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Introduction

How important is a promise?

- A promise is a covenant or declaration that one will do exactly what he said or something will happen just as pledged.
- When God makes a promise to His people, it will come to pass.

Acts 2:39

For the promise is to you and to your children, and to all who are afar off, as many as the Lord our God will call.

As believers of Christ, we should understand the importance of promise.

I. God's Promises: We can count on them.

A. We can count on God's promises because of God's character.

- First of all, He's not a man. He's not human. He doesn't have a fallen nature.
- 2. He's never sinned and never lied. He is the essence of righteousness and He can't lie.
- 3. He is the truth and only speaks the truth.

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B. We can count on God's promises because God is unchanging.

- 1. Unlike us, God never changes in His person or His purposes.
- 2. We may change our minds as we age, as our situation changes, or as we get more information.
- But God doesn't decide to do something, then a thousand years later, realized that it was a bad decision.

Hebrews 13:8

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

C. We can count on God's promises because of His infinite wisdom.

- Because of His infinite wisdom, when He makes a promise, it's the best possible promise He can make.
- He won't discover later that He could have made a better promise.God never needs to make course corrections.
- 3. He doesn't make it up as He goes along. He knows the end from the beginning.

Titus 1:2

In hope of eternal life which God, who cannot lie, promised before time began.

Jeremiah 29:11

For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the Lord, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope.

II. Man's Promises: How to be counted on?

A. Remember whose you are.

As Christians, the Holy Spirit lives inside us. His power is ready to teach us to carefully consider promises before we make them.

1 Corinthians 3:16

Do you not know that you are the temple of God and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?

B. Understand that promises come with responsibility attached.

If we break them, we will suffer the consequence of lost trust, which is difficult to regain.

Numbers 30:2

If a man makes a vow to the Lord, or swears an oath to bind himself by some agreement, he shall not break his word; he shall do according to all that proceeds out of his mouth.

Malachi 3:8-12

s"Will a man rob God? Yet you have robbed Me! But you say, 'In what way have we robbed You?' In tithes and offerings. 'You are cursed with a curse, For you have robbed Me, Even this whole nation. 'Bring all the tithes into the storehouse, That there may be food in My house, And try Me now in this," Says the Lord of hosts, "If I will not open for you the windows of heaven And pour out for you such blessing That there will not be room enough to receive it. I"And I will rebuke the devourer



Revelation 21:4 (NKJV) "And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away."

JOB A Prosperous Man of Outstanding Piety

Job is the Biblical character who went so much undeserved sufferings in life. Despite those, he stood the test and held onto his faith in God. He lost everything—his children, his wife, his wealth, and his health. Yet even in bad times, he stood firm in trusting the Lord. Knowing God is with him, Job chose to praise God and offer Him thanksgiving with all of his heart, strength, soul, and mind until God restored everything.

JACOB Father of the 12 Tribes

Jacob, son of Isaac who was later called Israel, is known for wrestling with an angel and receiving God's blessing. With his desire to follow God, he acquired his brother's birthright in exchange for a bowl of soup. This cunning move might be against the moral standard, but God's sovereign plan in his life was evident throughout the Bible, including fathering to 12 sons, who established the 12 tribes of Israel

DAVIDThe Man after God's Own Heart

David, a shepherd boy who was hailed for defeating Goliath, was later chosen by the Lord and anointed as king by the Prophet Samuel. Despite his brothers' impressive physical statures, God chose David-a man with a heart and faith in Him alone. However, during his reign, he sinned. When he recognized his wrongdoings, he repented before God. King David is the epitome of humility.

FATHERS in the Bible



NOAH The Righteous Man

Noah was the man behind the biblical flood story and the creator of the ark. Despite the wickedness around him, he was blameless in his generation. Finding favor in the eyes of the Lord, he was protected by God, including his household. He faithfully carried out the role God assigned to him which showed his devotion and obedience. God surely entrusted a role for each of us in His ministry, so let us continue to walk in Christ's righteousness as Noah did.

ABRAHAM The Father of Many Nations

Abraham, whom God promised to be the father of many nations as much as the stars of the heaven and sand on the shore, was a man of obedience. It could be a frightening news from God to be a father of an entire nation, but he was a man of tremendous faith. Knowing God's voice, he trusted Him when the Lord asked to sacrifice his son Isaac as an offering. This act concluded as God found him with a genuine faith. Each of us might be

in various trials, but God's purpose and plan are revealed over a lifetime of obedience.



