

Servers Today, November 6, 2022

The Exaltation of Christ and His Church  
(Ephesians 1:20-23)

Speaker: Doday Sameon

Song Leader: Andy Bestre

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: Arnan Bayla

Song Leader: Andy Bestre

To Bring Flowers: Josie Baban

To Bring Biscuits: C/o Midtown

To Bring Drinks: C/o Midtown

Usher/ettes: Volunteers

Communion: Kesha Oliva

Worship Coordinator: Lem Glori | Art Tacay

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 November 13, 2022

Our Condition Outside of Christ  
(Ephesians 2:1-3)

Speaker: Janriel Abance

Song Leader: Christopher Oliva

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: Arnan Bayla

Afternoon Speaker: Janriel Abance

Song Leader: Christopher Oliva

To Bring Flowers: Clarita G. Cachero

To Bring Biscuits: C/o Midtown

To Bring Drinks: C/o Midtown

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PM Bible Study:

LAST SUNDAY'S RECORD  
October 30, 2022

ATTENDANCE

REGULAR WORSHIP ASSEMBLY	VIRTUAL&F2F SUNDAY SCHOOL
ADULTS.....70	PRESCHOOL.....0
YP EEZ.....7	GRADES 1-3 .....0
CHILDREN.....9	GRADES 4-6.....0
GUEST.....8	H.S./COL.....5
	KIDS F2F.....7
	YAs.....0
TOTAL.....94	TOTAL.....12

OFFERING

AM & PM TOTAL:  
PhP45,400.00

• P R A Y E R L I S T •

FOR GOOD HEALTH & RECOVERY [ASSEMBLY 1] BRETHREN:

\*Gloria Yang

\*Josefa Josayan

\*Donna Geron

\*Andy & Jane Bestre

\*Priscilla Bayasen

\*Crispina Tugay-an

\*Dan, Doday, Sonny Sameon

\*Dith Zamora

\*Tess Kitma

\*Loida Baddas

\*Marina Mabesa

\*Bernard Ignacio

\*Jonathan Enerva

\*Thaddeus Baggao

\*Melba & Jerry Licupa

\*Maryann Valdez

\*Cesar Acosta

\*Jocelyn Calixtro

\*Jovita "Beth" Bondoc

[ASSEMBLY 2] REQUESTED BY BRETHREN:

\*Arian Kaith Igoy

\*Carmen Villanueva

\*Menchie Mojica

\*Karen Castillo

\*Teresita Bilagot

\*Boy Donato

\*Purificacion Paca

\*Mariliza Andallo

\*Jet Tavares

SAFE TRAVEL:

\* Lou Villanueva & Company

(Holy Land Tour)

[ASSEMBLY 3] SPIRITUAL GUIDANCE

\*Local, National, World Leaders & Government

\*Reviewers for Gov't Exams

\*On-going Seekers' BS

SAFETY

Medical Frontliners:

\*Shinar Sameon-Ciencia

\*Aurma Sacayanan

\*Che Astadan

\*Lorigrace Austria

\*Rossana Andaya

\*Donnel Gonzales

\*Alex & Ella Ciencia

\*Jess Perdigon

\*Dan-gil Geron

\*Dave & Sharon Mcmillin

OTHER CONCERNS

\*Safe Pregnancy:

- Mahaysha Kitma—Ramos

- Kana Perdigon—Valdez

\*Safe Travel:

- Batang Pinoy Athletes

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Kitma care group goes to Lasilas, Nangalisan

The KITMA CARE GROUP led by brother Greg Kitma joined the JOINT WORSHIP ASSEMBLY & FELLOWSHIP of the NANGALISAN CHURCH OF CHRIST at the AMBI RESIDENCE in Lasilas, Nangalisan, Tuba last Sunday, October 30, 2022 @ 10 AM. Brother Greg Kitma served as the SERMON SPEAKER in which he encouraged the brethren in “OBEYING GOD RATHER THAN MEN” based on Acts 5:12-32. Sister Cot Espinosa handled the Ladies Class while sister Kesha Oliva handled the Children's Class. With them were brethren Kajem Kitma, Jasper & Kemuel Perdgon, Janet Perdigon, Herminia Kitma, spouses Pat & Joyce Kitma, and Chris Oliva.

