



**BLD WON THE GK WALK NATIONAL GRAND PRIZE FOR THE SECOND YEAR**

In a simple ceremony held last Sunday, November 8, 2009, ANCOP International (Canada) Inc. awarded to BLD Toronto the 2009 GK Walk National Grand Prize consisting of 1 return ticket to the Philippines. BLD-Toronto also won the grand prize last year.

This award is in recognition of the efforts of the members of BLD Toronto who participated in the GK Walk held last August 23, 2009 wherein the BLD have surpassed the number of registered participants and donations raised required to win the prize.

Since the prize was awarded to the BLD as a group, the Gawad Kalinga Ministry will soon conduct a raffle to award the prize to one of the qualified GK Walk participants under the BLD group.

The recipients of this award will have the opportunity to visit a GK village of his/her choice.

If you are a participant/registrant in the last GK Walk, please watch your incoming email for the date of the raffle and the announcement of the raffle winner.

Thank you all for being part of the GK miracle! We pray that more of you will be able to join us next year.

Bernie and Belen Consul,  
Coordinators, BLD-GK Ministry

*"WHAT YOU SOW FOR GOD YOU WILL REAP"*



*If you have any Christmas short story, article or reflection that you would like published in the December issue of the bulletin, may we ask that you please forward them to the Toronto Word group at your earliest opportunity.*

Email to: BLD\_Toronto\_Word@googlegroups.com  
Submit by: Nov 30th, Dec 7th  
Format: Word Document



# Living Water



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**November 13, 2009**

**BUKÁS-LOÓB SA DIYÓS • OPEN IN SPIRIT TO GOD**  
**Toronto District**

**Counsel for the Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**



**REFLECTION:**

The Theme for the week is: We have the righteousness of Christ when we are ready for His coming.

Perhaps the most significant, and certainly the most important, event in our lives is our departure from this earthly life. Yet we tend to sweep the issue under the rug, tucked away in the deep recesses of our minds.

The readings invite us to reflect on the theme of the end of our earthly journey. We should always be ready when Jesus comes to lead us to the eternal life that He has promised us. We need to pause from our busy lives to consider the limited number of our days here on earth. As the Psalmist says: *"Seventy is the sum of our years, or eighty, if we are strong; Most of them are sorrow and toil; they pass quickly, we are all gone."* (Ps 90:10)

**THEME:**

We have the righteousness of Christ when we are ready for his coming.

**WORD:**

Dn 12:1-3, Ps 16:5, 8-11, Heb 10:11-14, 18,  
Mk 13:24-32

**ORDER:**

Lead many to righteousness.

In solitude and quiet reflection, we can come to

terms with our life and relationship with God, allowing His word to come alive in our hearts as we examine ourselves. Are we indeed living righteous lives? Have we followed or transgressed the commandments of God?

We should examine ourselves daily on how we stand before God and how we have lived the life of Jesus Christ day-by-day, by following His Word. If we have committed mortal sin, we must go to confession right away; if we have wronged anyone, we must seek pardon. Daily, we should be aware that Jesus will judge us by every word we have uttered (Mt 12:37) and by every deed - have we fed the hungry, given drink to the thirsty, welcomed the stranger, clothed the naked, cared for the ill, and visited the prisoners? (Mt 25: 35-36)

As we take time to examine ourselves, amend our sinful past and venture into new life in Jesus Christ; as we renounce our prejudices and develop greater understanding, forgiveness, and love for others, especially our enemies; as we let go of our vested interests and shun the attractions of the world; as we purify our petty passions with prayer; as we savor the Words of eternal life in our hearts, we also celebrate the presence of God in our lives. For *“His every Word is enduring; all His just edicts are forever.”* (Ps 119:160)

We need to heed what St. Paul says: *“My prayer is that your love may more and more abound, both in understanding and wealth of experience, so that with a clear conscience and blameless conduct you may learn to value the things that really matter, up to the very day of Christ.”* (Phil 1: 9-10) We should not fear the coming of Jesus for He is our light and our salvation. As we persevere in following His commandments, we should believe that we shall enjoy the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living. (Ps 27:13)

Then we can claim the Promise of the Week: *“Therefore my heart is glad and my soul rejoices, my body, too, abides in confidence, because you will not abandon my soul to the netherworld, nor will you suffer your faithful to undergo corruption.”* (Ps 16:9-10)

### DIRECTION:

I keep the Lord always before me.

### GOD'S PROMISE:

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## YOUTH



## MINISTRY KORNER

### PARENTS NIGHT

Calling all parents of YE#11 grads and youth parents who have not attended this session before.

The Youth Ministry is inviting you to attend the *Parents Night on Friday, November 20, 2009 at the OLA Basement Hall* with the exception of parents who are ME#31 grads and will be participating in the Corporate Praise and Worship upstairs. *Registration will start @ 8:00 p.m.*

Find out what your children do in the Youth Ministry, their accomplishments and upcoming events and activities. We will have a mini Praise and Worship, Information Session, snacks and lots of fun.

We look forward to seeing you there! - **YOUTH MINISTRY**

### YOUTH Teachings:

**Shepherding** (youth shepherds, would-be youth co-shepherds and singles shepherds only)  
Saturday, November 28, 2009 @ OLA, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

**BBS** (all youths)  
Saturday, December 5, 2009 @ OLA, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

*I am nothing. He is all.  
I do nothing of my own. He does it.  
I am God's pencil.  
A tiny bit of pencil with which He writes what He likes.  
God writes through us,  
and however imperfect instruments we may be,  
He writes beautifully.*

