

VOICE OF THE VISION

Being a true Christian means bearing much fruit as we live in obedience to His mandate that He entrusted to us.



KNOW THEM BY THEIR Fruits

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Associate Pastor

Matthew 7:15-20 (NKJV)

¹⁵"Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravenous wolves. ¹⁶You will know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes from thornbushes or figs from thistles? ¹⁷Even so, every good tree bears good fruit, but a bad tree bears bad fruit. ¹⁸A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a bad tree bear good fruit. ¹⁹Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. ²⁰Therefore by their fruits you will know them.

Introduction

A true Christian is not without fruits. Christian life should manifest the kind of life that the Lord Jesus Christ desires for everyone that believes in Him and follows Him. In other words, everyone who claims to be a Christian should aim to be like Christ—Christlikeness. How can we bear fruit and be like Christ? It is by surrendering our whole life to Him, walking with Him and living according to His will—righteous and holy life. Furthermore, your life should be founded on the principles of the Bible, and doing your share in proclaiming the

Gospel of Christ to the unsaved.

I. The Fruit of Change

a. New creation – New life

2 Corinthians 5:17

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.

b. Put off the old man, put on the new man.

Ephesians 4:22-24

²²That you put off, concerning your former conduct, the old man which grows corrupt according to the deceitful lusts, ²³and be renewed in the spirit of your mind, ²⁴and that you put on the new man which was created according to God, in true righteousness and holiness.

Colossians 3:8-10

⁸But now you yourselves are to put off all these: anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy language out of your mouth. ⁹Do not lie to one another, since you have put off the old man with his deeds, ¹⁰and have put on the new man who is renewed in knowledge according to the image of Him who created him.

c. Christ lives in you.

Galatians 2:20

I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

Ephesians 2:13

But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

Colossians 3:1-3

¹If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God. ²Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth. ³For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.

John 17:16-17

¹⁶They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. ¹⁷Sanctify them by Your truth. Your word is truth.

John 11:26

"And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this?"

II. Fruit of Maturity

a. You must grow.

1 Corinthians 13:11

When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child; but when I became a man, I put away childish things.

1 Corinthians 14:20

Brethren, do not be children in understanding; however, in malice be babes, but in understanding be mature.

1 Peter 2:1-2

¹Therefore, laying aside all malice, all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and all evil speaking, ²as newborn babes, desire the pure milk of the word, that you may grow thereby.

b. Press toward the goal.

Philippians 3:12-14

¹²Not that I have already attained, or am already perfected; but I press on, that I may lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus has also laid hold of me. ¹³Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do,

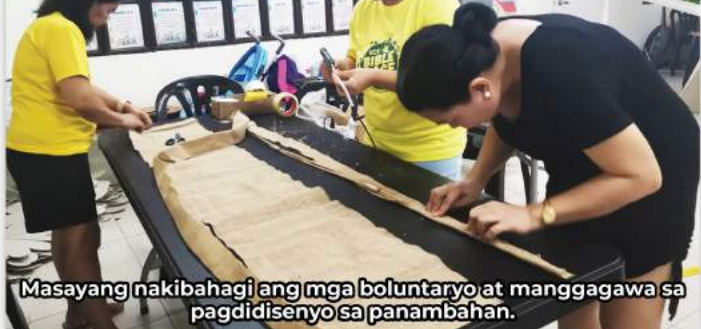
MINISTRY UPDATE



Paghahanda sa anibersaryo

Ilang linggo na lamang at muling magsasama-sama ang lahat upang ipagdiwang ang katapatan ng Panginoon sa panambahan ng UCF sa loob ng 36 na taon.

Ilan sa mga manggagawa ang nagbibigay ng kanilang oras upang makatulong sa kabuuan ng programa sa darating na anibersaryo sa Pebrero 26. Mula sa paggawa ng mga dekorasyon hanggang sa pagkakabit nito sa loob ng panambahan ay pinagtulung-tulungan ng mga boluntaryo.



Masayang nakibahagi ang mga boluntaryo at manggagawa sa pagdidisenyo sa panambahan.

Sinimulan nang ikabit ng mga boluntaryo ang bagong gawang disenyo sa LCD.



Naghahanda na rin ang mga *fellowship group* para sa kanilang mga espesyal na presentasyon. Tuloy-tuloy naman ang *video shoot* sa mga miyembrong naki-isa sa *Audio Visual Presentation (AVP)* na inihahanda para sa darating na anibersaryo. Maging ang *Praise and Worship team* ay buong sigasig na naghuhusay para sa paparating na selebrasyon.