Earthly Father of Jesus

Joseph, the husband of Mary, might be in a very uncertain situation when he found that Mary was carrying a child. But through his faith and trust in the Lord, the humanity received a much greater joy, and that is the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ. He went through great difficulties and struggles to protect his wife and the child. The Bible calls him a righteous man. Joseph's calling was way different from others, but God proved that it is He who guides and leads people into His greater plan.

MOSES

The Lawgiver of Israel

Moses, a child who was raised away from his family, was a significant man to carry out God's plan. Due to a decree, he was found and raised by the Pharaoh's daughter for 40 years. Through him, the Israelites, despite their wickedness, were able to see the Promised Land after 40 years in the wilderness. With a great responsibility on his shoulder, Moses stayed close to God. We all might go through a lot of waiting and difficult times, but let us trust and obey God, for He who is our Father is faithful forevermore.

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But may the God of all grace, who called us to His eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after you have suffered a while, perfect, establish, strengthen, and settle you.

1 Peter 5:10 (NKJV)

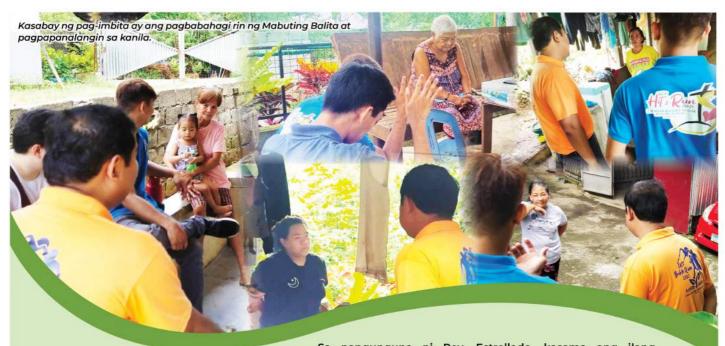


Isaiah 40:31 (NKJV) But those who wait on the Lord shall renew their strength; They shall mount up with wings like eagles, They shall run and not be weary, They shall walk and not faint.

Sa pangunguna ng ating mga mahal na pastor na sina Rev. Morrell Estrellado at Rev. Fidel Dillo, sinimulan nang magsagawa ng Bible Study sa Mt. Tabor noong Martes, Hunyo 13, na magtutuloy linggo-linggo tuwing Martes. Kabahagi nito ay ang mga trabahador na kasama sa pagtatayo ng panambahan sa lugar upang sila rin ay maaabot ng Salita ng Diyos.

PAGSIMULA NG BIBLE STUDY





PAGBISITA SA Mga tahanan

Sa pangunguna ni Rev. Estrellado, kasama ang ilang manggagawa, sila ay bumisita sa mga tahanan sa Brgy. Casile, Cabuyao, Laguna upang sila'y maimbitahan sa *Bible study* na gaganapin sa Mt. Tabor at maipaalam sa kanila na magkakaroon ng panambahan sa nasabing lugar kung saan sila ay maaaring dumalo.

Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

John 14:27 (NKJV)



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³²For the turning away of the simple will slay them, And the complacency of fools will destroy them; ³³But whoever listens to me will dwell safely, And will be secure, without fear of evil.



FAMILY COUNSELLING BUHAY NA KASAMA ANG PANGINOON





Mahigit sampung pamilya na ang sumailalim sa family counselling.

sang gawain ang muling binuksan ng panambahan sa pangunguna ni Rev. Dr. William Sy na naghihikayat sa bawat pamilya na tuklasin ang kalooban ng Panginoon sa kanilang mga buhay. Nagsimula noong Hunyo 12, Lunes, ang mga kapatid natin sa Panginoon na lumapit sa ating punong pastor upang sila'y matulungan sa kanilang lakad sa pananampalataya at mabigyan ng payo ayon sa Salita ng Diyos sa kani-kanilang mga sitwasyon sa buhay.

Ang buhay na pangako ng Panginoon sa Kaniyang mga anak ay isang buhay na ganap at kasiya-siya. Kaya naman iyon din ang pangakong nais ni Rev. Dr. Sy na maranasan natin bilang mga anak ng Diyos habang tayo ay sumusunod sa Panginoon. Sa *counselling* ay buong puso niya ring hinihikayat ang bawat isa

na mas magtiwala at sumunod sa ating Panginoong Diyos.

Kung mayroon ding udyok sa ating puso na sundin ang kalooban ng Diyos sa ating buhay, maaari rin tayong lumapit sa ating punong pastor upang tayo ay matulungan sa ating lakad sa pananampalataya. Ito ay bukas sa lahat ng anak ng Diyos na nais mamuhay ayon sa Kaniyang kalooban.



