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VOICE OF THE VISION

As we entrust our life to the Lord, we also lift up to Him all our worries and doubts because He alone can sustain us.

Rev. Dr. James C. Sy
UCF Administrative Pastor

Where is your treasure?

Matthew 6:19-24 (NKJV)

[19]"Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal; [20]but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. [21]For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

To answer the question, "where is your treasure?" we need to find out "where our heart is".

Proverbs 4:23

Keep your heart with all diligence, For out of it spring the issues of life.

Biblical examples:

The story of Achan (Joshua 6:17-18, 7:1-26)

In verse 18, God instructs the children of Israel to attack Jericho, to abstain from the accursed things, and to bring all the silver, gold, and vessels of bronze and iron to be consecrated to the Lord into the treasury of the Lord. Now as they attack Jericho, one of the men disobeys the command of the Lord and keeps for himself a beautiful Babylonian garment, 200 shekels of silver, and a wedge of gold weighing 50 pounds. Because of this man's sin, Israel is defeated at the battle of Ai, and this man is put to death because his heart coveted after these riches instead of honoring the Lord and doing as He had asked.

The Rich Young Ruler (Matthew 19:16-22)

In this story, a rich young ruler comes to ask Jesus a question. The question he asks is how he might have eternal life. Jesus answers the man by telling him that he needs to obey the commandments, and the rich young ruler responds, "Which ones?" Jesus responds, "'You shall not murder,' 'You shall not commit adultery,' 'You shall not steal,' 'You shall not bear false witness,' 'Honor your father and your mother,' and 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.'" The young ruler responds that he has kept all these things and asks, "What do I still lack?" This is where Jesus says, "Go, sell what you have and give to the poor" and "Follow Me."

I. Where is your heart attuned?

Where was this young man's heart? You can tell by his reaction. His heart is controlled by his wealth and riches. This young ruler is wealthy and he is not willing to let those things go in order to follow Jesus. He is willing to love his neighbor and do the commands that pertain to his fellow man, but when it comes down to loving the Father and having no other gods before Him, he is not willing to let go of the wealth he obtained here on earth in order to gain eternal life.

Both Biblical examples tell us that people's heart can be corrupted if not kept with all diligence.

II. What do you deem as valuable?

What you deem as valuable shows you where your heart is. Maybe it is money and wealth; maybe it is power and the desire to be recognized as a leader; maybe it is looking spiritual on the outside so that people think you have it together. Maybe it is popularity and acceptance through nice clothes, a home, or owning a latest gadget. Maybe it is your family and how you have raised great kids.

Jesus is calling us to change our minds from the temporary to the eternal, from the things that are passing by to the things that are permanent.

III. How to lay treasures in heaven?

The answer is by living the way God has asked us to live and following after Him in all that we do.

For example, loving your neighbor as yourself – if a man has a need for a shirt and you have extra, give him one – being a cheerful giver, honoring God in your marriage, guarding your mind against adulterous thoughts, sharing the Good News of the Gospel with those around you. There are so many things which all narrow down to loving the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength, and loving your neighbor as yourself.

Challenge

When we set our hearts on the things of this earth and fall to the temptation of being worldly in our ways, we are committing idolatry because we are no longer serving God. Rather, we have put our riches above God, and we are serving them. They have become our god and our life. If your treasure is on earth and the things of this world, your heart will be there as well. If your heart is focused on the Father and on laying up treasures in heaven, your heart will be there.

UCA TREE PLANTING PROJECT

Sowing plants for God's glory

For the first time since the two-year lockdown, United Christian Academy (UCA) has conducted its first face-to-face program—the UCA Tree Planting Project at the Mt. Tabor Church Re-Creation Center on April 2, Saturday. Incorporating elements of their MAPEH subject, students were able to plant their own trees together with their parents and fellow classmates while exercising their bodies as they roam around Mt. Tabor, execute their creativity through creating wonderful arts and craft, and perform songs for the Lord during the praise and worship. This activity was also a great opportunity for the students to see their classmates and teachers, whom they have only met on the screen since the pandemic started. With the cool and relaxing ambiance of Mt. Tabor, everyone surely had a blast as they bonded with the UCA Family.

Orientation

To officially start the program, School Head Rev. Dr. James Sy provided his opening message to all the participants, reminding them of the importance of the event and highlighting what Mt. Tabor has to offer. House rules and general guidelines were also given by the Mt. Tabor in-house trainee worker to ensure that everyone keeps themselves safe and the place clean.

Short Games

Both the students and parents actively joined in the short but fun games prepared by the UCA staff with simple prizes that were given to those who answered the questions correctly.

