



The Monthly Newsletter of the Youth of the New Apostolic Church Philippines
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Philippians 3: 14

**I PRESS
TOWARD
THE GOAL
FOR THE
PRIZE OF
THE
UPWARD
CALL OF
GOD IN
CHRIST
JESUS**

*High Priestly Prayer of
the Lord Jesus*

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To Be Accepted On The Day Of The Lord

My dear youth,

Our church recently published a **VISION, MISSION and CORE VALUES** statements. A kind of orientation to help us focus on what we want to do, who we are and what we believe in.

In your youth, you can also form a **LIFE VISION**, a clear picture of what you want to be, a **LIFE MISSION** an objective that you focus on, and do to reach your goals and **LIFE CORE VALUES** is what we believe and gives us courage to take action.

Apostle Paul compares his life with a competition.

He gave expression to his firm will to take every effort to get the prize; this is the eternal fellowship with God made possible through Jesus Christ (Philippians 3: 14).

It may be that your LIFE VISION is to become a Professional and practice a Profession (Doctor, Nurse, Engineer, Accountant, Teacher) to have a stable family life. This is a high natural life vision.

In order to reach it, your LIFE's MISSION may be is to attend a corresponding educational school, finish a degree

and pass certain licensure exams. And your LIFE's CORE VALUES may be; hardwork, patience, persistence, perseverance, discipline, humbleness, thriftiness, savings and wise spending. These are the rods to accomplish your mission and vision.

As a New Apostolic Youth may your LIFE's VISION is "To be accepted on the day of the Lord" and your LIFE's MISSION is that...

- I will foster a sincere prayer life and take my time for it everyday.
- I will read in the Holy Scripture regularly (for

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Youth Service in Las Piñas City

Last July 15, 2007, the Makati Youth visited Las Piñas Congregation.

The Apostle Gabriel conducted a youth service and served out of the word from Matthew 13: 44;

"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a treasure

hidden in a field, which a man found and hid; and for joy over it he goes and sell all that he has and buys that field."

The text is an interesting parable of the Lord Jesus. First, what "kingdom of heaven" exactly means? In Luke 17: 21, "the kingdom of God is within

you." Kingdom of heaven or Kingdom of God is the Son of God Himself, the fellowship with Him. The fellowship with Jesus Christ is compared to a hidden treasure in a field. The field signifies the congregation of Christ! What is interesting is that who found it does not buy the treasure only but the

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To Be Accepted...



HAPPY BIRTHDAY
Chief Apostle
Wilhelm Leber
JULY 20, 2007

example once a week), in order to delve into more divine knowledge.

- I will be particular about my sacrificing and offering to the Lord.
- I will place my gifts in the service of the Lord and participate to the best of my abilities.
- I will foster fellowship thus making my contribution that the congregation can radiate kindness and joy.
- I will testify of my faith and not stop myself from doing so whenever the question comes up in a discussion.

All these are step by step goals (MISSION) leading to the one great goal (VISION), our preparedness for the Day of the Lord.

And your LIFE's CORE VALUES may be is to give the Lord your time, your strength and your unlimited and absolute trust, your love and willingness to reconcile, your hope and longing for His promised return, and joy in His work.

Having such a godly norm

and godly standard will make our soul stand above the rest as a sign of those who will become the Bride of Christ and eventually become the Royal Priesthood and reign with Christ for a Thousand Year Kingdom of Peace. Until the New Heaven and New Earth is open for us and be forever with God in His Kingdom.

Sincerely yours,

Timmy Gabriel

Youth Service...

field. And for joy over it he goes and sell all that he has and buys that field. We can derive that we cannot have fellowship with Jesus Christ (the hidden treasure), if we don't practice fellowship and are active in the Lord's work in the congregation of Christ (the field).

The joy in buying the field and selling all that he has is rooted from the

recognition of the hidden treasure in the field. If we only see the field and not the hidden treasure in the field, there is a lack of joy in selling all that one has and buy the field.

In the field of the congregation of Christ we recognize the Lord in the word from the altar, in the grace in Holy Communion and in the ministers sent by

God.

In our joy to buy the field, we are willing to sell our own interest and even everything. Our money to buy the field is our time, our strength and our unlimited trust to the Lord.

After the service the youth had a fellowship with the congregation and was followed by an interactive seminar.

NAC Vision, Mission and Core Values

VISION

A Church in which people feel at home and, inspired by the Holy Spirit and their love for God, align their lives to the Gospel of Jesus Christ and thus prepare themselves for His return and eternal life.

MISSION

Reaching out to all people in order to baptize them with water and the Holy Spirit and teach them the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Providing soul care and cultivating a warm fellowship in which everyone shall experience the love of God and the joy of serving Him and others.

CORE VALUES

- ▶ Doctrine of Christ
- ▶ Chief Apostle and Apostle ministry
- ▶ Return of Christ
- ▶ Sacraments
- ▶ Offer of redemption for the dead

Chief Apostle Leber, Visit in Asia

This year the destination of the Chief Apostle's visit to Asia was Indonesia. On Sunday, 8th of July, he said I am also thinking of the Philippines and also of whole Asia. We can therefore take the blessing brought by Chief Apostle to Indonesia and radiate all over Asia.

