

### Philippians 1:19-21 (NKJV)

<sup>19</sup>For I know that this will turn out for my deliverance through your prayer and the supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ, <sup>20</sup>according to my earnest expectation and hope that in nothing I shall be ashamed, but with all boldness, as always, so now also Christ will be magnified in my body, whether by life or by death. <sup>21</sup>For to me, to live is Christ, and to die is gain.

### Philippians 1:22-26

<sup>22</sup>But if I live on in the flesh, this will mean fruit from my labor; yet what I shall choose I cannot tell. <sup>23</sup>For I am hard-pressed between the two, having a desire to depart and be with Christ, which is far better. <sup>24</sup>Nevertheless to remain in the flesh is more needful for you. <sup>25</sup>And being confident of this, I know that I shall remain and continue with you all for your progress and joy of faith, <sup>26</sup>that your rejoicing for me may be more abundant in Jesus Christ by my coming to you again.

### Introduction

What are you living for? Your answer to this question will determine the direction of your life.

- If your purpose is wrong, your

direction will be wrong.

- If your purpose is unsure, your direction will be unsure.
- If you don't know your purpose, you'll just be swept along by the currents of our age, doing what seems to bring you happiness.

It is crucial to be clear in answering the question, "What are you living for?"

Apostle Paul was clear and focused on his purpose. The purpose for which he lived takes eternity into account, so that whether he lived a long life or short, that purpose will be fulfilled.

Verse 21 - For to me, to live is Christ, and to die is gain.

I. What does it mean to "live Christ"?

a. To "live Christ" is to live in union with Christ (Christ in me)

- Dead to sin, alive to God in Christ

### Romans 6:11

Likewise you also, reckon yourselves to be dead indeed to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus our Lord. - Live in fellowship with Christ

### Philippians 3:10

That I may know Him and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death.

- Love God with all

### Mark 12:30

'And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.' This is the first commandment.

- Walk worthy of the Lord

### Colossians 1:10

That you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing Him, being fruitful in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God.

- Does not love the world

### 1 John 2:15-16

<sup>15</sup>Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. <sup>16</sup>For all that is in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—is not of the Father but is of the world.

b. To "live Christ" is to exalt Christ in everything (Christ is exalted in me).

### Philippians 1:20

According to my earnest expectation and hope that in nothing I shall be ashamed, but with all boldness, as always, so now also Christ will be magnified in my body, whether by life or by death.

How do you use your body (eyes, ears, tongue, hands, feet, countenance, appearance)?

We may either exalt Christ or bring shame to His name by our attitudes, words, and behavior.

### Romans 12:1-2

<sup>1</sup>I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service. <sup>2</sup>And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

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# **Providing quality Christian education**

For 26 years, United Christian Academy (UCA) stayed true to its commitment as a Christian educational institution. In its beginning times of establishing the school's credibility and even in taking a leap of faith when pandemic hit the country, the Lord is all the more true to His promises. This has become a proof of God's hand working in this ministry.

Parents and guardians have also witnessed this amazing work of the Lord, seen positive changes in their children's education, and so realized that UCA really cares for its students' future. This year, another blessing has been poured out to UCA as the school is still receiving more enrollees from different

parts of the world. They even expressed their gratitude towards the school, administration, and staff by giving testimonies on how they found UCA through social media and recommendations from close family and friends, and how grateful they are that their children are enrolled in a Christian school.

Even in trials and difficulties, the whole UCA responded and obeyed to God's caling. Having more students mean that more souls will know and experience Jesus Christ. As a Christian school, a changed life because of Christ is the most satisfying result one could ever experience. There is nothing more valuable than knowing Christ as young as these children are.



## Jeddriel Bondocan Grade 12 Student

I am super blessed and thankful to God for using someone to recommend this school to me and to my little brother who is in Fourth Grade. I am hoping to enjoy my stay here in UCA and do everything to the best I can.



# Mrs. Moana Karla Mahilum Parent of Seannah Joune Kirsten Mahilum (Grade 8) I OUEZON CITY, PHILIPPINES

We are blessed that our child is enrolled in UCA Online because the school program provides flexible study schedule. It teaches our daugther to learn the value of time management and discipline. The alternative learning option also allows our daughter to have more time with us and gives room for her to develop more skills and join other activities, such as sports, music, and arts which she can further use in the future. The school also took the pandemic as an opportunity rather than an obstacle by utilizing the use of technology to create quality social interactions and activities to enhance the students' learning experience.