Arts activity

The students' creativity was unleashed during the arts and craft session where they made their own bracelets. Using different colored beads and strings, the students together with their parents bonded as they learn to incorporate various kinds of knots in making their bracelets.

1 Peter 1:25 (NKJV)

But the word of the Lord endures forever." Now this is the word which by the gospel was preached to you.

Photobooth

To treasure this special moment, the participants took photos at the photobooth while wearing their best smiles and holding colorful props. The photos will be uploaded online on the official Facebook page of UCA.

Planting

Even under the heat of the sun, the students and parents still had a fun time bonding with each other and their fellow students as they plant their own papaya seedlings. To mark the plants that they planted, each student labeled the plants with their names. The students can visit Mt. Tabor again to see their plants grow.

Hebrews 4:12 (NKJV)

For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

Flag Parade

Holding up high their colorful flags, the students, together with their parents, teachers, and the UCF Marching Band, marched down Mt. Tabor as they gladly join the flag parade. Singing heartily as they wave their flags and sing praises, the Lord is pleased and glorified.

Guided Tour

Aside from planting trees, a guided tour was also done wherein they were amused as they saw the various Mt. Tabor Farm animals, such as rabbits, chicks, pigeons, chickens, and geese. Students also got to personally feed the animals together with their parents, which they both enjoyed.

Psalm 119:105 (NKJV)

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

Interviews

Some of the participants expressed their joy in being able to participate in this tree planting activity, especially because this was the first face-to-face program of the school. This was a great opportunity for them to not only help the environment through planting trees but also help their mental and physical health as they engage and socialize with other people.

Andi Kumai

We enjoyed it and this is a very good program. We have been staying at home for almost two years. There are also activities for children. This activity is good for socializing and for them to meet their friends because they only meet online, but now, they met face-to-face for the first time.

Sherwinne Tobias

Masaya siya. It's very educational, very interactive, and nakakatuwa kasi ang daming activities dito sa lugar. It is very much relaxing for the parent and the kids as well.

Masaya ang na-experience ko po rito sa Mt. Tabor dahil nandito ang mga student ng UCA. Masaya rin po ito lalo na doon sa bracelet making na sama-sama kaming gumawa.

Kristina Cassandra Dimaranan

I experienced meeting new friends and the exciting activities. I really enjoyed because its a breath of fresh air and very enjoyable po iyong place.

Aeson Simon

Rhaizza Legaspi

My experience here in Mt. Tabor was really fun and engaging. The people here are really nice and I got to meet my classmates for the first time. I also got closer with God though the music and the dance as well. It was really enjoyable.

Marian Kate Saligumba

Masaya po ako kasi nagkaroon po ako ng time makihalubilo po sa mga new student po at makasama po ulit ang mga dating classmate po namin.

It was really fun because all the time we we're inside the house, and now, we finally got to go outside and meet our friends for the first time.

Raphael Carlaisle Armamento

Masaya ang naranasan ko po sa tree planting at super exciting kasi nakasama ko rin po ang mga kaklase ko at ang ibang mga student po ng UCA.

Mariane Shanley Vargas

Jenelyn Ponferrada

First time namin dito. Ang ganda dito. Nakakapagod pero sulit. First time niyang nakapag-try na magtanim, magpakain ng pigeons at chickens. Lahat first time kaya masaya.

Ezekiel Guzman

My favorite part of the program was touching the pigeon and also feeding the chickens.

Proverbs 30:5 (NKJV)

Every word of God is pure; He is a shield to those who put their trust in Him.

FELLOWSHIP UPDATE

Pagmamahal na naghahari sa lahat

Ang pagsasama-sama ng mga anak ng Diyos ay isang mahalagang gawain na naglalayong mas lalo pang pagtibayin at pag-alabin ang ating pananampalataya at relasyon sa Diyos. Tuwing tayo ay nagkakaroon ng *fellowship* ay nagiging oportunidad ito upang mahikayat pa natin ang bawat isa na magpatuloy sa pagsunod at paggawa ng kalooban ng Diyos. Sa pamamagitan ng ating makabuluhang usapan, masasayang kumustahan at pagbabahagi ng patotoo kung gaano kabuti ang Diyos sa ating mga buhay linggo-linggo ay nananatili ang init ng pag-ibig ng Diyos sa ating mga puso. Tayo rin ay patuloy na napapaalalahanang maging isang mabuti at tapat na anak ng Panginoon. Kaya naman ating balikan ang mga naging kaganapan sa bawat *fellowship group* noong nakaraang Linggo, Marso 27.

