

Servers Today, 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

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 19, 2016

**Achieving God's Promises in Christ
(Romans 8:28-39)**

Speaker: Andy Bestre
 Song Leader: Arnan Bayla
 Invocation: Greg Kitma
 Intercessory Prayer: Mervin Oliva
 Communion Text: Mark 14:22-26
 Scripture Reading: Ira Po
 Prayer for the Bread: Jasper Paddigon
 Prayer for the Cup: Dante Baddas
 Prayer for the Giving: Art Tacay
 Closing Prayer: Charlie Abance
 Announcement: Arnan Bayla
 Evening Speaker: Andy Bestre
 Song Leader: Arnan Bayla
 To Bring Flowers: Volunteers Needed
 To Bring Biscuits: Dexter Wagang
 To Bring Drinks: Dexter Wagang
 Usher/ettes: Tacay Family

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Stepping Up in Sunday school today

The Education Ministry announced lately that in keeping with the opening of classes in public schools tomorrow, June 13th, in which students will be moving up to higher levels, the Sunday School at Midtown will also do the same today. However, exemptions are allowable for students who would want to stay put in one particular class just as yet. Brother Arnan Bayla, chairman of the Education Ministry expressed that teachers are advised to be keen and sensitive to the personal preferences of some students and to accommodate them.

Meanwhile, Senior High students (Grade 11) are encouraged to join the current College Class.Ω

Cabanatuan congregation celebrates 18th anniversary today

In celebration of the 18th anniversary of the congregation in Cabanatuan City, a special program and the worship assembly will be held at the Felicity Resort, Barangay Talipapa, today, June 12, 2016 @ 9 AM. Brother Shemer Sameon will serve as sermon speaker and is up to challenge the brethren there to faithfully carry out the great commission (Matthew 28: 18-20) and to encourage the brethren there to move on dynamically amidst challenges and thereby increase their reasons for thanksgiving.

Brothers Jun Abaya and Andy Mabesa extended invitation for Midtown to grace the occasion. However, as of this writing, it is not known if Midtown is represented.Ω

Ladies outing & retreat in Baler, Aurora

Serving as an outing and retreat, a good number of Midtown ladies will be travelling to Baler, Aurora, on Wednesday and Thursday, June 15&16, 2016. Baler is famous for its unspoiled, pristine beaches and century-old trees. This trip was extended to the ladies of Midtown by sister Lou Villanueva as a special offer a couple of weeks ago as her treat in celebration of her birth anniversary this month.

Next Sunday's Ladies Luncheon Fellowship & Devotional will push through as scheduled, reminds the 2nd Quarter Ladies Steering Group.Ω

"I would rather fail in a cause that will ultimately succeed than to succeed in a cause that will ultimately fail."

READ Psalm 37:1-40

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105 baptized in Negros island

The recently concluded Negros Evangelistic Summer Campaign (NESC) that ran from March 10—May 29, 2016 yielded one hundred five (105) baptisms resulting from the efforts invested in sowing the seeds of the pure gospel of the Savior Jesus Christ.

The Sameons report that their evangelistic team visited 61 places all over the Negros island. In summary, the following were the activities that made up the mission trip: Bible Studies conducted- 24; Messages delivered- 62 (Evangelistic-43; Funeral-2; Baptismal-16; Wedding-1); Lectures-30; Open Fora-68; Gospel Meetings- 4; Follow-Up Bible Studies-8; Home Visits- 39; Music Class conducted-1; Counseling-7; Bible Researches / Annotations / Lesson Preparations-10; Ladies Classes by sister Sarah & Organization-10; Children's classes-7; Seminar-Workshop for Sunday School teachers-1; Benevolence- 10; Number of congregations given *Communion Cups- 48; *Collection Bags- 44; *Songbooks- 6; Baptistery- 2; Roofing Materials- 1; and Workers' Allowance- 1. In addition, sister Sarah also posted the profile of 46 Negros congregations in the directory of churches of Christ on Facebook.

Spouses Dodoy & Sarah, in behalf of the NESC, thanked the congregation for the unceasing prayers offered and also for the anonymous donations. To God be the glory!

Midtown joins thanksgiving in Tuba

At the invitation of the Bayating family, a number of Midtown brethren joined in the celebration of brother Maril P. Bayating Sr.'s sixty-eighth birth anniversary at his residence at Poblacion, Tuba last Sunday, June 5, 2016.

Before feasting on the bountiful cuisine, brother Arnan Bayla led the family, guests, and well-wishers in prayers thanking the Lord Almighty for the graces received by this congregation and many others through him and his family. Praise the Lord!Ω

Last Sunday's Offering June 5, 2016

AM COLLECTION P41,786.00

PM COLLECTION P2,590.00

AM/PM TOTAL COLLECTION P44,376.00

ATTENDANCE

AM Adults -104 YP - 50 Children - 42 Guests - 1	PM Adults - 18 Children - 15 Guests - 0
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TOTAL - 197

TOTAL - 34

TOTAL ATTENDANCE (AM/PM) 231

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 Igot | *Flordeline 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

Ladies' trip to Baler, Aurora

ANNOUNCEMENTS!