In the Divine Service in Yogyakarta, Indonesia the Chief Apostle serve from a Bible Text in John 17: 15;

"I do not pray that You should take them out of this world, but that You should keep them from the evil one."

In the chapter 17th of the gospel according to Apostle John, we could read about the high priestly prayer of the Lord Jesus.

Our Chief Apostle pointed out that **the Lord did not ask for His own to be prevented from sorrow, need, sickness and grief.**

We have to endure such things just as other people, too. Even trials and temptations must be.

However, the Lord prayed that we are kept from the 'evil one'. The evil is revealed in the **most common spiritual influence** trying to make us fall. Here, great dangers lie in wait for us.

Our Chief Apostle believes that the following are the most common spiritual influences:

- The view that it is no longer necessary to align one's life toward God. That it is just possible to live without Him. At the time

when the Tower of Babel was built the people fell victim to this error. The people did not listen to God and they all failed miserably.

- We notice that Jesus Christ is still accepted as a founder of religion, as a wise teacher and noble man, but not as the Son of our living God.

- We experience that people are only concerned about their natural life and find no longer time for the needs of their soul.

- We notice that the oneness and the peace among our brothers and sisters can quickly and lastingly be disturbed by differences of opinion and disputes.

- We experience that disappointment comes up if things do not develop as

expected. Perhaps one has been praying for something for years and years but nothing has happened. Then one runs the risk of giving up.

- There is a danger that the longing for the Day of the Lord is diminishing.

The Chief Apostle would like us to be kept from these influences. It is the Lord who can do this, by providing us with the necessary strength in the guidance through His Spirit, in His word in the divine service, in the forgiveness of sins and in the Holy Communion. The Lord also permits us to make experiences that strengthen and encourage us. We can rely on the promise of the Son of God: ***"...they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of my hand"*** (John 10: 28).

Discerning the evil one

The evil one is the evil's spiritual influence such as;

1. I can make it without God.
2. Jesus Christ is not the Son of God but just a teacher.
3. Natural cares dominate, busy around the clock.
4. Disappointment when prayers not heard. Hope and faith and offerings but no blessing.
5. Troubles in congregations because of irreconcilability.
6. Lord is not coming yet.

Discerning the godly one

The godly one is the influence of the Holy Spirit such as;

1. I will fail without God. God is my only success.
2. Jesus Christ is the Son of God and the bridegroom of my soul.
3. If natural cares try to dominate, I will still offer my time to God's work to receive a blessing. I will never lose my absolute trust in God.
4. If I feel disappointed and hopeless, I will imitate the persistent widow who made the judge decide in her favor through persistency.
5. Peace is lost when love no longer exist. Peace is restored when love is re-established. Love will lead us to reconciliation. Love is the royal law.
6. The Lord will come anytime, I must be ready. I am a Longing Bride!

August, September, October Highlights of Activities

Information to Dumaguete Delegates

Please confirm your participation with RYL Depaz so that booking can be done one month in advance to avail of the airline promo.

August 25, 2007

Saturday

3pm Wedding of Sr Nesil Manlangit & Pr. Gary Chan

August 26, 2007

Sunday

10am District Service in Makati with Apostles from Philippines, Thailand (55th Birthday of Apostle Urs Hebeisen)

Silver Wedding of D.Ev. and Sister Bringas

September 21, 22, 23, 2007

Friday, Saturday, Sunday

Makati Youth Delegates Regional Youth Day in Dumaguete (Note: Own Travel Expenses, no sponsoring available)

September 30, 2007

Sunday

10am Thanksgiving Day

October 12, 13, 14, 2007

Friday, Saturday, Sunday

Regional Youth Day in Olongapo City

Participants:
Pangasinan North, Pangasinan South, Abra, Ilocos Norte, Baguio, Isabela, Bataan, Zambales, Bulacan, Rizal, Metro Manila, Laguna, Cavite, and Mindoro.

For more information please contact your RYL Depaz at 0921-465-3621.

Apostle Letter Box

Dear Apostle Hebeisen,

What is the difference between tithes and offerings? Also what is the difference between an offering brought in every divine service and a special offering brought on Thanksgiving day?

The tithes are what are otherwise referred to the tenth. It is a biblical teaching that our offerings are the tenth of our income. (Malachi 3:10)

Offering is the sum of all what we bring out of thanksgiving to our Heavenly Father. It is and remains a personal matter between each individual and God. There are no rules however we do realize that He who is the giver of all good things can expect our gratitude.

Our offering is never to be equaled with the offering of Christ. His sacrifice supersedes what we are ever capable to bring and to do.

The offering on Thanksgiving is a special offering at a special occasion. The Thanksgiving day has its origin in history, in tradition and is the feast of expression of praising and thanking God.

In today's understanding all offerings are equal. Christ's offering has superseded all the special offerings as described in the Old Testament.

With our offerings we can never buy the blessing. They are and remain our expression of thanksgiving to the giver of all givers and are a return for what we received, rather than expression of expectations for more.

In a personal conversation the Chief Apostle said recently: "Most important is that our faith is connected with it. That is how offerings will have a special effect"

May the forthcoming "Thanksgiving-Day" be again a great joy for all of God's children. Great events bring great blessing.

Urs Hebeisen