Children's Fellowship

Masiglang nagkatipon ang mga bata mula sa Children's Fellowship at nagbigay ng oras upang mapaghandaan ang kanilang presentasyong magaganap ngayong Abril. Sa gabay ni Children's Fellowship Coordinator ay nagkaisa ang mga bata para sa kanilang itatanghal na awiting alay sa Diyos. Layunin din nito na maitanim ang Salita ng Diyos sa kanilang mga isipan na magsisilbing gabay sa kanilang pagtanda.

Ladies' Fellowship

Ang Ladies' Fellowship ay patuloy na nagbabahagi ng kanilang mga patotoo sa buhay na nagtataas sa Ngalan ng Diyos. Sa kanilang mga ibinabahagi ay tunay na napagpapala ang kanilang kapatiran at higit lalo na ang Panginoon. Dahil dito, mas lalo pang napapalalim ang kanilang pagtitiwala sa Diyos.

Young Professionals' Fellowship

Bakas sa mukha ng mga miyembro ng Young Professionals' Fellowship ang galak at kaluguran tuwing sila ay nagsasama-sama na nagpapatibay ng samahan ng bawat kapatiran. Ang pagtitipon ay nagsisilbing masaya at makabuluhang karanasan para sa bawat isa—mga karanasang magpapaalala sa katapatan at makapangyarihang pagkilos ng Diyos sa kanilang buhay.

HOME BIBLE CHURCH UPDATE

Pagtatanim ng Salita ng Diyos

Ang isang lingkod na tunay na tinawag ng Panginoon ay mayroong pagtugon sa dakilang tawag para sa pagbibigay-buhay at paglilingkod sa Kaniya. Kabilang sa pagtugon ay ang pagkakaroon ng pusong nagnanais na magbahagi ng kabutihan at kadakilaan ng Panginoon—isang pusong hinipo at binago ng Panginoon. Kaya naman, nagbukas ang Diyos ng mga oportunidad na mas magpapalawak sa pag-abot ng Mabuting Balita sa iba't ibang dako ng mundo sa pamamagitan ng mga *Home Bible Church* (HBC) na muling binuksan ng UCF.

Sa kasalukuyan, mayroong anim na *Home Bible Church* na naitatag na sa iba't ibang parte ng Parañaque. Sa pangunguna ng mga HBC *leader* at mga butihing pastor ng UCF, patuloy na naibabahagi ang kabutihan ng Panginoon sa mga pamilya ng ating kapatiran. Kasama na rito ang pagbabahagi ng mga personal na patotoo ng kapatiran kung paano nila naranasan ang katapatan ng Diyos sa kani-kanilang mga buhay na. Ang lahat din ay sama-samang nagpupuri at sumasamba sa Panginoon sa pamamagitan ng suporta ng *Praise and Worship Team* sa kada HBC. At ang bawat kasapi ay iniimbitahan din na dumalo sa mga gawain ng panambahan tulad ng *Sunday Worship Service* kung saan mas malalim pa nilang makikilala ang Diyos at makakasalamuha ang iba pa nating kapatiran.

PURIHIN ANG PANGINOON SA MULING PAGBUBUKAS NG HBC NA HIGIT NA MAKAAABOT SA MAS MARAMING NAWAWALANG KALULUWA!

2 Timothy 3:16-17 (NKJV)

16 All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, 17 that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.

MT. TABOR UPDATE

Gawaing handog para sa Diyos

Ang kaparaanan ng Diyos ay higit pa sa kaparaanan natin na mga tao, katulad na lamang ng langit na mas mataas kaysa lupa—sabi ng Bibliya. Ang malawak na plano ng Diyos sa Kaniyang ministeryo sa *Mt. Tabor Church Re-Creation Center* ay hindi pa tumitigil bagkus ay masagana na nagpapatuloy na naaayon sa Kaniyang kalooban.

Sa pamamagitan ng mga manggagawang tumugon sa tawag Niya upang magpagamit at maglingkod ay nagkakaroon ng kalaguan sa bawat panahong lumilipas at unti-unti na nakikita ang malaking pagbabago sa Kaniyang pangakong lupain na tunay na nagiging kagamit-gamit para sa mga programa at aktibidad na nagbubukas ng maraming oportunidad upang maipalaganap pa ang Mabuting Balita ng Diyos.

Purihin ang Panginoon sapagkat ang katapatan at kadakilaan Niya ay hindi nagmamaliw kailanman at mas lalo pang namamasdan sa mga araw na dumadating!

Pagsesemento ng daan

Nagtulungan ang mga kalalakihan na sementuhan ang daanan sa *Trail 3* patungong *Trail 4*. Ito ay upang maging pulido at patag na ang mga lupa at mas maging maganda na ang mga kalsada na madadaanan at makaiwas sa ano mang aksidenteng maaaring mangyari.

