

Servers Today, April 20, 2025

Faithful Stewardship (Luke 19:11-27)

Speaker: PHILLIP DUMAWA
Song Leader: JANRIEL ABANCE
Invocation: DODOY SAMEON
Intercessory Prayer: NOEL ESPINOSA
Communion Text: LUKE 22:14-20
Scripture Reading: SHERMAN BESTRE
Prayer for the Bread: JASPER PERDIGON
Prayer for the Cup: LEMUEL GLORI
Prayer for the Giving: JHUN BAYATING
Closing Prayer: FELIX OLIDAN JR.
Announcement: ARNAN BAYLA
Afternoon Speaker: JEREMIAH GAWA
Song Leader: JANRIEL ABANCE
To Bring Flowers: RUTH TRINIDAD
To Bring Biscuits: C/O MIDTOWN
To Bring Drinks: C/O MIDTOWN
Usher/ettes: PALAYPAYON FAMILY
Communion: JANE BESTRE
Worship Coordinator: ART TACAY | JESSE BESTRE

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 April 27, 2025

The King Who Offers Peace (Luke 19:28-48)

Guest Speaker: JESSE BESTRE
Song Leader: KAJEM KITMA
Invocation: FELIX OLIDAN JR.
Intercessory Prayer: DEXTER WAGANG
Communion Text: ROMANS 6:1-10
Scripture Reading: JOSH DARIUS MARTIN
Prayer for the Bread: O'NEIL GONZALES
Prayer for the Cup: MARK QUIZANA
Prayer for the Giving: JULIUS ROZO
Closing Prayer: MARIL P. BAYATING SR.
Announcement: ANDY BESTRE
Afternoon Speaker: JESSE BESTRE
Song Leader: KAJEM KITMA
To Bring Flowers: RIZA BESTRE
To Bring Biscuits: C/O MIDTOWN
To Bring Drinks: C/O MIDTOWN
Usher/ettes: MARTIN FAMILY
Communion: JANE BESTRE
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 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.

44 attend monthly ladies devo & luncheon fellowship

Forty-four ladies actively participated in this month's LADIES DEVOTIONAL & LUNCHEON FELLOWSHIP held at MIDTOWN'S ASSEMBLY HALL the other past Saturday, April 12, 2025. The attendees are sisters Minda Oliva, Marlene Samonte, Bing Buendia, Melba Licupa, Maribel Sunggay, Ruth Trinidad, Elizabeth Sevilla, Carina Lacaba, Norma Aping, Alice Lalas, Angela Ramos, Janet Ramos, Genevieve Mokyat, Virgie Baldo, Anayn Aronza, Elen Bugnay, Melita Cados, Norma Andaya, Charmaine Rivera, Charisse Fabia, Sati Balbalaza, Lori Austria, Corazon Ozo, Quin Roan Ozo, Angeline Linggon, Jane Bestre, Gloria Yang, Jovencia Mabesa, Cecilia Alvarez, Clarita Cachero, Fely Flores, Nelly Bayla, Cot Espinosa, Luz Olidan, Riza Bestre, Lou Villanueva, Mau Soriano, Trining Trinidad, Keshia Oliva, and four guests from the UPPER SESSION ROAD CONGREGATION, namely, Maryann Barona, Marion Acena, Elsie Lagadan, and Simforosa Aquino.

Sister Lady Janet Ramos served as facilitator in the discussion of "RESTORING THE SOUL OF A WOMAN" based on 2 Corinthians 5:17. Sister Riza Bestre took charge of the icebreakers. Tokens were sponsored by sister Trining Trinidad while fresh produce were given away by the Digidigwayan ladies. Thanks for the generosity! To God be the glory!Ω

Salud family of Bakakeng Central baptized last week

The congregation praises the Lord God Almighty as well as congratulates the SALUD FAMILY for having confessed Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and received Him in baptism. Spouses Anthony & Laarmi Salud, and their sons, Liam Andre and Dylan Isiah, were baptized by brother Arnan Bayla at Midtown's baptistery, after having completed the SEEKERS LESSON SERIES, last Wednesday evening, April 16, 2025. The two children including the youngest, Ezekiel Salud, attend Midtown's SUNDAY SCHOOL. In fact they regularly attend the congregation's WORSHIP ASSEMBLIES and are actively involved in its various ministries. Liam is a graduate of BAGUIO PINES FAMILY LEARNING CENTER (BPFLC) while Dylan is presently at Grade 5.

The SALUD FAMILY are residents of Sto. Niño Subdivision, Bakakeng Central and are neighbors of a number of Midtown brethren.

