

Servers Today, June 11, 2017

**Making Room for God Everyday
(James 4:13-17)**

Speaker: *Arnan Bayla*
 Song Leader: *Jun Reyes*
 Invocation: *Abe Insas*
 Intercessory Prayer: *Dexter Wagang*
 Communion Text: *Acts 4:10-12*
 Scripture Reading: *Donnel Gonzales*
 Prayer for the Bread: *Richard Bestre*
 Prayer for the Cup: *Sam Quezada*
 Prayer for the Giving: *Jerry Martin*
 Closing Prayer: *Jojo Ramos*
 Announcement: *Jun Reyes*
 Evening Speaker: *Arnan Bayla*
 Song Leader: *June Reyes*
 To Bring Flowers: *Josie Baban*
 To Bring Biscuits: *Jerico Ramos*
 To Bring Drinks: *Jerico Ramos*
 Usher/ettes: *Kitma Family*

Communion: *Kesha Oliva*
 Worship Coordinator: *R.Tada | A. Tacay*

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 18, 2017

**Warning To Rich Oppressors
(James 5:1-6)**

Speaker: *Arnan Bayla*
 Song Leader: *Andy Bestre*
 Invocation: *Ernie Wagang*
 Intercessory Prayer: *Mervin Oliva*
 Communion Text: *Colossians 2:6-12*
 Scripture Reading: *Rodrigo Bondoc*
 Prayer for the Bread: *Jasper Perdigon*
 Prayer for the Cup: *Kajem Kitma*
 Prayer for the Giving: *Chris Oliva*
 Closing Prayer: *Jhun Bayating*
 Announcement: *Andy Bestre*
 Evening Speaker: *Arnan Bayla*
 Song Leader: *Andy Bestre*
 To Bring Flowers: *Volunteers Needed*
 To Bring Biscuits: *Martin's Family*
 To Bring Drinks: *Martin's Family*
 Usher/ettes: *Ramos Family*

Communion: *Kesha Oliva*
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Taloy Sur seniors appreciate devotional service

At the invitation of Mr. Sibayan Juan, president of the Taloy Sur Senior Citizens Association, some brethren from Midtown conducted a devotional service for them in time with their monthly meeting at the Barangay Hall of Taloy Sur, Tuba, Benguet last Tuesday, June 6, 2017 @ 8:00—9:00 AM.

Brother Arnan Bayla facilitated the singing of hymns and the discussion of the Holy Scriptures, specifically, "FINDING TRUE SATISFACTION IN ONE'S LABOR" based on Ecclesiastes 2:12-26. Brothers Charlie Abance and Julius Rojo led in prayers.

Mr. Juan together with his co-officers expressed appreciation for the service saying that such activity will help them in meeting the spiritual needs of their members which is one of the purposes of the association. There were around seventy-five (75) senior citizens in attendance.Ω

Young Bestre & Espinosa to participate in PP church camp

Midtown's Youth Minister, Jesse Bestre, together with brother Christian Daniel Espinosa, will be leaving the country this week for Singapore to participate in an annual church camp of the Pasir Panjang congregation on June 13—18, 2017. They will also be worshipping there next Sunday.

Brother Jesse Bestre will soon be back in the country next week. Brother Christian Daniel Espinosa stays in Singapore to resume his 2-year course in Biblical Studies at the SUNSET INTERNATIONAL BIBLE INSTITUTE (SIBI).Ω

Young Adults visit and edify some brethren

The past few weeks, representatives of the Young Adults, namely, Jesse Bestre, Ezra Valdez, and Angelica Wagang, visited some brethren for encouragement, prayers, and Bible study. They were able to visit the Geronas at their residence at Queen of Peace, this city and as a result, a weekly Home Bible Study will be conducted there every Wednesday at 5—6 PM.

Spouses Michael and Margaret Yang were also visited at their residence and were thankful of the timely visit. They hope to be able to attend worship assemblies at Midtown soon.Ω

"The turning point of our lives is when we stop seeking the God we want and start seeking the God who is."

READ Proverbs 3:5-6

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Couples care group learn to resist temptations

The COUPLES CARE GROUP had their monthly meeting at the Family Life Center a couple of weeks ago, evening of May 27, 2017. Present were regulars, Jun & Lulu Bondoc, Jojo & Janet Ramos, Noel & Cot Espinosa, Nainer & Rica Nawew, and Art & Cristy Tacay.

Brother Art Tacay facilitated discussions on "KEEPING THE MARRIAGE COMMITMENT BY EFFECTIVELY OVERCOMING TEMPTATIONS." The group learned the FIVE R'S TO HELP THEM RESIST TEMPTATIONS, as follows:

1. Each One Responsible for One's Actions;
2. Respond to God's Directions;
3. Readily Recognize Sin;
4. Run Fast and Away from Temptations;
5. Rely on Godly Friends for Brotherly Support.