Bagong paradahan

Ang dating malawak na lupa na puno ng mga damo ay nilinis at pinatag gamit ang backhoe at ito ay ginawa ng panibagong paradahan para sa mga sasakyan.

Isaiah 55:11 (NKJV)

So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; It shall not return to Me void, but it shall accomplish what I please, and it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it.

Pagsasaayos sa Trail 4

Dahil sa pabor ng Panginoon, ang Mt. Tabor ay patuloy na mas napapalawak at napapaunlad sa bawat araw. Alinsunod dito, ang kalsada sa panibagong *nature trail* ay sinimento at mas pinalawak pa. Maliban pa rito ay ipinagpapatuloy pa rin ang paghuhukay ng lupa sa Trail 4 hanggang sa marating ang dulo nito.

Ipinagpatuloy ng kalalakihan mula sa Men's, Young Professionals' at Youth Fellowship group ang nasabing gawain.

Makalipas ang dalawang taong pagharap sa pandemya, muling nagbukas ang Panginoon ng oportunidad upang maganap ang pinakaunang *Tree Planting Project* ng *United Christian Academy* sa kalayuan ng Mt. Tabor. Upang masigurado ang kaayusan ng programa, samu't saring mga preparasyon ang ginawa ng mga manggagawa bilang pagganap dito.

Paghahanda para sa programa

Nagkabit ng panibagong tarpaulin sa labas ng Mt. Tabor Church Re-Creation Center.

Bilang paghahanda sa nalalapit na Tree Planting Project, ginamitan ng backhoe ang pagpapatag sa lupa na mas nagpabilis sa pagtapos nito. Ang lupa na ito ay ang gagamitin bilang taniman ng mga inihandang papaya seedlings. Ang mga manggagawa ng UCA, kasama ang ilang mga boluntaryo, ay buong-lakas na nagtulong-tulong sa paglilinis at pagtatabas ng damo sa plot area.

Paglagay ng bagong halaman

Iba't ibang uri ng mga bulaklak, mula sa mababango hanggang sa makukulay, maliliit hanggang sa malalaking mga bulaklak ang kasalukuyang nakalagay sa bukana ng Mt. Tabor. Sa pamamagitan nito, mas napapaganda ang lugar na mas makakapagbighani pa sa mga bibisita.

Psalm 33:4 (NKJV)

For the word of the Lord is upright, and all his work is done in faithfulness.

SALAMAT, Panginoon

Pagtugon sa Kaniyang tawag

Isang panibagong tawag ng paglilingkod ang nagbukas sa mga miyembro ng panamabahang nagnanais sumunod at saliksikin ang kalooban ng Diyos sa kanilang mga buhay. Isa sa Kaniyang pangako ay ang Kaniyang malaking paggamit sa ating panambahan na nangangailangan din ng mga manggagawang tapat na susunod sa Kaniya. Sa pagkakataong ito, ilan sa mga tumugon ay nagpatotoo ng kanilang mga karanasan sa nagdaang *Covenant Workers' Convention* noong nakaraang Marso 25-26.

Sis. Chrismavic Apas

"I am truly blessed and grateful for being part of the 2022 Covenant Workers' Convention. The praise and worship sessions where the collective move of the Holy Spirit had manifested, the different testimonials delivered to us by our ministry leaders, and the preaching imparted by our dear pastors urged me more to develop a true servant's heart and commit my whole life to the Lord through the ministries He has entrusted to UCF.

'The maximum call of a true Christian is to serve God.' This is the most significant reminder that deeply touched my heart as advised by our Head Pastor, Ptr. William during the program. I am called not just to be saved but importantly, to do service for Him who called me. And this will only start once I made my firm decision with no turning back. Praise be to God for He had called me to a church where He is evidently alive and experienced!"

Sis. Elyna Karene Dolotina

"Blessed ako dahil naging parte ako ng Covenant Workers' Convention. Through the preaching of our pastors, talagang pinaintindi ng Panginoon ang tunay na pagsunod at paglilingkod sa Kaniya. Also, upon hearing the testimonies of our leaders, makikita mo talaga na noong nagdesisyon sila na maglilingkod na sila sa ating Panginoon ay hindi sila binigo at pinabayaan ng Panginoon, kung hindi pinakita pa ng Panginoon ang kadakilaan Niya sa buhay nila. It also became an encouragement to me because there are times I feel that I'm not able to do what the Lord has commanded me to do, but at the end of the day, it is not by my power nor my strength but by Him who will qualify and enable me. Praise God for His greatness!"

