



UCA students are guided to grow as well-rounded individuals equipped with knowledge, character, and faith. The school remains committed to shaping learners who excel academically while living out strong moral and spiritual values.

# A New Commandment: “Love as I have loved you”

**John 13:31-35 (NKJV)**

<sup>31</sup>So, when he had gone out, Jesus said, “Now the Son of Man is glorified, and God is glorified in Him. <sup>32</sup>If God is glorified in Him, God will also glorify Him in Himself, and glorify Him immediately. <sup>33</sup>Little children, I shall be with you a little while longer. You will seek Me; and as I said to the Jews, ‘Where I am going, you cannot come,’ so now I say to you. <sup>34</sup>A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another. <sup>35</sup>By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another.”

**Introduction**

**Deuteronomy 6:5**

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength.

**Leviticus 19:18**

You shall not take vengeance, nor bear any grudge against the children of your people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself. I am the Lord.

The Old Testament law is summed up by the two commandments, love God and love your neighbor.

Jesus in the last supper told His disciples a new commandment, “Love one another; as I have loved you.”

**What makes it a new commandment?**

If you look intently, Jesus raised the standard of loving one another. Under the Old Testament covenant, people loved one another as they loved themselves. The standard of love is as you loved yourself. But now, the command is “that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another.”

This command is impossible to live out consistently apart from the power of the Holy Spirit.

**How does Jesus love us?**

**A. A Costly Love**

**Romans 5:8**

But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

After Judas left, Jesus declared, “Now the Son of Man is glorified, and God is glorified in Him.”

Jesus was referring to His death on the cross. The cross is a symbol of humiliation and shame. There was no worse way to die than to be stripped naked, flogged, and then nailed to a splintery cross and hung up to suffer a slow death as a public spectacle.

To glorify God is to magnify or display His perfect attributes. At the cross, God’s love, righteousness, justice, mercy, and grace were magnified as at no other occasion in history. At the cross, God’s justice was upheld as His sinless Son bore the awful penalty that His justice demanded for all sinners. But His love and grace shine forth as He offers eternal life to all who will repent of their sin and trust in Jesus alone.

**How about you? How do you love?**

**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 5:2**

And walk in love, as Christ also has loved us and given Himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling aroma.

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With almost a month left in S.Y. 2025–2026, United Christian Academy (UCA) continues to go beyond the classroom by providing opportunities for students to develop holistically through this year’s celebration of MAPEH Day last February 24, Tuesday. Centered on the theme “Expressive Minds, Creative Hearts, and

Healthy Bodies through MAPEH,” the students engaged in various activities where they showcased their creativity while learning the importance of maintaining a healthy lifestyle for both the body and mind. The students also appreciated our diverse culture as they perform some of the Philippines’ finest traditional dances.



### CIRCUIT EXERCISE

As part of the program, the students participate in a series of exercises called the Circuit Exercise that challenged both their physical strength and stamina. It is also a way of promoting a healthy lifestyle through physical activities.



Guided by their advisers, the students carry out the circuit exercises, which comprise jumping jacks, balance walk on line, wall sit, planks, squat jumps, and more.



John 13:14-15 (NKJV)

*“If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another’s feet. <sup>15</sup>For I have given you an example, that you should do as I have done to you.”*

# AEROBIC AND FOLK DANCES (FACE-TO-FACE)

It is a great way of celebrating creativity and culture through bright and joyful songs and dances performed by the students. Each student shined on stage as they give their best in dancing along to the music.



**PRE-NURSERY & NURSERY**



**KINDERGARTEN**

The pre-school students perform a cute and charming dance number on the UCA stage. It is a delightful and energizing presentation that everybody surely enjoyed.



**GRADE 1**



**GRADE 2**

Starting from their warm-up exercise to the actual dance exercise, the students gave their best in dancing while holding their colorful props.

***16**Most assuredly, I say to you, a servant is not greater than his master; nor is he who is sent greater than he who sent him.  
17If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them.*

**John 13:16-17 (NKJV)**



This performance did not only benefit them physically, but also brought to them memories that they will surely cherish.



Embodying the unique culture of the Philippines, the Grade 4 students gracefully perform the traditional Bulaklakan dance. Even in their costumes, they show appreciation to our cultural heritage.



The famous cultural dance in the Philippines called Pandanggo sa Ilaw was brought to life on the UCA stage by the Grade 5 pupils.

