



NAC Children's Chair of Makati Congregation

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EDITORIAL

My dear Brothers and Sisters in the Youth,

A very happy **NEW YEAR** to you. I (Matthew 6:31-34) am sure you have great expectations for 2010. Maybe you are graduating, maybe looking for a job, or even for a soul mate. May I suggest you make the following **NEW YEARS RESOLUTION:**

"..as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord"

commitment made by "Chose (Joshua 24:15) yourselves" Joshua said. We must future matrimony, think of serving of Jesus Christ, our Heavenly Father family planning" or the Gods of this world. Egoism, self-actualization, materialism and the likes more. How to serve the Lord is very well explained Matthew 6:33

Seek first Priorities in our ambitions

The kingdom of God Jesus Christ and His work

His righteousness What is

right in God's eyes.

And added unto you will be what we need to eat, drink and

LET US SERVE THE LORD WITH **OUR HOUSE**

Our house is our life's environment, our circle of friends, our family. If our natural work is giving glory to the name of the Lord, HE CAN AND **WILL** BLESSES IT.

Young people are only building this It is a well-known statement of house yet. Think of your house to Joshua. serve the Lord already when you **for** build up your relationships make a choice, too, between the God together. May I call that "Spiritual

> Often we pray for blessing, and forget that blessing is provided and already part in God's creation, also foreseen in His plan and His work until this day.

Our House is also our congregation. Together with our Brothers and Sisters we want to serve the Lord and that means:

ASIAN YOUTH DAY

BANDUNG, INDONESIA

WITH OUR CHIER APOSTLE

1ST TO 4TH **APRIL 2011**



SERVING EACH OTHER

Serving each other starts with praying for each other. That alone will already make a great impact.

As your District Apostle I want to serve you, too, together with my house, my fellow Apostles and Brothers in the ministry. Many Youth Days are planned:

16^{th}	January,	Depok/Jakarta/Indonesia
7 th	February,	Tagbilaran/Bohol/Philippines
27 th	June,	NATIONAL YOUTH DAY INDONESIA
11^{TH}	July,	LUZON YOUTH DAY in Biñan
1^{st}	August,	Curuan/Zamboanga/Philippines
15^{th}	August	KOREAN YOUTH DAY
10^{TH}	October	MINDANAO YOUTH DAY in Butuan
5 th	December	NATIONAL YOUTH DAY MALAYSIA

Furthermore, your Apostle and Bishop plans many a special Program just for you. Thank you for helping along in organizing such events for the Youth.

Great news however is:

ASIAN YOUTH DAY, BANDUNG, INDONESIA WITH OUR CHIEF APOSTLE, 1ST TO 4TH APRIL 2011

Invited are youth delegations from all over Asia. There will be a concert where every country is represented with a presentation. Better speak to your Music Director now. At the end all will join into the European Youth Song **COME TO MY JESUS.** Save money to be part of this great event. Sponsorships are available on limited bases. Registrations through your local RYL and/or Bishop.

My best wishes for a prosperous year 2010 and assuring you of my love and prayers.

Yours truly

Urs Hebeisen

DISTRICT NEWS UPDATE

NAC Makati Children's Choir Compete!!!

ONE sunny morning December 09, 2009, the Makati Children's Choir prepared themselves up by practicing their song for their upcoming contest. They were so excited and really are overjoyed. Some are preparing their costumes and others are tidying themselves up. The contest will start at 3PM. They rehearse their song before they leave and had already finished eating their lunch. This was their first time to join in a contest. There were 12 children participants (Rebekah Silvano, Erjohn Silvano, Crisvelle Ronguillo, Kristine Joy Ronguillo, Trexy Grace Barles, Faye Bernadette Nejal, John Benedict Nejal, Rendernick Navarro, Merry Maica Navarro, Henson Espidido, Adriel Depaz, Frances Maravilla) and 2 guitarists (Priest Christopher Requilme, Deacon Jephone Alipao). They sang "Sa Araw ng Pasko" with creative choreograph at the



The Makati Children's Choir singing "Sa Araw ng Pasko" at SM Hypermarket.

The Children's while waiting for their time to perform.

"BARANGAY CAROL FEST" held at SM Hypermarket Makati. The children sang well with happy faces. Some of their parents and relatives also attend to watch them perform. The winner of the contest will be called separately for the Grand Finals by the next day. After the contest they all joined in for a little celebration.

The next morning, they did not receive any phone call, until 13th of December, Sunday morning came. Somebody called from the SM Supermarket and said that we made it to the finals! They did not expect to win but they did win as a finalist. Sharing their talents and gifts from God to other people was a more meaningful experience for them and make their bonds even stronger.

