

Servers Today, November 26, 2017

**Paul's Final Exhortation
(2 Timothy 4:9-22)**

Speaker: Jojo Ramos
 Song Leader: Jun Reyes
 Invocation: Art Tacay
 Intercessory Prayer: Julius Rojo
 Communion Text: Romans 6:1-7
 Scripture Reading: Rico Ramos
 Prayer for the Bread: Kajem Kitma
 Prayer for the Cup: O'neil Gonzales
 Prayer for the Giving: Jesse Bestre
 Closing Prayer: Rolito Tugay-an
 Announcement: Jun Reyes
 Evening Speaker: Jojo Ramos
 Song Leader: Jun Reyes
 To Bring Flowers: Laisha & Lara Montes
 To Bring Biscuits: c/o Midtown
 To Bring Drinks: c/o Midtown
 Usher/ettes: Baddas Family

Communion: Kyla Sue Tacay
 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 December 3, 2017

**Appointing Qualified Elders
(Titus 1:1-9)**

Speaker: Arnan Bayla
 Song Leader: Andy Bestre
 Invocation: Ernie Wagang
 Intercessory Prayer: Mervin Oliva
 Communion Text: Colossians 3:1-4
 Scripture Reading: Rodrigo Bondoc
 Prayer for the Bread: Ezra Valdez
 Prayer for the Cup: Chris Oliva
 Prayer for the Giving: Sam Quezada
 Closing Prayer: Jhun Bayateng
 Announcement: Arnan Bayla
 Evening Speaker: Arnan Bayla
 Song Leader: Andy Bestre
 To Bring Flowers: Clarita G. Cachero
 To Bring Biscuits: Dex & Den
 To Bring Drinks: Dex & Den
 Usher/ettes: Kitma Family

Communion: Charis Bayla
 Worship Coordinator: R.Tada | A. Tacay



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**Pasasalamat on Dec 17;
sign-up for transpo before Dec 12**

This year's PASASALAMAT OR THANKSGIVING DAY in celebration of Midtown's 34th anniversary will be held at the Top Floor Function Hall of the RIVERVIEW WATER PARK, Nangalisan, Tuba, on December 17, 2017 at 9:00 AM—3:00 PM.

Free PUJ transportation from Midtown to Riverview and vice versa and another from BDO Legarda (near City Hall) to Riverview and vice versa will be provided for those who will register and avail of the said free service on December 17th. SIGN-UP sheets are now posted at the hall entrance ready for signing up until December 12th only. Kindly write individual names including names of children and guests on the preferred route.Ω

Ladies learn to be committed disciples

The FOURTH QUARTER STEERING GROUP composed of sisters Jane Bestre, Loida Baddas, Maureen Soriano, Amber Po, Marina Gawe, Norma Aping, Cora Ozo, Sarah Sameon, Ruth Trinidad, Angeline Linggon, and Cristy Tacay, took charge of last Sunday's LADIES DEVOTIONAL & LUNCHEON FELLOWSHIP. Discussions centered on "BECOMING COMMITTED DISCIPLES OF CHRIST" (Luke 9:23-25) which was facilitated by sister Ruth Trinidad.

Meanwhile, those interested to join the BAGUIO-BENGUET LADIES FELLOWSHIP which will be held at the BAGUIO CHURCH OF CHRIST, 18 Rimando Rd., this city, on Thursday, November 30, 2017, are encouraged to sign up on the PRE-REGISTRATION FORM posted on the bulletin board.Ω

Couples care group thankful and joyful

Five couples, namely, Jojo & Janet Ramos, Noel & Cot Espinosa, Eric & Jing Sacayanan, Nainer & Rica Nawew, and Lemuel & Vangie Glori, gathered for the monthly COUPLES CARE GROUP at the Family Life Center the other past Saturday evening of November 18th. Spouses Jojo & Janet Ramos facilitated a study on GRATITUDE & THANKFULNESS.

It was reiterated in the study that it is to every couple's benefit to give thanks for there is no happier person than a truly thankful and content person (Hebrews 13:4-6).Ω

"It is not joy that makes us thankful. It is gratitude that makes us joyful."

READ 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

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Nangalisan evangelistic campaign sparks optimism

The recent JOINT EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGN held in Nangalisan, Tuba, on November 18th, inspired brethren Greg Kitma, Jojo Ramos, and sister Ruth Trinidad—representing the MISSION OUTREACH MINISTRY (MOM) and the Nangalisan brethren, namely Sixto Aoas, Boni Marcelo, and Julius Udan together with brother James Biadno of Bokod, to do the same in other areas. The joint effort proved to be fruitful in the sense that the workers have met many who are interested in studying the word of God. Follow-up visits in sitios Bucan, Lumikneng, and Sipitan will be made soon says brother Sixto Aoas.

Meanwhile another evangelistic campaign will be conducted in Bokod on November 29 & 30, 2017. Participants will stay in the area overnight. Please contact brother Greg Kitma for details @ 0947-424-9427.Ω

Staff's yearend bonus up for collection next 2 Sundays

As the usual practice of the Midtown congregation, yearend bonuses for the three full-time staff ministers—Arnan Bayla, Andy Bestre, and Jesse Reuben Bestre, will be raised through special collections in the next two Sundays, December 3 and 10, 2017.