### Ms. Sarah Jane Prieto

Parent of Sophia Laurein Prieto (Grade 8)

I am blessed that I enrolled my daughter at United Christian Academy because in a few days time, I've seen the changes in my daughter towards schooling. She is a meek and reserved young teenager but I guess, through her teacher, the academe, and her classmates' warm welcome, she became friendly and started to boost her confidence. In God's grace, I know my daughter will be in good hands through UCA. I am fortunate with the staff of UCA. God bless!



### Mrs. Nemia Akram

Parent of Arif Akram (Kindergartern), Zara Akram (Grade 2) and Ayana Akram (Grade 3) KUWAIT

It's been 3 years now that we are part of UCA.
We are so blessed that God sent this kind of platform for my kids for they are able to study even though we are living abroad. I am looking forward as a parent that while we are staying here in Kuwait, UCA will still have this online distance learning.



# Mrs. Decerie Sanchez Parent of Matt Gabriel Sanchez (Kindergarten) KUWAIT We gro your blessed to beyo Matt Cabriel

We are very blessed to have Matt Cabriel enrolled in UCA for the reason that the institution is not only providing quality education and advanced academic teaching, but also has trained our child to become a Christ-centered student. We also love the way how Teacher Shey starts and ends classes every day with a prayer, the daily memorization of Bible verses, and their participation in singing and dancing for the Lord. In this way, our son knows how to become dependent on God and will eventually build his relationship with our Lord at his very young age. We are very much looking forward for more exciting and fun activities as well as the Christian influence to grow deeper in the heart of our child. Praise God for all that you do for our children. We are very thankful and grateful. To God be all the glory!



### Mr. Ronald Enorasa & Mrs. Divina Enorasa

Parent of Faythe Eliana Enorasa (Kindergarten)

We are blessed and happy to enroll our child in United Christian Academy. She will learn a lot from this school—not only the knowledge coming from all academic subjects but most importantly, she will develop to be a good Christian student. Staying here in UCA, we can be with our child. Even if we are living and working abroad, she can still continue her studies. We consider this online schooling also for her safety because today's situations are really uncertain. We are looking forward that her learning will be memorable and enjoyable as she starts her first step in UCA.

### PSALM 18:2 (NKJV)

The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer; My God, my strength, in whom I will trust; My shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.



### Rhysha Kaye Magno Grade 10 Student PARAÑAQUE, PHILIPPINES

I am so blessed and thankful that I was able to enroll in United Christian Academy.
One of the reasons why I enrolled here is the community and the great, kind teachers that will help me throughout the school year. One of the things that I look forward in the school is the expansion of the school, for them to be known and also for them to continue doing an excellent job in teaching and giving guidance to students.



# Ben Andrei Cereno Grade 7 Student KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA

I am so much blessed because I got into UCA. My first school was very nice since I grew up studying there, but sadly, it got shut down. When I transferred to two new schools, they did not have the same feeling as my first school. But when I got into UCA, everything changed. It felt different than the recent schools I've transferred to. It was the same as my first school. UCA is a very fun, loving, and joyful school. I'm very happy because I met new people, students, and teachers in UCA. I hope that UCA will be the school were I'll continue my educational ourney.



Parent of David James Supe (Kindergarten)
KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA

Having our son, David, start his studying journey with UCA is a great blessing! He is always looking forward to his online class and is very excited for upcoming activities. So, we are very thankful for our KSA friends who introduced UCA to us. We are hoping that our child will enjoy more while studying with UCA. Thank you and God bless!



### Ms. Danobi Casadang

Parent of Ali Idrees (Grade 7) and Aalya Idrees (Grade 6) | TAGUIG CITY, PHILIPPINES

UCA is my most trusted school ever. I am blessed that my kid's growth is continually soaring high since they enrolled in UCA. My trust, the hard work of teachers, and a lot of positivity in UCA will be my never-ending support to my kids toward their studies. Thank you, UCA. We always choose UCA!



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### Lovely Jessie Delos Santos

Grade 7 Student
PARAÑAQUE, PHILIPPINES

I'm blessed to be enrolled here because even though my family moving from Pasig to Parañaque was a big change, I'm blessed because I had fun at school with all my classmates and teachers. I look forward to do the best I can and learn new things as well.



### Mrs. Liwanay Tobias

Parent of Randolf Tobias Jr. (Kindergarten)
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

UCA is an answered prayer for us. You give us opportunity to give our son a proper education. As working parents in a foreign country, it's hard for us to find a school that can be easily accessed while we are working and that we can afford. We're looking forward that he will learn more knowledge and improved in this school year. Thank you, UCA.

