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# LAP BULLETIN

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**EVANGELISM SUNDAY**Invite your family & friends!

I AM the Light of the World
by bro Ernest Lau

**TUNE IN** 

FACEBOOK PUBLIC PAGE
(LIM AH PIN CHURCH OF CHRIST)

TOMORROW @ 9.30AM

HYMNS FOR SUNDAY WORSHIP

Growing Closer

# OUR NEW CONVERT -BRO CHARLES MENDEZ

by bro Farand Lim

PRAYER REQUESTS, BIRTHDAYS & MEN-TO-SERVE SCHEDULE

**NEWS & EVENTS** 

# WE ARE HERE FOR YOU

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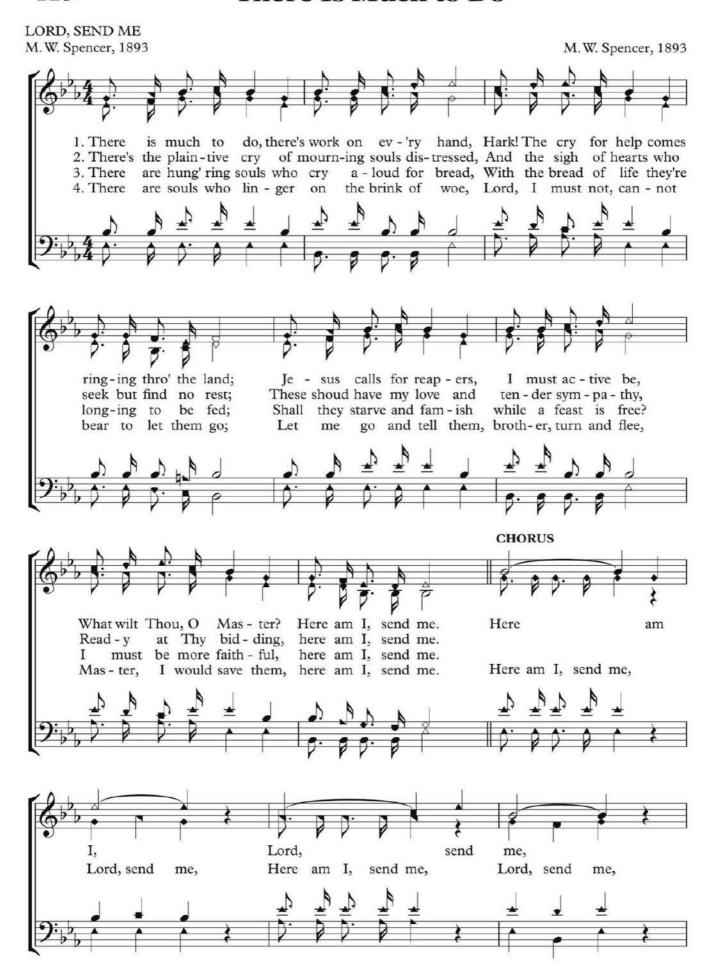
Sis Ser Ern

# **Let the Lower Lights Be Burning**



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# There Is Much to Do



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# **Come to Jesus**





Christians are to love another (In 13:34) and care for one another (1 Cor 12:25). This is especially pertinent during this period when we are unable to physically assemble together.

Growing Closer will be a series of interviews aimed at giving brief insights into members of the brethren, starting with those new to the family.

By getting to know one another better, it is hoped that we can grow closer together and to love one another.

To encourage and to be encouraged. (1 The 5:11)

This week, we have a virtual chat with **bro Charles Mendez** who was baptized in March 2020.



### **Charles:**

Hello my family in Christ. My name is Charles. I was baptised as an infant and raised by God fearing parents as a practicing catholic family. I am married for over forty years to Jennifer, truly my better half. We have four wonderful grown up children (eldest boy and three lovely girls) and two fantastic grandson toddlers (a 2yr and 1yr old). I was drafted in by my dad the day after completing my national service the family to run business involving a spectrum of trades and have since retired.

#### Farand:

How have you been coping during this pandemic period? What occupies your time now that you are retired?

#### Charles

Coping well. Time spent chiefly with family (immediate and extended). I recently restarted commodity futures trading and nowadays read up latest news to keep tab on the current market pulse.

#### Farand:

I understand you approached Ernest via the LAP website. Could you describe how that came about?

#### Charles

Some years ago, I started to read the bible via the internet and this opened a whole new dimension for me. Granted there are many distracting and even thought provoking sites but my strong fundamental Christian beliefs held me in good stead.

I recall reading an article about the early christians as well as the first church and this excited me to investigate further which led me to discover the Church of Christ (COC). A video on why there are so many denominations of christians and several other compelling write ups (proper baptism by immersion etc) which prompted me to seek out about COCs in Singapore.

I wrote to several COCs locally and was delighted that bro Ernest responded immediately. I then seized the opportunity to meet him, to prepare and become a member of LAP COC. I am very grateful to him for his unrelenting efforts resulting in this privilege I now relish.

