

Servers Today, January 26, 2025

The Joy of Returning
(Luke 15:11-24)

Speaker: DODOY SAMEON

Song Leader: KAJEM KITMA

Invocation: JOJO RAMOS

Intercessory Prayer: DEXTER WAGANG

Communion Text: GALATIANS 3:23-29

Scripture Reading: KEMUEL PERDIGON

Prayer for the Bread: O'NEIL GONZALES

Prayer for the Cup: DANTE BADDAS

Prayer for the Giving: RICHARD BESTRE

Closing Prayer: ERNIE WAGANG

Announcement: ANDY BESTRE

Afternoon Speaker: JERRY GAWE

Song Leader: KAJEM KITMA

To Bring Flowers: KAESHA PALAYPAYON

To Bring Biscuits: C/O MIDTOWN

To Bring Drinks: C/O MIDTOWN

Usher/ettes: AUSTRIA FAMILY

Communion: LORI AUSTRIA

Worship Coordinator: EZRA VALDEZ | ART TACAY

PM Bible Study:

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 February 2, 2025

The Joy of Forgiving
(Luke 15:25-32)

Speaker: JOJO RAMOS

Song Leader: CHRIS OLIVA

Invocation: CHARLIE ABANCE

Intercessory Prayer: NOEL ESPINOSA

Communion Text: 1 CORINTHIANS 11:23-29

Scripture Reading: KHEIF WALANG

Prayer for the Bread: DAN-GIL GERON

Prayer for the Cup: SAMUEL QUEZADA

Prayer for the Giving: EZRA VALDEZ

Closing Prayer: FELIX OLIDAN JR.

Announcement: ARNAN BAYLA

Afternoon Speaker: JOJO RAMOS

Song Leader: CHRIS OLIVA

To Bring Flowers: DINAH AUSTRIA

To Bring Biscuits: C/O MIDTOWN

To Bring Drinks: C/O MIDTOWN

Usher/ettes: PERDIGON FAMILY

Communion: CORAZON OZO


Worship Coordinator: EZRA VALDEZ | ART TACAY

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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 worshippers 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.

“Mercy gave the prodigal son a second chance. Grace gave him a feast.”

READ Luke 15:11-24

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LAST SUNDAY'S RECORD

January 19, 2025

ATTENDANCE

REGULAR WORSHIP ASSEMBLY AM & PM

SUNDAY SCHOOL

ADULTS.....190

YP EEZ.....28

CHILDREN.....58

GUESTS.....1

TOTAL.....277

PRESCHOOL.....18

GRADES 1-27

GRADES 3-4.....8

GRADES 5-6.....10

H.S.....20

COL/YAs.....15

ADULT Classes..151

TOTAL.....237

OFFERING

AM&PM: P68,286.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS

• TUESDAY CHURCH FORUM — JANUARY 28 , 2025 | 12—2:30 PM | EVERYBODY WELCOME!

• CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS & ENLISTMENT—EVERYBODY IS ENJOINED TO VOLUNTEER OR ENLIST IN THE VARIOUS MINISTRIES OF THE CONGREGATION TODAY, JANUARY 26, 2025 @ 9:30-10:30 AM

• NATIONAL YOUTH CAMP—LIVING HOPE CAMP, TAROY, WANGAL, LA TRINIDAD, BENGUET | APRIL 16-19, 2025 | HOST: HERITAGE CHURCH OF CHRIST | RESERVATION ONGOING | EARLY REGISTRATION ADVISED!

• NATIONAL LADIES RETREAT—CCT TRAINING CENTER, TAGAYTAY CITY | APRIL 22-25, 2025

• READING CENTER—AT THE MIDTOWN ASSEMBLY HALL | EVERY FRIDAY | OPENS 9 AM—CLOSES 3 PM

• 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.

Call for enlistment in various ministries today

As announced earlier, today’s BIBLE STUDY HOUR (9:30-10:30 AM) will be devoted to the presentation of the congregation’s 2025 PLAN OF ACTION FOR EVANGELISM, EDIFICATION, AND BENEVOLENCE. Right after the presentation, an OPEN FORUM ensues to accommodate clarifications and queries. After which, everyone is encouraged to enlist for involvement in the various ministries they prefer. Only the Children’s Sunday School goes on today. As of the moment, five major ministries are awaiting additional members. These include ADMINISTRATIVE, EQUIPPING, EVANGELISM, EDIFICATION, AND BENEVOLENCE. There are SUB-MINISTRIES under each of these major ministries to choose from also. Everyone is encouraged to desire to get involved according to their SPIRITUAL GIFTS, HEART, ABILITIES, PERSONALITY, AND EXPERIENCE (SHAPE). All glory and praise to Him!Ω

