

Opportunities for growth in 2017

"The object of a new year is not that we should have a new year.

It's that we should have a new soul"

- GK Chesterton

Ministry opportunities - How is the Lord calling you to minister in 2017?

Waimea Weekly - Would you like to be part of the Waimea Weekly editorial team? The team is made up of people with ideas for articles that will speak to our wider community. Team members don't have to write articles (some like to but it is not a requirement). The team meets most often via email with a face-to-face meeting every few months. Please speak with Karl or Fiona Summerfield, Shiona Frengley, Lorraine Leonard or Susan if this might interest you.

Prayers - Would you like to write our prayer suggestions for the weekly newsletter? If you are a person of prayer this might suit you to quietly work away in the background. (Our prayers are also often used in Church services at the discretion of the various Worship Leaders.) The prayer suggestions need not be written out in full but could simply be bullet points and some suggestions eg other churches, are made beforehand. Please speak with Susan if you'd like to know more.

Growth Opportunity - What does the Lord want to reveal to you in 2017?

Lenten Study - Lent begins 1 March with Ash Wednesday. We will be holding four practical studies during Lent. The theme is Listening and Responding to God. Rev Chris Donaldson will be leading the sessions. Chris is currently vicar of Havelock and has led and trained YWAM groups for years. The sessions will be held on Thursday evenings. Existing house groups will close for the 4 weeks so that everyone can attend. We'll begin at 7.00pm with dessert and coffee. Study time will commence at 7:30pm and we'll be done by 9.00pm at the latest.

Building Fundraiser - Honey 500gms \$7.00 // 1kg \$13.00 // 2kgs \$25.00 See Anne Askin or Ph. 542 3284 **Work Wanted -** Lawnmowing / Garden work. Reasonable rates. Phone Jonathan 544 3972

Church Users - All those who use the church outside of service times are requested to be very careful about checking that the church side door is locked if you are the last person in the building. It has been left unlocked a few times lately. Also check to see that all the lights are off including the light which shines on the keyboard. Thanks.

Advance Notice: 10. 45am Service Sunday 19 February - We will be meeting at Bethany Park Kaitereteri to join with Convergence Camp at 10.00am where Bishop Justin Duckworth will be speaking on *Intentional Living* followed by Communion led by Bishop Richard.

Financial Results to end of November

November Results	Actual	Budget	Variance	Actual Year to Date	Budget Year to Date	Variance
Income	\$16,295	\$17,983	(\$1,688)	\$174,044	\$179,833	(\$5,789)
Expenditure	\$14,326	\$17,125	(\$2,799)	\$209,868	\$180,239	(\$29,629)
Surplus (Deficit)	\$2,599	\$859	\$1,740	(\$35,824)	(\$406)	(\$35,419)

Reflection Questions

- What things or people give you delight? Take a moment to thank God for them.
- Do you delight in the word of God? If not, what prevents you?
- Do you delight in God? If not, why not?
- Do you delight in the people of God? If not, what barriers are there?
- Do you believe that God delights in you? If not, what is holding you back?

