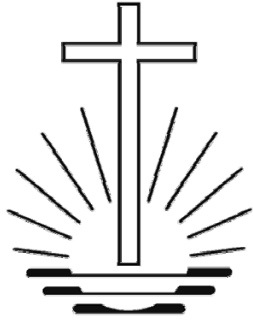


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Editorial

My dear youth,

Everything is a matter of choice. To congregate with various groups of people is a choice. Lifestyle, simple or luxurious is a choice. Fostering friendship in work, school or neighborhood is a choice. What you want to see and hear is also a matter of choice.

In making a choice you can use your intellect and common sense. You can also use your faith in deciding for your soul.

Whatever you choose, your soul is influenced by the spirits behind your choices. What is the motive in choosing? May the Holy Spirit be your guide in your motives.

Our Chief Apostle conducted a Divine Service and he use the text word from Romans 12: 2; "And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God."

To conform to this world is to accept not a sin what is sin. In making a decision what to choose for yourself, never forget that you are not children of this world, you are a child of God. It is wise to decide to choose what is blessable by God. What God can bless is that what is good, acceptable and perfect will of God.

Let us pray to God to show us what He can bless, instead of asking Him immediately to bless you. We need to constantly renew our mind by asking God's wisdom out of God fear so that we can activate God's blessing.

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Do we want to be bless without changing our attitude? What God is blessing? Blessing means increase.

If we choose what is not good, can we pray to God and ask him to bless us? Isn't it appropriate to change our hearts attitude first, before we ask Him to bless us? Faith, Love and Hope are the good things that we want to increase in us.

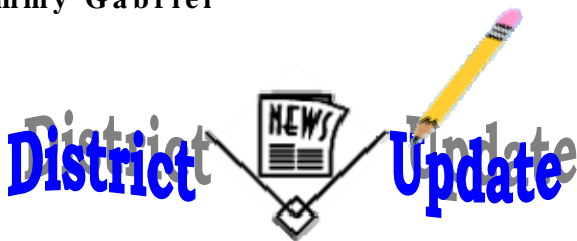
If we choose what is acceptable to God, to balance our soul life in the apostles doctrine, fellowship, breaking of bread and prayer, by offering and following our bearers of blessing, we choose to have friendship with God's servants and His children.

If we choose what is the perfect will of God, if we trust, have patience and follow the law of love it will create joy, warmth and feeling of bliss in our soul.

Let us welcome the Confirmands 2004 in the circle of the youth, and help them to make the right choice.

Sincerely yours,

Timmy Gabriel



Metro Manila, Laguna Youth Day in Amparo Congregation

Saturday afternoon, February 28, 2004 the youth went to Biñan central church for the New Apostolic Children's Development Center coronation. The youth orchestra gives their best on playing the violin and flute.

After the event the young people are exited to continue to Amparo to stay there

overnight. The youth circled around a bonfire. Apostle Gabriel discussed some interesting topics to give the youth a full understanding. Like the bonfire when you put more wood the fire will give more light. It's the same with listening to the discussion, more knowledge means more light in the darkness.

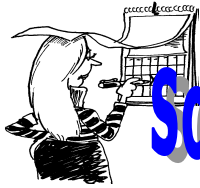
ON Sunday morning of February 29, 2004, our DAPH Urs Hebeisen conducted the service for the youth. He used the text word from **Romans 12:9-12** and it say's, ***“Let love be without dissimulation. Abhor that which is evil; cleave to that which is good. Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love; in honour preferring one another; Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord; Rejoicing in hope: patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer;”***

The Holy Spirit awakened that we should allow love to be our guide in everything that we do. We should ask ourselves, how do we grow love and knowledge? The answer; with oneness and unity we can find all of these things. We must have hope in waiting for the return of Christ. Continuing prayer can help us to find what we are looking. The service for the youth will serve, as a guide for future blessing and it will be in the hearts of the young people remains.

On the afternoon program the young people played volleyball. Two teams compete for the game and the Makati team wins the game. The Laguna team wins in the first half only.

The whole day was full of enjoyment and it ended with a prayer led by DAPH Hebeisen.