The brethren are encouraged to prayerfully prepare for this worthy undertaking in keeping with the Scripture's injunction to doubly honor those who direct the affairs of the church and whose work is preaching and teaching (1 Timothy 5:18).Ω

Youth Sat CG delves into study of the book of Mark

Brother Jesse Bestre initiated an in-depth study of the Book of Mark with the Saturday YPEEZ CARE GROUP meeting at the Family Life Center at 4:00—5:30 PM. The goal is to get to know more of the life and works of Jesus Christ. Last Nov. 18th, 14 attended, namely, Ezra, O'neil, Donnel, Ira, Jasper, Melchi, Janriel, Alec, Khryz, Kana, Jizza, Angelo, Kaesha, and Maryjo.Ω

**Last Sunday's Offering
November 19, 2017**

**AM COLLECTION
P29,391.00**

**PM COLLECTION
P2,795.00**

**AM/PM TOTAL COLLECTION
P32,186.00**

MOM - P500

ATTENDANCE

AM Adults - 89 YP - 29 Children - 32 Guests - 1	PM Adults -17 YP - 4 Children - 2 Guests - 0
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TOTAL - 151

TOTAL - 23

**TOTAL ATTENDANCE
(AM/PM) 174**

PRAYER LIST

Good Health & Fast Recovery:

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| *Ian Pajantoy | *Lourdes Cera |
| *Gloria Yang | *Cecilia Alvarez |
| *Marina Gawe | *Gaspar Nawew |
| *Sotero Denis | *Charlie Alvarez |
| *Bernie Austria | *Priscilla Bayasen |
| *Norma Aping | *Rolito Tugay-an |
| *Josefa Josayan | *Maria Elena Lachica |
| *Arian Kaith Igoy | *Dave McMillin |
| *Robinson Palaypayan | *Jeramy Denis |
| *Carmen Villanueva | *Eduardo Ganga |
| *Lily Soriano | *David Paca |
| *Andy Bestre | *Anthony Flores |
| *Gil & Diana Geron | *Elvie Sacayanan |
| *Rodrigo Tada | *Marichu Concepcion |
| *Ruth Trinidad | *MaryAnn Gonzales |
| *Ofelia Abance | |

Spiritual guidance and comfort for some brethren; world, national, and local leaders.

SAFE PREGNANCY

* Denise Wagang



James 5:15

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

SAFE TRAVEL

Jess Perdigon (UK)



ANNOUNCEMENTS!

- **YOUNG PEOPLE'S MEETING** — MEZZANINE FLOOR, RIGHT AFTER THE WORSHIP ASSEMBLY TODAY.
- **TUESDAY CHURCH FORUM**— NOVEMBER 28, 2017 | 12:00—2:30 PM
- **JOINT BOKOD EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGN**— NOVEMBER 29-30, 2017 (THU & FRI) | OVERNIGHT
- **BAGUIO-BENGUET LADIES FELLOWSHIP**— BAGUIO CHURCH | NOVEMBER 30, 2017 | 8 AM—5 PM
- **BAGUIO—BENGUET INTERCONGREGATIONAL FELLOWSHIP**— ALBIS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, DACLAN, TUBLAY, BENGUET | DECEMBER 2, 2017 | 8:00 AM—4:00 PM | FREE REGISTRATION | SIGN UP ASAP FOR FREE TRANSPORTATION, CONTACT BROTHER GREG KITMA. FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE.
- **NATIONAL LADIES RETREAT**—TALAMBAN, CEBU CITY | APRIL 25—28, 2018 | REG. FEE: P3,300.00

"GOD BURIES HIS WORKMEN,

Paul's concern was not for his own safety or comfort. It was the preaching of the Word so that Gentiles might be saved. It was Paul's special calling to minister to the Gentiles (see Eph 3); and he was not ashamed of the Gospel, even in the great city of Rome (Rom 1:16).

What a man! His friends forsake him, and he prays that God will forgive them. His enemies try him, and he looks for opportunities to tell them how to be saved! What a difference it makes when the Holy Spirit controls your life.

It is heartening to see how many people are named in the closing part of this last letter Paul wrote. I believe that there are at least 100 different men and women named in Acts and Paul's letters, as a part of his circle of friends and fellow laborers. Paul could not do the job by himself. It is a great man who enlists others to help get the job done, and who lets them share in the greatness of the work.

•**Luke** (2 Tim 4:11) is the "beloved physician" who traveled with Paul (Col 4:14). He is author of the Gospel of Luke and the Book of Acts. (Notice the "we" sections in Acts, the eyewitness reports of Dr. Luke.) Paul probably dictated this letter (2 Tim.) to Luke. Being a doctor, Luke must have appreciated Paul's reference to gangrene (2 Tim 2:17, NIV).

•**Crescens** (2 Tim 4:10) was sent by Paul to Galatia. We know nothing about him, nor do we really need to know. He was another faithful laborer who assisted Paul in an hour of great need.