Ang bawat counselling session ay nagsisimula at nagwawakas sa panalangin.

²⁸Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. ²⁹Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

Matthew 11:28-29 (NKJV)

UCACOA offers free training whole year



Through the years, UCA College of Asia (UCACOA) has been developing its students with skills needed in the industry. With its partnership with the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA), the institution stands true to its goal of giving students access to a better future.

Recently, UCACOA received nine (9) batches of

scholarship grants for Contact Center Services (CCS) NC II which will run for the whole year. Through this, students will get decent jobs and keep pace with degree-holder employees as UCACOA focuses on training the students to become technology experts.

Praise the Lord for the opportunity of this educational ministry to train and provide jobs!

ORIENTATION

UCACOA, headed by Dean for Computer Studies and TESDA Expert Rev. Ryan Christian Tabay, held its orientation last June 16, Friday, to inform its students about the whole program of the scholarship grant for CCS NC II.



The scholars were also guided in creating their accounts in the TESDA website which will be used during their training. Rev. Tabay also introduced the UCA Online platform where students can access their lessons and accomplish their activities.







FRUIT OF UCACOA



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"Way back 2016, I took my Senior High School in United Christian Academy (UCA). Through the help of my teachers' knowledge and teaching techniques, I finished the courses successfully. After that, I took the TESDA course and passed the assessment. Now working as a Technical Support, I have consistently provided prompt and reliable assistance to customers facing technical challenges with my knowledge and effective troubleshooting skills, which I have learned when

I was studying in UCA and UCACOA. A huge thanks to all my teachers for being great educators. Your passion, dedication, and guidance have made a profound impact on my journey. Because of you, I have been able to swiftly resolve issues, leave customers satisfied, and be confident in my ability to support the customers' needs. In return for that, I keep on getting awards and achievements. To those who are aspiring to work in the BPO industry, embrace the opportunity! It is a dynamic field that offers growth, cultural diversity, and valuable skills. Your communication and problem-solving abilities will flourish, opening doors to a rewarding career. Believe in yourself and seize this chance to excel."

POSSIBLE JOB LANDINGS

After the 18-day competency-based and indepth training, here are the jobs that await you. Apply the skills you will acquire in performing



customer service delivery processes, communicating effectively using the English language, and demonstrating ability to engage in various types of customers.



Marketing Associate PHP 25.000 - 30.000

Agents talk to people all day long to sell products or offer services. They assist in planning advertising activities, forecast trends, and assess customer satisfaction.



Customer Service Representative PHP 19.000 - 25.000

Agents provide products and services information, answer questions, and resolve problems with accuracy and efficiency. They are excited to help customers.



IT Support PHP 26,000 - 40,000

Agents investigate and resolve users problems with computer software and hardware. They also assist regarding network or Internet connection, emails, and browser issues.



Quality Assurance Analyst

PHP 23.000 - 33.000

Agents being accustomed with procedures, they easily identify bugs, defects, and other potential issues. They propose measures to improve products or services.

You can be one of these!

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Ang Diyos

NA NAGPAPALA AT NAGPAPALAGO

Mula sa maliit na binhi na ating tinanim sa gawain ng Panginoon, ang Diyos ang magpapatubo nito. Sa naganap na pagbibigay ng seed money para sa itinatayong simbahan sa Mt. Tabor, umaapaw ang pasasalamat ng Kaniyang mga anak na nakapagbigay ng kanilang binhi para sa gawain ng Diyos.

Ang mga binhi na ito ay simbolo rin ng pagmamahal natin sa Panginoon at pagnanais na sumunod sa Kaniyang kalooban. Kaya naman matapos maranasan na mapagpala ang mga anak ng Diyos ay labis ang kanilang kasiyahan dahil sa ipinaranas na katapatan at kabutihan ng Ama sa kanilang buhay.

Noong nag-announce si Ptr. William tungkol sa ginagawa sa Mt. Tabor at kung sino ang gustong mag-seed, excited kami ni Aileen magbigay dahil alam namin na mapupunta ito sa matabang lupa para sa gawain ng Lord. Pinag-usapan muna namin ni Aileen kung magkano ang ibibigay dahil alam namin na magagamit namin ang pambili namin ng piyesa para doon sa client namin. Pero nagtitiwala kami na si Lord naman ang nagpo-provide ng lahat ng pangangailangan namin. Noong nagsabi kami kay Ate Nhe noong Sunday ng hapon para sa seed namin, kinabukasan ay nag-chat ang isa naming client na mayroon na daw tseke ang isang purchase order (P.O.). Nagulat ako dahil almost one year na ang P.O. na iyon at nasa timing dahil may magagamit na ulit kami na pang-ikot at sobra pa sa kailangan namin. Napakabuti talaga ng Diyos. Lahat ng papuri at pasasalamat ay tanging sa ating Panginoong Hesus lamang!