Brother Art Tacay based his lesson material and discussions on Genesis 39:1-23.Ω

Midtown brethren serve in Esperanza congregation

Nine men and women from the Midtown congregation, namely, Greg Kitma, Dante Baddas, Art Tacay, Ernie Wagang, Marina Gawe, Loida Baddas, Minda Oliva, Cel Alvarez, and Jovy Mabesa travelled early morning to Esperanza, Sison, Pangasinan last Sunday, June 4, 2017 in keeping with MOM's (Mission Outreach Ministry) commitment to serve there every first Sunday of the month.

Brother Ernie Wagang served as sermon speaker and encouraged the Esperanza brethren to "WALK CIRCUMSPECTLY FOR THE DAYS ARE EVIL" (Ephesians 5:15-16). Sister Cel Alvarez took charge of the children's class while sister Minda Oliva facilitated the Ladies Devotional. Sister Marina Gawe, seeing that the children's class is in need of tables, chairs, and a water dispenser, promised to donate the same soon. Brother Art Tacay volunteered to refurbish the church sign too. The group expressed their appreciation to brother Greg Kitma for the use of his vehicle in transporting them.Ω

**Last Sunday's Offering
June 4, 2017**

**AM COLLECTION
P35,097.00**

**PM COLLECTION
P8,158.00**

**AM/PM TOTAL COLLECTION
P43,255.00**

ATTENDANCE

AM Adults - 90 YP - 41 Children - 34 Guests - 2	PM Adults -21 YP - 7 Children - 3 Guests - 0
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**TOTAL ATTENDANCE
(AM/PM) 198**

PRAYER LIST

Good Health & Fast Recovery:

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| *Rosita Go | *Jun & Lily Soriano |
| *Mely Genato | *Andy Bestre |
| *Meeling Sze | *Gil & Diana Geron |
| *Amy Go | *Rodrigo Tada |
| *Charity Ong | *Ofelia Abance |
| *Ian Pajantoy | *Lourdes Cera |
| *Gloria Yang | *Cecilia Alvarez |
| *Marina Gawe | *Carina Lacaba |
| *Mark Poblete | *Gaspar Nawew |
| *Sotero Denis | *Tess & Mahaysha Kitma |
| *Bernie Austria | *Brayant Buenaflo |
| *Norma Aping | *Maril Bayating Sr. |
| *Josefa Josayan | *Charlie Alvarez |
| *Arian Kaith Igoy | *Priscilla Bayasan |
| *Damian Mercado | *Rolito Tugay-an |
| *Robinson Palaypayon | *Mellina Licupa-Dsouza |
| *Rodolfo Baggao | *Maria Elena Lachica |

Spiritual guidance and comfort for some brethren.

SAFE PREGNANCY

- * Andrea Yang



James 5:15

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

SAFE TRAVEL



ANNOUNCEMENTS!

- **YOUNG PEOPLE'S MEETING** — MEZZANINE FLOOR, RIGHT AFTER THE WORSHIP ASSEMBLY TODAY.
- **TUESDAY CHURCH FORUM**— MIDTOWN ASSEMBLY HALL | JUNE 13, 2017 | 12:00—2:30 PM.
- **LADIES LUNCHEON FELLOWSHIP & DEVOTIONAL**— JUNE 18, 2017 | 12—2:30 PM
- **SATURDAY MOBILE CARE GROUP**— GLORI—TRINIDAD RESIDENCE | JUNE 24, 2017 | 3—5 PM
- **6TH ASPULAN** — BENGUET STATE UNIVERSITY GYM, LA TRINIDAD | JUNE 24, 2017 | 8AM—5 PM
- **CONGREGATIONAL MIDWEEK DEVOTIONAL** — MIDTOWN HALL | JUNE 28, 2017 | 6 —7 PM
- **YOUNG PEOPLE'S GENERAL ASSEMBLY** — MIDTOWN HALL | JULY 2, 2017 | 1:30—4:30 PM

MAKING ROOM FOR GOD EVERYDAY

James 4:13-17
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I. RECOGNIZE EVERYDAY THAT LIFE IS BRIEF TO IGNORE GOD'S WILL

- SELF-ASSERTION DISPLEASES GOD
 - We cannot be sure of anything tomorrow
 - Use our day for God's purposes
- SELF-CONFIDENCE DISPLEASES GOD
 - We cannot say how long we will live
 - Use our day to please God
- SELF-CENTEREDNESS DISPLEASES GOD
 - We cannot think of ourselves only
 - Use our day to serve others

James 4:13-14

II. RECOGNIZE EVERYDAY THAT LIFE IS ACCORDING TO GOD'S WILL

- MAINTAIN A GODLY PERSPECTIVE
 - Avoid the worldly point of view
 - Always include God in the picture
- MAINTAIN A HUMBLE PERSPECTIVE
 - Avoid self-importance / arrogance
 - Always consider others' welfare
- MAINTAIN A SERVANT'S PERSPECTIVE
 - Avoid being bossy
 - Always submit to the true Master

James 4:15-16

III. RECOGNIZE EVERYDAY THAT LIFE IS FOR DOING GOD'S WILL

- KNOW THE RIGHT THINGS TO DO
 - Examine the things we know
 - Seek the Lord's rules and directions
- PURSUE THE RIGHT THINGS TO DO
 - Examine the things we do
 - Seek repentance and change
- PROMOTE THE RIGHT THINGS TO DO
 - Examine the things we promote
 - Seek to share and prove God's will

James 4:17

How do we make room for God to work in our lives every day?

