

Servers Today, December 4, 2022

Being United in Christ Jesus
(Ephesians 2:17-22)

Speaker: Jeremiah Gawe

Song Leader: Mervin Oliva

Invocation: To Be Assigned (TBA)

Intercessory Prayer: TBA

Communion Text: Galatians 3:23-29

Scripture Reading: TBA

To Bring Breads: TBA

Prayer for the Cup: TBA

Prayer for the Giving: TBA

Closing Prayer: TBA

Announcement: Arnan Bayla

Afternoon Speaker: Jeremiah Gawe

Song Leader: Mervin Oliva

To Bring Flowers: Bayating Family

To Bring Biscuits: C/o Midtown

To Bring Drinks: C/o Midtown

Usher/ettes: Volunteers

Communion: Bayla Family

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 December 11, 2022

Understanding the Mystery of Christ (Ephesians 3:1-7)

Speaker: Jojo Ramos

Song Leader: June Reyes

Invocation: To Be Assigned (TBA)

Intercessory Prayer: TBA

Communion Text: Romans 8:1-4

Scripture Reading: TBA

To Bring Breads: TBA

Prayer for the Cup: TBA

Prayer for the Giving: TBA

Closing Prayer: TBA

Announcement: Andy Bestre

Afternoon Speaker: Jojo Ramos

Song Leader: June Reyes

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PM Bible Study:

LAST SUNDAY'S RECORD
November 27, 2022

ATTENDANCE

REGULAR WORSHIP ASSEMBLY	VIRTUAL&F2F SUNDAY SCHOOL
ADULTS.....116	PRESCHOOL.....1
YP EEZ.....31	GRADES 1-33
CHILDREN.....20	GRADES 4-6.....3
GUEST.....10	H.S./COL.....6
	KIDS F2F.....18
	YAs.....6
TOTAL.....178	TOTAL.....34

OFFERING

AM & PM TOTAL:
PhP56,594.00

ANNOUNCEMENT

- TUESDAY CHURCH FORUM— DECEMER 6, 2022 @ 12:00—2:30 PM | EVERYBODY WELCOME
- SPECIAL CONTRIBUTION FOR STAFF’S YEAREND BONUS— DECEMBER 4 & 11, 2022
- PASASALAMAT— MIDTOWN ASSEMBLY HALL | DECEMBER 18, 2022 | FREE PACKED LUNCH
- FRIDAY CARE GROUP— YEARENDER @ ROJO-PALAYPAYON RES., IRISAN| DECEMBER 16, 2022
- MODELO YOUTH LEADERSHIP CAMP—HERITAGE BIBLE COLLEGE | IRISAN, DEC. 13-16, 2022
- REGIONAL YOUTH CAMP—ASIAN CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY, BUGALLON, PANG. | DEC. 20-23, 2022
- DAILY Rs (READING, REFLECTION, AND RESPONSE) — ON FACEBOOK LIVE EVERYDAY @ 9:00 PM
- F2F and VIRTUAL SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE— PLEASE COORDINATE WITH TEACHERS.

Graduates accept God's plan, path, and passion

This year’s TRIBUTE TO THE GRADUATES was attended by five (5) graduates, namely, Laisha Clarisse Bayating Montes, Jacinth Kitma Perdigon, Dylan Mayaen Luis, Raiza Mae Benito Andaya, and Shaira Benito Andaya at MIDTOWN’S ASSEMBLY HALL the other past Saturday afternoon, November 26, 2022. They were joined by brethren Dan Gil & Lala Geron, Ezra & Kana Valdez, Jasper & Kemuel Perdigon, Aldian Po, and Maureen Soriano in support to the tribute.

Brother Dan-gil Geron served as the speaker in the DEVOTIONAL in which he encouraged the graduates to FOLLOW GOD’S PLAN, PATH, AND PASSION. He stressed that God has a plan for one to discover (Jeremiah 29:11-13), that God directs one’s path (Proverbs 3:5-6), and that God is passionate in realizing His plans, for as long as one surrenders one’s life to Him, the Creator and Giver of Life.

The graduates expressed appreciation for the tribute, the encouragement, support, prayers, and the assuring and inspiring message.

Brother Ezra Valdez expressed gratitude to his co-organizers as they look forward to another like event in the near future. Glory to God!Ω

Midtown helps brother rebuild damaged house

In response to an appeal for financial help in behalf of a brother in Christ by sister Helen Carranza, church worker serving with the INDANG CHURCH OF CHRIST in Indang, Cavite, an amount of PhP5,000.00 was approved and released by the CHURCH FORUM last Tuesday, November 29, 2022. The same was sent to the GCash Account of brother Giovanni Ordonez, the recipient of the financial appeal, and was received with appreciation. The amount is believed to help him rebuild his house of light materials which recently collapsed due to damages incurred because of floods in the past series of typhoons in their area. Personal help from the brethren may be coursed through brother Arnan Bayla or may be directly sent to brother Giovanni’s GCash Account: 09368006186. Thank you!Ω

“It’s not what you gather but what you scatter that tells what kind of life you have lived.”