Noong sinabi ni Ptr. William ang tungkol sa pagtatanim ng pananampalataya para sa gawain ng Diyos, mayroong in-impress na halaga ang Diyos sa akin. Kahit hindi ko alam kung saan kukunin iyon, pinanghawakan ko ang pangakong ang Diyos ang magpo-provide ng seed natin. At purihin ang Diyos dahil sa hindi inaasahang mga pangyayari ay nagbigay ng iba't ibang paraan ang Diyos upang mabigay ko ang buong halaga ng seed ko. Imposible man sa akin, ngunit tunay na walang imposible sa Diyos!

SIS. NORIEL VICTORIA TOLENTINO

What urged me to take the challenge sa pagbigay ng seed ay dahil gusto kong i-express ang faith ko kay Lord. Ang pagbibigay ng seeds ay hindi naging madali dahil first time ko. Una, hindi ko talaga naintindihan iyon until in-explain ito ni Ptr. James sa Bible study. Naintindihan ko siya. And then, noong nagannounce na sila kung magkano ang ibibigay na seed, alam kong si Lord ang nagsabi sa akin na ang i-seed ko ay 3 boxes o Php30,000. Kagaya ng marami, may mga pumasok ding negative thoughts sa akin pero hindi ako nagpadala dahil alam kong para kay Lord itong gagawin ko at para sa panambahang ito. Gusto kong may part din ako sa pagtayo ng panambahan dahil alam kong maraming kaluluwa ang matutulungan nitong mapalapit kay Lord.



PURIHIN ANG MAPAGPALANG DIYOS DAHIL SA KANIYANG LUBOS NA KATAPATAN!

⁶If you were pure and upright, Surely now He would [a]awake for you, And prosper your rightful dwelling place. ⁷Though your beginning was small, Yet your latter end would increase abundantly.

2 Corinthians 9:6 (NKJV)

The Promises to...

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for your sakes, So that he will not destroy the fruit of your ground, Nor shall the vine fail to bear fruit for you in the field," Says the Lord of hosts; ¹²"And all nations will call you blessed, For you will be a delightful land," Says the Lord of hosts.

C. Say "yes" or "no," but not "yes" then "no".

Admitting you can't take something on is better than breaking your word down the road.

Matthew 5:37

But let your 'Yes' be 'Yes,' and your 'No,' 'No.' For whatever is more than these is from the evil one.

D. Believe in the promise power.

People trust us to do what we say we will do. As ambassadors of Christ, it's not only our character at stake. Others form opinions about Jesus based on our actions.

2 Corinthians 5:20

Now then, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were pleading through us: we implore you on Christ's behalf, be reconciled to God.

E. Ask the Holy Spirit for strength to fulfill each carefully made promise.

Promises are measures of trust. With the Holy Spirit's help, we can keep every single promise we make.

John 14:26

But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you.

Challenge

- If God has said it, He will do it.
- If God has spoken it, He will fulfill it.
- Do you have any promises to God that you don't do?

WHY READ THE BOOK OF 2 TIMOTHY?



The Book of 2 Timothy is considered as the last words of Apostle Paul. While still imprisoned in Rome, Paul expressed care for the churches and for Timothy, in particular. He wished to use his final remarks to exhort Timothy and all other believers to maintain their faith and share the good news of Jesus Christ

(2 Timothy 3:14; 2 Timothy 4:2).

Paul urges Timothy to maintain his burning love for Christ and his unwavering commitment to sound doctrine (2 Timothy 1:12–13). He also advises Timothy to abstain from immoral behavior and to depart from wicked beliefs and practices (2 Timothy 2:14–26) because in the last days, both severe persecution and apostasy from the Christian faith will occur (2 Timothy 3:1–17). At the end of his letter, Paul makes a strong encouragement for believers to finish the race well by being steadfast in their faith (2 Timothy 4:1–8).

Our Christian walk may not be easy, but let us keep our eyes on the prize—Jesus Christ (2 Timothy 4:8). We must make every effort to stay away from both false doctrine and sinful behavior. The only way to do this is to be firmly rooted in our understanding of God's Word and steadfast in our rejection of anything that goes against the principles of God's Word.

