MAY 2023 CHODAE COMMUNITY CHURCH FAMILY CELL WORSHIP

Connecitng Parent and Child Generation through a Spiritual Conversation

Worship, Witness and Disciple!

READ MATTHEW 28:19

THEREFORE GO AND MAKE DISCIPLES OF ALL NATIONS, BAPTIZING THEM IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER AND OF THE SON AND OF THE HOLY SPIRIT (MATTHEW 28:19)

FAMILY ACTIVITY "BALANCING RACE"

Prepare: String, Paper plate, ping pong ball 1. Prepare by making three holes on a plate, string them with a loop in the end, so that three people will be able to carry the plate and race together. Write next to three holes on a plate, worship, evangelism and discipleship. Make two sets.

2. Two teams will do a race. Each team will carry a ping pong ball on a plate. The ball should not fall from the plate during the race.

*The three elements-worship, evangelism and discipleship are all equally important calling God placed on a church. A church needs to move forward together in a perfect balance."

Church of God has a clear and definite calling in three specific areas: Worship, witnessing and discipleship. These three areas must move together in perfect balance, as one element cannot overpower the other. They are so closely connected that any one element cannot grow by itself. They hold each other up, nurturing and challenging each other to build the church of God stronger and foundational. Worship brings our attention to God Himself, clearly putting its center on Christ and His work. The Word of God is proclaimed to His people gathered for worship. This gathering isn't about people who are gathered but it is about Triune God dwelling with His beloved children through worship. Jesus Christ is the mediator who makes this communion possible. A traditional Christian Worship will include reciting of the Holy Scripture, praise of musical singing, prayer, declaration of the Word, Offering, confession of faith, execution of Sacrement, dedication and pledae.

Witnessing is an act of proclaiming Gospel as led by Holy Spirit (Acts 1:8). It starts with reaching local neighbors and expands onto the international call for mission. Such acts always encompass a demand for social justice.

Discipleship is what nurtures, grows and matures the members of the church. A kind of discipleship Christ exemplified was through a demonstration in everyday life. It was an intimate journey between a mentor and a disciple where a disciple would strive to imitate and reciprocate the One they walked together with.

Worship, witnessing, and discipleship are three crucial elements that build the church of God in the way God has envisioned it to be. As members of His church, it is our task to always check on each other so that we will not be leaning toward any single direction but will be careful to examine and follow the call God has placed in His church.

1. Which of the three elements- worship, witnessing and discipleship-do you think you practice more in your walk with God?

2. Which of the three elements- worship, witnessing and discipleship-do you think our church practices more in our walk with God?

3. Spend some time together praying for our church, so that our church will learn to keep balance in the call God placed for His church.

CONCLUSION

We are all believers that make up a church. We all have different personalities, characteristics, strength and weaknesses. God may use each one of us differently, or call us for specific tasks that are unique to us, but together we make up one united Church. And thus the calling God placed on this church as a whole, is not for few specific people, but is for all of us. And so it is our job to spur one another in the areas we may be lacking. One person may have a more serious heart for worship, but not so much for missions. The other person may just feel more inclined for discipleship. But in the end, we all must learn from one another so that we nurture and grow our church together in the right way.



ENDING PRAYER

Dear God, help us to always examine our hearts so that we strive to follow the call that you have placed on this church. We are not just simple individuals who walk the journey of faith alone. We are a church together nurturing and encouraging one another to follow the calling God placed on this church. Give us a heart to be praying for this church always so that we will together learn fro each other as a church. Grow us, challenge us, and build us together in this church you have put together. In Jesus Name, we pray, Amen.