Schedule of Activities

Calendar of Events - APRIL 2004

DIVINE SERVICE

(PALM SUNDAY)

DATE: SUNDAY, APRIL 04, 2004

PLACE: MAKATI CENTRAL CHURCH

TIME: 10:00 AM (FOLLOWED BY CHOIR REHEARSAL)

OFFICIANT: PR. DE PAZ

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

DATE: FRIDAY, APRIL 09, 2004

PLACE: MAKATI CENTRAL CHURCH

TIME: 10:00 AM

OFFICIANT: SHEPHERD SILVANO

CONFIRMATION SERVICE

(EASTER SUNDAY)

DATE: SUNDAY, APRIL 11, 2004

PLACE: MAKATI CENTRAL CHURCH

TIME: 10:00 AM

OFFICIANT: AP. TIMMY GABRIEL

**FOLLOWED BY FELLOWSHIP AND
YOUTH MEETING**

DIVINE SERVICE

DATE: SUNDAY, APRIL 18, 2004

PLACE: MAKATI CENTRAL CHURCH

TIME: 10:00 AM (FOLLOWED BY CHOIR REHEARSAL)

OFFICIANT: EV. NOEL TUAZON

**FOLLOWED BY YOUTH MEETING
AFTER CHOIR REHEARSAL**

DIVINE SERVICE

DATE: SUNDAY, APRIL 25, 2004

PLACE: MAKATI CENTRAL CHURCH

TIME: 10:00 AM (FOLLOWED BY CHOIR REHEARSAL)

OFFICIANT: DEV. NAVARRO

**FOLLOWED BY YOUTH MEETING
AFTER CHOIR REHEARSAL**

Service for the Departed with Philippine Apostles and Bishops

ON March 07, 2004 our DAPH Urs Hebeisen conducted the Divine Service for the Departed together with Ap. David Thang of Myanmar and the Apostles and Bishops of the Philippines. The text word He used was from the book of Psalm chapter nine verse thirteen (**Psalm 9:13**) and it say's "*Have mercy upon me, O Lord; consider my trouble which I suffer of them that hate me, thou that liftest me up from the gates of death:*"

Youth Fellowship at Helbig's Residence

Last March 14, 2004, our Dist. Elder and Sister Annette Helbig invite the young people to have fellowship in their house.

The youth bring their violin and flute to practice selected song for the graduation day of NACDC in Biñan. After they practiced some songs, they are all excited to change their cloths and swim to the warm water of the pool.

The young people give thanks for the hospitality of Dist. Elder and Sister Annette. The happiness of this afternoon will always be in the heart of the youth.

Before they leave, Dist. Elder Helbig led the prayer for the angel's protection.

Experience of Faith

THE FINAL EXAM



EVEN though I was taking courses in addition to my professional activity, things were going well with my studies and I was more or less satisfied with my results. There was only one subject in which I had considerable difficulties. My marks were so low that my admission to the final examination was becoming more and more questionable.

Another exam was coming up. I had been cramming diligently, but just to be sure I also put together a little cheat note. On the Sunday before the exam I attended a service by the District Apostle, who read Proverbs 3:5 to the congregation: "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding." Suddenly I had second thoughts about my little "cheat sheet". I decided to trust in the Lord and destroyed my note. I even turned down a crib sheet that my friend had prepared specially for me – much to the latter's amazement.

The results of the exam were crushing: an E! Nevertheless, I decided to continue trusting in the Lord, and in each of the remaining exams I made certain not to use any aides that were against the rules. Both of the next two exams yielded a somewhat better result, which just barely qualified me to write my final exam. I prepared myself intensively and asked the Lord for His help. When I received the results a few weeks later I could hardly believe my eyes: my work had been rewarded with a B! What a great reward for trusting in the Lord.

H.-J.S./U.R.-W

Apostle Letterbox

Q: *What is the importance of the Confirmation Vow to the confirmants? Why they need to recite it with their parents in front of the Congregation?*



A: The pre-requisite for God's offer of confirmation blessing is the confirmation vow from the one who will receive it and sincerely ask for it. The confirmands "Yes" word is the same "yes" word vowed on promised by their parents. The parents give their "yes" at the altar before they receive the Holy Baptism and child when he reach the age 14 is important because the Confirmand vows to remain and continue to be faithful as an adult member and keep the vow made by his/her parents when he/she was still a child. Reciting the vow with the parents and in the congregation release the parents with the responsibility to raise the child in the New Apostolic faith and welcomes the confirmand as our adult member in the congregation and forms part in the youth.

Sincerely yours,

Timmy Gabriel