



God's Calling and its Preparation

1 Corinthians 4:1-5 (NKJV)

¹Let a man so consider us, as servants of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God. ²Moreover it is required in stewards that one be found faithful. ³But with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged by you or by a human court. In fact, I do not even judge myself. ⁴For I know of nothing against myself, yet I am not justified by this; but He who judges me is the Lord. ⁵Therefore judge nothing before the time, until the Lord comes, who will both bring to light the hidden things of darkness and reveal the counsels of the hearts. Then each one's praise will come from God.

Introduction

The Ministry and God's Timing

Throughout the Scriptures, God not only calls individuals to serve Him, but He also prepares them and appoints them to serve at the right time.

A minister without preparation can become discouraged, and a ministry pursued before God's timing can become burdensome.

God is not merely interested in what a minister does. God is also concerned about who the minister becomes during the process of preparation.

Note

Understand that God's timing and

preparation are important.

Who is a minister?

He is a servant of God who has been called and entrusted with responsibilities within God's Kingdom.

The word "minister" comes from the Latin word *minister*, which means "servant," or one who attends to the needs of others.

Matthew 20:26

Yet it shall not be so among you; but whoever desires to become great among you, let him be your servant.

What is ministry?

Ministry is the work that God assigns to His servants for the benefit of His Kingdom and His people.

The Fivefold Ministry

These ministry gifts were given by Christ for the equipping of the saints, for the edification of the body of Christ, and for the advancement of God's Kingdom on Earth.

Ministry is not merely an activity; it is a participation in God's work on Earth.

God's call in the ministry is as a steward entrusted by God. God calls you first before releasing you into the ministry. Moreover, it is required in a steward that one be found "faithful."

1 Corinthians 4:2

Moreover it is required in stewards that one be found faithful.

Success in ministry is not just measured by numbers, but by being faithful. God calls you first before sending you to ministry.

The Purpose of God's Divine Preparation (Four Aspects)

1. Character Development

God prepares the minister before expanding the ministry. Giftedness may attract attention, but character sustains influence.

2. Spiritual Maturity

Preparation teaches us to depend more on God rather than on our own self-confidence. Ministers, in the process, learn how to pray, to stay humble, and to be patient and faithful.

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It is the heart of United Christian Academy (UCA) to develop students academically, and as well as to hone their holistic well-being for their overall welfare and safety. In light of this, UCA conducts the Health and Safety Week last June 26, Friday, with the theme, "Cleaner, Brighter, and Safer Life."

In partnership with the Parañaque Disaster Risk Reduction Management Office (DRRMO), UCA successfully conducted

its earthquake seminars, simulators, and drills that taught essential life-saving skills like alertness, vigilance, and a sense of responsibility. A healthy life means having a healthy body and mind. With this, UCA also holds a handwashing and oral care seminar, promoting proper hygiene and healthy habits.

Above all, let us always remember that it is the Lord that sustains our needs and protects us in times of need.



HANDWASHING SEMINAR

Learning how to take care of our personal health by keeping our bodies clean and healthy is an important life skill. With the help of Joyful Jake, students are reminded of the proper handwashing technique and ways to take care of our oral health.



The students demonstrate the proper handwashing technique to their fellow students.



Knowing how to stay healthy will also make them more confident and boost their self-esteem.



EARTHQUAKE SEMINAR

Headed by Mr. Paul De Leon, Secretariat of Capacity Building and Training Service, and his team from the Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office (DRRMO), an earthquake preparedness seminar and orientation was conducted at the UCA Auditorium.



There is no assurance when a natural disaster may happen, making each part of the seminar vital in preparing them for unpredictable disasters.



Highlighting the importance of emergency planning and hazard awareness, the speakers explain how to prepare and what to do in such situations.



EARTHQUAKE SIMULATOR

To prepare students and to train them for emergency response, students safely experienced the physical sensation of varying earthquake magnitude in the earthquake simulator. Through this, they learned how to properly react and practice their learnings from the seminar.



As young as they are, it is essential for students to learn the do's and don'ts during natural disasters, such as earthquakes, as this knowledge can protect them.



Applying what they have learned in the seminar, the students duck, cover, and hold as they get on the earthquake simulator provided by the DRRMO.



EARTHQUAKE DRILL

After the seminar, the students, guardians, parents, and school staff participated in an earthquake drill as preparation for emergency situations. The participants practiced the proper safety procedures, including following the school's evacuation plan after the shaking stopped.



Promoting disaster preparedness in advance equips people with the knowledge and skills needed to respond effectively during emergencies, encouraging them to remain alert, calm, and prepared in times of uncertainty.



Students and pupils actively put into practice their learnings from the seminar disaster readiness during the earthquake.





