

Servers Today, March 21, 2021

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

Speaker: *O'neil Gonzales*
 Song Leader: *Andy Bestre*
 Invocation: *To Be Assigned (TBA)*
 Intercessory Prayer: *TBA*
 Communion Text: *Romans 6:1-7*
 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: *Andy Bestre*
 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*

**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 28, 2021

**Developing Effectiveness in Sharing
our Faith (Philemon 1:1-16)**

Speaker: *Jojo Ramos*
 Song Leader: *Jun Reyes*
 Invocation: *To Be Assigned (TBA)*
 Intercessory Prayer: *TBA*
 Communion Text: *Romans 8:1-5*
 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: *June Reyes*
 To Bring Flowers: *Amber Phoelen Po*
 To Bring Biscuits: *Suspended*
 To Bring Drinks: *Suspended*
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**MOM team now serving
in Reina Mercedes, Isabela**

Representing Midtown's MISSION OUTREACH MINISTRY (MOM), spouses Jojo & Janet Ramos together with brothers Jesse Reuben Bestre and Julius Udan, are now serving with the congregation in Reina Mercedes, Isabela.

The team left early morning of Saturday, March 20, 2021 bound for Isabela to serve with the brethren in Reina Mercedes in an "EQUIPPING THE SAINTS" ministry. A fairly young congregation having celebrated their fourth anniversary recently, their church minister, brother Edmar Llanaza, has requested the Ramoses and the Mission Outreach Ministry for help in strengthening the brethren.

Brother Julius Udan, minister of the NANGALISAN CHURCH OF CHRIST, and brother Jesse Bestre, MIDTOWN'S YOUTH MINISTER, are serving as facilitators for a YOUTH LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP while sister Janet Ramos is serving as facilitator for a discussion on the QUALITIES OF ESTHER in a LADIES WORKSHOP on "WOMEN'S ROLES IN THE CHURCH." Brother Jojo Ramos is in charge of a symposium on "SPIRITUAL MATURITY."

The team solicits prayers for a safe trip and return to the city of Baguio on Monday, March 22.Ω

**Midtown receives 20 Bibles
from Belton, Texas, USA**

Twenty (20) brand new Bibles (NEW INTERNATIONAL VERSION—LARGER PRINT EDITION) were received recently by Midtown from the FAMILY LIFE CENTER (FLC) directed by brother Jojo Ramos. Said Bibles came from brother Jojo's partner-in-missions congregation, the BELTON CHURCH OF CHRIST, Belton, Texas, USA.

Said Bibles will primarily be given away as gifts to newly baptized disciples as well as for use in EVANGELISTIC BIBLE STUDIES.

Midtown expresses appreciation to brother Jojo Ramos for sharing the Bibles to Midtown as well as thanks to the BELTON CHURCH OF CHRIST for the donations. All glory and praise to the Heavenly Father in Christ Jesus our Lord!Ω

**"The best preparation for
doing good works tomorrow
is to do good works today."**

READ Ephesians 2:10

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**Twenty-one ladies attend
Saturday luncheon fellowship**

Twenty-one (21) ladies participated in Midtown's LADIES CARE GROUP or the MONTHLY LADIES LUNCHEON FELLOWSHIP & DEVOTIONAL at the MIDTOWN ASSEMBLY HALL last Saturday, March 20, 2021 at 11 o'clock in the morning until 2 PM.

Those who were able to attend include sisters Ruth Trinidad, Norma Aping, Beth Sevilla, Alice Lalas, Angie Linggon, Loida Baddas, Jovy Mabesa, Kesha Oliva, Carina Lacaba, Lorenza Losnong, Cot Espinosa, Cel Ramos, Josie Baban, Sarah Sameon, Nelly Bayla, Me-an Gonzales, Eleanor Garoy, Melina Igo, Meridith Jojedo, Lou Villanueva, and Jane Bestre. Sister Kesha Oliva served as facilitator while sister Jane Bestre served as songleader. Sister Gracelynn Abance was the speaker for the devotionals in which she discussed "DISCOVERING AND USING YOUR SPIRITUAL GIFTS."

