

Servers Today, March 14, 2021

**Avoiding Dissension
(Titus 3:8-11)**

Speaker: *Andy Bestre*
 Song Leader: *Arnan Bayla*
 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: *Andy Bestre*
 Song Leader: *Arnan Bayla*
 To Bring Flowers: *Montes Family*
 To Bring Biscuits: *Suspended*
 To Bring Drinks: *Suspended*
 Usher/ettes: *Volunteers*

Communion: *Me-an Gonzales*
 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 21, 2021

**Maintaining Good Works
(Titus 3:12-15)**

Speaker: *O'neil Gonzales*
 Song Leader: *Jojo Ramos*
 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*
 Afternoon Speaker: *O'neil Gonzales*
 Song Leader: *Jojo Ramos*
 To Bring Flowers: *Alice Lalas*
 To Bring Biscuits: *Suspended*
 To Bring Drinks: *Suspended*
 Usher/ettes: *Volunteers*

Communion: *Me-an Gonzales*
 Worship Coordinator: *Lem Glori | Art Tacay*



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**Ramoses serve as speakers
in 'True Love Waits'**

Spouses Jojo and Janet Ramos were the invited resource speakers for a one-day YOUTH FELLOWSHIP held at the ADMIRAL'S FARM PARK, Lamtang, La Trinidad, Benguet last March 6, 2021. The youth fellowship was hosted by the LA TRINIDAD CHURCH OF CHRIST with special cooperation of the congregation in Tocmo, Loacan, Itogon, Benguet.

More than fifty (50) young people from La Trinidad and Tocmo congregations gathered for a seminar on "TRUE LOVE WAITS (TLW)," patterned from an international Christian movement that promotes sexual abstinence outside of marriage for teenagers and college students. TLW is based on conservative or Biblical Christian views of human sexuality, fidelity, and chastity that require one to reserve sexual involvement for Biblical marriage and to be faithful to one's husband or wife (Heb. 13:4).

Brother Jojo Ramos also spoke about the gospel of salvation in Christ Jesus that led a number of young people make decisions to become disciples of Jesus Christ. Sister Janet Ramos facilitated some games to reinforce the challenging lectures.Ω

**Midtown officiates ground
breaking ceremony**

At the invitation of spouses Felix & Luz Olidan, brother Arnan A. Bayla served as the officiating minister for a simple groundbreaking ceremony for the construction of a house for the Olidan family at Purok 9, Bakakeng Norte, this city, last Monday, March 8, 2021 at 10:30 in the morning. Brother Lemuel L. Glori, serving as project overseer, together with his wife, Vangie, facilitated the event. Sisters Ruth Trinidad, Nelly Bayla, Kenzo Glori, and three (3) construction workers joined the brief DEVOTIONAL SERVICE & GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY at the construction site.

The Olidans expressed their jubilations and appreciation from Hong Kong through video call on MESSENGER. They solicit the brethren's prayers for the completion of the project.Ω

**"GRACE is getting what
we don't deserve and
MERCY is not getting
what we deserve."**

READ Luke 15:11-31

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**Participants in youth seminar
baptized in Riverview**

Three (3) young people from the La Trinidad congregation who actively participated in the recent YOUTH FELLOWSHIP held at the ADMIRAL'S FARM PARK in Pinalyok, Lamtang, Puguís, La Trinidad, Benguet, were baptized into Christ at RIVERVIEW WATER PARK, Nangalisan, Tuba, Benguet last Friday, March 12, 2021.

The newly baptized young disciples, namely, Alvin Abellon Andrada, Rod Vincent Acosta, and Jē Richojo Tanaza Basilio, all children of active members of the LA TRINIDAD CHURCH OF CHRIST (LTCOC) were baptized for the remission of sins by the preachers / ministers of LTCOC, brothers Jonah Nieves and Sam Pan-oy.

Thirty-three (33) brethren including family members and the Ramoses witnessed the baptism. Devotionals, meet and greet, fun and games, and fellowship meals ensued thereafter. To God be the glory!Ω

**Ladies Care Group
resumes this weekend**

Midtown's LADIES CARE GROUP or the MONTHLY LADIES LUNCHEON FELLOWSHIP & DEVOTIONAL resumes at the MIDTOWN ASSEMBLY HALL this Saturday, March 20, 2021 at 11 o'clock in the morning until 2 o'clock in the afternoon. The last ladies' care group meeting before the pandemic was on a Sunday, March 15, 2020. The ladies fellowship this year necessitates to be held on a Saturday since there isn't enough time on Sundays due to the current multiple worship assemblies. Twenty-six (26) ladies have signed up for the event. Sister Gracelynn Abance will be serving as facilitator of the devotionals.

