# LAP BULLETIN

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TUNE IN FACEBOOK GROUP (LAP LIVE STREAM)

SUNDAYS @ 9.30AM | THURSDAYS @ 7.45PM

**HYMNS FOR** SUNDAY WORSHIP

2 CORINTHIANS 9

Elder's exhortation by bro Jimmy Jan

PRAYER REQUESTS, BIRTHDAYS & MEN-TO-SERVE SCHEDULE

**NEWS & UPDATES** 

### WE ARE HERE FOR YOU

Elders	Deacons	Preacher	Administrator
Bro Jimmy Lau	Bro Jerry Cheong	Bro Ernest Lau	Sis Ser Ern
Bro Michael Yeo	Bro Benjamin Tan		St. A SHEET

## 9 All Creatures of Our God and King



### 148 When We All Get to Heaven







EVERY MAN ACCORDING
AS HE PURPOSETH
IN HIS HEART,
SO LET HIM GIVE;
NOT GRUDGINGLY,
OR OF NECESSITY:
FOR GOD LOVETH A
CHEERFUL GIVER.

**99** 2Co 9:7

It is said that you can give without love but you cannot love without giving. Like love, giving comes from the heart: Every man according as he purposeth in his heart. When the heart is not there, there is no real giving. You can force a person to give; but he gives it grudgingly. He is not happy to give because it is not in his heart to do it.

Very often a man is convinced he ought to give liberally, and every man likes to think of himself as a generous person. The main idea in this verse is, that the act of giving should be voluntary and cheerful. It should not be forced upon, but it should be given as an offering of the heart.

When the heart is not in it, a person will evade the duty as soon as he can, and will soon find excuses for not giving at all. He will grudge and complain. The word "grudgingly" rendered means grief, sadness; with pain and uneasiness of mind, grieving at parting with what is given. We read of a rich young ruler who went away sorrowfully because he was not willing to part with his possessions to follow Jesus (Matt 19:22). Such a person is sad to part with his money; it was extremely painful for him.

God wants us to give "not out of necessity." It means to give under compulsion. Wesley wrote: "Because he cannot tell how to refuse." He didn't want to give but he didn't know how to say

no. Some feel embarrassed if they do not put a coin in the bag when it is passed to him and so they put in just a dollar coin.

God wants us to give as we purpose in our own hearts and there is to be no compulsion. Tithes belong to the Old Testament period and it was commanded only to Israel to pay tithes. Denominations often use unscriptural methods of obtaining money and demand tithes from their members.

Giving is an important aspect of being a Christian, and an opportunity to give is provided on the Lord's day (1 Cor 16:2). Christians give as they have purposed in their own heart and as the Lord has prospered them. Paul says: "God loveth a cheerful giver." God loves it because it shows a heart like His own.

God loves the world and what did He do to show it? He gave His only begotten Son to die on their behalf (John 3:16).

A heart of love is a heart of cheerful giving.

With today's economy, it can be difficult for even the most faithful to give to the church cheerfully-either joyously or readily. A story is told of a little girl who was given two euro, one to buy candy and one to put in the collection plate. As skipped along the street she dropped one of the coins and it rolled into the storm drain. As she peered through the grate she said: "Whoops! There went the Lord's euro!"

God will bless a cheerful giver. Our Lord says: "Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again" (Luke 6:38).

James sought to remind us:

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Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights,



Jas 1:17

He reminds us that every blessing we have, including money, is from God.

God's gifts are meant not only to bless us, but for us to use to bless others: "As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God" (1 Peter 4:10).

grudgingly To give cheerfully is a sign of a heart issue. The former shows that value money personal comfort more than kingdom of (Remember the rich young ruler who came to Jesus). The latter shows a spirit of Christ in us. It is only when we learn to give ourselves to Christ that we can cheerfully give to support His purpose. If we find giving money to God's work difficult, probably haven't given our heart, either, And, if we find giving money for the cause of benevolence difficult, we probably have not a heart of love.

God loves and He gave. And He continues to give His grace and blessings to us. God did not give one time and then stop.



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#### **COVID-19 PANDEMIC**

For the safe-reopening of Phase 3 in Singapore, please continue to pray for the global Covid-19 outbreak situation, the health & safety of our healthcare professionals. Stay safe and healthy!



