

Servers Today, March 16, 2025

Persistence (Luke 18:1-8)

Speaker: O'NEIL GONZALES
Song Leader: FELIX OLIDAN JR.
Invocation: JULIUS ROJO
Intercessory Prayer: RICHARD BESTRE
Communion Text: ISAIAH 53:1-5
Scripture Reading: KEMUEL PERDIGON
Prayer for the Bread: LEMAR SIMON
Prayer for the Cup: DAN-GIL GERON
Prayer for the Giving: EZRA VALDEZ
Closing Prayer: FELIX OLIDAN JR.
Announcement: ARNAN BAYLA
Afternoon Speaker: O'NEIL GONZALES
Song Leader: FELIX OLIDAN JR.
To Bring Flowers: ROSSANA ANDAYA
To Bring Biscuits: C/O MIDTOWN
To Bring Drinks: C/O MIDTOWN
Usher/ettes: ESPINOSA FAMILY
Communion: COT ESPINOSA
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 23, 2025

Delusion (Luke 18:9-17)

Speaker: JASPER PERDIGON
Song Leader: MERVIN OLIVA
Invocation: SOLOMON PALAYPAYON
Intercessory Prayer: NOEL ESPINOSA
Communion Text: ISAIAH 53: 6-10
Scripture Reading: JEREMY CRAIG LICUPA
Prayer for the Bread: DAN-GIL GERON
Prayer for the Cup: DONNEL GONZALES
Prayer for the Giving: MARK QUIZANA
Closing Prayer: JOJO RAMOS
Announcement: ANDY BESTRE
Afternoon Speaker: JASPER PERDIGON
Song Leader: MERVIN OLIVA
To Bring Flowers: CLARITA CACHERO
To Bring Biscuits: C/O MIDTOWN
To Bring Drinks: C/O MIDTOWN
Usher/ettes: GERON FAMILY
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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.

“Obstacles are those frightful things we encounter when we take off our eyes from the goal!”

READ 1 Corinthians 15:58

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Young adults ministry formalized at Midtown

THE YOUNG ADULTS MINISTRY was duly formed formally as one of Midtown's ministry with the following PURPOSE STATEMENT: To have a community of young adults where we can grow spiritually, build meaningful relationships, and are willing to serve God, the church, and the community. As Jesus commanded, we strive to love one another as He has loved us (John 13:34), showing His love through our actions, service, and commitment to one another. GENERAL OBJECTIVES: 1. Spiritual Growth 2. Fellowship and Community 3. Leadership Development 4. Outreach and Evangelism 5. Life Application.

AGE GROUPS: •25-30 years old (Emerging Young Adults & Early Career Seekers) can overlap with YP OBJECTIVE: To guide young adults in building a strong foundation in faith, personal development, and relationships as they transition from student life to early career opportunities. •31-40+ years old (Established professionals, married individuals, and young parents). OBJECTIVE: To support young adults in applying Biblical principles to their careers, relationships, and personal growth while strengthening their commitment to Christ.

FUNDING: Organic Funding Structure. A Steering Committee will be responsible for activities/projects quarterly for a year. PROJECTS/ACTIVITIES: Ongoing: 1. Manong & Manangs CARE Group (As Needed) 2. Young Couples CARE Group (Weekly) 3. Monthly Young Adults CARE Group 4. FLC CARE Group (Weekly) 5. Sunday Mobile CARE Group 6. Young Adults Camp (Once a Year) 7. Young Adults Sunday School Class 8. Young Adults Out of Baguio Chat group. Proposed: 1. Mentorship Program 2. Leadership Workshop 3. Community Service (Prison Ministry, Free Market) 4. Relationship Talks & Guidance 5. Congregational Visitation 6. Visitation of Inactive YAs 7. Worship Service Workshop (Preaching, Singing, Prayer) 8. In-depth Bible Study Classes 9. Singing CARE Group. For God's greater praise and glory!Ω

Monthly ladies devo & fellowship this Saturday

The MONTHLY LADIES DEVOTIONAL AND LUNCHEON FELLOWSHIP will be this Saturday, March 22, 2025 from 8:20 AM—1:00 PM at the MOUNT COSTA GREEN LIVING ROOM, Longlong Road, La Trinidad. Free transportation will wait at the Irisan Jeepney Station from 7:00 AM and will depart at exactly 8:00 AM for Mount Costa via Lamtang, Irisan, Naguilian Road.

Participants are to be guided by the following: 1. Due to the nature of the lessons and activities, please NO children allowed at this time. 2. Don't bring food and drinks except for drinking water and some candies. 3. Eat your breakfast before leaving your house. 4. Bring your reading glasses, pens or pencils. 5. Use rubber shoes. 6. Drink your medicines beforehand. 7. Bring umbrella or any hat. 8. Bring your Identification Cards or Senior Citizen cards. 9. Bring your jackets. All praises and thanks to the Lord!Ω

Couples CG held on a rainy evening

The MONTHLY COUPLES CARE GROUP had a wonderful time with their rest and recreation at the facilities of DEMETER'S GARDEN on Ambayao Road, Irisan, this city on a rainy evening on March 8. Spouses Michael & Margaret Yang hosted the camp-style event. Spouses Jojo & Janet Ramos, Nainer & Rica Nawew, Paeng & Cora Ozo, Michael & Margaret Yang, Felix & Luz Olidan, Chris & Kesha Olva, Ezra & Kana Valdez, Eric & Jing Sacayanan, and Dex & Den Wagang learned much from the topic, "LOVE THAT SUPPORTS, LOVE THAT PROTECTS, & LOVE THAT IS ANCHORED IN CHRIST" based on Ecclesiastes 4:9-12 facilitated by spouses Jesse & Riza Bestre. Glory to God!Ω

