Servers Today, March 6, 2022

Living By Faith (Hebrews 11:30-40)

Ezra Valdez Jesse Bestre Song Leader: To Be Assigned (TBA) Invocation: Intercessory Prayer: Communion Text: Isaiah 53:1-8 Scripture Reading: Prayer for the Bread: TBAPrayer for the Cup: TBAPrayer for the Giving: TBATBAClosing Prayer: Andy Bestre Announcement: Afternoon Speaker: Ezra Valdez

Jesse Bestre

To Bring Flowers: Pearl Bestre To Bring Biscuits: Suspended To Bring Drinks: Suspended Usher/ettes Volunteers

Communion: Jane Bestre Lem Glori | Art Tacay Worship Coordinator:

VIRTUAL

How To Become a **Biblical Christian**

1). Admit that you are a sinner and in need of salvation, I 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 13, 2022

The Call to Endurance (Hebrews 12:1-12)

Andy Bestre Song Leader: June Reves To Be Assigned (TBA) Invocation: Intercessory Prayer: 1 Corinthians 11:17-26 Communion Text: Scripture Reading: Prayer for the Bread: TBATBAPrayer for the Cup: TBAPrayer for the Giving: TBAClosing Prayer: Arnan Bayla Announcement Afternoon Speaker: Andy Bestre Song Leader: June Reyes To Bring Flowers:

Alice Lalas To Bring Biscuits: Suspended To Bring Drinks: Suspended Usher/ettes Volunteers

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PM Bible Study:

# Official weekly publication of the Midtown Church (A Church of Christ Serving You) **INFORMER**®

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## Midtown welcomes back home Chevening scholar

The congregation welcomes back home brother Ryan Bestre who has been away from the country for a year and a half. Ryan, son of spouses Andy & Jane Bestre, has recently returned from the UK after earning the degree MSC CLIMATE CHANGE AND INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT with DISTINCTION in December 2021. Ryan was a recipient of the CHEVENING SCHOLARSHIP of the British government. He was one of the sixteen (16) Filipino scholars for school year 2020-2021. He studied at the UNIVERSITY OF EAST ANGLIA in Norwich England.

Prior to his graduate study, Ryan used to work for a renewable energy firm based in Makati. He is an environmental advocate who volunteers for environmental NGOs like GREENPEACE and the CLIMATE REALITY PROJECT. Congratulations!Ω The congregation welcomes back home brother

CLIMATE REALITY PROJECT. Congratulations!Ω

## Udan couple graces Reina Mercedes anniversary

Spouses Julius & Ermalyn Udan hit the road on their motorbike Saturday, February 19th, to join the brethren in Reina Mercedes, Isabela in celebrating the congregation's 5th Anniversary. Brother Julius expressed appreciation for the opportunity of giving some words of encouragement to the brethren.

Brother Edmar Llaneza, gospel preacher serving with the REINA MERCEDES CHURCH OF CHRIST, expressed delight for the support and encouragement.

expressed delight for the support and encouragement. Right after the festivities, one precious soul was baptized. Praise and glory to God! $\Omega$ 

## Midtown conveys sympathies to Sameons

Midtown conveys sympathies to the Sameons for their recent loss of a loved one, sister Venus Bolongaita Sameon. She was 83 years old and was the older sibling of brother Dodoy Sameon. The deceased was interred February 26, 2022 in Tayasan, Negros Oriental.

Meanwhile, spouses Dodoy & Sarah Sameon together with sister April Saburiga are scheduled to travel to the Negros Island on March 14, 2022. Please pray for their trip and mission work.  $\Omega$ 

"Without faith, nothing is possible. With faith, nothing is impossible!"

