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Welcome to New Year 2008

My dear youth,

Welcome to the New Year 2008.

Our Chief Apostle Leber's new year's message is,

“FOR BY YOU I CAN RUN AGAINST A TROOP, BY MY GOD I CAN LEAP OVER A WALL”
(Psalm 18: 29)

This are the words of King David. When he was not yet a king, but anointed to become a king, he as a young shepherd boy could already run against a troop. This means war. The war between Israelites and Palestines. His challenge was to defeat Goliath and his Palestines armed forces. It was one versus a battalion. He successfully defeated the Palestine troop not with his human skills but only with God. He said to Goliath **“I COME IN THE NAME OF THE LORD”**. Therefore the war was

not him alone, nor the Israelites but the war was God.

Today as we entered into the New Year, New Apostolic children of God, including you my dear youth, is challenged by the troops of wickedness, doubt and helplessness, the pressure of earthly life, egoism and hopelessness. **WE CAN RUN AGAINST IT.** How can we run against it?

What is our weapon for success? And what will be our cause to failure?

OUR WEAPON IS OUR FAITH.

We will fail to overcome because of the wall of our own limitations. Our weaknesses defeat us in disobedience, dishonesty, hatred, envy, too much focus on earthly life, and disregarding the needs of the soul.

But by our Heavenly Father we can leap over a wall. He will give

us a hand and **LET US JUMP OVER IT.**

If we always think in human terms, we will remain weak. But if we focus in our faith, and look at the target and goal of our faith and lead our life according to true godly purpose, **WITH GOD'S HELP AND GRACE** we

will successfully reach worthiness on the day of the Lord.

WITH GOD we can master all difficulties.

May in this new year 2008 we faithfully wait with the attitude of patience, that even we had to endure the influence of this world, we will soon come home.

Sincerely yours,

Timmy Gabriel

Youth Achievement Awards, Planned

Last December 28th the youth leaders gathered in Lopez, Quezon. It was represented by Luzon Central and South regions conducted by Apostle Gabriel. Here is a report.

GOAL

It is the wish of our Chief Apostle that Philippines must stand on its own feet. Each Apostle area must stand on its own feet. This also means that every congregation must stand on its own feet.

To accomplish that in the future, we must involve our youth today.

DEFINITION

What is meant by stand on our own feet? This means congregations with volunteer workers, active and taking action on soul care work especially in 3 areas namely,

**Sunday School,
Confirmation and
Youth.**

ROLE OF YOUTH

The youth is encouraged to think

and make their action plan and create projects on these 3 areas answering the question,

**AS YOUTH GROUP,
WHAT CAN WE DO
TO CONTRIBUTE
TO OUR
CONGREGATIONS
IN TERMS OF,**

1. **SELF-GOVERNANCE** – locally organized
2. **SELF-PROPAGATION** – locally promoted
3. **SELF-SUPPORT** – local material resources.
4. **SELF-SUSTAINABILITY** – local human resources.

**HOW CAN WE HELP
TO ORGANISE,
PROMOTE,
GATHER MATERIAL
AND HUMAN
RESOURCES FOR
SUNDAY SCHOOL,
CONFIRMATION
AND YOUTH
PROGRAMS.**

ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Every Youth Leader will report every month on their projects. Every visit of the Bishop, he will report on their

projects. And on the Regional

Youth Day awards and recognitions will be given to those who had made great contributions to the success of God's work.

CRITERIA FOR JUDGING

30% - Reports of Youth Leaders with Activity Pictures

30% - Report of Bishop

40% - Youth Participation

Who will be this year...

**CHAMPION,
1ST RUNNER-UP,
2ND RUNNER-UP,
3RD RUNNER-UP???**

IN CATEGORIES OF

**BEST YOUTH
LEADER**

**BEST YOUTH
GROUP**

**BEST SUNDAY
SCHOOL PROJECT**

**BEST
CONFIRMATION
PROJECT**

**BEST YOUTH
PROJECT**

The Self-Image of the New Apostolic Church

The way to salvation ordained by Jesus Christ for our time

1. The New Apostolic Church is led by Jesus Christ through living Apostles. Its doctrine is based on the Holy Scripture.
 2. The Apostle ministry is the ministry authorized by Jesus Christ to convey salvation.
 3. Apostles are essential to prepare His church for His promised return.
 4. The New Apostolic Church recognizes three Sacraments: Holy Baptism with water, Holy Sealing and Holy Communion.
 5. Dispensing of Holy Sealing and Holy Communion as well as forgiveness of sins is bound to the Apostle Ministry.
 6. New Apostolic Christians have received the gift of the Holy Spirit through Holy Sealing.
 7. Jesus Christ, of whom the Holy Scripture bears witness, is central to the faith life of New Apostolic Christians. He is active in His church today and He will return. The goal of faith of New Apostolic Christians is to be united with Christ when He returns.
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FEBRUARY 2008 Schedule of Activities

Sunday
February 03, 2008
Divine Service
Makati Central Church

Sunday
February 10, 2008
Divine Service
Makati Central Church

Sunday
February 17, 2008
Divine Service
Makati Central Church

Sunday
February 24, 2008
Divine Service
Makati Central Church
Followed by
Youth Afternoon
At the house of Priest Craig Connolly

High Points 2008

- 2nd March, Service for Departed with all Apostles
- 23rd March, Easter, Confirmation
- 1st to 4th May, Youth Retreat
- 12th May, Pentecost, Ap and Bh in Makati, Transmission
- 24th August, Happy Birthday Ap. Hebeisen, All Apostles
- 6th -7th September, Youth Day with North
- 20th September, Wedding of Ellen & Anthony
- 5th October, Thanksgiving Day
- 8th-9th November, Youth Day with South in Lopez
- 20th December, Christmas Concert

Apostle Letter Box

*Dear Apostle
Hebeisen,*

*Is it true that IF we
did not finish
education, high
school and
college, a youth
has no chance to
be financially
successful and be
happy in life?*

No, this is not true. Hard work and experience can eventually make up for educational shortfalls. Furthermore financial success has never anything to do with happiness in life. Happiness is not to do what you like, but to like what you do.

What is reality however, in our competitive world without education, start up opportunities into careers in companies and organizations are very rare and hard to get. Therefore any opportunity to learn should be taken and not neglected.

God knows our limitations and He helps us to leap over the walls. Plan your life with Him.
God bless you.

Loving greetings,

Urs Hebeisen