Earlier, a number of the same group were in the same place on a Friday afternoon of October 28th for a HOME BIBLE STUDY GROUP in which brother Greg Kitma discussed “THE BELIEVERS ACT OF SHARING POSSESSIONS” based on Acts 4:32-5:1-11. He was with sisters Janet Kitma—Perdigon, Mia Kitma—Acena, and Joyce Aaos—Kitma.

Brother Julius Udan and the members of the Nangalisan congregation expressed appreciation for the all-out support of Midtown brethren in the edification of the Nangalisan brethren. All praises and glory to the Lord God Almighty!Ω

Youth ministry promotes physical fitness and recreation

Besides the spiritual edification of the youth, the YOUTH MINISTRY also promotes physical fitness through a MONTHLY FRIENDLY BASKETBALL GAME such as what was held at the TUBA GYM last October 29th @ 4-6 PM. Those who made it include brethren Dan Gil Geron & family, Anthony Geron, Bayla family, Noah Valdez, Kana & Ezra Valdez, Phillip Dumawa & family, Rico & Angela Ramos, Eliezer Basatan, and Kajem Kitma.

Brother Ezra Valdez encourages everyone to take part in this endeavor and invites the youth to the next Basketball game. The venue and date will soon be announced in this bulletin or through the youth's Group Chat on Messenger.Ω

“Live without pretending, love without depending, listen without defending, speak without offending.”

READ Philippians 4:4-9

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Tribute to graduates coming up soon

Brother Ezra Valdez, Midtown's youth minister, announced lately that there will be a TRIBUTE TO THE GRADUATES and for all who STEPPED UP in the year 2021 and 2022 on November 26, 2022 (Saturday) at 2:00—5:00 in the afternoon. He requests that the concerned will contact him for inclusion in the list, whether attending the event or not.

The tribute has been a practice of the congregation making it an occasion to encourage the young people to continue in becoming productive citizens of the nation and above all, to be continually active in their involvement in the Kingdom of God.

Meanwhile, parents or guardians of preschool, elementary, High school, and college graduates are encouraged to support the event. Please contact brother Ezra @ 09771608271 for more details.Ω

Midtown brethren convey sympathies to Fetalino family

A number of Midtown brethren conveyed personal sympathies to the bereaved family of the late sister JEAN BIA FETALINO of the BAGUIO CHURCH OF CHRIST on different occasions during the wake of the deceased from October 26—November 2, 2022.

The deceased succumbed to complications of multiple organ failure and passed on to Abraham's bosom on October 26, 2022. She was eighty-three years old. The funeral service was at the Baguio Church of Christ followed by the interment at the Pyramid Memorial park, Kias, this city, last Thursday, November 3, 2022 at 9 o'clock in the morning. The funeral rites was live online through which sister Jeannette Fetalino—Sarauer, the deceased's daughter living in Alaska, USA, was able to view the funeral.

The Fetalino family expressed appreciation for the visits, comforting messages, prayers, and support during their time of grief.Ω

# THE EXALTATION OF CHRIST AND HIS CHURCH

SANTIAGO B. SAMEON II, BTh, ED.D  
Ephesians 1:20-23

## INTRODUCTION:

In Rev.1:11, the seven churches of Asia Minor include: Ephesus, Smyrna, Pergamos, Thyatira, Sardis, Philadelphia, and Laodicea, with corresponding characteristics and attributes that describe their congregational status and well being. In Eph.1:1, they are called saints and in 1:5, they are predestined to adoption as sons by Jesus Christ to Himself according to the good pleasure of His will. <Let me emphasize that I believe in group/church predestination but not individual predestination>

## #1 CHRIST AT THE RIGHT HAND OF THE FATHER GOD (Eph. 1:20)

- Right hand is the symbolic place of the highest honor and authority. (NIV)
- The right hand is the place of friendship, honor, confidence, and authority. (Clarke's Commentary)
- Father God made Him as mediator, between God and Man the highest honors and dignities (1 Tim.2:5).
- Probably the various references in the NT to Christ at the right hand of God goes back to Ps. 110. "In the heavenly places" In this phrase, the Lord Jesus is literally and bodily in Heaven. (Wycliffe's)

