

Servers Today, February 5, 2023

Walking in the Light
(Ephesians 5:8-14)

Speaker: Andy Bestre

Song Leader: Janriel Abance

Invocation: Ernie Wagang

Intercessory Prayer: June Reyes

Communion Text: Colossians 3:1-4

Scripture Reading: Ira North Po

Prayer for the Bread: Dante Baddas

Prayer for the Cup: Kemuel Perdigon

Prayer for the Giving: Jerry Martin

Closing Prayer: Greg Kitma

Announcement: Arnan Bayla

Afternoon Speaker: Andy Bestre

Song Leader: Janriel Abance

To Bring Flowers: Glori Family

To Bring Biscuits: C/o Midtown

To Bring Drinks: C/o Midtown

Usher/ettes: Volunteers

Communion: Me-an Gonzales

Worship Coordinator: Ezra Valdez | 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 February 12, 2023

Walking in Wisdom
(Ephesians 5:12-21)

Speaker: Jojo Ramos

Song Leader: Chris Oliva

Invocation: Ezra Valdez

Intercessory Prayer: Charlie Abance

Communion Text: Ephesians 2:1-10

Scripture Reading: Kajem Kitma

Prayer for the Bread: Sam Quezada

Prayer for the Cup: Dan-Gil Geron

Prayer for the Giving: Leonard Basil

Closing Prayer: Gaspar Baldo,Jr.

Announcement: Andy Bestre

Afternoon Speaker: Jojo Ramos

Song Leader: Chris Oliva

To Bring Flowers: Clarita G. Cachero

To Bring Biscuits: C/o Midtown

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PM Bible Study:

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Midtown sympathizes with Tavares family

Midtown brethren conveyed deep sympathies to the bereaved family of the late brother JOSEPH V. TAVARES who passed away due to a lingering illness on January 26, 2023. He was 58 years old. He is survived by his loving wife, sister Irene Tavares, three children, and two grandchildren. The deceased and his family used to attend at the Midtown congregation in the late eighties.

A DEVOTIONAL SERVICE was conducted by Midtown brethren last Sunday afternoon with brother Arnan Bayla serving as Devotional Speaker and brother Andy Bestre as the song leader at the LA FUNERARIA PAZ, Quirino Highway, this city.

The TAVARES FAMILY expressed appreciation for the outpouring of sympathies, prayers, and support. Ω

"Darkness cannot drive out darkness. Only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate. Only love can do that."

READ 1 John 1:5-10

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LAST SUNDAY'S RECORD

January 29, 2023

ATTENDANCE

REGULAR WORSHIP ASSEMBLY	SUNDAY SCHOOL + Virtual Class
ADULTS.....118	PRESCHOOL.....10
YPPEEZ.....22	GRADES 1-36
CHILDREN.....21	GRADES 4-6.....14
GUESTS.....16	H.S./COL.....17
	YAs.....27
TOTAL.....177	TOTAL.....74

OFFERING

AM & PM TOTAL:
PhP45,727.00

PRAYER LIST

FOR GOOD HEALTH & RECOVERY BRETHREN:

*Ella Garoy

*Allan Patrick Akia

*Lorena Losnong

*Leo Josayan

*Gloria Yang

*Josefa Josayan

*Donna Geron

*Priscilla Bayasen

*Dan & Dodoy Sameon

*Dith Zamora

*Tess Kitma

*Loida Baddas

*Bernard Ignacio

*Jonathan Enerva

*Maryann Valdez

*Cesar Acosta

*Jocelyn Calixtro

*Jovita "Beth" Bondoc

*Belen Navalta

*Rafael Ozo

*Bonie Marcelo

REQUESTED BY BRETHREN:

*Arian Kaith Igoy

*Carmen Villanueva

*Menchie Mojica

*Karen Castillo

*Purificacion Paca

*Mariliza Andallo

*Candice Lee

SPIRITUAL GUIDANCE

*Local, National, World Leaders & Government

*On-going Seekers' BS

*On-going Follow-up BS

*RNHS Outreach Ministry

OTHER CONCERNS

*Safe Pregnancy:

- Kana Perdigon—Valdez

- Ermalyn Aduan—Udan

- Faith Bayating

*Reviewers for Gov't Exams

SAFE TRAVEL:

*Dodoy & Sarah Sameon and Family (USA)

family matters

building grace-based relationships

ANNOUNCEMENT

- TUESDAY CHURCH FORUM— RESUMES FEBRUARY 7, 2023 @ 12:00—2:30 PM | EVERYBODY WELCOME!
- 1ST QUARTER LADIES STEERING GROUP—MEETING RIGHT AFTER THE WORSHIP ASSEMBLY TODAY!
- REGULAR YOUNG PEOPLE'S MEETING—MEZZANINE FLOOR EVERY SUNDAY RIGHT AFTER THE ASSEMBLY
- MIDWEEK DEVOTIONAL / CARE GROUP— MIDTOWN ASSEMBLY HALL | WEDNESDAY @ 6:00—8:30 PM
- FRIDAY CARE GROUP— MIDTOWN HALL | EVERY FRIDAY @ 6:30—8:30 PM | EVERYBODY WELCOME
- WEEKLY Rs (READING, REFLECTION, AND RESPONSE) — ON FACEBOOK LIVE THURSDAY OR FRIDAY OR SATURDAY @ 9:00 PM . Airing schedule will be announced on facebook messenger.
- LOVE, COURTSHIP, & MARRIAGE SEMINAR— FOR BAGUIO-BENGUET YOUNG PEOPLE. MIDTOWN ASSEMBLY HALL, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2023 @ 1:00—5:00 PM.

