SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST® CHURCH

MOUNT ZION FILIPINO

"The Mount Zion Filipino Seventh-day Adventist Church exists to proclaim the Good News of salvation to all people, leading them to Jesus Christ and His church, nurturing them to spiritual maturity, and engaging them in Christian service until He comes."

MAY 20, 2017

PASTOR'S CORNER

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SALVATION BY GRACE THROUGH FAITH

Early this week our lead pastor, Jess lost his loving father. He is in Philippines at this moment. On behalf of everyone at Mount Zion Filipino Adventist Church, I would like to express our most sincere sadness and condolences at the passing of your father, retired Judge KC Anunciacion, Jr. In this time of great sorrow, please know that you, sister Mae, Aimee, Josiah and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. May God of love give you and your family His strength to support each other during this time? While it hurts to be left behind, I hope you and family can take comfort in the fact that your dad, Judge KC Anunciacion, Jr. is resting in the Lord and waiting for the resurrection day at Jesus' Second Coming!

Today, we will continue our series of sermons on the Reformation. We will learn the second pillar, "Sola Fide" Faith Alone. Last Sabbath we learned that when people lacked of Bible knowledge, many false doctrines came into the church. It could happen again today when people do not read and study the Bible.

How can people be saved from the bondage of sin? According to the Scripture, all are saved by grace through faith, not by work or whatever they have done. In Ephesians 2:8, the Bible declares, "By grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God".

Before the Reformation, Christians were taught that salvation comes from God plus work and church leaders. Actually, most religions in the world teach that salvation comes from God plus work. They prove that without the work of the Holy Spirit people think that they are basically good and can contribute something to their salvation. Some even proudly teach that people can gain merits by doing good things and every good things they have done deserve some credits. Except Christianity, faith groups encourage people to believe that they can contribute to their salvation, even if they deceitfully assert otherwise.

Salvation by grace alone means that we did absolutely nothing to earn or merit salvation. What is "grace"? Grace is God's unmerited favour. If we can do anything to earn it or deserve it, it is not grace. If God owes it to us because we are pretty good persons or we've tried to do the best we can, it is not grace. If God grant it to us because He foresaw that we would believe in Him, it is not grace.

Actually, grace means that we get the opposite of what we deserve. We deserve God's wrath because we have sinned against Him. Instead, He saves us by His grace. We naturally resist God's grace because it robs us of all our pride. But there is no other way of salvation. It is by grace alone through faith. But we also need to understand, "faith." How can we have faith?

But in case we missed it, Paul in Ephesians 2:8–10 tells us one more time that we bring nothing with us to our redemption, nothing we do for God results us having been chosen and gifted with salvation. It is God's grace alone and we can bring nothing to God but faith because salvation does not come from us, but the Lord. Indeed, faith is something that we can exercise but unfortunately some Christians think we bring this to the table when we are saved. So what is faith? Where does it come from? Can we have faith?

I would like to invite you to join me during the sermon time with your pen and paper ready.

May God bless you all!

Pastor Sereivudh Ly, DMin.

SABBATH SCHOOL

May 20, 2017
9:15 a.m.

Song Service — Chorister

"WAKE THE SONG" *SDAH#034*
"WE'LL BUILD ON THE ROCK" *SDAH#531*

Welcome Remarks — Jim Solijon

Opening Song — Congregation

"THERE'S SUNSHINE IN MY SOUL TODAY" *SDAH#470*

Scripture Reading — Frian Frias

1 PETER 2:24, *NKJV*

Opening Prayer — Michelle Solijon

Mission Story — Video Presentation

Discussion — Jim Solijon

"PURPOSE OF SABBATH SCHOOL?"

Lesson Review — by Classes

"JESUS IN THE WRITINGS OF PETER"

Closing Song — Congregation

"AT THE CROSS" *SDAH#163*

Closing Prayer — AB Aguinaldo

THIS WEEK'S MEMORY TEXT:

"Who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness-by whose stripes you were healed"
(1 Peter 2:24, *NKJV***)**

CHORISTER: Edmundo Tubongbanua
PIANIST: Julie Solijon

DIVINE WORSHIP

May 20, 2017
10:50 a.m.

Prelude	Pianist/Organist
Welcome & Announcements	Judy Gamez
Call to Worship	Judy Gamez
Introit	Congregation

"SURELY THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD"

Invocation	Pastor Sereivudh Ly
Children's Story	Zabdel Salandanan
Songs of Worship	Praise Team

"I SING THE MIGHTY POWER OF GOD" *SDAH#88*
"I SHALL SEE THE KING" *SDAH#426*
"TAKE THE WORLD, BUT GIVE ME JESUS" *SDAH#329*

Scripture Reading	Jessica Gamez

EPHESIANS 2:8-9

Call to Prayer	Congregation

"CLEANSE ME"

Intercessory Prayer	Jay Gamez
Prayer Response	Congregation

DIVINE WORSHIP

May 20, 2017
10:50 a.m.

