

# Welcome to Church!

We are glad you chose to join us today to worship our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. We hope that your stay has been both meaningful and memorable.

Here are some activities going on with us!

## ☐ Free Blood Pressure & Sugar Check-up

Encouraging those who wish to monitor their **Blood Pressure & Blood Sugar** levels to avail of our free check-up, happening **every after Sunday service!**

## ☐ How can we pray for you?

It is a privilege to pray for you! You may send your **prayer requests** and **praise reports** by text (0912 130 6148), by writing them on the prayer cards provided, or by sending us a private message on our Facebook page.

## ☐ Discover life with our Small Groups.

Looking for deeper connections and a closer walk with God? Our **small groups** are where we cultivate meaningful relationships and grow in faith together. Want to join? Visit our Information Booth after the service to find the perfect group for you!

## ☐ Stay for fellowship and refreshments.

Stick around after the service for **coffee** and **connection!** It's the perfect chance to meet some friendly faces, learn more about our small groups, our ministries, and discover all that our church has to offer. We'd love to see you there!

## Schedules for Services:

### English Service:

Morning 10:00 AM  
Afternoon 01:00 PM

### Cebuano Service:

Afternoon 04:00 PM

2nd Floor,  
**Northgate Center.**  
across Gaisano Country Mall  
Banilad, Cebu City.

## ways to give TITHES and LOVE GIFTS

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**GET IN TOUCH  
WITH US!**

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Worship God. Advance His Kingdom.

## NOT FROM HERE

Ptr Tom Trono (Guest Speaker) | September 21, 2025  
1 Peter 1:13-19

### SERMON NOTES

#### Sermon Outline

1. Stay mentally and spiritually strong in a foreign land (v. 13)
2. Do not conform to the culture of this world (v. 14)
3. Live as holy citizens of heaven (vv. 15-16)
4. Follow the higher law of God's kingdom (v. 17)
5. Remember the cost of your heavenly citizenship (vv. 18-19)

Conclusion: Our true home is heaven



We are a church that seeks to bring glory to God, to build the local church through discipleship and to fulfill the Great Commission.

**OUR MISSION**

**SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE**  
For the week of September 29–October 5, 2025  
“NOT FROM ME”

## Getting Started

*To the facilitator: Use this section to introduce the topic. If possible, give a brief recap of the sermon.*

Share a memorable point, a spiritual lesson, a personal application, a question, or something that challenged you from the sermon last Sunday.

What meaningful tradition, value, or life lesson did you receive from someone important in your life that you'd want to pass on to others?

## Group Discussion

### Read 1 Peter 1:13-19.

1. In verse 13, Peter calls believers to “prepare your minds for action” and “be sober-minded.” What do these phrases mean in your own words? How does having a focused and alert mind connect to setting your hope fully on the grace of Jesus? Where do you find it hardest to keep your mind fixed on grace?

2. Peter calls us to “be holy, for I am holy,” grounding holiness not in our ability to perform, but in the very nature of God. How does this transform holiness from a checklist of rules into a reflection of God’s character in our daily lives? In what areas are you still trying to prove your worth to God through behavior, rather than letting your actions flow from the reality that you’ve already been made holy in Christ?

3. We’re described as “exiles” or temporary residents in verse 17. How should viewing ourselves this way affect our daily priorities and decisions? What aspects of earthly life do you sometimes get too attached to? How can we live with proper “fear” or reverence during our time here?

4. Verses 18–19 remind us that we were ransomed not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ. What does this say about your worth in God’s eyes? How might remembering the cost of your redemption impact the way you make decisions? How does it call you to gratitude and obedience?

5. The text mentions being redeemed from the “way of life handed down to you from your forefathers” (v.18). Are there empty or meaningless traditions or cultural patterns that Christ rescued you from? How do we discern between helpful family/cultural traditions and those that might be spiritually empty?

6. In essence, Peter calls believers to live differently because of what Christ has done. How does this passage speak to the balance between grace and responsibility? How do you see both grace and responsibility working together in your walk with Christ?

## Next Steps

*Because Christ paid the highest price, we are called to live with the highest devotion.*

- **Hope Fully:** I will set my hope completely on the grace of Christ.
- **Live Holy:** I will pursue holiness in every part of my life.
- **Walk Reverently:** I will live with reverent awe before my Father and Judge.
- **Value the Blood:** I will remember daily that I was redeemed with Christ’s precious blood.

## Closing the Session

Close the session by taking the time to *pray for one another*. Consider the following as you pray:

- Pray to everyday set your hope fully on his grace, living holy lives and walking reverently as children of God.
- Pray for relationships to grow with other Christ-followers, that you will encourage and care for one another.
- Pray for your unsaved family, friends, and loved ones.
- Pray for protection, provision, healing and comfort for everyone who’s going through physical, emotional, mental and spiritual pain.

### BIBLE READING GUIDE

September 29	<b>1 Peter 3:13-19</b>
September 30	<b>Exodus 19:3-8</b>
October 1	<b>Psalms 119:9-16</b>
October 2	<b>1 Corinthians 6:19-20</b>
October 3	<b>1 John 3:1-3</b>
October 4	<b>Psalms 78:17-31</b>
October 5	<b>Psalms 78:32-39</b>

