

## Servers Today, February 21, 2021

Teaching Sound Doctrine  
to the Church (Titus 2:1-10)

Speaker: Jesse Bestre  
 Song Leader: Aldian Po  
 Invocation: To Be Assigned (TBA)  
 Intercessory Prayer: TBA  
 Communion Text: Matthew 26:26-29  
 Scripture Reading: TBA  
 Prayer for the Bread: TBA  
 Prayer for the Cup: TBA  
 Prayer for the Giving: TBA  
 Closing Prayer: TBA  
 Announcement: Andy Bestre  
 Afternoon Speaker: Alton Mark D. Bayla  
 Song Leader: Aldian Po  
 To Bring Flowers: Bayating Family  
 To Bring Biscuits: Suspended  
 To Bring Drinks: Suspended  
 Usher/ettes: Volunteers

Communion: Jane & Rachel Bestre  
 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 February 28, 2021

Bringing Salvation by the  
Grace of God (Titus 2:11-15)

Speaker: Jojo Ramos  
 Song Leader: Christopher Oliva  
 Invocation: To Be Assigned (TBA)  
 Intercessory Prayer: TBA  
 Communion Text: Galatians 3:23-29  
 Scripture Reading: TBA  
 Prayer for the Bread: TBA  
 Prayer for the Cup: TBA  
 Prayer for the Giving: TBA  
 Closing Prayer: TBA  
 Announcement: Arnan Bayla  
 Afternoon Speaker: Jojo Ramos  
 Song Leader: Christopher Oliva  
 To Bring Flowers: Montes Family  
 To Bring Biscuits: Suspended  
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Brother Andy Bestre to continue  
serving even if retired at sixty-six

Brother ANDRES EMPIZO BESTRE, also known as “Brother Andy,” has recently retired legally effective January 31, 2021. The CHURCH FORUM meeting every Tuesday at the MIDTOWN ASSEMBLY HALL has granted his retirement in behalf of the congregation which he served for twenty-seven years now. He started working for the congregation as CHURCH SECRETARY in April 1994 and then as EVANGELIST since January, 1996. He was also the ACTING LIAISON OFFICER of the congregation as an official representative to government agencies such as the SEC, BIR, PHILHEALTH, PAG-IBIG, BENECO, BWD, and others. He long served as chairman of the EDIFICATION MINISTRY.

As per regulations of the DEPARTMENT OF LABOR & EMPLOYMENT (DOLE), an employee reaching the age of sixty-five shall be retired and shall receive corresponding retirement benefits. Thus, as per DOLE GUIDELINES ON RETIREMENT, brother Andy Bestre shall receive the amount of THREE HUNDRED SIXTY-SIX THOUSAND AND SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY PESOS (Php366,750.00) as RETIREMENT PAY from the MIDTOWN CHURCH OF CHRIST. Said amount will be given him in two installments—fifty percent (50%) to be given him in January, 2021 and the other fifty (50%) will be given to him in July, 2021.

However, brother Andy Bestre and the TUESDAY CHURCH FORUM agreed that he shall continue to discharge his usual function on a contractual (yearly) basis subject to renewal upon mutual agreement of both parties. This arrangement will also give enough time for a smooth transition period to take place and for him to train and turn over his duties to whoever will be employed by the MIDTOWN CHURCH OF CHRIST to take over his function.

Meanwhile, it was also agreed that he will be remunerated as usual except for the Employer's share for contributions in SSS, PHILHEALTH, AND PAG-IBIG during the period of his contractual employment with Midtown.

A copy of the MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) between the MIDTOWN CHURCH OF CHRIST and brother Andy Bestre is printed on Page 2 of this bulletin for the congregation's perusal.Ω

**“Sound doctrine does  
not enter a hard and  
disobedient heart.”**

**READ 2 Timothy 4:1-5**

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Isabela congregation meets in  
newly inaugurated facility

Last Sunday, February 14, 2021, was a momentous occasion for the brethren in Reina Mercedes, Isabela for they have celebrated their FOURTH (4TH) ANNIVERSARY as a congregation in their newly built chapel. Previously, the congregation was meeting in a rented facility until American missionaries spearheaded by brother Dale Byrum were able to raise funds to put up the chapel costing Three Million and Five Hundred Thousand Pesos (Php3.5M). Children's classrooms and a preacher's quarters will soon be built at the rear portion of the chapel.

