## The MIDTOWN Informer

#### Servers Today, March 26, 2023

### Putting on the Whole Armor of God (Ephesians 6:10-24)

Jojo Ramos ANDY BESTRE Song Leader: Julius Rojo. Invocation: Intercessory Prayer: CHRIS OLIVA Communion Text: EPHESIANS 2:1-10 Scripture Reading: Ira North Po Prayer for the Bread: RICHARD BESTRE Prayer for the Cup: Janriel Abance Prayer for the Giving: Donnel Gonzales Closing Prayer: Charlie Abance ANDY BESTRE Announcement Afternoon Speaker: Jojo Ramos ANDY BESTRE Song Leader: GLORI FAMILY

To Bring Flowers: To Bring Biscuits: To Bring Drinks: Usher/ettes

Communion Worship Coordinator: 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, Ácts 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 April 2, 2023 ^^^^^

## Salutation & Thanksgiving (Philippians 1:1-8)

Ezra Valdez

Janriel Abance

Ernie Wagang

Dexter Wagang

MELCHI AOUINO

LEONARD BASIL

JERRY MARTIN

JUN BAYATING

Arnan Bayla

Ezra Valdez

GLORI FAMILY

Janriel Abance

JOHNNY PAYANGDO

1 Corinthians 15:1-7

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C/o MIDTOWN To Bring Drinks: C/o MIDTOWN Usher/ettes VOLUNTEERS Communion:

KESHA OLIVA JESSE BESTRE | ART TACAY Worship Coordinator:

PM Bible Study: 

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## Youngest of Perdigon siblings baptized into Christ

While a newborn baby was added to the Perdigon While a newborn baby was added to the Perdigon family, JACINTH KITMA PERDIGON, the youngest child of spouses Jess & Janet Perdigon, was born again after a couple of days on March 21, 2023. Jacy, as she is fondly called, was baptized by brother Arnan Bayla at Midtown's baptistery last Tuesday afternoon. Her decision to put on Christ in baptism came about after having completed the study of the SEEKERS LESSON SERIES.

Midtown praises the Heavenly Father through the Lord Jesus Christ for this wonderful development and prays for the continued spiritual growth and active church involvement of sister Jacy even as she completes the New Life Lesson Series soon.Ω

## **MARCH for Christ** volunteers back from Leyte

The congregation praises the Lord God Almighty and welcomes back home brethren Julius & Fely Rojo, Jojo Ramos, and Kaesha Palaypayon from their active involvement in the recently concluded Medical-Dental-Optical-Spiritual Mission of the March for Christ in Leyte last March 14-18, 2023. Total number of patients recorded is 1,870. 170 patients availed of laboratory tests. There were 2 patients who got baptized after having had a Bible study with the spiritual counselors. All glory and praise to the Lord God Almighty!Ω

## Bokod congregation to adopt new day care center

It was known from the latest Joint Fellowship of It was known from the latest Joint Fellowship of the Bokod (Pito, Poblacion, Penged) congregations in the nearby residence of brother Alfonso Malapit last March 12, 2023 that the Bokod congregations will be adopting the new Osbong Day Care Center in Bubok-Bisal where sister Janice Pucay Bumakil is currently stationed. In light with its opening, there will be a Children's Bible Class, Gospel Meeting for Parents, and a Lunch Fellowship on April 14, 2023. Brother Jojo Ramos reports that there were 27 in attendance during the latest Joint Worship & Luncheon Fellowship last March 12, 2023.Ω

he can use against us." **READ 2 Timothy 3:14-17** 

"Satan fears our study of

God's Word because ignorance of it is an effective weapon

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## Ladies go the extra mile in latest fellowship

The First Quarter Ladies Steering Group composed of sisters MJ Dugaysan, Beth Sevilla, Cot Espinosa, Me-an Gonzales, Kesha Oliva, Lady Angela Ramos, Lorigrace Austria, Kaesha Palaypayon, Kana Valdez, Clarita Cachero, and Carina Lacaba express appreciation for the active participation of all the other ladies in the first quarter's Monthly Ladies Devotional & Luncheon Fellowship. The group is also thankful that goals of being able to invite friends and share the various activities to them were realized. activities to them were realized.

In the latest activity last March 18, 2023, In the latest activity last March 18, 2023, the ladies were encouraged and challenged to take the EXTRA MILE as taught by the Lord (Matthew 5:41). Sister Kesha Oliva reiterated that "Christians are to be known to do more good than what is expected of us."

