



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

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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 BBC OPENS ALL FACILITIES AS FAMILY MONTH BEGINS NEXT WEEK

"I beseech you, brethren, (ye know the house of Stephanas, that it is the firstfruits of Achaia, and that they have addicted themselves to the ministry of the saints,) that ye submit yourselves unto such, and to every one that helpeth with us, and laboureth" (1 Cor 16:15-16).

family members, young and old. The Children's Department has also started adjusting to face-to-face LED classes to the excitement of teachers. But of course, our Lighthouse Protocol team still monitors the safety measures in all gatherings.

Next Sunday, the photostudio will also be ready to take portraits of our Lighthouse families and this will continue for the whole month of August. Pictures of families, fathers and mothers shall be made available to all our people on time for the Thanksgiving Firstfruits on September 18, just 7 weeks from today.

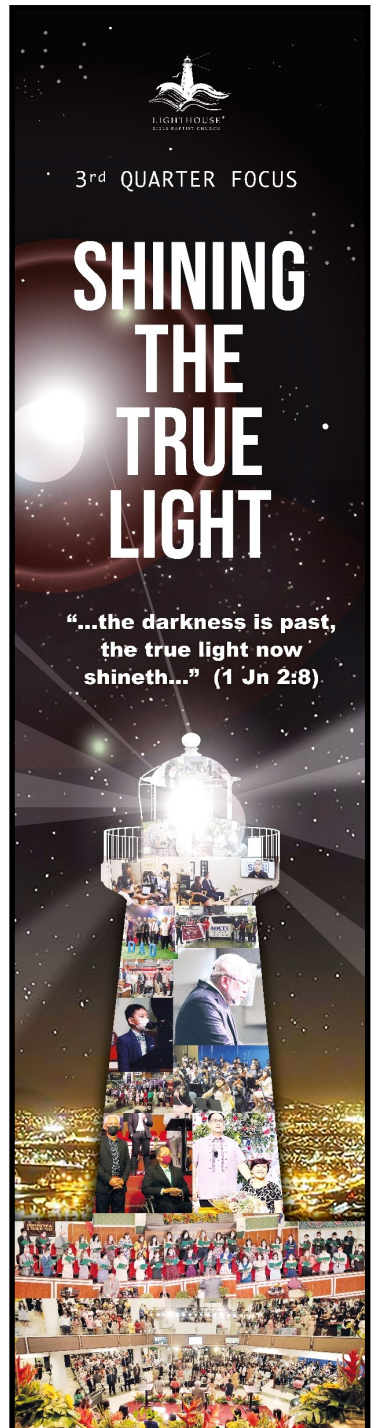
Adjustments to our Sunday afternoon Coming Together has also been implemented to give way for sufficient time for our various fellowship groups to meet in the early afternoon. The afternoon Coming Together is now 4pm and still broadcasted live over GCTV Channel 185 on Signal TV.

All members of the Lighthouse BBC, from children to adults, are enjoined to faithfully and truthfully steward the manifold grace of God by coming out from doubts and fears brought by the pandemic and shine the true light of the Lord Jesus Christ in our lives and ministries. He will bless!  
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After several weeks of clean-up drive, our Lighthouse BBC facilities will now be opened to more face-to-face gatherings as we slowly go back to the new normal through this Covid19 pandemic. This development is brought forward with the efforts of our facilities crew which is now headed by Brother Melchor "Edwin" Ballesteros.

What this brings forward to all the whole Lighthouse BBC in Tatalon is the return of all family members, children to adults, to all ministry activities - just in time for the Family Month of August.

Beginning next Sunday, all the Lighthouse BBC works will observe Family Month leading to August 21 when we will have our Family Sunday. With the improvement of the church facilities, all Lighthouse families are encouraged to go back to bringing all



Third Quarter Focus:

*"Shining the True Light"*

*"...the darkness is past, and the true light now shineth" (1 John 2:8).*

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

**TITLE : PRACTICES OF BIBLICAL NEW TESTAMENT EKKLESIA  
TEXT :**

1 Cor 11:2, "Now I praise you, brethren, that ye remember me in all things, and keep the ordinances, as I delivered them to you."