Mis. Maureen Bugarin
Parent of Ava Celestine Bugarin
(Kindergarten)
KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA

Knowing UCA has been a blessing to our family. Through unique ways of teachings, my daughter is having fun while learning. Day by day, the academy is helping my daughter as well as my family to come closer to our Almighty God. We are looking forward for more fun activities in the future. May you continue to serve blessings to each and every family.



### Mrs. Maria Rheneli Taliping

Parent of Davy Elisha (Grade 2) and Danielle Rania Taliping (Grade 7) | KUWAIT

We are blessed that our children are enrolled in UCA Online because UCA Online provides quality education at a reasonable price. The school equipped our children not only academically but, most importantly, spiritually.





## Mrs. Maria Nina Morales Parent of Lulu Morales (Kindergarten)

KUWAIT

I am blessed to enroll my daughter, Lulu, at UCA because of its excellent teaching. She learns a lot not only academically but also spiritually. I look forward to more activities, and fun learning at UCA. God bless!



### Mrs. Sanny Miranda

Parent of Princess Lareen Miranda (Kindergarten) | KUWAIT

We are very blessed to find UCA for our daughter.
We know that teachers and admins will support
the academic needs of our child. We are looking
forward for more online learning activities that will
develop and enhance our child skills.

**PSALM 73:26 (NKJV)** 

My flesh and my heart fail; But God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.



Ang Panginoon ang Siyang dakilang lumikha ng lahat ng bagay at Siya rin ang nagpapala sa mga ito upang lumago at maging kagamit-gamit sa Kaniyang plano.

Bilang bahagi ng gawain ng Panginoon na lalo pang maging produktibo ang Kaniyang mga ipinagkakaloob sa ministeryo, isa sa mga inihahandang programa ng UCF ay ang tree planting sa Mt. Tabor Church Re-Creation Center.

Sa pamamagitan ng programang ito, sama-sama ang mga manggagawa at miyembro ng panambahan sa pagtatanim ng iba't ibang mga halaman sa kalawakan ng Mt. Tabor. Habang tayo ang nagtatanim at nangangalaga sa mga ito, ang Diyos naman ang Siyang nagpapatubo. At darating ang panahon na ang mga ito ay magbubunga ng bibilangin at magbibigay kagandahan sa lugar.

Ngayong taon ay muling gaganapin ang gawaing ito sa Setyembre 23 at 24. Halina't maging kabahagi ng pagpapalagong gagawin ng Panginoon!







Sabik ang lahat na maitanim ang mga mahogany upang lalong mapaganda ang lugar.







Tulong-tulong ang bawat isa sa pagtatanim ng iba't ibang mga halaman sa Mt. Tabor.



Malugod ang bawat isa na nakiisa sa gawaing pagpapalago sa lupang pinagkaloob ng Diyos sa UCF

SA MGA NAIS NA MAKIISA SA TREE PLANTING ACTIVITY SA MT. TABOR SA DARATING NA SETYEMBRE 23-24,
MAAARI KAYONG MAG-REGISTER KAY SIS. KAREN MOHAMMAD.

**PSALM 105:4 (NKJV)** 

Seek the Lord and His strength; Seek His face evermore!

SWIMMING FELLOWSHIP

# Kasiyahan sa pamilya ng Panginoon



Kinaaliwan naman ng lahat nang magtungo sila sa isang isla kung saan mas tahimik at banayad na nakapagtampisaw sa tubig. Bumungad sa kanila ang puting buhangin at ilang rock formation bunga ng mga alon.

kapantay ang saya bilang isang pamilya ng Diyos.

Kasabay ng pambansang pagdiriwang ng Araw ng mga Bayani, nagtungo ang pamilya ni Rev. Dr. William Sy kasama ang mga manggagawa ng *United Christian Academy* (UCA) sa Calayo, Batangas noong Agosto 29, Lunes. Bukod sa masayang pagtatampisaw sa malinis at preskong dagat, selebrasyon din ito sa matagumpay na pagbubukas ng bagong taon sa eskuwelahan ng UCA. Napuno ng kasabikan ang lahat sa maikling bakasyong ito kung saan sila ay nagbangka patungo sa isang isla, tanaw ang magagandang likha ng Panginoon.

Tunay na sa simpleng pagsasama-sama ng mga anak ng Diyos ay kagalakan ang nangingibabaw. Patuloy nating ipanalangin ang ministeryo ng UCA upang mas magamit pa ang paaralan at ang mga manggagawa nito para sa bawat kaluluwang nangangailangan sa ating Panginoong Hesus.



