

**Servers Today, June 5, 2016**

**Understanding The Law, Sin and Man (Romans 7:1-21)**

Speaker: *Arnan Bayla*  
 Song Leader: *Chris Oliva*  
 Invocation: *Greg Kitma*  
 Intercessory Prayer: *Jun Reyes*  
 Communion Text: *Romans 6:1-7*  
 Scripture Reading: *Jasper Perdigon*  
 Prayer for the Bread: *Kajem Kitma*  
 Prayer for the Cup: *Ric Bondoc III*  
 Prayer for the Giving: *Dexter Wagang*  
 Closing Prayer: *Jojo Ramos*  
 Announcement: *Chris Oliva*  
 Evening Speaker: *Arnan Bayla*  
 Song Leader: *Chris Oliva*  
 To Bring Flowers: *Clarita Cachero*  
 To Bring Biscuits: *Rico Ramos*  
 To Bring Drinks: *Martin's Family*  
 Usher/ettes: *Bestre Family*

Communion: *Cot & CD Espinosa*  
 Worship Coordinator: *Rod Tada | Lem Glori*

**How To Become a Biblical Christian**

- 1). *Admit that you are a sinner and in need of salvation, 1 John 3:4,8; Rom.3:10,23; Rom. 6:23.*
- 2). *Hear the pure New Testament gospel of Christ; Romans 1:16; Rom. 10:17.*
- 3). *Believe the gospel, Hebrews 11:6; Mark 16:16; John 8:24*
- 4). *Repent of your sins, Acts 2:38; Luke 13:3; Acts 17:30.*
- 5). *Confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, Mat. 10:32; Acts 8:37; Rom. 10:10.*
- 6). *Be baptized into Christ, Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38; Acts 22:16.*
- 7). *Remain faithful unto death, Rev. 2:10;*

**Servers for June 12, 2016**

**Walking by the Spirit of God (Romans 8:1-27)**

Speaker: *Ernie Wagang*  
 Song Leader: *Andy Bestre*  
 Invocation: *Abe Insas*  
 Intercessory Prayer: *Julius Rojo*  
 Communion Text: *Romans 8:1-4*  
 Scripture Reading: *CD Espinosa*  
 Prayer for the Bread: *Sam Quesada*  
 Prayer for the Cup: *Kajem Kitma*  
 Prayer for the Giving: *Sol Palaypayon*  
 Closing Prayer: *Mar Bayating*  
 Announcement: *Andy Bestre*  
 Evening Speaker: *Ernie Wagang*  
 Song Leader: *Andy Bestre*  
 To Bring Flowers: *Josie Baban*  
 To Bring Biscuits: *Volunteers Needed*  
 To Bring Drinks: *Volunteers Needed*  
 Usher/ettes: *Bayla Family*

Communion: *Cot & CD Espinosa*  
 Worship Coordinator: *Rod Tada | Lem Glori*



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**Various agenda approved in MOM meeting**

Various agenda were discussed and approved in a recent ministry meeting of the Mission Outreach Ministry (MOM) at the Family Life Center (FLC) located at the mezzanine floor of the Infinita Café last May 25, 2016.

Thirteen (13) brethren, namely, Lemuel Glori, Jojo & Janet Ramos, Charlie Abance, Rolito Tugay-an, Gaspar Baldo Jr., Andy Bestre, Lou Villanueva, Lorenza Losnong, Josie Baban, Ruth Camora, Ruth Trinidad, with the special participation of brother Mark Hooper, deliberated on matters pertaining to the ministry's various mission involvement. Specifically, the body approved that the Bokod workers, namely, brothers Martin Biadno, David Libag, Faustino Wais, Anderson Pucay, and Alfonso Malapit, will each be given a Representation & Transportation Allowance of Five Hundred Pesos (PhP500) for every congregational visit made on Sundays. On the other hand, brother Sixto Aoas, long-time volunteer worker for the Nangalisan congregation will be given Two Thousand Pesos (PhP2,000) RATA monthly beginning May, 2016.

