

# 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 2023

Church camp was held from the 17th to the 19th of February at Papamoa and was a relaxing and refreshing time away from the busyness of our daily lives. It was great to see so many people there after the Covid-affected numbers of last year. And it was a good chance to get to know Greg and Di Liston and enjoy Greg's teaching over the weekend. His theme was Training, not Trying, and he encouraged us to be more intentional in developing spiritual disciplines to counter some common issues in the Christian life. For example, if we suffer from Hurry Sickness, as so many of us do, then develop the spiritual discipline of Solitude. If we struggle with joy and contentment, then developing the discipline of Celebration can help.

Psalm 118 is a wonderful reminder of this, especially verse 24: "This is the day that the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it." It was a pity Greg only had three sessions - there were so many other practical things we could have looked at.

As usual, Saturday evening was a highlight! The talent on display was amazing and varied with some definite 'lump in the throat' moments - although we wonder how an Aussie larrakin managed to crash the evening. Thanks to all those who attended camp and helped make it a special time of closeness and sharing - some people call that a super-spreader event but it was worth it.



## MAISIE KIMBERLEY

Congratulations to Josh and Maddi on the safe arrival of Maisie Rae on the 12th of February. Maisie was born a healthy 8lb11oz (3965 grams). She already has her daddy and mummy, and everyone else, wrapped around her little finger! Too cute!

## MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Holly Bennett - 4th  
Sarah Moss - 7th  
Michael & Christa Brandt - 14th  
Danielle Walton - 18th  
Aileen Smith - 21st  
Ben Lincoln - 22nd  
Camila Miers - 29th  
Paul Goble - 29th

## COMING UP:

*shared lunch* - Sunday 5th March  
*car boot sale* - Saturday 25th Mar

## CONTACTS

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**Overseers:** Bill Goble, Neville Brandt  
**Care Coordinators:**  
Raewyn Moss, Glenyss Bennett



## GREG DEUBLE

Hasn't it been great to have Greg Deuble with us during the last five weeks? Somehow his redneck cousin, complete with mullet, managed to tag along as well but we accept anyone! Greg still has the same old energy and enthusiasm! Even Covid couldn't slow him down for more than a couple of days before he was going for a run to blow out the cobwebs. This morning Greg shares his last message in the series "Some Reasons Why I Want Jesus to Come Back" and with one voice we agree: "Come, Lord Jesus!" Revelation 22:20 Greg also has a last Bible Study to share with us on Tuesday evening before he flies home to Australia on Wednesday.



## CAPERNRWAY STUDENTS

It's great to have a group of Capernwray students join our church family again this semester. Returning students are Alina, Teagan, Jonas, and Max, plus we welcome four new students: Bethany, Kenzie, Nathan and Simon. We look forward to getting to know you all.

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*He who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! Revelation 22:20*

## GIVING

Donations to the church are purely voluntary but greatly appreciated. You should never feel pressured or obligated to give. YOU are much more important to us than your money.

But if you'd like to partner with us through regular financial giving towards the mission of Mardon Road Church, please use the bank account details below to set up an automatic payment. As we have charitable status, we can provide a receipt at the end of the financial year for tax purposes.

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## MARCH 2023

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<b>5</b> 10:30a church speaker: Greg Deuble wl: Ben Watkinson <b>shared lunch</b>	<b>6</b> 7:30p leadership meeting @ Neville's	<b>7</b> 7:15p Bible study @ church	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>12</b> 10:30a church speaker: Lewis Varley wl: Tom Bennett	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> 10:00a coffee group @ Glenyss'	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b> 10:30a church speaker: Martin Campbell wl: Paul Goble	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> 8:00a car boot sale @ church
<b>26</b> 10:30a church speaker: Geoff Follas wl: Peter Moss	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	