Lulan naman ng bangka ang lahat upang makapunta sa mala-paraisong isla. Mapayapang karagatan at magandang tanawin ang malayang napagmasdan ng lahat.



















Labis ang tuwa at kagalakan ng bawat isa sa pagsasama-samang ito, kagalakan na kailanman ay hindi mapapalitan ng anoman sapagkat ito ay nagmumula sa Diyos.

**PSALM 118:13-14 (NKJV)** 

<sup>13</sup>You pushed me violently, that I might fall, But the Lord helped me. <sup>14</sup>The Lord is my strength and song, And He has become my salvation.

### HBC UPDATE

# Buhay ang Salita ng Diyos

Nasa puso't isipan na ng mga anak ng Diyos ang kagustuhan na makapagbahagi ng Kaniyang Salita na aabot sa maraming kaluluwa. Ito ay aktibong ginagampanan ng mga manggagawa ng UCF.

Itinayo ang *Home Bible Church* (HBC) upang maranasan ng bawat tahanan ang kabutihan at pagmamahal ng Panginoon sa pakikinig ng patotoo ng mga miyembro ng UCF. Bawat patotoo ay nakakapagbigay patunay na buhay ang Diyos at Siya ay kumikilos sa buhay ng Kaniyang mga anak. Naniniwala ang mga manggagawa na ang kanilang pagpapagal ay magbubunga ng maraming kaluluwa na makakakilala sa Panginoon—mga kaluluwang maliligtas at makakaranas ng lubos na pag-ibig ng ating Diyos.

Darating ang araw na ang mga miyembro ng HBC ay magpapagamit din sa ministeryo upang makapagbigay luwalhati sa Kaniya. Maging ang kanilang mga buhay ay magiging patotoo rin kung paanong kumilos ang Diyos sa kanila. Kung kaya't tayo ay masigasig na magbahagi ng Kaniyang Salita at makiisa sa bawat gawain ng UCF sapagkat patotoo ng buhay ni Hesus ang ating inihahayag.



LEADER: Sis. Sushmita Murillo HOST: Sis. Beatrice Vargas



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LEADERS: Sis. Liezla Ala & Sis. Glynis Hermosa HOSTS: Bro. Andres & Sis. Lisa Chavit

## **PAALALA**

Para sa mga nagnanais na magbukas ng Home Bible Church sa kanilang tahanan, makipag-ugnayan lamang kay Rev. Morrell Estrellado.

Inaanyayahan ang mga wala pang HBC na dumalo at makiisa sa HBC na malapit sa inyong lugar upang ang Salita ng Panginoon ay patuloy na mabigyang halaga sa buhay ng bawat isa. Pagkakataon mo rin ito na maibahagi ang iyong karanasan at patotoo sa Diyos!

Maging online ay maaari na ring dumalo ang inyong mga kaanak na nasa malalayong lugar. Sa tulong ng Google Meet at ng iba pang application ay mas naaabot natin ang mga kaluluwang naghahanap din sa Diyos.

Makipag-ugnayan sa inyong HBC leader para sa detalye.



LEADER: Bro. Noe Amancio HOST: Sis. Lizette Escartin

**PSALM 89:15 (NKJV)** 

Blessed are the people who know the joyful sound! They walk, O Lord, in the light of Your countenance.

# Pagpapagal para sa paglago

Sa kabila ng maulan na panahon buong linggo, ang Panginoon ay patuloy na nagbibigay ng inspirasyon sa bawat *in-house trainee worker* na magpatuloy sa kanilang mga gawain, kalakip ang kalakasan na Kaniyang binubuhos.

Sa araw-araw na kanilang hinaharap, ang Panginoon ang patuloy na nagbibigay karunungan sa kanilang pagpapagamit sa patuloy na pagsasaayos at pag-iingat ng lupang pangako ng Panginoon. Linggo-linggo ay patuloy na umaakyat ang mga boluntaryong kalalakihan upang makatulong sa pagsasaayos ng mga pasilidad tulad ng *Prayer Mountain* at mga lupaing pagtataniman ng puno.

Ang mga gawaing ito ay paghahanda sa kaabang-abang na mga programa ng panambahan na gaganapin sa Mt. Tabor *Church Re-Creation Center*. Purihin ang Panginoon sa Kaniyang probisyon para sa inihahandang gawain na patuloy na makakapagbigay papuri sa Kaniyang Ngalan.

