

Servers Today, August 19, 2018

The Letter to Church in Thyatira (Rev. 2:18-29)

Speaker: *Arnan Bayla*
 Song Leader: *Andy Bestre*
 Invocation: *Santiago Sameon II*
 Intercessory Prayer: *June Reyes*
 Communion Text: *Matthew 26:26-30*
 Scripture Reading: *Kemuel Perdigon*
 Prayer for the Bread: *Sam Quezada*
 Prayer for the Cup: *Dante Baddas*
 Prayer for the Giving: *Abe Insas*
 Closing Prayer: *Jojo Ramos*
 Announcement: *Andy Bestre*
 Evening Speaker: *Arnan Bayla*
 Song Leader: *Andy Bestre*
 To Bring Flowers: *Laisha Montes*
 To Bring Biscuits: *Martin's Family*
 To Bring Drinks: *Martin's Family*
 Usher/ettes: *Kitma Family*

Communion: *Kesha Oliva*
 Worship Coordinator: *Lem Glori | Art 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 August 26, 2018

The Letter to Church in Sardis (Rev. 3:1-6)

Speaker: *Jesse Bestre*
 Song Leader: *June Reyes*
 Invocation: *Jhun Bayating*
 Intercessory Prayer: *Julius Rojo*
 Communion Text: *Isaiah 53:1-6*
 Scripture Reading: *Ira Po*
 Prayer for the Bread: *Eugene Aguinaldo*
 Prayer for the Cup: *Richard Bestre*
 Prayer for the Giving: *Mervin Oliva*
 Closing Prayer: *Jerry Martin*
 Announcement: *June Reyes*
 Evening Speaker: *Jesse Bestre*
 Song Leader: *June Reyes*
 To Bring Flowers: *Clarita G. Cachero*
 To Bring Biscuits: *Volunteers Needed*
 To Bring Drinks: *Volunteers Needed*
 Usher/ettes: *Perdigon Family*

Communion: *Kesha Oliva*
 Worship Coordinator: *Lem Glori | Art Tacay*



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Baguio-Benguet joint care group moved this Saturday

Contrary to a previous announcement, Midtown's young people will take their turn to host the monthly BAGUIO-BENGUET YOUNG PEOPLE'S JOINT CARE GROUP at Midtown's Assembly Hall this Saturday, August 25, 2018 (and not August 18th), at 1—5 PM. In line with this, all young people and young adults are encouraged to plan and to take the time to actively participate as host of the event, reminds brother Jesse Bestre. The program of activities will be one of the agenda in today's Young People's regular meeting at the mezzanine floor right after today's morning worship assembly. Once ironed out today, information details will be sent out through text messages, via messenger, or on facebook.

Immediately after the BAGUIO-BENGUET YOUNG PEOPLE'S JOINT CARE GROUP, the young people will proceed to the Ramos Residence at San Luis Village, this city, for the monthly home fellowship which is expected to be concluded around 8 o'clock in the evening.

MOM extends James Biadno's work with NCOC until October

The MISSION OUTREACH MINISTRY (MOM) reported lately that the work involvement of brother James Biadno with the Nangalisan congregation have been fruitful and commendable. Because of this, brothers Julius Udan and Sixto Aoas, both workers at Nangalisan, recommends that MOM continue to support his work with NANGALISAN CHURCH OF CHRIST (NCOC). Incidentally, Midtown's pledges and cash donations exceeded one-year support for brother James Biadno by two (2) months. With this development, brother James Biadno may extend his stay with NCOC until the end of October, 2018.

Meanwhile, it was known that the NCOC will be preparing a proposal for the renewal of the work involvement of brother James Biadno with Nangalisan for another year. If said proposal will work out as expected, he will be concentrating his work within Nangalisan and Lordwilling, mission work may be started and focused in the adjacent barangays. MOM solicits prayers for this endeavor and that plans will be directed by the Lord. Ω

"It is more important to know where you are going than to see how fast you can get there."

READ James 4:14

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NYC buffet concert for a cause this Friday

In a bid to raise funds for the fast approaching NATIONAL YOUTH CAMP which this congregation will be hosting in May, 2019, the YOUNG PEOPLE in cooperation with the Nawew family came up with the NYC Concert. Everyone is encouraged to support the endeavor by buying tickets for the concert to be held at NAINER'S DINER, Albergo Residences Hotel, Villamor Drive, this city, on Friday, August 24th at 5—10 o'clock in the evening.

