

Servers Today, January 23, 2022

The New Covenant Ministry (Hebrews 9:15-28)

Speaker: Ezra Valdez

Song Leader: Chris Oliva

Invocation: To Be Assigned (TBA)

Intercessory Prayer: TBA

Communion Text: Romans 8:1-4

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: Ezra Valdez

Song Leader: Chris Oliva

To Bring Flowers: Clarita G. Cachero

To Bring Biscuits: Suspended

To Bring Drinks: Suspended

Usher/ettes: Volunteers

Communion: Charis Grace Bayla

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 January 30, 2022

Jesus' Sacrifice Once For All (Hebrews 10:1-18)

Speaker: Jojo Ramos

Song Leader: Mervin Oliva

Invocation: To Be Assigned (TBA)

Intercessory Prayer: TBA

Communion Text: Galatians 3:26-29

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: Mervin Oliva

To Bring Flowers: Montes Family

To Bring Biscuits: Suspended

To Bring Drinks: Suspended

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PM Bible Study:

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INFORMER



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NLEX warns brethren of a disfellowshipped fellow

Midtown has recently received a letter from the NLEX congregation notifying the churches of Christ in the area to be wary of a former brother who has been DISFELLOWSHIPED due to his wrongdoing for which he continues to be stubborn and unrepentant (Romans 2:5). For a couple of years, the NLEX congregation, of which the disfellowshipped fellow is a member of, has been trying to correct the said brother of his wrongdoing to no avail, and in fact his behavior unbecoming of a disciple of Christ has escalated without any remorse and intention to stop.

With this situation, there is no other recourse but to sever ties with MR. ARMANDY FERRER AKA MANDY, 38 y/o, as commanded in 1 Corinthians 5:9-13. The NLEX CHURCH OF CHRIST recommends that he is not to be welcomed and received into the assemblies of the churches of Christ until he comes to genuine repentance, i.e, to produce fruit in keeping with repentance (Matt 3:8). Said congregation enjoins the brethren to pray for this matter so that Mr. Ferrer will come to his senses, to repent of his wrongdoing, and to ask for forgiveness like the “prodigal son” (Luke 15:11-21). If and when this happens, he will then be welcomed with open arms and be restored into the fellowship.Ω

Negros relief mission going on in the hinterlands

Brother Dodoy Sameon reports that congregations in the hinterlands of Negros are being prioritized in the distribution of relief goods as they are the most affected by the super typhoon Odette. Congregations in the cities and town proper are yet to be visited.

Cash Donations to the Negros relief mission reached PhP421,000.00 so far from various sources including donations from Midtown, Heritage, Jilabangan congregations, MARCH for Christ, Sameon Family, and sister Jenny Sacayanan. Other donations in kind are from ACU, Arapal, brother Jeramel Luang and brother Jun Reyes’ family.

Brothers Shemer Sameon and Franklin Amante together with the NEGROS MINISTRY TEAM are taking charge of the relief distribution.Ω

“People cannot change truth, but truth can change people.”

READ Ephesians 4:17-32

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Youth monthly assembly goes virtual instead of CJH

Fourteen (14) young adults and young people, namely, Alton Mark Bayla, Jesse Bestre, Jasper Perdigon, Amber Pholen Po, Maureen Soriano, Ezra Valdez, Charis Bayla, Frances Mae Balangitan, Julieann Terry Badecao, Jizza Mae Aquino, Melchizedek Aquino, Kana Perdigon, Sheila Balangitan and Allison Gapungli, came together for a VIRTUAL YOUTH ASSEMBLY the other past Saturday, January 15, 2022 at 4:30 in the afternoon. Previously, the assembly should have been in-person at the CAMP JOHN HAY but due to the raising of the quarantine to Alert Level 3 in the city of Baguio, the same was cancelled and opted for a virtual one.

Brother Alton Mark Bayla served as the facilitator in the devotional in which he discussed interactively with the participants “OUR ULTIMATE GOAL AS CHRISTIANS.” He also reiterated that each one is being prepared by God in different ways and in various situations to be able to help the brethren reach the goal (1 Peter 4:7-11).

Brother Ezra Valdez, Midtown’s youth minister, announces that the SATURDAY CARE GROUP will be done virtual through Zoom Meetings @ 4:00—5:00 PM because of the current situation until further announcements from the city government.Ω

Previous call for MOM meeting cancelled; new sked soon

The supposed meeting of the MISSION OUTREACH MINISTRY (MOM) at the Infinita Café Centerpoint last Tuesday, January 18th, was cancelled due to some members not feeling well. Lord willing, another schedule of meeting will be announced as soon as situations permit says brother Jojo Ramos.