# Pagsaayos sa Prayer Mountain

Sa tulong ng boluntaryong kalalakihan ay patuloy na isinasaayos ang *Prayer Mountain* mula sa mga hagdan hanggang sa paligid nito. Muling pinagtibay ang mga hagdan upang masiguro ang ligtas na pag-akyat ng mga bibisita rito. Patuloy ring nililinis ang mga naipong damo at dahon sa paligid nito.



## Pagpunla ng mga langka

Sa pamumuno ni Rev. Dr. William Sy, muling nagpunla ang mga in-house trainee worker ng mga itatanim na langka na may bilang na 349. Ang langka ay isa sa mga napiling itatanim sa gaganaping tree planting acitvity dahil sa matibay nitong puno at mga bunga na kapaki-pakinabang.

# Pagtabas ng mga damo

Bilang paghahanda sa darating na tree planting acitivty ng panambahan, patuloy ang paglilinis ng kapaligiran sa pamamagitan ng pagtatabas ng damo sa ibabang bahagi ng Mt. Tabor na pinagtulungan ng mga masisipag na boluntaryo.



PSALM 89:16-17 (NKJV)

<sup>16</sup>In Your name they rejoice all day long, And in Your righteousness they are exalted. ™For You are the glory of their strength, And in Your favor our horn is exalted.

## **NEWS BRIEF**

# Bunga ng gawain ng Diyos

Ilang buwan na rin ang nakalipas mula noong isinagawa ang Misyon 2022 sa Catanauan, Quezon Provincial. Nakadaupang-palad ng UCF ang maraming panambahang naghahangad na makapagdala ng kaluluwa sa Diyos at mga pastor na nagpapatuloy sa tawag ng paglilingkod.

Nitong Lunes at Martes, Agosto 29 at 30, nagbukas ng pinto ang Mt. Tabor Church Re-Creation Center sa pagbisita ng anim na pastor mula sa Quezon Province. Mainit at buong pusong pagtanggap naman ang hatid ng UCF sa pangunguna ni Punong Pastor Rev. Dr. William Sy kasama ang mga in-house trainee worker sa lugar. Isang kagalakan na muling makita ang mga pastor na ilan sa mga naging benepisyaryo ng gawain ng Panginoon.

Hindi rin nagpatigil ang mga pastor sa pagkakataong masilayan ang isa sa mga ministeryo ng UCF. Sulit na sulit



Mainit na pinaunlakan ni Rev. Dr. William Sy at kaniyang may bahay ang mga pastor na sina Ptr. Silvert Anastacio, Ptr. Federico Aguilar, Ptr. Joey Sarapat at Ptr. Lino Titan na maligayang nagtungo at nagsama-sama sa Mt. Tabor matapos ang ilang buwan ng maganap ang Misyon 2022 sa Catanuan, Quezon.





ang kanilang oras sa paglibot sa buong lugar na personal na sinamahan ni Rev. Dr. Sy simula taas hanggang paanan ng Mt. Tabor na kasalukuyang inaayos din para sa mas malawak pang paggamit dito. Sa susunod ng mga buwan naman, muli nating makikita ang mga pastor mula sa Catanauan kasama pa ang humigit kumulang isang daang mga pastor sapagkat sila ay magdaraos ng kanilang gawain sa ating lugar. Purihin ang Diyos na tapat sa buhay ng Kaniyang mga anak!

# Bible Quiz

Look up in your Bible the right answers to the given facts and present your copy with your answers to Sis. Aira Tolentino. A free VOV will be given next issue to the first one to answer correctly.

1. The last book of the Bible	
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2. The book after Daniel \_\_\_\_\_

3. The first book of the New Testament \_\_\_\_\_

4. The 20th book of the Bible \_\_\_\_\_

5. The book before Jonah \_\_\_\_\_

6. The last word in the Bible \_\_\_\_\_

7. The second book of the Old Testament \_\_\_\_\_

8. The last book of the Old Testament \_\_\_\_\_

9. The shortest book in the Bible \_\_\_\_\_

10. The first book in the Bible named after a woman \_\_\_\_\_

# AWIT SA PANGINOON

Maraming pagsubok ang dumarating upang hamunin ang bawat isa sa atin, ngunit hindi nagkukulang ang Diyos na maglaan para sa Kaniyang mga anak hindi lamang pisikal at emosyonal na kalakasan, kung hindi pati na rin sa espirituwal na aspeto ng buhay. Sa pagtanggap natin ng mga pagpapala na nagmumula sa Panginoon, ibinabalik din natin ang papuri na nararapat lamang sa Kaniya sa pamamagitan ng ating mga puso at mga tinig na umaawit ng kaluwalhatian sa Kaniyang kabutihan.