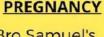


#### **HEALTH**

- 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 Jasmine Lim's mother's recovery from fractured ankle
- Bro Ah Lek's colonoscopy results on 8 Dec

#### **OVERSEAS**

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



- Bro Samuel's wife. Alexis (Dec'20)
- Sis Sarah (Mar'21)
- Sis Sheila (Mar'21)



- Bro Zachary
- **Bro Wei Xiang**
- **Bro Cornelius** (ECOC)





#### **THIS WEEK**

18 Nov (Wed) - Kim Choo 20 Nov (Fri) - Chin Siang, Peck Lian, David Sum, Farah & Rolly

#### **NEXT WEEK**

24 Nov (Tue) - Susan Ng 25 Nov (Wed) - Angel 26 Nov (Thu) - Jong Wah 27 Nov (Fri) - Chong Ping 28 Nov (Sat) - Lilian

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**MEN-TO-SERVE (SUN) 15 NOV** 

SONG LEADER **ERNEST LAU** & OPENING PRAYER

JEREMY KWAN

**SERMON TITLE** YEARNING FOR HOME **EVANGELISM** AT THE WELL

PREACHER

ONG JUN WEI

**ERNEST LAU** 

LORD'S SUPPER, GIVING & CLOSING PRAYER

**GAVIN CHEAH** 

SHAWN WONG

MEN-TO-SERVE (THU)

**19 NOV** 

**26 NOV** 

**BIBLE CLASS TOPIC** & TEACHER

**GENESIS 45 ERNEST LAU** 

**GENESIS 46 ERNEST LAU** 

#### **Health Update**

**Sis Rosalind** (bro Poh Teng's sister) has been discharged and is back at the nursing home.

#### **DONATION & COLLECTION FOR BICOL, PHILIPPINES**

The Philippines was recently hit by Typhoon Goni, which caused much devastation to the northern island of Luzon, particularly the region of Bicol.





LAPCOC has already sent over \$1,500 for the purchase of relief goods to meet the immediate needs of the brethren in Bicol.

We would also like to appeal to members to donate generously to further help the brethren as they begin to rebuild their livelihoods and the church building. You may send your donations to the church's bank account via bank transfer or PayNow. Please include the comments "Bicol Relief" and inform bro Ernest of

your donation by 28 November.

We will also be organizing a clothing collection for the brethren at Bicol. You may donate items such as used clothing, blankets, canned food and noodles and drop your donations at the church building on 28 November between 10am-4pm. Those who require alternate arrangements may contact bro Ernest.

We greatly appreciate your generosity towards our brethren during their time of great need!







## Four Seas College of Bible & Missions

The Elders of the Jurong Church of Christ together with the

President, Faculty and staff

are pleased to announce the occasion of the

48th Commencement Day

in honor of the Graduating Students

of the Class of 2020

on Saturday, 21st November, 2020, 3.00pm,

Jurong Church of Christ Auditorium

2nd floor, 120 Boon Lay Drive, Singapore 649924.

The day's proceeding will be live streamed

via our Facebook page

https://www.facebook.com/fourseascollege/

You are cordially invited to join us in the graduation ceremony.

#### GRADUATION PROGRAM

Saturday, November 21, 2020

Master of Ceremony Mr. Trent Kennedy

Prayer Mr. Jimmy Lau

Welcoming Speech Mr. Trent Kennedy

Baccalaureate Address Mr. John Chan

Speech by Student Representative Mr. Nove Aguilar

President's Address Mr. Peter Chin

CONFERMENT OF DIPLOMAS

Benediction Mr. Amos Cheong

#### The Graduates

Mr. Nove Angcoy Aguilar
Mr. Emmanuel Soriano Licodini
Mr. Rolly Cecilia Parada
Mr. Levi Dan Lopez De Castro
Mr. Alarico Alves
Miss Chessa Olmedo Boliboli

# JESUS CHRIST

## · DEAD OR ALIVE

Streaming live from www.facebook.com/lapchurchofchrist 26-28 Nov, 8:00 p.m. nightly | 29 Nov, 9:30 a.m.

A Webinar Brought To You By Eastside Church of Christ, Singapore

# Finding God In Modern Times

3rd Dec - 5th Dec (7.45 pm - 9 pm)



Register at www.eastsidecocsg.org

There are so many changes, with so much evil, pain and suffering in this world. The evil seem to prosper and the good suffer. Where is our harbour in this life of endless storms? Where is God?

Do you desire to find God? Do you know who God is? How can God save you? Join us and learn more at our Bible Seminar as we discuss the Reality, Relevance and Response to God in the modern society.

3rd Dec (Thu)

The Reality Of God In The Modern Society

Speaker: Paul Lim

4th Dec (Fri)

The Relevance Of God In The Modern Society

Speaker: Alvin Lin

5th Dec (Sat)

The Response To God In The Modern Society

Speaker: Amos Yang

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