

# VOICE OF THE VISION



## Secured in Christ Works

### John 10:22-30 (NKJV)

<sup>22</sup>Now it was the Feast of Dedication in Jerusalem, and it was winter. <sup>23</sup>And Jesus walked in the temple, in Solomon's porch. <sup>24</sup>Then the Jews surrounded Him and said to Him, "How long do You keep us in doubt? If You are the Christ, tell us plainly." <sup>25</sup>Jesus answered them, "I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in My Father's name, they bear witness of Me. <sup>26</sup>But you do not believe, because you are not of My sheep, as I said to you. <sup>27</sup>My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me. <sup>28</sup>And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand. <sup>29</sup>My Father, who has given them to Me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch them out of My Father's hand. <sup>30</sup>I and My Father are one."

### Introduction

When Jesus was walking in the temple (Solomon's porch), the Jewish leaders circled around Jesus and were saying to Him (10:24), "How long will You keep us in suspense? If You are the Christ, tell us plainly." They demanded that He would give them a direct answer as to whether He is what He claimed to be, Israel's Messiah. They were obviously aggravated, because they felt He had been evasive.

Jesus did reveal Himself clearly to the Samaritan woman (John 4:25-26) and to the man who was born blind (John 9:35-37), but Jesus did not make a direct statement publicly.

The problem is not that Jesus withheld information from them, which they needed to come to a decision about His identity.

Repeatedly, He made statements which made it clear that He was claiming to be the Messiah. First are the public declarations of John the Baptist concerning our Lord's identity. Also, here are some of the claims Jesus already made in the Gospel of John:

**Jesus called God His Father:** John 2:16 - Do not make My Father's house a house of merchandise!

**His miracles proved His identity:** John 2:23 - Many believed in His name when they saw the signs which He did.

**Jesus claimed to be God:** John 5:17-18 - "My Father has been working until now, and I have been working."

**Jesus claims to raise the dead and then judge them:** John 5:20-30 - So also the Son gives life to whomever he wishes. And he granted the Son authority to execute judgment because he is the Son of Man.

**Jesus came down from heaven:** John 6:37-40 - For I have come down from heaven.

**Jesus claims to be the "I AM":** John 8:58 - Before Abraham was, I AM.

Jesus had been more than clear in His claims to be the Messiah. He was clear enough to be understood by His sheep, who sincerely desired to hear the truth about Him. Jesus, therefore, got right to the heart of their unbelief.

This is not about the lack of sufficient

evidence to conclude as to what His identity is. This is not because of His failure to speak out clearly enough about Himself. Their rejection of Him as the Messiah is due to their stubborn refusal to believe His words and His works.

Despite all this evidence, why did these Jewish leaders so adamantly oppose to Jesus as their Messiah?

**A. You are not of My sheep – do not believe**

### John 10:25-26

<sup>25</sup>Jesus answered them, "I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in My Father's name, they bear witness of Me. <sup>26</sup>But you do not believe, because you are not of My sheep, as I said to you.

Jesus did not say, "You are not of My sheep because you do not believe." Rather, He plainly tells these unbelieving Jews, "You do not believe because you are not of My sheep."

The emphasis is their inability to believe because they are not His sheep.

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**Rev. Dr. James C. Sy**  
Administrative Pastor





**U**CA College of Asia (UCACOA) is one of the institutions qualified by the Department of Education (DepEd) to offer the Joint Delivery Voucher Program (JDVP) for senior high school students under the Technical-Vocational-Livelihood (TVL) specialization course. Fifty (50) Grade 12 students from Parañaque National High School (PNHS) attended the class orientation and started their first week of classes for Computer Systems Servicing (CSS) NC II in UCACOA last November 24–28.

TVET Focal Trainer and Assessor Rev. Ryan Christian Tabay held the class orientation at the computer laboratory. During the orientation, UCACOA President Rev. Dr. James Sy also shared an inspirational message to them, reiterating the opportunities they could acquire in taking the course. With this kind of program, the school ensures that the training they receive meets quality standard, providing quality education for experiential learning and acquiring practical skills, while upholding Christian values.

