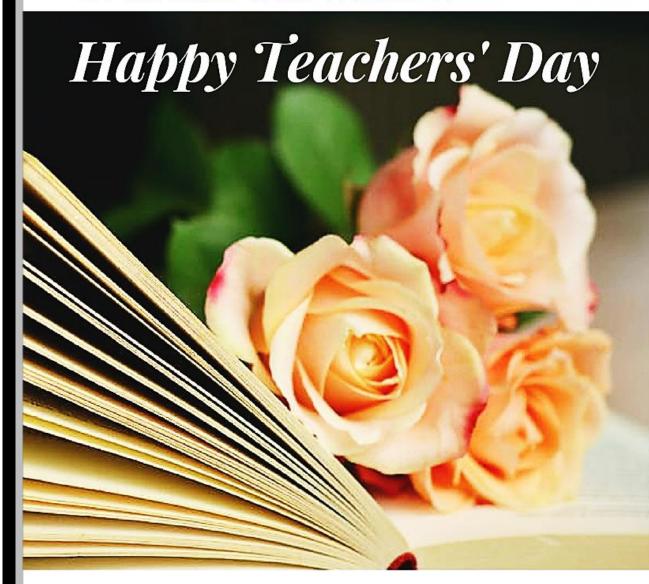
Preachers

Bro Alvin Lin Bro Ernest Lau

Administrator

Sis Goh Ser Ern

To all bible class teachers:



A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL OF YOU FOR YOUR HARD WORK AND EFFORT IN TEACHING THE WORD OF GOD.

A disciple is not above his teacher, but everyone who is perfectly trained will be like his teacher. Luke 6:40 NKJV



PEACE - The Building Blocks of a Loving Relationship

Sermon notes by bro Jimmy Lau

(A) Introduction

- 1. The greatest of all happiness, next to divine happiness, is to be at peace with one's immediate relations, those with whom one must live every day in the year.
- 2. Definitions: (1) state of tranquillity or quiet (2) freedom from war and violence (3) the absence of mental stress or anxiety (4) harmony in personal relations
- 3. Harmony in personal relations It is inevitable that in every relationship there are going to be differences, and everyone has days when their emotions can get the better of them. The problem is not that we have differences in our relationship, the problem lies in the way we handle those differences. When our ego gets in the way, we can easily say or do things that threaten the peace of our relationship.

(B) Discussion

(I) Why Is Peace Important In The Church.

- i. Our Lord is the Prince of Peace. Isa 9:6
- ii. The Christian faith demands we live in peace with all men. Matt 5:9; Rom 12:18
- iii. Lack of peace hinders our message. John 13:34-35
- iv. Lack of peace suggests carnality. 1 Cor 3:1-4
- v. The spiritual family of God ought to have peace with each other. Rom 14:19
- vi. We are brethren. Gen 13:8

(II) HOW TO LIVE PEACEABLY WITH ONE ANOTHER.

- 1. **PATIENCE**: "And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience." (2 Pet 1:6)
 - i. Definition: The capacity to accept or tolerate delay, trouble, or suffering without getting angry or upset.

- ii. Characteristics (a) Not easily irritated or angry (2) Calmness (3) Endure (4) Self-control
- iii. Patience in relationships means being patient and forgiving about the other person's follies, mistakes and short-comings.
- iv. 2 Choices (1) Impatient and break a relationship (2) Patient and be at peace.
- v. In this modern age, most of us have forgotten to be patient and get irritated very quickly over minor things like a traffic jam, a baby crying and such things.
- vi. Patience makes us better people. It helps us accept other people as they are and makes us tolerant. By being impatient, you suffer more than other people.
- vii. Choose Patience and Peace will ensure.

2. **ESTEEM**: "In honour, preferring one another." (Rom 12:10)

- i. Causes of Strife:
 - a. Selfishness Insisting one's ways. Jas 4:1
 - b. Pride Self-glory. Luke 22:24
- ii. Treat each other with honour and respect. Rom 12:10
- iii. Consider others more important than self. Php 2:4
- iv. Example of Gideon. Judg 8:1-2
- v. The Church is GREATER than any one person. It is more important to pursue peace than to pursue what is perceived as right.
- vi. If a relationship is worth keeping, it is worth pursuing peace.

3. **APPRECIATE:** "I thank my God upon every remembrance of you" (Php 1:3)

- i. One way to break a relationship is to keep on criticising.
- ii. Appreciation promotes peace. Rom 13:7
- iii. A little show of appreciation can go a long way in encouraging folks to "keep up the good work." 1 Thess 5:12
- iv. Our Lord's example. Matt 8:10; 15:28
- v. Focus on the relationship. Gen 13:8
- vi. Focus on the gratitude. 1 Thess 5:18
- vii. Focus on God. Will God be happy?