Midtown's youth ministry to conduct LCM seminar

All young people in the Baguio-Benguet area are cordially invited to attend the SEMINAR ON LOVE, COURTSHIP, AND MARRIAGE at Midtown's ASSEMBLY HALL on Saturday, February 11, 2023 at 1:00—5:00 in the afternoon. The PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES begins with a DEVOTIONAL to be followed by the seminar proper.

Brother Ezra Valdez, Midtown's Youth Minister with other resource speakers will be facilitating topics such as "GOD'S DESIGN FOR LOVE, COURTSHIP & MARRIAGE;" "BIBLICAL GUIDELINES FOR COURTSHIP;" "TIME-TESTED GUIDELINES IN CHOOSING A SPOUSE," and many more.

Brethren are encouraged to highly recommend said activity to others.Ω

RNHS outreach ministry to resume February 17th

Brother Ezra Valdez, lead person in the RNHS OUTREACH MINISTRY reports that a very encouraging feedback regarding the SPIRITUAL FORMATION & CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT being conducted at the ROXAS NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL (RNHS) continues to be received from the faculty and students. Also, nine (9) students of the HERITAGE BIBLE COLLEGE (HBC) have completed the roster of VOLUNTEER TEACHERS to cater to all 16 sections of the Junior High School.

In last TUESDAY'S CHURCH FORUM, the body approved that Midtown will commit to shoulder the SNACKS AND TRANSPORTATION ALLOWANCE (PhP100.00) of each of the nine (9) HBC students every time they conduct classes at RNHS.

Meanwhile, due to the Examination Week and the Academic Break at RNHS, the conduct of the SPIRITUAL FORMATION & CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT CLASSES will resume on February 17, 2023.Ω

Couples care group meet for planning session

The COUPLES CARE GROUP gathered at Midtown's ASSEMBLY HALL the other past Saturday evening, January 21, 2023 and have discussed preliminary plans to be carried out throughout the year, Lord willing. Those who made it in the planning session include spouses Noel & Cot Espinosa, Richard & Pearl Bestre, Dan-gil & Lala Geron, and sister Lulu Bondoc. Plans and Goals set in the meeting will soon be shared to the members of said care group.Ω

DAILY CHRISTIAN LIVING

Don't Lie About Your Faith

Jimmy Jividen

Perhaps the strongest condemnation Jesus gave during His personal ministry was to the scribes and Pharisees. The surprising thing about this was that they were religious leaders. The scribes were the literary scholars who studied and wrote the law. The Pharisees were the "pious ones" who

but who also were dishonest about their faith. They claimed to know Jesus, but refused to obey His commandments. It is not clear from the text how they claimed to know Him. Perhaps it was through an "emotional experience". Perhaps it was through some secret "mysterious knowledge". Perhaps it was their own wistful thinking. Whatever their claim, it was not valid. John writes, "*The one who says, 'I have*

come to know Him, and does not keep His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him" (1 John 2:4).

To claim to believe in Jesus and not obey His teachings is hypocrisy. To claim to know Jesus and not obey His teachings makes one a liar.

Don't lie about your faith. †

Jimmy Jividen is an author and a preacher living in Abilene, Texas, USA.

If a person does not practice what he preaches, he is a hypocrite. He claims to believe something with his words, but contradicts them with his life.

sought to keep every jot and tittle of the law. Their sin was hypocrisy. They pretended to be something they were not. Jesus said, "*All that they tell you, do and observe, but do not do according to their deeds, for they say things and do not do them*" (Matthew 23:3).

If a person does not practice what he preaches, he is a hypocrite. He claims to believe something with his words, but contradicts them with his life.

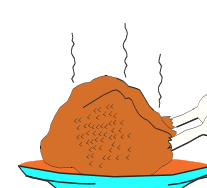
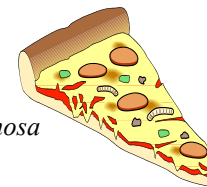
John tells of another group of people far different from the Pharisees,

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



February Celebrators

01 - Elizabeth A. Sevilla
02 - Irene B. Lagsaman
02 - Josiah Levi A. Calixtro
05 - Maryann M. Gonzales
07 - Frank Valdez
07 - Frederick Walang
07 - Trinidad C. Trinidad
08 - Christopher G. Oliva
09 - Shemer M. Sameon
09 - Silvestre B. Andaya III
11 - Reeve M. Callejo
13 - Adrian Saingan
14 - Clarita Cachero
14 - Christian Daniel R. Espinosa
15 - Vernie Pucay
16 - Charlie B. Abance
17 - Jasper Edwin B. Bugnay
18 - Carlo Jake T. Banatao
20 - Roger R. Wagang
21 - Kana K. Perdigon
22 - Josias B. Aquino
22 - Eden Mariano
22 - Renilo S. Lalu
23 - Andy E. Bestre
23 - Florence B. Patang
24 - Judith O. Sison
24 - Teresita W. Kitma
24 - Shamae A. Ramos
24 - Mika Grace B. Lalu
25 - Jonah A. Cirilo
26 - Elma G. Bugtong



Please notify the M.I. Staff if your name should have been included in this list. Thank You.

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To enrol in any of the lessons, feel free to contact :
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SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP ASSEMBLY

Singing & Prayers
LORD'S SUPPER
and OFFERING
9:00–9:30

Prayers
&
BIBLE STUDY
9:35–10:25

Singing, Prayers
&
MESSAGE
10:30–11:10

Greetings
&
ANNOUNCEMENTS
11:10–11:20

MIDWEEK DEVOTIONALS

6:00-8:00 PM

SUNDAY PM ASSEMBLY

• Singing & Prayers & MESSAGE: 5:30–6:15
• LORD'S SUPPER & GIVING: 6:15–6:30
• Greetings & ANNOUNCEMENTS: 6:30–6:40

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