



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

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**Being Edified as One in 2021**

**Eph 4:7,12**  
"...unto everyone of us is given grace... for the edifying of the body of Christ..."

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## LIGHTHOUSE WATCH PROVES ITS WORTH IMMEDIATELY AFTER LAUNCH

"For God is not unrighteous to forget your work and labour of love, which ye have shewed toward his name, in that ye have ministered to the saints, and do minister. And we desire that every one of you do shew the same diligence to the full assurance of hope unto the end: That ye be not slothful, but followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises" (Heb 6:10-12).

Lighthouse teams have been extending help to members the best way they could. But Pastor Reuben continued to challenge everyone, "We should continue to raise the level of our ministry, even our equipping so we can serve our people in their homes and help alleviate the worsening conditions in our hospitals.

The challenge was taken by all the Lighthouse frontliners, especially by the single working young people (SWYP).

At the time of this writing, about a dozen of Lighthouse members, both from Tatalon and related works, are being attended to and monitored by the WATCH frontliners. Not everyone, of course, have cases of Covid19. Many are just suspects and others are being addressed according to their comorbidity.

A fundraising program is now being undertaken on the initiative of the SWYP to enable procurement of medicines and necessary monitoring kits and essential equipment.

"Most cases of Covid19 are actually mild and do not need hospitalization. We definitely can give treatment to these cases as people stay in their homes. That way, they will also be protected from further infections and we can contribute to helping ease our worsening health care system," Dr Ayka Villazor-Isidro said. Praise God!

The new ministry, Lighthouse WATCH - Workers Assisting and Treating Covid in the Home, proved its worth as soon as it was launched last Sunday.

In its first week of operation, even as of the time of this writing, a total of 12 people are now being ministered to by members of the WATCH team.

In the face of unprecedented rise of Covid19 cases during the last few weeks which overwhelmed hospitals especially within the NCR region, Pastor Reuben further enhanced the functions of the members of the Lighthouse Protocol Committee, Lighthouse ALERT and the Lighthouse Health Monitoring Team to include Home Care to Lighthouse members both in Tatalon and related ministries.

Since the start of the pandemic last year, the



The emergency relief team from the office of Cong Alan Peter Cayetano distributes some financial help to fire victims in Tatalon as Kagawads Chua and Santos of Barangay Tatalon assist. Help continues to be extended to the 40 families who lost their houses during the fire last week.

2ND QUARTER FOCUS

**BEING SOBER, VIGILANT, STEADFAST IN FAITH**

"Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour: whom resist stedfast in the faith, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world. But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle you." 1 Peter 5:8-10

Second Quarter Focus :

*"Being Sober, Vigilant, Steadfast in Faith"*

"Be sober, be vigilant...resist stedfast in the faith..." (1 Pet 5:8-11).

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

**TITLE : OVERCOMING TEMPTATIONS**

**TEXT :**

1 Cor 10:12-13, "Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall. There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it."

1 Thess 3:3-5, "That no man should be moved by these afflictions: for yourselves know that we are appointed thereunto. For verily, when we were with you, we told you before that we should suffer tribulation; even as it came to pass, and ye know. For this cause, when I could no longer forbear, I sent to know your faith, lest by some means the tempter have tempted you, and our labour be in vain."

**INTRODUCTION**

The Apostle Paul overcame temptations. He came out victorious. He made it through after much sufferings, infirmities, tribulations even declared in 2 Cor 12:10, "Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ's sake: for when I am weak, then am I strong."

In his letter to Timothy, he said, 2 Tim 4:6-8, "For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous

judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing."

Paul's victory is ours also. We are also those who love the appearing of Christ. But how can we also have his victory over temptations that come our way?

**A) Consider what Paul went through.**

2 Cor 11:23-30, "Are they ministers of Christ? (I speak as a fool) I am more; in labours more abundant, in stripes above measure, in prisons more frequent, in deaths oft. Of the Jews five times received I forty stripes save one. Thrice was I beaten with rods, once was I stoned, thrice I suffered shipwreck, a night and a day I have been in the deep; in journeyings often, in perils of waters, in perils of robbers, in perils by mine own countrymen, in perils by the heathen, in perils in the city, in perils in the wilderness, in perils in the sea, in perils among false brethren; in weariness and painfulness, in watchings often, in hunger and thirst, in fastings often, in cold and nakedness...Who is weak, and I am not weak? who is offended, and I burn not? If I must needs glory, I will glory of the things which concern mine infirmities."

2 Cor 12:5-10, "Of such an one will I glory: yet of myself I will not glory...And lest I should be exalted above measure through the abundance of the revelations, there was given to me a thorn in the flesh, the messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I should be exalted above measure.

"For this thing I besought the Lord thrice, that it might depart from me.

"And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the

power of Christ may rest upon me.

"Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ's sake: for when I am weak, then am I strong."

In all these things, Paul said, Rom 8:18, "For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us."

James teaches us in James 1:2-8, "My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations; knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience. But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing. If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him. But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed. For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord. A double minded man is unstable in all his ways.

What all these mean, we are not without any equipping from God's word so we, as a church, may not give in to the pressures of temptations. The Lord had said, He is faithful Who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way of escape, that ye may be able to bear it."

But how?

**1) Set your mind right. Have the mind of Christ.**

Eph 4:23, "And be renewed in the spirit of your mind."

Rom 12:2, "And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind..." - continued -

Pastor Reuben talks with Dr Robert Manaos and Dr Erika Villazor-Isidro and discusses the Lighthouse WATCH - Workers Assisting and Treating Covid in the Home, the newest ministry that was officially launched last Sunday. As of the time of this writing, there are 12 people who are into the program and are being ministered to by the WATCH team. Praise God for this ministry!

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