Servers Today, November 8, 2026

Gaining from the Great Gain of Godliness (1 Tim 6:6-10)

Speaker:	*Renz Panday*
Song Leader:	*Andy Bestre*
Invocation:	*Greg Kitma*
Intercessory Prayer:	*Noel Espinosa*
Communion Text:	*Titus 2:11-14*
Scripture Reading:	*Liram Chad Montes*
Prayer for the Bread:	*Phroilander Abance*
Prayer for the Cup:	*Donnel Gonzales*
Prayer for the Giving:	*Anthony Salud*
Closing Prayer:	*Jun Bayating*
Announcement:	*Andy Bestre*
Speaker:	*Renz Panday*
Song Leader:	*Andy Bestre*
To Bring Flowers:	*Clarita Cachero*
To Bring Biscuits:	*C/o Midtown*
To Bring Drinks:	*C/o Midtown*
Usher/ettes	*Geron Family*
Communion:	*Loise & Lougai Fermin*
Worship Coordinator:	*Ezra Valdez | Art Tacay*

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, 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 November 15, 2026

Flee the Junk, Aim Higher (1 Tim 6:11-16)

Speaker:	*Ezra Valdez*
Song Leader:	*Kajem Kitma*
Invocation:	*Greg Kitma*
Intercessory Prayer:	*Noel Espinosa*
Communion Text:	*Luke 22:14-20*
Scripture Reading:	*Riyu Albay*
Prayer for the Bread:	*Dylan Luis*
Prayer for the Cup:	*Jasper Perdigon*
Prayer for the Giving:	*Art Tacay*
Closing Prayer:	*Dodoy Sameon*
Announcement:	*Arnan Bayla*
Afternoon Speaker:	*Ezra Valdez*
Song Leader:	*Chris Oliva*
To Bring Flowers:	*Amber Phoelen Po*
To Bring Biscuits:	*C/o Midtown*
To Bring Drinks:	*C/o Midtown*
Usher/ettes	*Kitma Family*
Communion:	*Loise & Lougai Fermin*
Worship Coordinator:	*Art Tacay | Lem Glori*

LAST SUNDAY'S RECORD
November 1, 2026

ATTENDANCE

REGULAR WORSHIP ASSEMBLY AM & PM		SUNDAY SCHOOL	
ADULTS	184	PRESCHOOL	16
YPEEZ	24	GRADES 1-2	9
CHILDREN	37	GRADES 3—4	4
GUESTS	2	GRADES 5-6	7
TOTAL	247	J.H.S	14
		SHS/COL	9
		ADULT	155
		TOTAL	214

OFFERING

AM&PM: P73,951.00

• P R A Y E R L I S T •

FOR GOOD HEALTH & RECOVERY BRETHREN:
**Gloria Yang*
**Josefa Josayan*
**Priscilla Bayasen*
**Dodoy & Sarah Sameon*
**Bernard Ignacio*
**Ella Garoy*
**Lorenza Losnong*
**Clyde Abance*
**Melba Licupa*
**Charlie Abance*
**Eddie Lagsaman*
**Aida Saingan*
**Meguelita Q. Abarial*
**Dante Baddas*
**Shamae Ramos*
**Elizabeth Donato*
**Purificacion Paca*
**Cristy Tacay*
**Ruth Camora*
**Jane Bestre*
**Maribel Ferrer*
**Jessica Mariano*
**Angie Payangdo*
**Lily Soriano*
**Rosalia Acosta*
**Meaghan Yang*
**Ditas Cubangbang , Espie Villanueva, Nadia Josayan, Miriam Suanding—Quizon, (Safe Pregnancy)*

REQUESTED BY BRETHREN:
**Carmen Villanueva*
**Mariliza Andallo*
**Diana Taguiba*
**Ian Pajantoy*
**Jerald Bacoy*
**Jehmel Ofreneo*
**Dwyla Amila Simon*
**Fritz Padilla*
**Princess Quinzon*
**Elijah Mae B. Cuevas*
**Melody Borja*

SPIRITUAL GUIDANCE
**Local, National, World Leaders & Government*
**On-going Seekers' BS*
**On-going Follow-up BS*
**Tuba Evangelistic Mission c/o YAs & Ladies Ministry*
**Cordillera Mission Plan*
**Personal Evangelism*
**Additional Elders & Deacons, Evangelists*

SAFE TRAVEL:
**Dex & Den Wagang & Family (AUS)*
**Sol & Lani Palaypayon, Felix Olidan Jr & Company (Nepal)*

A N N O U N C E M E N T S !