ONLINE SEMINAR

The distance learning students gained practical knowledge for both their daily health and emergency situations, mastering essential skills from proper handwashing and dental care to critical preparedness protocols during earthquakes.



PHOTOBOOTH

Capturing a key moment of their practical training, the students posed for a quick photo while equipped with their hard hats. Truly, the health and safety of the students are priorities of UCA.



UCA TEACHERS UNDERGO IN-SERVICE TRAINING

With the advancing of society, United Christian Academy (UCA) always makes sure that they are ready and on top of it. UCA teachers attended the In-Service Training (INSET) for Junior and Senior High School teachers conducted by the Private Education Assistance Committee at Adamson University last June 22-24.

Teachers from different schools were equipped with strategies, learning methods, and classroom management for better learning outcomes of students based on the DepEd curriculum. The active participation of UCA teachers is a key factor for the further enhancement of teaching methods in UCA.

Indeed, the ministry of UCA entrusted by God to His servants will keep on flourishing for His glory!

UCA teachers are equipped to adopt new learnings as they serve in the ministry for the glory of God.



Group Activities



One key takeaway is the need to work on preparing the whole learning journey of students as this will impact their learning outcome.

UCACOA CONDUCTS BOOKKEEPING ORIENTATION

With the growing demand for bookkeeping positions in both local and offshore industries, UCA College of Asia (UCACOA) is extending its Bookkeeping NC III Scholarship Program to students, unemployed individuals, and professionals who aspire to pursue a career in bookkeeping. An orientation was held on June 22 and 25 at the UCA Auditorium.

Led by TVET Focal Trainer Rev. Ryan Christian Tabay, he presented the program, its requirements, and the opportunities the course offers. Truly, the Lord continuously blesses UCACOA and opens doors of opportunity to help our community.

Praise God for opening another avenue to also share the Gospel and bring more souls at His feet.

Aspiring bookkeepers are looking forward to new learnings and practical application they can use in their future careers.



Orientation



The bookkeeping students are eager to learn and are looking forward to embark in a new learning experience in UCACOA.



FATHER'S DAY CELEBRATION

Pagbibigay pugay sa *Araw ng mga Ama*

Nag-uumpaw ang pasasalamat ng kapatiran sa ating mga ama na nananatili kay Kristo at patuloy na ginagampanan ang kanilang tungkulin sa pamilya. Kaya naman bilang pagpapatuloy ng selebrasyon, ginunita ang espesyal na Araw ng mga Ama noong Hunyo 21 sa UCF Church.

Ang kanilang pagmamahal ay buhat din ng pagmamahal ni Hesus sa sangkatauhan. Simple ngunit masagana ang naging selebrasyon kasabay ng mga ngiting namumutawi sa bawat tatay na nakatanggap ng mga regalo mula sa kapatiran.



Prayer



Nakikitaan man ng kalakasan sa panlabas ang ating mga haligi ng tahanan, ito ay mula sa habag at grasya ng ating Panginoong Hesus.



Kaya naman ang panalangin ng kapatiran ay nagbibigay papuri at pasasalamat sa Panginoon para sa Kaniyang kadakilaan sa buhay ng bawat isa.



Presentation



Gift Giving

Ilan din sa ating mga tatay ay naghandog ng munting presentasyon para sa Panginoon. Sila rin ay malugod na nakatanggap ng munting regalo.

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3. Testing and Refinement

Trials expose our weaknesses and strengthen our spiritual endurance.

4. Developing Wisdom

Ministers gained experience during the waiting seasons. He equips them to guide others more effectively toward results.

The Danger of Moving Ahead of God's Timing

One of the greatest mistakes a minister can make is attempting to fulfill God's calling out of God's timing.

When people move ahead of God:

- They become frustrated.
- They rely on fleshly methods.
- They usually experience unnecessary struggles.
- They could endanger their testimony.
- They could risk burnout.

Note

God's promises in fulfilling His purpose do not need human manipulation. God is able to do His will, His plan, and His purpose in His time.

During the waiting seasons, a minister should:

- Continue serving God faithfully
- Grow spiritually
- Develop gifts
- Build godly character
- Study God's Word
- Remain teachable

Isaiah 40:31

But those who wait on the Lord Shall renew their strength; They shall mount up with wings like eagles, They shall run and not be weary, They shall walk and not faint.

Challenge

- The ministers and their ministries, and the timing of God, are inseparable.
- It is God who calls the minister to ministry, and prepares him through various seasons and time.
- It is God's perfect timing, perfect schedule, and perfect purpose that create His perfect will – to fulfill God's Kingdom to bring glory and honor to God.

Remember, God is never late. He prepares the minister, shapes the ministry, and opens the door of ministry at His appointed time.



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