Luke 22:26 (NKJV) *But not so among you; on the contrary, he who is greatest among you, let him be as the younger, and he who governs as he who serves.*



While performing on stage, the students give their best to authentically portray the discipline of a folk dancer.



**GRADE 6**



**GRADE 7**

It is delightful to witness the students share their UCA life through a meaningful performance.



**GRADE 8**

Creative songs and dances were showcased through their lively presentation, expressing their journey in UCA along with their classmates.



For who is greater, he who sits at the table, or he who serves? Is it not he who sits at the table? Yet I am among you as the One who serves.

Luke 22:27 (NKJV)



Every high school level performs their own songs that highlight their growth through the help and support of UCA. Their song and dance number, mirrors their camaraderie, love, and joy as one family in UCA, a family bound together by the Lord



Students enjoy their time together as they join the program that unites them to create a meaningful and fun time.



Jude 1:21  
(NKJV)

<sup>3</sup>Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself. <sup>4</sup>Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others.

# AEROBIC & FOLK DANCES (ONLINE)



Distance learning students showcased their talents in dancing through their online presentations. They performed aerobic exercises and various native cultural dances in the Philippines.



Bringing in energy and enthusiasm, students joyfully participate in their group performances while wearing colorful aerobic attire. Everyone exhibits grace and groove while promoting good health.



In spite of the distance and time differences, they are given a platform to showcase their talents. Such activity also plays a vital role in honing students toward holistic growth.



Exposure to traditional dances gives students a glance of various Philippine cultures from different regions.

*Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men.*

**Philippians 2:5-7 (NKJV)**



Junior and Senior High School students also showcase their talents in song composition as they perform songs that describe their experience on how the Lord uses UCA to transform their lives and to develop them.



With their collaborative effort, each class performs the song they produced, retelling their meaningful stories and memories shared together in UCA as their second home.



Through their performances, students get to unleash their talents and participate interactively in celebration of MAPEH week.

**Philippians 2:8 (NKJV)** *And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross.*



## AWARDING

The hardwork and talents of the students were recognized as they received their special awards. Together with their classmates and loved ones, they celebrated each one's achievement.



The students' loved ones show their support as they cheer during their presentations and join them in receiving their special awards. Indeed, parental support contributes to the well-being of the children.



The teamwork and perseverance of each class paid off. It is through each one's effort that they are able to perform amazing song and dance presentations.



*But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin*

1 John 1:7 (NKJV)



# PHOTOBOOTH

Students and parents gladly took memorable photos as remembrance of this joyful event. Truly, it is a joy to witness the students have fun as they not only learn academically, but also discover and enhance their talents.



*It is evident in the smiles of the students that they have a blast participating in their class performances. New memories are now etched in the hearts and minds of everyone.*



*It is through this kind of activity that students get to bond with their classmates as well as show their teamwork and collaboration.*



1 Peter 4:10 (NKJV)

*As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.*

## Masagang pag-ani sa Mt. Tabor



Buong sipag at kagalakang namitas ng pananim sa lugar tulad ng sili at talong ang ilang manggagawa ng Mt. Tabor.

**S**a mga nagdaang buwan ay patuloy ang pagtatanim ng mga manggagawa ng iba't ibang mga gulay sa mayamang lupain ng UCF Mt. Tabor Church Re-Creation Center bilang bahagi ng proyektong *agritourism* nito.

Ang mga manggagawa, simula sa pagtatanim, pagdidilig at pag-aani, ay buong pusong nagpapagamit ng kanilang buhay sa ministeryo at sa Panginoon. Ang mga ito ay ilan lamang sa mas marami pang produktibong gawain ng panambahan. Tiyak na sa mga susunod na panahon ay mas marami pang pananim ang magbubunga rito na siyang makakatulong sa mga manggagawa ng lugar.

Purihin ang Panginoon sa bawat buhay na patuloy na sumusunod at nagiging tapat sa maliit o malaking bahagi man ng ministeryo.



## UCA builds smart classrooms



The facility will be equipped with advanced digital tools, allowing teachers to present lessons more effectively and help students engage more actively in classroom discussions and activities.

**U**nited Christian Academy (UCA) has officially begun the construction of a smart classroom dedicated to its Senior High School students. This new development marks an important step in the school's continued commitment of providing quality, innovative, and technology-enhanced education for its learners, aiming to create a modern learning environment that integrates technology with traditional teaching methods.



