



Calvary Bible Fellowship



JANUARY 2022 - CHURCH NEWSLETTER

THE BUSIEST TIME OF THE YEAR

December always seems to be a BUSY time of the year - with Christmas parties and events abounding [not to mention the occasional typhoon] there is never a dull moment!

In the beginning of December the church band was blessed to be able to travel to Himamaylan for "Bukid Lights". Over 300 people showed up as we worshiped Jesus under a beautiful star lit sky. As the final song was played - the LIGHTS came on and the mountain was transformed.

Over fifteen thousand lights turned on as we kicked off the celebration of the birth of Jesus!

Our annual Christmas service at Town and Country had a bit of a twist this year. As Typhoon Odette caused widespread power outages we got to celebrate with acoustic worship! In spite of having no power - everyone seemed to enjoy the Christmas carols - message - and the White elephant Christmas exchange afterwards that left a smile on everyone's face!



NEW YEARS RESOLUTION

The past two years have been unusual to say the least. With much of the world still grappling with how to function in a Covid world - the opportunity for us to be an example is greater than ever. As a lost world nervously frets about what tomorrow might bring - we get to share with them the One who holds tomorrow. Let us boldly head into the new year with the knowledge we have the answer everyone needs. "I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ - for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes" - Romans 1:16



BULIG SA BUKID

Be the Gift

I was hungry and you gave Me food.
I was thirsty and you gave Me drink...
- Matthew 25:35

Typhoons are a way of life in the Philippines. There is not a year that goes by that one does not

devastate some portion of the archipelago - but they are rather rare in our portion of the Islands. The last time a major storm had a direct hit here was more than twenty years ago! For that reason people were not prepared for the late season super typhoon that raged across the central portion of the Visayas just before Christmas causing widespread damage. We were blessed that no one from either Calvary Bible Fellowship or Simbahan sa Bukid was injured. The church in Himamaylan - as well as many of the families there - did suffer damage to their buildings as the eye of the storm passed right over them. When we traveled to Himamaylan the day after the typhoon we literally had to chainsaw our way up the mountain to clear the road and reach the church.

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TYPHOON ODETTA RELIEF



Relief Team

CALVARY BIBLE FELLOWSHIP

Upcoming Events

Our feet have been standing
within your gates, O Jerusalem!

- Psalm 122:2

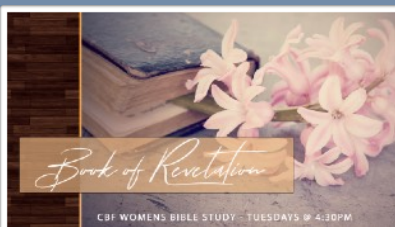


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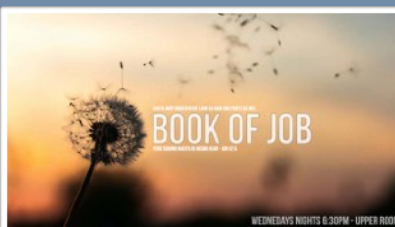
But along with a Christmas storm came a Christmas blessing! One of the ministries in the church called "Bulig sa Bukid" kicked into high gear preparing to hand out relief to people affected by the storm. Within days the first wave of rice / food / and water were on a truck heading down to bring aid to those in need. The following week over eighty volunteers - including three doctors - gathered to hand out over 3500kg of rice / 2000 liters of drinking water / 2000 canned goods and the hope of Jesus to anyone who came to receive help! Many of those who came left with tears of joy knowing someone cared enough to help them in their time of need. We finished off the day with the youth from SSB putting on a Christmas play proclaiming it is all about Jesus!



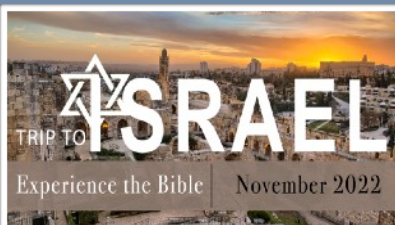
Youth Bible Study: This coming Friday we will be starting up a Youth Bible Study. Gershom will be taking the youth on outings the first Friday of every month. Make sure to contact him for details!



Midweek studies: We pick back up our studies in Revelation [women] and Job this week. Come out as we continue to work out way through the Bible and be encouraged by good fellowship!



Israel trip: On January 16 we will have a meeting after church to open the 2022 Israel Trip. We will go over the itinerary and estimated costs. Anyone who is interested in going should plan on attending.



WEEKLY SCHEDULE

- Sunday 9am - Book of Hebrews Online
- Sunday 10am - Book of Hebrews at Elisha Center
- Tuesday 4:30pm - Women's study in Revelation
- Tuesday 5pm - Book of Job at Elisha Center
- Wednesday 6pm - Book of Job at Upper Room
- Friday 6pm - Prayer Meeting [every other week]
- First Friday of the month 6pm - Youth Bible Study

WATCH ON YOUTUBE

The church has a YouTube channel. You can search for it under "Bible Fellowship Bacolod". Both the Old and New Testament weekly teachings are posted there along with an archive of previous content.



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