LAST SUNDAY'S RECORD March 9, 2025

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: P77,327.00

PRAYER LIST

- FOR GOOD HEALTH & RECOVERY BRETHREN: *GLORIA YANG, *JOSEFA JOSAYAN, *PRISCILLA BAYASEN, *DODOY & SARAH SAMEON, *DITH ZAMORA, *TESS KITMA, *BERNARD IGNACIO, *JONATHAN ENERVA, *JOVITA BONDOC, *ELLA GAROY, *LORENZA LOSNONG, *ERNIE ORDUÑA, JR., *FLORA CAMPOAS, *CLYDE ABANCE, *MELBA LICUPA, *NIDA GABRIEL, *CHARLIE ABANCE
*MARIL BAYATING, SR, *LILY SORIANO, *EDDIE LAGSAMAN
REQUESTED BY BRETHREN: *CARMEN VILLANUEVA, *MARILIZA ANDALLO, *DIANA TAGUIBA, *PHILIP BADUA, *IAN PAJANTOY, *GASPAR NAWEW, *JERALD BACOY, *JEHMEL OFRENEO
SPIRITUAL GUIDANCE: *LOCAL, NATIONAL, WORLD LEADERS & GOVERNMENT, *ON-GOING FOLLOWERS' BS, *ON-GOING FOLLOW-UP BS, *OPPORTUNITIES TO PREACH THE GOSPEL
SAFE TRAVEL: *ERNIE & LETTY WAGANG (AUS)



ANNOUNCEMENTS!

- TUESDAY CHURCH FORUM — MARCH 18, 2025 | 12—2:30 PM | EVERYBODY WELCOME!
MONTHLY LADIES DEVOTIONAL & LUNCHEON FELLOWSHIP—AT THE GREEN LIVING ROOM, MT. COSTA, LONGLONG ROAD, LAMTANG, LA TRINIDAD, BENGUET | SATURDAY, MARCH 22, 2025 | 8:20 AM—1:00 PM. | FREE TRANSPORTATION WILL WAIT AT THE IRISAN JEEPNEY STATION AND WILL LEAVE AT EXACTLY 8:00 AM | PRE-REGISTER ON OR BEFORE MARCH 16, 2025. PLEASE SEE SIGN-UP SHEET ON BULLETIN BOARD. NOTE: IN RELATION TO THIS OCCASION'S LESSON TOPIC, NO CHILDREN ALLOWED AT THIS TIME. THANK YOU!
NATIONAL YOUTH CAMP—LIVING HOPE CAMP, TAROY, WANGAL, LA TRINIDAD, BENGUET | APRIL 16-19, 2025 | HOST: HERITAGE CHURCH OF CHRIST | RESERVATION ONGOING | REGISTRATION ENDS MARCH 28, 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.

APOSTASY AND PROSPERITY

“And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work.” (2 Corinthians 9:8)

One of the most tragic movements in Christendom today teaches that God promises to make each Christian prosper in material wealth. Suffice it to say, the Bible teaches no such thing, as seen in our text and elsewhere, but this false teaching is not new and is associated with apostasy.

Consider chapters 17 and 18 of the book of Judges, which describe a period of rampant apostasy and confusion. The chapters provide character sketches of an itinerant Levite, the tribe of Dan, and a man named Micah. First we see that Micah steals 1,100 shekels of silver from his mother, who then places a curse on the unknown thief. Micah, fearing the curse, confesses the crime. His mother tries to lessen the curse by dedicating all the money to the Lord and converts 200 shekels into an idol. Micah places the idol with his others and consecrates his son as a priest, even though they are of the tribe of Ephraim. Later, he hires the Levite to be his priest and exclaims, “Now know I that the LORD will do me good, seeing I have a Levite to my priest” (Judges 17:13).

In the next chapter, spies of the Danites go to the priest for God’s blessing on their efforts to find land that they can conquer. When the marauders return, they recruit the Levite to a more prosperous position. He joins them, having stolen Micah’s idols, and establishes the tribal priesthood.

Each one in this story was confident that God would bless them materially because they had the trappings of religion. The common denominator was greed. Their desire for personal prosperity led them to a prostitution of the true worship of God. But whenever religion is used to justify the love of money, it suffers degradation. “Ye cannot serve God and mammon” (Matthew 6:24). JDM

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- 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)

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

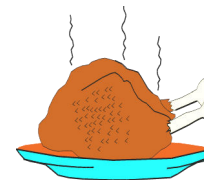
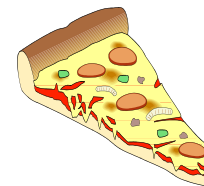
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Remember your Creator in the days of your youth, before the days of trouble come and the years approach when you will say, “I find no pleasure in them...” Ecclesiastes 12:1

March Celebrators



- 02 - Marilou Pelle
- 03 - Vicky Batnag
- 03 - Kyla Sue Tacay
- 04 - Jade Eunice Bugnay
- 05 - Carina Mabesa
- 09 - Donnel Gonzales
- 10 - Letty Bayating
- 10 - Rachel Bestre
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- 12 - Kaelin R. Palaypayon
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- 13 - Desiree Baddas-Nierves
- 13 - Phroillander Abance
- 14 - Randolph Tugay-an
- 15 - Ira North Po
- 15 - Cristian Paul Austria
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- 17 - Zyneth Lagsaman
- 17 - Paterson Kitma
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- 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 Gawe
- 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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