The next Monthly Ladies Devotional &

LUNCHEON FELLOWSHIP will be facilitated by the SECOND QUARTER STEERING GROUP which is composed of sisters Ruth Camora, Lois Fermin, Lady Janet Ramos, Lou Villanueva, Jane Bestre, Frances Balangitan, Kaelin Palaypayon, Ruth Trinidad, Katrina Oliva, Jovy Mabesa, and Lala Geron. Lordwilling, see you all on April 15, 2023!Ω

## Baby Dumanay delivered safe March 19, 2023

Midtown brethren praise the Lord God Midtown brethren praise the Lord God Almighty as well as congratulates spouses Ezra & Kana Valdez for the delivery of their firstborn child, a well baby girl, DUMANAY PERDIGON VALDEZ, at the PINES CITY DOCTORS HOSPITAL last Sunday, March 19, 2023 at 3:35 AM. She was 2.95 kg at birth. The Perdigon—Valdez family expressed appreciation for the unceasing prayers offered in their behalf during sister Kana's pregnancy and for the safe delivery. All praises to the Heavenly Father through Jesus Christ our Lord!Ω

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## LAST SUNDAY'S RECORD March 19, 2023

#### ATTENDANCE

**REGULAR** WORSHIP **ASSEMBLY** 

ADULTS.....138 CHILDREN.. GUESTS.

**SUNDAY** SCHOOL + Virtual Class PRESCHOOL ......10 GRADES 1-2 ......4 GRADES 3-4..... GRADES 5-6......11 H.S./COL/

C/o MIDTOWN

C/o MIDTOWN

VOLUNTEERS

KESHA OLIVA

EZRA VALDEZ | ART TACAY

YAs TOTAL.....182 | TOTAL...

### OFFERING

AM & PM TOTAL: PhP62,915.00

## • PRAYER LIST•

FOR GOOD HEALTH & RECOVERY

BRETHREN: \*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

\*Ella Garoy \*Allan Patrick Akia \*Lorenza Losnong

\*Leo Josayan

\*Ernie Orduña

\*BELEN NAVALTA

REQUESTED BY BRETHREN: \*Arian Kaith Igoy

\*CARMEN VILLANUEVA

\*MENCHIE MOJICA

\*PURIFICACION PACA \*MARILIZA ANDALLO

\*CANDICE LEE \*Olivia Peacock

\*MARIFE SALVIEJO \*BEVERLY BROOME

#### SPIRITUAL GUIDANCE

\*Local, National, World Leaders & Government \*On-going Seekers' BS

\*On-going Follow-up BS \*RNHS Outreach Ministry

OTHER CONCERNS

\*Safe Pregnancy: - Ermalyn Aduan—Udan

- FAITH BAYATING

\*Reviewers for Gov't Exams

#### SAFE TRAVEL:

\*Dodoy & Sarah Sameon (NEGROS MISSION)

ANNOUNC

EMENT

TUESDAY CHURCH FORUM— MARCH 28, 2023 @ 12:00—2:30 PM | EVERYBODY WELCOME!

REGULAR YOUNG PEOPLE'S MEETING—MEZZANINE FLOOR EVERY SUNDAY RIGHT AFTER THE ASSEMBLY

METROWIDE YOUTH CAMP— HOST: KALOOKAN COC | VENUE: TANAY EPIC PARC RAINFOREST CAMP | APRIL 5-8, 2023 | REGISTRATION FEE: PhP1,999.00 | PRE-REGISTRATION & DOWNPAYMENT (PhP1K) REQUIRED

NATIONAL LADIES RETREAT—HOST: BACOLOD CHURCH OF CHRIST | VENUE: NATURE'S VILLAGE RESORT, TALISAY CITY, NEGROS OCCIDENTAL | JULY 18-21, 2023 | Reg. Fee: PhP5,500.00

WEEKLY Rs (READING, REFLECTION, AND RESPONSE) — ON FACEBOOK LIVE THURSDAY OR FRIDAY OR SATURDAY (a) 9:00 PM . AIRING SCHEDULE WILL BE ANNOUNCED ON FACEBOOK MESSENGER.

#### DAILY CHRISTIAN LIVING

## THE DAYS ARE EVIL

Shan Jackson

In his letter to the church in Ephesus, Paul spoke of the need for serious thinking and equally serious living. He said, "See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be unwise but understand what the will of the Lord is" (Ephesians 5:15-17). The English word "circumspectly" means "in careful consideration of circumstances and potential conseguences; to be prudent." To live circumspectly means that we live with deliberate caution and carefulness. We should do this, Paul says, because "the days are evil". Because we are surrounded by so many evil influences, we need to be all the more careful in the choices we make.

