

Servers Today, May 8, 2022

A Call to Good Works
(1 Peter 2:11-17)

Speaker: Johnny Payangdo

Song Leader: Jesse Bestre

Invocation: To Be Assigned (TBA)

Intercessory Prayer: TBA

Communion Text: Matthew 26:26-30

Scripture Reading: TBA

Prayer for the Bread: TBA

Prayer for the Cup: TBA

Prayer for the Giving: TBA

Closing Prayer: TBA

Announcement: Jesse Bestre

Afternoon Speaker: Johnny Payangdo

Song Leader: Jesse Bestre

To Bring Flowers: Bayating Family

To Bring Biscuits: Suspended

To Bring Drinks: Suspended

Usher/ettes: Volunteers

Communion: Kana Valdez

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 May 15, 2022

The Living Stone and a Holy People (1 Peter 2:4-10)

Speaker: Alton Mark Bayla

Song Leader: Janriel Abance

Invocation: To Be Assigned (TBA)

Intercessory Prayer: TBA

Communion Text: Colossians 3:1-4

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: Alton Mark Bayla

Song Leader: Janriel Abance

To Bring Flowers: Josie Baban

To Bring Biscuits: Suspended

To Bring Drinks: Suspended

Usher/ettes: Volunteers

Communion: Kana Valdez

Worship Coordinator: Lem Glori | Art Tacay

PM Bible Study:

LAST SUNDAY'S RECORD
May 1, 2022

ATTENDANCE

REGULAR WORSHIP ASSEMBLY

VIRTUAL&F2F SUNDAY SCHOOL

ADULTS.....121

YP EEZ.....24

CHILDREN.....16

GUEST.....2

TOTAL.....163

TOTAL.....41

OFFERING

AM & PM TOTAL:
PhP61,751.00

ANNOUNCEMENT

- TUESDAY CHURCH FORUM—MAY 10, 2022 @ 12:00—2:30 PM | EVERYBODY WELCOME
- ANNUAL LADIES DAY—ACU, BUGALLON, PANGASINAN | MAY 28, 2022 @ 8:00 AM—4:00 PM
- 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
- F2F and 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
 - F2F YAS CLASS SAT. @ 5:00 PMC/o JESSE BESTRE—09165437746

Sameons back home from Negros campaign

Midtown brethren welcomes back spouses Dodoy and Sarah Sameon from the NEGROS EVANGELISTIC SUMMER CAMPAIGN (NESC) that run from March 14—April 26, 2022. The Sameons including brother Shemer and their mission team were able to visit congregations in Bacolod and Tagbunon, Negros Occidental. They have visited ten congregations in Negros Oriental, namely, Tayasan, Matauta, Ayungon, Bago, Jimalalud, Jilabangan, Tambo, Guihulungan, Dumaguete, and Cang-abok.

In Jilabangan, April 9, the Sameons were among the lecturers on Church Organization. 13 congregations were represented; 9 baptisms resulted from an evangelistic message. The same lectureship was done in Ali-is, Bayawan on April 12th.

On April 17th, the Sameons were lecturers in the Bago Summer Camp in which 1,046 brethren and guests attended representing 50 congregations. Five (5) were baptized during the camp.

The mission team served in congregational Bible studies in Cang-abok, Bais City on April 17th. Thirty congregations were also represented in a lectureship on Church Organization in Tambo, Tayasan, Negros Oriental on April 19th. The same lectureship was also held in Tayasan Central in chich 18 congregations were represented.

Spouses Dodoy & Sarah Sameon are thankful for the ministry opportunities and prays for the ministries to be continually sustained.Ω

MOM invites brethren for mission involvement

The MISSION OUTREACH MINISTRY (MOM) invites the brethren to participate in a meeting at the INFINITEA CAFÉ—CENTERPOINT MARCOS HI-WAY on Tuesday, May 10th at 3:00 PM.

MOM, co-chaired by brothers Jojo Ramos and Greg Kitma, is calling for brethren who are envisioning for a congregation to be put up in their hometown or elsewhere. Lord willing, the identified places may be considered as another mission field to be worked on by the MOM in the near future. Please feel free to join the meeting!Ω

“When God works secretly and behind the scenes, He will reveal to us His work when the time is right.”

READ Deuteronomy 29:29

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Brother R. Tugay-an passes on to Abraham's side

Brother ROLITO SACPA TUGAY-AN, born December 2, 1944 in Mankayan, Benguet and born again March 9, 2016, succumbed to a lingering illness and has passed on to Abraham’s side on May 2, 2022. He is survived by his wife, sister Crispina Guyang—Tugay-an, seven (7) children, nineteen (19) grandchildren, and two (2) great grandchildren.

Nightly vigil services to comfort the bereaved family were conducted at the St. PETER MEMORIAL CHAPELS, Marcos Highway, this city from May 3—5 with the ministers of Midtown presiding. Brothers Arnan Bayla and Ezra Valdez served as DEVOTIONAL SPEAKERS while brother Andy Bestre served as song leader. A good number of Midtown brethren conveyed sympathies to the bereaved family.

The FUNERAL SERVICE was officiated by brothers Arnan & Andy at the BEYOND THE SUNSET COLUMBARY MEMORIAL PARK, Upper Tadiangan, Tuba last Friday, May 6, 2022 at 9:00 AM.

The TUGAY-AN FAMILY and relatives expressed appreciation for the visits, support, comforting messages and sympathies during their time of grief and loss. Ω

Midtown ladies invited to ACU ladies day

The ANNUAL LADIES DAY being hosted by the ASIAN CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY (ACU) loctaed in Salomague Sur, Bugallon, Pangasinan, will resume on May 28, 2022 after two years due to the pandemic.