- **TCF & CHURCH PLANNING**— On November 10, 2026 | 12:00 Noon—5:00 PM | Everybody Welcome!
- **24th BAGUIO-BENGUET CHRISTIAN LADIES FELLOWSHIP** — On November 30, 2026 | Itogon Training Center, Alejo M. Pacalso Memorial National High School, Tuding, Itogon, Benguet | Please Sign Up NOW on the Sign-Up Sheet on the Bulletin Board.
- **49th NATIONAL LADIES RETREAT** — Amontay Beach Resort, Nasipit, Agusan del Norte On April 20-23, 2026 | Discounted Registration Fee Until January 31, 2027: P7500.00
- **ADDITIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED** — No experience necessary, Training will be provided | To start as co-teachers in the various grade levels | Please contact sister kesha oliva
- **SPIRITUAL RETREAT, REST, & RECREATION** — December 8, 2026 | Culminating Activity of the series of Church Planning Done October 13—December 1, 2026

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"The fear of God will make a man afraid of his own heart."

READ Jeremiah 17:9

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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.

Young adults gather for rest & recreation

Some of Midtown's young adults took advantage of the holidays on November 1-2, 2026 and spent the break in San Juan, La Union, enjoying beachside rest and recreation. Staying at a nearby Airbnb, they explored local tourist spots and strengthened friendships through time together. The group warmly welcomed brothers Ron Villaruz and Jalus Sissi-it, who joined the outing for the first time.

Participants were spouses Ezra and Kana Valdez with their children, Unna and Dumanay, together with Jizza Aquino, Kaesha Palaypayon, Maureen Soriano, Angela Ramos, Alexis Sunggay, Amber Po, Ron Villaruz, Janriel Abance, and Jalus Sissi-it.

Lord willing, the group hopes to make the outing an annual Young Adults Ministry activity.

Meanwhile, the youth are reminded of the upcoming Young People's General Assembly scheduled on November 29 right after the Sunday Morning Worship Assembly until 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

In another development, brother Arnan Bayla is slated to serve as speaker on Mental Health Awareness at the Tuba Central National High School on Tuesday, November 10, 2026. For God's praise and glory!Ω

Midtown thanks volunteers for repainting hall

Much appreciation goes to brothers Julius Rojo and Frank Valdez for repainting the walls of the Assembly Hall last October 26 and November 2. The two hardworking handyman volunteered to do the work as a labor of love. There remains some more portions to be repainted which they scheduled to do on Monday, November 9.

Again, the congregation spearheaded by its leadership express gratitude for the work being done well. To God be all the glory! Ω

Three more sessions for church planning set Tuesdays

The church planning sessions, which began on October 13, have progressed smoothly. Three sessions remain, scheduled for the next consecutive Tuesdays in November:

- **November 10:** Setting the congregation's three-year Goals for 2027–2029.
- **November 17:** Preparing the congregation's 2027 Action Plan.
- **November 24:** Preparing the congregation's 2027 Budget.

Everyone is encouraged to participate. Sessions begin after a short break following the church forum, which usually ends by 2:00 p.m., and conclude around 5:00 p.m.

Meanwhile, finalization of plans for the Pasasalamat and 43rd Anniversary Celebration will wrapped up on December 1, 2026. The Spiritual Retreat, Rest, & Recreation scheduled for December 8th will also be finalized as soon as possible. All praise to the Lord God Almighty! Ω

Well baby boy born to Valdez-Orpilla family

Midtown brethren praise the Lord God Almighty as well as congratulates spouses Natzy & Sheema Valdez for the safe delivery of their firstborn child, Peter Codey Valdez Orpilla at the Bethany Hospital in San Fernando, La Union last Thursday afternoon, November 5, 2026. Baby boy Peter Codey was 3.52 kg at birth through Caesarean Section.

A couple of months earlier, a baby shower was celebrated by Midtown brethren at the Boblé Café, this city, in anticipation of the upcoming delivery of the baby that has now been realized I God's precious time. Praise to the Lord God Almighty! Ω

THE GREAT GAIN OF GODLINESS

Paul has just warned Timothy about people who treat godliness as a way to make money (1 Timothy 6:5). He answers with a striking statement: "Godliness with contentment is great gain" (verse 6). Paul is not saying that money is evil or that Christians should neglect their needs. He is teaching us where to place our trust and how to guard our hearts.