Spouses Jojo and Janet Ramos together with brothers Julius and Henry Udan graced the occasion. Brother Jojo Ramos was the GUEST SPEAKER for the facility's INAUGURATION being used for the first time by the congregation. Brother Julius Udan served as song leader while brother Henry Udan served as prayer leader.

Brother Edmar Llana, serving as minister for the REINA MERCEDES CHURCH OF CHRIST thanked the brethren from Midtown and Nangalisan for their presence and their messages of encouragement. All glory to the Heavenly Father in the Lord Jesus Christ!

Sister Lydia Z. Tada passes away  
in her hometown at eighty-five

Sister LYDIA Z. TADA, born November 3, 1935 in Dagupan City, passed away peacefully in her residence in Dagupan City last Feb. 8, 2021 at the age of eighty-five.

She was actively serving the Lord with Midtown some years ago before she returned to her hometown. She is survived by four siblings including brother Rodrigo Z. Tada who himself actively served with Midtown before moving to the HERITAGE CHURCH OF CHRIST in Pacdal, this city. The bereaved family thanked the Midtown congregation for the sympathies, support, and prayers.Ω

LAST SUNDAY'S RECORD  
FEBRUARY 14, 2021

## ATTENDANCE

REGULAR WORSHIP ASSEMBLY	VIRTUAL SUNDAY SCHOOL
ADULTS..... 91	PRESCHOOL.....6
YPPEEZ.....16	GRADES 1-3 .....8
CHILDREN..... 0	GRADES 4-6.....2
GUEST.....2	HS & COLLEGE...6
TOTAL.....109	TOTAL.....22

## OFFERING

**AM & PM TOTAL:**  
**Php28,932.00**

## • P R A Y E R L I S T •

FOR GOOD HEALTH  
& RECOVERY  
[ASSEMBLY 1]

BRETHREN:  
 \*Gloria Yang  
 \*Bernie Austria  
 \*Josefa Josayan  
 \*Gil, Diana, Donna Geron  
 \*Ofelia Abance  
 \*Andy Bestre  
 \*Priscilla Bayasen  
 \*Rolito & Pina Tugay-an  
 \*Dave & Sharon Mcmillin  
 \*Dan & Dodoy Sameon  
 \*Dith Zamora  
 \*Tess Kitma  
 \*Jun Bondoc  
 \*Loida Baddas  
 \*Marina Mabesa  
 \*Bernard Ignacio  
 \*Jonathan Enerva  
 \*Dick Baguioen  
 \*Nainer Nawew  
 \*Mercy Bayot  
 \*Sony Abance  
 \*Jess Perdigon  
 \*Nida Gabriel  
 \*Thaddeus Baggao

\*Carlos & Rufina Murayao  
 \*Khen & Espie Villanueva  
 \*Bernabe Ignacio  
 \*Rosita Go  
 \*Noel Espinosa

## [ASSEMBLY 2]

REQUESTED BY BRETHREN:  
 \*Ian Pajantoy  
 \*Arian Kaith Igoy  
 \*Robinson Palaypayon  
 \*Carmen Villanueva  
 \*Menchie Mojica  
 \*Magdalena A. Gavino  
 \*Marjorie C. Credo  
 \*Ricardo Malapit  
 \*Teresita De Leon  
 \*Zion Delizo  
 \*Philip Badua  
 \*Roberto Acosta  
 \*Jennilyn Villanueva  
 \*Ron Paul Gavino  
 \*Elsie Ladiao  
 \*Rudy Diaz  
 \*Imelda Bueno  
 \*France Mendoza  
 \*Mary Elaine Dolteo

\*Noel Madarcos  
 \*Rombanrick Iban Yan  
 [ASSEMBLY 3]  
 SPIRITUAL GUIDANCE

\*Mark Ernest Wagang  
 \*Alan Patrick Akia  
 \*Local, National, World  
 Leaders & Government  
 \*On-going Seekers'  
 Bible Study

