Some Reflections From SLE Camp 2019

As most of you know, we had our biennial (once every two years) church camp. Around 250 of us were there... those who weren't able to make it were dearly missed.

Here are some of the highlights of camp for me:

We began our weekend thinking about the place of church camps in the life and vision of our church. We saw that it was an opportunity for intense learning and a heightened opportunity to grow individually as disciples and corporately in our unity as a church.

We also had a chance to hear much more about Evangelical Theological College of Asia (ETCAsia) from both Andrew Reid, the principal, as well as Wallace Chin, one of SLE's graduates and a final year student at ETCAsia. It was wonderful to explore the partnership we have formed with them and to hear much more about the college and its vision.

The camp talks on the Psalms were an eye-opener in many ways. Many were struck by the structure of the Psalms and its overarching unity and message. Many who didn't know what to do with the Psalms came away reinvigorated to read the Psalms. We came to see that the Son of God is at the centre of God's plans. We were comforted with the knowledge that God knows and welcomes and has, in Christ, experienced all of the ups and downs of life, so we can be open and honest with God. We were encouraged to see that lamenting to God and seeking His presence as the utmost thing is what is most important and all that is necessary (and to know that as gospel people, we have the objective assurance of God's presence in Christ). We walked away challenged to wait patiently for the Lord in our distress, to stand in awe of God, to yearn for His presence, to yield to His examination of us as one who has made us and knows us thoroughly, and to simply keep trusting in the gospel. On Sunday we had a session called 'SLE Celebrates: Stories of Grace' remembering and celebrating God's gracious and beautiful work in the life of our church over many decades. We heard from 8 brothers and sisters across the broad spectrum of ages and ministries and experiences. What a time of joy, laughter, tears, and most of all thankfulness to God for what He has done!

Lots more happened at camp! Why not ask someone who went to camp what else happened and what their highlight was?

The talks, 'SLE Celebrates', and the Q&A session is/will be available to listen and watch from our church website. It will be especially good for those who weren't able to come to 'catch up' on what you missed. For those who came, it will be a great chance to remember and be reminded!



Welcome, we're glad you're here!

We are a church family committed to following Jesus Christ as Lord. We do this by getting to know him through his living Word, the Bible, which is why the sermon is the key part of our Sunday services. Find out more about us at www.slechurch.org.au.

This Week: The Whole in Our Holiness 1 — Ritual Sacrifices

God gives His people various rules and requirements for offerings and sacrifices: they are to be pure, bloody, and personal. They give the offerer atonement and forgiveness, and they are pleasing to God.



Next Sunday: Leviticus 8-10

Today's Service

Welcome and	Man of Sorrows	
Singing	The Power of the Cross	
	There is a Fountain Filled with Blood	S
Holy Communion		\boxtimes
Offering		0
Community News		Check
Bible Reading		group t
Sermon	By Pastor Steven Tran	
Song of Response	Jesus, Thank You	

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Check out <u>slechurch.org.au/groups</u> to find a group that you can join.

Say hello

Join us for morning tea at 10:30am. We'd love to have a chat and get to know you better.

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Financial Update

Last Week	\$5,358.23
Weekly Required	\$5,750.00
Shortfall 2019	\$0.00

Giving by Electronic Funds Transfer

A/C Name:	SLE Church
Bank:	National Australia Bank
BSB:	084-424
A/C No:	396558544

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Prayer Points

GIVE GOD GREAT PRAISE for being our Creator, our King, who rules through His human King and divine Son, the Lord Jesus Christ. Praise God for giving us the Psalms which show His King to be the centre of all things and to show us in the Psalms the full spectrum of human experience in light of this big picture.

THANK GOD FOR THE CHURCH CAMP. Give thanks for all the learning, relationships, service and experiences. Pray for God to sustain these truths and encouragements in the coming weeks and months, and to add to them as we continue to spend time with God in prayer and word individually and with others, in fellowship groups and in church.

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SUFFERING IN OUR CHURCH-for those with physical, emotional, psychological, and relational pain and hardships, for those who feel spiritually dry and tired. Pray for them to know God's presence. Pray for brothers and sisters who will be loving, kind, patient, and wise to support and encourage them.

PRAY FOR OUR PUBLIC WITNESS. Pray for boldness to speak up about our faith. Pray for wisdom and courage to answer both genuine questions as well as attacks that come our way.

Community News

BARNABAS FUND EVENT | 24 OCT

SLE Church partners with Barnabas Fund, an international Christian aid agency, which provides hope and aid to persecuted Christians around the world. They are organising an Australia-wide Tour speech on the topic of "Hated without a reason" by Dr. Patrick Sookhdeo. The Queensland speech will be at St. John's Anglican Church in Wishart. Registration \$20 per person. For details, refer to the poster above the Mission Spot world map or obtain a flyer from the foyer of the North Hall.

BLOOM | SATURDAY 26 OCT | 2-4PM

At our last Bloom session for the year, we will gather to hear from women in our church, who will share their struggles and experiences to find their significance, security and satisfaction in Christ alone. The afternoon will include a Q&A session to deal with the questions we have as we seek to practically and personally apply all that we learnt. Registration closes 20 Oct.

VISIT OF MSI PRESIDENT

Dr David Leung, President of MSI Professional Services, will be in Brisbane as part of his tour of Australian cities. There are a number of opportunities for those interested in Christian professional services in China to hear him speak, including:

- 7pm Friday 25 Oct, 83 Ryans Rd ٠
- 3pm Saturday 26 Oct, Gold Coast
- 3pm Sunday 27 Oct, 83 Ryans Rd

Serving

	Today	Next Sunday
Chair	Ps Ben	Bryan
Prayer	Mike	Dan
		Mervin
Preach	Ps Steven	Ps Ben
Bible Read	Chi	Simeon
	Alan	Ps Steven
M.Tea	Linda / Winnie T.	Georgie
Wash Up	SOS Randy	SOS Randy
Welcome	Richard	Richard
	Georgie	Georgie
	Amy	Amy
	Sarah	Sarah
	Sean	Sean
	James	James
Stewards	Philip	Philip
	Simeon	Simeon
	Meng Yin	Meng Yin
	Josh	Josh
	GengHao	GengHao
	Edwina	Edwina
Piano	Dan Lowe	Joanna
Guitar	Jabez	Keith
Bass	Aaron	Aaron
Drums	Nigel	John
Vocal	Sharne	Hui Ming
PA	William / Matt C.	Matt T. / Matt C.
	Jowin	Stan

Ritual Sacrifices [Leviticus 1-7]

Introduction: Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus... (close)

Why Leviticus?

Why so hard?

1. The offering (Leviticus 1-3) The method

The point

2. Sin offerings (Leviticus 4-7) The reason(s)

The point

3. Something not quite right...?

4. The ultimate sacrifice

5. Living sacrifices