Brethren enjoined to celebrate National Bible Month

Midtown brethren, through the BAGUIO PINES FAMILY LEARNING CENTER (BPFLC) joins the entire nation in celebrating NATIONAL BIBLE MONTH (NBM) this month which culminates in a NATIONAL BIBLE WEEK, a NATIONAL BIBLE SUNDAY today, and a NATIONAL BIBLE DAY tomorrow. The Philippine government declares January as NATIONAL BIBLE MONTH to promote the importance of reading and studying the Bible for the spiritual, moral, and social development of Filipinos, while recognizing the religious nature of the Filipino people and the positive influence of the Bible in society. BPFLC has been celebrating NBM with various contests among pupils, parents & guardians, and faculty & staff such as Memory Verse Challenge, Bible Quiz Show, Bible Story Telling, and Bible Drill, among others. It will culminate in an A’CAPELLA SONGFEST to be joined by pupils & parents on January 31. For God’s greater glory!Ω

27 attend ladies devo & fellowship @ CJH

The First Steering Group for the MONTHLY LADIES DEVOTIONAL & LUNCHEON FELLOWSHIP successfully conducted this year’s first meeting at the picnic grounds of CAMP JOHN HAY the other past Saturday morning, January 18, 2025. Twenty-seven ladies and four children were present in the activity. Those who made it include Lorie Austria, Norma Aping, Carina Lacaba, Virgie Baldo, Dinah Austria, Cora Ozo, Rossana Andaya, Cot Espinosa, Ruth Trinidad, Bing Buendia, Belen Interior, Maureen & Lily Soriano, Macki Espiritu, Nelly Bayla, Keshia Oliva, Minda Oliva, Angie Linggon, Lulu Bondoc, Janet Ramos, Norma Andaya, Charmaine Rivera, Charisse Fabia, Lala Geron, Fely Flores, and Maribel Sunggay. Children present were Hakea Sati Balbaloza, Carrie & Miya Fabia, and Radleigh Banatao. All glory and praise to Him!Ω

Geron family serve in Naguilian congregation

The other past Sunday, January 12, 2025, the Geron family served with the Naguilian congregation meeting at the Barangay Hall of Barangay Imelda, Naguilian, La Union. Brother Dan-gil facilitated the Bible Study, brother Gil delivered the sermon based on 1 Thessalonians, and brother Lhuke Geron took charge of the Scripture Reading. Meanwhile, brother Jerry Gawe facilitated the HOME BIBLE STUDY GROUP at Lasilas, Nangalisan, the other past Friday afternoon, January 17th. He and brother Ezra Valdez alternately take turns in facilitating said group. For His honor and glory!Ω

PAUL’S GROWTH

“For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think; but to think soberly, according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith.” (Romans 12:3)

Many times today we look at Paul and wish to be greatly used of God as he was. But Scripture teaches us that use of Paul as a role model requires a proper view of Paul—his humility and his submission to Christ.

Paul didn’t start out as a humble servant. In fact, before his conversion, he was quite proud of his pedigree (Philippians 3:4-6). He was the overseer at the stoning of Stephen (Acts 7:58). He was fanatical, the haughty persecutor of the early church (8:3). In grace, he was informed of his error by *“Jesus whom thou persecutest”* (9:5), and soon Paul recognized the worthlessness of his background and human achievement, and counted all these things *“but dung, that I may win Christ”* (Philippians 3:8).

Once his view of Christ was proper, Paul’s view of himself began to decrease. In AD 56 or so, Paul, who had been set apart for a ministry to the Gentiles *“from my mother’s womb”* (Galatians 1:15), called himself *“the least of the apostles, that am not meet [fit] to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am”* (1 Corinthians 15:9-10).

While in prison several years later, Paul wrote to the Gentile churches he had founded, marveling that this ministry was given *“unto me, who am less than the least of all saints”* (Ephesians 3:8). Shortly before he was put to death while in prison for his faith, he testified *“that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief”* (1 Timothy 1:15).

As Paul grew older, his evaluation of his own worth decreased. As one draws closer and closer to the light, he is able to see more clearly his own unworthiness. JDM

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

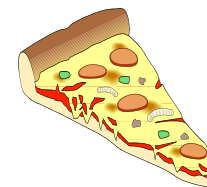
To enrol in any of the lessons, feel free to contact :

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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

January Celebrators

01 - Felicisima S. Flores
02 - Kevin Dennis
02 - Jocelyn K. Abance
02 - Priscilla P. Bayasen
04 - Pearl C. Bestre
05 - Leah V. Tada
05 - Khryz Xyryll B. Gomowang
08 - Jarielle Taltala
09 - Jane U. Donato
09 - Romelyn E. Wagang
10 - Sean R. Viduya
10 - Ernesto Orduña, Jr.
10 - Henrietta R. Espinosa
10 - Lara Chauncey Montes
12 - Dionesia Gorio
12 - Lorenza Losnong
14 - Anastacia S. Palaoag
15 - Jan Arthur Tacay
15 - Ronnilie Corisay
18 - Macrina Espiritu
18 - Oscar Sison Jr.
20 - Cindy K. Abance
22 - Antonita Orduña
23 - Dexter R. Wagang
23 - Lorna B. Montes
23 - Vangie C. Glori
26 - Richard Montes
26 - Christian Paulo T. Cordero
27 - Loida C. Baddas (deceased)
27 - Rachel Ann R. Torres
28 - Ernesto B. Wagang
28 - Myra O. Manansala
29 - Charis Grace D. Bayla
29 - Xyrus Macario
30 - Marie Joy Lacambra
31 - Abigail A. Kitma



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

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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