



"The entrance of Thy words
giveth light..." (Ps 119:130a)

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**Being Enriched
in All Things
in 2019**

2 Cor 9:11
"...Being enriched in
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bountifulness..."

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LIGHTHOUSE BBC ENTERS 2ND QUARTER WITH FOCUS ON "BEING ENRICHED BY HIM IN ALL GIFTS ACCORDING TO HIS GRACE"

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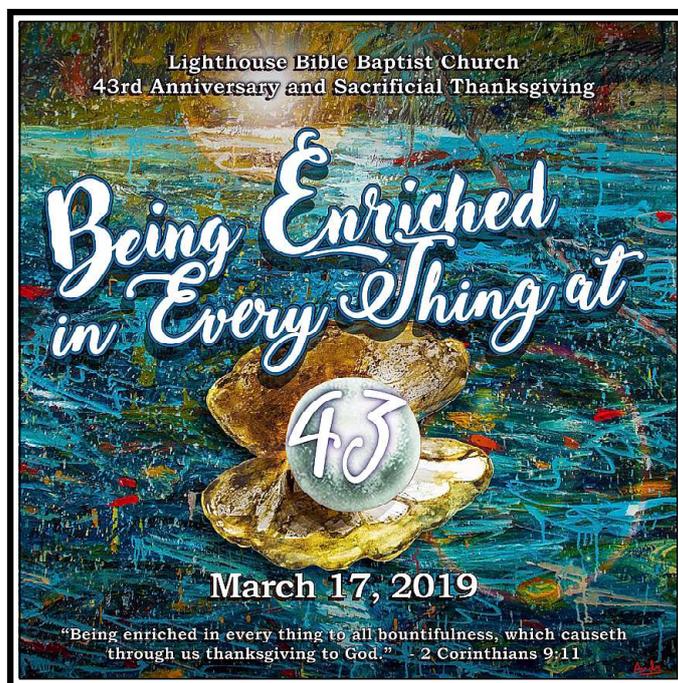
The coming of our Lord Jesus Christ remains to be the very hope which we all await, not only as His dear children, but as Ekklesia of the Lord Jesus.

The Apostle Paul, writing to the Thessalonian church, says, "And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ" (1 Thess 5:23). He also mentions this being blameless in reference to the coming of the Lord Jesus, to his letter to the Phillipian church in Phil 2:15-16, "That ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke...holding forth the word of life; that I may rejoice in the day of Christ..."

Evidently, as we await the coming of the Lord Jesus through doing His work, He also generously enriches us with gifts so we may do a better performance in the work. This is the reason why the Apostle Paul tells the Corinthian church, "...ye come behind in no gift; waiting for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ" (1 Cor 1:7).

This is also the premise of what Paul says in 2 Cor 9:8-11, And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work...he that ministereth seed to the sower both minister bread for your food, and multiply your seed sown, and increase the fruits of your righteousness;) being enriched in every thing to all bountifulness, which causeth through us thanksgiving to God."

Let us all recognize our enrichment in all gifts this second quarter.



The Lighthouse District 4 presenting a sequel of their musical entitled "Bituin sa Ilalim ng Dagat." They are seen in this picture singing their original composition, "Sisid lang, Sisidlan." The song was composed by Mark Rosales.

First Quarter Focus :

Being enriched by Him in All Gifts According to His Grace

"...ye come behind in no gift...." (1 Cor 1:7).

"Unto Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen" (Eph. 3:21)

TITLE : INTRODUCTION TO 1 TIMOTHY

A) Background

The letters of Paul to Timothy and Titus are traditionally called "Pastoral Letters" because in these letters, Paul lays down some foundational truths about churches through Timothy and Titus, being pastors.

B) Authorship

This epistle was written by Paul. Prevailing opinion is that this was written between his first and second imprisonment between AD65 and 67. Paul met Timothy during his 2nd missionary journey about AD51. He wrote this letter to Timothy from Macedonia some 15 to 16 years later before his last visit to Jerusalem.

