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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 Michael Yeo

Deacons
Bro Benjamin Tan
Bro Jerry Cheong

Preacher
Bro Ernest Lau

Administrator
Sis Goh Ser Ern

"I SEEK NOT MINE OWN WILL, BUT THE WILL OF THE FATHER WHICH HATH SENT ME."

- TESTIFIED BY JESUS CHRIST

JESUS AND THE SEVEN WONDERS

BIBLE QUIZ: JOHN CHAPTERS 1 TO 11

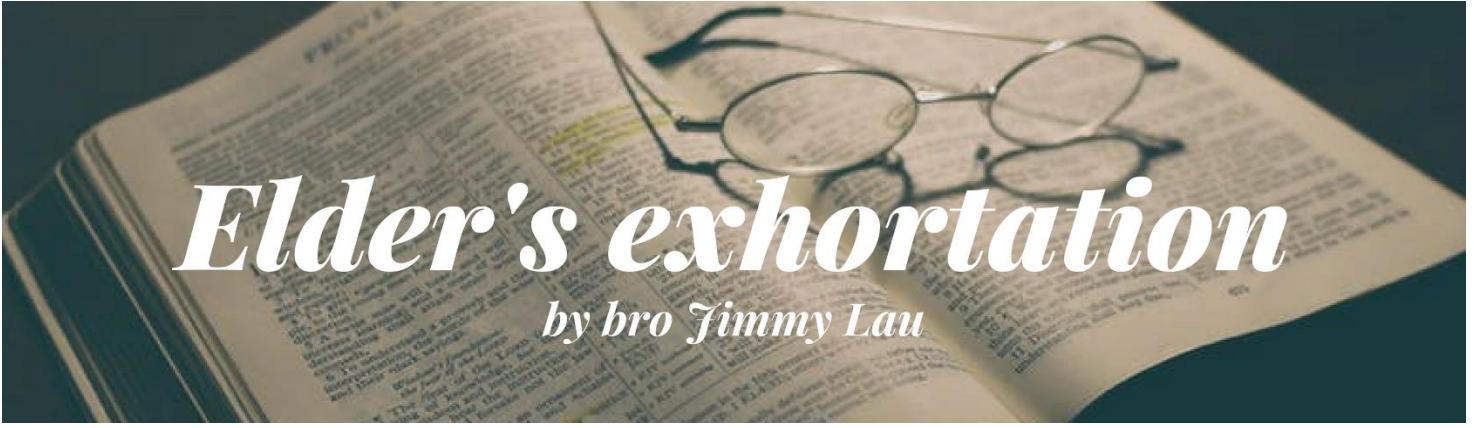


**9 AUGUST 2019
10AM**

**CHURCH BUILDING
AUDITORIUM**

JOHN 5:30





Elder's exhortation

by bro Jimmy Lau

Rom 14:19 Let us therefore follow after the things which make for peace, and things wherewith one may edify another.

Paul continues to teach concerning the Christians' duties towards each other, and in this particular chapter, he talks about the strong in relation to the weak. He says that there should be a mutual tenderness and tolerance for each other: "**Let not him that eateth despise him that eateth not; and let not him which eateth not judge him that eateth: for God hath received him**" (Rom 14:3).

"Paul does not, however, fall into the error of making the weakness of the weak the criterion and principle for the church. Paul refuses to reduce the strong to the level of the weak. The weak ought to grow strong. The way to make them strong is not to offend them, nor to contend with them in debate, but to show them forbearance and loving consideration, thereby enabling the weak to build up their strength." (Romans, Lenski Comm, Page 813).

When there is mutual forbearance and understanding towards matters of opinions, there is peace and edification. The Christians at Rome were divided over food. The Jewish Christians had strict regulations on food, a habit carried over from Judaism. They still considered certain food to be unclean and not to be eaten. The Gentile Christians at Rome ate everything (Rom 14:2). Paul is saying in verse 3, "Let us not be divided over food."

The principle to follow is this: "**Let us therefore follow after the things which make for peace, and things wherewith one may edify another**" (Rom 14:19).

Peace is living in harmony. The way to understand harmony is to look at an orchestra. The orchestra is not made up of one musical instrument but it has many different kinds of musical instruments. Each instrument gives a different sound. If each musician plays on his own accord, there will be no music but only noise. We say there is no harmony. It will be chaotic. But the conductor comes in and he gets the orchestra team in order.