Ladies attending are expected to strictly follow all health and safety protocols all throughout the duration of the activity. For details, please contact sister Ruth Trinidad.Ω

**LAST SUNDAY'S RECORD
MARCH 7, 2021**

ATTENDANCE

REGULAR WORSHIP ASSEMBLY	VIRTUAL SUNDAY SCHOOL
ADULTS.....105	PRESCHOOL.....5
YPEEZ.....16	GRADES 1-38
CHILDREN.....4	GRADES 4-6.....3
GUEST.....1	HS & COLLEGE....0
TOTAL.....126	TOTAL.....19

OFFERING

**AM & PM TOTAL:
PhP35,699.00**

• 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
- *Khen & Espie Villanueva
- *Bernabe Ignacio
- *Rosita Go
- *Noel Espinosa
- *Virgie Sanchi
- *Clarita Udan

[ASSEMBLY 2]

REQUESTED BY BRETHREN:

- *Ian Pajantov
- *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
- *Mary Elaine Dolteo
- *Noel Madarcos

[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 16, 2021 | 12:00—2:30 PM.
- **LADIES CARE GROUP**—MIDTOWN | SATURDAY | MARCH 20, 2021 @ 11AM—1PM
- **YOUNG PEOPLE'S VIRTUAL MEETINGS/ CARE GROUP**—EVERY TUES & THURS @ 5-6 PM
- **YOUNG ADULTS VIRTUAL MEETING** — EVERY SUNDAY @ 4:30 PM C/O BRO. JESSE BESTRE
- **DAILY RS (READING, REFLECTION, AND RESPONSE)** — ON FACEBOOK LIVE EVERYDAY @ 9:00 PM
- **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 AMC/O MAUREEN SORIANO—09756895950
 - GRADES 4-6 CLASS @ 3:30—4:30 AMC/O KANA PERDIGON—09158639845
 - H.S. & COLLEGE CLASS @ 3:30—4:30 PMC/O JASPER PERDIGON—09158639845

WHAT GRACE DOES TO CHRISTIANS

For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men. 12 It teaches us to say "No" to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age, 13 while we wait for the blessed hope — the glorious appearing of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ, 14 who gave himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for himself a people that are his very own, eager to do what is good.

15 These, then, are the things you should teach. Encourage and rebuke with all authority. Do not let anyone despise you. Titus 2:11-15 NIV

GRACE REDEEMS US (vv. 11, 14 a) People could not save themselves. God's grace had to bring salvation to lost mankind. This salvation was not discovered by sinners; it appeared to them via the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. God in His grace sent His Son to redeem those in the bondage of sin. This salvation is for "all men" who receive it (see 1 Tim 2:4-6). There is a universal need, and God provided a universal remedy for all who will believe.

Paul explained this salvation further (Titus 2:14). Christ "gave Himself for us," which means that He became our substitute. "Who His own self bare our sins in His own body on the tree" (1 Peter 2:24). The word redeem means "to set free by paying a price." We were all slaves of sin (Titus 3:3) and could not set ourselves free; but Jesus Christ gave Himself as the ransom for our sins. By His death, He met the just demands of God's holy law, so that God in His grace could forgive and free those who believe in Christ.

Slaves best know the meaning of the word "redeem"

We have been redeemed from all iniquity, which means that sin should no longer master our lives. (Remember that the context of this passage is Paul's counsel to slaves. They knew the meaning of "redeem.") "Iniquity" means "lawlessness." In our unsaved condition, we were rebels against God's law, but now all of that has been changed. This led Paul to the second ministry of the grace of God which is to reform us.

GRACE REFORMS US (vv. 12, 14 b). Salvation is not only a change in position (set free from the slavery of sin), but it is also a change in attitude, appetite, ambition, and action. The same grace that redeems us also reforms our lives and makes us godly. "Teaching" has the idea of "disciplining." We are disciplined by God's grace, trained to be the kind of people that glorify Him.

Godly living involves both the negative and the positive. We deny "ungodliness [whatever is unlike God] and worldly lusts" (see 1 John 2:15-17). The verb means that we do it once and for all. It is a settled matter. Then, we work on the positive. "Sober" is our familiar word for "self-control, prudence, restraint" (see Titus 2:2). This emphasizes the believer's relationship to himself, while "righteously" deals with his relationships with other people. "Godly" speaks of the Christian's relationship to the Lord, though the qualities must not be separated.

Christians live "in this present age" (NIV), but they do not live like it or for it. Christ has redeemed us from this evil age (Gal 1:4), and we must not be conformed to it (Rom 12:1-2). Neither should we walk according to its standards (Eph 2:2). We have tasted the powers of "the coming age" (Heb 6:5, NIV), and we should not desire to cultivate the present age with its shallowness and godlessness.

GRACE REWARDS US (v. 13). We are looking for Jesus Christ to return; this is our only hope and glory. This verse boldly affirms that Jesus Christ is God, for there is only one article in the Greek: "the great God and our Saviour," Paul did not go into detail about the events surrounding the return of Christ. Believers should always be expecting His return and live like those who will see Him face-to-face.

It is very well important for Christians to know these things about grace in the midst of false teachers that twist or corrupt the gracious gospel of salvation. As the Apostle Paul said... "These, then, are the things you should teach. Encourage and rebuke with all authority. Do not let anyone despise you." Titus 2:15 Ω

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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

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 :
 Arnan Bayla @ 0918-698-6470
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SUNDAY AM WORSHIP ASSEMBLY	
	ASSEMBLY 1 - 9:00 - 10:15
MIDWEEK DEVOTIONALS	ASSEMBLY 2 - 10:30 - 11:45
SUSPENDED	SUNDAY PM WORSHIP
	ASSEMBLY 3: 12:45 - 2:00

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