PRAYER LIST

- **CHURCH PROPERTY – ₱ 150k advance rent, ₱ 1M funds for bldg. construction, and documents to put paperwork in order**
- **Fund-raising activities (Golf Tournament, Solicitations, Banquet)**
- **Air-conditioning Unit (2.0 hp)**
- **Church Vehicle**
- **Electric Piano**
- **Worship Team & Creative Team**
- **Men's Fellowship & Ladies Group**
- **Youth Ministry**
- **Mission Works (Manaoag, Dinagat, Taytay, Palawan)**
- **Pastors and Churches (LBBC, IBBC, Diadem BBC, BMP)**
- **Gerald Chan (H-Star Ent)**
- **Lulu Teng (Diamond Motors)**

Our Weekly Report

February 26-29, 2012

Sunday Morning

Adults	**32**
Young People	**15**
Children	**9**
Total	**56**
Offerings	**₱ 2,465**

Wednesday Prayer Meeting

Adults	**8**
YP and Children	**7**
Total	**15**

Announcements

- Happy birthday to **Aileen Dandoy** (March 1)! God bless ☺
- **Golf Tickets** and **Letters of Solicitation** are still available! We can sell these to our friends who play golf. Let us support our Golf Tournament on May 4.
- Let us be in prayer for our **Recognition Day** on **March 31!** All our members are encouraged to invite students and **parents** to attend this special event.
- **Family Church Camp** on April 2,3 and 4, at Camp Capinpin is only **6 weeks away**! Registration is ONGOING. Please see our Camp Coordinator Edros Rico to register.

Faith Pleases Gold

But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him. — *Hebrews 11:6*

Your relationship with God is largely determined by your faith. When you come to Him, you must believe that He exists and that He is exactly who He has revealed Himself to be in Scriptures. You must also believe that He will respond to you when you earnestly seek Him. Without this kind of faith, you cannot please God. Regardless of the morality of your life, the good works you perform, the words you speak, or the sacrifices you make for His sake, if you do not have faith, you will not please Him. It can be tempting to substitute religious activity for faith in God. Christians may claim they are being "good stewards" of their resources when, in fact, they are wanting to walk by sight rather than by faith (Heb. 11:1). They may refuse to do what God tells them unless they can see all the resources in place first.

You cannot struggle at the core of your relationship with God and still enjoy a vibrant fellowship with Him! Faith does not eliminate problems. Faith keeps you in a trusting relationship with God in the midst of your problems. Faith has to do with your relationship with God, not your circumstances. Nothing is more secure or certain than that which you entrust to God.

-Blackaby Devotionals

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Summary of Last Week's Message

Six Worldviews We Compete Against

Scripture Reading: Romans 12:1-2 and Ephesians 6:12

A worldview is an integral part of life because it determines their relationships. It determines their successes and failures. It determines their goals and motivations. If you want to see someone change their lives, they'll have to change how they look at the world first.

1. **MATERIALISM** – This says: The one with the most toys win. It can be summed up with one word – MORE. Materialism says that the only thing that really matters in life is acquiring things. The Bible's answer *(Luke 12:15)* - He tells us not to judge our lives by how much we've got. The greatest things in life aren't things.
2. **ME FIRST** – It's a self-centered, individualistic way of life that says we should ignore the community and other people. The Bible's answer *(Matthew 16:25)* - Jesus says you only begin to live when you give your life away. Significance in life does not come from serving yourself; it comes from serving God and others.
3. **HEDONISM** – Do what feels good! This is the belief that the most important thing in life is how we feel. If the whole goal of a person's life is to simply do nothing, live a self centered life, and make no contribution to the world, that's hedonism. The Bible's answer *(Proverbs 21:17)* – No matter how much you try to please yourself, there is really no satisfaction with just feeling good. As the song goes, "I can't get no satisfaction."
4. **WHATEVER WORKS** – This says it doesn't matter if it's right or wrong. If it works for you, it's fine. "Different strokes for different folks." In our multi-cultural, pluralistic world, this is a very popular worldview. Nobody wants to tell someone else that what they are doing is wrong. The Bible's answer *(Proverbs 14:12)* – "Whatever works for you" leads to death. You don't break God's universal laws; they break you.
5. **NATURALISM OR ATHEISM** – This says that God does not exist. Naturalists believe that everything in life is a result of random chance. We're all accidents of nature. There is no grand creator or grand design. God either doesn't exist or he doesn't matter. It takes more faith to be an atheist than it does to believe in God. The Bible's answer *(Romans 1:20-22)* – In other words, we can look at nature and see a lot about God. We know God is creative, powerful, organized, and likes diversity. There are lots of things we know about God just by looking at nature.
6. **HUMANISM** – This says that you are your own god. It says we are the mastermind of our own fate, the determiner of our destiny. You'll hear this in the new age movement as well: "You're divine. You're a god." The Bible's answer *(Romans 1:25)* – The Bible is clear that God is God, and we're not.

All of these worldviews have consequences. Every day we're affected and influenced by them. We're often not even aware of it. These worldviews affect the happiness and success of the people around us, and they affect our ministry and our church. They matter greatly.

The Biblical Worldview - God made us for his purposes. It says that we exist for his pleasure.