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Introduction

The Signs of the Last Day

Matthew 24:1-14

¹Then Jesus went out and departed from the temple, and His disciples came up to show Him the buildings of the temple. ²And Jesus said to them, "Do you not see all these things? Assuredly, I say to you, not one stone shall be left here upon another, that shall not be thrown down." ³Now as He sat on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to Him privately, saying, "Tell us, when will these things be? And what will be the sign of Your coming, and of the end of the age?" ⁴And Jesus answered and said to them: "Take heed that no one deceives you. ⁵For many will come in My name, saying, 'I am the Christ,' and will deceive many. ⁶And you will hear of wars and rumors of wars. See that you are not troubled; for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet. ⁷For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. And there will be famines, pestilences, and earthquakes in various places. ⁸All these are the beginning of sorrows. ⁹"Then they will deliver you up to tribulation and kill you, and you will be hated by all nations for My name's sake. ¹⁰And then many will be offended, will betray one another, and will hate one another. ¹¹Then many false prophets will rise up and deceive many. ¹²And

because lawlessness will abound, the love of many will grow cold. ¹³But he who endures to the end shall be saved. ¹⁴And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations, and then the end will come.

1. Many false messiah
2. World violence
3. Natural disasters
4. Persecution
5. Apostasy
 - a. Betrayal and division
 - b. The great falling away

The word "rapture" is derived from the Latin word raptu or raptus, which means "caught away or caught up." In Greek, it is harpazo, which is translated as "caught up" in 1 Thessalonians 4:17.

The event in 1 Corinthians 15:51-52 refers to the catching up of the church from the Earth to meet the Lord in the air.

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Eight Important Things to Prepare and to Remember

- 1. Just prior to the rapture:**
- Christ is descending from heaven for His church.
 - The resurrection of the dead in Christ will rise first.

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2. The living believers will be transfigured. Their bodies will be clothed with immortality.

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3. Both the resurrected and the transfigured believers will be caught up together to meet Christ in the air, in the atmosphere between the earth and heaven.

4. They will be visibly united with Christ.

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Rev. Dr. William G. Sy
Head Pastor



UCACOA FEATURE



Igniting a path toward a TECH-EMPOWERED FUTURE

THROUGH THE JOINT DELIVERY VOUCHER PROGRAM (JDVP) IN UCACOA



What is JDVP?



Joint Delivery Voucher Program (JDVP)

is a **tuition assistance initiative** in the Philippines by the Department of Education (DepEd) which aims to help and support **Grade 12 students in public schools** that lack resources for the Technical-Vocational-Livelihood (TVL) specializations. DepEd commissions qualified institutions to train these students instead.



DID YOU

KNOW?



DepEd provided financial assistance to

118,097
JDVP BENEFICIARIES



for S.Y. 2024-2025



What is the PRIMARY PURPOSE of JDVP?



JDVP connects with partner institutions.



It offers better training facilities.



It builds student's job-ready skills.



It bridges resource gaps.



It enhances TVL learning.



It provides financial help.

UCACOA AS A TESDA-REGISTERED TECHNICAL VOCATIONAL INSTITUTE

In **2018**, UCA College of Asia (UCACOA) opened its doors to the Grade 12 Technical-Vocational-Livelihood (TVL) students from Parañaque National High School for the JDVP. The students were given access to sufficient equipment like computers necessary for them to train and to apply the competency standards set for Computer Systems Servicing NC II. Under the guidance and assistance of UCACOA's technology experts, they effectively completed their tasks such as assembling, disassembling, and even troubleshooting computers.



GOOD NEWS!

UCACOA IS NOW QUALIFIED!



The JDVP in UCACOA will begin on the **third week of November**. This will be supervised and conducted by **Rev. Ryan Christian Tabay**.

John 14:6
(NKJV)

Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.

WHY CHOOSE BTVTEd?



Bachelor of Technical-Vocational Teacher Education (BTVTEd) is a teacher education program designed to prepare individuals in teaching technical-vocational subjects in secondary schools, vocational institutions, and training centers.

