

Servers Today, February 4, 2018

**The Judgment of the Flood
(Genesis 6:1-8:19)**

Speaker: Greg Kitma
 Song Leader: Mervin Oliva
 Invocation: Jhun Bayating
 Intercessory Prayer: Dexter Wagang
 Communion Text: 1 Corinthians 10:1-12
 Scripture Reading: Kemuel Perdigon
 Prayer for the Bread: Dante Baddas
 Prayer for the Cup: Art Tacay
 Prayer for the Giving: Sam Quezada
 Closing Prayer: Charlie Abance
 Announcement: Mervin Oliva
 Evening Speaker: Greg Kitma
 Song Leader: Mervin Oliva
 To Bring Flowers: Laisha Montes
 To Bring Biscuits: Me-An Gonzales
 To Bring Drinks: Me-An Gonzales
 Usher/ettes: Bayla Family

Communion: Gonzales Family
 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;

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**The Sin Of The Godly Line
(Genesis 8:20-9:29)**

Speaker: Jesse Bestre
 Song Leader: Jun Reyes
 Invocation: Ernie Wagang
 Intercessory Prayer: Julius Rojo
 Communion Text: Hebrews 10:1-10
 Scripture Reading: Ira Po
 Prayer for the Bread: Richard Bestre
 Prayer for the Cup: JJ Ramos
 Prayer for the Giving: Chris Oliva
 Closing Prayer: Sol Palaypatan
 Announcement: June Reyes
 Evening Speaker: Jesse Bestre
 Song Leader: Jun Reyes
 To Bring Flowers: Clarita G. Cachero
 To Bring Biscuits: Volunteers Needed
 To Bring Drinks: Volunteers Needed
 Usher/ettes: Perdigon Family

Communion: Gonzales Family
 Worship Coordinator: R.Tada | A. Tacay



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Midtown purchases gift & award Bibles

As it is the customary practice of the Midtown congregation to give Bibles as gifts for newly baptized believers, twenty-five (25) "GIFT & AWARD" Bibles were recently purchased by the congregation at the cost of P10,062.00. Brother Arnan Bayla was able to purchase said Bibles at discounted prices. Various translations of the Bible were purchased as follows: Five (5) Magandang Balita Biblia (Tagalog); Five (5) Naimbag A Damag Biblia (Ilocano); and Fifteen (15) New International Version (English).Ω

Young People encourage Nangalisan brethren

Some young people, namely, Jesse Bestre, O'neil Gonzales, and Maureen Soriano together with Maryjo of Bokod and her friend Mayflor, served with the Nangalisan brethren the other past Sunday, January 21, 2018. After the morning worship assembly, the Nangalisan youth gathered with the Midtown YPeez for a devotional and fellowship. Ice breakers were facilitated by sister Maureen Soriano while brother Jesse Bestre discussed a study on "TAKING A STAND FOR CHRIST IN SCHOOL AND IN THE WORKPLACE." He underscored that Christians are to be courageous "for God did not give us a spirit of timidity, but a spirit of power, of love and of self-discipline" (2 Timothy 1:7)

"Once again, we are so grateful for edifying us... mabuhay po kayo..." remarked brother Julius Udan through a text message he sent afterwards.Ω

Ramoses host monthly young people's care group

The Ramoses once more hosted the MONTHLY YOUNG PEOPLE'S CARE GROUP at their residence at San Luis Village, Asin Rd., this city, the other past Saturday, January 27, 2018. The devotional was facilitated by brother Janriel Abance in which he discussed a study on the PARABLE OF THE SOWER (Matthew 13) and stressed "BEING GROUNDED, CONTENTED, AND PRODUCTIVE." Brother Aldian Po led the community singing. Brother Jojo Ramos showed a short video about the Mission Resource Network to encourage them about mission work.Ω

"We cannot become what we want to be by staying the way we are."

READ John 5:1-15

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27 ladies attend luncheon fellowship & devotional

The FIRST QUARTER STEERING GROUP composed of sisters Amber Po, Pearl Bestre, Kesha Oliva, Norma Aping, Cecilia Alvarez, Sarah Sameon, Clarita Cachero, Me-an Gonzales, Lou Villanueva, Cel Alvarez, Beth Sevilla, and Melina Igoy, ably facilitated the monthly LADIES LUNCHEON FELLOWSHIP & DEVOTIONAL held last Sunday, January 28th.

