### ISSUE 3 | DECEMBER 2023 United Christians Liberty Evangelical Church WOMEN'S MINISTRY DEPARTMENT NEWSLETTER

Harmony: A glimpse of 2023

Dear Beloved Sisters,

Celebrate with Us!

As we bid farewell to a remarkable year, let's reflect on the blessings that have filled our hearts. In the pages of this newsletter, you'll discover the incredible accomplishments of 2023, the continuous support from our members at the national and local levels, and the exciting plans that await us. We THANK YOU for the growth of WMD!

### Growth & Expansion

- Implemented Quarterly Reports and Technical Assistance Sessions
- Enhanced nationwide WMD collaboration and connections
- Distributed department newsletters
- Upgraded email platform
- You suggested and we listened = implemented local WMD email accounts for improved and consistent communication

### A Glimpse into the Future

- Directors and Coordinators Meet & Greet
- Get ready for local church fellowship
- Retreat readiness
- Expansion initiative for Nyiakeng Puachue Mhong

Your presence has made all of this possible. Thank you for your support, dedication, and love. Let's continue to walk this path together. May the love and grace of our Lord be with you as you step into 2024!

With gratitude,

Maysua Chervunkong

WMD Executive Director

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Nomen's Ministry

### Exciting news!

Our website now closely aligns with our church identity, United Christians Liberty Evangelical Church and church website: ucleministry.org.

Why the Change?

- Unity and Clarity: Mirror the website to enhance unity for members and others to connect with our church and department
- Memorability: Makes our online presence easier to remember and share

What Remains Unchanged? The inspiration, resources, content, and engagement remains the same. Visit us at **uclewmd.org** —same heart, new name!

# Everlasting Life Conference

Sunday, December 3, 2023

As the clock counted down the final twenty minutes, an exciting sense of anticipation filled both the physical and virtual spaces where our guests eagerly awaited the commencement of the conference. The atmosphere was pure joy as our UCLE sisters from Thailand, Laos, and the United States streamed in, ready to take part in what promised to be an extraordinary gathering!

The conference unfolded with worship song led by the Conference Choir, followed by a warm welcome speech and an opening prayer. Year-end reflections and hymn videos submitted by the local WMDs, added a personal touch to the event. At the heart of it all was a celebration of unity and the assurance of eternal life with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Our honored guest speaker, Rev. Chervang, a visionary whose ministry has touched the lives of thousands, the Founder of the first independent Mhong Christian congregation—United Christians Liberty Evangelical Church, the developer of the Nyiakeng Puachue Mhong writing system, and the author of the book Finding God: A Divine Journey, inspired everyone present. His message, much like God breathing life into mankind, poured vitality into all who attended.

In this life, we are called to overcome worldly struggles, knowing that through these challenges, we remain in Jesus and inherit of the Kingdom of God for eternal life. We will endure!

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Let us unite in sharing the Good News with a world yearning for hope, for in the proclamation of salvation, lives are touched, hearts are healed, and the lost find their way home to eternal life.

We look forward to seeing you again!







### Christmas Greetings

Dear Beloved Sisters,

As we draw closer to the holiday season, I am filled with an overwhelming sense of gratitude and awe at the incredible work God is doing through our ministry and the remarkable women who are part of it.

As we approach the holiday season, I want to reflect on the true meaning of this time. Christmas is a celebration of the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ, whose life and teachings continue to guide us in our journey. It reminds us of God's infinite love for us and His willingness to send His Son to redeem and save us.

In the spirit of this season, I encourage each of you to take a moment to pause and reflect on the impact you have made in the lives of others. Your dedication to our ministry, commitment to prayer, acts of kindness, and support for one another have been a shining example of Jesus' love.

I am excited about the opportunities ahead as we continue to serve, grow in Jesus Christ, and support one another. Together, we can be a powerful force for good, bringing hope, healing, and transformation to those in need.

As we exchange gifts and celebrate with our loved ones, let us also remember the greatest gift of all, the gift of salvation through Jesus Christ. May His love and grace fill your hearts and homes this holiday and throughout the year.

Thank you for your dedication, passion, and commitment to the UCLE and WMD ministry mission. It is an honor to serve you, and I look forward to the incredible journey ahead. May God bless you abundantly during this holiday season and always.

In His love and grace,

Maysua Chervunkong

WMD Executive Director





Dearest Sisters-in-Christ,

As we celebrate these special times of 2023 and await the new year, I would like to extend the warmest cheer to all of you, the members of UCLE Women's Ministry Department. I praise God for your unwavering faith because the reward for trusting Jesus Christ in all of life's seasons will result in the salvation of our souls according to the will of God (1 Peter 1:9). May you always be bundled up in God's faithfulness and may the fellowship with the Holy Spirit help you live a holy life, glorifying our Lord Savior Jesus Christ. Amen!

Gaomong J. Chervunkong





Dearest my fellow sisters in Christ,

As 2023 comes to an end, I hope and pray you are all well in good health and spirit. It has been an amazing year full of growth in leadership, sisterhood and creating memories with each other. I know there may have been many challenges we faced, and troubles that came our way; but I want to encourage and applaud each one of you because you did it! Though we went through these tribulations, you placed your trust on God and filled your heart with His love and grace. Your faith sets you apart and keeps you dear to our Lord, heavenly father; keep Him close and you will find yourself in the best place.

