#### The MIDTOWN Informer

Sunday, August 21, 2022

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<ul> <li>TUESDAY CHURCH FORUM— AUGUST 23, 2022 @ 12:00—2:30 PM   EVERYBODY WELCOME!</li> <li>FRIDAY CARE GROUP — MIDTOWN ASSEMBLY HALL   EVERY FRIDAY @ 6:00—8:00 PM</li> <li>FREE MARKET FOR COMMUNITY— SEPTEMBER 3, 2022   COLLECTION FOR ITEMS STILL OPEN.</li> <li>MIDWEEK DEVOTIONAL @ MIDTOWN—EVERY WEDNESDAY @ 6:00—8:00 PM</li> <li>DAILY RS (READING, REFLECTION, AND RESPONSE) — ON FACEBOOK LIVE EVERYDAY @ 9:00 PM</li> </ul>					

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  - HIGH SCHOOL & COLLEGE CLASS @ 3:30 PM ......C/O ALTON MARK BAYLA-09610166351



### Midtown to host Baguio-Benguet joint care group

After having attended a meeting with YOUTH LEADERS OF BAGUIO-BENGUET CHURCHES OF CHRIST, brother Ezra Valdez, Midtown's youth minister, announced lately that the BAGUIO-BENGUET JOINT YOUTH CARE GROUP will resume soon. The event will be hosted by the Midtown congregation on September 10, 2022, Saturday afternoon @ 2:00-5:00 5:00.

Meanwhile, the CRYSTAL CAVE CARE GROUP will be hosted by the Po siblings at their residence on August 25, 2022. The Senesans and Pos alternately

be hosted bý the Po siblings at their residence on August 25, 2022. The Senesans and Pos alternately host the said care group. Earlier, the HOME BIBLE STUDY GROUP held at the JMC TRANSIENT HOUSE and hosted by the Sunggay family (Henry, Maribel, Alexis & Nica) every Tuesday afternoon went on out of the usual last August 16th with the birthday celebration of sister Bing Buendia—Roxas. Present were sister Bings's children, Zareena & Hernani Roxas, brethren Josiah Levi Calixtro, Chito Salviejo, Jesse Bestre, Johnny Payangdo, Ezra Valdez, Aldrin Mejia, A-mark Bayla, and Beth Salviejo. The group studies the NEW LIFE LESSON SERIES with brother Ezra Valdez facilitating every Tuesday afternoon, August 13th, another friendly BASKETBALL GAME was held at the TUBA GYM. Those who made it to the game include Richard & Jesse Bestre, Janriel Abance, Rod Bondoc, Kajem Kitma, Jasper Perdigon, Dexter Wagang, Alex Ciencia, Chad Montes, Aaron Cordero, O'neil & Donnel Gonzales, Melvin Manzano, Samuel Carrao Jr., Koji Tan, Shomdane Palitayan, Josiah Calixtro, Jed Gallardo, Nehemias Fuentes, Roberto Lindo, Marionne Ellamil, and Kurt Rimando. There were other five friends who were present. Lord willing, the next game will be on August 27th at 3:00—6:00 in the afternoon. By the way, after a successful conduct of the FREE MARKET done last August 6, 2022. (Saturday). This time, said FREE MARKET will be open to the public community. In this regard, brethren are encouraged to bring in their items to Midtown way before September 3, 2022. Many thanks to you all!Ω

"False teaching is easily identified by the fact that it is willingly received by all and is according to the world's liking."

READ Matthew 7:15-23

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#### 18 ladies spur one another in fellowship

**another in fellowship** The MONTHLY LADIES DEVOTIONAL & LUNCHEON FELLOWSHIP held at Midtown's Assembly Hall last Saturday morning, August 20, 2022 was actively attended by eighteen (18) ladies. Those who made it include sisters Ruth Trinidad, Letty Bayating, Lily Soriano, Nancy Bayla, Beth Sevilla, Dinah Austria, Jane Bestre, Ruth Camora, Minda Oliva, Jovy Mabesa, Lorigrace Austria, Lou Villanueva, Janet Ramos, Maureen Soriano, Kesha Oliva, Nelly Bayla, Angela Ramos, and Edith Latonio. The ladies thank the members of the THIRD QUARTER STEERING GROUP for preparing the program of activities which included a ZUMBA FITNESS EXERCISE early morning followed by a DEVOTIONAL with sister Kesha Oliva facilitating discussions on **S.P.U.R.** (Stir up one another through Physical meet-ups in order to Understand and to encourage and thereby Reach the finish line together.) based on Hebrews 10:24-25. Discussions were concluded with 2 Timothy 4:7-8 in which participants were challenged to fight the good fight, to finish the race, and to remain faithful. The activity was topped off with the usual LUNCHEON FELLOWSHIP meal. Everyone looks forward to the next ladies fellowship.Ω

## 58 enrollees admitted in HBC: 2 from Midtown

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#### CHRISTIANITY IN ACTION

# The Bread of Life

#### **Mike Ireland**

Jesus joined His disciples in the boat and journeyed with them to the other side of the lake. When the crowd realized that He was gone, they, too, journeyed to the other side. When they found Him, they asked, "Rabbi, when did you get here?" Why did no one ask Him, "How did you get here?"

"Your full stomachs have motivated you to seek me but you are working for the wrong food," Jesus told them. They made no effort to deny it.

Many of those who followed the Lord were probably hoping for a political savior. They may have envisioned not only deliverance from the Romans but a new prosperity, with Jesus as their leader. His reluctance to be their king may have surprised them, but it did not discourage them. Perhaps, he had some conditions they had to meet before he would agree to lead them. So, they asked him, "What must we do to do the works God requires?"

They were confused about what is truly important in life. It is an easy mistake to make. We see it all the time: people investing huge amounts of time, energy, and emotion in the wrong things. Convinced they know what's good, they use themselves up in the quest for something that cannot satisfy.

Now, don't miss what Jesus says: The "real food" is not had by work but comes as a gift.

Yet, it is hard to convince ourselves that hard work won't win the day. We just believe that if we will work hard enough, do our best, then the goal will be ours. Jesus says, what you want and need is a gift God gives. In fact, it is not a work that originates with man at all. It is the work of God, the work of grace, food that cannot be earned, only received.

Did you ever notice that the things which come from our hard work always lose their value ... corrode ... decay ... cease to satisfy. But whatever God gives only grows in value to the soul. The Bible tells us over and over, in hundreds of ways, that God's gifts are forever, but the things of the world pass away.

People have a deep hunger, a hunger for meaning and purpose, for joy and peace. It is a hunger that is far deeper than simply wanting a full belly and a comfortable home. Jesus knew that,

When we understand that there is more to life than bread, then we are open to the gift of God, the Living Bread — Jesus.

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