Moreover, the body also approved that a financial help of Twenty Thousand Pesos (P20,000) from MOM funds will be given to brother Bernie Austria for his dialysis.

Other matters discussed included the staging of a 2-day joint Vacation Bible School (VBS) for the three Bokod congregations—to be held at Poblacion, Bokod on June 18 & 19; and the addition of an evangelistic Bible study session for every visit with the Esperanza congregation in Sison, Pangasinan.Ω

**5th Aspulan to be held next month in LTB**

Brothers Andy Bestre and Gaspar Baldo Jr., having represented the Midtown congregation in a recent meeting with organizers of the 5th Aspulan, reported that the same will be held at the Benguet Sports Center located at Wangal, La Trinidad, Benguet on July 2, 2016 @ 8AM—5PM. Lessons from the theme, "Making the Right Choice," based on 1Peter 1:10, will be discussed by brothers Jojo Ramos and Roger Nonog.

A minimal registration fee will be collected from each participant as follows: Adults (P50); Children 6 years old and above (P30).Ω

"One big reason many know not the truth, is not owing to their ignorance of it, but often to their prejudice against it."

**READ Romans 1:18-32**

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**Ypeez triumph over darkness in SBE**

The usual yearly Summer Bible Encounter (SBE), was held at the Riverview Water Park, Nangalisan, Tuba, Benguet last Friday and Saturday, June 3&4, 2016. As a sequel to the VBS 2016: STARWARS | "Light Vs Darkness," the SBE fellowship, events, and lessons were designed for young people in learning to SHINE LIKE STARS IN THE UNIVERSE." Four speakers discussed four topics, namely, Jonathan Ramos Jr. (Alliance); Arnan Bayla (Victorious); Chris Oliva (Peacemakers); and Philip Jester Jane (Beacons).

Those who actively participated include Ezra Valdez (Director), Donnel Gonzales, CD Espinosa Alec Likigan, Abe Linggon, Janriel Abance, Luke Cabuenas, A-mark & Charis Bayla, Klarissa & Kinsha Glori, Kana, Jasper & Kemuel Perdigon, Ira & Amber Po, Abi, Shauli & Kajem Kitma, Angela Ramos, Jeady Igoy, Kiara Nawew, Chloe Zamora, Fransely Amplayo, Melchi Aquino, Paulo, Aaron & Kyle Cordero, Rodrigo Bondoc, Demi Tacay, and JT Badesca. The camp was overseen by brethren Chris & Keshia Oliva, Dexter Wagang, Denise Abance, O'neil & Me-an Gonzales, and Arnan & Nelly Bayla.

The ypeez, expressed their heartfelt appreciation to all the active participants, organizers, and also to the Riverview management and staff for the favors, support, and usual cooperation.Ω

**Midtown family welcomes Sameons back home**

Midtown welcomes back spouses Dodoy & Sarah Sameon from their yearly summer mission trip and evangelistic campaign in the southern islands. This congregation also welcomes the couple's daughters, Sharon McMillin and Shinar Ciencia, now residents in the USA, who are also in the country for a visit and to join their parents in celebrating their 50th or golden wedding anniversary. Incidentally, the Friday Care Group, hosted by the Rojos & Palaypayons last June 3 had a *bienvenida* for sisters Sharon and Shinar.Ω

**Last Sunday's Offering May 29, 2016**

**AM COLLECTION**  
**P24,700.75**

**PM COLLECTION**  
**P4,002.25**

**AM/PM TOTAL COLLECTION**  
**P28,703.00**

**ATTENDANCE**

<b>AM</b> Adults -80 YP - 42 Children - 44 Guests - 0	<b>PM</b> Adults - 22 YP - 11 Children - 2 Guests - 1
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**TOTAL - 166**