Bro. John Paul Toledo

"Thankful ako sa blessings na na-receive ko sa convention. Day before ng convention, madami akong bagay na iniisip at may pangyayari sa amin na hindi namin inaashan pero nagpapasalamat ako sa Panginoon dahil during praise and worship, ni-remind Niya ako na nariyan lang Siya. Siya ang magiging kalakasanan natin sa panahong nanghihina tayo at may pinagdadaanan. Na-bless din ako sa mga testimony at pagse-share ng mga pastor at pina-realize ulit ng Panginoon na sa kahit ano mang pagsubok, wag na wag kang susuko dahil kasama natin ang Diyos, at ang pagsunod sa Panginoon ay hindi isang araw lang, kung hindi araw-araw. Kaya thankful ako sa Panginoon. Tunay ngang buhay at dakila ang ating Diyos Ama."

Sis. Glynis Hermosa

"Nagpapasalamat ako sa Lord at ako'y naging kabahagi ng Workers' Covenant at Workers' Convention. Na-bless at na-encourage ako sa mga testimony sa mga buhay nila, iyong mga sacrifice nila sa paglilingkod at iyong mga pangarap na iniwan nila para maglingkod. Ganun din sa mga pastor totoong kapag ang Diyos ang tumawag sayo lahat iiwan mo. Papuri at pasasalamat ay sa Diyos lamang. Thank you, Lord!"

Sis. Alexa Liban

"Na-bless ako kasi nakita ko na ang paglilingkod pala ay hindi lang dahil sa gusto mo, kung hindi dahil inallow ka ng Lord, hindi dahil sa pinili mo, kung hindi dahil isa ka sa pinili ng Lord. Mas nakita ko sa mga testimonies ng kapatiran, na kahit nandoon ka na sa point na nagdududa ka sa kung ano ang pwedeng mangyari sa future mo, once na pinili mo padin na magtiwala at sumunod, hindi ka talaga iiwan ng Lord. Sasamahan ka Niya kasi pangako nya iyon (Hebrews 13:5b). At doon ko nakita na tapat ang Panginoon sa buhay ng mga anak Niya at ng mga taong tinawag Niya."

Sis. Ernie Hermosa

"Nagpapasalamat ako sa Panginoon sa ginanap na Workers Convention dahil isa ako sa pinili ng Lord na maging lingkod Niya. Na-bless ako sa mga testimony, sharing ng pastor at sa praise and worship. Dahil ang paglilingkod pala ay hindi kawalan sayo, o pagsasayang ng oras mo kung hindi blessings.Dahil ang pangako ng Lord 'Hindi kita iiwan, hindi kita pababayaan.Salamat sa Lord!"

Bro. Jezreel Murillo

"Dahil sa mga testimony ng kapatiran natin sa church nakita ko kung gaano katapat ang Panginoon sa kanilang buhay. Mas nakita ko na kapag sumunod at nagtiwala ka sa Panginoon ay mangyayari ang mga magagandang plano Niya pa sa atin. Gayun din ay mas gagamitin ka pa ng Panginoon. Sa pagbabahagi ng ating mga pastor mas nakita ko kung ano nga ba ang isang manggagawa ng Panginoon. Super na bless din ako sa Praise and worship lalo na't naranasan ko ang presensya ng Panginoon habang umaawit para sa Kanya."

Sis. Ma. Katrina Murillo

"During the leaders' life testimonies lalo kong narealize na ang paglilingkod sa Panginoon ay hindi talaga madali pero sobrang worth it. Lahat ng ibinibigay mo ay pinapalitan Niya ng higit pa sa inaakala mo.

I was also blessed during Pastor William's sharing. Mas naunawaan ko na kung bakit ako nasa panambahan ng UCF ay hindi dahil pinili kong mapabilang dito, ngunit dahil dito ako tinawag ng Panginoon. I'm very grateful and feel blessed because I believe that God chose me."

Psalm 119:130 (NKJV)

The unfolding of your words gives light; it imparts understanding to the simple.

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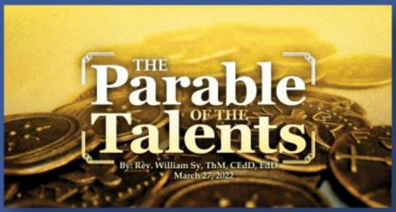

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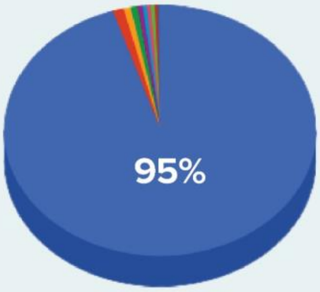