Offertory Reading & Prayer — Daniel Cassidy

Offering: **LOCAL CHURCH BUDGET**

Offertory Music — Pianist

Introduction of the Speaker — Judy Gamez

Message in Song — Ched Siobal

Message from God's Word — **PASTOR SEREIVUDH LY**
Associate Pastor, Mount Zion Filipino Seventh-day Adventist Church

"FAITH ALONE (SOLA FIDE)"

Song of Dedication — Congregation

"MY FAITH HAS FOUND A RESTING PLACE" *SDAH#523*

Benediction — Pastor Sereivudh Ly

Song of Affirmation — Congregation

"THEREFORE THE REDEEMED OF THE LORD"

Postlude — Pianist/Organist

PRAISE TEAM: Rosendo Cuizon & Team
PIANIST: Tyler Ninalga
ORGANIST: Adriana Gheorghita

WARM WELCOME TO ALL

With glad hearts and open arms, we welcome you to Mount Zion Filipino Seventh-day Adventist Church. We extend a special greeting to all guests and visitors who have joined us today. Thank you for worshiping with us this Sabbath day and we look forward to seeing you again. Happy Sabbath to all!

TODAY, SABBATH, MAY 20, 2017

- 9:15 a.m. – Sabbath School: **Jim Solijon**
- 10:50 a.m. – Divine Speaker: **Pastor Sereivudh Ly**
- 2:00 p.m. – Adventurers & Pathfinders Training
- 2:00 p.m. – F Teams Meeting
- 2:00 p.m. – Bible Study Groups
- 5:00 p.m. – Regular Church Board Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. – Men's/Youth Sports
- 8:40 p.m. - **SUNSET**

NEXT WEEK, SABBATH, MAY 27, 2017

- 9:15 a.m. – Sabbath School: **Amy Mopera**
- 10:50 a.m. – Divine Speaker: **Guest Speaker**
- 2:00 p.m. – Adventurers & Pathfinders Training
- 2:00 p.m. – Bible Study Groups
- 3:00 p.m. – Men's/Women's/Single's Spiritual Growth Seminar @ 3:00 p.m.
- 3:30 p.m. – Choir Practice
- 5:00 p.m. – Marriage Enrichment Bible Study Group #1
- 7:00 p.m. – Men's/Youth Sports
- 8:47 p.m. - **SUNSET**

UPCOMING EVENTS

- May 21 – Food Bank @ 12:00 p.m.
- May 28 – Sunday Work Bee
  (We encourage all Church members to participate. Lunch will be served.)
- June 03 – Adventurer/ Pathfinder Outreach @ 2:00 p.m.
- June 03 – L/A Team Meeting @ 2:00 p.m.
- June 03 – Marriage Enrichment Bible Study Group #2
- June 04 – Sunday Work Bee
- June 04 – Food Bank @ 12:00 p.m.
- June 10– Filipino Heritage/Cultural Sabbath
  (Cultural Celebration @ 7:00 p.m. at the Fellowship Hall)

FAMILIES FOR PRAYER:
May 20, 2017

1. **Esguerra**, Nestor, Estherlyn, Nica, Neo & Ethan
2. **Esmeralda**, Earl, Jackie, Kenneth & Kharsten
3. **Fabiala**, Margie
4. **Fabroa**, Jo Ann
5. **Forde**, Cedric
6. **Frias**, Noel & Betty
7. **Frias,** Benjamin, Christine, Audrey & Luke

FAMILIES FOR PRAYER:
May 27, 2017

1. **Frias**, Suzette, Frenielle, Fritz, Frian
2. **Frias**, Freddy, Joanna & Arista
3. **Frias**, Nathan
4. **Fronda**, Demetrio & Fribeda
5. **Fronda**, Mary Ann, Jannin & Jade Pelo
6. **Gabionza**, Menchu
7. **Galaites,** Ernesto & Emma

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN MATERIAL

Please submit all materials for the bulletin no later than midnight every Monday. Please continue to email items to **mtzionsda@yahoo.ca**. Thank you.
**** This deadline will be strictly adhered to.***

MID-WEEK PRAYER MEETING

Join us as for Mid-week Prayer meeting on Wednesday, May 24, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

FRIDAY EVENING VESPERS

Join us for Friday Evening Vespers, May 26, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary which will be led by the Seniors Ministry.

