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 2019

"A Bible that's falling to pieces belongs to a man who isn't! Now, before you get too upset with me in this gender-sensitive day, let's just agree that any man, any woman, any young person, any child who bases their life, builds their life, upon the Word of the God of the Bible will enjoy the undergirding of the wisdom of the Creator and Father of the universe.

It's been my absolute privilege to share with you at Papamoa and Hamilton Church of Christ the glory and grace of our BIG GOD, LITTLE GOD; NEAR GOD, FAR GOD; LIGHT GOD, DARK GOD; HIDDEN GOD, REVEALED GOD.

One story I did not share with you, but which summarizes our little series concerns a lady from my home church. Two Sundays before I came to New Zealand, 'Sandy' stood in front of the congregation and said; "According to the world, I am a mistake. I am the daughter of a mother who gave birth to me when she was 17. My father should have known better; he was over twice my mum's age, already married to another woman and the father of their four children. According to the world, I am a mistake."

She went on - "But according to the Gospel of Jesus Christ, I am the daughter of our Heavenly Father and an heir of God through Christ. According to the word and promise of God I am here for a purpose bigger than the stars. I am a child of God's love. My life has eternal significance!"

Ah! Isn't our BIG GOD, LITTLE GOD good!? He can bring light out of the dark of our sin. He, after all, turned the greatest crime ever committed in the cosmos - the murder of His beloved Son Jesus - into our eternal salvation ... BIG GOD, LITTLE GOD; HIDDEN GOD, REVEALED GOD. We give you our worship and thanks, O God our Father."

Greg Deuble

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

4th - Holly Bennett

7th - Sarah Moss

14th - Michael & Christa Brandt

18th - Danielle Walton

21st - Aileen Smith

29th - Paul Goble & Camila Miers

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Although our official name is still the "Church of Christ, Life and Advent", we are now increasingly known as Mardon Road Church. Last year the leadership group spent some time with a Christian media team to incorporate this new name into a graphic design. As you know, our church was founded on the truth of "Life only in Christ" or "Conditional Immortality" so it was important to include that truth in our name. The image represents the resurrection (a green hill topped with blue circles as the open tomb) as we believe our salvation rests in the Lord Jesus' resurrection and the surety of His second coming.

MISSIONS COURSE



Josh Goble has been accepted to attend the Headspace Missions course this year from March to November. The course is made up of: three month-long teaching blocks spread over the year, a work experience block and ten weeks offshore to Thailand. Josh will mainly be based in Tauranga and Kaimai with the work experience in Cambridge. Please remember him in your prayers that God may use this time to grow Josh in his Christian walk.

ROVING FELLOWSHIP

The Roving Fellowship had their first get-together for the year at the Bennett's house, where Greg Deuble was the guest speaker and shared about his life as a paramedic.



RON & JAN THOMAS

It is exciting to confirm that Ron and Jan Thomas will be coming to work with us from the 15th of July this year. They are from Charlotte, Carolina, USA and will stay for three months, assisting our ministry with speaking, Bible studies, music, etc. Please keep this opportunity in your prayers, for a fruitful ministry as we work together with Ron and Jan.

with Ron and Jan. MARCH



SHARED LUNCH SUNDAY 3RD MARCH

All welcome

Cliff and Leonie Ireland's home @ 7 Pandora Rise, Huntly.

CAMP 2020

The camp committee are very happy to announce that the date for next year's camp is the 21st to 23rd February and our guest speaker will be Jeff Deuble, Greg's brother! Jeff has been the pastor at Rivergum Community Church in Sydney for many years so we are excited he has time to visit us in New Zealand. He is also planning to come and share from the pulpit for a couple of Sundays later on this year.

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
				1	Youth Group 7:00p Buckling Boar Cornfield Maze, Ngaruawahia	3 Church service 10:30a Speaker: Paul Goble James 1:1 Introduction Shared lunch @ Ireland's
4	5 Leadership meeting 7:30p @ Neville's home	6	7	8	9	10 Church service 10:30a Speaker: Peter Moss James 1:2-12 Trials
11	12	13 Coffee group 10:00a	14	15 Roving Fellowship 10:00a @ Camarosa Café, Newstead	16	17 Church service 10:30a Speaker: Brian Carr WL: Carl Brandt
18	19	20	21	22	23	24 Church service 10:30a Speaker: Geoff Follas WL: Tom Bennett
25	26	27	28	29 Roving Fellowship 9:30a @ Brian & Janet's home	30	31 Church service 10:30a Speaker: Jeremy Suisted WL: Paul Goble