As we take a moment from our busy lives to celebrate the birth of our Lord, may you receive the gift of faith, blessing of hope and peace of God's love at Christmas and throughout the new year. I leave you with a bible verse: "Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning." James 1:17

Blessings,

Katrina Kiong

WMD Assistant Treasurer





Pang (NXF Julian)

"On hearing this, Jesus said to them, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners." Mark 2:17

This verse speaks to me because I am reminded that even if I feel unworthy, Jesus came here to save sinners like me and that He will always accept me for who I am, who I was and who I strive to be.



Lou (N. Txujci)

"WHAT GOD INTENDED FOR YOU GOES FAR BEYOND ANYTHING YOU CAN IMAGINE." OPRAH WINFREY

God has a reason for allowing things to happen. We may never understand His wisdom, but we must simply trust His will

PSALM 37:5



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Jenny (N. Ascaas Pengsue)



### TAPIOCA RICE NOODLES (KAPIA)

by Seng Mouacheupao

The best chewy bouncy noodles for chicken noodle soup. This recipe makes about 8-10 servings. It's great for family meals when you only want to make 1 dish rather than 3-4 dishes.



#### INGREDIENTS:

- 1 BAG ELEPHANT RICE FLOUR
- 1 BAG BUDDHA TAPIOCA STARCH
- 1 HOT BOILING WATER
- 1/2 TEASPOON SALT (optional)

### Directions:

- 1. MIX THE FLOUR, TAPIOCA STARCH AND SALT IN A STAINLESS STEEL BOWL
- 2. ADD THE HOT BOILING WATER AND MIX
- 3. PRESS THE DOUGH TOGETHER AND START KNEADING CONTINUE TO KNEAD IT TOGETHER UNTIL IT COMES TOGETHER AND BECOMES ONE BALL OF DOUGH
- 4. NOW CUT THE DOUGH INTO FOUR PIECES SO THAT IT'S MORE MANAGEABLE WHEN ROLLING IT OUT
- 5. USE TAPIOCA STARCH TO COAT YOUR BOARD AND ROLLING PIN TO PREVENT STICKING
- 6. ONCE YOU'VE ROLLED THE DOUGH THINLY, FOLD OVER AND CUT THIN NOODLES
- 7. FINISH ROLLING AND CUTTING THE REST OF THE NOODLES.
- 8. SPRINKLE A LIGHT COAT OF TAPIOCA STARCH ON THE NOODLES TO PREVENT FROM STICKING TOGETHER
- 9. SET ASIDE TO BE USED IN YOUR SOUP DISH. YUMMY FRESH, BOUNCY & CHEW NOODLES.

TRY a DIY!



### Hey ladies!

Have you been wanting to try your hand at some DIY projects around your house but don't know where to start? DIY can seem intimidating, but with the right beginner tips, it doesn't have to be. Customizing and upgrading basic furniture like a dresser is a fantastic introductory project! Here are some simple beginner-friendly tips to guide you through your first 1-hour DIY dresser makeover adventure:

### Tip number one:

Contact paper is a game-changer. Use it to revamp your dresser drawer fronts! Its adhesive backing makes applying cool geometric patterns, faux wood grain, or even blackboard paper a breeze, turning that mundane dresser into a captivating display. Get those creative juices flowing! Start by measuring your drawer fronts adding 2-3 inches more on all sides, then cutting the contact paper to those measurements. Next, adhere the contact paper to the dresser fronts slowly using a credit card to smooth out and remove any air bubbles. Leave 1 inch overhang to accommodate for errors and placement. Cut the excess off with a utility knife, voila, you have a transformed dresser!

### Tip number two:

Swap out those generic dresser drawer handles for some fun, stylish ones that reflect your décor style! Remove the old handles and replace them with knobs or pulls in a shape and color you adore. This swift handle switch-up will jazz up your entire dresser. For instance, my dresser didn't have knobs, so I installed half-moon knobs on my drawer fronts.

#### Finally, tip number three:

Embrace the power of power tools, like a power drill, to add custom touches to the dresser. These tools offer mechanical advantages, reducing the need for hefty physical strength or effort when attaching the knobs or making other modifications. Customizing becomes a cinch! Remember to always prioritize safety. While you don't need power tools to complete this DIY makeover project, they can be handy for some advanced customizations. Additionally, drills are beneficial if you decide to securely mount your finished dresser to the wall using anchors, ensuring stability.

There you have it—a few tips to elevate a basic dresser to a stylish centerpiece in just under an hour! Change out the hardware, use contact paper for instant color and patterns, and if you're up for it, leverage those power tools. Here's to giving your furniture a fresh twist and enjoying every moment of the DIY ride. You got this!



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## UPCOMING EVENTS



### ANNOUNCING OUR 2024 VISITATION!

# We are coming to you!



DATES TBD IN 2024 LOCATION COMING TO YOU!

# Fellowship, Worship and Pray!

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"And we know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to his purpose for them." Romans 8:28 (NLT)

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