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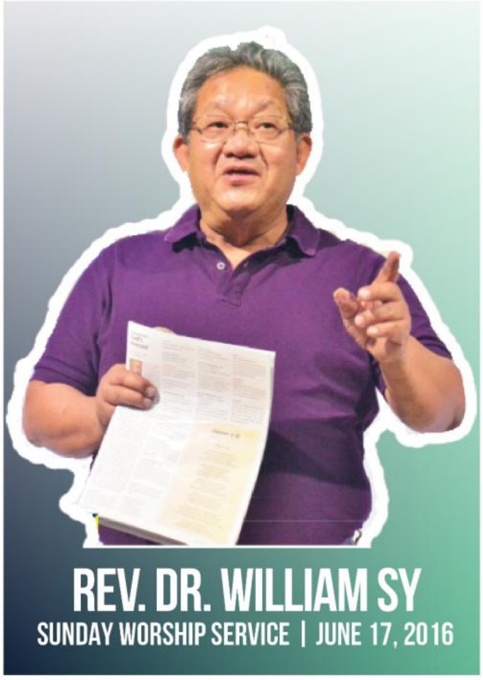
MY PASTOR ONCE SAID...

The Book of Ecclesiastes 3 wrote down 28 different destinies of time that we can learn. There are 28 seasons of life. Kapag napag-aralan natin itong mabuti at naintindihan natin ito, ang buhay natin ay mapapaayos at mapapaganda. The chances of our success will be so high. Mas maaga din ang pagiging matagumpay natin.

Let's start with the season and time to be born. We are living in an evil time. We are living in a very cruel time. But people are declaring that God is great. Hindi mo na alam ngayon paglabas mo kung makakauwi ka pa. Hindi mo na alam kung ano ang kahaharapin mo tuwing lalabas ka ng iyong bahay. Time becomes not only so cruel but also unpredictable. Pinakita ng Bibliya na hawak ng Diyos ang panahon na iyon.

We cannot contest with God. Nobody can. And God creates situations in which hawak Niya ang oras, hawak Niya at itinakda Niya ang panahon, at kung ano ang dapat mangyari ay mangyayari sapagkat Siya ay Diyos.

> *"We must prepare for the coming of the Lord. Let us make sure that our heart is committed and dedicated for the Lord."*



Minsan sa buhay natin, mas marunong pa tayo sa Diyos. Bakit? Sapagkat tayo ay tao. Ang kaisipan natin ay pangtao. Kaya napakahalaga na ang isang taong katulad natin ay nagbabasa ng Bibliya upang ang Salita ng Diyos ay maging kaisipan din natin. Ang prinsipyo ng Diyos ay maging prinsipyo rin natin. Ang pananaw ng Diyos ay maging pananaw din natin.

> *"Kung wise tayo, ang pagtanggap sa Panginoon ay napapanahon. Ang pagtanggap sa Panginoon ay ngayon na."*

Now, let's talk about death. Hindi natin alam kung kailan tayo mamamatay. But the Bible says, 'It is in an appointed time.' You have to make the best out of your time while you are still alive. Living in this world is a privilege. Hindi mo kayang ibalik ang nawalang panahon sa buhay mo. So, make the best out of your time. Minsan lang ito. Kapag namatay tayo, minsan lang. Hindi pupuwedeng aapilahin pa iyan. Minsan lang itinakda iyan.

Noong tanggapin natin si Jesus bilang Lord ng ating buhay at Tagapagligtas, minsan lang din iyan. Once we have done that, we have set the Lord as our Savior, then we are appointed. Napakahalaga na tinanggap natin ang Panginoon sa buhay natin kasi hindi mo naman alam kung kailan ka kukunin. Noong sabihin mo na wala kang time, tapos kinuha ka kinabukasan, paano ka? Pagharap mo sa Panginoon, sasabihin mo, 'Lord, may time na ako.' Sasabihin ng Lord sa iyo, 'Anak, kahapon iyon. Ngayon, hindi na puwede kasi lagpas ka na sa time.' That's the reason why we are always appealing even to our parents. We are reaching out to our friends and relatives. Lagi nating sinasabi na walang bayad ang pagtanggap sa Panginoon. Tandaan natin na ang patay ay hindi na makatatanggap sa Panginoon.

Ito ang isang malaking misconception. Akala nila na kapag ang isang tao ay patay na, puwede pang umakyat sa langit. Sabi ng Bibliya ay hindi. We have to be very wise of our time. There is no such thing in the Bible that says that even the dead can redeem the time. You cannot. Kung wise tayo, ang pagtanggap sa Panginoon ay napapanahon at ang pagtanggap sa Panginoon ay ngayon na. Upang kapag dumating ang appropriate time, tayo ay nakahanda at sasalubungin tayo ng ating Panginoon.

