

Servers Today, 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: Andy Bestre

Afternoon Speaker: Jojo Ramos

Song Leader: Mervin Oliva

To Bring Flowers: Montes 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 March 7, 2021

Becoming Heirs of Grace (Titus 3:1-7)

Speaker: Dodoy Sameon

Song Leader: Andy Bestre

Invocation: To Be Assigned (TBA)

Intercessory Prayer: TBA

Communion Text: Hebrews 9:11-15

Scripture Reading: TBA

Prayer for the Bread: TBA

Prayer for the Cup: TBA

Prayer for the Giving: TBA

Closing Prayer: TBA

Announcement: Andy Bestre

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Ten precious souls from Nangalisan baptized into Christ

Ten (10) precious souls, namely, Evelyn P. Monses, 27 y/o; Perlito S. Binay-an, 51 y/o; Rogene R. Monses, 28 y/o; Sonia L. Galdayen, 36 y/o; Bernadeth S. Ambi, 48 y/o; Arcely L. Sapul, 31 y/o; Nora B. Valdez, 61 y/o; Odelon S. Binay-an, 53 y/o; Gernalyn B. Valdez, 20 y/o; and Joy D. Pakurao, 40 y/o, were baptized into Christ for the remission of sins by brother Julius Udan at the Tapuakan River, Pugo, La Union last Thursday morning, February 25.

The newly baptized brethren, formerly in a denominational group, came to learn of the pure gospel of salvation after having consistently attended the HOME WORSHIP ASSEMBLIES being conducted by brother Julius Udan and other members of the Nangalisan congregation in Sitio Lasilas, Nangalisan, Tuba during the ENHANCED COMMUNITY QUARANTINE (ECQ) since March, 2020. HOME BIBLE STUDIES ensued in Lasilas every Thursday to accommodate the truth seekers until they have decided to turn away from denominational errors and to receive the pure gospel of salvation of Jesus Christ as written in the Scriptures.

Midtown congratulates, welcomes, and rejoice with the newest brethren in Nangalisan and prays for their continued spiritual growth. All praises and glory to the Heavenly Father in the Lord Jesus.Ω

Brethren encouraged to do personal evangelism

The EVANGELISM MINISTRY reminds the brethren to continue doing PERSONAL EVANGELISTIC WORK even in the midst of the restrictions faced during the pandemic. In fact, the pandemic has well brought opportunities for preaching the pure gospel of salvation and of making disciples.

In line with this, volunteer brethren embarking into this worthy endeavor are reminded to feel free in requesting for assistance especially for transportation expenses and for other expenses incidental to the evangelistic activity. This also holds true for visitation and benevolence. Just coordinate with the TUESDAY CHURCH FORUM regarding requests for assistance, reimbursement, and for reporting.Ω

“God's grace is immeasurable,
His mercy is inexhaustible,
and His peace is inexpressible.”

READ Ephesians 3:14-20

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Age-based restrictions lifted; now allowed in the assembly

In the lifting of the age-based restrictions which was in effect the whole month of February in the city of Baguio, all persons may now be allowed in the Sunday Worship Assemblies. This holds true to gatherings done in the Assembly Hall such as Care Group Meetings and Fellowships provided Health & Safety Protocols are in place and strict compliance thereto is observed.

Also, the IATF (Inter-Agency Task Force) has approved relaxing or easing restrictions for religious gatherings in areas under General Community Quarantine starting February 15th. This means that Midtown may now accommodate fifty percent (50%) of the capacity of its ASSEMBLY HALL for worship assemblies. However, the arrangement of chairs following the one-meter radius requirement for social distancing can only allow around sixty-five (65) seats at Midtown's Assembly Hall. This does not allow much difference from previous seating capacity. Thus, the usual three (3) schedules of Worship Assemblies at Midtown will continue to be implemented.Ω

Sister Helen Jadormio sends warmest regards

Sister Helen Jadormio, long time active member of the Midtown congregation recently sent a message through sister Sarah Sameon's Messenger. In her message, she articulated her longings for the fellowship with the Midtown brethren whom she has not met for a long time due to her transfer of residence from Camp 6, Tuba, to Angeles, Pampanga. She now lives with one of her children residing in Pampanga.

Meanwhile, some brethren are planning to visit a number of brethren residing in Camp 6, Tuba who have been hindered in joining Midtown's worship assemblies due to restrictions related to the pandemic.Ω

LAST SUNDAY'S RECORD
FEBRUARY 21, 2021

ATTENDANCE

REGULAR WORSHIP ASSEMBLY

ADULTS.....117

YP EEZ.....17

CHILDREN.....0

GUEST.....3

TOTAL.....137

VIRTUAL SUNDAY SCHOOL

PRESCHOOL.....6

GRADES 1-310

GRADES 4-6.....0

HS & COLLEGE...0

TOTAL.....16

OFFERING

AM & PM TOTAL:
Php52,650.00

• 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

[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)

*Darylle Walang (Pregnancy)

• A N N O U N C E M E N T S •

TUESDAY CHURCH FORUM— MARCH 2, 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 PMC/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 PMC/O JASPER PERDIGON—09158639845

Teaching sound doctrine to the church

Titus 2:1-10

Alton Mark D. Bayla | Midtown Church of Christ | Feb. 21, 2021

I. What the Men Ought to be Taught

Titus 2: 2, 5-7

- BECOME EXAMPLES OF PERSONAL BLAMELESSNESS
 - Worthy of Respect
 - Temperate
 - Self - Controlled
- BE SOUND IN FAITH, LOVE, AND ENDURANCE
 - Own your faith and do not follow blindly.
 - Understand that faith is but a part of the entirety of the essence of being a Christian.
 - Understand and manifest unconditional love to one another, the way our Father loved us.
 - Understand that we endure as inspired by hope in Christ Jesus.