The family will continue with their NEW LIFE LESSON SERIES at their residence with spouses Arnan and Nelly Bayla every Wednesday evening. The Midtown family continues to pray for their spiritual growth and church involvement. For God's glory!Ω

Midtown conveys sympathies to Ramos family

Midtown brethren conveys deepest sympathies to the bereaved RAMOS FAMILY for the passing of Mr. Horacio C. Ramos. He was the father of brother Jonathan 'Jojo' Ramos. A good number of brethren visited and condoled the bereaved at the BAGUIO MEMORIAL CHAPEL the past few days. The remains of the deceased had been transferred to the family residence at AC-157 Eastern Buyagan, La Trinidad until the interment on April 26th in Acop, Tublay.Ω

Midtown welcomes guest speaker & family today

Midtown brethren welcomes brother Phillip C. Dumawa, a minister serving with the INSTRUCCION CHURCH OF CHRIST, and a faculty member of the MANILA SCHOOL OF EVANGELISM in the city of Manila, as Guest Sermon Speaker today. He is accompanied by his family who are in the city for the holidays. His children attended the recently concluded NATIONAL YOUTH CAMP. For God's glory and praise!Ω

LAST SUNDAY'S RECORD April 13, 2025

ATTENDANCE

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

OFFERING

AM&PM: P70,544.00

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, *ERMALYN UDAN (SAFE PREGNANCY & DELIVERY)
REQUESTED BY BRETHREN: *CARMEN VILLANUEVA, *MARILIZA ANDALLO, *DIANA TAGUIBA, *IAN PAJANTOY, *GASPAR NAWEW, *JERALD BACOY, *JEHMEL OFRENEO
SPIRITUAL GUIDANCE: *LOCAL, NATIONAL, WORLD LEADERS & GOVERNMENT, *ON-GOING SEEKERS' BS, *ON-GOING FOLLOW-UP BS, *OPPORTUNITIES TO PREACH THE GOSPEL
SAFE TRAVEL: *ANDY BESTRE & COMPANY (RIVERVIEW CHURCH OF CHRIST), *NLR DELEGATES (TAGAYTAY CITY)



ANNOUNCEMENTS!

- TUESDAY CHURCH FORUM — MIDTOWN ASSEMBLY HALL | APRIL 22, 2025 | 12:00—2:30 PM
CONDOLENCES & SYMPATHIES — TO THE RAMOS FAMILY FOR THE PASSING OF MR. HORACIO C. RAMOS, THE LATE FATHER OF BROTHER JONATHAN 'JOJO' RAMOS.
NATIONAL LADIES RETREAT — CCT RETREAT & TRAINING CENTER, TAGAYTAY CITY | APRIL 22-25, 2025
READING CENTER—AT THE MIDTOWN ASSEMBLY HALL | 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.

The Old Rugged Cross

“God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world.” (Galatians 6:14)

As we ponder the crucifixion of our Lord Jesus Christ, a fuller understanding should bring us to an ever-deeper reliance on and identification with Him. To assist us in examining the work of Christ on the cross, let us use the beloved hymn “The Old Rugged Cross.” Here we will find its words reflecting a deep and abiding love for Christ and His cross. The next four days we will, in turn, study each of its four verses, but today note its chorus:

*So I'll cherish the old rugged cross,
Till my trophies at last I lay down;
I will cling to the old rugged cross,
And exchange it some day for a crown.*

Our text reminds us that there is no worth in any deed of our own, including even a full adherence to the law of Moses (Galatians 6:12-13). **Only through the cross and the salvation by grace made possible by the cross do we have any standing before God.** We must cherish the cross and cling to it! Thus, we can say with Paul that this “world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world”—its sinful allurements and the recognition of men of no value.

“Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day; and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing” (2 Timothy 4:8). All our legitimate accomplishments, those true trophies or “[crowns] of rejoicing” (1 Thessalonians 2:19) done in His power and for His glory, will be cast before His throne (Revelation 4:10) in recognition of His worth and kingship. His cross made it all possible. So I'll cherish the old rugged cross. 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 :

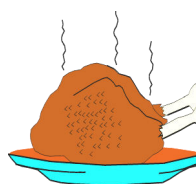
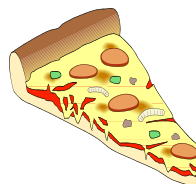
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Remember your Creator in the days of your youth, before the days of trouble come and the years approach when you will say, "I find no pleasure in them..." Ecclesiastes 12:1

April Celebrators



- 01 - Jon Alfred Cirilo
- 01 - Leonalyn Portelo
- 02 - Jolian Ibrahim
- 02 - April Acop
- 03 - Sheema Valdez
- 04 - Lolita Abance
- 05 - Letty Wagang
- 05 - Herminia Acena (Deceased)
- 05 - Jamielyn Yaneza
- 05 - Leonida Umis
- 06 - Eunice Cordero
- 06 - Aries John Igoy
- 07 - Kaiah Victoria Albay
- 08 - Erika Brillantes
- 09 - Gloria Yang
- 09 - Marilyn Bulatao
- 09 - Noah Valdez
- 09 - Irish Kate Abansi Ebil
- 12 - Susan Weng
- 13 - Ma. Rowena Cordero
- 14 - Cristy Loren Austria
- 14 - Kurt Austin Rimando
- 14 - Michael Gorio
- 16 - Lhuke Danhill Geron
- 17 - Liram Chad Montes
- 21 - Frank Abraham Linggon
- 21 - Sheryl Carame-Martin
- 21 - Chloe Alexis Zamora
- 23 - Roxanne Tacay
- 24 - Leonides Ompang
- 28 - Melchizedek Aquino
- 28 - Lougai Fermin
- 29 - Elizabeth Donato



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: 6:30-6:15
• LORD'S SUPPER & GIVING: 6:15-6:30
• Greetings & ANNOUNCEMENTS: 6:30-6:40

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