There were twenty-seven (27) ladies who actively participated in the various activities during the devotionals. Sister Kesha Kitma facilitated a stirring activity on PERSONALITY INTERPRETATIONS right after sister Pearl Bestre introduced this quarter's topic on "IDENTIFYING AND ACKNOWLEDGING ONE'S WEAKNESSES" based on 2 Cor 12:9. More will be discussed in the next devotional.Ω

Rotary prexy extends

invitation for operation smile

Brother Ricardo "Jun" Bondoc, current president of the Rotary Club of Baguio, extends to the congregation and associates, invitation for a FREE RECONSTRUCTIVE SURGERY FOR PATIENTS WITH CLEFT LIP AND CLEFT PALATES, dubbed as OPERATION SMILE.

Said program, co-sponsored by the ROTARY CLUB OF VIGAN, METRO VIGAN COOPERATIVE HOSPITAL, the ILOCOS SUR MEDICAL SOCIETY, and HELPING CHILDREN SMILE INC., will be held at the METRO VIGAN COOPERATIVE HOSPITAL, Vigan City, Ilocos Sur from February 26—March 5, 2018. HELPING CHILDREN SMILE INC. is a reputable Australian based organization volunteering to give free reconstructive surgery worldwide.

Prospective patients should be assessed by the local health officer. Submit pertinent papers on or before February 23 to brother Jun Bondoc. The Rotary Club of Baguio will transport the qualified patients to and from Vigan City for free. For more information, kindly contact brother Ricardo "Jun" Bondoc at 09399331763.Ω

**Last Sunday's Offering
January 28, 2018**

AM COLLECTION
P26,881.00

PM COLLECTION
P4,505.00

AM/PM TOTAL COLLECTION
P31,386.00

MOM - P1,000

ATTENDANCE

AM Adults - 113 YP - 32 Children - 39 Guests - 0	PM Adults -26 YP - 7 Children - 5 Guests - 0
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TOTAL - 184

TOTAL - 37

TOTAL ATTENDANCE
(AM/PM) 221

PRAYER LIST

Good Health & Fast Recovery:

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| *Ian Pajantoy | *Cecilia Alvarez |
| *Gloria Yang | *Gaspar Nawew |
| *Marina Gawie | *Priscilla Bayasen |
| *Sotero Denis | *Rolito Tugay-an |
| *Bernie Austria | *Maria Elena Lachica |
| *Norma Aping | *Jeremy Denis |
| *Josefa Josayan | *Eduardo Ganga |
| *Arian Kaith Igoy | *Marichu Concepcion |
| *Robinson Palaypatan | *Linda Yaneza |
| *Carmen Villanueva | *Florence Magalong |
| *Lily Soriano | *Bernard Ignacio |
| *Andy Bestre | *Shinar Ciencia |
| *Gil & Diana Geron | *Dave Mcmillin |
| *Rodrigo Tada | *Dan Sameon |
| *Ruth Trinidad | *Gavin Wagang |
| *Ofelia Abance | |

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



James 5:15
 "And the prayer of-fered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise him up;" NIV

SAFE TRAVEL

Jojo & Janet Ramos, Jesse Bestre & Janriel Abance (Regional Youth Camp, Isabela)

ANNOUNCEMENTS!

- **YOUNG PEOPLE'S MEETING** — MEZZANINE FLOOR, RIGHT AFTER THE WORSHIP ASSEMBLY TODAY
- **TUESDAY CHURCH FORUM**— FEBRUARY 6, 2018 @ 12:00—2:30 PM. EVERYBODY WELCOME.
- **NAKRISTIANOAN A PANAG-ADAL KEN PANAGKAKADUA 2018**—BAGUIO CHURCH OF CHRIST 18 RIMANDO RD. | MARCH 28-31, 2018 | REGISTRATION: P400 (10 YEARS OLD & UP); P200 (3—9 YEARS OLD)
- **NATIONAL LADIES RETREAT**—TALAMBAN, CEBU CITY | APRIL 25— 28, 2018 | REG. FEE: P3,300.00 DEADLINE FOR BOOKING—FEBRUARY 15, 2018.
- **NEED VOLUNTEERS FOR 2018**—TO PREPARE THE COMMUNION TABLE, BRING FLOWERS, BRING DRINKS AND BISCUITS FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL CHILDREN. PLEASE SIGN UP. THANKS.

NOAH: A believing man who walked with God

But Noah found grace in the eyes of the Lord (Gen 6:8) introduces the third of the "generation" statements in Genesis: "These are the generations of Noah" (v. 9). Noah wasn't a minor character in the story of redemption; he's mentioned fifty times in nine different books of the Bible.

•NOAH WAS A RIGHTEOUS MAN (v.9;7:1). This is the first time the word "righteous" is used in the Bible, but Noah's righteousness is also mentioned in other places (Ezek 14:14,20; Heb 11:7; 2 Peter 2:5). Noah's righteousness didn't come from his good works: his good works came because of his righteousness. Like Abraham, his righteousness was God's gift in response to his personal faith. Both Abraham and Noah believed God's Word and it was counted to [them] for righteousness (Gen 15:6; see Heb 11:7; Rom 1:9 ff; Gal 3:1 ff).