Interested ladies are advised to register on or before May 22, 2022. Sign-Up sheets are posted on the Bulletin Board. Registration is free. A van will be hired by the congregation for this purpose. For more information, kindly contact sister Ruth Trinidad @ 09291040002 or 09564002594.Ω

BIBLICAL GUIDELINES FOR CHRISTIANS INVOLVED IN POLITICAL ELECTIONS

1. VOTE ACCORDING TO BIBLICAL PRINCIPLES.

A Christian knows that God’s “word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path” (Psalm 110:105) and that we are to unfailingly “Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight. Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the Lord and shun evil.” (Proverbs 3:5-7). In this regard, let us be mindful of the basic precepts commanded in the Scriptures such as the sanctity of human life, marriage and sexuality, religious freedom, justice, mercy, faithfulness, morality, godliness, benevolence, unity, orderliness, and the like. With these in mind, one would be led into finding the rightful candidate deserving one’s vote. As Christians, we are not to “give approval to those who practice” what God has explicitly declared to be morally evil (Romans 1:32).

2. VOTE ACCORDING TO GOOD CONSCIENCE.

Yield to one’s natural and God-given sense of right and wrong especially so that we are bombarded with so much misinformation. Many times, we find ourselves in a quandary because of the doubtful political atmosphere. We don’t even know whom to believe, so to speak. As a matter of fact, it is a challenge to find a candidate who exhibits both the ideal qualities of a leader as well as the character of righteousness. Be as it may, let us remember that the omniscient God will cause us to will and to act according to His good pleasure or purpose (Philippians 2:13). And if one has truly sought the guidance of the Lord, one can peacefully and confidently cast his vote, believing that one’s obedience in this matter pleases the Lord. This means that before casting one’s vote, one must have prayed intently asking the Lord for guidance and direction. Be mindful of all the candidates – those whom we favor as well as those whom we do not approve. Remember that as Christians, we are commanded to do as follows: “I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way” (1 Tim. 2:1-2).

3. VOTE RECOGNIZING THAT FROM ETERNITY PAST GOD HAS ALREADY ORDAINED OUR NEXT POLITICAL LEADER.

“Let every person be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God” (Rom. 13:1). Ultimately, it is God—not the people—who appoints a leader (Gen. 45:8). We are only God’s instruments in bringing about his eternal plan. Be willing, therefore, to submit humbly to God’s sovereign will, knowing that his will is always for our good and for his glory. In line with this, we are to respect those who oppose our political position. There is no need to be dogmatic about our position knowing that the Almighty Creator is in total control. So, even if our preferred candidate does not win, we are still to honor the candidate who is elected. We must also obey our new leader, unless he/she instructs us to do something that would require us to disobey God. As Christians, our greatest allegiance is to God. As Scripture exhorts us to do, “We must obey God rather than men” (Acts 5:29).

4. VOTE RECOGNIZING THAT IF THE CANDIDATE WHO WINS IS IMMORAL, REMEMBER THAT GOD IS ABLE TO USE EVEN WICKED LEADERS TO ACCOMPLISH HIS ETERNAL PLAN. (Romans 13:1-7).

Of course, this does not give us permission to vote for obviously and verified bad candidates! However, it should remind us that our greatest hope does not lie with any earthly leader, but with our Heavenly Father who is divinely able to overcome evil for good. Indeed, God in his providence can even use a bad ruler as his “servant for your good” (Rom. 13:4). Let us never forget that God is causing all things—including the upcoming election—to work together for the good of his people, conforming them more fully to the image of his Son, Jesus Christ (Rom. 8:28-29). Whatever the outcome of the election may be, one thing is certain: God will use this election for His purpose. We are concerned about peace and prosperity, but God is concerned about our faithfulness and His eternal glory. Ω

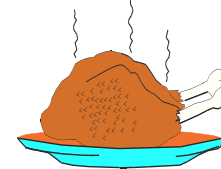
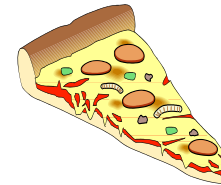
Condensed by Arnan Bayla from Biblical Spirituality Press, a blog of Brian G. Najafpour

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



May Celebrators

03 - Benjamin Balawas
03 - Elvie Omaging
05 - Erolyn Canlas
06 - Ricky Rimando
06 - Jizza Mae Aquino
11 - Cindy Lacambra
12 - Dante Baddas
12 - Gil Geron
12 - May Flor Acquiadan
14 - Ethan B. Sameon
14 - Fransley Mae Amplayo
15 - Jessica Mariano
16 - Melecia Abance
16 - Klarissa Glori
19 - Maureen Soriano
19 - Chito Salviejo
20 - Carlota Senesan
20 - Jonalyn Castillo
21 - Rolando Castillo
21 - Melba N. Licupa
21 - Ma. Corazon Ozo
22 - Carlos Gonzales
23 - Jeannette F. Sarauer
23 - Alexa Senesan
25 - Alexandre James Ciencia
26 - Norma Aping
28 - Elena Caramé
28 - Elcid Pelpelic
29 - Francisco Fermin
29 - Rainelle Kiara Nawew
31 - Margaret Golda Yang
31 - Elizabeth Salviejo



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Thank You.

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ASSEMBLY 2 - 10:30 - 11:45

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SUNDAY PM WORSHIP

ASSEMBLY 3:
5:30 - 6:30



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