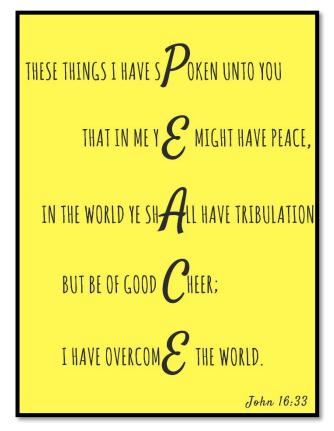
4. CHARITY (LOVE): "Love worketh no ill to his neighbour." (Rom 13:10)

- i. Where pride, anger and selfishness breed a hostile environment, love gives way to peace. Luke 22:24
- ii. Be ready to forgive and let go. It has been said that a happy relationship is made up of two good forgivers. It is in love and forgiveness that we will find peace in our relationship.
- iii. Be quick to apologize.
- iv. God puts us in some messy relationships so that we learn to love like Him.
- v. Choose love instead of defensiveness.

- 5. **EXAMINE:** "Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts." (Psa 139:23)
 - i. Why am I so impatient? Look at yourself for the problem first.
 - ii. See yourself through the other person's eyes.
 - iii. Unrealistic Expectations We find ourselves losing our patience when we expect a certain level of understanding, intellect, intelligence, maturity from different people we deal with and we do not see it.
 - iv. The next time you lose your patience over someone, just take a moment to stop and think is losing my patience right now and fighting with the person in front of me worth the fight? Is it worth the hurt and pain that we are both going to inflict upon each other in the process? Have I tried hard enough and am I really at the end of my patience? Most of the time, we let our lack of patience get the better of us, and in the process lose a person who was much more dear to us than the issue over which we lost our patience.
 - v. Is this the way Christ will react?
 - vi. Is this the way Christians should behave?
 - vii. How would Christ want me to react?

(C) Conclusion

- 1. Peace is Commanded: "Let us therefore follow after the things which make for peace, and things wherewith one may edify another." Rom 14:19
- 2. Peace is Necessary to go to heaven: "Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord" Heb 12:14
- 3. Peace is to be actively pursued: "Let him eschew evil, and do good; let him seek peace, and ensue (pursue) it." 1Pet 3:11
- 4. All of our relationships are less than perfect. They require work if they are going to thrive.
- 5. Peace in Relationship can be achieved when we understand how all of us are interconnected to each other.
- 6. Peace in our family relationships comes when we recognize everyone's needs, behaving in an all-for-one, one-for-all manner to engender lasting bonds.



WEEKLY NEWS





WELCOME TO THE FAMILY OF GOD!

We rejoice over the baptism of sis Germaine Tan on 30 August! She will be placing membership with Lim Ah Pin Church of Christ. She is in Malaysia over the weekend and will be at LAP next Sunday. Let us give her a warm welcome into the family of God!

Her particulars are as follows:
Name: Tan Li Xuan Germaine
Mobile: 8218 5986
Birth Date: 12 August 1995
Email: germainelxtan@gmail.com

Birth of baby Esther

Our heartiest congratulations to **bro Paul & sis Siew Siew** on the birth of their baby girl, Esther Lim Li Zi, on 25 August. Please continue to pray for the health of both mother and child.

Away (Please pray for travelling mercies)

- 1. The **Philippines Mission Team** (bro Tian Seng, bro Cornelius, bro Alvin, bro Jong Wah, sis Nancy, sis Katie, sis Fong Yoke, sis Tingwei, sis Sharyl & sis Stephanie) in Bacolod & Kabankalan till 6 Sep.
- 2. **Bro Wei Xiang** in China for a 6-week internship till14 Oct
- 3. **Sis Farah** will be leaving on 13 Sep to further her studies in London for 4 years. We wish her well in her stay there, and as she serves the Lord with Stockwell COC.

Guests Last Week

- 1. Sis Deborah Tan (Tai Peng COC, Malaysia)
- 2. Bro David Lee (Jurong COC, Singapore)
- 3. Bro Samuel Lim & Alexis (bro Poh Teng's family members)
- 4. Leonard Chia (sis Peiyi's husband)
- 5. Peh Guang Rong (sis Yan Ling's husband)
- 6. Kenny Kee (sis Debbie's husband)
- 7. Chua Siang Yee (sis Jasmine Yong's friend)
- 8. Ooi Yu Han
- 9. Triston

FY2017/2018 Management Committee Office Bearers

The new Management Committee elected for FY2017/2018 are:

Chairman: bro Jimmy Lau

Honorary Treasurer: bro Benjamin Tan Honorary Secretary: bro Andy Lin

These brethren will be serving as IC in the following ministries:

Evangelism – bro Ernest Lau

Education – bro Alvin Lin

Benevolence – bro Andy Lin

Fellowship - bro Amos Yang

Glorification - bro Henry Leow

Youth - bro Benjamin Kwan

New Converts - bro Wong Sek Hoong

Mission - bro Paul Lim

Restoration - Elders & Preachers

Building & Ground - bro Jerry Cheong

Finance – bro Benjamin Tan

Human Resource – bro Kenneth Quek

UPCOMING EVENTS



IT'S IN YOUR BLOOD TO SAVE LIVES.

