



NEWSLETTER

WE EXIST TO ENCOURAGE EACH OTHER ON THIS JOURNEY OF CHRISTIAN FAITH, TO SHARE THIS MESSAGE WITH OTHERS AND TO ENCOURAGE ONE ANOTHER TO GROW IN MATURITY IN CHRIST



CHURCH CAMP 2020

Church camp was held on the 21 to 23 February and was a great time of teaching, relaxation, making new friends and catching up with old friends. 81 people attended this year and it was wonderful to have some first-time campers experiencing camp - Mardon Rd style.

We were blessed and encouraged by Jeff Deuble's teaching on Living a Life of Love based on the text in Mark 12:28-34 where the scribe asked Jesus which is the first of all commandments. Jesus answered with the well-known words: "The first of all the commandments is: 'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one. And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.' This is the first commandment. And the second, like it, is this: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these." During the first session Jeff looked at the reasons for God's commandments: they are for our sake, not His; not as an imposition but as an invitation; not to restrict our freedom but to release us into true freedom; not to deprive us but to bless us; and, not as demands but as desires. The second session was about loving and trusting God: putting God first in our affections (heart); obeying when we don't feel like it (soul/will); following when it doesn't

make sense (mind); believing God will provide what we need when we need it (strength). On Sunday Jeff shared what God's love is: a love in action; selfless; principled and transcendent. The challenge is for us to show that love to each other.

As always, Saturday evening was a highlight with plenty of musical items and some side-splitting skits! Thank you everyone for coming and making it a special weekend! Next year's camp is booked on the 19 to 21 February.



CAPERNWRAY STUDENTS

We are excited to welcome Ava, Makayla, Dawson and Mo from Capernwray. They will run the Young Adults and High School Bible studies on alternate Wednesday evenings and will be with us each Sunday. We are already loving having them with us!



SUNDAY 8 MARCH

shared lunch

AFTER THE SERVICE PLEASE BRING A PLATE

COMING UP

- 7th March - youth group
- 8th March - shared church lunch

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

- 4th - Holly Bennett
- 7th - Sarah Moss
- 14th - Christa & Michael Brandt
- 18th - Danielle Walton
- 21st - Aileen Smith
- 29th - Camila Miers & Paul Goble

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YOUTH

Congratulations to Anna Blackburn on receiving a scholarship from Hamilton City Netball which will cover her last year of study at Wintec. Well done Anna!

Youth Group:

Saturday 7 March

FLASHLIGHT MAZE AND WATERSLIDE

6:30 pm at Bucking Boar Cornfield, 494 Ngaruawahia Road.

\$12 each

PLUS (old) togs and towel for water slide, torch, and shoes for walking through corn maze.



CHRISTIAN SCREEN

Cliff and Leonie received the following feed-back relating to Christian Screen:

Dear Leonie and Cliff,

It is amazing to read about how the Christian Screen Media is growing and how the movies are impacting people's lives. This is a unique ministry where you have indeed utilized the power of Media to reach people with the Gospel of Jesus Christ or even to just encourage people in their walk with God.

This year, more and more members are borrowing the DVDs and even though I have never experienced being a librarian before, being a DVD librarian has been an excitement. There is no place yet to safely store the DVDs in the Church so my Bag of DVDs accompany me now to church every Sunday. Soon I'll be called the DVD lady . The DVDs are displayed at the back table where the Hymn books are also stacked.

More children and teens are interested in the DVDs as well as a few of the adults. We have asked the children to have their parents sign out their choice of DVD. The youth have yet to conduct a movie night and now we don't have to run around looking for good Christian DVDs.

So, thank you for the vision behind this ministry and for actually investing your time and resources in our churches. Looking forward to more DVDs and, of course, your visit if you do come this way to Savusavu.

Kind regards and blessings for the both of you, Inise



MARCH

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
30	31				1	1 Church service 10:30a Speaker: Geoff Follas WL: Tom Bennett <i>Colossians 1:15-19</i>
2	3 Leadership meeting 7:30p @ Neville's home	4 High school Bible study 7:30p @ church	5	6	7 Youth group 6:30p FLASHLIGHT MAZE AND WATERSLIDE	8 Church service 10:30a Speaker: Werner Schreiber WL: Paul Goble CHURCH LUNCH
9	10	11 Young adults Bible study 7:30p	12	13	14	15 Church service 10:30a Speaker: Greg Liston WL: Peter Moss
16	17	18 High school Bible study 7:30p @ church	19	20	21	22 Church service 10:30a Speaker: Carl Brandt
23	24	25 Young adults Bible study 7:30p	26	27	28	29 Church service 10:30a Speaker: Werner Schreiber WL: Tom Bennett