MAJORS OFFERED:



INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY (ICT)

equips future teachers with technical expertise in IT systems and the ability to teach computer-related subjects



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develops teachers with expertise in home and lifestyle-based trades



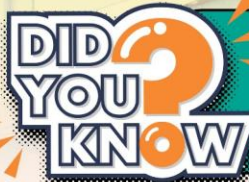
INDUSTRIAL ARTS

prepares teachers and trainers skilled in hands-on industrial trades aligned with TESDA and industry standards



AGRI-FISHERY ARTS

trains teachers in agriculture and aquaculture practices that support food production for sustainability



UCACOA is one of only nine (9) colleges and universities qualified to offer BTVTEd in the Philippines, and one of two (2) in Metro Manila.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES



TLE & SPECIALIZED COURSE TEACHER

INSTRUCTORS IN TESDA-ACCREDITED TRAINING & ASSESSMENT CENTERS



TRAINERS, ASSESSORS, OR CURRICULUM DEVELOPERS FOR TVET CENTER PROGRAMS

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Produces teachers and trainers who have industry-aligned, teaching skills that match actual job demands

Produces educators capable of training the next generation of skilled workers, technicians, and entrepreneurs

Builds a skilled, adaptable, and internationally competitive workforce

Helps meet labor market demands in construction, ICT, agriculture, and hospitality

WHY CHOOSE UCACOA?



TESDA and DepEd-aligned curriculum



CHED-recognized and TESDA-accredited institution



Licensed and experienced faculty members



Wide industry linkages for on-the-job training and employment



With strong Christian values instilled to students

CHOOSE A RIGHT CAREER, SECURE YOUR FUTURE

EARLY ENROLLMENT IS NOW OPEN. RESERVE YOUR SLOT. ENROLL NOW!



6Now godliness with contentment is great gain. 7For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out

1 Timothy 6:6-7 (NKJV)

UCA UPDATE

Building your future alongside UCA



School Head Rev. Dr. James Sy shared an inspirational and insightful message to the graduating students last November 7, Friday at the UCA Library, as they are about to step into a new level of learning.

Students from Grade 6, 10, and 12 were reminded of the preparations they needed to do to attain a clear direction for their future education and career. Rev. Dr. Sy shared how UCA will continue to guide students in their holistic development, giving them an advantage in their chosen fields.

Praise the Lord for using UCA in teaching and developing students who will become future leaders and professionals in our society!



Rev. Dr. Sy also encourages students to plan ahead because there will be no success without a plan. Students are extended help and guidance as to how they can make sound decisions that affect their future.

UCA College of Asia (UCACOA) has been a partner of the Department of Education (DepEd) in delivering quality education. DepEd conducted an on-site inspection in light of UCACOA's intent to be part of the Joint Delivery Voucher Program (JDVP) last November 6, Thursday.

DepEd inspectors reviewed and validated pertinent documents and facilities of UCACOA necessary in offering Computer System Servicing (CSS) NC II to Grade 12 students. After meeting the requirements, UCACOA has been given a qualified status to offer CSS NC II. With this, another batch of Grade 12 students will be offered to take the course in the very facilities of UCACOA.

Praise God for opening opportunities for UCACOA to help others have access to quality education!



UCACOA UPDATE

UCACOA qualifies in DepEd inspection



DepEd Evaluation Team Mr. Antonio Lacayan and Mrs. Evangeline Dabuit, together with UCACOA President Rev. Dr. James Sy and TVET Focal Trainer and Assessor Rev. Ryan Christian Tabay

Psalm 23:5 (NKJV)

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; My cup runs over.

UCF Mt. Tabor Campus Ministry, sisimulan na

Ang ebanghelyo ng Panginoong Hesus ay ihahayag sa lahat ng dako na siyang patuloy na ginagampanan ng UCF. Nobyembre 4 ay binisita ng UCF ang Casile Integrated National High School sa pangunguna ni Rev. Dr. William Sy kasama ang ilang miyembro ng UCF Mt. Tabor Church. Ito ay unang hakbangin ng pagsisimula ng Campus Ministry sa paaralan upang mabahaginan ng Salita ng Diyos ang kabataan at maidako sila sa kalooban ng Diyos.



Nakausap ng UCF si Dr. Cyril Sales, ang tumatayong principal ng paaralan, kasama ang ibang kawani ng Brgy. Casile sa pamumuno ni Hon. Olan De Sagun. Sa Diyos ang papuri para sa gawaing maghahayag ng katotohanan!

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- They will be taken to His Father's house in heaven.

John 14:2-3

²In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. ³And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also.

- And be united with loved ones who have died.