The ladies were truly thankful for the opportunity for fellowship and are looking forward to the next one.Ω

**Youth minister serves as
speaker in SIBI chapel time**

Midtown's youth minister, brother Jesse Reuben Bestre, served as the VIRTUAL DEVOTIONAL SPEAKER during the REGULAR CHAPEL TIME for the faculty, staff, and students of the SUNSET INTERNATIONAL BIBLE INSTITUTE (SIBI) in Pasir Panjang, Singapore last Monday, March 15, 2021 at 9 o'clock in the morning.

Brother Jesse Bestre encouraged the participants to continue "RUNNING THE CHRISTIAN RACE" based on Hebrews 12. SIBI students from Midtown, Ezra Valdez, Janriel Abance, and Angela Ramos, were elated to have brother Jesse serve as speaker.

Next year, Lord willing, brother Jesse is slated to handle a two-week FACE-TO-FACE course on the MINOR PROPHETS in SIBI.Ω

**LAST SUNDAY'S RECORD
MARCH 14, 2021**

ATTENDANCE

REGULAR WORSHIP ASSEMBLY	VIRTUAL SUNDAY SCHOOL
ADULTS.....106	PRESCHOOL.....5
YPEEZ.....24	GRADES 1-37
CHILDREN.....14	GRADES 4-6.....3
GUEST.....1	HS & COLLEGE...0
TOTAL.....145	TOTAL.....15

OFFERING

**AM & PM TOTAL:
PhP42,634.00**

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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
 - *Noel Espinosa
 - *Maricel Aguinaldo
 - *Alec Likigan
- [ASSEMBLY 2]**
REQUESTED BY BRETHREN:
- *Ian Pajantoy
 - *Arian Kaiih Igo
 - *Robinson Palaypayon
 - *Carmen Villanueva
 - *Menchie Mojica
 - *Magdalena A. Gavino
 - *Marjorie C. Credo
 - *Ricardo Malapit
 - *Teresita De Leon
 - *Zion Delizo
 - *Philip Badua
 - *Roberto Acosta
 - *Jemilyn Villanueva
 - *Ron Paul Gavino
 - *Mary Elaine Dolteo
 - *Noel Madarcos
 - *Danielle Tan & family

[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)
- *Ron Paul Gavino
- *Mary Elaine Dolteo
- *Noel Madarcos
- *Danielle Tan & family

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

- **TUESDAY CHURCH FORUM**— MARCH 23, 2021 | 12:00—2:30 PM.
- **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
- **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 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

DAILY CHRISTIAN LIVING

Make of It What You Will

Ancil Jenkins

There are some events that have revolutionized our world. None made greater impact than the printing of the first book with moveable type. *Johann Gutenberg*, about 1450, brought forth the first printed book — the Bible. For the first time God’s Word was available in large quantities at fairly reasonable prices. The availability of the Bible was a factor in the Protestant Reformation, and the results are still felt today.

Few probably know that Gutenberg produced another first. On the same press that produced the first Bible he printed the first deck of playing cards. Although not evil within themselves, playing cards have brought heartache, poverty, and pain to many.

This is a dramatic illustration of the principle that we can make whatever we wish of most things. God has given us nothing for our harm. Instead, we have taken His gifts and used them selfishly. This perversion usually results in hurt for man. God gave us wheat which we grind into flour and make bread. One can take the same wheat and ferment it, distill and age it, and make whiskey. We can make of God’s blessings what we will.

There are few situations in life in which we can totally blame another for our suffering. Adam began blaming Eve for his sin, and passing the blame continues today. Perhaps we need to learn from Pogo, the comic strip character, who summarized our faults by saying, “We have met the enemy and it is us.”

Instead of blaming others, why not examine God’s gifts and determine to use them as fully as possible for Him? In urging us to use our gifts, Peter wrote, “If anyone speaks, he should do it as one speaking the very words of God. If anyone serves, he should do it with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. To him be the glory and the power for ever and ever. Amen” (1 Peter 4:11). We may use God’s gifts as we will, but in so doing, we are building our life and building for eternity. All of us are builders — but what are we building? †

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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 :

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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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