II. What the Women Ought to be Taught

Titus 2: 3-4

- QUALIFY YOURSELF FOR A NOBLE TASK
 - Become Examples of Personal blamelessness.
 - Be REVERENT in the way you live. This means having a wholesome dread of ever displeasing the Lord.
 - Become Examples of Reputable Family Life
 - Promote Marital Faithfulness
 - Promote Parental Responsibility
- PROMOTE THE APPROPRIATENESS OF QUALIFIED OLDER WOMEN TEACHING THE YOUNGER WOMEN
 - If the older women qualify themselves, then they can urge the younger women.

III. What the Slaves Ought to be Taught

Titus 2: 9-10

- WORK FOR GOD, AND NOT FOR MAN
 - Respect the position of our "masters".
 - Let God be honored and glorified in everything we do and in in any situation.
 - A slave when called to faith in the Lord is the Lord's freed person.
 - One who was free when called is Christ's slave. 1Cor 7:21-24
- MAKE DO WITH OUR CURRENT SITUATION
 - Trust in the power of the Gospel.
 - Lean not on our own understanding.
 - Each person, as responsible to God, should remain in the situation they were in when God called them. 1Cor 7:21-24

IV. A Call to Action

Titus 2:1

- RESPECT THE SILENCE OF THE SCRIPTURES
 - Remain silent when the Scriptures is silent.
 - Avoid imposing our "own understanding" as "sound doctrine" on others.
 - Be on the safe and sound side of the Scriptures.
- RESPECT WHAT IS WRITTEN
 - Uphold what is written. We only know God's mind to the extent He's revealed it in His word.
 - Steer clear from going beyond what is written.
 - Lean not on our own understanding.
- WE TEACH THROUGH ACTION AS WELL AS SPEECH
 - We are held to a higher standard.
 - We are the Salt and Light of the world.

Challenges

- We must learn and understand the entirety of the Word and the essence of being a Christian with eagerness, and stay true to it.
- We must respect God's design of things.
- We must present ourselves as something different from the world, letting ourselves become instruments of God's work.
- We must preach the Word in its purest form, letting it do its work and power.
- We must adorn the word of God by being in the likeness of Christ, teaching and doing what is appropriate to sound doctrine.

Application

Let us learn and understand the entirety of the Word and the essence of being a Christian with eagerness, and stay true to it.

- Avoid labeling parts of the Word as "non-essential" because every part of the Word is essential in its own right.
- Take the challenge of receiving the Word with great eagerness and fact check it.

Application

Let us greatly respect God's design of all things, and stay true to it.

- Understand that we are given instructions on how to qualify ourselves for certain tasks.
- Understand that things are done best when adhering to what is appropriate and according to God's Word.

Application

Let us present ourselves as different from the world by being instruments of God's Work, and stay true to it.

- Take the challenge of being one reason a person follows Jesus.
- Take the challenge of being one reason a person remains strong in the faith.
- Avoid being one reason a person stumbles or loses focus on faith.

Application

Let us preach the Word in its purest form, letting it do its work, and stay true to it.

- Understand that the teachings of God is in itself attractive. Avoid using "clever speech" and "sweeping statements" which makes the preaching of the word unsound.
- Let us not try to explain the Scriptures using worldly philosophies.
- Let us encourage others to examine the Scriptures to know the truth for themselves.

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.

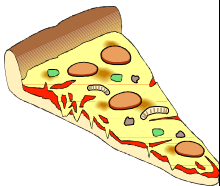
1. Wear facemasks & face shields properly at all times. The only time to remove them briefly is when partaking of the Lord's Supper. After which, facemasks and face shields must be worn again all throughout.
2. Every person must submit for body THERMAL SCANNING. Anyone with a body temperature higher 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 waiving 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. Worshippers 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

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



March Celebrators

- 02 - Marilou Pelle
- 03 - Minerva Lawagey
- 03 - Vicky Batnag
- 03 - Kyla Sue Tacay
- 04 - Jade Eunice Bugnay
- 05 - Carina Mabesa
- 09 - Donnel Gonzales
- 10 - Letty Bayating
- 10 - Rachel Bestre
- 12 - Greg Kitma
- 12 - Kajem Kitma
- 12 - Kaelin R. Palaypayon
- 12 - Graciela Badua-Ciencia
- 12 - Euancyde Aguinaldo
- 13 - Desiree Baddas
- 13 - Phroillander Abance
- 14 - Randolph Tugay-an
- 15 - Ira North Po
- 15 - Cristian Paul Austria
- 17 - Alicia E. Lalas
- 17 - Zyneth Lagsaman
- 17 - Paterson Kitma
- 20 - Justin Baban, Jr.
- 21 - Cecilia Alvarez
- 21 - Demi Rose Tacay
- 23 - Joseph Roncal
- 24 - Maryann Valdez
- 25 - Amber Phoeleen Po
- 26 - Micah Abance
- 26 - Sylvia Baggao
- 27 - Donna-Gee Geron
- 27 - Annika Rimando
- 28 - Karizza Mae Bayla
- 28 - Melissa Licupa
- 30 - Mona Gave
- 30 - Marlene Samonte
- 31 - Marivic C. Durano



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

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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