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

¹³But I do not want you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning those who have fallen asleep, lest you sorrow as others who have no hope. ¹⁴For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who sleep in Jesus. ¹⁵For this we say to you by the word of

the Lord, that we who are alive and remain until the coming of the Lord will by no means precede those who are asleep. ¹⁶For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. ¹⁷Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord. ¹⁸Therefore comfort one another with these words.

5. The believers will be removed from all distress.

2 Corinthians 5:2-4

²For in this we groan, earnestly desiring to be clothed with our habitation which is from heaven, ³if indeed, having been clothed, we shall not be found naked. ⁴For we who are in this tent groan, being burdened, not because we want to be unclothed, but further clothed, that mortality may be swallowed up by life.

Philippians 3:21

who will transform our lowly body that it may be conformed to His glorious body, according to the working by which He is able even to subdue all things to Himself.

- From all persecution and oppression

Revelations 3:10

Because you have kept My command to persevere, I also will keep you from the hour of trial which shall come upon the whole world, to test those who dwell on the earth.

- From the realm of sin and death

1 Corinthians 15:51-56

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- The rapture delivered believers from the coming wrath.

1 Thessalonians 1:10

and to wait for His Son from heaven, whom He raised from the dead, even Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.

1 Thessalonians 5:9

For God did not appoint us to wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ,

- The rapture delivered believers from the great tribulation.

Matthew 24:21-22

²¹For then there will be great tribulation, such as has not been since the beginning of the world until this time, no, nor ever shall be. ²²And unless those days were shortened, no flesh would be saved; but for the elect's sake those days will be shortened.

6. The hope of the soon return of our Savior Jesus Christ to take us out of the world to be with the Lord forever

1 Thessalonians 4:17

Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord.

- The blessed hope of all redeemed

Titus 2:13

looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ,

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*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.*

1 John 2:15
(NKJV)

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-The comfort for suffering believers

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1 Thessalonians 5:10

who died for us, that whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with Him.

7. Believers today must be ever watchful and hopeful for Christ's return.

Romans 13:11

And do this, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep; for now our salvation is nearer than when we first believed.

1 Corinthians 15:51-52

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Philippians 4:5

Let your gentleness be known to all men. The Lord is at hand.

8. The professing church that fails to abstain from evil and is unfaithful to Christ will be "left behind."

Matthew 25:1-13

¹"Then the kingdom of heaven shall be likened to ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. ²Now five of them were wise, and five were foolish. ³Those who were foolish took their lamps and took no oil with them, ⁴but the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps. ⁵But while the bridegroom was delayed, they all slumbered and slept. ⁶"And at midnight a cry was heard: 'Behold, the bridegroom is coming; go out to meet him!' ⁷Then all those virgins arose and trimmed their lamps. ⁸And the foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' ⁹But the wise answered, saying, 'No, lest there should not be enough for us and you; but go rather to those who sell, and buy for yourselves.' ¹⁰And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the wedding; and the door was shut. ¹¹"Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, 'Lord, Lord, open to us!' ¹²But he answered and said, 'Assuredly, I say to you, I do not know you.' ¹³"Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour in which the Son of Man is coming.

Luke 12:41-48

⁴¹Then Peter said to Him, "Lord, do You speak this parable only to us, or to all people?" ⁴²And the Lord said, "Who then is that faithful and wise steward, whom his master will make ruler over his household, to give them their portion of food in due season? ⁴³Blessed is that servant whom his master will find so doing when he comes. ⁴⁴Truly,

I say to you that he will make him ruler over all that he has. ⁴⁵But if that servant says in his heart, 'My master is delaying his coming,' and begins to beat the male and female servants, and to eat and drink and be drunk, ⁴⁶the master of that servant will come on a day when he is not looking for him, and at an hour when he is not aware, and will cut him in two and appoint him his portion with the unbelievers. ⁴⁷And that servant who knew his master's will, and did not prepare himself or do according to his will, shall be beaten with many stripes. ⁴⁸But he who did not know, yet committed things deserving of stripes, shall be beaten with few. For everyone to whom much is given, from him much will be required; and to

whom much has been committed, of him they will ask the more.

Challenge

Watch and pray.

Titus 2:11-14

¹¹For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men, ¹²teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age, ¹³looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, ¹⁴who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself His own special people, zealous for good works.

SERMON NOTES

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- | SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE
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8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
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