

Servers Today, June 9, 2024

A Widow's Encounter with Jesus (Luke 7:11-17)

Speaker: EZRA VALDEZ
 Song Leader: CHRIS OLIVA
 Invocation: GREG KITMA
 Intercessory Prayer: DEXTER WAGANG
 Communion Text: 1 CORINTHIANS 15:1-8
 Scripture Reading: ALTON BAYLA
 Prayer for the Bread: KEMUEL PERDIGON
 Prayer for the Cup: JERRY MARTIN
 Prayer for the Giving: SAM QUEZADA
 Closing Prayer: MAR BAYATING, SR.
 Announcement: ANDY BESTRE
 Afternoon Speaker: EZRA VALDEZ
 Song Leader: CHRIS OLIVA
 To Bring Flowers: JANET RAMOS
 To Bring Biscuits: C/O MIDTOWN
 To Bring Drinks: C/O MIDTOWN
 Usher/ettes: PERDIGON FAMILY

Communion: ME-AN GONZALES
 Worship Coordinator: ANDY BESTRE | 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 June 16, 2024

A Baptizer's Encounter With Jesus (Luke 7:18-35)

Speaker: ARNAN BAYLA
 Song Leader: ANDY BESTRE
 Invocation: DODOY SAMEON
 Intercessory Prayer: JUNE REYES
 Communion Text: COLOSSIANS 3:1-4
 Scripture Reading: IRA PO
 Prayer for the Bread: DONNEL GONZALES
 Prayer for the Cup: DANTE BADDAS
 Prayer for the Giving: GASPARD BALDO, JR.
 Closing Prayer: FELIX OLIDAN, JR.
 Announcement: ANDY BESTRE
 Afternoon Speaker: ARNAN BAYLA
 Song Leader: ANDY BESTRE
 To Bring Flowers: JANET RAMOS
 To Bring Biscuits: C/O MIDTOWN
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Mission & Vision We are committed to give God glory, praise, and honor as we serve in making disciples of Christ. We envision ourselves to be a congregation of worshipers of God in spirit and in truth, and to be a living demonstration of the presence and power of our Lord Jesus Christ in a community of faith, hope, and love.

Reading center and reading day opens soon

The LADIES MINISTRY, having cleaned up and organized Midtown's library, discovered the many good reading materials found therein and thought that it would be best if many more will benefit from them. This made them come up with the idea of opening a READING DAY at the BIBLE STUDY CENTER set up at Midtown's ASSEMBLY HALL on Fridays. Selected books from the library will be made available for reading for free. The brethren are also encouraged to bring in friends and associates to make use of the READING CENTER.

The ladies led by sister Lorigrace Austria have already formulated the logistics of the project and pray that it will contribute in the EQUIPPING MINISTRY. No target date has been decided yet as of this writing, but everyone is encouraged to pray for its upcoming opening soon. For God's greater glory, honor, and praise!Ω

Midtown brethren back home from Masbate mission

The congregation welcomes back a number of Midtown brethren, namely, Julius Rojo, Lorigrace Austria, Lani & Kaelin Palaypayon, Evelyn Ignacio, and Felix Olidan Jr., from a MEDICAL-DENTAL-OPTICAL-SPIRITUAL MISSION sponsored by the MEDICAL ACTION FOR RELIEF, COUNSELING & HEALING (MARCH) FOR CHRIST in the island of Masbate that ran from June 5-7, 2024. One Thousand Two Hundred Twenty Six (1,226) patients availed of services in Pawican, Cataingan Masbate on the first day while 1,356 patients were served in Mobo, Masbate on the second day. Hundreds of the patients signified interest in studying the word of God or the Bible.

Local preachers and church workers are all set to follow up on the patients for prayer, counseling, and spiritual healing. All glory and praises to the Lord God Almighty!Ω

"Looking forward to the Lord's appearing should motivate us to be faithful and loving."

READ 1 Timothy 6:11-16
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Symposium on equipping ministry on June 23

In order to realize the common objective of using one's spiritual gifts, talents, skills, and knowledge in the church's mission of "MAKING DISCIPLES" (Matthew 28:18-20), Midtown's elders and deacons together with the TUESDAY CHURCH FORUM have scheduled a symposium on the fourth Sunday, June 23, 2024. The symposium aims to consolidate everybody's effort in contributing to the realization of the Lord's mandate through the EQUIPPING MINISTRY. This ministry intends to aid every member to be equipped (2 Timothy 3:17) in ministry involvement.