Tunay na lahat ay handa nang magbigay ng papuri sa Panginoon sa darating na espesyal na gawain!



Sama sama ang mga grupo mula sa *Men's at Ladies' fellowship group* para sa kanilang espesyal na presentasyon.

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 discernor of the thoughts and intents of the heart.



Kamangha-manghang tunay ang pagsisimula ng UCF Mt. Tabor Church Re-Creation Center at kung paano ito patuloy na ginagamit sa iba't ibang gawain ng panambahan. Sa pamamahala ni Punong Pastor Rev. Dr. William Sy bilang inatasang lingkod ng Diyos ay kabi-kabila ang konstruksiyon at mga paggawa sa lugar upang ito ay mas lalong gumanda at magamit.

Ang *bonfire area* ay mas lumawak matapos i-backhoe ang ilang bahagi ng lupa nito. Pinatag at mas pinalawak ito upang maaaring magtipon-tipon ang lahat habang masayang nagsasagawa ng *bonfire*. Samantala ay pinatag na rin ang bahagi ng lupa



malapit sa *court* na pinaplanong gawing *infinity pool* kung saan tanaw ang malawak na bahagi ng Mt. Tabor at mga *trail* nito.

Paghahanda ang bawat konstruksiyong ito para sa mga paparating na gawain ng UCF at maging iba pang serbisyong nais ihandog sa ibang grupo at organisasyong tutungo rito.

At sa lahat ng mga pagbabagong ito, ang mga tapat na mga manggagawa ng ating Panginoon ay Kaniyang mas pinagtibay. Purihin ang Diyos sa ministryong ito na magbibigay ng kapahingahan at kapayapaan sa bawat bibisita rito!



UCACOA begins its F2F classes

As the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) requires all universities to conduct on-site classes this second semester, UCA College of Asia (UCACOA) took its stand and started face-to-face classes last February 14, Tuesday.

The students taking up Bachelor of Technical Vocational Teacher Education (BTVTED) are all the more excited with this requirement as it is the first time again after two years of pandemic and staying at home for online classes. The professors also took time to discuss daily lessons and activities for their students to be guided and be equipped with proper training which will prepare them in their careers.



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.

Isaiah 55:11
(NKJV)



Ang pamilya ng UCF ay lubos na nagagalak na masaksihan ang pag-iisang dibdib nina Bro. Mark and Sis. Cha.



PAMILYA NI SIS. CHA

Ang ilan sa mga miyembro ng UCF ay taos-pusong nakilala sa isinagawang seremonya.

PAMILYA NI BRO. MARK



Pag-ibig na pinag-isa ng Diyos

Ang Diyos Ama ang Siyang unang nagmahal sa atin kung kaya't naipadarama rin natin ang pagmamahal na ito sa mga tao sa ating paligid.

Nasaksihan ng pamilya ng UCF ang pag-iisang dibdib nina Bro. Mark William Sy at Sis. Cha Vanilla noong Pebrero 18, Sabado, sa UCF Sanctuary. Kasama ang kanilang mga mahal sa buhay pati ang kapatiran ng UCF, isang hindi makakalimutang alaala ito ng kanilang pagbubuklod bilang mag-asawa na mayroong pagpapalang mula sa Panginoon. Ang seremonya ay pinangunahan ni Ptr. Henry Castillo.

Ang pagmamahalan sa pagitan ng isang lalaki at babae na pinag-isa ng Diyos ay isang sagradong pangako nila sa isa't isa at sa Panginoon. At lubos na pinagpapala at pinapatnubayan ng Diyos ang kanilang pagsasama sapagkat Siya ang sentro ng kanilang relasyon. Sabi sa Marcos 10:6-9, "Subalit simula pa nang likhain ng Diyos ang sanlibutan, nilalang niya ang tao na lalaki at babae. "Dahil dito'y iiwan ng lalaki ang kanyang ama at ina, [magsasama sila ng kanyang asawa] "at ang dalawa'y magiging isa." Hindi na sila dalawa kundi isa. "Ang pinagsama ng Diyos ay huwag paghiwalayin ng tao."

Sa lahat ng ating relasyon, si Kristo ang narapat na manguna at maging sentro nito.