•**Titus** (2 Tim 4:10) was Paul's close associate and, along with Timothy, a trusted "troubleshooter." Paul had left Titus in Crete to straighten out the problems in the churches there (Titus 1:5). As we study Paul's letter to Titus, we get better acquainted with this choice servant of God. Titus had met Paul at Nicopolis during that period between Paul's arrests (Titus 3:12). Now Paul had summoned him to Rome and sent him to Dalmatia (our modern Yugoslavia).

•**Mark** (2 Tim 4:11) was a cousin of Barnabas, Paul's first partner in missionary service (Acts 13:1-3). His mother was a noted Christian in Jerusalem (Acts 12:5,12). Unfortunately, John Mark failed on that first missionary journey (Acts 13:5,13). Paul refused to take Mark on the second trip, and this led to a falling-out

between Paul and Barnabas (Acts 15:36-41). However, Paul now admitted that John Mark was a valuable worker; and he wanted Mark with him in Rome. How good it is to know that one failure in Christian service need not make one's whole life a failure.

•**Tychicus** (2 Tim 4:12) was a believer from the province of Asia (Acts 20:4) who willingly accompanied Paul and probably ministered as a personal servant to the apostle. He was with Paul during his first imprisonment (Eph 6:21-22; Col 4:7-8). Paul sent Tychicus to Crete to relieve Titus (Titus 3:12). Now he was sending him to Ephesus to relieve Timothy.

What a blessing it is to have people who can replace others!

•**Carpus** (2 Tim 4:13) lived at Troas and gave Paul hospitality. Paul must have departed in a hurry (was he being sought for arrest?) because he left his cloak and books behind. However, Carpus was a faithful brother, he would guard them and somebody picked them up to take to Paul. Even such so-called menial tasks are ministries for the Lord.

•**Prisca (or Priscilla) and Aquila** (2 Tim 4:19) were a husband-and-wife team that assisted Paul in many ways (see Acts 18:1-3,24-28; Rom 16:3-4; 1 Cor 16:19). Now they were in Ephesus helping Timothy with his ministry. It is wonderful when God's people do their work regardless of who their leader is.

•**Onesiphorus** (2 Tim 4:19) and his household we met in 2 Tim 1.

•**Erastus** (2 Tim 4:20) might be the treasurer of Corinth (Rom 16:23); and he might be the same man who ministered with Timothy in Macedonia (Acts 19:22).

•**Trophimus** (2 Tim 4:20) from Ephesus was a friend of Tychicus (Acts 20:4), and the man whose presence with Paul helped to incite that riot in Jerusalem (Acts 21:28-29). He had been serving at Miletus, but now he was ill. Why did Paul not heal him? Apparently not every sick person is supposed to be miraculously healed.

•**The other people mentioned** (2 Tim 4:21) are unknown to us, but certainly not to the Lord.

"God buries His workmen, but His work goes on." You and I must be faithful so that (if the Lord does not return soon) future generations may hear the Gospel and have the opportunity to be saved. [2 Timothy 4:9-22] Ω

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Midtown Church of Christ SCHEDULE OF MONTHLY / WEEKLY DEVOTIONALS CARE GROUPS		
VENUE	TIME	FACILITATORS
TUESDAY		
Bayating Residence Poblacion, Tuba	5:30- 7:30 PM	Arnan Bayla & Andy Bestre
College & Young Adults @ Family Life Center	6 - 7:30 PM	Ezra Valdez
WEDNESDAY		
Midtown Assembly Hall	7-9 PM	Arnan Bayla, et. al.
Irisan Mobile (Baban, & Yang residences)	7 - 9 PM	Andy Bestre/ Sixto Aoas
Geron Residence @ Queen of Peace Road	5 - 6:30 PM	O'neil Gonzales
Congregational Midweek Devotional	6 - 7 PM Every 4th Wednesday	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 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 -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: 4th Q Steering Group
Young Adults @ Family Life Center	3 - 5 PM	YAs in charge

SUNDAY AM WORSHIP ASSEMBLY



HOLY COMMUNION

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

MIDWEEK DEVOTIONALS SUNDAY PM WORSHIP

See schedule  

Worship Assembly 
5:30 - 6:30 PM

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



December Celebrators

01 - Denise A. Wagang
02 - Linda A. Yaneza
02 - Janet B. Ramos
02 - Ma. Alexis J. Sunggay
02 - Rolito S. Tugay-an
04 - Erika Abijar
05 - Daisy Calzo
08 - Josephine A. Baban
09 - Gracelynn Abance
09 - Marilyn Joy B. Gamboa
10 - Dencio B. Abance
11 - Jovita R. Bondoc
14 - Santiago B. Sameon II
17 - Jane M. Bestre
20 - Gaspar Baldo, Jr.
20 - Jess Perdigon
21 - Sotero Denis
21 - Kinsha C. Glori
22 - Jess Solomon
23 - Rosita Go
23 - Sherman C. Bestre
24 - Noel Espinosa
26 - Arlene G. Rimando
26 - Kaesha R. Palaypayon
26 - Sharon Kosgey
29 - Aldian R. Po



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

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