

Servers Today, December 3, 2017

Emulating the Qualities of 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 Bayating*
 Announcement: *Andy Bestre*
 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*

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 10, 2017

Silencing The False Teachers
(Titus 1:10-16)

Speaker: *Jojo Ramos*
 Song Leader: *Mervin Oliva*
 Invocation: *Greg Kitma*
 Intercessory Prayer: *Dexter Wagang*
 Communion Text: *Romans 8:1-4*
 Scripture Reading: *Ira Po*
 Prayer for the Bread: *Richard Bestre*
 Prayer for the Cup: *O'neil Gonzales*
 Prayer for the Giving: *Julius Rojo*
 Closing Prayer: *Jerry Martin*
 Announcement: *Mervin Oliva*
 Evening Speaker: *Jojo Ramos*
 Song Leader: *Mervin Oliva*
 To Bring Flowers: *Josie Baban*
 To Bring Biscuits: *Volunteers Needed*
 To Bring Drinks: *Volunteers Needed*
 Usher/ettes: *Perdigon Family*

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



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Garage & Auction Sale for a cause next Sunday

Midtown's YPeez announced lately that there will be a GARAGE & AUCTION SALE right after the morning worship assembly next Sunday, December 10, 2017. This project is spearheaded by the young people in a bid to raise funds for the NATIONAL YOUTH CAMP (NYC) which will be hosted by this congregation on May 28—31, 2019.

Various items such as clothes, fashion apparel, gadgets, and the like are up for sale and auction says the young people. Food and beverages will; also be made available for sale. Among these items were earlier donated by benevolent brethren. Others can help by buying these items.Ω

2018 calendars ready for distribution today

The ADMINISTRATIVE MINISTRY is delighted to announce that Three Hundred (300) 2018 CALENDARS bearing the identity of the MIDTOWN CHURCH OF CHRIST is now ready for distribution beginning today. After everyone has taken a copy, some will be given away to the brethren in Bokod and in Nangalisan. Others will also be distributed to friends and other contacts involved in various outreaches and Bible studies. Kindly contact brother Andy Bestre for reservation.Ω

Brethren thankful of brethren's presence in thanksgiving fellowship

The Perdigos expressed sincere appreciation for the presence of Midtown brethren in their thanksgiving celebration at their residence at Kitma Village evening of November 24, 2017. In the devotional, brother Arnan Bayla encouraged the guests and brethren to always take heart as God is in control and favors the faithful (John 16:33) Brother Jess Perdigon, home for a brief visit has flown back to the UK recently. He was appreciative of the prayers unceasingly offered in his behalf.

Meanwhile, the Carames also expressed gratitude for the THANKSGIVING DEVOTIONAL officiated by brother Arnan Bayla together with other brethren in celebration of the first birth anniversary of ALEENA CASSIOPEIA U. CARAME at their residence at Badiwan, Poblacion, Tuba last November 30, 2017.Ω

"We didn't become the men we are overnight, and neither do we change overnight."

READ Proverbs 19:27

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Brethren encouraged to abide by Pasasalamat 2017 guidelines

In anticipation of the fast approaching celebration of the Midtown congregation's PASASALAMAT & 34TH ANNIVERSARY, the Edification Ministry released some important guidelines for an orderly and hassle-free conduct of the said event. The brethren are urged to read the guidelines and be well-informed of this matter. Please find said guidelines on page 3 of this bulletin.Ω

Staff's yearend bonus up for collection today and next Sunday

As announced earlier, the first collection of the contribution for the YEAREND BONUSES for the three full-time staff ministers—Arnan Bayla, Andy Bestre, and Jesse Reuben Bestre, will be done today, December 3, 2017. The second and last collection will be made next Sunday, December 10, 2017. Total contributions will be equally divided among the three beneficiaries.

The brethren are encouraged to prayerfully consider 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

Brethren asked to make corrections on membership roll

Midtown's MEMBERSHIP ROLL is currently being updated by the EDIFICATION MINISTRY chaired by brother Andy Bestre. In line with this, the brethren are requested to check and make the necessary corrections or to fill in additional data as soon as possible. Said MEMBERSHIP ROLL is now posted on the bulletin boards.