Another one is the time to plant. Ang kabutihan ay itinatanim. Pati mga gawang mabubuti at kabutihan ay itinatanim. Ang sabi ng Bibliya, 'Kung ano ang itinanim mo ay siyang iyong aanihin.' There are so many things that we need to do and one thing that we should not neglect—we need to plant. Plant things that are good. Plant things that are lovely. Magtanim tayo. Makipag-usap tayo sa mga taong may problema. Magtanim tayo ng mga magagandang payo sa kanila. Ang mga taong may sakit ay kausapin natin. Let us encourage them. Kausapin din natin ang mga taong gusto natin bigyan ng encouragement sa Panginoon. That's one thing that you are sowing and planting for your fellowmen that in due time, you are going to have a harvest. Sharing the Gospel is planting seeds to the heart of the people. Kung ano ang ginawa ng Diyos sa atin ay i-share din natin.

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Let us reflect on the different situations of time in our lives. It's time to seek the Lord. Ang panahon natin ngayon ay hindi nakatitiyak. Lagi kong naaalala ang pagbabalik ng Panginoon ay lalong nalalapit. Let us make the best out of it. Sabi ng Bibliya, darating ang panahon na ang mga tao ay magkakaroon ng kasiyahan, magkakaroon ng pag-aasawahan, magkakaroon ng ibat ibang mga gawain at darating bigla ang Panginoon. We must be prepared for the coming of the Lord. Let us make sure that our heart is committed and dedicated for the Lord.

Romans 15:4 (NKJV)

For whatever things were written before were written for our learning, that we through the patience and comfort of the Scriptures might have hope.

UPCOMING EVENTS 2022

APR 30 - MAY 3

FAMILY CAMP
COORDINATOR: Rev. Ryan Christian Tabay
REGISTRATION FEE: PHP 2,000.00 (ages 11 & above) / PHP 1,000.00 (ages 3 -10) / Free (ages 2 & below)
INCLUSION: 4 days & 3 nights of accommodation, food & shirt (transpo not included)
Register your family to Sis. Karen Mohammad and be part of this joyful camp!

MAY

MISYON
COORDINATOR: Rev. Morrell Estrellado

SEPTEMBER

MEDICAL-DENTAL-OPTICAL MISSION
COORDINATOR: Sis. Karen Mohammad

SEP 23 - 24

TREE PLANTING ACTIVITY
COORDINATOR: Rev. Ricardo Jacob

OCT 23

PASTORS' APPRECIATION DAY
COORDINATOR: Sis. Nerissa Estrellado

NOVEMBER

COVENANT WORKERS' RETREAT
COORDINATOR: Sis. Raena Christine Tabay

DEC 25

FAMILY CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION
COORDINATOR: Sis. Liezle Ala

DECEMBER

HIT & RUN STREET EVANGELISM
COORDINATOR: Sis. Merryll Lhorvin Santos

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LIFE THEN, LIFE NOW

ATONEMENT OF SINS

There were two mandatory sacrifices in the Old Testament Law. The first was the sin offering. The purpose of the sin offering was to atone for sin and be cleansed from defilement. There were five possible elements of a sin sacrifice—a young bull, a male goat, a female goat, a dove or pigeon, or 1/10 ephah of fine flour. The type of animal depended on the identity and financial situation of the giver. These sacrifices each had specific instructions on what to do with the blood of the animal during the ceremony.

The other mandatory sacrifice was the trespass offering, and this sacrifice was exclusively a ram. The trespass offering was given as atonement for unintentional sins that required reimbursement to an offended party, and also as cleansing from defiling sins or physical illnesses.

The sacrifices in the Old Testament pointed forward to the perfect and final sacrifice of Christ. As with the rest of the Law, the sacrifices were "a shadow of the things that were to come; the reality, however, is found in Christ" (Colossians 2:17). Today, Christians recognize Christ's atoning death on the cross as the only needed sacrifice for sin, offered once for all (Hebrews 10:1–10). His death opened the "holy place" for us (Hebrews 10:19–22) so that we can freely enter God's presence and offer our "sacrifice of praise" (Hebrews 13:15).

"The Bible is our roadmap. This is the best roadmap we could ever have."

"Kapag ginamit ka ng Panginoon, it is a privilege for you."

"Ang paglilingkod sa Diyos ay hindi mahirap bagkus ang paglilingkod ay kasiyahan ng lingkod Niya."

"Serving God does not mean pababayaan mo ang pamilya mo, trabaho, mo o sarili mo. Serving God means He loves you."

"God is God. He will direct your life."

"Ang mensahe ng Panginoon ay hindi humihina bagkus ito ay lalong lumalakas."

"After being saved, you have to serve God. The greatest challenge in our life is our decision."

"Ang mensahe ng Panginoon ay hindi humihina bagkus ito ay lalong lumalakas."

