The MIDTOWN Informer

Sunday, July 2, 2023

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Speaker: CD ESPINOSA Song Leader: ANDY BESTRE Invocation: DODOY SAMEON Intercessory Prayer: MERVIN OLIVA Communion Text: MATTHEW 26:26-30 Scripture Reading: MELCHI AQUINO Prayer for the Bread: Ira NORTH PO Prayer for the Giving: O.NELL GONZALES Closing Prayer: JULIUS ROJO Announcement: ANDY BESTRE Afternoon Speaker: CD ESPINOSA Song Leader: ANDY BESTRE To Bring Flowers: GLORI FAMILY To Bring Drinks: C/o MIDTOWN To Bring Drinks: C/o MIDTOWN Volunteers Volunteers Communion: ANGELA RAMOS Worship Coordinator: EZRA VALDEZ ART PM Bible Study:	Rom.3:10,23; 2). Hear the Testament g Christ; Roma Rom. 10:17. 3). Believe ti Hebrews 11. 16:16; John 8: 4). Repent of Acts 2:38; Atts 8 10:32; Acts 8 10:10. 6). Be bap Christ, Mark 1 2:38; Acts 22: 7). Remain fa death, Rev. 2:1	Rom. 6:23.pure New sospel of runs 1:16;he gospel, (6; Mark24 your sins, uke 13:3;prayer for the Giv Closing Prayer for the Giv Closing Prayer To Bring Flowers To Bring Flowers To Bring Discutis Usher/ettestized into 6.16; Acts16.itiful untoCommunion:	JOHNNY PAYANGDO CHRIS OLIVA GASPAR BALDO, JR. ET: DEXTER WAGANG ROMANS 6:1-7 : KEMUEL PERDIGON ad: DONNEL GONZALES P: KAJEM KITMA ARNAN BAYLA T: JOHNNY PAYANGDO CHRIS OLIVA : BAYATING FAMILY : C/O MIDTOWN C/O MIDTOWN VOLUNTEERS ANGELA RAMOS
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ATTENDANCE REGULAR NORSHIP ASSEMBLY SCHOOL + Virtual Class PRESCHOOL 6	BRETHREN: *GLORIA YANG *JOSEFA JOSAYAN *DONNA GERON *PRISCILA BAYASEN *DAN SAMEON *DODOY & SARAH SAMEON *DITH ZAMORA	*Ella Garoy *Allan Patrick Akia *Lorenza Losnong *Ernie Orduňa *Khen Villanueva *Flora Campoas *Clyde Abance *Melba Licupa	Leaders & Government *On-going Seekers' BS *On-going Follow-up BS *RNHS Outreach Ministry *Opportunities to Preach the Gospel
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OFFERING AM&PM TOTAL: PhP49,108.00	*Jovita "Beth" Bondoc *Florence Magalong	*Candice Lee *Olivia Peacock *Marife Salviejo	*RUTH TRINIDAD (USA) *Ramos Family (Japan)

ANNOUNC

EMENT

- TUESDAY CHURCH FORUM— ON JULY 4, 2023 | 12:00—2:30 PM | EVERYBODY WELCOME!
- VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL MIDTOWN & BPFLC | JULY 24-28, 2023 @ 8:30 AM 12:30 PM REG FEE: P50
- VBS PROPS PREPARATION—MIDTOWN ASSEMBLY HALL | EVERYDAY EXCEPT TUESDAY @ 1:00-5:00 PM
- 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 THURSDAYS @ 9:00 PM .
- ID PICTURES FOR PICTURE DIRECTORY—KINDLY SUBMIT YOUR 2X2 ID PICTURES IF YOUR LATEST PICTURES HAVE NOT APPEARED IN THE UPDATED DIRECTORY. THANK YOU!



Brethren conduct devotional & inauguration of Viewpoint

At the invitation of the Abance—Bayating family, Midtown brethren conducted a Devotional Service in thanksgiving for the inauguration of the VIEWPOINT PASALUBONG CENTER located at Km. 15, Marcos Highway, Taloy Sur, Tuba, Benguet last Saturday, July 1, 2023 at 11 o' clock in the morning. Brothers Arnan Bayla and Andy Bestre presided over the INAUGURATION AND THANKSGIVING DEVOLUTIONAL Brother Arman Bayla dollivared the

over the INAUGURATION AND THANKSGIVING DEVOTIONAL. Brother Arnan Bayla delivered the message in which he underscored "BEING DEDICATED IN SERVING" based on Col. 3:23-24. Brother Felix Olidan Jr. directed the assembly in the Thanksgiving Prayer & Blessing. Luncheon Fellowship followed right after the Devotional. The Abance—Bayating family expressed appreciation for the presence of the brethren and for the prayers. All praises to the Lord God Almighty!Ω