**TOTAL - 36**

**TOTAL ATTENDANCE (AM/PM) 202**

**PRAYER LIST**

**Good Health & Fast Recovery:**

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|----------------------|-----------------------|
| *Rosita Go           | *Clabern Abance       |
| *Mely Genato         | *Jhun Bayating        |
| *Amy Go              | *Aracelli Pelle       |
| *Feliza Go           | *Lily Soriano         |
| *Charity Ong         | *Jun Soriano          |
| *Ian Pajantoy        | *Andy Bestre          |
| *Gloria Yang         | *Ching Chih Yang      |
| *Marina Gawe         | *Ed Concepcion        |
| *Mark Poblete        | *Charlie Alvarez      |
| *Sotero Denis        | *Mellina Licupa       |
| *Bernie Austria      | *Celia Cirilo         |
| *Norma Aping         | *Angelita Enerva      |
| *Josefa Josayan      | *Mateo dela Cruz      |
| *Arian Kaith Igoy    | *Flordeliza Abance    |
| *Damian Mercado      | *Luisa Aurigue & Baby |
| *Robinson Palaypayon |                       |

**SAFE PREGNANCY**

- \*Veronica Zamora  
 \*Amy Marcelo

**James 5:15**

*"And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise him up; ....."* NIV

**SAFE TRAVEL**

*Sameons & Co.*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS!**

- **YOUNG PEOPLE'S MINISTRY MEETING**— right after the AM worship assembly today.
- **TUESDAY CHURCH FORUM**—June 7, 2016 @ 12:00—2:30 PM
- **MEDICAL—DENTAL MISSION**—Coming soon on July 16, 2016
- **THIRTY DAYS OF PRAYER FOR THE MUSLIM WORLD**—June 6—July 5, 2016
- **SUNDAY SCHOOL STEPPING-UP**— Next Sunday, June 12, 2016.
- **5th ASPULAN**—Benguet Sports Center, La Trinidad, Benguet, July 2, 2016 @ 8:00 AM—5 PM
- **LADIES' TRIP TO BALER, AURORA**—June 15 & 16, 2016

## BIBLICAL TEACHINGS ON SEXUALITY

A SYMPOSIUM  
Arnan A. Bayla | Midtown Church of Christ | May 29, 2016

**I. GOD'S FUNDAMENTAL DESIGN ON HUMAN SEXUALITY**  
Genesis 2:18-25

- God designed marriage as the foundational element of human society.
- God designed marriage for companionship between a man and a woman.
- God designed and authorized the sexual relationship between husband and wife. [One flesh]

**II. GOD'S FUNDAMENTAL REGULATIONS ON SEXUAL RELATIONS**  
Leviticus 18 & 20

- God gave various regulations on sexual relations through Moses. All prohibitions are carried over in the New Testament.
- God's laws serve as specific guidelines for proper sexual relations.
- God's message: Sex is sacred and improper sexual relations bring about serious consequences.

**III. GOD'S FUNDAMENTAL WARNINGS ON SEXUAL IMMORALITY**  
Romans 1:18-32

- God's warnings are for all people.
- God points out that sexual immorality results from the suppression of God's truth.
- God warns that He will abandon unrepentant sinful men to their lustful ways.

**SUMMARY OF PROHIBITED SEXUAL RELATIONS**  
(Sexual immorality or perversions)  
Leviticus 18 & 20

- Incestuous unions
- Adultery
- Homosexuality
- Bestiality
- Sodomy / perversions
- Any sexual relations outside the bonds of marriage ( pre-marital sex/fornication, rape)

## How can Christians today remain sexually moral?

### APPLICATION:

- Marriage as a God-given institution cannot be modified according to human whims.
  - Only God has the right to set the standard in marriage.
  - No one has the right or competence to determine the rules for marriage other than God.
  - Marriage as an institution is subject to the rules and regulations set down by God in the Scriptures.
  - The attack on marriage is actually an attack on society itself and on God who built society on marriage.
  - Marriage is a union that implies sexual relation as a central obligation. (1 Corinthians 7:3-5)

### APPLICATION:

- God's people must submit to God's regulations.
  - Believers are to be different from the world in their conduct in matters of sexual relations.
  - Believers are not to copy the world's style for sexual relations.
  - God's design or regulations for sexual relations must be the believers' standard.
  - For believers, sexual relations is not a matter of preference, choice, or alternative lifestyle.
  - God's regulations are meant to protect or safeguard believers from harm.