1. We make room for God to work in our lives every day by recognizing that life is short to ignore God's will.
2. We make room for God to work in our lives everyday by recognizing that God is in full control of our lives.
3. We make room for God to work in our lives every day by recognizing that we were created for God's purposes.

James 4:13-17 NIV

13 Now listen, you who say, "Today or tomorrow we will go to this or that city, spend a year there, carry on business and make money." 14 Why, you do not even know what will happen tomorrow. What is your life? You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes. 15 Instead, you ought to say, "If it is the Lord's will, we will live and do this or that." 16 As it is, you boast and brag. All such boasting is evil. 17 Anyone, then, who knows the good he ought to do and doesn't do it, sins.

APPLICATION:

1. We make room for God to work in our lives every day when we recognize that life is short to ignore God's will.
 - We must make the most of every God-given opportunity to please Him.
 - We cannot afford to live carelessly and unthinkingly.
 - "15 See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise, 16 redeeming the time, because the days are evil. 17 Therefore do not be unwise, but understand what the will of the Lord is." Eph 5:15-17 NKJV

APPLICATION:

2. We make room for God to work in our lives everyday when we recognize that God is in full control.
 - We must trust in the Lord's viewpoint and direction.
 - We cannot allow the pressures of this world to dictate our thinking and actions.
 - "2 Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is — his good, pleasing and perfect will." Rom 12:2 NIV

APPLICATION:

3. We make room for God to work in our lives every day when we recognize that we were created for God's purposes.
 - We must seek to align our actions with the Lord's commandments.
 - We cannot neglect our duty and our purpose in life.
 - "13 Now all has been heard; here is the conclusion of the matter: Fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the whole [duty] of man. 14 For God will bring every deed into judgment, including every hidden thing, whether it is good or evil. Eccl 12:13-14 NIV

“Dearest friends, when I was there with you, you were always so careful to follow my instructions. And now that I am away you must be even more careful to do the good things that result from being saved, obeying God with deep reverence, shrinking back from all that might displease him. 13 For God is at work within you, helping you want to obey him, and then helping you do what he wants. Philippians 2:12-13 TLB”

EVANGELISTIC LESSON SERIES Midtown Church of Christ

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- LESSON NO. 1 – The Importance of the Word of God
- LESSON NO. 2 – Introduction to the Bible
- LESSON NO. 3 – How We Got the Bible
- LESSON NO. 4 – Overview of Bible History
- LESSON NO. 5 – Christ's New Testament Replaces the Old Testament

B. SEEKER'S LESSONS (6)

- LESSON NO. 1 – The Scheme of Redemption:
 - A. God's Plan for Man
- LESSON NO. 2 – The Scheme of Redemption:
 - B. The Fall of Man
- LESSON NO. 3 – The Scheme of Redemption:
 - C. Jesus the Savior
- LESSON NO. 4 – The Scheme of Redemption:
 - D. The Steps of Salvation
- LESSON NO. 5 – The Scheme of Redemption:
 - E. The Cost of Discipleship
- LESSON NO. 6 – The Scheme of Redemption:
 - F. Where Will Your Life End?

C. NEW LIFE LESSONS (12)

- LESSON NO. 1 – Assurance of Salvation
- LESSON NO. 2 – Obedient Living
- LESSON NO. 3 – Dealing With Temptations
- LESSON NO. 4 – Developing a Devotional Life
- LESSON NO. 5 – Developing a Prayerful Life
- LESSON NO. 6 – Discerning God's Guidance
- LESSON NO. 7 – My Church Involvement & Spiritual Gifts
 - + Becoming Christians Only
 - + Biblical Church Organization
- LESSON NO. 8 – Partaking of the Lord's Supper
- LESSON NO. 9 – Living Abundantly & My Giving to God
- LESSON NO. 10 – Becoming an Effective Soul-winner
- LESSON NO. 11 – Victorious Christian Living
- LESSON NO. 12 – Everyday Righteousness & Commitment to Moral Excellence

To enrol in any of the lessons, feel free to contact :
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Midtown Church of Christ SCHEDULE OF MONTHLY / WEEKLY DEVOTIONAL | CARE GROUPS

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