# **READ Matthew 17:14-20**

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### 3 baptized after NCOC joint worship in Riverview

Right after the JOINT WORSHIP ASSEMBLY

Right after the Joint Worship Assembly of the congregations in Nangalisan at the Riverview Water Park last Sunday, February 27th, three (3) precious souls, namely, Jesus Ambi, 43 y/o, Jemuel Ambi, 29 y/o, and Judeo Ambi, 13 y/o, were baptized into Christ by brother Julius Udan. The newly baptized disciples had been studying the Gospel of Salvation in their residence in Lasilas with brother Julius for sometime until the opportunity last Sunday. Brother Jojo Ramos served as the SERMON SPEAKER in the joint worship in which he encouraged the congregation to remain true to the faith. Meanwhile, sister Janet Ramos facilitated the Ladies Class in which she underscored the matchless role of women in the life of the congregation.Ω the life of the congregation. $\Omega$ 

# 16 YPs attend teambuilding & devotional at CJH

Brother Ezra Valdez reports that there were sixteen (16) young people who attended the Young People's Assembly held at the picnic grounds of CAMP JOHN HAY the other past Saturday, February 27th. In the devotional, he discussed how young people can "LIVE BY FAITH" based on Hebrews 11:30-40. Sister Frances Mae Balangitan took charge of the TEAMBUILDING ACTIVITY which reinforced the topics discussed. The activity also emphasized God's unmatched design of the church as essential support in remaining true to the faith and living by it.

Earlier that day, seventeen (17) young ladies attended sister Kana Perdigon's BRIDAL SHOWER held at CAMP RAGSAK on Ouezon Hill, this city. The momentous occasion was put together by Kana's bridesmaids and friends. Sister Kana will soon be married to Ezra Valdez, Midtown's youth minister, on March 21, 2022.Ω

## LAST SUNDAY'S RECORD February 27, 2022

#### ATTENDANCE

**REGULAR WORSHIP ASSEMBLY** 

Song Leader:

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** ADULTS.....105 PRESCHOOL.

GRADES 1-3 ......11 CHILDREN.....6 **GRADES 4-6....** GUEST.....2 H.S./COL YAs.. TOTAL....125 | TOTAL..

#### OFFERING

AM & PM TOTAL: PhP57,826.00

## • PRAYER LIST•

# FOR GOOD HEALTH & RECOVERY [ASSEMBLY 1]

BRETHREN: \*Gloria Yang

\*Josefa Josayan \*Gil, Diana, Donna Geron

\*Andv & Jane Bestre \*Priscilla Bavasen \*Rolito & Pina Tugay-an

\*Dave & Sharon Mcmillin \*Dan & Dodov 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 \*Maryann Valdez

ASSEMBLY 31
SPIRITUAL GUIDANCE
\*Local, National, World
Leaders & Government
\*Russia & Ukraine Unrest
\*On-going Seekers
Bible Study
Medical Frontliners:
\*Charles Compile \*Jess Perdigon \*Marvin Subillaga \*Jojo Ramos

\*Josie Calixtro \*Jermaine Cirilo \*Jovita "Beth" Bondoc

[ASSEMBLY 2] Requested by Brethren:

\*Karen Castillo

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\*Arian Kaith Jegoy
\*Robinson Palaypayon
\*Carmen Villaniteva
\*Menchie Mojica
\*Jennilyn Villanueva
\*Jennilyn Villanueva
\*Mary Elaine Dolteo
\*Mary Jane Acdang
\*Camelia Luna
\*Karen Castillo

\*Safe Pregnancy:
- Andrea E. Yang
- Jill Cados—Bugnay
\*Safe Travel: \*Ampy Mona \*Vida De Guzman \*Marcelino Gabriel \*Teresita Bilagot

OTHER CONCERNS

\*Shinar Sameon-Ciencia

\*Aurma Sacayanan

\*Lorigrace Austria

\*Rossana Andaya

\*Donnel Gonzales \*Alex & Ella Ciencia

\*Che Astadan

- Dodoy & Sarah Sameon &

April Saburiga (Negros)
- Brethren in Russia & Ukraine

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#### NNOUNC

IN-PERSON TUESDAY CHURCH FORUM—MARCH 8, 2022 | 12:00—2:30 PM

IN-PERSON YOUNG ADULTS MEET—UP — SATURDAYS @ 4:30 PM.

IN-PERSON FRIDAY CARE GROUP — MIDTOWN ASSEMBLY HALL | EVERY FRIDAY @ 6:00—8:00 PM

IN-PERSON 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 PM
 C/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 PM
 C/O ALTON MARK BAYLA—09610166351

 • YAS CLASS @ 5:00 PM
 C/O JESSE BESTRE—09165437746

Hebrews 11:17-29

# Fixing Our Eyes On the Invisible

God

Alton Mark D. Bayla. February 27, 2022

I. The Faith Of Abraham

Hebrews 11:17-19

intimate relationship with Him. Abraham did not question or go against God

promised. (Gen. 22:5)

Instead he reasoned with himself that God is good and faithful

·Abraham had confidence in what was

Abraham walked and talked with

·Abraham knew God and had an

·By faith, Abraham is the first person to believe in resurrection.

