



1ST GRADUATION EXERCISES

THEME

CALLED TO WORKMANSHIP

Philam Homes Community Center February 7, 2025 | 10AM

# Be diligent to present yourself approved to God as a worker who does not need to be ashamed, accurately handling the word of truth.

2 Timothy 2:15 (NASB)

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#### **EDUCATION THROUGH INTENTIONAL DISCIPLESHIP**

The Alpha College For Theological Studies (ACTS) Inc. provides a range of online certificate programs tailored specifically for Evangelical Churches. Our mission is to empower individuals with the knowledge and skills necessary to live out the Great Commandment and the Great Commission. Through Education with Intentional Discipleship, we aim to cultivate a deeper spiritual understanding and commitment to Christ's teachings, ensuring that each learner is not only informed but transformed to impact their communities with purpose and faith.

At the core of ACTS' mission is a firm commitment to fulfilling Christ's two fundamental mandates:



## THE GREAT COMMANDMENT

Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind... and love your neighbor as yourself. -Matthew 22:37-39



### THE GREAT COMMISSION

Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. -Matthew 28:19-20

Through our academic programs, ACTS seeks to train and disciple individuals so that they may effectively share the Gospel, lead others in their faith journey, and serve their local church and community with Christlike love, wisdom, and integrity.



### OUR VISION

To witness a powerful spiritual movement of committed followers - disciples of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ leading and influencing the church and society both in the Philippines and beyond through the modeled lifestyle of Christ Jesus, making disciples that will make disciples spreading the message of Christ's love and truth throughout the world.

### OUR MISSION

To fulfill the Great Commandment and Great Commission of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ in nurturing, equipping, and empowering educational environment that integrates intentional discipleship principles into the lives of godly leaders who effectively witness and communicate God's Good News or His Gospel in faith and in practice for the planting, establishment, and growth of Christ Jesus' church making a positive impact in the world for the glory of God.



### INSPIRING MESSAGE

PASTOR EFREN NOLA
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD



It is with great joy that I congratulate the Class of 2025. Today celebrates not just academic success, but your hard work, perseverance, and unwavering faith. This milestone reflects your commitment to growth and obedience to God's calling in your life.

This year's theme, "Called to Workmanship," echoes the words of 2 Timothy 2:15, reminding us to be diligent workers in the Lord's service. Through your time at ACTS, you've gained the knowledge, wisdom, and faith needed to serve God and others wholeheartedly. True success is measured not by worldly recognition, but by a life of integrity, excellence, and obedience to God.

As you step into the next chapter of your life, I encourage you to remain steadfast in your faith and use your gifts to be a light in the world. May you always seek to honor God in all you do, knowing He is guiding your path.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I celebrate your achievements and pray that the Lord continues to bless and direct you. Congratulations, Class of 2025!

May the Lord bless and keep you always.



## ENCOURAGING MESSAGE

#### **PASTOR ROLANDO PARAISO**

**COLLEGE PRESIDENT** 



I am delighted to extend a warm welcome to all the staff of our College and to our beloved graduates, congratulations on reaching this remarkable milestone!

As the President of Alpha College for Theological Studies, it is an honor to stand alongside each of you in our shared vision and mission of cultivating a community devoted to learning, spiritual growth, and service. Our college is built upon a strong biblical foundation, guided by the principles of faith, integrity, and academic rigor. As you step into the next chapter of your journey, remember that your time here has equipped you not only with knowledge but with the wisdom and faith to serve God and others.

In this sacred responsibility of nurturing minds and shaping future leaders, we are called to embody servant leadership. We encourage you to continue approaching your calling with humility and dedication, knowing that your efforts will make a profound impact. Let us face challenges together, celebrate triumphs, and embrace growth, as we remain united in our mission to spread God's love, grace, and hope.

I want to express my deepest gratitude to all of you for your commitment to the vision of ACTS. Your passion, dedication, and hard work have shaped this institution, and you now carry that legacy forward. May you always seek God's guidance, drawing strength from His Word and the example of Jesus Christ.

Thank you once again for your dedication, and congratulations, Class of 2025! May God bless us abundantly, and may His purpose continue to be fulfilled through each of you as you go forth to impact the world for His glory.



