## IN THE LORD'S SERVICE – THANK YOU

	This Week	Next Week
Worship Leader	Jean	Marty
Music Leader	Anthony Y	Genaetta
Bible Reader	Liz	Michael
Ushers	Eva, Jessica	Eva, Soo Land
Techno	Harvey, Anthony K	Robert, Celia
Cup of Tea	Jenny, Janet, Cindy	Serene, Rose, Francis
Dishes	Jenny, Juner, Cindy	

# HOME GROUPS

	Leader	Meeting time	Location
CANTONESE GROUP	Albert Ko	Saturday fortnightly @ 4pm	@ Albert and Emily's 021 753 912
CANTONESE ALBANY GROUP	Peter Zen	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> 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
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 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday @ 10am	<ul> <li>Quin Gee's,</li> <li>Remuera</li> <li>Contact Ken</li> <li>021 431607</li> </ul>
TERTIARY GROUP	Genaetta Shew	Wednesday weekly @ 7.30pm	@ ACPC 105 Vincent Street City
WEST AUCKLAND GROUP	Betty Ling	2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday @ 5pm	@ Betty & Kuan's Contact Robert W Ph 525 0220

# AUCKLAND CHINESE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



105 Vincent Street, Auckland City

#### ENGLISH MINISTRY SERVICE

16<sup>th</sup> December 2012

## SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS FAMILY SERVICE

THEME: Who is the Reason for the Season? Bible Reading: Luke 2:1-20

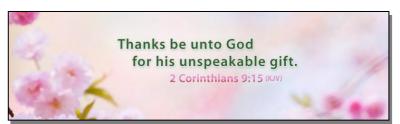


Welcome to all visitors to this morning's service. You are invited to stay for a cup of tea after the service.

## CHRISTMAS DAY 25<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2012

Pastor Mark will be preaching at this combined service which will be held at 10.30am and followed by morning tea. It is a lovely way to celebrate Christmas Day with your church family. We are aiming for a shorter service so we can continue to celebrate the day with our own families.





#### **PRAYERS FOR OTHERS**

"The Lord hears the prayer of the righteous." Proverbs 15:29

- Pastor Mark and family and his ministry at ACPC
- The immigration process for Rev Tang and his family will progress smoothly.
- Our church will rise in faith and commitment and support our decision to call a second minister, spiritually, emotionally and financially.
- Safe travels for those going away on holiday
- Continued protection over the health and wellbeing of all members of the congregation and their families.



#### **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING RESULT**



Last Sunday, the motion that Rev Chu Hang Tang be called to ACPC as Senior Minister was passed at the Congregational Meeting. Northern Presbytery's Ministry Work Group also approved the call at their monthly meeting last week. As strongly expressed and encouraged by several people at the meeting, it is important that we

support the decision spiritually, emotionally and financially.

#### SPANZ

SPANZ, the PCANZ official quarterly magazine is out today. The magazine gives us insight into the variety of activities being carried out throughout the Presbyterian Church in New Zealand. Check out the articles on church gardens, ongoing effects on a personal and church level of the Christchurch earthquake, regional youth activities, the October General Assembly and global mission.



## HOW DO I CONTACT PASTOR MARK?

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# GOD'S WORD DOESN'T CHANGE

'All your words are true; all your righteous laws are eternal.' Psalm 119:160

> A publishing house advertised: 'Ten books to read before you die'. And the Bible didn't make the list!

> Amazing; if there's one book you should read it's the Bible! When a well-known Christian author replaced her favourite cookbook with a 'New and Updated' version, she said: 'It wasn't the same. It had been adapted for convenience. And people are trying to do the same with God's Word; adapt it to make it more

convenient, time-saving, and easier to follow.

The truth is, God's Word never changes. The results of sin are the same: 'The wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ...' (Romans 6:23 NKJV).

God's plan of salvation hasn't changed: 'By grace you have been saved through faith...not of works, lest anyone should boast' (Ephesians 2:8-9 NKJV).

His method for finding guidance is in the same place: 'The law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul.

The testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple; the statutes of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart;

The commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes' (Psalm 19:7-8 NKJV). His solution for anger is still the same: 'Rest in the Lord...Cease from anger, and forsake wrath...it only causes harm' (Psalm 37:7-8 NKJV).

His method for finding peace hasn't changed: 'Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known...and the peace of God...will guard your hearts and minds...' (Philippians 4:6-7 NKJV).



The Psalmist said, 'All your words are true; all your righteous laws are eternal.' Bottom line: 'new and improved' simply isn't in the Book!

From Word for Today by Bob Gass