"The Lord will always encourage me saying, "My son, I will be with you." Paano ka naman hindi maglilingkod sa Panginoon?"

REV. DR. WILLIAM SY
UCF Head Pastor
Sunday Worship Service
March 27, 2022

Psalm 119:160 (NKJV)

The entirety of Your word is truth, and every one of Your righteous judgments endures forever.

Stay safe and learn at home in the school that cares for your future! Through **UCA Online**, distance learning has been more fun and exciting! Aside from inculcating academic excellence in their students, UCA also develops their spiritual lives.

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For inquiries, contact 8820-7764, 0918-985-1287, or 0917-100-7345.

UCA Retreat

Join UCA as we dwell ourselves in the presence of the Lord in a worthwhile and exciting retreat to be held in May at the Mt. Tabor Church Re-Creation Center!

Learn more about the Word of God, experience the love of the Lord and of the UCA family, bond with your fellow classmates, and enjoy the relaxing environment of Mt. Tabor in this three-day event.

More details to be announced soon!

Wear His Word and declare what the Lord has done to your lives! Support this fund-raising activity of the Multimedia Department by purchasing from our variation of **shirts, tote bags, and mugs that showcase the Word of God.**

For orders and inquiries, contact Noriel Victoria Tolentino (0915-536-7617).

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For more details, contact Sonny Dwayne Emerald Costales (0967-442-0113).

UCF Mt. Tabor Church • Re-Creation Center

Come and visit Mt. Tabor, where your spirit finds rest! Feel the cool breeze, bask under the sun, and appreciate the wondrous creations of the Lord. You and your loved ones will surely enjoy your stay in this relaxing and peaceful place.

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- Trail Tour
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- Pigeon Coop
- Rabbitry
- Bonfire Area
- Baptismal Pool
- Swimming Pool
- Gazebos and Cabins
- Function Halls
- Coffee Shop
- Souvenir Shop
- Natural Spring
- Large Parking Area

** For day tour guests planning to book a room, additional cabin fee will be applied.*

Be a competent 21st Century Teacher and an IT-BPO Professional! **Enroll at UCA College of Asia: The Access to your Future.**

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Mt. Tabor Farm

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P150 (250g)

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P75 (50 pcs.)

Guyabano leaves are usually used to make Guyabano Tea that helps in curing cough and body inflammation, and losing weight.

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Coconut water and tender meat have electrolytes and micronutrients that may prevent dehydration and improve metabolic syndrome.

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Chicken can help with weight management and reduce the risk of heart disease. It can also help build stronger muscles and bones.

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P120 each pain relief rub
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P100 each Cacao
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For essential oil and relief rub orders, contact Raena Christine Tabay (0956-903-5731). For vegetable, plant, and poultry orders, contact Angel Tolentino (0965-551-4575).

Psalm 12:6 (NKJV)

The words of the Lord are pure words, like silver tried in a furnace of earth, Purified seven times.

Why Read the Book of 2 Kings?

The Book of 2 Kings continues the history of the divided kingdom, picking up the story around 853 BC. This describes the history of the Northern Kingdom of Israel and the Southern Kingdom of Judah, focusing on the spiritual successes and failures of each kingdom. The book also explains why Israel and Judah lost the Lord's protection and were conquered.

The time period covered by 2 Kings saw the emergence of the first writing prophets in Israel. Amos and Hosea went to the people of Israel, while Isaiah, Joel, Micah, Nahum, Habbakuk, Zephaniah, and Jeremiah prophesied in Judah, both groups calling the people to repentance and warning them of God's coming judgments.

The author devoted extensive space to Elijah's succesor, Elisha's ministry after Elijah was taken to heaven. The miracles recorded in 2 Kings are memorable examples of the Lord's power. The book records that the prophet Elijah divided the Jordan River and was taken into heaven in a chariot of fire. Elisha likewise divided the Jordan River, raised the dead, instructed Naaman to bathe seven times in the Jordan River so Naaman could be healed of his leprosy, caused an axe head to float, and prophesied of a famine that lasted seven years.

None of the kings of Israel are described as having done right in God's eyes; each led the people deeper into idolatry. Several of Judah's kings were righteous, notably Joash, Uzziah, Hezekiah, and Josiah. Hezekiah held off the Assyrians by trusting in the Lord for deliverance. Josiah later instituted an even greater spiritual reformation. Neither effort, however, was enough to stem God's eventual judgment on the nation in fulfillment of the curses of the Mosaic Covenant (Deuteronomy 28).

SERMON NOTES

Write the points to remember from the sermon as you seek God in your life.

What is God's message for you through the sermon?

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Sundays at 9:00 AM

DAILY PRAYER
6:00 PM

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