### WELCOME MESSAGE

**DR. GINA REYES**DEAN



As the Dean of Alpha College for Theological Studies, it is with immense joy and gratitude that I extend my heartfelt congratulations to the graduating class of 2025. Today marks not only the completion of years of dedication, hard work, and perseverance, but also the exciting beginning of a new chapter in your journey. This milestone is a reflection of your commitment to learning, growth, and your unwavering faith in God.

At ACTS, we believe that education goes beyond the classroom. Our mission is to equip you with wisdom, integrity, and a heart for service, preparing you to lead with conviction, serve with humility, and make an impact for God's Kingdom. The knowledge and values you have gained here are meant to empower you to go out and live lives of influence and purpose. As you step into this new phase, remember to always seek to honor God in all you do, and continue to grow in your faith and service.

Graduation is not an end, but the beginning of the next chapter God has planned for you. Whether you enter ministry, further studies, or the workplace, I encourage you to move forward with courage, faith, and a sense of purpose. Trust that the One who has brought you this far will continue to guide your steps as you serve as a beacon of hope, truth, and love in the world.

On behalf of the faculty and administration, I celebrate your accomplishments and pray for God's blessings upon your future. May you go forth and transform communities, inspire others, and make a lasting impact for His glory.

Congratulations, Class of 2025! May God bless you abundantly in all that you do.



#### **Called to Workmanship**

Graduation Program
Class of 2025

#### **PARTI**

PROCESSIONAL MARCH

**ENTRANCE OF COLORS** 

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**WELCOME REMARKS** 

INSPIRATIONAL MESSAGE

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**COUNSELING CERTIFICATE** 

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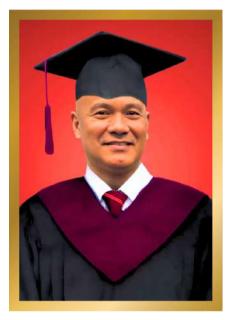
**PART II** 

**LUNCH FELLOWSHIP** 

Pastor Edwin Reyes
Master of Ceremony



## CERTIFICATE PROGRAM IN PASTORAL STUDIES



Bernie R. Alivio



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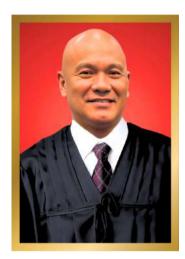
## CERTIFICATE PROGRAM IN CHRISTIAN EDUCATION



**Jolly Martinez** 



## BIBLICAL COUNSELING CERTIFICATE



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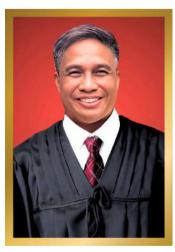
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Understanding the busy schedules of church leaders and workers, ACTS offers fully online certificate programs, making theological education accessible and flexible, ensuring that students are well-prepared for effective ministry and service.



#### **Accessible**

Study anytime, anywhere, without having to leave your ministry or work.



#### **Practical**

Courses are designed to be immediately applicable to ministry settings.



#### **Church-Centered**

Programs are tailored to the unique needs of Evangelical Churches and ministries, ensuring that students are well-prepared for service.

ACTS is more than an academic institution; it is a training ground for Christian leaders dedicated to biblical truth and ministry excellence. With a vision to develop Spirit-filled, biblically grounded, and mission-driven individuals, it prepares students to serve faithfully in their churches, communities, and beyond.

For those seeking to deepen their theological understanding and ministry skills, ACTS provides an opportunity to grow in faith, cultivate a heart for service, and contribute to the advancement of God's Kingdom.







#### **CERTIFICATE PROGRAM IN PASTORAL STUDIES**

The Certificate Program in Pastoral Studies is an online undergraduate program designed for individuals aspiring to serve in ministry and leadership roles. It provides flexibility for those unable to attend traditional classes while offering a comprehensive blend of theological education and practical training. Students develop essential pastoral skills, including preaching, teaching, counseling, leadership, and pastoral care, equipping them for effective ministry work.

Graduates of the program are prepared for roles such as pastors, associate pastors, youth pastors, and chaplains. They gain the knowledge and skills needed to communicate biblical teachings, provide pastoral support, lead worship services, and manage ministry operations, making a meaningful impact in their communities.