Ang kanilang mga pamilya at kamag-anak ay malugod ding nakilala sa selebrasyon.



Masayang nagsalu-salo ang lahat sa SM BF Vikings na nagsilbi ring fellowship ng kapatiran.



Buong pusong nagpakita ng suporta ang lahat para sa espesyal na araw ng bagong kasal.



Pagpalain ng Panginoon ang inyong pagsasama, Bro. Mark at Sis. Cha!

Matthew 6:28-29
(NKJV)

²⁸So why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; ²⁹and yet I say to you that even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.

³⁰Now if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will He not much more clothe you, O you of little faith?

Matthew 6:30
(NKJV)

PAGSUNOD SA NAIS *ng Panginoon*

Bilang anak ng Diyos ay lagi tayong mayroong kakaharapang sitwasyon na susubok sa Bating pananampalataya sa Kaniya. Simula nang tutukan ni Rev. Dr. William Sy ang pagiging Punong Pastor ng UCF ay hindi naging madali ang kaniyang mga pinagdaanan. Bagaman may mga maling paniniwala nang simulan ang panambahan, ngunit dahil sa pangungusap ng Panginoon kay Rev. Dr. Sy ay matibay niyang pinagdesisyon na tuluyan nang talikuran ang mga ito at tapat na sumunod sa katotohanang inihayag sa kaniya ng Diyos.

"Na-convict ako ng Lord. Ang mga katoliko, lagi lang nilang sinasabi na hindi naman iyan rebulto at parang mga litrato lang iyan pero niluluhuran nila at pinupunasan din. Ganoon din kami noon ngunit ang lakas ng conviction sa akin ng Lord na tanggalin ang mga rebulto. Isang araw, inalis ko lahat iyon. Pagpasok ng mga miyembro ay nagulat at nagalit sila sa akin. Halos kalahati ng kongregasyon ay nagalit sa akin at nawala sa simbahan. Pero ang conviction sa akin ay tanggalin at sirain na ang mga iyon noong taong 1985."

Nagpatuloy si Rev. Dr. Sy sa kaniyang pagsunod sa Panginoon sa kabila ng mga tumalikod sa kaniya. Naging malalim siya sa Salita ng Diyos na nakatulong sa kaniya upang maunawaan kung ano ang tama. Ang naging pagkakaiba niya ay hindi siya natakot gawin ang tama. *"Kapag nalaman ko ang tama, hindi mo ako mapipigilan. Iyon talaga ang gagawin ko."* Simula noon ay doon siya nagsimulang magbahagi sa mga Katoliko at malaking pagbabago ang nangyari. *"From idol worshipper, tapos nawala na iyon. Ang transition ay mahirap pero willing ako. Hanggang sa binago ako ng Lord. Maging ang way of worship at way of church program ay nag-iba. Naging transformed ang lahat at hanggang sa nag-speak in tongues ako."*

Makikita sa buhay ni Rev. Dr. Sy ang pagbabago ng Diyos sa kaniya. Dahil sa pangungusap ng Banal na Espiritu ay nalaman niya ang tama sa mali at doon siya buong pusong nagtitiwala. Hindi man naniniwala ang lahat sa kaniya, siya ay nanatili at pinanindigan ang pagsunod sa Diyos. May pagkakataon man na napunta siya sa iba't ibang simbahan, ngunit siya ay kinausap muli ng Diyos na mas tutukan ang panambahan ng UCF. *"Ang unang pinagawa sa akin ng Lord ay talagang mag-pastor ako nang mabuti kasi dati nag-e-evangelize at nagmimisyon ako. After that, kinausap ako ng Lord to write down the vision at doon na nagsimula ang lahat. Noong sinulat ko iyon, tinatawanan ako dahil parang imposible naman kasi church lang tayo pero bakit may ganiyan? Hanggang sa nag-umpisa kami ng school. Ang ibang worker at elder noong umpisa ay naniwala sa akin ngunit noong mga sumunod ay hindi na. Nagsasalita na sila ng negative, 'Si pastor parang ilusyon lang ang mga sinasabi.' Iyon ang struggle ko."*

