

# GCF ORTIGAS WORSHIP BULLETIN

### WORSHIP SERVICES • January 7–8, 2023

### TRADITIONAL SERVICE Saturday • 5:30 PM

Call to Worship Worship Through Praise Community Prayer Worship Through Fellowship Worship Through Giving Doxology Scripture Reading Preparatory Hymn Worship in the Word

Pastor Larry Pabiona The Occult, Ghosts, and Demonic Activity (Selected Verses) Response Hymn Benediction

### ENGLISH & SUNSET SERVICE \* Sunday • 10:00 AM & 5:30 PM

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### FILIPINO SERVICE \* Sunday • 3:00 PM

Tawag sa Pagsamba Pagsamba sa Pag-awit Panalanging Pangkapulungan Pakikipag-ugnayan Paghahandog Pagbasa ng Banal na Kasulatan Pag-aaral ng Salita ng Diyos **Pastor BJ Sebastian** Ang Okultismo, Mga Multo, at Gawain ng Demonyo (Selected Verses) Tugon na Awit

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CLEAR THE AIR SERIES: BURNING ISSUES CONFRONTING CHRISTIANS TODAY JANUARY 7-8, 2023

### The Occult, Ghosts, and Demonic Activity (SELECTED VERSES)

Even in the Bible, people feared ghosts (Mark 6:49-50). The awareness of the supernatural, both its holy and infernal aspects, is built-in into our souls. And for those without a spiritual anchor, the fear of supernatural evil can be overwhelming. What does the Bible tell us about demonic realities and activities? How can you be freed from the fear of them and their power to harm?

### THE ORIGIN OF SATAN AND DEMONS

### The Rebellion of Satan: Ezekiel 28:16

Satan's fall is described in Ezekiel 28 and Isaiah 14. Satan's downfall was his pride: he wanted to be like the "Most High." Because of this, God cast him out of heaven.

### The Recruitment by Satan: Revelation 12:4

Satan took a third of heaven's angels with him in his fall. There can be anywhere from several hundred million to billions of fallen angels active on earth.

### THE ACTIVITIES OF SATAN AND DEMONS

(from "Biblical Doctrine" by John MacArthur and Richard Mayhue)

- 1. Promote false doctrines (1 Timothy 4:1)
- 2. Initiate false worship, e.g., the occult, witchcraft, etc. (1 Corinthians 10:20-21)
- 3. Perform false signs and wonders (2 Thessalonians 2:9; Revelation 16:13–14)
- 4. Terrorize humans, e.g., ghosts (1 Samuel 16:14–15; Acts 19:13–16; 2 Corinthians 12:7)
- 5. Encourage idolatry (Deuteronomy 32:17; Psalm 106:37)
- 6. Deceive prophets (1 Kings 22:19–23)
- 7. Physically afflict people (Mark 9:17, 22). However, not all illnesses are of demonic origin.
- 8. Engineer death (Judges 9:23, 56–57)
- 9. Possess humans and animals (Mark 5:1-16)

### The DEFEAT OF SATAN AND DEMONS

### BY GOD:

- Satan's defeat was announced in Eden (Genesis 3:15).
- Satan was rendered powerless through the cross (Hebrews 2:14–15).
- Satan and all demons will be bound in the pit for 1,000 years (Revelation 20:2–3).
- Satan and all demons will be cast into the lake of fire eternally (Revelation 20:7–10).

### BY BELIEVERS THROUGH CHRIST: Biblical Instructions for Defeating Satan

- First, submit yourselves to God (James 4:7a) and draw near to God, knowing that He will also draw near to you (James 4:8).
- Second, resist the Devil, and he will flee from you (James 4:7b; 1 Peter 5:9).

