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Being Faithful and True in 2022

Rev 22:6,7

"These sayings are faithful and true... blessed is he that keepeth..."

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LIGHTHOUSE MEDIA MINISTRY BEGINS LIVE TV PROGRAMMING

"Thou hast given a banner to them that fear thee, that it may be displayed because of the truth" (Ps 60:4).

"We will rejoice in thy salvation, and in the name of our God we will set up our banners..." (Ps 20:5).

n a time of big challenges and limitations, the Lighthouse Media Ministry, personally headed by Pastor Reuben, sets another unprecedented ministry as it ventured into live TV broadcasting of the Lighthouse Cafe TV Talk Show. This venture is the first in all church-based media ministry and one the raises the standard in TV broadcasting among all Baptist churches in the country.

"The drive to raise the level of our media ministry to be able to offer up-to-date, live broadcasting is in itself, a manifestation of a deep commitment to faithful stewardship of the grace of God to us,' Pastor Reuben said.

sa Bayan, a talk show series that offers topics that deal with current issues, the long periods that follow the recorded type of broadcasting will not render

the TV talks up-to-date. The only way is to broadcast the show live.

But the challenge has been met with a deep commitment by everyone involved in the media ministry, even extending to the Lighthouse works around Metro Manila.

In order to address the facility requirement live broadcasting, the Lighthouse Cafe is temporarily set as a studio. The cafe facility, while functional, is temporarily placed outside the Lighthouse Cafe.

It has been one year since the Lighthouse BBC took over completely the operation and management of the GCTV, and by God's grace, the channel has consistently offered 24/7 programming. This, in itself, is a testimony of the good stewarship of all the grace of God bestowed to everyone in Lighthouse, according to abilities He has been bestowing, be they in the area of operation, management, technical, art and provision.

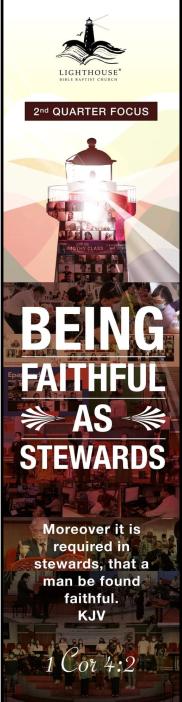
The Lord indeed, has been giving a "banner" - a platform of ministry for the whole Lighthouse BBC,



Pastor Reuben, along with hosts and guest of the Lighthouse Cafe TV Talk Show pose for a picture with new technical recruits, Francis Jun and Jun Galicia (Lighthouse BBC Pasig) and Bryan Bolong (Lighthouse BBC Taguig) who were so happy to be part of the media crew.

Second Quarter Focus: "Being Faithful As Stewards

"Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful." (1 Cor. 4:2)



ENRICHMENT & DEVELOPMENT CLASS LESSON

Special Lesson for Elections 2022

TITLE: BIBLICAL GUIDELINES IN CHOOSING CANDIDATES

TEXT: 2 Sam 23:3, "...He that ruleth over men must be just,

ruling in the fear of God."

INTRODUCTION

Our best guide in life is the Word of Truth. What it teaches applies to every aspect of our lives, personal, family, business, community, even as we take the responsibility to select the candidates for the current national and local elections next month.

The wise man Solomon says in Ps 127:1, "Except the Lord build the house, they labour in vain that build it: except the Lord keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain."

What this passage tells us is, even as a nation, we cannot put God outside of governance. He remains the Builder of our Nation-Home. His Word is our Blue-Print.

May this series of lessons equip us as a people of God who submit ourselves to the ordinance of man.

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6) Choose people who are not known to be rebellious especially against a duly constituted authority.

Rom 13:2, "Whosoever therefore resisteth the power, resisteth the ordinance of God: and they that resist shall receive to themselves damnation." KJV

Rom 13:2, "Therefore he who resists and sets himself up against the authorities resists what God has appointed and arranged [in divine order]. And those who resist will bring down judgment upon themselves [receiving the penalty due them]. AMP

Let us be sure that those we choose do not have rebellious hearts. Be careful of people who have shown themselves to be "revolutionaries" and "rebels" who go against duly constituted authority.

Prov 24:21, "My son, don't get involved with revolutionaries..." CJB Prov 24:21-22, "My son, [reverently] fear the Lord and the king, and do not associate with those who are given to change [of allegiance, and are revolutionary], For their calamity shall rise suddenly, and who knows the punishment and ruin which both [the Lord and the king] will bring upon [the rebellious]?" AMP

7) Choose people who will establish a kind of government that is respected by all and is feared by evil men.

Rom 13:3, "For rulers are not a terror to good works, but to the evil. Wilt thou then not be afraid of the power?" KJV

Rom 13:3, "For civil authorities are not a terror to [people of] good conduct, but to [those of] bad behavior. Would you have no dread of him who is in authority?" AMP

Let us us choose candidates who will balance what the government is to all our people: a government that is both respected by all and feared by those who do evil.

Prov 29:2, "When the righteous are in authority, the people rejoice: but when the wicked beareth rule, the people mourn." KJV

8) Choose people who will constitute a government that recognizes and commends the praise-worthy regardless of party, family, association or region.

Rom 13:3, "...do that which is good, and thou shalt have praise of the same." $\ensuremath{\mathrm{KJV}}$

It is important that we install a government that will be a government for all people. For many long years, we have allowed ourselves to be divided by those who are in government themselves, who only give recognition and commendation to those within their respective parties, families, clan, region and even religion.

Let us choose candidates who will unify our people whether they be from the north or south, who will not choose their own families and friends above the things that should benefit the greater number of our people.

9) Choose people who will deliver to all Filipinos what the Philippine Government should: the good and beneficial to all Filipinos.

Rom 13:4, "For he is the minister of God to thee for good." KJV Let us choose candidates who have programs that will really bring benefit to our people. Not doing dole outs, but delivering things that will benefit our people and the coming generation. Who think beyond their own selves and their generation. Who will bring long term benefit.

10) Choose people who will constitute a government that implements its laws, making every provision both executory and certain.

Rom 13:4, "...if thou do that which is evil, be afraid; for he beareth not the sword in vain: for he is the minister of God, a revenger to execute wrath upon him that doeth evil." KJV

Rom 13:4, "...if you do what is wrong, be afraid! Because it is not for nothing that he holds the power of the sword; for he is Godís servant, there as an avenger to punish wrongdoers." CJB

Let us choose candidates who will deliver true peace and order throughout the country. Who will implement laws and make every provision thereof executory and certain. It is the uncertainty of our laws that bring about lawlessness to our country.

11) Choose people who will govern not simply from the point of view of title and power. Rather choose people who will make a government that is revered and regarded greatly by all our people.

Rom 13:5, "Wherefore ye must needs be subject, not only for wrath, but also for conscience sake." KJV

Rom 13:5, "Another reason to obey, besides fear of punishment, is for the sake of conscience." CJB

We want a government that is not just feared by those that do evil, but one that is revered and regarded greatly by our people. Our people go overseas because they feel that government does not care.



Pastor Reuben raises the standard of the media ministry of the Lighthouse BBC with the new live TV broadcasting being done in the Lighthouse Cafe TV Talk Show. Above pictures show live interviews made during Kamalayan at Gabay sa Bayan, a new series in the Lighthouse Cafe and the joint set up with The BMA Chronicles with Pastor J Hernes Abante in the US and Jojo Santos in Bacolod.