

Reflection questions:

- In the light of Jesus' sacrifice, how does your life reveal God's love and faithfulness?
- What does it mean for you to do the Lord's will?
- What does that look like on a daily basis?
- How can you be a servant and not a doormat?



Mission Month Event - 12.00noon, Thursday 14 August Shared Lunch with Jo Rogers and Marion McChesney from CMS.

Creation Ministries - Public Meeting at Richmond New Life Church at 7.00 pm on Sunday 17 August. Come along to hear a solid defense of the Biblical account of Creation and the fatal flaws in evolutionary thinking by Robert Hunt. Any questions contact Mark Quinney Ph 522 4607

Community Christmas Dinner - Would you like to co-ordinate one of the following aspects of this year's dinner? Santa Parade, advertising, setting up, packing away, food, or sponsorship. Please contact Kay to express your interest or for further information. Ph 544 8844

Garden Trail - In aid of our Building Fund. Please reserve Saturday 15 November 2014 in your diary. Plans are well advanced, inspired again by Caroline Pitman & her team. We have at least 10 beautiful & varied gardens around Richmond for you to enjoy and a new concept, featuring our lovely Church and the Church Hall we are striving to replace, as added attractions. We will be calling on you all to support us with your talents as you have for previous Trails. Initially, if you have any pre-loved functional Christmas Decorations please save them for us. Our team are Carole Frater, Merle Gibson, Joan Inwood, Lorraine Leonard, Shireen Lyon & Brenda Page. Watch this space. Thank you all. Brenda Page.

Media Prayer Day - Today 10 August 2014. Hundreds of churches throughout the country will take a few minutes of their Sunday service to pray for those working in New Zealand's mass media. We join them in praying for:

- Christians who work within NZ's media – Pray for those who are well known and those behind the scenes.
- People of influence within NZ's media – Christian or not - presenters, writers, editors, directors, journalists, designers, actors, producers and industry executives.



Morning Tea Feedback

Thank you to the 22 who completed the morning tea feedback survey a few weeks back. There was a real mixture of responses. Some would prefer we revert to the using the church, some prefer it in the hall. Having it in the hall creates some practical problems for those on rosters and but the hall kitchen is much easier to use. Initially people found it

difficult moving tables but that is easier now Vestry have purchased lighter tables. Some love the extra space and/or sitting at the tables and enjoy the extended time of fellowship.

Challenges:

- Many would love to see more 10:30 people join them before their service
- Getting 10:30 people to the service on time is more difficult
- If the 10:30 welcomer is not on duty early enough, the church can look deserted, as if nothing is happening

In spite of these challenges, Vestry believes the benefits outweigh the negatives so that means we will continue on the way we are.

Also we want to offer prayer after the 9.00am service to those who would like it and are working on how that might happen. Comments or questions or offers to be a member of the after service prayer team, see Susan.

Chaplaincy Training - Alphacrucis College..NZQA recognised Diploma. Student loan and allowances are available to qualifying students. Information night at Richmond Community Church, Warring Car Park (Behind Paper Plus, Queen St, Richmond on Tuesday 12 August at 7.30pm. For more information or to register contact www.acnz.ac.nz or phone 09 5801500 ext 213. Alphacrucis College is the national Bible College of the Assemblies of God NZ.

Messy Church - For some time we've been planning a second Messy Church can run every month. This is essential with the aim of reaching out to non-church families they need regularity. We have about 3 people so far to be part of Team 2 and we need more. Tasks include hall set up, kitchen oversight, clean up, craft activities, music, administration etc. Please contact Susan if you feel God is calling you to this ministry. Full training will be given. Please contact Susan if interested.

General Election - Following the "Nelson Mail" articles last week, about my standing as the Conservative Party candidate for Nelson, a number of Church members asked if I could explain to them our policies for the coming Election. Having discussed this with Susan I have arranged a short meeting, in the Hall, for 1.30pm on Wednesday 20 August (ie 30 minutes prior to the AAW meeting.) I will explain why I am standing and the main issues of national importance on which I am campaigning. All Church members are welcome please bring a friend, if you wish. John Green.

Lament



*A Service of Psalms
Bringing the pain
of the world
to God's faithful
attention
All Saints*

*30 Vanguard St. Nelson
7.30pm
Sunday 17th August*

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Thursday 21st August

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