

WELCOME TO

# EPPING

SDA CHURCH

## THIS SABBATH

ELDER	Rod
SPEAKER	Alan McCutcheon
OFFERING	ADRA Community Projects

## CHURCH SERVICE LINKS

LIVE STREAM CHURCH SERVICE	> <a href="https://www.eppingsda.org.au/">https://www.eppingsda.org.au/</a>
	> <a href="https://www.facebook.com/eppingsda">https://www.facebook.com/eppingsda</a>

## COMING UP EVENTS

Oct 18th & 19th	Growing Great Kids @ Epping with Daron Pratt
Dec 1st & 8th	Gingerbread House Decorating events

# LAST SABBATH

*Epping Church Service - 28th September, 2024*



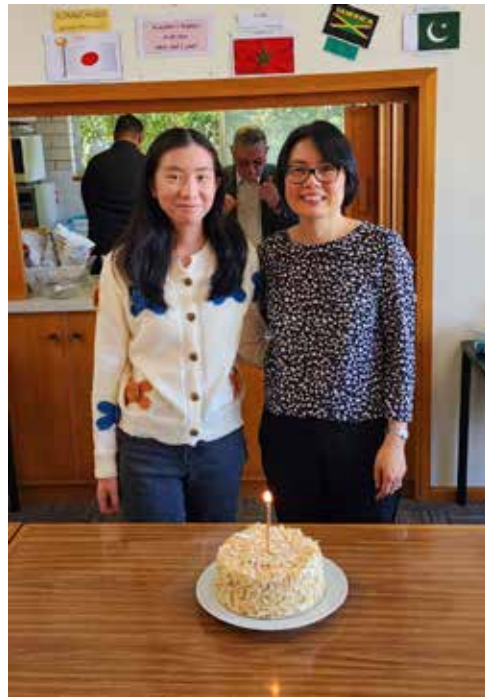
# LAST SABBATH

*Epping Church Service - 21st September, 2024*



# LAST SABBATH

## Epping Church Service - 14th September, 2024



## *Helen Swee-Ing Wong Memorial Service*

Below are the details of Helen's memorial service, the family would be honoured if you are able to join us after the service at The Fiddler reception centre to share stories of her life.

Please feel free to pass on the details to friends of Helen who may not be on this mailing list.

Wednesday 9th October at 10am

The Chapel at Castlebrook Memorial Park, Rouse Hill. A wake will be held at noon at the Greenway Function Room at The Fiddler, Cnr Commercial Rd & Windsor Rd, Rouse Hill.

## *Prayer Requests*

Please pray for the Wong family as they grieve the passing of Aunty Helen.

Please pray for madeline who is doing the HSC this year.

Please pray for those who are ill or facing challenges in their lives.

Please pray for ADRA Blacktown in providing food to the needy.

**SAVE THE DATE!**



## **GINGERBREAD HOUSE DECORATING EVENT 2024**

**Epping SDA Church,  
2 George Street, EPPING**

**Sunday, December 1 @ 3:00pm *or*  
Sunday, December 8 @ 3.00pm**

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## TOLERANCE

In Bible times, mankind was intelligent, but not sophisticated... by today's standards. Consequently the devil had them worshiping idols of wood and stone. Today, we consider ourselves much more sophisticated and 'enlightened.' Accordingly, the devil has us bowing to more sophisticated idols. Instead of wood and stone, we now bow to comfort and tolerance.

Now don't get me wrong. In many cases tolerance is a good thing. Minor differences between people's opinions, tastes, and culture, are just that – minor – and we should show tolerance. But today society has elevated tolerance above truth, and above the Word of God. All they are doing is worshiping the 'thoughts of man' but wrapping it in something they think Christians can't touch.

Jesus, however, never bought into such a deception. "Jesus never purchased peace by compromise. His heart overflowed with love for the whole human race, but He was never indulgent to their sins" HL 237. As always, we should take a leaf out of His book.

Let us never confuse our priorities. Truth and God's Word cannot be dethroned by tolerance and sophistry. We must ever strive to do as Jesus did – to love the sinner but hate the sin.

"As I live!" declares the Lord GOD, "I take no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but rather that the wicked turn from his way and live. Turn back, turn back from your evil ways! Why then will you die, O house of Israel?" Ezekiel 33:11.