Marami man ang umalis na manggagawa noong sinimulang sundin ni Rev. Dr. Sy ang mga plano ng Diyos sa panambahan, hindi ito naging dahilan upang siya ay matinag, bagkus ay mas naging matatag pa siya. Dumating ang panahon at nagsimula na ang UCA noon sa UCF Biñan. Ngunit muling nangusap ang Panginoon sa kaniya at sinabing itayo ang UCA sa Parañaque taong 1987. *"Wala talagang naniniwala that time lalo na kapag sinabi kong kinakausap ako ng Lord. Tinanong nila, 'Bakit ikaw ang kinausap? Parang lumalabas ay parang siraulo talaga. Tapos ang vision na sinasabi mo ay parang hindi talaga kapani-paniwala.' Mayroon akong frustration at depression pero ini-inspire ako ng Lord na gumawa ako ng mga awitin at iyon naman ang nagiging kalakasan ko. Tapos kakausapin ako ng Lord at nakakapagpatuloy ako."* Sinabi ng Lord sa kaniya, *"Kung galit sila sa iyo, Ako ay hindi. Magpatuloy ka lang anak."*

May pagkakataon ding nagkaroon ng argumento si Rev. Dr. Sy sa Panginoon dahil sa mga taong ayaw maniwala sa Diyos. *"Ayaw mo kasi sila kausapin kaya hindi sila naniniwala." Mayroon Siyang sinabi sa akin kaya tumahimik nalang ako. Ang sabi Niya sa akin ay 'Hindi naman sila ang lingkod ko, ikaw.' Kaya tumahimik nalang ako. Paano nga naman sila kakausapin, hindi naman sila ang lingkod. Kasi sa isang church, isa lang talaga ang kinakausap ng Diyos."*

Iba't iba man ang naging karanasan ni Rev. Dr. Sy ay nagpatuloy siya sa pagsunod sa nais ng Panginoon sa panambahan ng UCF at nagtiwala sa kayang gawin ng Diyos sa kaniyang buhay. Ang kaniyang buhay ay nagsisilbing inspirasyon na dapat tularan lalo na ng mga nagsisimula pa lamang sa Diyos. Purihin ang Diyos sa buhay ng Kaniyang lingkod na patuloy

Matthew 6:31-32
(NKJV)

³¹"Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' ³²For after all these things the Gentiles seek. For your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things.

SUNDAY SERVICE HIGHLIGHTS

Bilang magkakapatid sa pananampalataya at tunay na naniniwala sa ating Panginoon, ang lahat ng bagay na ito ay ating magagawa sa tulong ng Diyos.

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“ Once tinalikuran natin ang ating mga kasalanan, iyon na ang magiging turning point natin sa Diyos. ”

Kailangan nating maging alisto, gising at buhay na mananampalataya. Kailangan nating magkaroon ng gising na espiritu.

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“ As a soldier of Christ, kailangan mayroon tayong pagtitiyaga upang pag-aralan ang Salita ng Diyos upang hindi tayo magapi ng kalaban. ”

Iwaksi natin ang mga bagay-bagay na hindi kanais-nais sa harapan ng Diyos. The truth will set you free.

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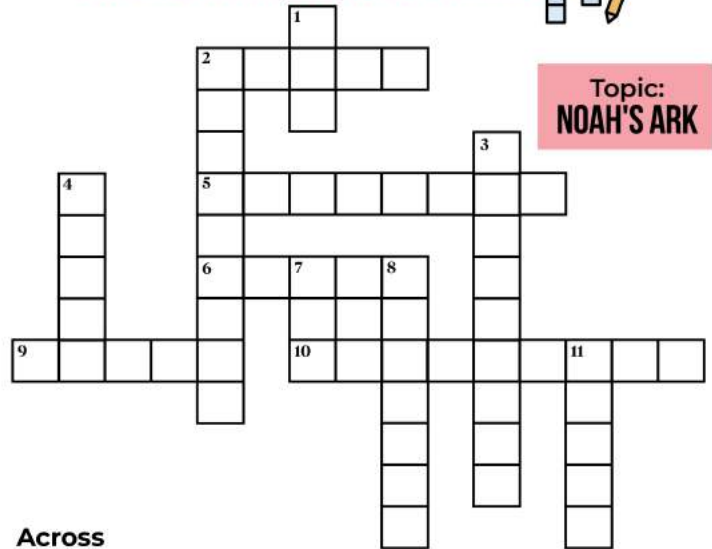


Rev. Fidel Dillo
SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE | FEBRUARY 12, 2023

BIBLE CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Topic:
NOAH'S ARK



Across

2. Rain fell on the earth for ____ days.
5. "The _____ were on the earth in those days." (Genesis 6:4)
6. Noah made this as soon as he left the Ark.
9. On the Ark, there were _____ of every clean animal.
10. What type of leaf did the dove bring back?