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Children Christmas program at Bagong Nayon, Antipolo Congregation

Del. Erlendo Depaz with Ev. Noel Tuazon and Sis. Noime Velasco (Sunday school teacher) organized a children Christmas program in Antipolo Congregation last December 6, 2009. Before the program started the District Elder conducted a Divine service which attended by 41 souls including 24 children. The children prepare a presentation for the members. They all get a Christmas gift (toy), some received also a certificate of appreciation including mothers and they are thankful and happy. The program was followed by fellowship with some snacks.



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SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES JANUARY 2010

NEW YEAR SERVICE

January 01, 2010 Divine Service, 10 AM Makati Central Church DA Urs Hebeisen

SUNDAY
January 03, 2010
Divine Service, 10 AM
Makati Central Church
Sh. Silvano

SUNDAY January 10, 2010 Divine Service, 10 AM Makati Central Church DE Depaz SUNDAY
January 17, 2010
Divine Service, 10 AM
Makati Central Church
Dev. Navarro

SUNDAY January 24, 2010 Divine Service, 10 AM Makati Central Church Pr. Connolly

SUNDAY January 31, 2010 Divine Service, 10 AM Makati Central Church Pr. Ronquillo

Midweek Services every Wednesday at 8 pm

Experience of Faith

God's paths

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Can a prayer result in divine services being moved from Sunday to Saturday?

Toward the end of the Second World War, my father had an accident at work. After falling from a ladder he suffered a complicated fracture. Once he had been admitted to hospital, he asked himself: "Why did this have to happen just now?" A few days later he received a summons for military duty. This already answered his question in part, because his hospital stay would make it impossible for him to be drafted into the war.

Peter was one of the people who worked at the hospital. He was an orderly who had come from a neighboring country. Soon a friendship developed between him and my father. When my father told this man of his New Apostolic faith, he would happily listen and ask many questions. Thus my father had received an additional answer to his question: "Just now" the Lord had caused his path to cross with that of Peter, a longing soul.

After my father was released from hospital, Peter would visit us on his days off. Eventually he began to accompany us to church. We enjoyed the evenings at home with Peter. Over the course of these evenings, my father explained our faith to Peter.

A few months later, the frontlines of the war had moved inexorably closer, and we were evacuated from our home. Unfortunately, we lost contact with Peter as a result.

One day however, we opened the door to find him standing there! Peter had managed to find us with the help of a tracing service. We went to church by train every Sunday in those days. Peter did not want to come along however, since according to his religious understanding no one was supposed to work at all on Sundays. Our argument that the train conductor would have had to work anyway, with or without us as passengers, did nothing to convince him. Thereupon my mother promised him: "In order to show you that this is His work, God can arrange it that the divine services take place on a day other than Sunday." To me this seemed something a bold claim, but from that moment on we prayed often for this solution for Peter.

At the very next divine service - which had cost Peter a long walk the rector notified us that, starting immediately, the services would be moved to Saturday afternoon! We looked at one another in surprise. God had answered our prayers so quickly! And from then on, Peter did not miss a service.

After the war, we returned home and Peter returned to his country. He continued attend service in the New Apostolic Church. After a while, he was sealed. Many years later he visited us with his wife and two daughters, who had also come to believe.

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My question here is not for earthly matter. I have a chance to visit a few congregations with my bearer of blessing and it is quite known to me that we have many congregations that have no active ministers anymore, some are visited by a minister from a neighbor congregation but others are inactive and close. On my knowledge, we still have members from this inactive congregation who remain in their heart that they are Apostolic and did not transfer to any denomination (remain faithful to the Lord).

As what our believe is that we will be a bride of Christ if we remain faithful and connected to whom the Lord send to us (the Apostle). On their case, they lost the connection to the altar. What will be their part on the wedding fest in heaven? Do they have still chance to be a bride of Christ? What will be their status on the Day of the Lord? Thank you very much for giving answer to my question.

Merry Christmas in advance.

Sincerely Yours,

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Yes, such are sad conditions. We are reminded what it says of Christ:"...he then saw the multitudes. He was moved with compassion for the, because they were weary and scattered, like sheep having no shepherd" Matthew 9:36

Shortage of Brothers is something we are dealing with and every District Rector sees to it that all souls are served. Of course in some places two or even one service a month is not possible. However the Apostle should be informed when somewhere there is lack of soul-care and children of God are waiting.

The question, where will these souls be at the time of the coming of Christ cannot be conclusively answered, also not for those who have regular services. It is simply a matter of maturity of the soul, love for Christ and then also the word of course applies "...to whom much is given also much is expected" God knows of the opportunities everyone has or does not have. I can very well imagine that by His Grace, He can and will make appropriate adjustments after all, He is a God of righteousness.

Thanks for helping along finding the ones and reaching out to those who have lost connection.

Urs Hebeisen