## A New...

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### 1 John 3:16

By this we know love, because He laid down His life for us. And we also ought to lay down our lives for the brethren.

### B. A Caring Love

#### John 13:33

Little children, I shall be with you a little while longer. You will seek Me; and as I said to the Jews, 'Where I am going, you cannot come,' so now I say to you.

Jesus called them little children and explained that He will be leaving soon. This shows how caring Jesus is to His disciples. After that, He promised that they will be reunited later.

How about you? How do you love?

#### John 14:1-3

'Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me. <sup>2</sup>In 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. <sup>3</sup>And 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.

#### John 14:18

I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you.

### C. A Commanded Love

#### John 13:34

A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you

also love one another.

#### John 14:15-17

<sup>15</sup>'If you love Me, keep My commandments. <sup>16</sup>And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever— <sup>17</sup>the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you.

The fact that Jesus commands us to love one another means that we can do it, but you cannot do it in your own strength. Love is the fruit of the Holy Spirit.

#### Galatians 5:22-23

<sup>22</sup>But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering,

kindness, goodness, faithfulness, <sup>23</sup>gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law.

It is easy to give up on people especially when they are so unlovable, but Jesus commanded us to love them.

Many people confuse love with feelings. The lack of feelings is never a valid excuse for neglecting the actions of love.

How about you? How do you love?

#### Matthew 5:43-47

<sup>43</sup>'You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.'

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If anyone speaks, let him speak as the oracles of God. If anyone ministers, let him do it as with the ability which God supplies, that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom belong the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

1 Peter 4:11 (NKJV)

# A New...

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<sup>44</sup>But I say to you, love your enemies, bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you, <sup>45</sup>that you may be sons of your Father in heaven; for He makes His sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust. <sup>46</sup>For if you love those who love you, what reward have you? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? <sup>47</sup>And if you greet your brethren only, what do you do more than others? Do not even the tax collectors do so?

## D. A Conspicuous Love

### John 13:35

By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another.

Jesus is talking about a love that can be seen, love that can identify us as His disciples. This kind of love stands out in this self-centered world.

Sadly, many church goers are reported to be fighting and causing divisions over petty issues. People tend to group themselves with whom they feel comfortable with.

### Galatians 3:28

There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus.

### Colossians 3:8-11

<sup>8</sup>But now you yourselves are to put off all these: anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy language out of your mouth. <sup>9</sup>Do not lie to one another, since you have put off the old man with his deeds, <sup>10</sup>and have put on the new man who is renewed in knowledge according to the image of Him who created him, <sup>11</sup>where there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcised nor uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave nor free, but Christ is all and in all.

God designed the church as a family of God. Have you ever wondered why Jesus called Simon the Zealot and Levi (Matthew) the Tax Collector?

Zealots were a radical political group that used intrigue, violence, force, and deception to try to achieve its goal of liberating Palestine from Roman rule. They refused to pay taxes, and they attacked and murdered government officials, especially the hated tax collectors. While the tax collectors had sold their souls to Rome, they taxed the Jewish people of their money to line their own pockets.

And Jesus put them together to love one another. This is the same example Jesus is telling us.

### Conclusion

How about you? How do you love?

In the last part of this chapter, Peter spoke about his commitment to Jesus and even wanted to lay

down his life for His sake. But the reality is, Peter would deny Jesus three times, and the other disciples would flee for their lives.

If commitment is the only determining factor in who goes with Jesus and who does not, then Peter wanted Jesus to know that his commitment was unmatched. He was willing to pay any price, including that of his own life, to follow Jesus.

Jesus' love is a self-sacrificing, caring commitment that shows itself in seeking the highest good of the one loved.

- The cost of love is that we must sacrifice our selfishness for others.

- The caring aspect of love means that we should never be calloused or rude. Love is kind.

- The commandment of love means that we do it in obedience to our Savior, who gave Himself for us.

- The conspicuous part of love means that it does not consist just of nice thoughts, but of visible actions.

Finally, love is a commitment to see the other person become more like Christ, which is his highest good and for God's glory.

### 1 Corinthians 13:4-7

<sup>4</sup>Love suffers long and is kind; love does not envy; love does not parade itself, is not puffed up; <sup>5</sup>does not behave rudely, does not seek its own, is not provoked, thinks no evil; <sup>6</sup>does not rejoice in iniquity, but rejoices in the truth; <sup>7</sup>bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

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

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