Praise the Lord for His abundant favor and blessing to His ministry!

For their first day, the JDVP students underwent the class orientation that was led by Rev. Tabay, explaining their duties and responsibilities as students.

## ORIENTATION



Rev. Dr. Sy attended the orientation to share helpful and valuable insights to inspire and encourage the students.

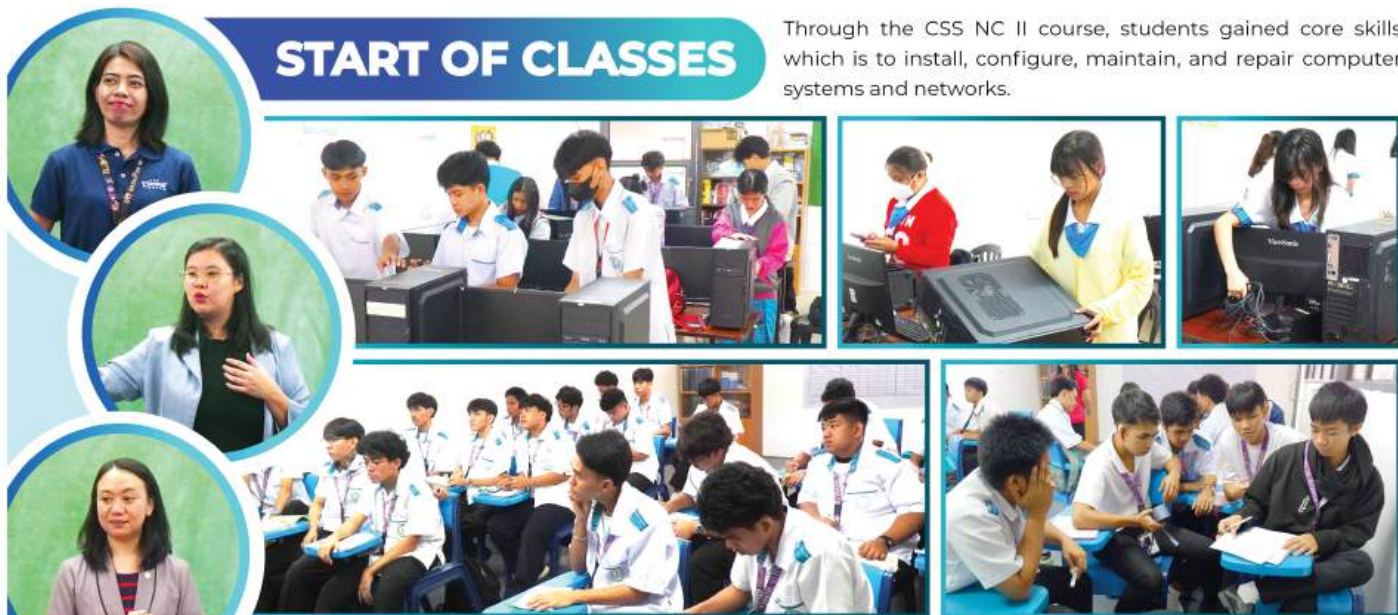
2 Peter 3:9  
(NKJV)

*The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance.*



## START OF CLASSES

Through the CSS NC II course, students gained core skills which is to install, configure, maintain, and repair computer systems and networks.



The JDVP instructors taught the students the fundamental concepts of CCS NC II that are necessary for real-world application.



## CHAPEL SERVICE

As a Christian institution, UCACOA also provided an opportunity for the students to hear God's Word and know Him more through the weekly Chapel Service.