II. Faith in the

Hebrews 11:20-23

·Faithfulness by example can be influenced throughout generations, but must be owned Face of Death •Isaac, Jacob, and Joseph in their last days made sure that their descendants are to be in the Lord and heirs to the promise.

•Every Child is Special!

·Faith is tested the most in the face of death, let us not give in in

III. Faith in Focus

Hebrews 11:24-27

· Moses stuck with the TRUTH

· Moses was immersed, groomed, and educated in Egyptian Culture. (Acts 7:22)

· He could have been easily swayed and entangled with all the worldly practices

Remember: Moses was raised by his own family till he came of age. (Ex. 2:9-10)

· Moses refused all that the world had to offer and chose to suffer for

IV. Call to Action

Hebrews 11:28-29

 Faith should come with action!

 Faith does not seek Reward now

 Faith is necessary for salvation

#### Self Check

What do we hope for?

Let us hope that we are indeed going to be reunited with our Father in Heaven through

## Application

Let us make every effort to get to know God deeper through His Word

Take the opportunity of going to the church assembly on Sundays

Take the opportunity of meeting with the brethren on midweek care groups and devotionals

ake time to read, reflect, and respond to a bible verse everyday. Doing so makes us confident and assured of what is to come.

Let us become examples of being sound in faith Let us give our children over to the will of God by

#### **Application**

Let us "train up a child in the way they should go and even when they are old they will not turn from it" (Proverbs 22:6)

Be intentional in teaching them about God at

Take the opportunity to bring them to church Avoid being "preachy" and lead by example

Let us pass on God's promise to the next generation (Matthew 28:16-20)

Let us "obey God rather than men." (Acts 5:29)

#### **Application**

Let us "remember our creator in the days of our youth." (Ecclesiastes 12:1)

Let us choose wisely who or what to serve. (Joshua 24:15)

Let us look past of what is temporary and look forward to what is eternal.

"So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal." - 2 Corinthians 4:18

### **Application**

Let us avoid ideas that "faith alone" is what saves.

Let us equip ourselves with the scriptures that we may not do wrong out of ignorance and fall from our secure position.

Let us not desire for this life to give us everything

Let us not look to sin to satisfy our yearnings.

Let us find encouragement in our common

Let us stay in His church!



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 - Vicky Batnag

03 - Vicky Burnag 03 - Kyla Sue Tacay 04 - Jade Eunice Bugnay 05 - Carina Mabesa 09 - Donnel Gonzales

10 - Letty Bayating 10 - Rachel Bestre

10 - Rachel Beshe 12 - Greg Kitma 12 - Kajem Kitma 12 - Kaelin R. Palaypayon 12 - Graciela Badua-Ciencia

12 - Graciela Badua-Cienc. 12 - Euanclyde Aguinaldo 13 - Desiree Baddas 13 - Phroillander Abance 14 - Randolf Tugay-an 15 - Ira North Po 15 - Cristian Paul Austria 17 - Alicia E. Lalas 17 - Zyneth Lagsaman 17 - Paterson Kitma

17 - Sheila Balangitan

20 - Justin Baban, Jr. 21 - Cecilia Alvarez 21 - Cectila Aivarez 21 - Demi Rose Tacay 23 - Joseph Roncal 24 - Maryann Valdez

25 - Amber Phoelen Po 26 - Miçah Abance

26 - Sylvia Baggao 27 - Donna-Gee Geron 27 - Annika Rimando

28 - Karizza Mae Bayla 28 - Melissa Licupa

30 - Mona Gawe

30 - Mond Gawe 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.

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#### SUNDAY AM WORSHIP ASSEMBLY



ASSEMBLY 1 - 9:00 - 10:15

COMMUNION ASSEMBLY 2 - 10:30 - 11:45

SUNDAY PM WORSHIP MIDWEEK DEVOTIONALS

6:00-8:00



ASSEMBLY 3: 1:00 - 2:00



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