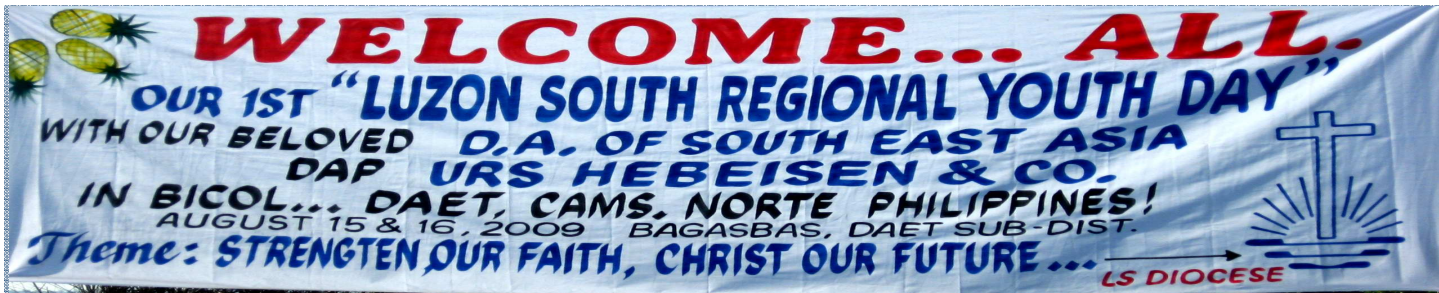
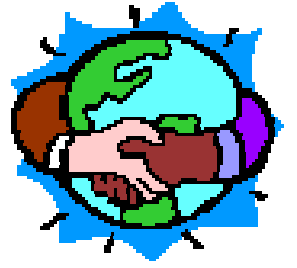


# NAC YOUTHLINK



Luzon South Regional Youth Day • Daet, Camarines Norte • August 15 - 16, 2009

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*"And I will delight myself in Your commandments, Which I love.*

*My hands also I will lift up to*

*Your commandments, Which I love.*

*And I will meditate on Your statutes".*

*Psalms 119: 47-48*



## EDITORIAL

*My dear Youth,*

**THANKSGIVING** is an old Christian tradition and dates back to the times when people were thankful to have a harvest which granted their survival through the winter.

Today this might be a bit different but nevertheless, if we think of all the blessings, there is nothing we would not owe to our Heavenly Father. A "thank you" from a truly sincere heart is a magic word coming from our heart's attitude, also in our relationship with God the Father but also Jesus Christ whose sacrifice, the offering of His sinless life put away with all offerings of the Old Testament's law such as sin offering, blood offering, and burnt offering (Hebrews 10) To offer a THANK YOU to the Lord by breaking something off from our natural resources which He has blessed in first place is definitely still a way into the heart of God the father. We offer thanksgiving and

give honor to His name, knowing very well that we cannot buy His blessing.

Let us think about the parable of sowing a seed. By far the most elaborate parable in the teaching of Christ. Man sows seed. God grants His blessing and makes it grow and ripen until it can be harvested. It is a law of nature that out of the harvest, the seed comes to give back to the field for the next harvest. In God's creation as well as in His work, nothing comes about automatic; everything has an origin, purpose and effect.

On this forthcoming 4<sup>th</sup> October we celebrate worldwide THANKSGIVING. Let us come to the altar of Christ with a true thankful heart and not empty handed but with a special offering of Thanksgiving.

May the JOY OF THANKSGIVING live in all congregations and especially in the circle of the Youth.

Loving greetings and best wishes,

**Urs Hebeisen**



Youth Afternoon Fellowship in the house of our Dist. Apostle and Sister Hebeisen  
July 25, 2009



# DISTRICT NEWS UPDATE

## SUNDAY SCHOOL FEEDING PROGRAM IN ANTIPOLO

**O**n the 19<sup>th</sup> of July 2009, Sunday morning at NAC Makati some of the young people meet together to attend Divine Services in 2 Congregation in Antipolo. Also, for a food feeding program for the Sunday school in their congregation.

Our first stop is in the congregation of Bagong Nayon in Antipolo. Before the Service start, the Sunday school children sing several songs in Tagalog hymn book without using any musical instrument and the youth follow them and it turns out nice. District Elder/Regional Youth Leader Erlendo Depaz is the one who conducted the Divine service together with Evangelist Suella, Deacon/Deputy Youth Leader Florante Delota of Makati, and Deacon Jephone Alipao. The text word came from 11 Peter 1: 5-7.

We are happy that we are able to participate in this event for we have seen those large numbers of children only from this congregation approximately 24 children and their Sunday school teacher Sis. Noime. After the Divine Service the children make an art works, and then after they play a slipper game similar to baseball game and they enjoyed this game. Also, for additional game they play the "hep hep hurray" almost all of them know this game so they don't need much instruction. After the games, the youth distribute the food to all children and they are very thankful. Everyone got their food and no one is left empty-handed. Very quickly we shake hands and bid goodbye with a smile.

The second stop is in the congregation of Teresa Antipolo. It takes half an hour before we arrive. When the youth got there, many are waiting for us, the children, some young people and other member. Again District Elder Depaz conducted Divine Service together with Priest Chris Requilme and Deacon Bryan Cervantes. From this congregation we find out that they have ten (10) young people who are not able to participate in any youth events since they become youth. Only few children are in this congregation, and we do the same game, no more art works because it's getting late in the afternoon. After distributed the food, we make a small talk to the young



people and invited them to attend youth day in Bicol. They are happy to see us same as we feel for them.

It's already late afternoon when we leave Antipolo. We bring the joy and happy memories in our hearts.

This program is one of the great experiences we had. It feels great that we fulfill some of the works of God, which is to help, reach-out to other souls and love one another by showing them that we care for them.