**Lagi** Leo Hernandez



Ang awitin na alay ko para sa Diyos na nagiging inspirasyon at motivation ko sa pagsunod sa Kaniya ay ang kantang "Lagi" dahil bilang anak ng Panginoon, iyon ang desire at panalangin ng puso ko na makita at makasama ang Panginoon. Kaya kahit hindi madali ang pagsunod sa Diyos, marami mang sitwasyon, pero lagi ko pa ring pupurihin at susundin ang Panginoon. Alam ko sa dulo na it will all be worth it dahil makakasama ko ang Panginoon nang walang hanggan.



### PSALM 27:1 (NKJV)

The Lord is my light and my salvation; Whom shall I fear? The Lord is the strength of my life; Of whom shall I be afraid?



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Magpatuloy tayo dahil tayo ay mga tinawag ng Diyos at idinagdag tayo ng Panginoon sa Kaniyang gawain at sa Kaniyang pamilya kaya kasama tayo sa gathering sa church HBC, Bible study at fellowship. At ang pinakamahalaga na hindi natin malilimutan is our testimony. Kaya mayroon tayong help ministry. Lumalabas tayo dahil iyon ang testimony natin bilang isang panambahan.

Rev. James C. Sy, ThB, CEdM, EdD

Napakasaya na ang kapatiran ay laging sama-sama, mayroong pag-awit at panalangin. Ito ang mahalaga na huwag natin kaligtaan-ang pagdalo, kaya mahalaga iyong Bible study, prayer meeting, upang lalo nating maranasang higit ang Panginoong Hesus habang tayo ay nagpapatuloy.

> Rev. Fidel C. Dillo, ThB Panelist (Associate Pastor)



Ang prayer ang pinakamahalagang ministry ng church kasi iyan ang firewall ng church. Without prayer, we cannot exist. That's the reason why we have a devotional prayer at group prayer every day. Hindi ito once a we but it is an everyday prayer because we believe that prayer can really touch the heart of God.

Rev. William G. Sy, ThM, CEdD, EdD





Mahalaga sa fellowship ang sharing-ang pag-share ng ginawa ng Diyos sa atin. Kung mayroon tayong ganoong karanasan noon, pagpapagaling man mula sa Panginoon o naranasan natin ang Kaniyang kabutihan o mga pagpapala, iyon ang ating ibahagi sa ating fellowship upang makita nila ang pagkilos ng Panginoon sa atin.

Rev. Morrell B. Estrellado, BSECE, ThB, MDM Panelist (Associate Pastor)

Mahalaga ang pagtitipon ng mga mananampalataya dahil dito ay nagpapalakasan ang isa't isa. May mga kapatid diyan na maaaring kailangan ng tulong, and with that gathering sa fellowship natin ay nabibigay natin ang tamang tulong doon sa ating kapatid na

nangangailangan

Rev. Ricardo B. Jacob, BSME, The Panelist (Associate Past





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### Acts 2:41-47 (NKJV)

<sup>41</sup>Then those who gladly received his word were baptized; and that day about three thousand souls were added to them. 42And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers. 43Then fear came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were done through the apostles. 44Now all who believed were together, and had all things in common, 45 and sold their possessions and goods, and divided them among all, as anyone had need. 46So continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they ate their food with gladness and simplicity of heart, 47 praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily those who were being saved.

I. Who are inclined in fellowship?

a. They who "accepted His message"

### Acts 2:38 (NKJV)

Then Peter said to them, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit."

### Acts 2:17 (NKJV)

"And it shall come to pass in the last days, says God, that I will pour out of My Spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your young men shall see visions, your old men shall dream dreams."

### Acts 2:21 (NKJV)

"And it shall come to pass that whoever calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

b. They who are baptized

- To be baptized means to be



Sino ba ang mga kasama sa fellowship? Una ay ang mga nag-repent na o nagsisi na sa kanilang mga kasalanan at tinanggap ang Panginoong Hesus bilang Panginoon at Tagapagligtas. Pangalawa ay ang mga na-baptize dahil ang baptism ang ating unang deklarasyon na tayo ay susunod na sa Panginoon. At panghuli ay ang mga sinasamahan na ng Banal na Espiritu.

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- You who are baptized in the Name of the Lord

### Matthew 28:19-20 (NKJV)

19"Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen.

## 2. Devotion to the fellowship

### Hebrews 10:25 (NKJV)

Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching.

Acts 2:44 (NKJV)

Now all who believed were together, and had all things in common.

