



From the Office of the Principal
Theme 2016 & Beyond: *What's next after 50 years?*

God's Plan, Not Ours

Three years ago, I began asking a series of questions, as I tried to come to terms with the reality of my appointment as the Principal of CLTC. Three of those questions were, "Did I do the right thing by accepting the appointment? Will I be able to cope with the demands of the office? What if I do not perform to the expectation of the College Council?" These questions were not only raging in my mind but also troubling me very much.

I am assuming that for many of you new students, you are probably asking similar questions already: "Did I make the right choice about coming to CLTC? Is this the right place for me? Will I be able to cope with the demands of studies?" I would like to encourage us from the psalms which says: *"I will say of the LORD, 'He is my refuge and my fortress, my God in whom I will trust'"* (Psalm 91:2)

As we face these troubling questions, it seems clear to us that we are shifting our focus from God's plan for our lives and placing it in the situations we are in. Perhaps a counter question could be raised: "Whose plan do we follow or in whom do we trust?" 1Samuel 4:1-11, gives us some encouragement on trusting God's plan for our lives more than our own.

The first battle between Israel and the Philistines saw the Israelites badly defeated. After losing this battle to the Philistines, Israel sent messengers to Shiloh for the Ark to be hauled to Ebenezer, the site of their army camp. The Israelites thought the presence of the Ark would make them win the next battle, but they were once again defeated badly, the Ark itself was captured and there was heavy loss of lives. What went wrong?

Israel should have known better. They failed to consult God about using the Ark. While they knew that the Ark was earlier carried in battle (Joshua 6), they didn't consider that God's plan, not the presence or involvement of the Ark allowed Israel to defeat Jericho. Jeremiah reminds us that God's plans are perfect, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future" (29:11). God will never repent for making a mistake in his plans for our lives. In spite of the many turn of events in our lives that have proven counterproductive, the fact that where you are now and what I am now, falls in line with God's plan for our lives. When I enjoy what I am doing, and when others are blessed through what I do, it is a confirmation that I am where God wants me to be. He will be my constant "refuge and my fortress . . . in whom I will trust".

May the Lord bless you and keep through the coming days ahead.

Rev. Dr. William Longgar
Principal



Weekly News & Prayer
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SUNDAY SERVICE - Sunday, 01st January 2017 TIME: 9:30am

Speaking: Aaron Abia

Worship Leader: Jessie Fouani

Music Team: Youths, Staff & Students on Campus

Flowers: Farm Side 03

WELCOME

Welcome to Principal, Rev. William Longgar and his wife, Marama Iru and their daughter, Jane after their short holiday break from Madang. Praise God that their short holiday break was truly a time of fellowship and meeting Christian friends during the festive period. Welcome to CLTC home.

FAREWELL

On Thursday 29th December, the CLTC Community sadly saw the departure of a couple, who has contributed immensely to the life and ministry of CLTC, in the persons of Mr. John & Mrs. Mary Kua and the children. We send them forth with our heart-felt gratitude and thanksgiving to God for their lives and many years of service to the Lord especially here at the college for the past 19 years.

John & Mary concluded their term of employment and they return to their home in Chimbu Province. We wish them well in their future endeavors

TOKSAVE

1. HOLIDAY NOTICE

New Year Day falls on Sunday, 01st January 2017. Monday is gazetted Public Holiday In-Lieu of New Year Day. Everyone returns to work on Tuesday, 03rd January 2017.

2. KEEP CLTC CLEAN

Appeal to the College Community to keep the Campus clean at all time. We have a big campus property so we need to maintain cleanliness. So, keep up the good work in your own homes and around the College property.

BUSINESS TRADING HOURS 7:30AM – 5:00PM MONDAY – FRIDAY

Finance Support & Services Division

Morning: 9:30 – 10:30 am

Afternoon: 2:30 – 03:30 pm

General Office

8:30 – 12:00 Noon 1:30 – 4:00 pm

College Store - Daily Except Sundays

10:00am – 1:00 pm

4:00pm – 5:00pm

Wednesday's 10:00 -1.00 pm 3:30- 5.30pm

Saturdays 8:00 am – 11:00 am only

Sales Store - Monday to Friday

9.30am – 11.30 am

2.30pm – 3.30pm

CLINIC OFFICAL HOURS

Monday – Friday 8:00am – 12:00Noon 1:30 – 4:00pm

Saturdays – 8:00 - 9:00am Sundays 12:00noon – 1:00pm

Special Clinic Hours

- Tuesdays – Healthy Baby Clinic (Immunization)
- Wednesdays – Family Planning
- Thursdays – Antenatal Clinic (Skelim Bel Mama)

After Hours & Emergency calls only: Tracey Hitu is On Call Duty this weekend and through to Thursday, 05th January 2017.

PRAYER & PRAISE

1. Continue to PRAY for the right people to fill these staff positions – Registrar, Technical Services Manager, Guest House Manageress, Vice Principal Administration, Women's Program Coordinator, HR Officer and lecturers.
2. PRAY for new and continuing students as they raise their school fee money for 2017. Pray for good support from their families & churches, & for God's provision.
3. GIVE THANKS for the resources that have been entrusted to the CLTC Banz Agricultural programs. PRAY for Elizah as he heads the agricultural team & endeavours to maximize the earning capacity as well as the potential to meet the needs of PNG Highland communities through CLTC's cattle, piggery, rice & gardens (onions) programs.
4. Continue to PRAY for the ongoing business relationship between Mainland Holdings Ltd & CLTC, guided by the Poultry Management Contract signed in Pray for Brian Kemben in his new role as General Manager as he oversees the supply by CLTC of the required services to MHL, to maximize the poultry

production, which brings benefit to the College. PRAY that the MHL employees will adhere to College policies.

5. PRAY for Dr David Price, Chairman of the Australian Advisory Council, as he continues to do research & prepare a series of lectures on the founding Principal, the late Rev Dr Gilbert McArthur – The Man, The Mission & The Legacy – for presentation in April 2017.
6. GIVE THANKS & PRAY for renovation work being done on the POM campus houses. JAN 16 PRAY for Faculty at the 3 campuses preparing for classes in the year ahead – that they will be faithful teachers of God's Word & encourage the students in their studies.
7. PRAY for Brian Kemben in his oversight of the College finances & for his Finance Team – Nou, Rex, Shirley, Slendy & Elsie – as they process all the financial information & in the preparation of the 2017 budget, in consultation with the Departmental Managers & Leadership.

REMINDERS

Community Dawn Prayer Times

Where: Auditorium

Every Saturday

Time: 4:00am – 6:00am

SRC Leaders leading

Bethany Dawn Prayer

Time: 5am to 6am

Prayer Chapel

Every Saturdays

Leaders for this weekend: **Executives.**



CLTC Family
Wishes all our valued Clients, Business Partners,
Prayer Partners and Supporters
both here and abroad
a Blessed Merry Christmas
and
Prosperous New Year - 2017