The only righteousness God will accept is the righteousness of Jesus Christ, His Son (2 Cor 5:21); and the only way people can receive that righteousness is by admitting their sins and trusting Jesus Christ to save them (Rom 3:19-30; Gal 2:16). Noah must have learned this important truth from his father Lamech (Gen 5:28-29), who learned it from his father Methuselah, who learned it from his father Enoch. How important it is to teach our children and grandchildren how to trust the Lord!

•NOAH WAS A BLAMELESS MAN (v. 9). If "righteous" describes Noah's standing before God, then "blameless" describes his conduct before people. "Blameless" doesn't mean "sinless," because nobody but Jesus Christ ever lived a sinless life on this earth (1 Peter 2:21-22). The word means *having integrity, whole, unblemished.* "It was used to describe the animals acceptable to God for sacrifice (Ex 12:5; Lev 1:3,10). Noah's conduct was such that his neighbors couldn't find fault with him (Phil 2:12-16).

The person who is right before God through faith in Christ ought to lead a life that is right before people, *for faith without works is dead*" (James 2:14 ff). Paul warned about "unruly and vain talkers and deceivers... who profess that they know God, but in works they deny Him" (Titus 1:10,16). Noah wasn't that kind of person.

Noah was a man who walked with God (Gen 6:9). His great-grandfather Enoch had *walked with God* and was suddenly taken to heaven and rescued from the impending judgment of

the Flood (5:24). Noah walked with God and was taken safely through the judgment. Enoch modeled a godly way of life for Methuselah. Methuselah must have passed it along to his son Lamech who shared it with his son Noah. How wonderful it is when generation after generation in one family is faithful to the Lord, especially at a time in history when violence and corruption are the 'normal' way of life.

The life of faith and obedience is compared to a *walk* because this life begins with one step: trusting Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. This step of faith leads to a daily walk, a step at a time, as the Lord directs us. He commands us to *walk in love*" (Eph 5:2), *walk as children of light*" (v. 8), *walk in the Spirit*" (Gal 5:16,25), and *walk circumspectly [carefully]*" (Eph 5:15). A step at a time, a day at a time, we walk with the Lord; and He guides us into His will and blesses us with His wisdom and strength.

•NOAH WAS AN OBEDIENT MAN (Gen 6:22; 7:5,16). One of the major messages in Scripture is that we must not only hear God's Word but we must also obey it (James 1:22-25). Because Noah was obedient to the Lord, his *house* wasn't destroyed when the storm came (Matt 7:24-27). It wasn't easy for Noah and his family to obey the Lord, because the rest of the population was disobeying God and rebelling against His will. According to Enoch, they were ungodly people committing ungodly deeds in ungodly ways and speaking ungodly words against the Lord God (Jude 15).

Whether it has to do with sexual abstinence, using alcohol and drugs, or joining gangs and breaking the law, **we hear a great deal today about "peer pressure."** It's the excuse for all kinds of illegal and immoral behavior, from cheating on your business deals to cheating on your spouse. But anybody who has ever developed godly character has had to fight against peer pressure, including Noah and his family, Abraham and his family, Moses in Egypt (Heb 11:24-26), and Daniel and his friends in Babylon (Dan 1). **Resisting peer pressure means not only saying a determined 'NO' to people but also a dedicated 'YES' to the Lord** (Rom 12:1-2).

Most people know that Noah built an ark. What they may not know is that he also built a godly character and a godly family. Ω

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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



February Celebrators

- 01 - Elizabeth A. Sevilla
- 02 - Irene B. Lagsaman
- 05 - Maryann M. Gonzales
- 07 - Frank Valdez
- 08 - Christopher G. Oliva
- 09 - Shemer M. Sameon
- 09 - Silvestre B. Andaya III
- 11 - Reeve M. Callejo
- 13 - Adrian Saingan
- 14 - Clarita Cachero
- 14 - Christian Daniel R. Espinosa
- 15 - Vernie Pucay
- 16 - Charlie B. Abance
- 17 - Jasper Edwin B. Bugnay
- 18 - Carlo Jake T. Banatao
- 20 - Roger R. Wagang
- 21 - Kana K. Perdigon
- 22 - Josias B. Aquino
- 22 - Eden Mariano
- 22 - Renilo S. Lulu
- 23 - Andy E. Bestre
- 23 - Florence B. Patang
- 24 - Judith O. Sison
- 24 - Teresita W. Kitma
- 24 - Shamae A. Ramos
- 24 - Mika Grace B. Lulu
- 25 - Jonah A. Cirilo
- 26 - Elma G. Bugtong



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

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



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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