#### Farand:

I find it fascinating that you embarked on this journey after being a long time Catholic. How long did that process take? Was it a difficult decision to alter your fundamental beliefs? What queries did you have for Ernest?

#### Charles:

Exploratory research started perhaps two/three years ago mainly reading doctrines and theologies on scripture

However. after passages. reviewing COC (2-3 weeks) I initiated contact with COC locally.

Actually it was quite an easy decision (for a long time I disagreed with many catholic practices) since my research led me to acknowledge that the first christians/church is the one true church and all others are denominations thereof.

Actually, I raised not a single query with him about COC as I was fully resolved to be converted and properly baptised.

#### Farand:

How did your family feel about

#### Charles:

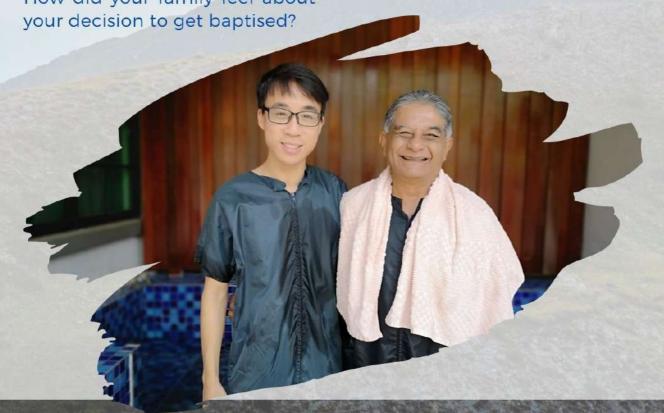
With reservation and understandably SO. since scriptures can only be better understood with corresponding research which sadly is shun by most resulting in their inability to see and accept the truth.

#### Farand:

Thank you Brother Charles for your thoughtful answers and look forward to meeting you in person

#### Charles:

Once again a big thank you to bro Ernest and I very much look forward to acquainting with my new extended family in Christ. God bless.





#### HEALTH

- Sis Baby's, sis Yeoh's, sis Rosalind's, sis Swee Inn's & bro Winston's health
- Sis Suan Kiang's, bro Eddy (JCOC)'s health
- Sis Deborah's recovery from her slipped disc surgery
- Sis Adeline's mother's recovery from her cataract surgery
- Sis Jasmine Lim's mother's recovery from fractured ankle
- Claire (sis Rhui Yin's daughter)'s recovery from her fractured leg

#### **OVERSEAS**

- Bro Kenneth Liong & sis Iris in San Francisco
- Sis Farah in UK

### PREGNANCY

 Sis Sarah (Mar'21)



#### **NSF**

- Bro Zachary
- Bro Wei Xiang





#### THIS WEEK

30 Aug (Sun) - Sharyl
31 Aug (Mon) - Suzanne
2 Sep (Wed) - Isaac
5 Sep (Sat) -

Tian Geng & Alvin Chan

#### **NEXT WEEK**

6 Sep (Sun) -

Sek Hoong & Gavin

7 Sep (Mon) - Lawrence

8 Sep (Tue) - Doris

9 Sep (Wed) - Titus

11 Sep (Fri) - Annie Chee

14 Sep (Mon) - Capi
15 Sep (Tue) - Stephanie & Mark
16 Sep (Wed) - Chin Chin
17 Sep (Thu) - Sok Ting
18 Sep (Fri) - Jeremy
19 Sep (Sat) - Winston

27 Sep (Sun) - Carol30 Sep (Wed) - Amberlyn3 Oct (Sat) - Seow Hui

6 Oct (Tue) - Chee Beng 10 Sep (Sat) - Zachary

MEN-TO-SERVE (SUN)

30 AUG

6 SEP

SONG LEADER & OPENING PRAYER

JONATHAN YANG

**JEREMY KWAN** 

**SERMON TITLE** 

I AM THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

APT TO TEACH

PREACHER

**ERNEST LAU** 

JIMMY LAU

LORD'S SUPPER, GIVING & CLOSING PRAYER

**REUBEN LIM** 

**ERNEST LAU** 

MEN-TO-SERVE (THU)

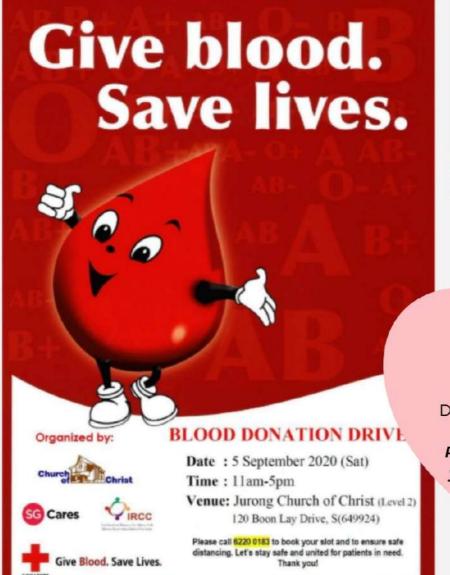
3 SEP

**10 SEP** 

BIBLE CLASS TOPIC & TEACHER

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