### UCA MT. TABOR UPDATE

## PAGSISIKAP NA MAIHAYAG ANG EBANGHELYO

Ang Salita ng Diyos ay hindi nagbabago ngunit ito ay naghahatid ng katotohanang makapagpapabago ng buhay. Ang United Christian Academy (UCA) Mt. Tabor sa Brgy. Casile, Cabuyao, Laguna ay hindi lamang nagbibigay ng kalidad na edukasyon, kung hindi ay nagsisilbi ring daan upang mailapit ang mga estudyante sa Diyos sa pamamagitan ng pagbabahagi ng Kaniyang Salita. Bilang pagtugon

sa tawag ng Diyos, dumako ang mga manggagawa ng UCF Mt. Tabor Church sa pangunguna ni Punong Pastor Rev. Dr. William Sy, upang bisitahin ang Casile Integrated National High School para simulan ang *campus ministry* na layuning ipangaral ang ebanghelyo sa mga estudyante. Ito ay simula pa lamang ng isang bagong gawain sa barangay na magtataas sa ngalan ng Diyos!

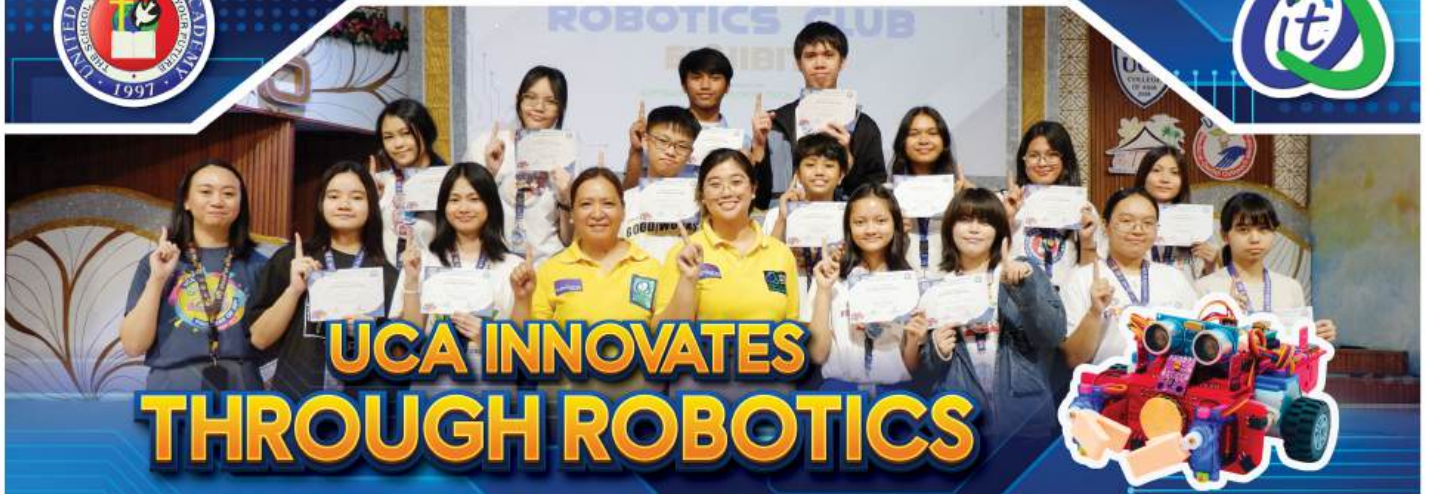


Sa pamamagitan ng campus ministry ay matataniman ang mga bata ng binhi ng Salita ng Diyos.

*So Christ was offered once to bear the sins of many. To those who eagerly wait for Him He will appear a second time, apart from sin, for salvation.*

Hebrews 9:28  
(NKJV)





## UCA INNOVATES THROUGH ROBOTICS

Once again, history has been made in United Christian Academy (UCA) as the first batch of the UCA Robotics Club, in partnership with Optimus Innovation Technologies Corporation, conducted its first robotics exhibit last November 27 to 28, Thursday to Friday, at the UCA Auditorium. This marks their successful completion of the workshop's first part.

It was a day of showcasing the hardwork and efforts of the

students in learning basic programming and coding, and putting it in practical application. As preparation for the exhibit, the club members worked hand-in-hand with their groupmates to successfully operate their robots and present them on stage.

Truly, the Robotics Club is an avenue for students to not only gain knowledge, but also to inculcate in them the principle of perseverance.