#### **CERTIFICATE PROGRAM IN CHRISTIAN MINISTRY**

The Certificate Program in Christian Ministry is a flexible online undergraduate program that provides a strong foundation in theology and ministry. It equips students with knowledge of Christian doctrines, ethics, and rituals while developing essential leadership and service skills for various ministry settings.

Students explore biblical studies, church history, and theology while gaining practical skills in preaching, pastoral care, worship leadership, and evangelism. Hands-on experiences, such as internships or ministry practicums, allow them to apply their learning in real-world settings, preparing them for impactful service in Christian communities.

#### **CERTIFICATE PROGRAM IN CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

The Certificate Program in Christian Education is a flexible online undergraduate program that combines theology with practical training in Christian teaching methods. It equips students with skills in curriculum development, instructional strategies, and spiritual formation.

Graduates can pursue roles as Christian school teachers, youth ministers, Sunday school directors, or curriculum developers. They may also continue their education in divinity, theology, or Christian education.





#### **CERTIFICATE PROGRAM IN PASTORAL STUDIES**

### **BE EQUIPPED IN YOUR** DIVINE

- Be equipped with fundamental knowledge and practical skills essential for effective pastoral ministry.
- Learn the core principles of pastoral care, leadership, and spiritual guidance.
- Emerge well-prepared to serve congregations, provide spiritual guidance, and lead with integrity in diverse pastoral settings.













Tailored for aspiring pastors and those in ministry, the program provides a foundation in theology, leadership, and pastoral care to equip individuals for effective service.





### **†** CERTIFICATE PROGRAM IN CHRISTIAN MINISTRY

## IGNITE YOUR MINISTRY POTENTIAL

- Be equipped with a strong foundation in ministry principles, biblical theology, pastoral care, discipleship, evangelism, and church administration.
- Learn theoretical knowledge with practical application that will equip you to engage meaningfully with congregations and communities.
- Emerge with a deeper understanding of Christian principles, enhanced leadership skills, and a profound capacity to impact lives through your ministry endeavors.













Tailored for aspiring ministers and those already serving, the program offers flexible training in theology, ministry, and leadership to equip individuals for effective service and leadership.





#### CERTIFICATE PROGRAM IN CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

#### **UNITE YOUR** PASSION (7) & PURPOSE

- Be equipped to nurture spiritual growth and knowledge within educational contexts.
- Learn to encompass crucial areas such as biblical studies, curriculum development, innovative teaching methodologies, spiritual formation, and ethical considerations.
- Emerge with an ability to infuse Christian values into your teaching, curate meaningful learning encounters, and contribute positively to the spiritual evolution of students spanning various age groups.









Tailored to equip individuals for roles as Christian educators, Sunday school teachers, curriculum designers, and youth ministry leaders, the program blends theology with practical skills to lead and inspire spiritual growth.





For years, we've been praying for the right place for ACTS to call home, and by God's grace, He has led us to a generous Christian couple who donated a portion of land for ACTS' future campus. We are truly blessed not only by their generosity but also by the opportunity to steward this land—both financially and spiritually. This is a significant milestone for us, marking the beginning of a real mission to establish a physical location to **train and equip future leaders for God's Kingdom.** 

At this moment, we are working on the land, processing the necessary legal documents, and, most importantly, praying for God's provision to help us gather the building funds to make the campus a **reality**.

With this vision and mission now in our hands, we understand that bringing it to fruition will require more than just hard work and planning—it will take a community of like-minded individuals who share in this mission.

We need people who believe in the same vision and are willing to walk alongside us to bring this dream to life, all according to God's grace and His will. Together, we can make this vision a reality and create a lasting impact in raising up future leaders who will serve God's Kingdom faithfully.

We invite you to join us in this journey, as we trust in God to provide and guide us every step of the way.