## SAFETY

Medical Frontliners:  
 \*Shinar Sameon—Ciencia  
 \*Aurma Sacayanan  
 \*Che Astadan  
 \*Lorigrace Austria  
 \*Rossana Andaya  
 \*Donnel Gonzales

## OTHER CONCERNS

\*Denise Wagang (Pregnancy)

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

- TUESDAY CHURCH FORUM— FEBRUARY 23, 2021 | 12:00—2:30 PM.
- LADIES CARE GROUP—MIDTOWN | MARCH 20, 2021 @ 11AM—1PM | SIGN UP ON OR BEFORE MARCH 7.
- YOUNG PEOPLES VIRTUAL MEETINGS/ CARE GROUP—EVERY TUES & THURS @ 5-6 PM
- YOUNG ADULTS VIRTUAL MEETING — EVERY SUNDAY @ 4:30 PM C/O BRO. JESSE BESTRE
- VIRTUAL SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE— PLEASE COORDINATE WITH TEACHERS.
  - PRESCHOOL CLASS @ 3:30—4:30 PM .....C/O KESHA OLIVA—09955633844
  - GRADES 1-3 CLASS @ 3:30—4:30 AM.....C/O MAUREEN SORIANO—09756895950
  - GRADES 4-6 CLASS @ 3:30—4:30 AM.....C/O KANA PERDIGON—09158639845
  - H.S. & COLLEGE CLASS @ 3:30—4:30 PM .....C/O JASPER PERDIGON—09158639845



## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

The MIDTOWN CHURCH OF CHRIST with office address at Top Floor, Marlett's Building, Km. 4 Marcos Highway, Baguio City, herein represented by the President of the Board of Trustees, BRO. ERNESTO B. WAGANG, called the FIRST PARTY;

-and-

BRO. ANDRES E. BESTRE, of legal age, married, Filipino Citizen, with residence at No. 290 Purok VI, Upper Quezon Hill, Baguio City, called the SECOND PARTY.

### WITNESSETH:

That the FIRST PARTY has granted the retirement of the SECOND PARTY effective January 31, 2021 so he could avail of his retirement benefits pursuant to the Labor Code. However, he shall continue to discharge his function as an Evangelist and other work assignments to the FIRST PARTY but on a contractual basis until the FIRST PARTY hires a replacement for the good of the service.

That this contract is good for one (1) year subject to renewal upon mutual agreement of both parties.

That the FIRST PARTY shall continue to remunerate the SECOND PARTY of his salaries and other benefits except for Employer's share for contributions in SSS, PHILHEALTH, and PAG-IBIG during the period of this contract.

That this contract is being executed for the mutual benefit of both parties.

Done this 16<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2021, at Baguio City, Philippines.

  
ERNESTO B. WAGANG  
FIRST PARTY


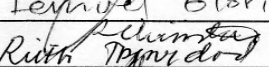
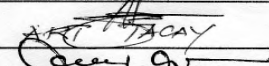
  
ANDRES E. BESTRE  
SECOND PARTY

### WITNESSES:

#### MEMBERS OF THE TUESDAY CHURCH FORUM

  
JULIO B. DIAZ  
  
CHAN B. DIAZ  
  
SERAFIN M. SAMADON  
  
JESSE BESTRE  
  
CHARLIE ABANCE

  
GABRIEL P. EADO JR.  
  
GREGORY A. KITMA  
  
ELDON P. PICHAY  
  
SALVADOR B. SAMADON

  
REYNOLD GLORI  
  
RUTH P. PICHAY  
  
ARSAN A. BAYLA

## HEALTH & SAFETY PROTOCOLS DURING THE GCQ & NEW NORMAL

For the safety of everyone, the congregation is urged to cooperate and strictly follow the following HEALTH & SAFETY PROTOCOLS during the QUARANTINE and the NEW NORMAL.

