

## Bukas Loob sa Diyos Catholic Charismatic Covenant Community DCS Meeting Online

May 26, 2020 (8:30PM -11:30PM)

Pentecost Sunday - May 31, 2020				
Readings	Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1,24,29-31,34/1Cor 12:3b-7,12-13/Jn 20:19-23			
Theme	We build God's Kingdom when we are peacemakers.			
Order	"Receive the Holy Spirit." (Jn 20:22b)			
Directions	<ol> <li>Find peace within yourself, forgive and reconcile.</li> <li>Discern your own gifts and use them to complement the gifts of others to up-build the community.</li> </ol>			
Promise	"When you send forth your spirit, they are created, and you renew the face of the earth." (Ps 104:30)			

#	Agenda Items	DCS Meeting Discussions
1	Soup Kitchen Update	This COVID-19 pandemic has reduced services to some of the
		most in-need people - the homeless. As part of our BLD
		Mission in collaboration with the Sisters of Charities in Newark
		we are able to help the homeless thru the Soup Kitchen even
		during this pandemic. We've been blessed with our mission
		volunteers who never failed to provide their time to support this
		cause. According to our sisters from Sisters of Charity, the
		homeless people they've been serving weekly had grown during
		this pandemic from 75 to over 100 people today. But the graces
		of God can not be outdone. Just recently, our ministry heads
		Tito Rene & Tita Claire went to visit them to drop off fried
		chicken from BLD Newark and the Sisters were overjoyed in
		seeing them not because of the food but in knowing that their
		prayers to heal them from the COVID virus had been heard.
		Other members of our community also donated rice, cases of
		bottled water and other miscellaneous supplies like disposable

		food containers for the homeless. It was truly a blessing being able to serve our less fortunate brethren.
		"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace." (1 Peter 4:10)
2	Community Day	Due to our current situation, our annual Community Day that is scheduled on August 22, 2020 at Johnson Park in Piscataway, NJ is currently being prayed over whether we need to cancel this event or not. If we so decide to proceed, we are aware that this will entail a lot of precautionary measures and guidelines that we need to follow. We ask for your prayers that we may be able to discern what's best for the safety of our community members.
3	Reopening Plan for BLD Newark	BLD Newark is preparing for a 'new normal' post COVID-19 pandemic. We are working on our reopening plan that will serve as an outline for how and when we will resume services and activities, once state and church-mandated restrictions are lifted. Our message will be one of reassurance to our community members that BLD Newark has the safety of each member, first and foremost.
4	Growing in Christ Suffering Servant from the Book of Isaiah	Reminder for Monsignor Paul Schetelick's teachings and insights upcoming schedules below. Please mark your calendars: June 3 June 10 June 17 July 1 As always, we'll send an email invite with the link prior to the Live-Streaming event.
5	Fellowship and Bible Reflections after P&W	We've heard a very good feedback regarding last Friday's Fellowship/Reflections after our P&W where a good number of our apostolates/ministries gathered virtually. It was good to see everyone's faces again and been able to share our own experiences on how we've been handling this pandemic and how it impacted our lives. It was truly a blessing knowing that everyone continues to pray daily novenas, attend virtual Eucharistic Masses and daily Bible readings & reflections either with their own ME classes or ministries and most importantly

6	Stay Healthy and Safe	Please stay healthy and safe. Let's continue the practice of
		social distancing and most of all always remember God is the
		power of Prayer, let's all pray for one another.

"May my meditation be pleasing to him; I will rejoice in the LORD." (Ps 104:34)

## **Attendees Online:**

Evangelization ~~~~~ Fil & Hum Flores
Formation ~~~~~Gene & Bing Ymbong
Management ~~~~~Vino & Beth Guiang
Mission ~~~~Nong & Tricia Bustos
Pastoral ~~~~ Reuben & Cherry Vibar