

**Servers Today, May 29, 2016**

**SYMPOSIUM ON BIBLICAL TEACHINGS ON SEXUALITY**

Speaker: *Arnan Bayla*  
 Song Leader: *Andy Bestre*  
 Invocation: *Julius Rojo*  
 Intercessory Prayer: *Mervin Oliva*  
 Communion Text: *1 Corinthians 15:1-8*  
 Scripture Reading: *Ezra Valdez*  
 Prayer for the Bread: *Richard Bestre*  
 Prayer for the Cup: *Chris Oliva*  
 Prayer for the Giving: *Art Tacay*  
 Closing Prayer: *Jojo Ramos*  
 Announcement: *Andy Bestre*  
 Evening Speaker: *Arnan Bayla*  
 Song Leader: *Andy Bestre*  
 To Bring Flowers: *Volunteers Needed*  
 To Bring Biscuits: *Volunteers Needed*  
 To Bring Drinks: *Volunteers Needed*  
 Usher/ettes: *Wagang Family*

Communion: *Loida Baddas*  
 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 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: *Volunteers Needed*  
 Usher/ettes: *Bestre Family*

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



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**138 triumph over darkness in VBS Starwars**

One Hundred Thirty Eight (138) children from preschool up to incoming Grade 7 successfully completed their engagement in the battle over darkness in the recently concluded Vacation Bible School which culminated in a recognition program at the Midtown church Assembly Hall last Friday, May 27, 2016 @ 8:30—11:30 in the morning.

The VBS theme, **STARWARS: LIGHT VS DARKNESS**, based on Philippians 2:15 fruitfully realized its aim to encourage participants to SHINE LIKE STARS IN THE UNIVERSE by having learned four core values, namely, 1. ALLIANCE: Becoming faithful partners with the Lord, 2. VICTORIOUS: Being overcomers of temptations, 3. PEACEMAKERS: Promoting goodwill and order, and 4. BEACONS: Being the light of Christ in the world.

The congregation praises the Lord Almighty and congratulates the Young People for having effectively spearheaded this year's VBS. The YPeez, together with brothers Donnel M. Gonzales and Ezra A. Valdez, VBS2016 directors, expressed appreciation, satisfaction and delight for the usual all-out and cheerful support from the brethren. See related article on page 2.

**Recent MRN mission trip supports vision 20/20**

Brothers Mark Hooper of the Missions Resource Network (MRN) and Jojo Ramos were pleased to report that their recent mission trip to Isabela and Cagayan yielded much excitement, desire and foresight for the Lord's work in the region.

It was learned that the Manaring congregation in Isabela is envisioning of bringing in five hundred disciples of Christ by the year 2020. With this clear vision, they believe that the present disciples in Isabela will continue to be desirous of planting the pure gospel seed that will grow and produce a harvest in due season.

In Cagayan, eighteen participants representing four congregations benefited from a missions workshop facilitated by brothers Hooper and Ramos. It was also known that spouses Dan-gil & Lala Geron, former members of Midtown, now serve with a new congregation in Tuguegarao.Ω

**"Men die for lack of instruction, or lack of obedience to the instruction they have."**

**READ Proverbs 5:1-23**

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**Prayers requested for the Muslim world**

Brother Mark Hooper, representing the Missions Resource Network (MRN, Texas USA) and who was in the country recently for the Isabela & Cagayan mission trip requested that Midtown join them in a movement of prayer for the Muslim world. He expressed, *"We believe that God is calling us to join a movement of prayer for the Muslim world. In the first 14 years of the 21st century, there have been 69 movements of Muslim peoples coming to Christ. God is doing something!"*

Midtown is requested to pray with MRN for the thirty (30) days of Ramadan which falls on June 6—July 5, 2016. The goal is to reach at least 100,000 people crying out to God on July 5th.

To receive a prayer guide and to learn more, please feel free to log on to [www.facebook.com/aprayermovementforthemuslimworld](http://www.facebook.com/aprayermovementforthemuslimworld). You may also check out on <http://www.twitter.com/MWPrayerMvement>. You may directly correspond with brother Chris Shelby of MRN at this e-mail address: [chris.shelby@mrnet.org](mailto:chris.shelby@mrnet.org).

As of this writing, brother Mark Hooper is in South Korea for a 5-day mission trip. He will be in India thereafter for another 5-day mission trip there. Kindly include him and company in fervent prayers.Ω

**Livelihood seminar in Nangalisan postponed**

The supposed livelihood seminar to be conducted with the Nangalisan ladies last Sunday was indefinitely postponed as the supposed facilitator, sister Marina Gawe, was unable to travel to Nangalisan due to some ailment. In lieu of the seminar, sister Ruth Trinidad, accompanied by sisters Loida Baddas, Josie Baban, and Lorenza Losnong, facilitated a group discussion on *"The New Life in Christ"* based on Galatians 5:22. There were 13 ladies including Midtown delegates in the small group discussion.Ω

**Last Sunday's Offering May 22, 2016**

**AM COLLECTION**  
**P21,976.60**

**PM COLLECTION**  
**P1,393.00**

**AM/PM TOTAL COLLECTION**  
**P23,369.60**

**ATTENDANCE**

<b>AM</b>	<b>PM</b>
<b>Adults -80</b>	<b>Adults - 18</b>
<b>YP - 48</b>	<b>YP - 9</b>
<b>Children - 40</b>	<b>Children - 2</b>
<b>Guests - 3</b>	<b>Guests - 0</b>

