# IN THE LORD'S SERVICE – THANK YOU!

	This Sunday	Next Week	
Worship Leader	Tony Wai Robert W		
Music Leader	Nancy	Geneatta	
Bible Reader	Samuel	Jeff	
Ushers	Robert W, Rose & Krystle	Stuart & Theresa	
Techno	Tanlen	Michael	
Cup of Tea	Diana, Melinda, Andrew,	Fei Yee, Joanna C, Sheryl & Harvey	
Dishes	& Suan		

#### HOME GROUPS

	Leader	Meeting time	Location	Next meeting
CANTONESE GROUP	Albert Ko	Saturdays fortnightly @ 4pm	@ Alex Wong Toi's contact Albert Ko	1 May
EAST AUCKLAND GROUP	Marty Bing	Sunday fortnightly @ 7.30pm	@ Marty & Wing Wai Bing's	25 April
GREENLANE/ THREE KINGS GROUP	Serene Thain	Thursday fortnightly @ 8.00pm	@ Soo Land & Jean Wong's Ph 021 1411054	29 Apr
ISAAC GROUP	Angie Chu	Friday weekly @ 7:00pm	@ ACPC 105 Vincent Street, City	30 April
LADIES' HOME GROUP	Glenda Choy	Wednesday fortnightly @ 10.30am	@ Glenda Choy's ph 021 148 7956	5 May
MEADOWBANK GROUP	Tony Wai	Wednesday (3 weekly) @ 7.00pm	contact Tony Wai	12 May
NEWMARKET GROUP	Robert O'Callahan	Wednesday fortnightly @ 6:30pm	© Robert O'Callahan's office Level 2, 8 Kent Street, Newmarket ph 523 0274/021 783 289	5 May
REMUERA GROUP	Ken Cheung	2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday @ 10.00am	@ Quin Gee's contact Ken 027 481 5096	8 May
TERTIARY GROUP	Jono Yu	Thursday weekly @ 7.30pm	contact Jono Yu	29 Apr

# AUCKLAND CHINESE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

105 Vincent Street, Auckland City

# **English Ministry Service**

25<sup>th</sup> April 2010

Preacher: Graeme Sterne Sermon Topic: "Be Strong and do not give up Bible Reading: 2 Chronicles 15: 1-8

Welcome to our service. Please join us for morning tea after the service.

# Lest we forget...



**Anzac Day** 2010

# PRAYER REQUESTS

"I wait for you, O Lord; you will answer, O Lord my God." Psalm 38:15

- We pray for those for who have made the commitment to be baptised or confirmed in the coming month.
- For members, family and friends of the congregation suffering from ill health both temporary and long term
- For the future long-term ministry for ACPC that the right person(s) will be called.
  - For peace in this world and the end to all wars
  - For physical, emotional and spiritual healing for those suffering from the ravages of war.



# FAITH STIMULANT – MAKING A DIFFERENCE

An old man, going a lone highway, Came, at the evening, cold and grey, To a chasm, vast, and deep, and wide, Through which was flowing a sullen tide. The old man crossed in the twilight dim; The sullen stream had no fears for him; But he turned, when safe on the other side, And built a bridge to span the tide.

"Old man," said a fellow pilgrim, near, "You are wasting strength with building here; Your journey will end with the ending day; You never again must pass this way; You have crossed the chasm, deep and wide-Why build you a bridge at the eventide?"

The builder lifted his old grey head: "Good friend, in the path I have come," he said,

"There follows after me today, A youth, whose feet must pass this way. This chasm, that has been naught to me, To that fair-haired youth may a pitfall be. He, too, must cross in the twilight dim; Good friend, I am building the bridge for him."

-Will Allen Dromgoole

# TAX RECEIPTS

The tax receipts for your church donations are available today. Remember to include them in your claim for your tax rebate.

# MOTHERS' DAY - 9TH MAY

The Joy Fellowship plans to have lunch at YI Pian Shiang (Shang Hai food, at Dominion Rd., Balmoral) on Mother's Day on 9<sup>th</sup> May straight after Sunday worship. Participants contribute \$10 each and must register interest by 2nd May with payment. Please let Jean know on <u>sojewong@gmail.com</u> ph6255189 or mobile 0211411054 if you would like to go.

As there will probably be many family arrangements on that day, there will not be the shared lunch at church as on the roster. Morning tea will still be available as usual.



The Word for Today with Bob Gass Saturday, 24th April 2010



Looking diligently lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble you. <u>Hebrews 12:15</u> KJV

The phrase 'looking diligently' comes from the Greek word episkopos, which means to supervise, oversee, and correct (It's where the word 'bishop' originates).

So you are the overseer of your heart. Each day you must monitor, direct and correct what goes on there. You can't blame your bad attitude, resentment and unforgiveness on others. You are responsible!

When somebody offends you, it's up to you whether or not you let bitterness take root. You can't control what other people do, but it's the 'inside' part - the part you can control - that God holds us accountable for. You get to decide whether or not irritation turns into anger, anger into resentment, and resentment into retaliation.

Paul says, 'Looking diligently lest any... root of bitterness springing up trouble you, and... many be defiled' (<u>Hebrews 12:15</u> KJV). The reason weeds take over a garden is because the gardener doesn't pull them up fast enough. When your garden is choked by weeds you can't say, 'I don't know how it happened!' When you are 'looking diligently' you will see them moving in. The only way to stay free of the weeds the enemy wants to sow in your life is to be attentive to the condition of your heart.

When you're faced with a hurtful, offensive situation, refuse to let a wrong attitude take root and produce bad fruit. Instead, ask God to help you replace those destructive thoughts with mercy and forgiveness towards the people who hurt you. The Bible says, 'Above all else, guard your heart, for it is the wellspring of life' (Proverbs 4:23 NIV).

# THE WORD FOR TODAY

At a Radio Rhema interview earlier this year, when he was in Auckland, Bob Gass explained that the daily present daily readings were written three years ago. So if a particular reading is helpful and speaks to your heart, the credit, he said, goes entirely to God.

# ENTERTAINMENT BOOK 2010-2011

See Glenda if you would like to buy one. You can start using your Entertainment<sup>™</sup> Book straight away, and it's <u>valid until June 2011</u>. Best of all, for every \$65 Book sold, \$13 goes directly to ACPC.