

# WELCOME HOME

CONNECT WITH GOD. CONNECT WITH ONE ANOTHER.

## ARE WE BEING SPIRITUALLY OPPRESSED?



"Bo, we're being spiritually attacked," she said, her voice almost trembling with fear.

"Why do you say that?" I asked my friend who was serving in our Life in the Spirit Seminar. (That was what we called our initiations seminar when dinosaurs roamed the earth).

"Three of our Music Ministry members called up to say they couldn't make it today for all sorts of reasons. One got sick. The other had a flat tire. And our lead singer had a fight with her boyfriend. Bo, we need to cast out demons..."

Question: Were we really being attacked by evil? In Charismatic Lingo, we call this *Spiritual Oppression*. But were we?

I know God will speak to you today.

Have an awesome Feast!

May your dreams come true,

**BO SANCHEZ**

## GREAT AND MIGHTY

There's an old charismatic song that goes:

*The Spirit of the Lord is great and mighty*

*The Spirit of the Lord is my victory*

*The Spirit of the Lord is great and mighty*

*Great and mighty in me*

*Greater is He that is in me*

*Than he that is in the world*

*I am more than a conqueror*

*By the power of His Word*

*Of His Word*

This song keeps popping in my mind especially when preparing for a retreat, recollection, or any healing activity that I facilitate.

But I'm reminded that I don't have to wait for spiritual events before I declare this song. Even in ordinary day-to-day circumstances, I claim victory. I believe that I could win over temptation and demonic oppression **because Christ is in me**. I remind myself that the devil is already a defeated enemy, not by my might or power, but by The Spirit of the Lord.

My friend, have a victorious Feast today!

*You are from God, little children, and have overcome them; because greater is He who is in you than he who is in the world.*  
(1 John 4:4 NASB)

Blessing and healing,

**DIDOY LUBATON**



## ANGELS AND DEMONS

HOW TO DEAL WITH THE SUPERNATURAL

TALK 3: OPPRESSION

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### Today's Bible Readings

1st Reading: Is 45:1-6  
Psalm: Ps 96:1-10  
2nd Reading: 1 Th 1:1-5  
Gospel: Mt 22:15-21

## BLESSING BLOG

# THE BEST VERSION OF OUR DREAM

By Neil Tappa, as told to Tina Tindugan

### ANSWERED PRAYERS EXCEPT ONE

According to Matthew 7:7, "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you". But what will you do if after knocking, the door does not open right away? What if after seeking, you still couldn't find the answer? This, I believe, is the true test of faith.

Mitch and I got married last June 2015. Everything was going according to plan. We had our own condo unit right after the wedding, we traveled overseas, and we started our own business. We regularly attend The Feast where Mitch serves as a lector. Our dreams were all in place except for one -- having a baby. We prayed to God and wrote this dream on our Novena to God's love.

### OUR ULTIMATE TEST OF FAITH

Despite consulting a fertility doctor, we failed to conceive after a year of trying. Our dream to have a baby seemed impossible. To make matters worse, our business started to have its own share of problems. The pressure of having a baby and the stress caused by our business drained us and affected our faith.

That same year, I got hospitalized due to hypokalemia and later diagnosed with hyperthyroidism. We kept on praying without realizing that all we did was ask, even insist to God to give us what we wanted.

### We forgot to trust in His plans for us.

We consulted another fertility doctor, but after conducting several procedures and tests for three months, he finally suggested that we consider artificial insemination. At that point, our feeling of frustration doubled and questions occupied my mind.