### APPLICATION:

- God's people must avoid sexual immorality and not to approve of those who practice such.
  - Believers are to acknowledge that sexual immorality is of the worldly system of wickedness and sin.
  - Believers are to acknowledge that sexually immoral people can change if and when they come to know about the gospel of salvation in Christ Jesus.
  - Believers are to be compassionate to all. (Col 3:12)
  - Believers are to be serious of keeping themselves from falling into sexual immorality.
  - To avoid such, believers must continue to love God and His Word.

## We can remain sexually moral by...

- Upholding marriage as a God-given institution that cannot be modified according to human whims.
- Submitting to God's standards and regulations in matters of sexual relations.
- Being keen in avoiding sexual immorality and not to approve of those who practice such.

## Up..... coming

## EVENTS

RETREATS FELLOWSHIPS CAMPS WORKSHOPS | LECTURESIPS

### 30 Days of Prayer for the Muslim World June 6—July 5, 2016

To receive a prayer guide and to learn more, please feel free to log on to:  
www.facebook.com/aprayermovementforthemuslimworld.  
http://www.twitter.com/MWPrayerMvement.  
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### ASIA PACIFIC ELDERS, DEACONS AND SPOUSES' CONFERENCE (APEDS)

Hatten Hotel, Malacca, Malaysia  
26—28 July 2016 | USD160

### ASIAN MISSION FORUM (AMF 2016)

Hatten Hotel, Malacca, Malaysia  
28—31 July 2016 | USD320

## NESC UPDATE

Greetings brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus!  
God be praised!. We were able to visit 35 places so far and have baptized 71 to date, involving dozens of combined messages, lectures, Bible studies, open fora, sweat and tears. All for God's glory!

Dodoy & Sarah Sameon  
Via SMS | April 17, 2016 @ 9:25 PM

## Midtown Church of Christ SCHEDULE OF MONTHLY / WEEKLY DEVOTIONAL | CARE GROUPS

VENUE	TIME	FACILITATORS
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>		
Midtown Assembly Hall	7—9 PM	Arnan Bayla, et. al.
Irisan Mobile (Baban, Austria, Yang residences)	7 – 9 PM	Andy Bestre/ Sixto Aoas
Congregational Midweek Devotional	6 – 7 PM Every 4 <sup>th</sup> Wed	Care Group assigned
<b>THURSDAY</b>		
Midtown Assembly Hall	7 – 9 PM (On Hold)	Andy Bestre
Young People Family Life Center	5:30 – 7:30 PM	O'neil Gonzales, et. al.
<b>FRIDAY</b>		
Midtown Assembly Hall	7 – 9 PM	Lemuel Glori / Arnan Bayla
Upper Kitma Village	7 – 9 PM	Greg Kitma / Chris Oliva
<b>SATURDAY</b>		
Sports & Jogging Panagbenga Park	8 – 10 AM	YPeez Sports Enthusiasts
Mobile Saturday Care Group	3 – 5 PM	D. Sameon, E. Wagang, R. Tada
Couples Care Group	5 – 7 PM 4th Saturday	Jun Bondoc / Lemuel Glori
High School Care Group @ Midtown	3 – 5 PM	Young Adults and College students
<b>SUNDAY</b>		
All YPeez Care Group	12 – 3 PM Fourth Sunday	YPs in charge
All Ladies Fellowship	12 – 3 PM Third Sunday	Ladies in charge: 2nd Q Steering Group
Young Adults FLC	3 – 5 PM	YAs in charge

### SUNDAY AM WORSHIP ASSEMBLY



Communion - 9:00 - 9:30  
Bible Classes - 9:30 - 10:30  
Message - 10:45 - 11:15

### MIDWEEK DEVOTIONALS

See schedule



### SUNDAY PM WORSHIP

Worship Assembly  
5:30 - 6:30 PM



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