



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

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ALL LIGHTHOUSE FAMILY ON-LINE CAMP HAPPENS ON WED, THURS NIGHTS

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(Eph 4:7,12).

Today, we enter the last week of the year 2021 with our church theme, Being Edified as One in 2021. It seems just a few weeks had passed since we celebrated the new year 2021, but on Saturday, another year comes to us.

We have much challenges that the Covid19 pandemic has brought to us these two years, especially when we experienced the highest number of cases a few months ago. But the Lord has seen us through, and even, by His grace, has shown us how we can be built up in Christ.

As we come to close every year, we always hold our All Lighthouse Family Camp. We will still hold this worthy occasion with selected people on-site in Tatalon and with most of our people joining on-line.

As we always do, we shall be talking about our annual theme, bringing the subject to close and making everyone ready for the next. And we shall also have our annual Bible Quiz, changing the format to on-line.

As pastor, I encourage everyone to join our All Lighthouse Family On-Line Camp on the nights of Wednesday and Thursday, Dec 29, 30 from 7:30pm. Expect that we will end a little late each night, but surely, everyone will be filled with joy and equipping.

Meantime, be informed also that we will forego with the traditional Sunrise Service on January 1 in favor of a Joint Coming Together of our Lighthouse works on Sunday, January 2 at 3:30pm. We expect that given the activities of our families, it will be tedious for everyone to come to Tatalon, even be on-line on January 1, hence the temporary change.

Let us celebrate this period of Christmas and New Year with the love of Christ taking hold of us!

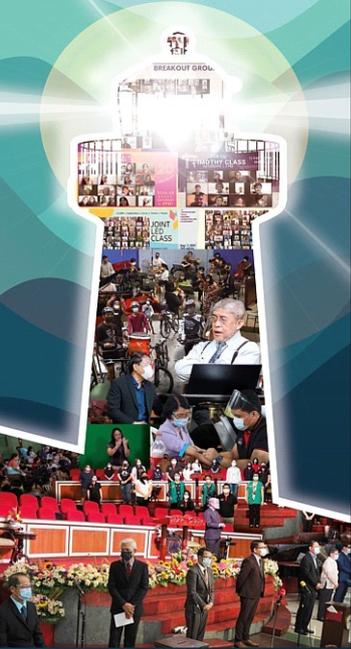


The Lighthouse BBC Choir, with Cainta members, the Lighthouse Chamber Orchestra, Young Ladies Singers, Sinag and members of the LAVNet pose for a picture after the Carol Night last Thursday.



4th QUARTER FOCUS

Being Made Perfect, Stablished, Strengthened, Settled



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Fourth Quarter Focus :

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

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."

Some Biblical principles to consider in selecting civil Leaders:

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.

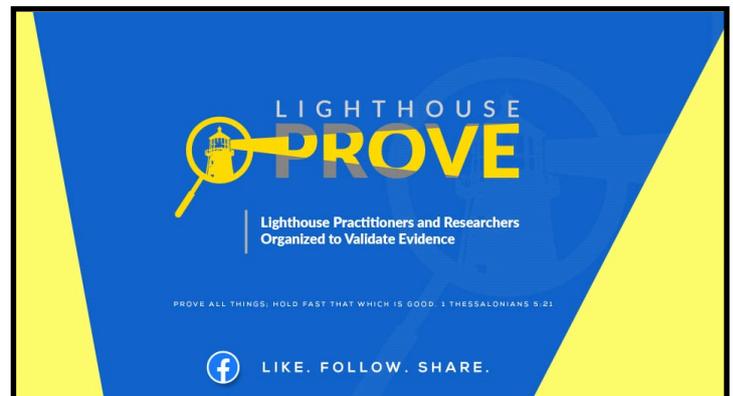
Judges 8:4, "And Gideon came to Jordan, and passed over, he, and the three hundred men that were with him, faint, yet pursuing them."

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.



Pastor Reuben and Brother Dick Ku join the Sinag in singing the song Boundless Love in this picture. The All Lighthouse Carol Night was a rare experience as the Lighthouse BBC Choir, the Lighthouse Chamber Orchestra, the Young Ladies Singers and the Sinag came together and extended the Ministry of Lifting Up to all our people. This is Being Edified as One in 2021! Praise God for His grace of equipping!

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