2 Thess 2:15-17, " Therefore, brethren, stand fast, and hold the traditions which ye have been taught, whether by word, or our epistle. Now our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God, even our Father, which hath loved us, and hath given us everlasting consolation and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts, and stablish you in every good word and work."

#### INTRODUCTION

What are the practices of the New Testament churches that we must keep if we are to remain Biblical Baptist Churches? We all know we as a church "are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone" (Eph 2:19-20).

We must be careful then that we keep as our pattern, the early churches in the New Testament and careful, too, that we keep the precepts and practices of the early churches in the conduct of the ministry - as delivered to them by the Apostles.

We are careful to say, however, that the "traditions" or practices we refer to are those observed by New Testament Churches and not as Jewish customs. We do not intend to make Jewish communities out of our church; but what we want to maintain are practices of the New Testament Churches.

We are also careful that we do not adopt these "traditions" or practices as equal to the two ordinances of the New Testament Church, which are baptism and the Lord's Supper. Rather, these are traditions or practices that make us the peculiar people that we are.  
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#### 7. The practice of unreservedly helping the brethren and other churches.

Acts 4:34, "Neither was there any among them that lacked: for as many as were possessors of lands or houses sold them, and brought the prices of the things that were sold..."

2 Cor 8:14-15, "But by an equality, that now at this time your abundance may be a supply for their want, that their abundance also may be a supply for your want: that there may be equality: as it is written, He that had gathered much had nothing over; and he that had gathered little had no lack."

Acts 11:28-30, "And there stood up one of them named Agabus, and signified by the spirit that there should be great dearth throughout all the world: which came to pass in the days of Claudius Caesar.

"Then the disciples, every man according to his ability, determined to send relief unto the brethren which dwelt in Judaea: which also they did, and sent it to the elders by the hands of Barnabas and Saul. KJV

We believe that the practice of helping others should be a diligent ministry of every New Testament Bible-believing church, however challenged they may be in their needs.

#### 8. The practice of edifying each other through gift-based services and ministries.

Rom 12:6-9, "Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, whether prophecy, let us prophesy according to the proportion of faith; or ministry, let us wait on our ministering: or he that teacheth, on teaching; or he that exhorteth, on exhortation: he that giveth, let him do it with simplicity; he that ruleth, with diligence; he that sheweth mercy, with cheerfulness. Let love be without dissimulation. Abhor that which is evil; cleave to that which is good."

1 Cor 12:4-7, "Now there are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit. And there are differences of administrations, but the same Lord. And there are diversities of operations, but it is the same God which worketh all in all.

"But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal."

#### 9. The practice of singing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs.

Eph 5:19-20, "Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord; giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ."

Col 3:16-17, "Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord. And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him."

1 Cor 14:15, "What is it then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will sing with the understanding also: I will sing with the spirit, and I will sing with the understanding also."

#### 10. The practice of honoring the men of God.

Heb 13:7, "Remember them which have the rule over you, who have spoken unto you the word of God: whose faith follow, considering the end of their conversation."

Heb 13:24, "Salute all them that have the rule over you, and all the saints. They of Italy salute you."

Heb 13:17, "Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves: for they watch for your souls, as they that must give account, that they may do it with joy, and not with grief: for that is unprofitable for you."

1 Thess 5:12-13, "And we beseech you, brethren, to know them which labour among you, and are over you in the Lord, and admonish you; And to esteem them very highly in love for their work's sake. And be at peace among yourselves."

1 Tim 5:17-18, "Let the elders that rule well be counted worthy of double honour, especially they who labour in the word and doctrine. For the scripture saith, Thou shalt not muzzle the ox that treadeth out the corn. And, The labourer is worthy of his reward."

#### 11. The practice of making impact and being relevant to society.

Phil 2:15-16, "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..."

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Lighthouse BBC members who joined the 3-nights Stewardship Emphasis 2022 take a picture last Thursday. Pastor Reuben presented a series of messages on the subject, The Coming of the Grace of God with emphasis on how the whole Ekklesia should be faithful steward of the same.

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