### GOD FINALLY GIVES HIS ANSWER

Mitch and I attended Sync and asked Bro Didoy to pray over us. We surrendered to God's plans and to trust His timing. We closed our business that was causing us more worries and stress. Months later, we were planning to take a vacation, and as if orchestrated by God, Mitch



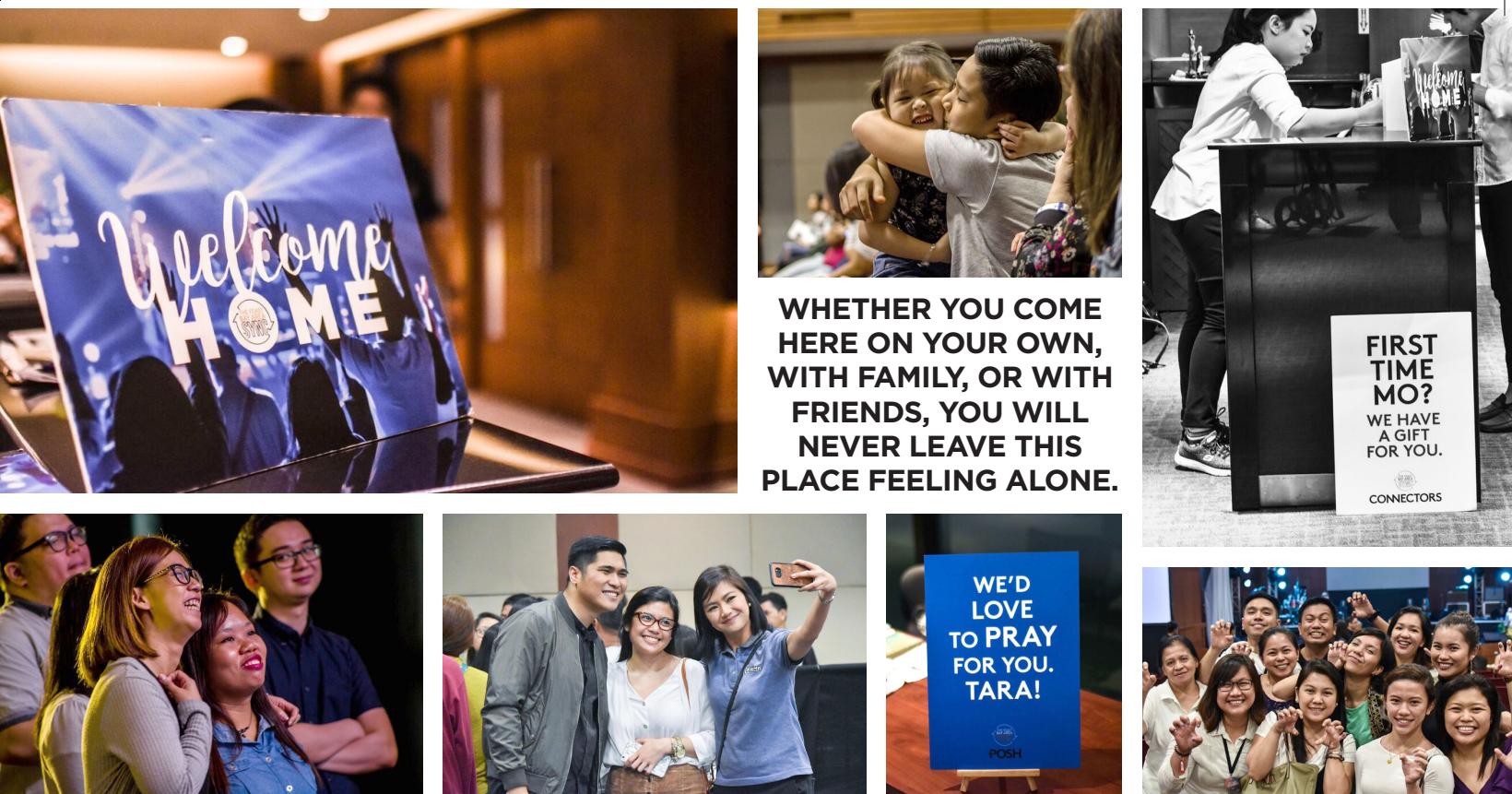
Neil and Mitch Tappa enjoying the picturesque sceneries and goofing around during their Palawan trip.

won a 3-days 2-nights accommodation with tour packages at Palawan. We booked our flight and did not have to worry about a single thing!