TJA/CAA 64TH ALUMNI HOMECOMING WEEKEND

Honouring TJA classes of 1982, 1977, 1972, 1967 and all classes prior; CAA Classes of 2007, 2002, 1997, 1992 and 1987. All are invited to join us on May 27-28, 2017: **May 27 – Alumni Sabbath & Recognition Service**, 10:00 am, Keynote Speaker: Pastor Damian Chandler, Lead Pastor, Capital City Seventh-day Adventist Church, Sacramento, CA; **May 28 – 9th Annual Vernon Langdon Golf Classic, 7:30 am / 12th Annual Walk 'n Roll 4Education Community Event**, 8:00 am. For more information about this event or sponsorship and vendor table opportunities, please visit www.caasda.com or contact Judy Gamez, Development Director, jgamez@caasda.com or (416) 633-0090 ext. 248.

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT BIBLE-STUDY GROUP

An 8-week Bible Study Group seeking to strengthen their marriage relationship biblically.
Location: Multipurpose Room from 5 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays; from 2:30 p.m.to 4:00 p.m. on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays. Everyone is welcome to join.
Cost: Commitment to attend for the whole series.
Facilitator: Pastor Sereivudh Ly and Associates

Marriage Enrichment Bible-Study Group #2 - June 3 from 2:30 to 4:00
Marriage Enrichment Bible-Study Group #3 - June 10 from 5 to 7 (Tentatively)
Marriage Enrichment Bible-Study Group #4 - June 17 from 2:30 to 4:00
Marriage Enrichment Bible-Study Group #5 - June 24 from 5 to 7
Marriage Enrichment Bible-Study Group #6 - July 1 from 2:30 to 4:00 (Tentatively)
Marriage Enrichment Bible-Study Group #7 - July 8 from 5 to 7
Marriage Enrichment Bible-Study Group #8 - July 15 from 2:30 to 4:00

FILIPINO HERITAGE/ CULTURAL SABBATH

This coming June 10, 2017 is our Filipino Heritage Celebration. It will be a special Sabbath and we will have a Cultural Celebration in the evening at 7:00 p.m. at the Fellowship Hall. We have groupings according to regions and leaders have been assigned. Everyone is encouraged to attend this special event.

WEBSITE REQUESTS

Website requests or comments can be forwarded to: **mzfc.website1@gmail.com**

How Is Your Giving

LOCAL CHURCH FUNDS	Month			Year-To-Date		
Period Ending April 30, 2017	Actual Income	Actual Expense	Surplus (Short)	Actual Income	Actual Expense	Surplus (Short)
Comb Ch Budget	15,808	8,757	7,051	45,902	45,692	210
Others	10,607	3,839	6,768	36,406	29,382	7,024
Total MZFC Funds	**26,415**	**12,596**	**13,819**	**82,308**	**75,074**	**7,234**

LOCAL CHURCH FUNDS RECEIVED	Feb	Mar	Apr	YTD Actual	YTD Plan**	Variance
Comb Ch Budget	11,857	9,670	15,808	45,902	49,177	(3,275)
Other Income	9,608	13,211	10,607	36,406	40,207	(3,801)
Total Local Church Funds	**21,465**	**22,881**	**26,415**	**82,308**	**89,384**	**(7,076)**
CONFERENCE FUNDS RECEIVED	**Feb**	**Mar**	**Apr**	**YTD Actual***	**YTD Plan****	**Variance**
Tithes	51,470	45,100	59,994	196,801	219,345	(22,544)
Other Conf Funds	2,067	5,230	2,901	9,861	10,467	(606)
Total Conference Funds	**53,537**	**50,330**	**62,895**	**206,662**	**229,812**	**(23,150)**

**Actual Funds remitted to the Ontario Conference.*
*** As per approved Church Budget on March 18, 2017.*

Officers' Schedule

Duties	This Week (May 20, 2017)	Next Week (May 27, 2017)
Presiding Leader:	Judy Gamez	Lowen Tenerife
Deacons:	Dale Docil, Brian Co, Daniel Langfried, Joey Vizcarra, Generoso Oabel, Hector Guzman, Edgar Rejuso, Jeimer Gorospe	Dale Docil, Diovann Docil, Jerson Aure, Swapon Halder, Daniel Cassidy, Matthew Dann, Christopher Nool, John Mazzei
Deaconesses:	Mary Jane Aggabao, Lorcie Aberin, Dionisia Dann, Elvie Esch, Ana Nool, Basilisa Tolentino, Judee Torrecampo	Georgia Tenerife, Marian Agapito, Chariz Licao-Alas, Hazel Ayson, Melcah Basit, Marivic Egca, Clarita Guzman, Neuzia Lancia
Fellowship Lunch:	Group 3: Lead: N.Lospe Asst: T.& R. Basit	Group 4: Lead: E.Lagazo Asst: R. Caguioa
Refuse Disposal:	Hector Guzman & Edgar Rejuso	John Mazzei & Diovann Docil
Nurses On Duty:	Sharon & Trisha Dela Cruz	Dahl Docil & Joey Vizcarra
Open/Close Church:	Generoso Oabel/Pastors	AC Aguinaldo/Rene Robes

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