## LAYING THE FOUNDATION FOR KINGDOM MINISTRY

As we move forward in faith, our next prayer is to find generous donors who will help us build key structures for our campus

















#### A VISION FOR GROWTH



#### This new campus will be more than just a school. It will be a place of:

- **Spiritual Growth and Academic Excellence:** Students will experience both academic rigor and spiritual development, deepening their faith while gaining knowledge.
- **Leadership Development:** The campus will equip aspiring pastors, Christian educators, and ministry leaders with the tools to serve and lead with purpose.
- **Community Impact:** ACTS will play an active role in local outreach, empowering individuals and fostering spiritual renewal within the community.
- A Lasting Legacy of Faith: The campus will stand as a testament to faith and commitment, preparing future generations of leaders to serve God's Kingdom.
- **Environmental Responsibility:** ACTS will build sustainably, integrating eco-friendly practices and creating spaces that honor God's creation.

The ACTS building project is about more than bricks and mortar—it's about building lives, impacting communities, and glorifying God. It focuses on creating a space that fosters spiritual growth, develops leaders, and leaves a lasting legacy for God's kingdom.



#### UNITING FOR A PURPOSEFUL FUTURE



With the vision and land that have been so graciously blessed to us for the establishment of ACTS, we are excited to embark on this journey! We believe that God has placed this vision in our hearts, and we trust in His faithful provision through the generosity of His people. To get started, we are aiming to raise at least 10 million pesos (approximately USD 200,000), which will set the foundation for what God has in store.

Whether you are an individual, a church, or a business, we invite you to join us in this exciting journey of faith. Together, we can make a lasting impact, equipping individuals to fulfill the Great Commandment and Great Commission, and spreading the love and teachings of Christ far and wide.

Your support, no matter how big or small, plays a vital role in advancing this mission.

#### Your support will help us fund:

- The labor and construction of key structures for the ACTS campus: chapel, classrooms, dormitories, kitchen, dining hall, and basketball court.
- Spaces for learning, worship, prayer, discipleship, and fellowship.

We are excited to see what God will do as we partner together in this mission!



#### **PARTNER WITH US IN GOD'S WORK!**

Every contribution, big or small, makes an eternal impact. Here's how you can donate:

- Online Giving
- Bank Transfer
- On-Site Donations Visit or contact us for details.

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"He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way to be generous in every way, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God."



## ACTS SPONSOR CHURCHES THANK YOU!

With profound thankfulness and praise to the Lord Jesus Christ, we thank our sponsor churches for believing in and journeying with us in the ACTS mission. Your partnership is a true blessing, and we are honored to walk together in this mission, fulfilling the vision God has placed before us.



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## ACTS MAJOR SPONSORS THANK YOU!



With deepest gratitude and praise to our Lord Jesus Christ, we honor Mr.

■ Jose and Rizalinda Merioles, our generous land donors. Your kindness ■
and partnership are a true blessing, strengthening our shared vision and
purpose. May the Lord abundantly bless you for your generosity!



With heartfelt appreciation and praise to the Lord Jesus Christ, we honor the Vollrath Family—Ruby, Russell, and Tianna—our Major Sponsors, as we journey together in the mission of ACTS.

Your partnership strengthens our shared vision and purpose!

On behalf of Alpha College for Theological Studies (ACTS) Inc., we express our deepest gratitude to all our stakeholders who have played a vital role in fulfilling our vision and mission.

To our Board of Trustees, thank you for your steadfast leadership and dedication to guiding ACTS toward excellence in theological education.

To our faculty and staff, we honor your passion, tireless efforts, and commitment to shaping the hearts and minds of our students, reflecting Christ's love in all you do.

To our students and graduates, we commend your hard work and faith in pursuing God's call. You are the future leaders who will make a lasting impact on the Church and community.

To our partner churches, ministries, and organizations, we appreciate your prayers, support, and collaboration in advancing God's kingdom through the raising of dedicated workers.

To our donors and sponsors, thank you for your generous contributions that allow us to expand our reach and continue providing quality education to future leaders.

To our land donors, Mr. Jose and Rizalinda Merioles, we are deeply grateful for your selfless gift of land, which will serve as the foundation for ACTS, empowering future generations to fulfill God's calling.

Above all, we give all glory and honor to God, the source of wisdom and strength. As 1 Corinthians 15:58 reminds us, "Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain."

May God continue to bless and guide us in His work.

To God be the glory!



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