### 2 Corinthians 9:7 (NKJV)

So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful

## 3. Devotion to the breaking of the

### 1 Corinthians 11:26 (NKJV)

For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death till He comes.

### 4. Devotion to prayer

### 2 Peter 2:5 (NK.JV)

And did not spare the ancient world, but saved Noah, one of eight people, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood on the world of the ungodly.

**PSALM 27:14 (NKJV)** 

Wait on the Lord; Be of good courage, And He shall strengthen your heart; Wait, I say, on the Lord!

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ng ating kapagurang pisikal, ang Diyos ay patuloy na nagbibigay sa atin ng kalakasan. Patuloy na ang bawat naniniwala at ang bawat mananampalataya na sumasamba ating Panginoon ay mayroong kalayaan. Sa Book of James, sinasabi na ang bawat mananampalataya ay dapat magkaroon ng tinatawag na katiyagaan, pagpapagal at pagtitiis sa paghihintay sa pagbabalik ng ating Panginoon. It is said here to establish our heart because God is compassionate and merciful. Maaalala natin sa katotohanan ng Salita ng Panginoon galing sa Old Testament na nagbibigay halimbawa tungkol sa mga taong ito kung saan sila ay mapagtiis, mapaghintay, mapagpagal at sa kalaunan sila ay naging matagumpay. Ito ang hinahanap ng Diyos sa bawat mananampalataya-na sa ating kapanahunan ngayon na ikaw at ako ay kailangan matutong magtiis.



Magtiis tayo sa anomang sitwasyon at sa anomang senaryo ng buhay dahil ang pananampalataya ng buhay Kristiyano ay punong-puno ng pagsubok. Hindi tayo ligtas sa mga trial bagkus tayo ay dumadaan dito. Testing and suffering are real parts of life. Hindi lingid sa ating kaalaman si Job. Sa kabila ng kaniyang naranasan, pagdating sa huling araw ay nandoon ang tagumpay at lahat ng bagay na nawala sa kaniya ay ibinigay ng Diyos. Bakit? Dahil siya ay naghintay at nagtiis nang mahabang panahon.

Habang tayo ay lumalakad sa mundong ito, Romans 8:37, 'No, in all these things we



dumadaan din tayo sa testing ng buhay. Ang pagsubok ang siyang nagiging apoy ng testing ng buhay natin. Pero tandaan natin na God is faithful. Hindi tayo iiwan pababayaan man ng Panginoon. Testing will develop persevering faith, proven character, and mature hope. Dito masusubok ang isang mananampalataya kung hanggang saan ang pagkakakilala niya sa Panginoon—kung hanggang saan ang abot ng kaniyang pananampalataya o measure of faith. Dahil ang pagsubok ang magiging susi kung hanggang saan ang kaugnayan mo sa Diyos o kung gaano kalalim ang sukatan ng iyong pananaw ayon sa iyong pananampalataya.

Sa panahon natin ngayon, lahat ay nakakaranas ng ganitong mga bagay. Bata, matanda, mahirap o mayaman, nararanasan natin ang situwasyon na iyon. Ngunit mayroon tayong Diyos na buhay. Kung paano pinaranas ng Diyos kay Job ang mga bagay na ito ay ipaparanas din sa atin. Ang mahalaga dito ay handa tayong magtiis at handa tayong maging matiyaga. Ito ang magiging sukatan ng ating relasyon sa Panginoon. Kung gaano tayo katibay at kalalim ang hinahanap sa atin ng Diyos. At kumbinsido si James o Santiago sa mga bagay na ito-na habang hinihintay natin ang pagdating ng ating Panginoon ay maging matibay, maging matiyaga at maging matatag tayo.

Tandaan natin na may pagsubok na ina-allow ang Diyos. Bakit? Dito Niya makikita kung ikaw talaga ay tunay na nasa Kaniya. Sa panahon ng pagsubok ay hindi mo ipagpapalit ang Panginoon. Sa panahon ng kawalan, nariyan ka sa Diyos. Naalala ko ang sinabi ni Paul sa Romans 8, 'Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble, famine, nakedness?' Ano ang sabi ni Pablo? Hindi. Hindi ito ang magiging dahilan upang tayo ay lumayo sa Panginoon. Sabi sa Romans 8:37, 'No, in all these things we

are more than conquerors through Him who loved us.' Magiging matagumpay tayo at ang mga bagay na ito ay ating mapagtatagumpayan. It is comforting to know that God is on our side. Nandiyan ang Panginoon na hindi tayo lalayuan.