**TOTAL - 171**      **TOTAL - 29**

**TOTAL ATTENDANCE (AM/PM) 200**

**PRAYER LIST**

**Good Health & Fast Recovery:**

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

**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!**

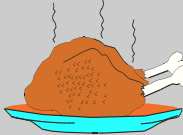
- **YOUNG PEOPLE'S MINISTRY MEETING**— right after the AM worship assembly today.
- **SUMMER BIBLE ENCOUNTER**— Riverview WaterPark, Asin, Nangalisan, Tuba | June 3 & 4, 2016
- **NO TUESDAY CHURCH FORUM** on May 31, 2016 [As agreed, no forum on 5th Tuesdays]
- **MEDICAL—DENTAL MISSION**—Coming soon on July 16, 2016
- **SYMPOSIUM ON BIBLICAL TEACHINGS ON SEXUALITY**— May 29, 2016. Sunday School suspended.
- **THIRTY DAYS OF PRAYER FOR THE MUSLIM WORLD**—June 6—July 5, 2016
- **SUNDAY SCHOOL STEPPING-UP**—June 12, 2016.

Remember your Creator in the days of your youth, before the days of trouble come and the years approach when you will say, "I find no pleasure in them..." Ecclesiastes 12:1



### Month of June Celebrators

- 01 - Jonimar Domasig
- 01 - Lois June Fermin
- 02 - Claudette Zamora
- 02 - Maril P. Bayating
- 04 - Katrina M. Viduya
- 04 - Aaron Carlos Cordero
- 05 - Mary Jane S. Abance
- 05 - Sonia Insas
- 08 - Jerico Ramos
- 10 - Jhovel Sison
- 12 - Andrena S. Balang
- 13 - Mervin G. Oliva
- 13 - Jonee C. Baddas
- 14 - Corine B. Mabesa
- 18 - Jimmy June Reyes
- 18 - Rutchie R. Rebuca
- 19 - Erwin Oliva
- 19 - Kaisha Lagsaman
- 19 - Shauli W. Kitma
- 21 - Ezra A. Valdez
- 21 - Lulu Bondoc
- 25 - Julius Rojo
- 25 - Anthony James Flores
- 27 - Luz Olidan
- 27 - Lala Geron
- 28 - Lou Villanueva



Please notify the M.I. Staff if your name should have been included in this list. Thank You.

"My son, do not forget my teaching, but keep my commandments in your heart, for they will prolong your life many years and bring you prosperity." Proverbs 3:1-2

## PHL 2:15 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

L I G H T V S D A R K N E S S

MANY THANKS to the following (and to those who may have been inadvertently missed in this list) for their invaluable hands-on contribution leading to the successful staging of the 2016 VBS. God bless you all very richly!

**VBS TEACHERS—FACILITATORS:** **MUSIC & GAMES:** Rod Bondoc, Amber Phoelen Po, Alton Mark Bayla; **BIBLE APPLICATION:** Kana Perdigon, Lani Laquipo, Kaesha Palaypayon, Arnan Bayla; **BIBLE STORY:** Kajem Kitma, Jasper Perdigon, Kemuel Perdigon; **CHEERING:** Dith Zamora, Klarissa Glori, Julieann Terry Badecao; **ARTS & CRAFTS:** Charis Bayla, Kinsha Glori, Kaisha Lagsaman; **SNACKS & LUNCH:** Kyla Tacay, Cristy Tacay, Tess Kitma, Pearl Bestre; Mags Sameon.

**VBS COUNSELORS:** **PRESCHOOL**—Kaelin Palaypayon, Chloe Zamora, **GRADES 1&2**—Jeadi Jewel Igoy; Abe Linggon, Janriel Abance; **GRADES 3&4**—Aaron Cordero, Melchi Aquino; **GRADES 5 & 6**—Ricardo Bondoc Jr. Jonathan Jr. Ramos, Fransely Mae Ampalayo; **GRADE 7 & Up**—Paulo Cordero, Lady Angela Ramos.

**ADMIN STAFF:** Donnel Gonzales, Ezra Valdez, O'neil Gonzales, Chris Oliva, Kesha Oliva, Nelly Bayla. **DOCUMENTATION:** Luke Cabuenas, A-mark Bayla. **REINFORCEMENTS:** Me-an Gonzales, Aldian Po, Ira Po, Jizza Aquino, JJ Ramos, Kaisha Palaypayon, Louise Bawas, Rachel Bestre, Angelica Wagang, Dexter Wagang, Sheema Valdez, Abigail Kitma, Denise Abance, Alec Likigan, Mahaysha Kitma, Rowena Quezada. **RATION PROVIDERS:** Bayating Family, Caloy Gonzales Family, Bayla Family, Tada Family, Cordero Family, Espinosa Family, Wagang Family, Glori & Trinidad Family, Ramos Family, Oliva Family, Olidan Family, Nawew Family, Rimando Family, Palaypayon Family, Martin Family, Dale & Karen Byrum, Mervs & Kat Oliva, Gaspar & Virgie Baldo, Andy Mabesa, Rachel Bestre, Lorigrace Austria, Jamie Yaneza, Aldian Po, Greg Kitma, Joyce Kitma, Lou Villanueva, Rosita Go, and some anonymous donors.Ω

### SUMMARY OF VBS 2016 ENROLMENT May 23—27

LEVELS	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
Preschoolers	14	17	31
Grades 1 and 2	16	17	34
Grades 3 and 4	12	19	31
Grades 5 and 6	11	15	26
Grades 7 and up	8	4	12
Total	54	76	138

## Up..... coming

## EVENTS

RETREATS FELLOWSHIPS CAMPS WORKSHOPS | LECTURESHIPS

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

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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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