Meanwhile, the same ministry enjoins the brethren whose pictures do not appear on the PICTOGRAPHIC DIRECTORY to submit a 2x2 ID picture for inclusion. Those who want their current pictures to be updated may also do the same. For the sake of uniformity, kindly submit pictures with white background.Ω

PRAYER LIST

Good Health & Fast Recovery:

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|----------------------|----------------------|
| *Ian Pajantoy | *Lourdes Cera |
| *Gloria Yang | *Cecilia Alvarez |
| *Marina Gawie | *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 | *Linda Yaneza |

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

Delegates to Bokod



Last Sunday's Offering November 26, 2017

AM COLLECTION
P33,433.00

PM COLLECTION
P2,300.00

AM/PM TOTAL COLLECTION
P35,733.00

ATTENDANCE

AM	PM
Adults - 127	Adults -18
YP - 30	YP - 9
Children - 36	Children - 1
Guests - 2	Guests - 0

TOTAL - 195 **TOTAL - 28**

TOTAL ATTENDANCE (AM/PM) 223

ANNOUNCEMENTS!

- **YOUNG PEOPLE'S MEETING** — MEZZANINE FLOOR, RIGHT AFTER THE WORSHIP ASSEMBLY TODAY.
- **TUESDAY CHURCH FORUM**—DECEMBER 5, 2017 | 12:00—2:30 PM
- **GARAGE & AUCTION SALE**—MIDTOWN ASSEMBLY HALL | NEXT SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10TH | RIGHT AFTER THE AM WORSHIP ASSEMBLY
- **LADIES MINISTRY MEETING**—RIVERVIEW WATER PARK | DECEMBER 16, 2017 | 4:00 PM
- **PASASALAMAT & 34TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**— TOP FLOOR FUNCTION HALL, RIVERVIEW WATER PARK, NANGALISAN, TUBA | DECEMBER 17, 2017 | 9:00 AM—3:00 PM | PLEASE SIGN-UP FOR FREE TRANSPORTATION ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 10, 2017.
- **NATIONAL LADIES RETREAT**—TALAMBAN, CEBU CITY | APRIL 25—28, 2018 | REG. FEE: P3,300.00

EMULATING THE QUALITIES OF AN ELDER

Titus 1:1-9
Arnan A. Bayla | Midtown Church of Christ | December 3, 2017

I. BEING AN EXAMPLE OF REPUTABLE FAMILY LIFE

Titus 1:6

- PROMOTE MARITAL FAITHFULNESS
 - Uphold God's design for marriage
 - A test of commitment & fidelity
- PROMOTE PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITY
 - Uphold dutiful parenting
 - A test of dedication & dependability
- PROMOTE JUVENILE OBEDIENCE
 - Uphold respectfulness
 - A test of esteem & authority

II. BEING AN EXAMPLE OF PERSONAL BLAMELESSNESS

Titus 1:7-8

- BEING TRUSTWORTHY
 - Not pursuing dishonest gain
 - A test of dependence on the Lord
- BEING TEMPERATE
 - Not self-willed, quick-tempered, drunk, violent
 - A test of bearing the fruit of the Spirit
- BEING UPRIGHT
 - Hospitable, holy, and disciplined
 - A test of devotion to what is noble

III. BEING AN EXAMPLE OF GODLY LEADERSHIP

Titus 1:9

- BE FAITHFUL TO THE WORD
 - Able to guard the purity of God's Word
 - A test of trustworthiness and loyalty
- BE SOUND IN DOCTRINE
 - Able to encourage by sound doctrine
 - A test of wholesome instruction
- BE READY TO REFUTE OPPOSITION
 - Able to show the wayward their error
 - A test of courage and fearlessness

How do we emulate the qualities of an elder?

1. We must do our best to lead our family to be of good standing and unto godliness.
2. We must do our best to lead our private life with integrity, purity, and blamelessness.
3. We must do our best to be a shining example of disciples wholly dependent on the Lord's directions.