Paul's travel notes in 1 Tim through Titus (1:3; 2 Tim 1:17; 4:9, 13, 20; Titus 1:5; 3:12) do not match events in Acts. These, plus Paul's mention of his impending death in 2 Tim suggest the following after the narrative in Acts:

- He was released from house arrest mentioned in Acts 28:30-31;
- He traveled extensively (as reflected in the above mentioned references);
- He was then arrested again. This seems to be a situation as gleaned from 2 Tim 1:17; 4:9, 13, 20). The following verses suggest prison life (2 Tim 1:8; 2:9; 4:6-22).

It is believed that 1 Timothy was the first epistle to be written from Macedonia (1:3). The epistle to Titus came later, and 2 Timothy some 3-5 years later.

B) Reason for the writing

Several reasons can be seen for the writing of this epistle:

- To encourage Timothy in his faith (chp 1);
- To instruct him concerning church structure and organization (chp 2-3);
- To instruct him concerning pastoral leadership and conduct (chp 4-6).

C) About Timothy

- A native of Lystra (Acts 16:1);
- His mother was a Jewess, his father was a Greek. Mother's name was Eunice, Grandmother's name was Lois (2 Tim 1:5);
- He joined Paul on his 2nd missionary journey, about AD51 (Acts 16:3).
- His choice indicated of God (1 Tim 1:18);
- He was set apart by the elders and Paul (1 Tim 4:14; 2 Tim 1:6);
- He accompanied Paul to Troas, Philippi, Thessalonica, Berea. He stayed at Berea until Paul sent him to Athens (Acts 17:14-15);
- He was sent back to Thessalonica (1 Thes 3:1-2);
- Upon return from Thessalonica, Paul had gone to Corinth (Acts 18:5; 1 Thes 3:6);
- He joined in writing the Thessalonian letters (1 Thes 1:1; 2 Thes 1:1);
- Later Paul sent him from Ephesus to Corinth (1 Cor 4:17);
- Paul joined him in Macedonia, and he joined in the writing of 2 Cor (Acts 19:22; 2 Cor 1:1);
- He went part way on Paul's journey to Jerusalem (Acts 20:4);
- He is mentioned to be with Paul in Rome (Phil 1:1; 2:19-22; Col 1:1, Phil 1);
- He is later in Ephesus, where this letter is addressed to him;
- He was urged to come to Rome. Whether he reached Rome before Paul's death is not known;
- He is mentioned in Heb 13:23 as having been released from prison;
- He was timid and retiring by nature, not as well fitted as Titus for handling trouble makers;
- He was not in the best of health (1 Tim 5:23);
- He and Luke were Paul's two most constant companions and Paul loved him so dearly;
- Tradition says that after Paul's death, he had the care of the Ephesian church;
- He suffered martyrdom under Nerva or Domitia, making him a co-worker with the Apostle John.



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ILAW every Saturday; and THE PULPIT, featuring our Sunday morning services, every Sunday on GCTV, Ch 185 on SIGNAL. The Mga Munting Ilaw Kids Show is seen every Saturday and Sunday at 7pm. Moreover, the PopLife TV, Ch 72 on SkyCable also airs Lighthouse Cafe TV Talk Show (Mon-Sat, 6-7am), and Mga Munting Ilaw on Sundays (6:30am) and Thurs (5pm).



C) About Ephesus

This was where Paul did his greatest work, about AD54-57 (Acts 19). Some 4 years later after he left Ephesus, from his Roman imprisonment, he wrote the Epistle to the Ephesian Church, about AD62.

A little later, about AD 65-67, he addressed this epistle to Timothy about the work in Ephesus. Later, Ephesus became the home of the Apostle John, where he wrote his Gospel, his epistles and the book of Revelation.

When Paul bade the Ephesian elders farewell in Acts 20:25, he told them that they would not see his face again. It seems, however, his long imprisonment changed his plans, and some 6 or 7 years later, after release from Roman prison, he revisited Ephesus. Passing on to Macedonia, he left Timothy at Ephesus, expecting himself soon to return (1 Tim 1:3; 3:14). Being detained in Macedonia longer than he had planned (3:15), he wrote Timothy this letter. - continued -



Pastor Reuben poses with Pastor Bong Gallardo and members of the Lighthouse BBC Bansalan, Davao del Sur, after the morning celebration of their 10th Anniversary and Sacrificial Thanksgiving last Sunday. We greet Pastor Bong Gallardo and the Bansalan work and their missions in Davao! Congratulations!

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