IN THE LORD'S SERVICE - THANK YOU

	This Week	Next Week
Worship Leader	Glenda	Tony Wai
Music Leader	Rea	Anthony Y
Bible Reader	Samuel	Jessica
Ushers	Ivana	Suan, Melissa
Techno	Michael	Harvey, Anthony K
Cup of Tea	Charlotte, Ellen, Jean	Glenda, Suan, Sheryl
Dishes	Challotte, Lilett, Jean	

HOME GROUPS

	Leader	Meeting time	Location
CANTONESE GROUP	Albert Ko	Saturday fortnightly @ 4pm	@ Alex Wong Toi's Contact Albert Ko 021 753 912
CANTONESE ALBANY GROUP	Peter Zen	1st & 3rd Friday @ 8pm	@ Peter Zen's 021 280 8663
GREENLANE GROUP	Glenda Choy	Thursday fortnightly @ 8pm	@ Glenda Choy's 021 148 7956
ISAAC GROUP	Lydia Lam	Friday weekly @ 7.30pm	@ ACPC 105 Vincent Street, City
LADIES' HOME GROUP	Glenda Choy	Wednesday fortnightly @ 10.30am	@ Glenda Choy's 524 9391
MEADOWBANK GROUP	Tony Wai	Wednesday (3 weekly) @ 7pm	Contact Tony Wai
NEWMARKET GROUP	Robert O'Callahan	Wednesday fortnightly @ 6:30pm	@ Robert O'Callahan's office - Level 7 5 Short St, Newmarket 021 783 289
REMUERA GROUP	Ken Cheung	2 nd and 4 th Saturday @ 10am	@ Quin Gee's Contact Ken 021 431607
TERTIARY GROUP	Genaetta Shew	Wednesday weekly @ 7.30pm	@ ACPC 105 Vincent Street, City

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ENGLISH MINISTRY COMMUNION SERVICE

15th April 2012

Speaker: Pastor Mark Maney **Theme:** The Impossible Faith: A Crucified Messiah?

Bible Reading: John 19:14-18



We extend a very warm welcome to everyone to this morning's service. You are invited to stay for morning tea after the service.

COMMISSIONING SERVICE FOR PASTOR MARK

PCANZ Northern Presbytery has organised a Service for the Commissioning of Pastor Mark as Lay Minister of ACPC, next Sunday 22nd April at 3pm. The service will be attended by ministers and elders of other churches and all ACPC members are encouraged to attend.

"THE IMPOSSIBLE FAITH" Current Sermon Series by Pastor Mark

There were other "Messiahs" during Jesus' time, and like Jesus, they often were put to death. But while the death of the leader spelt the end of their movement, Jesus' got stronger — so strong it now covers the globe! Christianity had all sorts of traits about it that should have caused it not to succeed. And yet it did. We will look at these traits, such as Crucifixion and Resurrection, and learn why Christianity was the impossible faith, why it succeeded when it should have failed, and why we can be confident God has revealed himself through Jesus.

FAREWELLS



<u>Diana Hii</u> - Our thanks to Diana for all the work she has done in the Sunday School and at church over the years. We extend to Diana our best wishes and God's blessings as she moves to London next week.

<u>Kyoko Ogawa</u> – It's been a pleasure having Kyoko as part of our church family over the past

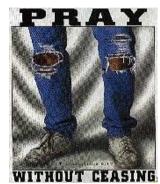
year. We wish her all the best for the future and God's blessings as she returns to Japan next week.

"And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

Matthew 28:20

PRAYERS

- ♣ Pastor Mark and family and Mark's ministry at ACPC
- ♣ An ordained minister for the Cantonese Ministry
- ♣ Diana and Kyoko may God's protection and love surround them in their new overseas environment.
- ♣ Those who are experiencing work or business challenges and difficulties – for positive solutions and God's guidance



TINY TOONES CONCERT - Friday 27th April 2012



The Tiny Toones Auckland performance will be held at 7.30 pm on Friday 27th April at Auckland Girls' Grammar School. The event is rated "M" (teenagers and above) as some of the dancers perform their personal "street" stories about their past lives i.e. of drug abuse.

We are organising a church group to attend the concert (\$15.00pp). If you would like to join the church group, please sign the sheet at the door, telephone (021 141 1054) or email (sojewong@gmail.com) Jean Wong by Sunday 22nd April.



HOW DO I CONTACT PASTOR MARK?

Email: markpmaney@gmail.com; Cell Phone (preferred): 021 309 544; or Church Manse: 908 8200

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

Entertainment books are available today. Please see Glenda. They are \$65.00 each with \$13.00 going to the church.

TAKE UP YOUR CROSS (1)

Let him... take up his cross daily... Luke 9:23 NKJV

We tend to equate our cross with things like a difficult mate, a headstrong teen, a bedridden loved one, or too much month left at the end of the money. One author writes: "We think God passes out crosses like a warden handing shovels to a chain gang. No one wants one. Each one gets one... [But] the cross means much more. It's God's tool of redemption... proof of his love. To take up the cross... is to take up Christ's burden for... people." Jesus said, "The load I give you to carry is light" (Matthew 11:30 NCV). The cross you're called to bear won't break your back, it will awaken and develop in you areas of strength which are lying dormant or being used for less worthy purposes. When you recognise this you'll stop praying for a lighter cross and ask God for a stronger back. When Paul began praying this way, God said, "My grace is sufficient for you... (2 Corinthians 12:9 NKJV).

When a badly burned infant dressed in funeral clothes was left to die in a field, attorney John Bentley and his wife nursed him back to health and adopted him. Today the Bentleys oversee an orphanage. Instead of walking away, they're shouldering the cross for China's children. Michael Landon Jr. was 19 when he accepted Christ and started impacting Hollywood by making redemptive films instead of the usual rubbish. The son of an acting legend, Landon is uniquely qualified to carry the cross for the entertainment industry. But remember, the cross calls for dying to self-interest and crucifying the desires of your flesh so that the life of Christ can be seen in you.