## EXHIBIT

Applying all the lessons that they learned from the past six sessions, the students successfully programmed their own delivery robot and ambulance robot through block-based programming, while also discussing how AI integration can be beneficial in today's industries.



GRADES 2 TO 4



GRADES 5 TO 6



One-by-one, the students take turns in explaining their robot's movements. This exhibition encourages other students to join the Robotics Club.



GRADES 7 & 9







**GRADES 8, 10 TO 12**



During the demonstration, the students briefly discuss how Leanbot is operated, as well as the process of coding, starting from programming to uploading and transferring the code to the robot.

## AWARDING

The parents were more than joyful and grateful when their children received their Certificate of Participation from the UCA Robotics Club. This award is a reminder and recognition of their determination, effort, and dedication throughout the program.



Two representatives from Optimus Innovative Tech Corp, Ms. Jennifer Bengco and Ms. Sophia Soriano, participate in the handling of certificates.



### MT. TABOR UPDATE

## BAGONG NILALANG *sa piling ng Diyos*

**S**inasabi sa 2 Corinto 5:17 na kung sinoman ang nakipag-isa na kay Hesu Kristo, siya ay isang bagong nilalang na sa Diyos—tinawag at itinakda ng Diyos para sa mabubuting gawa.

Ilan sa ating kapatiran ang nagdesisyong sumailalim sa bawtismo sa tubig noong Nobyembre 29, Sabado. Ito ay kanilang pagdeklara na sila ay binago na ng Diyos at tumatalikod na sa kanilang lumang buhay. Purihin ang Panginoon!



## WELCOME TO THE *Family of God!*

Sis. Ann Cris Cribbe  
Sis. Jade Nicole A. Mendoza  
Sis. Nathalie Kaye F. Petate

*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)



## Secured in...

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Looking back to John 6:43-44 -  
<sup>43</sup>Jesus therefore answered and said to them, "Do not murmur among yourselves. <sup>44</sup>No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him; and I will raise him up at the last day.

And in John 6:65 - And He said, "Therefore I have said to you that no one can come to Me unless it has been granted to him by My Father."

Also in John 8:43, 47 - <sup>43</sup>Why do you not understand My speech? Because you are not able to listen to My word. <sup>47</sup>He who is of God hears God's words; therefore you do not hear, because you are not of God.

Jesus emphasized to unbelievers their inability to believe in Him.

People are skeptics, and skeptics are proud of their knowledge and abilities. They think that they have the ability (can/could) to believe when they choose to believe. But if people have the ability to come to Christ through their intellect or by deciding to believe on their own free will, they will come in pride and would not "repent."

### B. You are of My sheep – do believe

#### John 10:27-28

<sup>27</sup>My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me. <sup>28</sup>And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand.

Salvation (Eternal Life) is a gift. It is not our doing. We are not Jesus' sheep because we decided to believe. We decided to believe because we were Jesus' sheep.

#### Ephesians 1:4-5

<sup>4</sup>just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love, <sup>5</sup>having predestined us to adoption as sons by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will,

The basis of our salvation, including our faith, comes from God. The result of our faith is good works.

#### Ephesians 2:8-10

<sup>8</sup>For by grace you have been saved

through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, <sup>9</sup>not of works, lest anyone should boast. <sup>10</sup>For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.

According to the Bible, you can know that you are a sheep.

- Do I believe in Jesus? Jesus' sheep believe in Him.

To believe in Jesus is to trust in the finish work of Jesus.

- Do I hear Jesus' voice? Jesus' sheep hear His voice.

To hear Jesus' voice is to be obedient from the heart to His teaching.

- Does Jesus know me and do I follow Him? Jesus knows His sheep and they follow Him. To be known by Jesus and to follow Him is to have an intimate relationship.

#### Conclusion

There are two eternal destinations. Matthew 25:46 - And these will go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.

Jesus promises to keep His sheep. John 10:29 - My Father, who has given them to Me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch them out of My Father's hand.

Jesus and the Father are one. John 10:30 - I and My Father are one.

## SERMON NOTES

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

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9:00 AM (Paranaque)

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE  
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HOUSE OF PRAYER  
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

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