Down

1. God told Noah to build this.
2. "The _____ of the great deep were broken up..." (Genesis 7:11)
3. Noah was a _____ man.
4. How many sons did Noah have?
7. On the Ark, there were _____ of every kind of unclean animal.
8. A sign in the sky that Yahweh will never flood the earth again
11. How many people entered the Ark?



In 1999, the first UCF newsletter was published under the name Vision in Action, with the preachings of Head Pastor Rev. Dr. William Sy as the main feature. Bringing colors to the once black and white newsletter, it was revived in 2013 and changed its name to **Voice of the Vision**. It mainly highlights pastors' preachings, testimonies of changed lives, and ministry reports among others.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

36th UCF Anniversary

Coordinator:
Sis. Nerissa Estrellado
at the UCF Sanctuary
Sunday, 2:00 PM



FEB 26



APR 8 & 9

Family Getaway

Coordinator:
Sis. Karen Mohammad
Registration Fee:
Early Bird Promo - **PHP 1,500**
(inclusive of food, bonfire package, and accommodation)



OCT 6

Pastors' Appreciation Day

Coordinator:
Sis. Nerissa Estrellado



DEC 17

Christmas Celebration

Coordinator:
Sis. Liezle Ala



Ginunita ng pamilya ng United Christian Fellowship (UCF) ang ika-30 na anibersaryo nito noong Pebrero 26, 2017 sa temang "More than Conquerors" mula sa *Romans 8:37*, "Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us." Nilibot ng mga pastor at manggagawa kasama ng mga panauhin ang buong UCA at UCF upang ito ay mapagpala ng Diyos.



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³³But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you. ³⁴Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about its own things. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.

Matthew 6:33-34
(NKJV)

Know them by...

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forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead, ¹⁴I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

c. Establish your spiritual life

- In prayer
- In His Word (Bible)
- By walking uprightly with God

III. The Fruit of Service

a. We are called to bear more fruit.

John 15:16

You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit, and that your fruit should remain, that whatever you ask the Father in My name He may give you.

John 15:1-2

¹"I am the true vine, and My Father is the vinedresser. ²Every branch in Me that does not bear fruit He takes away; and every branch that bears fruit He prunes, that it may bear more fruit."

John 15:4-8

⁴Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me. ⁵"I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing. ⁶If anyone does not abide in Me, he is cast out as a branch and is withered; and they gather them and throw them

into the fire, and they are burned.

⁷If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you.

⁸By this My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit; so you will be My disciples."

b. We are commissioned by Christ.

Matthew 28:18-19

¹⁸And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. ¹⁹Go 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."

c. We are God's workmanship.

Ephesians 2:10

For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.

1 Corinthians 3:9

For we are God's fellow workers; you are God's field, you are God's building.

d. In what way are you serving God?

Conclusion/Challenge

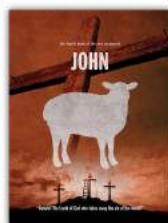
- True Christians or disciples are known by their fruits.
- Are you bearing fruits?
- Are there hindrances in your life preventing you from bearing fruit?
- Surrender your "whole life" to Jesus that you may bear much fruit.

To God be the Glory!

SERMON NOTES

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

WHY READ THE BOOK OF JOHN?



The Book of John focuses on emphasizing Jesus as the Son of God. This gospel introduced Jesus Christ from "the beginning", before creation and not from His birth. Jesus as the Word where God is involved in every aspect of creation, later on became flesh so that He may take away sins as the Lamb of God (John 1:1).

The purpose of this book in the Bible is to make people believe that Jesus is the Christ and that through Him, you might be saved. By this, the Book of John continues on fulfilling its purpose of evangelizing the lost, making known its most famous verse, John 3:16, "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life."

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days left until
the UCF 36th
Anniversary

*Join us as we
celebrate God's
faithfulness to our
church through
the years!*

SHARE HIS WORD



For UCF updates, prayer requests, testimonies, live broadcasts, and replay of church services and gatherings, follow us on our social media accounts.



WEEKLY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE
Sundays at 9:00AM
On-site and online services on Facebook and YouTube

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