### **FINAL THOUGHTS**

Satan and demons are spiritual creatures who rebelled against God. They can afflict and oppress believers, so we must be on our guard. However, they have been judged and defeated by the work of Christ on the cross. Make sure you belong to Christ! You'll have nothing to fear and heaven to gain. ■

CLEAR THE AIR SERIES: BURNING ISSUES CONFRONTING CHRISTIANS TODAY JANUARY 8, 2023

### Ang Okultismo, Mga Multo, at Gawain ng Demonyo (SELECTED VERSES)

Kahit sa Bibliya, may mga tao na takot sa mga multo (Mark 6:49-50). Lahat tayo ay may kamalayan sa mga supernatural na bagay, ito man ay ang banal o hindi banal na aspeto nito. At para sa mga hindi nakaangkla sa Panginoon, ang takot sa supernatural na kasamaan ay maaaring maging napakalaki. Ano ang sinasabi sa atin ng Bibliya tungkol sa mga katotohanan at gawain ng mga demonyo? Paano ka makakalaya mula sa takot sa kanila at sa kanilang kapangyarihang manakit?

### ANG PINAGMULAN NI SATANAS AT MGA DEMONYO

Ang rebelyon ni Satanas: Ezekiel 28:16 Ang pangangalap ni Satanas: Revelation 12:4

### ANG MGA GAWAIN NI SATANAS AT MGA DEMONYO

(mula sa aklat na "Biblical Doctrine" nina John MacArthur at Richard Mayhue)

- 1. Magkalat ng mga maling doktrina (1 Timothy 4:1)
- Magsimula ng maling pagsamba, e.g., ang okulto, pangkukulam, etc. (1 Corinthians 10:20–21)
- 3. Magsagawa ng mga pekeng "himala" (2 Thessalonians 2:9; Revelation 16:13–14)
- 4. Maghasik ng takot, e.g., mga multo (1 Samuel 16:14-15; Acts 19:13-16; 2 Corinthians 12:7)
- 5. Magsulong ng idolatriya (Deuteronomy 32:17; Psalm 106:37)
- 6. Manlinlang ng mga propeta (1 Kings 22:19–23)
- 7. Pisikal na pagpapahirap sa mga tao (Mark 9:17, 22). Ngunit hindi lahat ng sakit ay nagmula sa demonyo.
- 8. Maging sanhi ng kamatayan (Judges 9:23, 56–57)
- 9. Sumapi sa mga tao at hayop (Mark 5:1–16)

### ANG PAGKATALO NI SATANAS AT MGA DEMONYO

### DAHIL SA DIYOS:

- Ang pagkatalo ni Satanas ay inihayag sa Eden (Genesis 3:15).
- Si Satanas ay nawalan ng kapangyarihan sa pamamagitan ng krus (Hebrews 2:14-15).
- Si Satanas at ang lahat ng demonyo ay igagapos sa hukay sa loob ng 1,000 taon (Revelation 20:2–3).
- Si Satanas at lahat ng demonyo ay itatapon sa lawa ng apoy magpakailanman (Revelation 20:7–10).

### DAHIL SA MGA MANANAMPALATAYA SA PAMAMAGITAN NI KRISTO: Mga Biblikal na Tagubilin para sa Pagtalo kay Satanas

- Una, magpasakop tayo sa Diyos (James 4:7a) at lumapit sa Kanya, dahil Siya din ay lalapit sa atin (James 4:8).
- Ikalawa, labanan ang diyablo, at lalayuan niya tayo (James 4:7b; 1 Peter 5:9).

Si Satanas at ang mga demonyo ay mga espirituwal na nilalang na naghimagsik laban sa Diyos. Maaari nilang pahirapan at apihin ang mga mananampalataya, kaya dapat tayong maging maingat. Gayunpaman, sila ay hinatulan at natalo na sa pamamagitan ng gawain ni Kristo sa krus. Tiyaking ikaw ay kay Kristo! Dahil sa gayon, wala kang dapat ikatakot at may langit kang maaasahan.

## THE SHEPHERD'S VOICE

### God's Way to Heaven

### THE GOSPEL

"Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures," (1 Corinthians 15:3-4)

#### THE TRUTH ABOUT GOD

God is holy and righteous: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord Almighty, the whole earth is full of his glory" (Isaiah 6:3). He requires holiness of us as well: "Be holy, for I am holy" (1 Peter 1:16).

THE TRUTH ABOUT CHRIST Christ is the expression of God's love for us: "God demonstrates his own love for us in this: while we were still sinners, Christ died for us (Romans 5:8). Christ paid the penalty of our sins and died for sinners: "For Christ died for sins once for all, righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God (1 Peter 3:18). Through Christ, God offers man reconciliation: "God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ and courting mack

in Christ, not counting men's sins against them (2 Corinthians 5:18).

