MARDON RD CHURCH@

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

Church camp was held on the 19 to 21 February and was a great time of teaching, relaxation, making new friends and catching up with old friends. The weather was perfect this year and this added to the great weekend. We were also blessed with the timing of Covid-19 lockdown levels allowing our Auckland friends to attend!

We were really challenged by Alan Stanley's teaching on Our Love for Others is a Reflection of Our Love for God. Alan started with Jesus' teaching on the great commandment in Matthew 22:37-39: 37 "Jesus said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.'" In the second study Alan shared a Biblical principle from Matthew 6:21, "For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." We saw that what we treasure influences our heart which then influences our actions. When we have the Lord Jesus and his Kingdom as our treasure we will have joy in our hearts which will lead to right actions. On Sunday we looked at how Jesus replaced the law with love and that we are called to

reflect God in our lives. This is only possible with God's spirit in us. Alan challenged us to ponder each day that God loves us and finished with Paul's prayer in Ephesians 3:18-19, "that you may be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the width and length and depth and height—to know the love of Christ which passes knowledge; that you may be filled with all the fullness of God."

COMING UP:

Saturday 13 March- youth group

Sunday 14 Marchshared church lunch



As always, Saturday evening was a highlight with plenty of musical items and some side-splitting skits! We are thankful to Esmee, Sarah and Shaun (above) for running the kids programme and thank you to everyone who came and made it a special weekend!

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

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

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Doris Dominguez and Peter Hansen on their engagement. They are planning to get married on the 10th April. We pray God will bless your life together.





SHARED CHURCH LUNCH

You may remember it was Cliff and Leonie Ireland's 50th wedding anniversary earlier this year. Unfortunately a planned church lunch had to be postponed but Cliff and Leonie are still keen to share that milestone with their church family and the lunch has now been booked for Sunday 14th March. Please bring a plate to share if you are able ... all welcome!

CHURCH FAMILY CAMP 2022



The camp committee are excited to share that next year's camp is booked for the 18th to 20th February and our speaker will be Reuben Munn from Shore Community Church. It would be wonderful if you could plan to be there!

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Encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing. 1 Thessalonians 5:11

CONTACTS

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Raewyn Moss, Glenyss Bennett

ITEMS FOR PRAYER

Please continue to pray for Winnie as she travels back to New Zealand this month. She will be in quarantine from the 17th March and we will be able to see her in April. Please pray for Ron Thomas who has undergone surgery recently.

SUN	MON	MAR TUE	CH 202 WED	1 Thu	FRI	SAT
	1	2 7:30p leadership meeting @ Neville's	3	4 7:00p choir practice @ church	5	6
7 10:30a church speaker: David Steffert wl: Paul Goble Luke 15:11-32	8	9 7:30p young adults Bible study @ the Gobles	10	11	12	youth group
14 10:30a church speaker: Geoff Follas wl: Carl Brandt shared lunch	15	16	17	18 7:00p choir practice @ church	19	20
21 10:30a church speaker: Werner Schreiber wl: Peter Moss	22	23 7:30p young adults Bible study @ the Gobles	24	25	26	27
28 10:30a church speaker: Alan Stanley wl: Tom Bennett	29	30	31 10:00a coffee group @ Glenyss'			