LT & Tocmo host BB joint youth care group

Three (3) young men from Midtown, namely, Jesse Bestre, Johnny Payangdo, and Alton Mark Bayla, actively participated in the Baguio-Benguet Joint Youth Care Group held at the chapel of the La Trinidad Church of Christ, Pico Rd., Puguis, La Trinidad. LT and Tocmo congregations co-hosted the event which was attended by Eighty (80) young people representing is comparenting in the area O people representing six congregations in the area. Ω

Couples care group focuses on family

Sister Lulu Acosta, spouses Noel & Cot Espinosa, Eric & Jing Sacayanan together with their four children attended the COUPLES CARE GROUP at MIDTOWN'S ASSEMBLY HALL evening of last June 24, 2023. Brother Noel Espinosa facilitated discussions on "ENJOYING THE FAMILY" in which he reiterated that raising a family should be an enjoyable matter when one allows the family to give one motivation to be the best version of oneself. The next meeting will be announced later. Ω

"You are the only Bible some unbelievers will ever read."

READ 2 Corinthians 3:1-6

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NCOC young men to join ACU audit classes

Brothers Adrian Palongyas, Jester Ibarra, and Judeo Udan of the Nangalisan congregation conveyed interest in enrolling in the six-week AUDIT CLASSES (Classes with no academic credit units) offered by the ASIAN CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY (ACU) located at Salomague Sur, Bugallon, Pangasinan. The classes will start on July 10 and will end on August 10 2023 August 19, 2023.

The TUESDAY CHURCH FORUM was more than happy to have approved the cost of the training course pegged at P2,500.00 each. The amount of P7,500.00 was released last Tuesday to cover the Tuition Fee of the three young men.

Brother Julius Udan, minister of the Nangalisan congregation thanked the Midtown congregation in behalf of the young men for the all—out support. Glory to God! Ω

Midtown brethren conduct memorial service at St. Peter's

Spouses Andy & Jane Bestre and brother Arnan Bayla conducted a MEMORIAL SERVICE to comfort the bereaved family of the late Mr.

to comfort the bereaved family of the late Mr. Florencio 'Ampol' Manalo at the ST. PETER CHAPELS, Marcos Highway, this city, early evening of last Monday, June 26th. The deceased succumbed to a lingering illness at the age of Sixty-five. He was the husband of Mrs. Gigi Blancas—Manalo, sibling of sister Dinah Blancas—Austria. He is survived by three grown-up children. Brother Arnan Bayla delivered the DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE in which he encouraged the bereaved family to anchor their faith in the purity of the Word of God. Sister Dinah Austria together with the bereaved family expressed their appreciation for the loving support, uplifting prayers, and

for the loving support, uplifting prayers, and comforting message during their time of grief. May the Lord God be praised! Ω

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BIBLE QUESTIONS

Three Vital Questions

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The Bible does not seek to prove the existence of God. His existence is simply assumed and revealed in the Bible. However, as the revelation of God to man, the Bible was given to us in order to answer the most important questions we have in reference to our existence.

From where did we come? What are we to do in reference to God, our Creator? What will happen when we die and where will we go?

At one time or another, everyone has asked the above questions. In answer to the first question, the Bible simply states that the first two people on earth were created in the **image** of God (Genesis 1:26,27). We are thus the product of the God who created all things.

Since we are God's creation, we should be concerned about what the duty of man is in reference to his Creator. The Bible says, "*Fear God and keep His commandments*, for this is the whole duty of man" (Ecclesiastes 12:13). This statement answers the second question. It is our duty, as God's created beings, to obey our Creator.

The Bible also answers the third question. Concerning our death, the Bible says, "And as it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the *judgment*" (Hebrews 9:27). For the Christian there is hope of eternal life beyond death (John 3:16). But for those who have not submitted to God, there is the destiny of eternal destruction (1 Thessalonians 1:7-9).

The Bible thus answers the most important questions that we can ask. We came from God. We must obey His laws. When we die, we will be held accountable in judgment for our obedience or disobedience of His laws (2 Corinthians 5:10). $\$

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Can people tell that Christ is in you before you tell them?