EMULATING THE QUALITIES OF AN ELDER

Titus 1:1-9

- BEING AN EXAMPLE OF REPUTABLE FAMILY LIFE
 - Titus 1:6
- BEING AN EXAMPLE OF PERSONAL BLAMELESSNESS
 - Titus 1:7-8
- BEING AN EXAMPLE OF GODLY LEADERSHIP
 - Titus 1:9

APPLICATION:

1. Let us do our best to lead our family to be of good standing and unto godliness.
 - Take the challenge to nurture one's marriage and making it impenetrable to extra-marital temptations.
 - Take the challenge of dutifully training one's children and leading them by being a godly example.
 - Treat domestic affairs conscientiously.
 - "8 If anyone does not provide for his relatives, and especially for his immediate family, he has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever." 1 Tim 5:8 NIV

APPLICATION:

2. Let us do our best to lead our private life with integrity, purity, and blamelessness.
 - Take the challenge to think and to act right especially when no 'eyes' are watching.
 - Take the challenge to take effective control of one's desires, impulses, and urges.
 - Treat one's private life cautiously.
 - "We use our powerful God-tools for smashing warped philosophies, tearing down barriers erected against the truth of God, fitting every loose thought and emotion and impulse into the structure of life shaped by Christ. 2 Cor 10:5 MSG

APPLICATION:

3. Let us do our best to be a shining example of disciples wholly dependent on the Lord's directions.
 - Take the challenge of expanding one's knowledge of God's word and adhering to it.
 - Take the challenge of encouraging others to remain loyal to the Lord's commandments.
 - Treat God's directions and teachings seriously.
 - "Guard what has been entrusted to your care. Turn away from godless chatter and the opposing ideas of what is falsely called knowledge, which some have professed and in so doing have wandered from the faith. 1 Tim 6:20-21 NIV

“Therefore, dear friends, since you already know this, be on your guard so that you may not be carried away by the error of lawless men and fall from your secure position. But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and forever! Amen. 2 Peter 3:17-18 NIV”

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 Aogas
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

GUIDELINES FOR THE 2017 PASASALAMAT & 34TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

As a brotherly reminder for everyone for the orderly conduct and optimum enjoyment of the **PASASALAMAT & 34TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION ON DECEMBER 17, 2017**, the congregation is enjoined to abide by the following guidelines:

1. Keep in mind that Midtown's PASASALAMAT to be held at the Function Hall at the Top Floor of the Riverview Water Park Hotel is **primarily a fellowship and a worship assembly** and not an outing.
2. As such, please come in proper attire and disposition.
3. The assembly shall start at exactly 9 o'clock in the morning, so please **be at the venue before 9 AM**. Travel time from downtown Baguio to Riverview usually takes thirty (30) minutes.
4. Transportation will be provided for free from Midtown via circumferential road to Riverview and vice versa. Hired jeepneys (PUJ) will leave Midtown at **exactly 8 AM**. The same will leave Riverview at **3:30 PM**. Please note that you are expected to ride the same jeepney going back to Midtown. PLEASE SIGN UP NOT LATER THAN **DECEMBER 10, 2017** IF YOU WILL TAKE THIS OPTION. Please find the SIGN UP sheets on one of the bulletin boards.
5. If coming from downtown Baguio, free PUJ transportation will also be provided from BDO Legarda (near City Hall) to take you to Riverview at **exactly 8 AM**. If you take this option, you are expected to take the same jeepney to transport you back to town. The same will leave Riverview at **3:30 PM**. PLEASE SIGN UP NOT LATER THAN **DECEMBER 10, 2017** IF YOU WILL TAKE THIS OPTION. Please find the SIGN UP sheets on one of the bulletin boards.
6. Once at the venue, kindly follow the directions of the designated ushers/usherettes.
7. Lunch will be served through controlled buffet by the catering service authorized personnel only.
8. Strictly no swimming before the designated time of swimming which is at one o'clock (1PM). Parents and guardians shall take full responsibility of watching over their children's safety.
9. Please strictly observe the resort's rules and regulations. Wear proper swimming attire.
10. Kindly advise your guests to abide by the guidelines. **MANY THANKS.** — The Edification Ministry

SUNDAY AM WORSHIP ASSEMBLY



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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