We would like to thank you everyone who contribute by participating in the event and by donating food for the children. Thank you very much and God Bless you!

## YOUTH AFTERNOON FELLOWSHIP

**O**n 25<sup>th</sup> of July 2009, Saturday afternoon, the young people gathered at the house of our District Apostle Urs and Sis. Lucienne Hebeisen. Number of attendance is 24 including the guest youth from NAC Canada. The first thing we did is sing the new song that Daniel taught us. After that, we proceed to the main event and that is the cooking lesson under the supervision of our Sis. Arcille Depaz the Chef of Le delice and it was sponsored by the Le delice. We cook several dishes such as crepe, chicken curry and pumpkin soup. The first thing that our Chef taught is to wash our hands, afterwards before we proceed to the cooking, all participated in preparing first the ingredients needed in cooking. We cut pumpkins, onions, potato... When everything is prepared we are taught how to cook it. Since it is not possible that everyone will do the same thing

at the same time so we are divided into groups. Some do the crepe with style, others do the mango shakes, others do the pumpkin soup and chicken curry. All what have cooked by the youth will be the food to eat in dinner and all of it was delicious.

We also watch the Divine Service of Chief Apostle in Indonesia and it was amazing with those huge numbers of members and their musical presentation.

All of the participants in this fellowship went home with happy thoughts.

Once again we would like to thanks Chef Arcille for her time in teaching the youth to cook some dishes. Thanks to our Sister Lucienne for lending their place for this youth event.





Youth Fellowship  
at  
DA Hebeisen's house

## YOUTH WEEKEND SOUTHERN LUZON

300 young brethren from the south of Luzon (Area of Bh. Armando Cao) among them a delegation of 20 Youth from Makati, have come together at the beach of Daet in Camarines Norte. Already on Saturday they competed in sports and games and found refreshment by swimming in the ocean. The District Apostle moderated a discussion on natural and spiritual future and growth with success as well as how to build blessed relationships. . The youth found delight in rehearsing the EYD song: "Come to my Jesus"



Youth Day in Daet Camarines Norte

Hosted by Daet Youth:  
Sister Liezel and Dc. Jumar

Some of the Games:

- Turtle Race won by Makati Youth
- Sack Race won by Quezon Youth

## SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

### SEPTEMBER 2009

SUNDAY,  
September 06, 2009  
Divine Service, 10 AM  
Makati Central Church  
Ev. Noel Tuazon

SUNDAY  
September 13, 2009  
Divine Service, 10 AM  
Makati Central Church  
DE. Erlendo Depaz

SUNDAY,  
September 20, 2009  
Divine Service, 10 AM  
Makati Central Church  
D.Ev. Rolex Navarro

SUNDAY  
September 27, 2009  
Divine Service, 10 AM  
Makati Central Church  
Ev. Robert Muda

*Midweek Services*  
every Wednesday at 8 pm



# Experience of Faith

## The Greatest of this is Love

**F**ive days after suffering a severe stroke, my beloved father passed away. We were sad, but also saw the help of God in this. The doctor's prognosis had been severe disability. Yet I could not come to terms with this loss.

**I** decided to write to our relatives and acquaintances who were not New Apostolic or who live far away. As I designed the cards, I wondered whether I should put a Bible text on the front of the card. But what Bible passage would be suitable to describe my father? As I read, among other things, a passage in Apostle Paul's "ode to love" in 1 Corinthians 13, I knew immediately that this was the one I would choose. "And now abide faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of this is love." This passage best described the characteristics of my father and emphasized love, his greatest quality.

I had soon created, printed and sent away the cards. Later on I planned to write the Bible text which would serve as the basis for the funeral service on the front of the thank-you cards. Since we had opted for a funeral with interment of an urn, there were still two weeks to go before the funeral. And by the time I finished writing the thank you cards, even

more time would pass. I didn't want to wait that long, so I began preparing the same passage from 1 Corinthians on the cover.

The day of the funeral came. The Bishop came to officiate. The presence of some 170 mourners impressed us and showed us that Dad had not only given a great deal of love, but was also loved in turn. After the prayer, the Bishop read out a very familiar Bible passage: "And now abide faith, hope, love, and these three..." I gasped. That was my Bible passage from 1 Corinthians! I found this turn of events so unbelievable that I quietly asked my mother if she had told the Bishop about our thank-you cards. She had not. Then the Bishop went on to explain that as he had thought about the departed, this passage had come to his mind. After all, the departed had been able to take his faith, his hope, and his love into the realms of eternity as lasting treasures, but love would continue to be his most outstanding possession over there. I was overwhelmed by this heartfelt relationship to my father, and by the fact that the Lord had permitted me to feel it too. What wonderful consolation.



*"As a Minister/Rector, does he has rights to cancel a Divine Service just due to the bad weather like Typhoon according to the weather forecast for the sake of members' security? Is it appropriate for him to do so?*

*Shall we be afraid to go to church for Service on Sunday just because of the bad weather?*

*Thanks for your favorable reply in advance."*

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## District Apostle Letterbox



This is a matter of personal judgment based on the situation. In some countries danger signals are hoisted and then the public has to follow the governments orders connected to it. Of course we are not afraid to go to church just because of bad weather. However typhoons are more than just bad weather and are at times very dangerous and when schools are closed and official warnings issued then of course it is prudent to cancel a divine service. Members often have also their house at risks, or a child at home in danger and then it is definitely better to cancel a divine service. Radio weather news is pretty precise these days and it usually easy to determine whether the typhoon is coming anywhere close during service time.

A priest should call the District Rector to assess the situation and make a decision. As a rule stands, Members should not be put to risks.

Urs Hebeisen