The musicians play, but not all at the same time. The result is a beautiful piece of harmonious music. That is peace. Peace is having many different musical instruments playing together in harmony and making a beautiful music. Peace is a beautiful music.

The church is made up of many different members (Rom 12:4). Can we have peace? Of course, we can. We just need to follow the conductor. The conductor is Christ. He leads the “orchestra.” He is the head of the “orchestra”: **“And he is the head of the body, the church”** (Col 1:18).

A peaceful church is like a piece of beautiful music; it will be heard far and wide. The church at Thessalonica was a beautiful music that was heard from afar (1 Thess 1:7-9). Her work of faith, labour of love, and patience of hope were known by the brethren (1 Thess 1:3). Her peace resulted in her edification.

Edification is building up. Peaceful things build up while divisive things destroy. How did the church at Thessalonica achieve faith, hope, and love? They had peace. And because they had peace, they were edified and encouraged in their faith, hope, and love.

Look again at the orchestra: it has many different sounds but they can make beautiful music when they play in harmony. Likewise, in the church, we can live together in harmony when we play the same tune together. We have one conductor which is Jesus Christ.

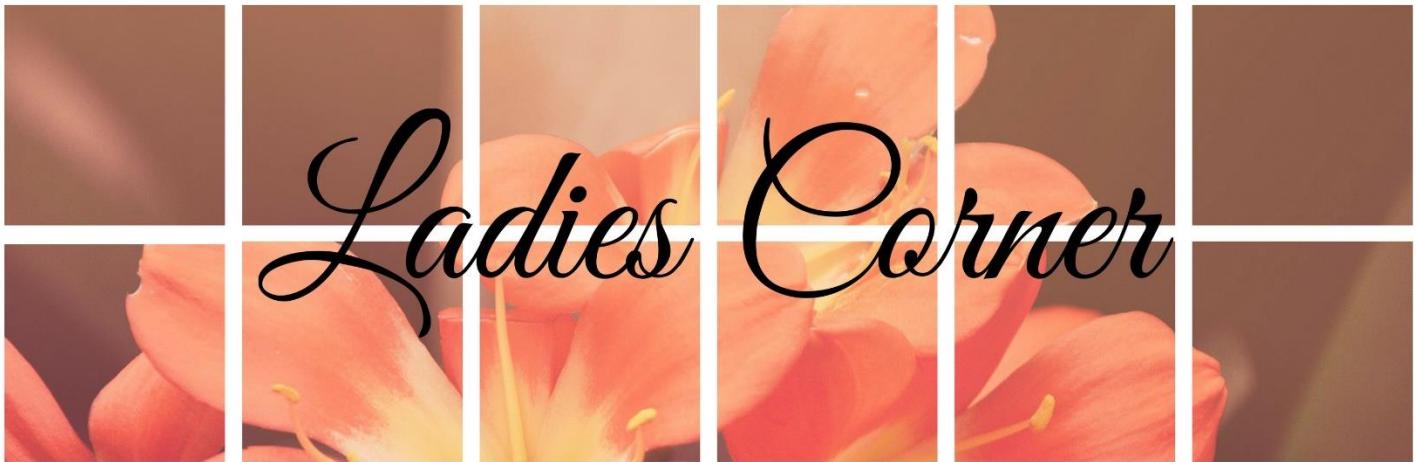
Can we play the same tune? We can: follow the conductor and look out for each other: **“Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others”** (Phil 2:4).

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- Philippians 2:4 (KJV) -



When we follow the principle of following the things that make for peace and things that edify one another; we will have perfect peace.



Ladies Corner

The Little Woman Who Is Immensely Great

By sis Kim Tian

On 28th July 2019, we celebrated sister Baby Tan's 92nd birthday after bible class with a lovely birthday cake and sumptuous lunch. It was made possible by a thoughtful and generous brother-in-Christ who remembered her birthday and wanted to surprise her and celebrate this special day of a great and godly lady with the whole church. Sis Baby always treated the church at Lim Ah Pin Road as her big family.

My husband, Jimmy, has known sis Baby since he was nine years old. Sis Baby's present home at 28 Jalan Geneng was the home where she and her husband, the late bro Tan Keng Koon , resided and the birthplace of the Upper Serangoon Road Church of Christ, which has grown and is now known as the Lim Ah Pin Road Church of Christ.