1. Wear facemasks & face shields properly at all times. The only time to remove them briefly is when partaking of the Lord's Supper. After which, facemasks and face shields must be worn again all throughout.
2. Every person must submit for body THERMAL SCANNING. Anyone with a body temperature higher than 37.5 will not be admitted and be sent home.
3. Persons with coughs and colds and with underlying ILL-HEALTH CONDITIONS are advised to stay home to stay safe.
4. Every person must have his or her hands sprayed with Sanitizing Alcohol before entry.
5. Observe physical distancing. Be at a safe distance from one another at least one (1) meter radius apart.
6. No handshakes, hugs, kisses, fist bumps, or any physical contact. Greet one another verbally, bowing to each other, or waving hands to each other.
7. Observe safe foot traffic at the stairways. GIVE WAY TO EXITING PERSONS. No counter flow.
8. Every person must step on the SANITIZING FOOTBATH MAT before entry.
9. Every person must bring his or her own BALLPEN to fill in the LOGBOOK before entry.
10. The sink at the kitchen shall serve as HANDWASHING STATION. Feel free to wash hands.
11. In the observance of the LORD'S SUPPER, pick up the CUP AND UNLEAVENED BREAD without touching other cups and other pieces of bread. Both Cup & Bread trays will be held by the server and not to be handed from one person to another. Used cups must not be returned into the tray but must be placed into a separate receptacle held by the server.
12. The COLLECTION BAG shall be held by the server and not to be handed from one person to another.
13. Please use the Restrooms neatly and responsibly.
14. The SUNDAY SCHOOL remains suspended until further notice from the government authorities. This is to reduce exposure of the vulnerable age under 21.
15. Worshipers are advised to leave the Assembly Hall after an assembly to give way to the next one.
16. The premises, chairs, handrails, microphones, and restrooms to be disinfected every after each WORSHIP ASSEMBLY.Ω

## EVANGELISTIC LESSON SERIES [VIRTUAL OR FACE-TO-FACE]

### A. INTRODUCTORY LESSONS (5)

- LESSON NO. 1 – The Importance of the Word of God
- LESSON NO. 2 – Introduction to the Bible
- LESSON NO. 3 – How We Got the Bible
- LESSON NO. 4 – Overview of Bible History
- LESSON NO. 5 – Christ's New Testament Replaces the Old Testament

### B. SEEKER'S LESSONS (6)

- LESSON NO. 1 – The Scheme of Redemption:  
A. God's Plan for Man
- LESSON NO. 2 – The Scheme of Redemption:  
B. The Fall of Man
- LESSON NO. 3 – The Scheme of Redemption:  
C. Jesus the Savior
- LESSON NO. 4 – The Scheme of Redemption:  
D. The Steps of Salvation
- LESSON NO. 5 – The Scheme of Redemption:  
E. The Cost of Discipleship
- LESSON NO. 6 – The Scheme of Redemption:  
F. Where Will Your Life End?

### C. NEW LIFE LESSONS (12)

- LESSON NO. 1 – Assurance of Salvation
- LESSON NO. 2 – Obedient Living
- LESSON NO. 3 – Dealing With Temptations
- LESSON NO. 4 – Developing a Devotional Life
- LESSON NO. 5 – Developing a Prayerful Life
- LESSON NO. 6 – Discerning God's Guidance
- LESSON NO. 7 – My Church Involvement  
& Spiritual Gifts
- LESSON NO. 7 – Supplement:  
Becoming Christians Only  
Biblical Church Organization
- LESSON NO. 8 – Partaking of the Lord's Supper
- LESSON NO. 9 – Living Abundantly & My Giving
- LESSON NO. 10 – Becoming an Effective Soul-winner
- LESSON NO. 11 – Victorious Christian Living
- LESSON NO. 12 – Everyday Righteousness &  
Commitment to Moral Excellence

To enrol in any of the lessons, feel free to contact :

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### SUNDAY AM WORSHIP ASSEMBLY



ASSEMBLY 1 - 9:00 - 10:15

ASSEMBLY 2 - 10:30 - 11:45

### MIDWEEK DEVOTIONALS

SUSPENDED



### SUNDAY PM WORSHIP

ASSEMBLY 3:  
12:45 - 2:00



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