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### My dear youth,

We wish you a blessed and a joyful new year for 2005! The greatest blessing and joy we heartily wish and long for is that the promised return of our bridegroom Jesus Christ will be fulfilled this year already. It is the desire of our heart to meet Him as a worthy and ready bride of Christ. To reach this goal let us focus now to a new motto: "LOVE GOD=CARE FOR SOULS". Soul care is our 24 hours activity, it includes our prayer life, our work for others and our offerings to God. This activates us to be blessed and become a blessing. To motivate others, invite them to God's house, carry the weak, joyfully encourage others who become despondent (hopeless), enthusiastically help those who become sluggish (tired), etc..

The challenge to all youth is to follow the call "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of God of Jacob. He will teach us His ways, and we shall walk His paths (Micah 4: 2)

What is the mountain of the Lord today? It is the mountain of the Lord's house on the top of the mountains of

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obstacles and hindrances (Micah 4: 1). Isn't going to the divine services there is a spirit that try to convince us "I will not come to the services today". It is easy to back out just thinking of the hardship and great effort associated in climbing the mountain.

Despite that we want to positively and joyfully say to ourselves and to others "LET US GO MOUNTAIN CLIMBING!!!" Why? Is it worth it? Yes my dear youth! In this mountain you will experience divine miracles!

Soothing tranquility, rest for your soul, pure air so we can breathe deeply, herbs grow by mineral springs helps our soul to recover and we have a magnificent view.

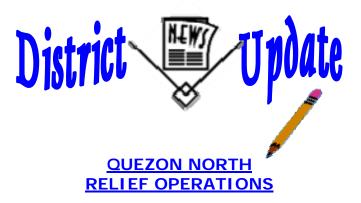
The challenge that in every step there is something that will prevent us or even put our life in danger. Consider when path is steep there is danger of slipping (got offended), hold on to the binding cord of love; when falling rocks of criticism fall on us, put on the helmet of salvation (Jesus teaching); when fog of doubt impair our vision to the goal, just follow the guide; when lightning strikes in serious illness, disappointments, let us seek shelter in the heart of our blessing bearers, such storms will clear up; when the rolling thunder of the voices of spirits shouts at us, close your ears and open it only when the Holy Spirit speaks; when the night closes in, light the lamp of hope; when mountain sickness paralyzes us, just relax the cramps, when we have

*difficulty in breathing or we have trouble praying, somebody is praying for you.* 

In this mountain we remain because it is here we will meet the Lord, and He will reward us in this mountain with transformation and resurrection.

Sincerely yours,

Timmy Gabriel



Some 30 young people volunteered in the Quezon North relief operations where 5 congregations were affected by landslides and flash flood. Our members lost their livelihood and it will took one (1) year to recover. The hard hit was in Talisay and Banugao congregations. Their houses and all of their belongings are gone. No lives are claimed with our members. Our prayers are heard but 1,000 died according to news reports.

Our members told us they were able to move out in the morning while the water starts to rise up. In the evening the water submerged the houses and washed out with a raging sound from the mountain an explosion then rocks, soil and thousand logs came down. Six (6) New Apostolic families are left homeless, clothless, shocked of what happened. Their land is gone, it transformed into a deserted river.

The youth distributed the relief goods with compassion. Every donation given was heart touching. Our members are in tears just by seeing us. They are praying that we come. Every location divine service is conducted. Some gave a feedback saying that many other religious organizations came too, but it is only the New Apostolic Church who gave a comfort in the divine services.

Some of the relief goods are also given to non-new apostolics. Many inactive members identified themselves during the relief operations. District Evangelist Melencio Bringas took note of their locations.

The youth joyfully carry in their shoulders the relief goods on broken bridges crossing the river, while its raining, and tired everybody went home had felt differently inside. It is in giving love which will truly make you happy.

Doing so we also love Him (God), remember and think of Him and do everything to make Him happy.

The members in Quezon North would like to thank all of the relief goods they received and the love that was shown, which make them feel its wonderful to be a New Apostolic child of God.

# Schedule of Activities Calendar of Events - JANUARY 2005

#### NEW YEAR DISTRICT SERVICE

DATE: SATURDAY, JANUARY 1, 2005 PLACE: MAKATI CENTRAL CHURCH TIME: 10 AM OFFICIANT: DAH URS HEBEISEN

#### **YOUTH AFTERNOON**

DATE: SUNDAY, JANUARY 9, 2005 PLACE: MAKATI CENTRAL CHURCH TIME: 1:00 PM YOUTH LEADER: PR. LOLOY DEPAZ TOPIC: UNDERSTANDING OF FAITH

#### **YOUTH AFTERNOON**

DATE: SUNDAY, JANUARY 16, 2005 PLACE: MAKATI CENTRAL CHURCH TIME: 1:00 PM YOUTH LEADER: PR. LOLOY DEPAZ TOPIC: FAITH IN PRACTICE

#### **YOUTH AFTERNOON**

DATE: SUNDAY, JANUARY 23, 2005 PLACE: MAKATI CENTRAL CHURCH TIME: 1:00 PM YOUTH LEADER: D.EV. ROLEX NAVARRO TOPIC: COUNSELLING

#### YOUTH SERVICE/YOUTH OUTING

DATE: SATURDAY, JANUARY 29, 2005 PLACE: NONONG CASTO, BATANGAS TIME: 1:00 PM YOUTH LEADER: AP. TIMMY GABRIEL SOCIAL ACTIVITY: SWIMMING, BARBECUE

#### WEDDING SERVICE OF Sr. Marichu Umali & Bro. Max Mercado

DATE: SUNDAY, JANUARY 30, 2005 PLACE: STA. TERESITA, BATANGAS TIME: 10:00 AM OFFICIANT: AP. TIMMY GABRIEL CHOIR: YOUTH



JANUARY 29/Sat. FEBRUARY 27/Sun. MARCH 27/Sun. APRIL 17/Sun. MAY 29/Sun. JUNE 26/Sun. JULY 31/Sun. AUGUST 21/Sun. SEPTEMBER 25/Sun. OCTOBER 23/Sun. NOVEMBER 27/Sun. DECEMBER 17/Sat.

- Nonong Casto, Batangas by Ap. Timmy Gabriel
- Amparo, Metro Manila by Ap. Timmy Gabriel
- Amparo, Metro Manila by D.Ev. Rolex Navarro
- Amparo, Metro Manila by Ap. Timmy Gabriel
- Amparo, Metro Manila by Ev. Noel Tuazon
- Amparo. Metro Manila by Pr. Loloy Depaz
- Amparo, Metro Manila by D.Ev. Rolex Navarro
- Amparo, Metro Manila by Ap. Timmy Gabriel
  - Famy, Laguna East by Ap. Timmy Gabriel
  - Asan Sur, Pangasinan by DAH Urs Hebeisen
- Amparo, Metro Manila by D.Ev. Rolex Navarro
- Biñan, Laguna North by Ap. Timmy Gabriel

HOW COULD YOU MAKE A SUCCESSFUL MARRIED LIFE?

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## **ANSWER:**

**QUESTION:** 

Much could be said about this. Every relationship goes through phases of stresses. There are good days and bad day. Important is that both stick together, share together and pray together. That is how all hardships can be overcome and life together with God as the partner will be blessed and happy.

The New Apostolic Church will publish next year a brochure on married life as well as about bringing up children,

We will make this available to all interested.

Happy New Year Urs Hebeisen