Tickets are pegged at P400.00 which includes buffet dinner and wholesome music. The young people will be rendering their talented performances that will usher in an evening of warm fellowship, great fun, and good food! For ticket reservations, kindly contact brother Jesse Reuben Bestre (09165437746) and brother Dexter Wagang (09175507387). Ω

Espino & Wagang exchange marital vows at Ating Tahanan

Brother Anthony Rodriguez Wagang, youngest son of spouses Ernesto & Leticia Wagang, exchanged marital vows with sister Romelyn Nabong Espino, daughter of spouses Romeo & Melinda Espino of Bical, Mabalacat, Pampanga morning of last Saturday, August 18th at the "ATING TAHANAN," a facility of the GIRL SCOUT OF THE PHILIPPINES (GSP) located at No. 6 South Drive, this city.

Brother Arnan Bayla, licensed solemnizing officer, officiated the wedding ceremony in simple rites attended by inner circles of both families and some guests. Reception followed immediately in the same venue.

Earlier, the newly wed couple completed the required premarital counseling course, "PREPARING FOR MARRIAGE GOD'S WAY" with brother Arnan Bayla.

Midtown rejoices with the new couple and prays for a marriage that is truly satisfying and fulfilling, and above all, God-honoring and Christ-centered. Congratulations! Ω

Last Sunday's Offering August 12, 2018

AM COLLECTION
P29,481.00

PM COLLECTION
P2,362.00

AM/PM TOTAL COLLECTION
P31,843.00

ATTENDANCE

AM	PM
Adults - 83	Adults - 9
YP - 33	YP - 7
Children - 19	Children - 1
Guests - 0	Guests - 0

TOTAL - 135 **TOTAL - 17**

TOTAL ATTENDANCE (AM/PM) 152

PRAYER LIST

Good Health & Fast Recovery:

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|----------------------|------------------------|
| *Ian Pajantoy | *Linda Yaneza |
| *Gloria Yang | *Florence Magalong |
| *Marina Gawe | *Bernard Ignacio |
| *Sotero Denis | *Dave Mcmillin |
| *Bernie Austria | *Dan Sameon |
| *Norma Aping | *Sophia Tanicala |
| *Josefa Josayan | *Lucia Entera |
| *Arian Kaith Igoy | *Felix & Layola Bravo |
| *Robinson Palaypayon | *Clabern Sharlo Abance |
| *Carmen Villanueva | *Katrina Oliva |
| *Lily Soriano | *Jane S. Abance |
| *Andy Bestre | *Maky Walang |
| *Gil & Diana Geron | *Octavio Abance |
| *Rodrigo Tada | *Jonah & Cel Cirilo |
| *Ofelia Abance | *Dith Zamora |
| *Cecilia Alvarez | *Cory Baggao |
| *Paulina A. Factora | *Nelly Bayla |
| *Priscilla Bayasen | *Ernie Wagang |
| *Roliito Tugay-an | *Estela Florendo |
| *Maria Elena Lachica | *Justine Baban, Jr. |
| *Jeremy Denis | *Leonardo Borja |
| *Eduardo Ganga | *Menchie Mojica |

Pray for on-going Seekers' Bible Studies.



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

James 5:15

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

SAFE TRAVEL



A N N O U N C E M E N T S !

- **YOUNG PEOPLE'S MEETING** — MEZZANINE FLOOR, RIGHT AFTER THE WORSHIP ASSEMBLY TODAY
- **TUESDAY CHURCH FORUM**—ON AUGUST 21, 2018 | 12:00—2:30 PM | EVERYBODY WELCOME
- **LADIES LUNCHEON & DEVOTIONAL**—MIDTOWN HALL | TODAY, AUGUST 19, 2018 | 12:00—3:00 PM
- **BAGUIO-BENGUET YOUNG PEOPLE'S JOINT CARE GROUP**—MIDTOWN HALL | AUG. 25, 2018 | 2—5 PM
- **YPEEZ MONTHLY HOME FELLOWSHIP**—RAMOS RESIDENCE, SAN LUIS | AUG. 25, 2018 | 5:30—8:00 PM
- **NATIONAL YOUTH CAMP**—LIVING HOPE CAMP, TAROY, WANGAL, LA TRINIDAD, BENGUET | MAY 28—31, 2019 | HOST: MIDTOWN CHURCH OF CHRIST | REGISTRATION FEE: P1400.00
- **NYC FUNDS UPDATE:** P59,000.00 RAISED FROM PLEDGES AND SAVINGS SINCE JUNE, 2018
- **REMAINING NYC FUNDS TO RAISE:** P100,585.00

