



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

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**Being Edified
as One in 2021**

Eph 4:7,12
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for the edifying of the
body of Christ..."

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MINISTRIES CONFERENCE 2021 PROVES WORTH TO ALL DELEGATES

"For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ" (Eph 4:12).

"...the God of all grace...perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle you" (1 Pet 5:10).

For what it is worth, everyone who joined the on-site and on-line Ministries Conference from Tuesday to Thursday last week left better equipped to work towards seeing everyone in all the Lighthouse related works built up on Jesus Christ.

Many Lighthouse related pastors left the conference saying, the truths preached by Pastor Reuben came as a big "revelation" to them. Many realized that indeed, the subject of edification is one that has never been discussed in many conferences. "We have been too focused with the work of 'perfecting' the saints, of making them 'mature' in faith. We have not even touched the many areas of the works of the ministry; how then can we get to the work of "edifying the body of Christ, the whole Ekklesia?" These were comments by some of the pastors as the conference come to close.

"Many churches simply focus on soul-winning, discipleship, giving, missions, even leadership. But while these things are good, many churches actually and simply, become built on activities, programs, events, funds, personalities, etc, except being built on Christ. And because of the pandemic, the emptiness and unstable condition of churches are manifested.

"Some churches may be so active as a work. But when the gates of their premises get closed because of pandemic, the whole "work" ceases, because the work are simply schedules according to how people can meet physically. When the physical gathering stops, the church stops.

"As Lighthouse churches, while we refer to the work that we do, we should realize that we are not built-up on the work. Rather, we are built-up on Christ who never stops working," Pastor Reuben said.

The Ministries Conference 2021 indeed proved its worth as attending pastors, preachers, teachers, leaders realize the truth behind the theme, Doing All Things Unto Edifying.

It is time that this knowledge concerning edification be translated to wisdom in all of us.

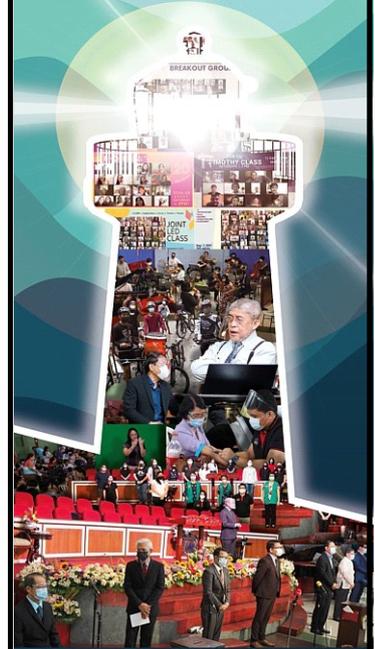
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It was the biggest on-site attendance during this pandemic at Lighthouse BBC Tatalon during 3 nights of the Ministries Conference last week. Picture shows Pastor J Hernes Abante as he delivers the final message last Wednesday, Dec 1, when MILE remembered Tatay Abante's life and ministry.

4th QUARTER FOCUS

**Being Made
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1 Peter 5:10 "...the God of all
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Fourth Quarter Focus :

"Being Made Perfect. Stablished. Strengthened. Settled"

"...the God of all grace...make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle you." (1 Peter 5:10)

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

Some Biblical principles to consider in selecting civil Leaders:

TITLE : A CHURCH EDIFIED IN THE MIDST OF CROOKED AND PERVERSE NATION

TEXT : Phil 2:12-16

"Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling. For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure.

Do all things without murmurings and disputings: That ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world; Holding forth the word of life"

INTRODUCTION

This study is made to equip us as an Ekklesia to do the work of the Lord in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation and generation, even during these perilous times. Paul tells the Philippian church to work out what God works in them.

How do we "work out"? We work out what God through His word works in us (or teaches us).

1 Peter 2:13-17, "Submit yourselves to every ordinance of man for the Lord's sake: whether it be to the king, as supreme; or unto governors, as unto them that are sent by him for the punishment of evildoers, and for the praise of them that do well. For so is the will of God, that with well doing ye may put to silence the ignorance of foolish men: as free, and not using your liberty for a cloke of maliciousness, but as the servants of God. Honour all men. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honour the king."

1. Solomon's platform - wisdom in making decision for God's people.

2 Chronicles 1:10-11, "Give me now wisdom and knowledge, that I may go out and come in before this people: for who can judge this thy people, that is so great? And God said to Solomon, Because this was in thine heart, and thou hast not asked riches, wealth, or honour, nor the life of thine enemies, neither yet hast asked long life; but hast asked wisdom and knowledge for thyself, that thou mayest judge my people, over whom I have made thee king."

2. David ... character and competence.

Psalms 78:72, "So he fed them according to the integrity of his heart; and guided them by the skilfulness of his hands."

3. Moses - faithful to the house of Israel. Patriotic. Nationalistic.

Hebrews 3:5, "And Moses verily was faithful in all his house, as a servant, for a testimony of those things which were to be spoken after."

4. Daniel - versatility in competence.

Daniel 1:4, "Children in whom was no blemish, but well favoured, and skilful in all wisdom, and cunning in knowledge, and understanding science, and such as had ability in them to stand in the king's palace, and whom they might teach the learning and the tongue of the Chaldeans."

5. Hezekiah - fear of God.

2 Chronicles 31:20, "And thus did Hezekiah throughout all Judah, and wrought that which was good and right and truth before the LORD his God."

6. Gideon - strength of purpose.

Judges 8:4, "And Gideon came to Jordan, and passed over, he, and the three hundred men that were with him, faint, yet pursuing them."

7. Joshua - steadfast resolve.

Joshua 1:7, "Only be thou strong and very courageous, that thou mayest observe to do according to all the law, which Moses my servant commanded thee: turn not from it to the right hand or to the left, that thou mayest prosper whithersoever thou goest."

While it is true that "righteousness exalts a nation." Prov 14:34 says, "Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people." But however we pray for this and find someone who can be in government which has this righteousness, there is none. But righteousness must be worked out in a nation by people who can workout such.



The pastors, preachers, Pastor's Men and leaders of the Lighthouse family of churches present on-site during the Ministries Conference pose for a picture after the final challenge given by Pastor Reuben last Thursday night. The 3-day conference proved very timely and fitting for how Lighthouse BBC works may be true to the annual theme, Being Edified as One in 2021.

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