#### WHAT SHOULD WE DO? Believe and receive Jesus as Lord and Savior:

If you confess. With your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord,' and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved" (Romans 10:9).

### PRAYER

Lord Jesus, be merciful to me, a sinner. I believe that You are the Son of God who took the penalty for my sins on the Cross. I humbly ask You to be my Savior and submit to you as my LORD forever. Amen.

### Pastor Migs Orleans, Worship Ministry Director

A Blessed New Year again, Church Family! Hoping and praying you are all doing well.

The start of the year is always a good time to eagerly look forward to the Lord's vision, direction, and plans for His local church that we call our *home*. Coming from the insights that were shared during the Year-End Family Conference last December 18, I encourage and challenge all of us to fervently pray for the following gatherings:

**Growth Group meetings** – groups who are on Zoom, face-to-face, newly formed, still to be formed, recently resumed, and even groups that have stood the test of pre-pandemic and pandemic seasons. Do say a specific prayer for the leader/s and their members to have meaningful relationships that foster trust and accountability.

**Young Adult Hangouts (Fridays)** – a group of men and women in their 20's to 40's come together at the GCF Ortigas building every Friday night to fellowship with one another and around the Word of God. Remembering them in prayer will definitely enable us to express intentional care for them as they deal with the challenges that adult life brings.

**YouthLIVE Worship (Saturdays)** – high school and college students who engage in community worship both as congregants and ministry servants continue to meet in Auditorium A. Let us support them through our personal prayers that they may navigate adolescence in a manner that is pleasing to the Lord. Pray that we foster a good mentoring relationship with the next generation of our church by perhaps even worshiping with them in person.

**KidsLIFE Worship (Sundays)** – Sunday mornings in Auditorium A are filled with kids, teachers, and youth ministry servants who engage children aged 6 to 12 in community worship. They certainly need prayerful support and more.

**Kids LIFE Play and Learn (Sundays)** – Sunday mornings in the 4th Floor also have kids, teachers, and more ministry servants who minister to children aged 2 to 5. Do pray for them as well.

These gatherings are gifts from God Himself, and praying for and with them will cause us to steward well. In and through these, we can also apply our church-wide perspectives of "simpler, smaller, slower, serving together, safely." God bless you! ■

# WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

### "...God loves a cheerful giver."

2 CORINTHIANS 9:7



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### CHURCH UPDATES

### WORSHIP WITH US ON-SITE

**KidsLIFE Play and Learn (ages 2–5)** Resumes January 15 Sundays • 10:00 AM • 4th Floor

**KidsLIFE Worship (ages 6–12)** Resumes January 15 Sundays • 10:00 AM • Auditorium A

LIVEstream (YouthLIVE Worship) Resumes January 14 Saturdays • 5:00 PM • Auditorium A

Reminders of God's Care and Faithfulness Devotionals Tuesdays • 8:00 PM GCF YouTube & Facebook

The GCF Family's Hour of Prayer Thursdays • 8:00 PM • via Zoom

**KidsLIFE Online Bible Videos** Resumes January 14 Saturdays • 10:00 AM GCF YouTube & Facebook

### **KidsLIFE Online Small Groups**

Resumes January 14 Saturdays • 3:30 PM • via Zoom

### **NEW WEEKLY PROGRAM**

Sunday Bible School (formerly Adult Sunday School) Every Sunday starting January 15 8:30 AM • GCF Chapel Open to everyone!

### DEPRESSED? ANXIOUS? LOST A LOVED ONE?

If you need someone to talk to, we are here to listen. Contact us at **GCF ERCC Hotline: 0917 532 7794** 

### HOW CAN WE PRAY FOR YOU?

Message us your prayer requests at: Facebook: Greenhills Christian Fellowship E-mail: pray@gcf.org.ph

### **ONLINE VISITOR'S CENTER**

Is it your first time today? We would like to meet you via Zoom after each Worship Service.

Zoom Room: gcf.link/WelcomeToGCF

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