I. Recognize the riches of godliness with contentment (verses 6–8)

"We brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it." Every possession we have is temporary. Food and clothing are basic needs, and Paul says we can learn to be content when those needs are met.

Contentment does not mean refusing to work, save, or provide for our families. It means that our peace does not rise and fall with our possessions. A person may have little and still be grateful; another may have much and still feel that it is never enough. The difference lies in what the heart calls *gain*.

Application:

Thank God for what He has already provided. When you feel the urge to compare your life with someone else's, ask: "What do I truly need, and what am I simply being persuaded to want?"

II. Recognize the danger of wanting to be rich (verse 9)

Paul warns that "those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap." His focus is on the *desire* that begins to govern a person's choices. Wealth can become so important that honesty, family responsibilities, worship, generosity, and rest are pushed aside.

The trap often looks harmless at first: "Just one more deal. Just a little more income. Then I will have enough." Yet if "enough" keeps moving, a person may gain more money while losing freedom of heart. Paul says such desires can lead people into ruin.

Application:

Examine the decisions you are making to earn more. If a financial goal is leading you to compromise your integrity or neglect people God has entrusted to you, reconsider that goal before the cost grows.

III. Recognize and guard your faith from the love of money (verse 10)

Paul does not say that *money* is the root of all evil. He says that **the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil**. Money is a useful tool, but it makes a poor master. When we love it, we may begin to excuse actions we once knew were wrong.

Paul adds a sobering warning: some, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and caused themselves much grief. The deepest loss is spiritual. What profit is there in gaining possessions if, along the way, we turn away from the Lord?

Application:

Put money in its proper place. Set aside what you can give, practice honesty in every transaction, and ask a trusted fellow Christian to speak candidly with you if your pursuit of income begins to weaken your faith.

Conclusion

Paul gives us a better measure of a successful life: **godliness with contentment**. Let us work faithfully and provide responsibly, while remembering that we came into this world with nothing and will carry no possessions out of it. What matters most is the life we live before God.

Challenge

Do I possess my money, or has my desire for money begun to possess me?

This week, choose one act of gratitude and one act of generosity as a reminder that God is our true treasure.

Prayer

Heavenly Father, thank You for providing for our needs. Teach us to be diligent in our work, content with Your care, and generous with what You have entrusted to us. Guard our hearts from greed and keep us faithful to our Lord Jesus Christ. For it is in His name we pray, Amen.

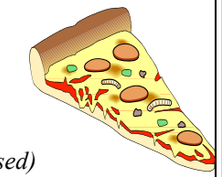
Lasting wealth is found in a life devoted to God and content with what He provides.

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

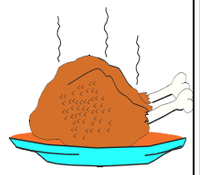
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02 - *Crisiamae Castillo*
04 - *Rolyn Dugaysan*
05 - *Shinar S. Ciencia*
06 - *Neko James Austria*
06 - *Marian Cheska Denis-Moriarty*
07 - *Ruth Camora*
07 - *Gileana Hannah Saguil*
08 - *Laarni B. Salud*
10 - *Felix L. Olidan, Jr.*
11 - *Darrylle Jane A. Walang*
11 - *Jasper K. Perdigon*
11 - *Ariadne L. Cadias*
13 - *Sean Nove Isaac Bestre*
13 - *Cristy Tacay*
14 - *Ian Xavier B. Colcol*
15 - *Ma. Cecilia B. Colcol*
15 - *Lily Soriano*
16 - *Rebecca Garcia*
17 - *Rhianne Kyle A. Nawew*
18 - *Kristalyn Saingan*
18 - *Andrew Nawew*
18 - *Dionesia Martin*
20 - *Marina Mabesa (Deceased)*
21 - *Sharon S. McMillin*
21 - *Rhona Barad*
21 - *Marjorie Solomon*
21 - *Kristine M. Denis*
21 - *Novelito B. Abance*
22 - *Jonathan Enerva*
23 - *Minda G. Oliva*
23 - *Lorigrace Austria*
24 - *Ma. Lourdes Cera-Literato*
25 - *Churchill S. Parohinog*
25 - *Angelika Navalta*
25 - *Norma D. Andaya*
25 - *Charmaine Rivera*
27 - *Leonard Basil*
28 - *Rowana Ozo*
29 - *Perla B. Tabcao*
29 - *Brigida Mandapat*
30 - *Sonia Cariño Abance*









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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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