Reflection Questions

- "Give thanks in all circumstances." Thinking about your past month, has there been a time or situation that you would find hard to give thanks?
- "Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." - 1 Thessalonians 5:18. Consider how many times you have been blessed this week, Did you give God the praise?
- Who is the most loving person you know? What is it that makes them so loving? What can we learn from them?
- "Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever!" - Psalm 107:1 Consider "love endures forever" and then consider our own journey. Do we ever give up when we start to help someone?
- "Thanks be to God for his inexpressible gift!" 2 Corinthians 9:15. What are the 5 greatest gifts that you have received?



WAY2GO Focused 2015: Nelson – A high-quality children's ministry training event run by Scripture Union NZ at St Stephen's Anglican Church, 9:30 am - 3:00 pm Saturday 15 August 2015. For more information visit: www.sunz.org.nz/way2go-focused-2015-nelson

Promise Keepers - Christchurch 21-22 August 2015. For more info and registration forms please see notice board at the back of Church. - *Joe Sardella*

Nelson Civic Choir: Haydn's Creation - 7.00pm Saturday 22 August, Old St John's, Nelson . Conducted by Chris Lukies and accompanied on the organ by Michael Bell. The soloists are Zoe Bennett and Amanda Crehan (sopranos), Ewen Griffith (tenor) and Graham O'Brien (bass). The Creation is one of the most lyrical pieces in the choral repertoire. It represents the Old Testament account of the days of creation, moving from chaos to light, with the emergence of animals – whale, lions, tigers, cattle, sheep and the sinuous worm! Adam and Eve sing of their gratitude to God and their love for each other, depicting their happy life before their fall from grace. The well-known choruses offer joyous comment on the unfolding story: 'The heavens are telling the glory of God', 'Achieved is the glorious work', 'Sing the Lord, ye voices all'. Earlybird tickets are on sale \$25.00 each or 5 for \$100.00 from Alison Heslop Ph. 544 5067.

Making Space for God - Thursday 13 August, 10.00am - 2:30pm Susan will lead a time of worship, meditation and prayer. We all need to get away from the noise and distractions of daily life at times in order to hear what the Lord would like to say to us. We will do this in the chapel and surrounds at Gardens of the World. Bring \$5, your Bible, notebook, pens and lunch to the chapel. Tea and coffee will be provided. Register with our administrator 544 8844 or church.onhill@xtra.co.nz Numbers are limited to 20. Contact Susan if you'd like more info.

Blessed: A night of Worship and Warfare - 7.00pm 14 August. Guest Speaker Stephanie Dole from Barnabas Fund. Live worship with St. Barnabas and Richmond Community Church groups. Elim Christian Centre, 625 Main Road Stoke. Supporting the persecuted church through Barnabas Fund.