- **YOUNG PEOPLE'S MINISTRY MEETING**— right after the AM worship assembly today.
- **TUESDAY CHURCH FORUM**—June 14, 2016 @ 12:00—2:30 PM
- **CONGREGATIONAL MIDWEEK DEVOTIONAL**—Wednesday, June 22, 2016 @ 6—7 PM
- **THIRTY DAYS OF PRAYER FOR THE MUSLIM WORLD**—June 6—July 5, 2016
- **SUNDAY SCHOOL STEPPING-UP**— Today, June 12, 2016.
- **5th ASPULAN**—Benguet Sports Center, Wangal, La Trinidad, Benguet, July 2, 2016 @ 8:00 AM—5 PM
- **LADIES LUNCHEON FELLOWSHIP & DEVOTIONAL**—Next Sunday, June 19, 2016 @ 12—2:30 PM

UNDERSTANDING THE LAW, SIN AND MAN

Romans 7:1-25
Arnan A. Bayla | Midtown Church of Christ | June 5, 2016

I. FREEDOM FROM THE BONDS OF LAW

Romans 7:1-6

- We died to the power of the old law. (v4)
 - Result: Freedom and release from the control of the old law.
- We were united in Christ's resurrection. (v4)
 - Result: Produce a harvest of good deeds.
- We were released from the law. (v6)
 - Result: Serve God in the new way of living in the Spirit. (Gal. 5:22-25)

II. FREEDOM FROM THE SLAVERY OF SIN

Romans 7:7-17

- Sin is revealed because of the law. (v7)
 - Result: We became knowledgeable of sin and its corresponding effects on us.
- Sin became powerful over us because of the law. (v8)
 - Result: We became slaves of sin and the struggles begin.
- Sin took advantage of the goodness of the law to deceive. (v11)
 - Result: We realize how terrible sin is and there's nothing we can do about it.

III. FREEDOM OF THE SINFUL MAN

Romans 7:18-25

- Man lives powerless because of his sinful nature. (v18)
 - Result: We keep on sinning.
- Man struggles within because of his sinful nature. (v19)
 - Result: We become miserable.
- Man is freed of his sinful nature through Jesus Christ. (v25)
 - Result: We are free from condemnation. (8:1)

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Romans 7:1-25

- FREEDOM FROM THE BONDS OF LAW**
 - Romans 7:1-6
- FREEDOM FROM THE SLAVERY OF SIN**
 - Romans 7:7-17
- FREEDOM OF THE SINFUL MAN**
 - Romans 7:18-25

How can Christians live true to being freed from the law of sin and death ?

APPLICATION:

- Let us produce good deeds for God out of love and not out of compulsion.
 - "Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things—at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work." 2 Cor 9:7-8
 - "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength." The second is this: "Love your neighbor as yourself." There is no commandment greater than these." Mark 12:30-31 NIV
 - "It's more fun to serve" Philippians 2:7

APPLICATION:

- Let us willingly become slaves to righteousness and not to allow sin to take control of us.
 - "But thanks be to God that, though you used to be slaves to sin, you wholeheartedly obeyed the form of teaching to which you were entrusted. You have been set free from sin and have become slaves to righteousness." Rom 6:17-18 NIV
 - "When you were slaves to sin, you were free from the control of righteousness. What benefit did you reap at that time from the things you are now ashamed of? Those things result in death! But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves to God, the benefit you reap leads to holiness, and the result is eternal life. Rom 6:20-22 NIV

APPLICATION:

- Let us set our minds on spiritual things and not to conform any longer to the patterns of this world.
 - "Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God — this is your spiritual act of worship. 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 12:1-2
 - "Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory. Col 3:1-4 NIV

We can live true to being freed from the law of sin and death when...

- We produce good deeds for God out of love and not out of compulsion.
- We willingly become slaves to righteousness and to not allow sin to take control of us.
- We set our minds on spiritual things and no longer conform to the patterns of this world.

Up..... coming

EVENTS

RETREATS FELLOWSHIPS CAMPS WORKSHOPS | LECTURESHIPS

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

FREE MEDICAL—DENTAL MISSION

Midtown Church of Christ Assembly Hall
Top Floor, Marlett's Building
Km 4 Marcos Highway, Baguio City
July 16, 2016 | 8:00 AM—4:00 PM
FREE medical & dental check-up and treatment
FREE medicines, laboratory procedures, therapy, and prayer & counseling

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

VENUE	TIME	FACILITATORS
WEDNESDAY		
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 th Wed	Care Group assigned
THURSDAY		
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.
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 Care Group @ Midtown	3 – 5 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 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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