The symposium will be presided by the elders and deacons in charge of the EQUIPPING MINISTRY, namely, brothers Jojo Ramos, Dodo Sameon, and Felix Olidan Jr. All glory and praise to God alone!Ω

Valdez is speaker in Elyu joint fellowship & camp

Midtown's Youth Minister, brother Ezra Valdez, served as speaker at the LA UNION CHURCHES OF CHRIST JOINT CAREGROUP FELLOWSHIP AND CAMP, hosted by the NAGUILIAN CHURCH OF CHRIST on June 7-8. The event was themed "STRENGTH IN UNITY: BUILDING EACH OTHER UP" based on Romans 15:5-6. He delivered his message on "BUILDING EACH OTHER UP" based on 1 Thessalonians 5:11 Saturday morning, June 8th, to a good number of brethren representing the different congregations in the area. He was accompanied by brothers Gil and Dan Gil Geron. Incidentally, the EQUIPPING MINISTRY is in the process of coming up with plans to help in the Lord's work in Naguilian, La Union. For God's glory and praise!Ω

LAST SUNDAY'S RECORD June 2, 2024

ATTENDANCE	
REGULAR WORSHIP ASSEMBLY AM & PM	SUNDAY SCHOOL + Virtual Class
ADULTS.....232	PRESCHOOL.....13
YPPEEZ.....17	GRADES 1-28
CHILDREN.....40	GRADES 3-4.....9
GUESTS.....10	GRADES 5-6.....6
TOTAL.....299	H.S./COLL.....15
	YAs22
	TOTAL.....73

OFFERING
 AM & PM TOTAL:
 Php41,290.00

PRAYER LIST

FOR GOOD HEALTH & RECOVERY BRETHREN: *GLORIA YANG *JOSEFA JOSAYAN *DONNA GERON *PRISCILLA BAYASEN *DAN SAMEON *DODOY & SARAH SAMEON *DITH ZAMORA *TESS KITMA *LOIDA BADDAS *BERNARD IGNACIO *JONATHAN ENERVA *CESAR ACOSTA *JOCELYN CALIXTRO *JOVITA BONDOC *ELLA GAROY *LORENZA LOSNONG	 *ERNE ORDUÑA *FLORA CAMPOAS *CLYDE ABANCE *MELBA LICUPA *NIDA GABRIEL *CHARLIE ABANCE *JANET FERNANDEZ *RONELIZA PERALTA *BERNABE IGNACIO *MARIL BAYATING, SR. *ESPERANZA VILLANUEVA REQUESTED BY BRETHREN: *CARMEN VILLANUEVA *MARILIZA ANDALLO *DIANA TAGUIBA *PHILIP BADUA *FRANKY SANCHI *RYN EISEN PANGANIBAN *IAN PALANTOY *JAYVEE MAGPAYO *JESS ANIBAN	SPIRITUAL GUIDANCE *LOCAL, NATIONAL, WORLD LEADERS & GOVERNMENT *ON-GOING SEEKERS' BS *ON-GOING FOLLOW-UP BS *OPPORTUNITIES TO PREACH THE GOSPEL OTHER CONCERNS Safe Pregnancy: *DESIREE BADDAS—NIERVES Safe Travel: *LADY ANGELA RAMOS & COMPANY (JAPAN) *JESSE BESTRE & CO, (JAPAN) *JUN, LULU, ROD BONDOC (CANADA)
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ANNOUNCEMENTS!