When we place ourselves in His hand, He is always with us no matter what the circumstances are, as Paul said. In 1 Corinthians 10:13, 'Every test that you have experienced is the kind that normally comes to people. But God keeps His promise, and He will not allow you to be tested beyond your power to remain firm; at the time you are put to the test, He will give you the strength to endure it, and so provide you with a way out.' Napapatunayan lamang nito na walang pagsubok na ibibigay ang Diyos na hindi mo kayang lagpasan. Kaya mo at kaya ko. Sa madaling sabi, kahit anomang sitwasyon ang mayroon tayo, hindi ia-allow ng Diyos na hindi natin kayanin ang mga bagay na ito.

ANG PAGSUBOK ANG MAGIGING SUSI KUNG HANGGANG SAAN ANG KAUGNAYAN MO SA DIYOS .



PSALM 118:5-6 (NKJV)

<sup>§</sup>I called on the Lord in distress; The Lord answered me and set me in a broad place. <sup>§</sup>The Lord is on my side; I will not fear. What can man do to me?

## Sunday Worship Service Highlights



# LIFE THEN, LIFE NOW

## **MARRIAGE**

The concept of marriage in the Old Testament had a strong argument against the Jew being wed to non-Jews or Gentiles. The prohibition is clearly stated in Deuteronomy 7:3, 'Nor shall you make marriages with them. You shall not give your daughter to their son, nor take their daughter for your son.' And the reason for the prohibition of this is in the succeeding verse, 'For they will turn your sons away from following Me, to serve other gods; so the anger of the Lord will be aroused against you and destroy you suddenly.' In the event that they might marry a non-Jew, their offspring will not be considered as a Jew anymore.

However, in the New Testament, through the blood of Jesus Christ, the Jews and Gentiles were able to commune, making a path for them possible for marriage. The difference the two had was circumcision. It is to the extent that the Gentiles were not able to get close or blend with Jews on any occasion, even marriage. But Christ came to unify the circumcised and uncircumcised, resolving the distance between the Gentiles and Jews just as stated in Ephesians 2:11-22, highlighting verses 19-22, '19 Now, therefore, you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, <sup>20</sup>having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone, <sup>21</sup>in whom the whole building, being fitted together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord, <sup>22</sup>in whom you also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.'

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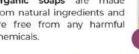


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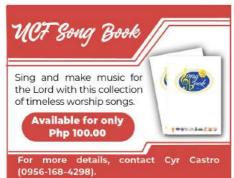
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PSALM 119:28 (NKJV)

My soul melts from heaviness; Strengthen me according to Your word.

### What are you...

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c. To "live Christ" is to die to selfish desires and live to serve others (Christ be seen in me).

If you are not denying yourself in order to serve Christ, you are not "living Christ"; you are living for yourself.

#### Luke 9:23

Then He said to them all, "If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me."

II. How do we "Live Christ"? a. Make it your constant aim

### 1 Corinthians 9:23

Now this I do for the gospel's sake, that I may be partaker of it with you.

We need to reevaluate our lives. It is easy to fall into living a good life. God blesses us with our families, friends, possessions, work, leisure, etc. But if we are not careful, these good things become what we are living for. Meaning we do not want to lose it or be taken from us anymore. Let us consider the life of Job.

Is Christ really at the center and my aim? Is Christ my all in all?

## b. Through prayer and by the Holy Spirit

### Philippians 1:19

For I know that this will turn out for my deliverance through your prayer and the supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ.

### Colossians 4:2-4

<sup>2</sup>Continue earnestly in prayer, being vigilant in it with thanksgiving; <sup>3</sup>meanwhile praying also for us, that God would open to us a door for the word, to speak the mystery of Christ, for which I am also in chains, <sup>4</sup>that I may make it manifest, as I ought to speak.

### Conclusion

True Believers have the assurance of God's promises while still alive in this body or even in death. If we "live Christ," then to die will be gain.



### WHY READ THE BOOK OF JOEL?

The central theme of the Book of Joel is the time when Judah

experienced a terrible locust plague that destroyed every vegetation in the country. It was followed by the famine that spread widely throughout Judah. This is the Lord's message for judgment and hope of repentance. Prophet Joel was able to proclaim this message to his listeners that the intense suffering that God gave to the people in Judah was

for them to return to God, to be faithful, and to trust that in every situation, He can make a way for everyone who believes in Him. If they return to God, obey, and love Him again, He can make greater things for them.

This book reminds us that having intense suffering doesn't mean that God is not with us, but sometimes, God allows these kinds of catastrophes to happen for the people to remember that He is still God and that they should serve Him and always put Him first.

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?