**The entire trip was like a second honeymoon for us!**

Three weeks after our vacation, our prayers were answered. My wife took a pregnancy test, and the result was positive. We are now expecting our first baby after 2 years of waiting. **Truly, God's plan is the best plan. You just have to keep trusting, asking, knocking, and above all, surrendering to His will. God will always give you the best version of your dream in His time.**

*Do you have a similar story or an inspiring story to share? Email your story to [hello@fbasync.com](mailto:hello@fbasync.com) and be a blessing to others!*



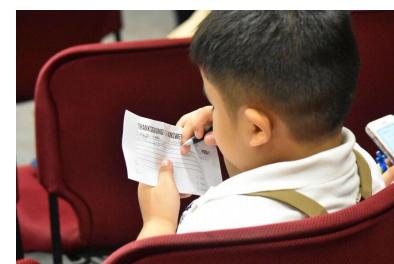
**WHETHER YOU COME HERE ON YOUR OWN, WITH FAMILY, OR WITH FRIENDS, YOU WILL NEVER LEAVE THIS PLACE FEELING ALONE.**



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## RECAP FROM LAST SUNDAY

Gospel Reading According to Matthew 22:1-14



### “WHO WILL ANSWER THE KING AND QUEEN’S WEDDING INVITATION?”

- Fr. Marlon Reyes

Jesus invites us to join His wedding banquet in heaven. Even if you reject His invitation, God is a loving Father who will never tire to extend his invitation to each one of us.

From our end, we need to be responsible and conform to the life the Lord wants from us. What He promises us will be a life of blessings, joy and abundance. We only need to accept the invitation.

## SERIES: ANGELS AND DEMONS

Talk 2: Superstition

### Big Message: “God is Enough!”

Superstition involves beliefs we put meaning to. This spells the difference between glorifying the devil rather than glorifying the Lord.

It is better to:

- know the history behind the superstitious we believe in rather than focus on the fear we generate out of them;
- discern the significance of the superstition, because superstitions are not powerful, our beliefs are!

**“What you believe becomes true for YOU!”**

### THANK YOU, LORD

...for my father's successful operation. - K. Garcia

...for answering my prayer to be able to sell my car at my desired price. Thank You for my LG that serves as my emotional support right now. - Minerva

...for the steady stream of new accounts at work. - Delvin

...for the healing of my sister from infection and high fever. Thank You for all the provisions you have sent and all the people you have inspired to help. Bless Dr. Rachael Marinas for all her help. - Joey

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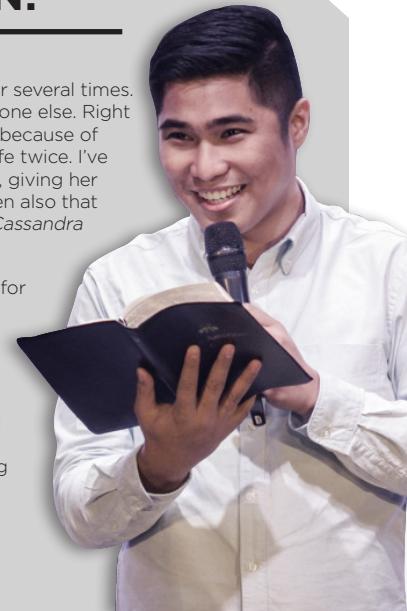
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## THE DOCTOR IS IN!

**Q** Dear Doc Didoy,  
My friend's husband cheated on her several times. He said that he already loves someone else. Right now, they're no longer living together, and because of that, my friend has attempted to end her life twice. I've tried talking to her at least every other day, giving her encouraging words to not hurt herself, given also that she has a son to think of. What do I do? - Cassandra

**A** Hi Cassandra,  
Continue to be the support system for your friend. She needs support, not the solution to her problem. Pray for her, keep on connecting with her. A burden shared eases the pain. She may need professional help. Please do send me a message to [connect@didoymd.com](mailto:connect@didoymd.com) and maybe she would be open to see me for a session in my clinic. Never cease on praying for her. Thank you for being there for your friend. - Didoy

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*1 CHRONICLES 16:29*

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