One of the more famous Greek philosophers is reported to have said, "The unexamined life is not worth living." If we just go with the flow, living casually and not thinking about how we ought to live, the kind of life that results is really not worth living. As Christians, we have the benefit of God's truth to help us understand what the truly good life would be. However, we

have to pay attention and be careful. We have to examine our lives often and make the decisions that are required to get on the right path and stay there. We simply cannot afford to drift along, living by default. We must live our lives with purpose. 3

Shan Jackson preaches for the church of Christ in Port Lavaca, Texas, USA.

"Test yourselves to make sure you are solid in the faith. Don't drift along taking everything for granted. Give yourselves regular checkups. You need firsthand evidence, not mere hearsay, that Jesus Christ is in you. Test it out. If you fail the test, do something about

2 Corinthians 13:5 MSG

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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



## March Celebrators

Marilou Pelle

02 - Marilou Pelle
03 - Vicky Batnag
03 - Kyla Sue Tacay
04 - Jade Eunice Bugnay
05 - Carina Mabesa
09 - Donnel Gonzales
10 - Letty Bayating
10 - Rachel Bestre
11 - Ma. Vanessa A. Barad
12 - Greg Kitma

11 - Ma. Vanessa A. Barad
12 - Greg Kitma
12 - Kajem Kitma
12 - Kaelin R. Palaypayon
12 - Graciela Badua-Ciencia
13 - Desiree Baddas
13 - Phroillander Abance
14 - Randolf Tugay-an
15 - Ira North Po
15 - Cristian Paul Austria
17 - Alicia E. Lalas
17 - Zyneth Lagsaman

17 - Attela E. Lulas 17 - Zyneth Lagsaman 17 - Paterson Kitma 17 - Sheila Balangitan

20 - Justin Baban, Jr.

21 - Cecilia Alvarez 21 - Demi Rose Tacay 23 - Joseph Roncal

24 - Maryann Valdez 25 - Amber Phoelen Po 26 - Miçah Abance

26 - Sylvia Baggao 27 - Donna-Gee Geron 27 - Annika Rimando

28 - Karizza Mae Bayla 28 - Melissa Licupa 30 - Mona Gawe

30 - Marlene Samonte 31 - Marivic C. Durano





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

#### **EVANGELISTIC LESSON SERIES** [VIRTUAL OR FACE-TO-FACE]

#### A. INTRODUCTORY LESSONS (5)

• LESSON NO. 1 - The Importance of the Word of God

· LESSON NO. 2 - Introduction to the Bible

• LESSON NO. 3 – How We Got the Bible

LESSON NO. 4 – Overview of Bible History

 LESSON NO. 5 – Christ's New Testament Replaces the Old Testament

#### **B. SEEKER'S LESSONS (6)**

• LESSON NO. 1 - The Scheme of Redemption: A. God's Plan for Man

• LESSON NO. 2 - The Scheme of Redemption:

B. The Fall of Man LESSON NO. 3 – The Scheme of Redemption:

C. Jesus the Savior LESSON NO. 4 – The Scheme of Redemption:

D. The Steps of Salvation LESSON NO. 5 – The Scheme of Redemption:

E. The Cost of Discipleship LESSON NO. 6 – The Scheme of Redemption:

F. Where Will Your Life End?

#### C. NEW LIFE LESSONS (12)

LESSON NO. 1 – Assurance of Salvation

• LESSON NO. 2 - Obedient Living

• LESSON NO. 3 - Dealing With Temptations

LESSON NO. 4 – Developing a Devotional Life

LESSON NO. 5 – Developing a Prayerful Life

• LESSON NO. 6 - Discerning God's Guidance LESSON NO. 7 – My Church Involvement

& Spiritual Gifts

LESSON NO. 7 – Supplement:

**Becoming Christians Only** Biblical Church Organization

LESSON NO. 8 – Partaking of the Lord's Supper

LESSON NO. 9 – Living Abundantly & My Giving

LESSON NO. 10 – Becoming an Effective Soul-winner

LESSON NO. 11 – Victorious Christian Living

 LESSON NO. 12 – Everyday Righteousness & Commitment to Moral Excellence

To enrol in any of the lessons, feel free to contact: Arnan Bayla @ 0918-698-6470 Andy Bestre @ 0916-343-8539

#### SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP ASSEMBLY

Singing & Prayers LORD'S SUPPER and OFFERING

Prayers BIBLE STUDY 9:35—10:25

MIDWEEK DEVOTIONALS

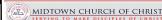
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Singing, Prayers MESŠAGE 10:30—11:10

Greetings ANNOUNCEMENTS

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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