



"The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple" (Ps 119:130).

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**2015:  
The Year of  
Fruitbearing**

**John 15:16**  
"...I have chosen you, and ordained you...go and bring forth fruit..."

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## LIGHTHOUSE BBC GEARS UP FOR THE CELEBRATION OF ITS 40th ANNIVERSARY AND SACRIFICIAL GIVING IN MARCH

**"...to do good and to communicate forget not: for with such sacrifices God is well pleased" (Heb 13:16).**

### A Word from the PASTOR



According to the above passage, there are two things which the Ekklesia should not forget, these are: doing things which edify and being generous in giving.

In a time when people have nothing in their thoughts but what is gainful for their own selves, the people of God are enjoined by God's Word to do what is gainful for others, and, in this respect, doing things which build up the whole being and the whole body of believers.

Going down further to verses 20-21, the writer of Hebrews says, "...the God of peace...make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is wellpleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ..." (Heb 13:20-21).

What the writer seems to tell us is, God wants that we be fully equipped to do, even sacrificially, those things which are clearly pleasing in His sight, which things are those which benefit them through ministry and generosity.

As we look forward to the celebration of our 40th Anniversary and Sacrificial Giving in March of next year, let us all put this truth into our hearts and minds. We have laid down some plans for the celebration and we already booked the Metrotent in Ortigas, Pasig to serve as the venue for the

COUNTDOWN  
to the  
40th ANNIVERSARY  
and  
SACRIFICIAL  
CELEBRATION  
of the  
LIGHTHOUSE BBC

**15 WEEKS**

momentous event.

I have enjoyed all our pastors, preachers and leaders in all levels to help in seeing our plans cascaded down to all our people. May the Lord equip us all to do what pleases Him!



Preacher Peter Lee leads about 500 mothers in Barangay Tatalon in singing some songs during the initial Gift Giving to residents in the community. More than 300 of them made professions of faith in Christ as Savior and Lord.

### Fourth Quarter Focus : Bearing the Fruits of Righteousness

"Being filled with the fruits of righteousness, which are by Jesus Christ, unto the glory and praise of God" Phil 1:11).

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

**TITLE : THE GAINS BELIEVERS HAVE IN WINNING CHRIST**

**TEXT :** Phil 3:7-8

7 But what things were gain to me, those I counted loss for Christ.  
8 Yea doubtless, and I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them but dung, that I may win Christ.

**INTRODUCTION**

There is much to gain when believers choose to win Christ instead of what the world can offer. Paul enumerates some of them.

**A) The gain of having a new knowledge (vs 7,8).**  
Phil 3:7-8, "But what things were gain to me, those I counted loss for Christ. Yea doubtless, and I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord..."

"He is no fool who gives up what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot lose" (John Elliot).

The knowledge of Christ is far more valuable than what may see as gain in the world. Such knowledge, Paul says, is excellent knowledge.

**B) The gain of having a new righteousness (v 9).**  
Phil 3:9. "And be found in him, not having mine own righteousness...but that which is through the faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith."  
Isa 64:6, "But we are all as an unclean thing, and all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags..."

Referring to Israel, Paul says, Rom 10:3, "For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God."

**C) The gain of having a new power (v 10).**  
Phil 3:10, "That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death."

Such power is realized when we have the fellowship of his suffering and when we are made conformable unto His death. This power is seen when we can rise victorious over sin and all its clutches. Paul says, Rom 6:11, "...reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord."

**D) The gain of having a new goal (vs 11-17).**  
Phil 3:12, "Not as though I had already attained, either were already perfect: but I follow after, if that I may apprehend that for which also I am apprehended of Christ Jesus."

In saying this, Paul actually says, "It is not that I have already obtained it or already reached the goal — no, my ultimate goal is to

take hold of that for which Christ took hold of me.

2 Tim 1:9. Who hath saved us, and called us with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace..."

Eph 1:4, "According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love."

**E) The gain of having a new hope (vs 20,21).**  
Phil 3:20-21, "For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ: Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself."

**START SAVING NOW AND REGISTER EARLY FOR THE LIGHTHOUSE FAMILY CAMP ON DEC 28-30 AT RIZAL RECREATION CENTER. SEE CONNIE MACOPIA FOR DETAILS.**



Top photo, the Lighthouse Chamber Orchestra, SINAG, YLS and some families pose for a picture after the concert at Alabang Town Center last Saturday. Middle photo, the Lighthouse District 4 presents their version of Heneral Luma-go depicting some situations which hamper the growth of believers in the Ekklesia. Bottom picture, the staff and volunteers in all Lighthouse related ministries hold their fellowship at the Events Place last Friday.

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