

# Reflection Questions

- How often do you find yourself thinking “If only....?”
- What difference does it make to you knowing that Jesus grieved for his friend?
- How do you experience the ‘Spirit in you’? Ezekiel 37:14
- What words can you use to bring life to others?



**Bless Israel** – People are gathering in towns and cities across the Nation, from many cultures, organisations and churches, to stand in unity and love releasing the sound of blessing from ‘the ends of the Earth’ to Israel. The Nelson Regional Event will take place at the Richmond Community Church 245 Queen Street, Richmond Saturday 8 April commencing at 6-50pm We ask that all be seated by this time. All Welcome.

**Bibles Wanted** - If you have any spare Good News Bibles that you no longer need, the Cathedral would love to have them. Contact Raewyn at office@nelsoncathedral.org or 03 548 1008.

**2017 Golden Oldies Mission** - Fiji September 2017. The team is hosted by families of the St John's Bible College, Suva. You will see and experience the missions the Church is involved in. You will see and experience the missions the Church is involved and ongoing mission projects supported by Golden Oldies. These include the under-resourced hospital, a building project in a remote village and a kindergarten in a church. A development of these Missions, is running the 'Interns' and 'Graduates' Mission together. The 'Interns' are our first-timer Golden Oldies and we will take you to visit a number of mission projects - as outlined in our blog stories. Our 'Graduates' are Golden Oldies who enjoyed their 'internship' mission so much that they are returning to offer their skills and life knowledge for specific mission projects. The last 2 nights are spent at a tourist resort for a bit of 'R and R', and reflection for what we have experienced before returning to NZ. Applications close 28 April. For inquiries contact: Graeme and Jane Mitchell, Ph. 03 385 8324 or email: graeme@goldenoldiesmission.com

**Good Friday Service** - 2.00pm The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Luke. Choir, dramatised Readings and Hymns. Church on the Hill. All welcome.

**Alpha Update** - Planning is well underway for our Alpha Course. We already have three who have registered! The starting date is Tuesday 16 May and it will run after every Lunch on the Hill until the end of the course on Tuesday 21 November. Susan and Yvonne will lead the course, with David Day and Marie Tilley. Yvonne, Marie and David went to a training session yesterday. All house-groups have been asked to pray for the course, each time you meet. Please pray for the courage to invite someone to come, for those who come, that they will hear the Gospel message either for the first time, and come to faith, or be refreshed in their faith by hearing it again. All enquiries and to register for Alpha, to Yvonne.

**AAW Area Day** - Holy Trinity AAW Is Hosting An Area Day on Wednesday 12 April. Morning tea will be provided in the hall from 9.45am onwards, and a communion service will commence at 10.30am. We are expecting up to 40 members from our area churches. Following the service we shall remain in the church and after a short break there will be a roll call. Our speaker is Patsy Hawke, wife of the Dean of the Cathedral, and we look forward to meeting her and hearing what she has to say to us. All our church family are invited to hear Patsy, and to join us for any, or all of the day. A shared lunch in the hall will follow the talk, and a gold coin donation is requested. This is a chance to join a social day with church members from around the district, always remembering that this gathering will be the last time we host the AAW and friends in the present hall!

**Easter at Nelson Cathedral** - // 7.30pm Wednesday 12 April Service of Shadows *Tenebrae*. Candles are gradually extinguished as we move through the Passion Story. The Tallis lamentations intersperse the readings sung by a specially invited choir. // 12.15pm Thursday 13 April *Maundy Thursday* Clergy reaffirm their ordination vows, and are anointed and prayed for. A free lunch follows. 7.30pm *Institution of the Last Supper*. We hear the biblical account of Jesus washing the disciple's feet. The clergy wash the feet of worshippers while the choir sings special music. At the close of the service the Cathedral is stripped of everything. // 10.00am Friday 14 April Special Good Friday Liturgy. The culmination of this 45 minute service is the carrying of the shrouded body of Christ from the Cathedral to the bottom of the steps in Trafalgar Street. People will be invited to "hammer" on the cross. 12noon – 3.00pm The 3 hour vigil led by the Cathedral clergy and the Bishop. 3.15pm There is a rehearsal for the Crucifixion. All people of the Nelson community are warmly invited to participate. 6.30pm The performance of *The Crucifixion* by John Stainer composed in 1887. This marks the 130th anniversary of this much loved work. Please invite friends and family and tourists to any of these Cathedral Services.