Meanwhile, pressing or immediate MOM concerns may be discussed in the TUESDAY CHURCH FORUM.Ω

LAST SUNDAY'S RECORD

January 16, 2022

ATTENDANCE

REGULAR WORSHIP ASSEMBLY

VIRTUAL SUNDAY SCHOOL

ADULTS.....91

YP EEZ.....11

CHILDREN.....0

GUEST.....2

TOTAL.....104

PRESCHOOL.....4

GRADES 1-318

GRADES 4-6.....4

H.S./COL.....8

YAs.....12

TOTAL.....46

OFFERING

AM & PM TOTAL: PhP37,600.00

• P R A Y E R L I S T •

FOR GOOD HEALTH & RECOVERY [ASSEMBLY 1] BRETHREN:

*Gloria Yang

*Josefa Josayan

*Gil, Diana, Donna Geron

*Andy & Jane Bestre

*Priscilla Bayasen

*Rolito & Pina Tugay-an

*Dave & Sharon Mcmillin

*Dan & Dodoy Sameon

*Dith Zamora

*Tess Kitma

*Loida Baddas

*Marina Mabesa

*Bernard Ignacio

*Jonathan Enerva

*Dick Baguioen

*Nida Gabriel

*Thaddeus Baggao

*Bernabe Ignacio

*Alan Patrick Akia

*Melba & Jerry Licupa

*Primitiva Ridon

*Aries John Igay & Family

*Maryann Valdez

*Cesar Acosta

*Jess Perdigon

*Marvin Subillaga

[ASSEMBLY 2] REQUESTED BY BRETHREN:

*Ian & Beth Pajantoy Family

*Arian Kaith Igay

*Robinson Palaypayon

*Carmen Villanueva

*Menchie Mojica

*Jennilyn Villanueva

*Mary Elaine Dolteo

*Melanio Carreon

*Mary Jane Acadang

*Camelia Luna

*Karen Castillo

*Dennis & Kaye Mercado

*Ampy Mona

*Martha Sunggay

[ASSEMBLY 3] SPIRITUAL GUIDANCE

*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

*Alex & Ella Ciencia

*Frances Balangitan

OTHER CONCERNS

*Safe Pregnancy:

- Ella Badua-Ciencia

- Andrea E. Yang

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

• TUESDAY CHURCH FORUM— JANUARY 25, 2022 | 12:00—2:30 PM

• MOM MEETING — INFINITEA CAFÉ CENTERPOINT | TO BE ANNOUNCED SOON.

• FRIDAY CARE GROUP — MIDTOWN ASSEMBLY HALL | EVERY FRIDAY @ 6:00—8:00 PM

• MIDWEEK DEVOTIONAL @ MIDTOWN—EVERY WEDNESDAY @ 6:00—8 :00 PM

• 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 PM.....C/o MAUREEN SORIANO—09756895950

• GRADES 4-6 CLASS @ 3:30—4:30 PM.....C/o KANA PERDIGON—09158639845

• HIGH SCHOOL & COLLEGE CLASS @ 3:30 PMC/o ALTON MARK BAYLA—09610166351

• YAS CLASS @ 5:00 PMC/o JESSE BESTRE—09165437746

When we are in the Holy of Holies, we cannot at the same time be outside the Temple of God. When we are “in Christ” we cannot walk in the world. Either we are in the Kingdom of God or we are in the kingdom of darkness. We are either a child of God or a child of the devil. Holy Scripture does not speak of an intermediate relationship. Though the Lord does speak

of one who is not far from the Kingdom, he cannot yet be declared “in” the Kingdom.

If one does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not, and cannot, belong to Him (Romans 8:9). We are either among the forgiven or among those who still carry the unmanageable burden of the guilt of their sins.

This sharp distinction of only two categories of spiritual location or relationship is not popular. Tolerance is the acceptable word. To have such a black and white perception suggests a lack of love. It is considered a sectarian spirit. The “narrow” way of which Jesus spoke continues to elude many people in conception and reality. The debate

of whom God will accept into the eternal holy sanctuary will continue. It is possible, though, to have peace and joy because we have personally terminated the discussion. Assurance comes from the historical fact that we have entered the presence of God through the blood of Jesus. Obedience to the gospel guarantees that we will never be separated from God’s presence.

Scripture declares, though, that this will not be the case for many, for “those who do not know God, and [on] those who do not obey the gospel of our

Lord Jesus Christ” (2 Thessalonians 1:7,8).

We will either be “in” or “out” of the Holy of Holies. Thanks be to God that we can be “in” through the door of His Son. Let us work to point those who are “out” toward the only sanctuary in which it is possible to share the eternal presence of our Beloved. †

Doyle Kee has done mission work in the French-speaking world for many years. He is presently in Geneva, Switzerland.

In the Holy of Holies

Doyle Kee

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 (face-to-face) 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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Andy Bestre @ 0916-343-8539

SUNDAY AM WORSHIP ASSEMBLY



ASSEMBLY 1 - 9:00 - 10:15

ASSEMBLY 2 - 10:30 - 11:45

MIDWEEK DEVOTIONALS

6:00-8:00



SUNDAY PM WORSHIP

ASSEMBLY 3:
1:00 - 2:00



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