- **TUESDAY CHURCH FORUM**—JUNE 11, 2024 | 12:00—2:30 PM | EVERYBODY WELCOME
- **STAFF MEETING WITH ELDERS & DEACONS**—MIDTOWN ASSEMBLY HALL | JUNE 10, 2024 | 3:00-4:30 PM.
- **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**—JULY 8—12, 2024 | REGISTRATION GOING ON | REG. FEE: P50.00
- **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL PREPARATION**—DAILY PREPARATIONS FOR PROPS | MIDTOWN HALL | NEEDED: BOHO, AFGHAN, IGOROT WEAVINGS | SIGN UP TO SPONSOR SNACKS & MEALS (PLEASE SEE THE BULLETIN BOARDS)
- **WANTED: VOLUNTEER PROOFREADER IN FILIPINO**—TO PROOFREAD MIDTOWN'S EVANGELISTIC LESSON SERIES TRANSLATED INTO FILIPINO | PLEASE CONTACT BROTHER EZRA VALDEZ AS SOON AS POSSIBLE | THANK YOU!
- **BIBLE STUDY CENTER**—AT THE MIDTOWN ASSEMBLY HALL | OPEN MONDAY THRU FRIDAY FOR PERSONAL BIBLE STUDY AND BIBLICAL COUNSELLING | BRING ANYONE INTERESTED IN A FORMAL BIBLE STUDY COURSE OR BRING ANYONE WHO WOULD NEED COUNSELING OR NEEDING SOMEONE TO TALK TO.

DAILY CHRISTIAN LIVING

The Christian's Speech

"Let your speech be always with grace, seasoned with salt, that ye may know how ye ought to answer every man."

(Colossians 4:6)

A Christian's words are of transcendent importance, for Jesus has said: **"Every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment"** (Matthew 12:36). The word "answer" in the text above means more than simply an answer to a question. The Greek word is used 250 times in the New Testament, and in every other instance it is used in a simple narrative sense (such as "he answered saying"). Thus, it refers to ordinary conversation, indicating that every verbal response of a Christian should be gracious and tasteful—never crude, hurtful, or bland.

The Scriptures include many other specifications for a Christian's speech. In the first place, there should not be too much of it! **"Study to be quiet, and to do your own business"** (1 Thessalonians 4:11). Our words should be carefully chosen, able to be substantiated— **"sound speech, that cannot be condemned"** (Titus 2:8). People should be able to rely on the truth of what we say. **"Wherefore putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbour"** (Ephesians 4:25). Furthermore, **"let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers"** (Ephesians 4:29). **"But who ye also put off all these; anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth"** (Colossians 3:8). Our words should always be edifying and helpful, wholesome and thoughtful.

But if this seems humanly impossible, remember God is able to tame our tongues, even though we cannot! The key is prayer—earnest and consistent prayer—not just that our speech become innocuous, but that it may edify, testify, and minister grace. HMM

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[VIRTUAL OR FACE-TO-FACE]

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- LESSON NO. 1 – The Importance of the Word of God
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- LESSON NO. 5 – Christ's New Testament Replaces the Old Testament

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- LESSON NO. 1 – The Scheme of Redemption:
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- 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:
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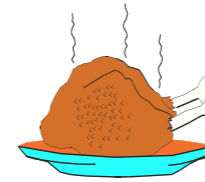
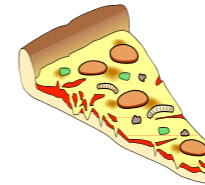
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Remember your Creator in the days of your youth, before the days of trouble come and the years approach when you will say, "I find no pleasure in them..." Ecclesiastes 12:1



June Celebrators

- 01 - Jovencia C. Mabesa
- 01 - Jonimar Domasig
- 01 - Lois June Fermin
- 02 - Claudette Zamora
- 02 - Maril P. Bayating
- 04 - Katrina M. Viduya
- 04 - Aaron Carlos Cordero
- 05 - Mary Jane S. Abance
- 05 - Sonia Insas
- 08 - Jerico Ramos
- 10 - Jhovael Sison
- 12 - Andrena S. Balang
- 13 - Mervin G. Oliva
- 13 - Jonee C. Baddas
- 14 - Corine B. Mabesa
- 15 - Aljun Parohinog
- 18 - Jimmy June Reyes
- 18 - Rutchie R. Rebuca
- 19 - Erwin Oliva
- 19 - Kaisha Lagsaman
- 19 - Shauli W. Kitma
- 19 - Felixander Kai Olidan
- 20 - Flora Campoas
- 21 - Ezra A. Valdez
- 21 - Lulu Bondoc
- 25 - Julius Rojo
- 25 - Anthony James Flores
- 25 - Anri R. Hiragi—Ramos
- 25 - Edward B. Peñaranda
- 26 - Rafael C. Ozo
- 26 - Frances Balangitan
- 27 - Luz Olidan
- 27 - Lala Geron
- 28 - Lou Villanueva



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

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
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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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