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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.

"We ought to be living as if Jesus died yesterday, rose this morning, and is coming back this afternoon."

READ 2 Timothy 1:8-12

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Servers Today, March 1, 2026

Called, Sanctified, and Preserved (Jude 1-2)

Speaker: JESSE BESTRE
Song Leader: JANRIEL ABANCE
Invocation: FELIX OLIDAN JR.
Intercessory Prayer: DEXTER WAGANG
Communion Text: ROMANS 6:1-10
Scripture Reading: LIAM ANDRE SALUD
Prayer for the Bread: PHROIANDER ABANCE
Prayer for the Cup: RON VILLARUZ
Prayer for the Giving: MARK QUIZANA
Closing Prayer: GREG KITMA
Announcement: ANDY BESTRE
Afternoon Speaker: JESSE BESTRE
Song Leader: JANRIEL ABANCE
To Bring Flowers: KAESHA PALAYPAYON
To Bring Biscuits: C/O MIDTOWN
To Bring Drinks: C/O MIDTOWN
Usher/ettes: PERDIGON FAMILY
Communion: KAESHA PALAYPAYON
Worship Coordinator: EZRA VALDEZ | 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 March 8, 2026

Contending for the Faith (Jude 3-4)

Speaker: FELIX OLIDAN JR.
Song Leader: JESSE BESTRE
Invocation: JOJO RAMOS
Intercessory Prayer: NOEL ESPINOSA
Communion Text: ISAIAH 53:7-12
Scripture Reading: KHEIF WALANG
Prayer for the Bread: SANDER BESTRE
Prayer for the Cup: O'NEIL GONZALES
Prayer for the Giving: RENZ PANDAY
Closing Prayer: JULIUS ROJO
Announcement: JESSE BESTRE
Afternoon Speaker: FELIX OLIDAN JR.
Song Leader: JESSE BESTRE
To Bring Flowers: NORMA ABANCE
To Bring Biscuits: C/O MIDTOWN
To Bring Drinks: C/O MIDTOWN
Usher/ettes: BESTRE FAMILY
Communion: KAESHA PALAYPAYON
Worship Coordinator: ART TACAY | LEM GLORI

Midtown brethren attend ACU lectureship at PBC

A few brethren from Midtown, namely, Felix Olidan Jr, Andy Bestre, and Jojo Ramos, attended ACU's (Asian Christian University) lectureship on "BRINGING UNITY TO DIVISION," a study of 1 Corinthians at the facilities of the PHILIPPINE BIBLE COLLEGE last February 20-21, 2026. Brother Felix Olidan Jr. also served as DEVOTIONAL SPEAKER Saturday morning. He reiterated that "LOVE UNITES" based on John 17:20-23 and on various Bible passages.

In another development, spouse Felix Jr. & Luz Olidan served with the HYDRO NANGALISAN CONGREGATION last Sunday, February 22, 2026. He underscored in his message that "DEDICATED DISCIPLES OF CHRIST DO NOT GIVE UP" based on Galatians 6:9 "Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up". Glory to the Lord!Ω

39 ladies enjoy devotional & luncheon fellowship

Thirty-nine ladies participated in this year's second MONTHLY LUNCHEON FELLOWSHIP & DEVOTIONAL held at MIDTOWN'S ASSEMBLY HALL the other past Saturday, February 21, 2026 at 11 o'clock in the morning until 2:30 PM.

Those who made it to the fellowship include sisters Lorigrace Austria, Josie Yapyapen, Cora, Rosana & Roan Ozo, Dynah Austria, Carina Lacaba, Clarita Cachero, Reining Trinidad, Luz Olidan, Dionesia martin, Minda Oliva, MJ Dugaysan, Lulu Bondoc, Jane Bestre, Elizabeth Donato, Norma Aping, Alice Lalas, Kesha Oliva, Fely Flores, Lou Villanueva, Janet ramos, Charmaine Rivera, Beth Sevilla, Ruth Trinidad, Cecilia Alvarez, Bing Buendia, Maribel Sunggay, Gloria Yang, Lily Soriano, Virgie Baldo, Charisse Fabia, and Lala Geron. Some ladies from the UPPER SESSION ROAD CHURCH OF CHRIST, namely, sisters Jean Inocencio, Rosa Aquino, Benedicta Passion, Main Padilla, Conchita Degyem, and Mary Rose Castillo attended said ladies fellowship. The devotional, a sequel to last month's theme, centered on the chosen text found in Mark 16:15 "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." The discussions on Bible characters such as Jonah, Jeremiah, Nehemiah, Ezra, Barnabas, and Paul inspired the participants to be the kind of people emboldened to serve the Lord God Almighty. Besides the usual devotional, the facilitators engaged the ladies in age-appropriate physical exercises and games before the luncheon fellowship in which they continued sharing their thoughts through conversations. The ladies were appreciative of the small group discussions and sharing of experiences in "BECOMING SOUL WINNERS." For God's glory, praise, and honor!Ω

BPFLC pupils bag YMCA 2026 overall championship

The BAGUIO PINES FAMILY LEARNING CENTER (BPFLC) has once more emerged as the OVERALL CHAMPION in the recently concluded YMCA ACADEMIC OLYMPICS held at the YMCA of Baguio the other past Saturday, February 21, 2026. BPFLC won the 1st Place (Zoe Cawaling) and 2nd Place (Dylan Salud) in the BIBLE QUIZ, 1st Place (Jessa Ritos & Elijah Duca) and 3rd Place (Josés Licdan & Cage Eustaquio) in the QUIZ BEE, and 1st Place (Mia Mina) and 3rd Place (TJ Aviles) in the IMPROMPTU ESSAY WRITING. First placers will represent the YMCA of Baguio in the NATIONAL ACADEMIC OLYMPICS in Manila on March 14-15, 2026.