## #2 CHRIST'S HIGHEST RULE (Eph. 1:21)

- Some thought Paul has reference to the different orders among good and evil angels. Others think he refers to earthly government. Hence, we are to understand that our Lord in His human nature subjected all: the highest, the intermediate, and the lowest orders of beings in the universe. The apostle means that all created power, glory and influence are under Christ. Clarke's
- Different words are used in the NT for varying ranks and kinds of heavenly beings, both holy and fallen angels. For this exaltation of Christ compare Phil. 2:9,10 (Wycliffe's)

## #3 UNDER CHRIST'S FEET (Eph. 1:22,25)

- All beings and things are subjects to Him, whether they be thrones, dominions, principalities, or powers, Col.1:16-18 and Col.2:10, for He, God the Father has given Him to be head-chief and supreme overall to the church, the church having no ruler but Jesus Christ. Others may be officers in His church but He alone is Head and supreme. (Clarke's)
- The allusion to Ps.110:1, Ps.8:6, "Put all things under His feet" indicates Christ's ultimate complete victory. Father God made Him (cfJn.3:16) the Head. The first mention in the epistle of Christ as the head of the Church, a truth that is developed quite fully. (Wycliffe's)

## #4 THE CHURCH IS THE BODY OF CHRIST (Eph. 1:23)

- See Eph. 2:16,4:4,12,16, 5:23,30. fullness...fills. The church is the fullness of Christ probably in the sense that it is filled by him who fills all things. (NIV Bible Study)
- "As He is head over all things" He is head of the Church. The church receives light, life, and intelligence and is the fullness of Him, through which He manifests His power, goodness, and truth. Although he fills all the worlds with His presence, yet He fills all the members of His body with wisdom, goodness, truth, and holiness in a special manner.
- A body and members make a head complete, so it requires a Church or general assembly of believers to make up the body of Christ. Therefore, the Jews and Gentiles are brought to this Church, the body which is complete, thus, Christ has His visible fullness upon the earth. (Clarke's)

## CONCLUSION: Brethren, we studied:

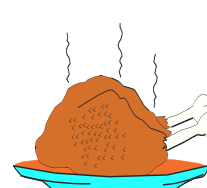
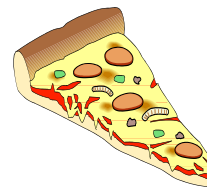
- #1- CHRIST AT THE RIGHT HAND OF GOD THE FATHER (EPH.1:20)
  - #2- CHRIST'S HIGHEST RULE (EPH.1:21)
  - #3-UNDER CHRIST'S FEET (EPH.1:22)
  - #4-THE CHURCH IS THE BODY OF CHRIST (EPH.1:23) AMEN?
- SBS II, 11/6/2022-Midtown Presentation

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



## November Celebrators

02 - Crisiamae Castillo  
04 - Rolyn Dugaysan  
05 - Shinar S. Ciencia  
06 - Neko James Austria  
06 - Marian Cheska Denis-Moriarty  
07 - Ruth Camora  
08 - Dionesia Martin  
10 - Felix L. Olidan, Jr.  
11 - Darrylle Jane A. Walang  
11 - Jasper K. Perdigon  
11 - Ariadne L. Cadias  
13 - Sean Nove Isaac Bestre  
13 - Cristy Tacay  
14 - Ian Xavier B. Colcol  
15 - Ma. Cecilia B. Colcol  
15 - Lily Soriano  
16 - Rebecca Garcia  
18 - Kristalyn Saingan  
18 - Andrew Nawew  
20 - Marina Mabesa  
21 - Sharon S. McMillin  
21 - Rhona Barad  
21 - Marjorie Solomon  
21 - Kristine M. Denis  
21 - Novelito B. Abance  
23 - Minda G. Oliva  
23 - Lorigrace Bayla-Austria  
24 - Ma. Lourdes Cera  
25 - Churchill S. Parohinog  
25 - Angelika Navalta  
27 - Leonardo Basil  
29 - Brigida Mandapat



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

ASSEMBLY 2 - 10:30 - 11:45

## MIDWEEK DEVOTIONALS

6:00-8:00



## SUNDAY PM WORSHIP

ASSEMBLY 3:  
5:30 - 6:30



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