READ Ecclesiastes 11:1-10

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Special contribution for staff's yearend bonus today

As announced earlier, and as has been the congregation’s tradition to give YEAREND BONUSES to Midtown’s full-time ministers in appreciation to their dedication to the work in the MINISTRY OF THE WORD and in the Lord’s vineyard, a SPECIAL CONTRIBUTION will be made today. Another round of special contribution will be made next Sunday especially for those who are unable to give today. This year, the congregation will be giving bonuses to four (4) ministers, namely, brothers Arnan Bayla, Andy Bestre, Jesse Reuben Bestre, and Ezra Valdez.Ω

James & Krystelle ties knot at the Grand Sierra

Brother Arnan Bayla, licensed Solemnizing Officer, joined in marriage brother JAMES KEVIN O. CADIZ and sister KRYSTELLE FLOR E. OLIDAN, at the garden of the GRAND SIERRA PINES HOTEL, North Outlook Drive, this city, last Friday, December 2, 2022 at 10 o’clock in the morning. Reception followed at the same venue, and attended by family and guests from various parts of the country and from Hong Kong.

Standing as PRINCIPAL SPONSORS AND WITNESSES include brethren Solomon & Lani Palaypayon, Julius & Fely Rojo, Lem & Vangie Glori, Jojo & Janet Ramos, Noel & Cot Espinosa, Andy & Jane Bestre, and Chito & Tess Cusi. Sisters Pearl Bestre, Dith Zamora, and Kesha Oliva served as EVENT ORGANIZERS. Kenzo Glori is the only child in the entourage. Sisters Ruth Trinidad, Nelly, and Charis, together with A-Mark Bayla joined them in congratulating the newlywed in behalf of the congregation.

Spouses Felix & Luz Olidan together with the newlywed expressed appreciation for the brethren’s presence, support, prayers, and wishes for their marriage to last a lifetime!Ω

DOCTRINE TO LIVE BY

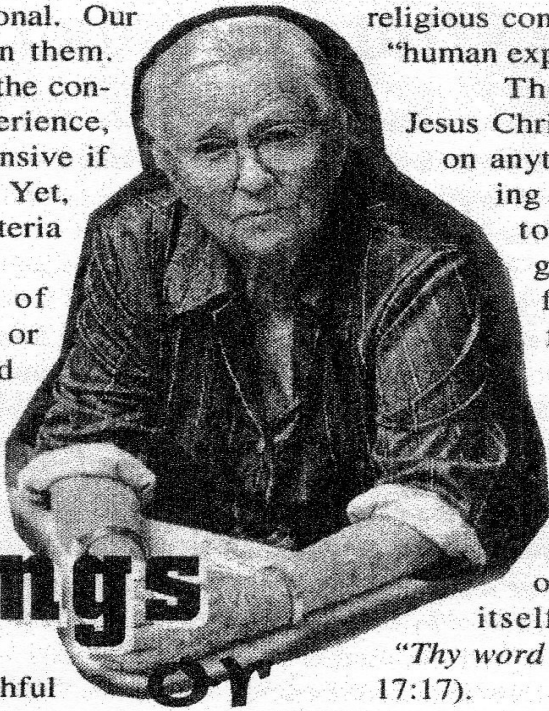
Feelings are personal. Our ego is wrapped up in them. When feelings are in the context of religious experience, we become very defensive if they are challenged. Yet, feelings are not a criteria for truth.

The experience of feeling close to God or alienated from God may have little to do with reality. A pious pagan might “feel”

Feelings

close to God, or a faithful Christian might experience a “feeling” of estrangement at times. External circumstances, physical well being, and a man’s state of mind greatly influence his feelings; but they cannot be trusted as a basis for faith or a standard for truth. The Bible says, *“There is a way which seems right to a man, but the end is the way of death”* (Proverbs 14:12).

All religious people — Christian or pagan — experience religious feelings. Such emotional phenomena as conversion experiences, ecstatic utterance, and mystical trances can be found in most religions and sometimes outside of the



religious context. They are “human experiences.”

The religion of Jesus Christ is not based on anything so changing and contradictory. It is grounded in faith that comes from the Word of God. The Bible is an absolute, objective standard of truth that never changes or contradicts itself. Jesus said, *“Thy word is truth”* (John 17:17).

Faith?

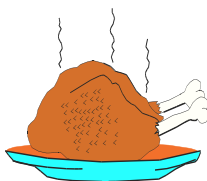
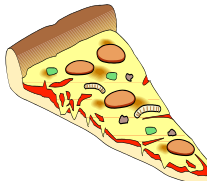
Do not espouse any religious teaching or practice because you “feel it is right.” Others “feel” contradictory teachings and practices are right. A faith based upon feelings dies when the subjective feelings change, but a faith based on the Word of God is secure. God’s Word does not change. **Think about it.**

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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

December Celebrators

- 01 - Denise A. Wagang
- 02 - Linda A. Yaneza
- 02 - Janet B. Ramos
- 02 - Ma. Alexis J. Sunggay
- 03 - Rowena L. Quezada
- 04 - Erika Abijar
- 05 - Daisy Calzo
- 08 - Josephine A. Baban
- 09 - Gracelynn Abance
- 09 - Marilyn Joy B. Gamboa
- 10 - Dencio B. Abance
- 11 - Jovita R. Bondoc
- 14 - Santiago B. Sameon II
- 16 - Christian S. Parohinog
- 17 - Jane M. Bestre
- 20 - Gaspar Baldo, Jr.
- 20 - Jess Perdigon
- 21 - Sotero Denis
- 21 - Kinsha C. Glori
- 22 - Jess Solomon
- 23 - Rosita Go
- 23 - Sherman C. Bestre
- 24 - Noel Espinosa
- 24 - Crispina Tugay-an
- 26 - Arlene G. Rimando
- 26 - Kaesha R. Palaypayon
- 26 - Sharon Kosgey
- 29 - Aldian R. Po
- 29 - Xelli Qea E. Parohinog
- 30 - Analyn B. Aronza



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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