Earlier, BPFLC also bagged silver medals for winning OVERALL 1ST RUNNER-UP (Aqi Elago, Daniel Paner, Josés Licdan) in the recent BIBLE FESTIVAL hosted by the ASSOCIATION OF BAGUIO-BENGUET CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS last February 7, 2026. For God's greater glory!Ω

LAST SUNDAY'S RECORD February 22, 2026

ATTENDANCE

Table with 2 columns: REGULAR WORSHIP ASSEMBLY AM & PM and SUNDAY SCHOOL. Rows include ADULTS, YPEEZ, CHILDREN, GUESTS, TOTAL for both categories.

OFFERING

AM&PM: P62,016.00

PRAYER LIST

Table with 3 columns: FOR GOOD HEALTH & RECOVERY BRETHREN, SPIRITUAL GUIDANCE, and SAFE TRAVEL. Lists names and organizations for prayer requests.

ANNOUNCEMENTS!

- TUESDAY CHURCH FORUM — MARCH 3, 2026 | 12:00—2:30 PM | EVERYBODY WELCOME!
MONTHLY YOUNG ADULT'S CARE GROUP — MIDTOWN HALL | SATURDAY, MARCH 7, 2026 | 12 NOON
MONTHLY COUPLES CARE GROUP—MIDTOWN HALL | SATURDAY, MARCH 14, 2026 | 12 NOON
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO BRING FLOWERS—KINDLY FILL IN YOUR NAME ON THE SIGN-UP SHEET ON THE BULLETIN BOARD LOCATED BY THE STAIRS GOING UP THE MEZZANINE. THANK YOU & GOD BLESS!
48TH NATIONAL LADIES RETREAT—HOST: MIDTOWN CHURCH OF CHRIST | VENUE: HOTEL SUPREME CONVENTION PLAZA | MAY 19—22, 2026 | REGULAR REGISTRATION FEE: P8,000.00 UNTIL APRIL 15, 2026. ATTENTION: MIDTOWN LADIES ARE ENCOURAGED TO REGISTER EARLIER THAN THE DEADLINE PLEASE. THANK YOU & GOD BLESS!

# Being a Model Church

“Remembering without ceasing your work of faith, and labour of love, and patience of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ, in the sight of God and our Father.” (1 Thessalonians 1:3)

Paul had begun the work at Thessalonica, and when forced to leave, he maintained an active interest in and contact with the Thessalonian believers. The book of 1 Thessalonians contains both encouragement and commendation for these believers. In the context of our text verse, he mentions some of their strengths, and it would behoove us to take note and apply these strengths to our congregations.

Paul mentions the triad of faith, love, and hope that is so common in New Testament writings. The **“WORK OF FAITH,”** that past work of salvation in the believer’s life, is amplified in verses 4–6, where we see that God has chosen to work His work of grace in them through the Word of God and the ministry of the Holy Spirit (v. 5). Their reception of the Word had been with both affliction and joy (v. 6).

Next, Paul commends their **“LABOUR OF LOVE.”** They were committed to both outreach and missions, as we see in verses 7 and 8. Their testimony had not only affected the local area but was “spread abroad.” Moreover, they had entered into proper worship of God, maintaining purity of doctrine (v. 9). The **“LABOUR OF LOVE”** to others will inevitably follow as a means of serving God.

Lastly, Paul commends their **“PATIENCE OF HOPE”** —their expectant joyful outlook on the future, waiting for Christ’s return (v. 10).

May our congregations have this same perspective on the past, present, and future work of Christ. May our own lives give attention to the same details and have the same goals and outlook as those of the Thessalonian church. **Purity in doctrine and a life of service constitute the best way to wait for our Lord’s return.** 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

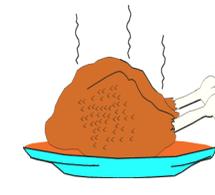
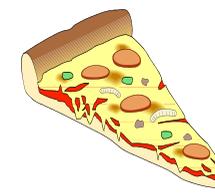
To enrol in any of the lessons, feel free to contact :

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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

## March Celebrators

- 02 - Marilou Pelle
- 03 - Vicky Batnag
- 03 - Kyla Sue Tacay
- 03 - Liam Andre Salud
- 04 - Jade Eunice Bugnay
- 05 - Carina Mabesa
- 09 - Donnel Gonzales
- 10 - Lety Bayating
- 10 - Rachel Bestre
- 11 - Ma. Vanessa A. Barad
- 12 - Greg Kitma
- 12 - Kajem Kitma
- 12 - Kaelin R. Palaypayon
- 12 - Graciela Badua-Ciencia
- 12 - Euancyde Aguinaldo
- 13 - Desiree Baddas-Niernes
- 13 - Phroillander Abance
- 14 - Randolph Tugay-an
- 15 - Ira North Po
- 15 - Cristian Paul Austria
- 17 - Alicia E. Lalas
- 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
- 24 - Jael C. Amador
- 25 - Amber Phoelen Po
- 26 - Micah Abance
- 26 - Sylvia Baggao
- 27 - Donna-Gee Geron
- 27 - Annika Rimando
- 28 - Karizza Mae Bayla
- 28 - Melissa Licupa
- 30 - Mona Gawie
- 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.

### 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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