You can give life, by giving blood. All it takes is just 60 minutes of your time today, to save lives tomorrow.

Blood Donation Drive

Organised by Jurong Church of Christ

Date: 9 September 2017, Saturday

Time: 11.00am - 5.00pm

Venue: Jurong Church of Christ,

Auditorium, Level 2

120 Boon Lay Drive

Singapore 649924

You can register your interest at: bit.ly/bdd2017

CHURCH OF CHRIST **PRESENTS** "I NEVER KNEW YOU" Speaker: Ernest Lau 24 September 2017, Sunday 9.30am | 20 Lim Ah Pin Road

10 Sept 2017, Sunday **Youth Fellowship**

Time: 1.30pm - 3pm Venue: LAP Church Building Please approach bro Benjamin Kwan for more information.

16 Sept 2017, Saturday **Combined Youth Fellowship** (with Jurong COC & **Lavender COC)**

Time: 9am - 12nn Venue: Pulau Ubin Highlights:

Amazing Race @ Pulau Ubin Please meet at Changi point ferry terminal at 8.45 am. Please sign up at the Events Notice Board.

16 Sept 2017, Saturday **Evangelism Sunday Tracting**

Time: 4.30pm **Meeting Point:**

Blk 438 Hougang Ave 8 Singapore 530438 (Nearest to Buangkok MRT)

Join us in spreading the gospel around our neighbourhood!

28-30 Nov 2017,

Tuesday - Thursday **Vacation Bible School**

Time: 9am – 5pm Venue: LAP Church Building Age range: 4-9 years old Registration is now open! Please

sign up at http://bit.do/2017VBS Please approach sis Ser Ern or sis Sydney if you have any queries.



Thursday Bible Class The Christian and Worship

By bro Justin Kwan

Birthday of the week

5 Sep (Tue) –
Tian Geng & Alvin Chan
6 Sep (Wed) – Sek Hoong
8 Sep (Sat) –
Doris & Joel Lee

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
- **Bro Long Jun** in China
- Sis Swee Inn in Canada

Health

- Sis Baby's & Auntie Yeoh's health
- Sis Suan Kiang's, sis Linda's, sis Peiyi's & bro Ivan's health
- Bro Chee Beng's & sis Susan Ng's mother's recovery
- Lisa's (bro David Sum's daughter) recovery from ACM
- Bro Roberto's recovery from his knee surgery

Expectant Mothers

• Sis Adeline (Oct)

NSF

Bro Joel Lee, bro Kevin, bro Wei Jie

		MEN-TO-SERVE SCHEDULE		
Morning Worship @ 9.30am		3 Sep 2017	10 Sep 2017	17 Sep 2017
Song Leader		Amos Yang	Joel Lee	Jonathan Yang
Opening Prayer Leader		Timothy Ng	Victor Lee	Jerry Cheong
Psalms Text		Psa 38:11-20	Psa 39:1-13	Psa 40:1-9
Preacher		Jimmy Lau	Benjamin Tan	Lee Tian Seng
Lord's Supper Text		1 Cor 11:23-29	Mar 14:22-25	Matt 26:26-29
Lord's Supper Servers	Scripture Reader	Axel Chee	Cornelius Lee	Paul Lim
	Prayer: Bread	Lim Poh Teng	Charlie Teo	Nigel Poo
	Prayer: Fruit of Vine	Ng Chee Beng	Ling Leong Dak	Farand Lim
	Prayer: Offering	Joel Lee	Kenneth Liong	Joel Lee
	Assistant	Titus Goh	Shawn Wong	Zachary Ling
	Foundation Class	Arthur Yap	Lau Jeng Sang	Benjamin Tan
Announcer		Ernest Lau	Jimmy Lau	Amos Yang
Greeters		Ludina Carrido	Jeshua Lin	Wang Tingwei
		Susan Cheong	Nicodemus Oey	Teo Kim Tian
Evening Worship @ 7pm				
Song Leader & O.P.		Alvin Lin	Jimmy Lau	Alvin Lin
Speaker		Joel Lee	Ernest Lau	Lee Tian Seng
Lord's Supper, Giving & C.P.		Jerry Cheong	Amos Yang	Henry Leow
Thursday Midweek Service			7 Sep 2017	14 Sep 2017
Song Leader			James Medez	Alvin Lin
Opening Prayer Leader			Henry Leow	Lee Tian Seng
Closing Prayer Leader			Ong Jun Wei	Danny Poo
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