THE LORD'S MESSAGE TO THE CHURCH IN THYATIRA

Revelation 2:18-29
 Arnan A. Bayla | Midtown Church of Christ | August 19, 2018

THE LORD'S MESSAGE TO THE CHURCH IN THYATIRA

Revelations 2:18-29

- CHURCH'S INCREASING WORKS ARE COMMENDED
 - Revelation 2:18-19
- CHURCH'S TOLERATING DOCTRINAL ERRORS ARE CONDEMNED
 - Revelation 2:20-23
- CHURCH'S REMAINING FAITHFUL ARE EXHORTED
 - Revelation 2:24-29

I. CHURCH'S INCREASING GOOD WORKS COMMENDED

Revelation 2:18-19

- THEIR LOVE AND FAITH
 - Fervent in love; constant in faith
 - Recognition of motives
- THEIR SERVICE AND PERSEVERANCE
 - Faithful in service; genuine in patience
 - Recognition of attitudes
- THEIR DEEDS GREATER THAN FIRST
 - First deeds get better; exceeds basics
 - Recognition of excellences

APPLICATION:

1. Let us be a congregation known for increasingly doing what is right and commendable.
 - We all must serve the Lord and His church with pure motives and with right attitude.
 - We must continue to excel and exceed our best ways in serving the Lord and our fellowmen.
 - "...make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; and to godliness, brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness, love. For if you possess these qualities in increasing measure, they will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ." 2 Peter 1:5-9 NIV

II. CHURCH'S TOLERATING DOCTRINAL ERRORS CONDEMNED

Revelation 2:20-23

- ERRORS LEAD TO IMMORALITY
 - Worldly influence of sexualization
 - Brings about intense suffering
- ERRORS LEAD TO IDOLATRY
 - Worldly influence of materialism
 - Brings about seductive temptation
- ERRORS LEAD TO UNREPENTANCE
 - Worldly influence of hardheartedness
 - Brings about severe punishment

APPLICATION:

2. Let us be a congregation known for upholding doctrinal purity and for not tolerating errors.
 - We all must promote to "speak where the Bible speak and be silent where the Bible is silent," to be pure in doctrine and lifestyle.
 - We must be readily on guard against the subtle and dangerous influences of the world on us and on the church.
 - "...the holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. 16 All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, 17 so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work." 2 Tim 3:15-17 NIV

III. CHURCH'S REMAINING FAITHFUL DISCIPLES EXHORTED

Revelation 2:24-29

- FAITHFUL DISCIPLES UNBURDENED
 - Must hold on to the truth 'til He comes
 - Assured by the Lord, the coming Judge
- FAITHFUL DISCIPLES RULE WITH CHRIST
 - Must overcome to become victors
 - Empowered by the Lord, the King
- FAITHFUL DISCIPLES REWARDED
 - Must remain in the Lord Jesus Christ
 - Shine like the Lord, the Morning Star

APPLICATION:

3. Let us be a congregation known for remaining true and faithful disciples of Christ.
 - We all must remember the Lord's promises and encourage one another with them 'til He comes.
 - We must make use of every opportunity to repent because now is the accepted time, now is the day of salvation.
 - "14 Do everything without complaining or arguing, 15 so that you may become blameless and pure, children of God without fault in a crooked and depraved generation, in which you shine like stars in the universe 16 as you hold out the word of life — in order that I may boast on the day of Christ that I did not run or labor for nothing." Phil 2:14-16 NIV

How can we become the congregation that the Lord expects of us?

1. Let us be a congregation known for increasingly doing what is right and commendable by serving the Lord and His church with pure motives, and with the right attitude, and in with excellence.
2. Let us be a congregation known for upholding doctrinal purity, and for not tolerating errors, and to be on guard against the subtle and dangerous influences of the world on us and on the church.
3. Let us be a congregation known for remaining true and faithful disciples of Christ by remembering the Lord's promises and by fully repenting because now is the accepted time, now is the day of salvation.

CONCERT

AUGUST 24, 2018
5 PM - 10 PM

NAINER'S DINER, ALBERGO HOTEL

P400 INCLUDES BUFFET DINNER AND MUSIC

PROCEEDS WILL GO TO THE NATIONAL YOUTH CAMP FUNDS

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

VENUE	TIME	FACILITATORS
TUESDAY		
Bayating Residence Poblacion, Tuba	6:30- 8:30 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
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; 2nd 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

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“ You are the light of the world. A city on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven. Matt 5:14-16 NIV ”