People who know sister Baby love and respect her. Jimmy always tells me that he has not known any other person who can command so much love and respect from the brethren. We need to emulate her great example of



a godly, submissive and faithful Christian woman who still attends worship service, bible classes and other church activities.

What made sis Baby so special that commands so much love and respect from older members who know her?

Sis Baby made Upper Serangoon a family church. She was a mother to every member. She cooked for anyone who was hungry. It was such kind of affection, love and care that made 28 Jalan Geneng a memorable one for those who grew up there, including Jimmy.

It was her faith, her unceasing work in the Lord, and her love for the saints that we remember the most. Sis Baby truly and dearly loves the Lord and God certainly has blessed her richly in many ways. At age 80's, she went for a knee cap operation so that she can still serve the Lord and visit the sick in hospitals and attend funeral wakes to comfort the bereaved. At age 84, she was able to join the group of us (37 in all) on our trip to Bible Land in Israel and insisted that she will float on the dead sea and she did it despite the cold weather.

At age 90, she still has a fantastic memory. Just before her 90th birthday, Jimmy and I visited her and asked her about an article the late bro Ira Y. Rice had written about her. Without hesitation, she went to a bookshelf in her house and pulled the book out from the lowest shelf. Wow, that's amazing for a lady of her age.

Sis Baby truly is an inspiration to me and a lot of people. She has set before us the finest example as a Christian and a preacher's wife. She has shown us (especially we ladies) how a preacher's wife ought to be like.

Prov 31:29 "Many daughters have done virtuously, but thou excellest them all."

May God continue to bless sis Baby with good health and a good caregiver. **"The Lord bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace" (Numbers 6:24-26).**



WEEKLY NEWS



WELCOME TO THE FAMILY OF GOD!

We rejoice over the baptism of **bro Mark** (sis Sheila's friend) on 28 July! Let us give him a warm welcome into the family of God.

His particulars are as follows:

Name: Mark Lester Aldas Domingo

Birth date: 15 Sep 1991

Email: marklesterdomingo1591@gmail.com

Placing membership

We welcome **sis Sheila** who has placed membership with us. Her particulars are as follows:

Name: Sheila Mae M. Mercilio

Birthdate: 16 Feb 1992

Baptism date: Sep 2007

Email: leshemae150616@gmail.com

Birth of baby Esther

Our heartiest congratulations to **bro Benjamin and sis Deborah Kwan** on the birth of their baby girl, Kwan Xin Yi, Esther, on 31 July. Please continue to pray for the health of both mother and child as they recuperate at home.

Travelling

1. **Bro Jimmy** in Malacca till 5 Aug. He will be preaching at Malacca COC this morning.

2. **Bro Tian Geng & sis Jasmine** will be travelling from 5-17 Aug.

3. **Bro Benedict** will be returning to Taiwan on 6 Aug (Tue) after completing his NS here.

We wish him all the best, and please continue to keep him in our prayers.

4. **Bro Kenneth Quek & family** in Japan till 9 Aug.

Guests last week

1. Sis Patricia Quek & bro Desmond

2. Sis Roselyn Cardona

3. Sis Nimpha Pallasique

4. Kenny Kee (*sis Debbie's husband*)

5. Iris (*sis Lois' friend*)

6. Mervyn Chua (*sis Sydney's friend*)

7. Glaiza Tolentino (*sis Stephanie's cousin*)

8. Adhi (*Glaiza's friend*)

9. Lawrence & family (*sis Stephanie's friends*)

10. Sulis (*sis Baby's helper*)

11. Meyske (*sis Debbie's helper*)

12. Lay Lay (*sis Lydia's helper*)

13. Kwang Han

UPCOMING EVENTS

MARK IN YOUR CALENDAR!

Youth Fellowship

Date & Time:

11 Aug @ 1.30pm-3pm

Venue: LAPCOC

Discussion:

Christians and the Government



Upcoming Events in September

7 – Senior Fellowship

7 – Fellowkidz

21 – Combined Youth Fellowship

21 – Tracting

29 – Evangelism Sunday



Tea and Time IN GOD'S WORD

Join us for a session on
Making & Maintaining Friendships

Date: 17th August 2019

Time: 2 pm - 3:30 pm

(together with tea)

Venue: LAPCOC Auditorium

R.S.V.P sisters Katie, Chee Ming & Guek Hoon
before 16th August 2019

22 Lectures

• Q & A Forum

• Special classes for Men & Women

12th ANNUAL FOUR SEAS LECTURESHIP



Preparing Leaders for Tomorrow

Date

NOV 27 – 30, 2019 (Wed - Sat)

Daily Chapel (3rd Floor)
8.15 am - 8.45 am

Daily Lectures (2nd Floor)
9.00 am - 3.15 pm

Venue

120, Boon Lay Drive, S 649924



Thursday Bible Class

"The Anointing of Jesus"

(John 11:55-12:11)

by bro Ernest Lau

Next Sunday Sermon

Standing Up to Fill the Gap:

Being an Example

by bro Michael Yeo

Birthdays this week

4 Aug (Sun) – Henry Leow

6 Aug (Tue) – Wai Kheng

8 Aug (Thu) –

Poh Im, Max & Martyn

10 Aug (Sat) –

Leonard & Daryl



Please send any news &
prayer requests to

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PRAYER REQUESTS

Rezoning

We are presently in the process of applying to have our premises rezoned for worship. Please pray for the success of this project!

Overseas

- **Bro Kenneth Liong and sis Iris** in San Francisco
- **Bro Jonathan & sis Joan, bro Siang Yee, sis Farah** in UK
- **Sis Shuan Kwee** in Hong Kong
- **Bro Jeshua** in Switzerland (till 27 Sep) and UK (till 30 Apr'20)

Health

- **Bro Philip Vanwinkle's, sis Suan Kiang's & sis Linda's** health
- **Bro Kian Hong's** recovery from his eye surgery
- **Bro Wee Sin's** recovery from surgery for his right shoulder tendon
- **Sis Jane's** recovery from breathlessness
- **Sis Shu Fang's father's** recovery from angiogram
- **Bro David Sum's father's** recovery from spine surgery
- The health of **Justina** (sister-in-law of sis Tuan Sang)

NSF

- Bro Titus, bro Shawn, bro Zachary

MEN-TO-SERVE SCHEDULE

Morning Worship @ 9.30am		4-Aug-19	11-Aug-19	18-Aug-19
<i>Song Leader</i>		Isaac Chua	Jimmy Lau	Jeremy Kwan
<i>Opening Prayer Leader</i>		Jerry Cheong	Benjamin Tan	Kenneth Quek
<i>Preacher</i>		Ernest Lau	Michael Yeo	Kwan Tai Choom
<i>Lord's Supper Text</i>		1 Cor 11:23-29	Mar 14:22-25	Mat 26:26-29
<i>Lord's Supper Servers</i>	<i>Scripture Reader</i>	Ling Leong Dak	David Sum	Gavin Cheah
	<i>Prayer: Bread</i>	Henry Leow	Gordon Loo	Chua Kian Hong
	<i>Prayer: Fruit of Vine</i>	Dave Tapiru	Wong Sek Hoong	Roberto Pascual
	<i>Prayer: Offering</i>	Benedict Yo	Ong Jun Wei	Farand Lim
	<i>Assistant</i>	Ng Wei Xiang	Nicodemus Oey	Titus Goh
<i>Announcer</i>		Benjamin Tan	Ernest Lau	Benjamin Kwan
<i>Greeters</i>		Sharyl Lau	Constance Lau	Naomi Leow
		Wang Ting Pei	Ellen Hernandez	Christine Phang
Evening Worship @ 7pm				
<i>Song Leader & O.P.</i>		Benedict Yo	Jeremy Kwan	Ernest Lau
<i>Speaker</i>		Ernest Lau	Ong Jun Wei	Benjamin Tan
<i>Lord's Supper, Giving & C.P.</i>		Lim Poh Teng	Ernest Lau	Martyn Gostelow
<i>Thursday Service @ 7.45pm</i>			8-Aug-19	15-Aug-19
<i>Song Leader</i>			Benjamin Kwan	James Mira
<i>Opening Prayer Leader</i>			Benjamin Tan	Henry Leow
<i>Teacher</i>			Ernest Lau	Ernest Lau
<i>Closing Prayer Leader</i>			Ong Jun Wei	Melvin Tan