What's going on @ acpc in August?						
Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
30	31	1	2	3	4	5
	7.30pm Professionals Group	6.30pm Young Adults' Group	10.30am Tea & Talk	PRAY. W	AIT TRUST	10.30am Service 3-5pm Table Tennis
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	7.30pm Professionals Group	6.30pm Young Adults' Group	10.30am Tea & Talk 8.00pm Greenlane Group		10.00am Remuera Home Group	10.30am Service 3-5pm Table Tennis
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
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20	21	22	23	24	25	26
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# AUCKLAND CHINESE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

105 Vincent Street, Auckland City 29 July 2018

#### praying for others

- Rev Tang & Rev Vogel as they minister at ACPC – for wisdom & God's guidance in leading our ministries.
- ACPC congregations we pray that we can make a fresh commitment to pursue You today, excited to see the amazing things You will do in our lives.
  We pray for guidance and discernment as we look to our future in the city. We wait expectantly for Your plans for a new minister for the EM.
- For our neighbours in the city that we take the opportunities to show Your kindness, love, mercy, grace and <u>hope</u> to our neighbours.
- Those in poor health we pray for those of us, or our loved ones who are suffering from declining health. We pray that You give them comfort, strength and peace.

#### **PRAYER IS YOU SIMPLY TALKING TO GOD.** NO FLAIR. NO TECHNICALITIES.

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#### Prayer with a Side of RICE

ACPC Youth Group & Sunday School with guests from RICE

#### John 3:16-17; Ephesians 4:11-12; 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18; and Matthew 9:36-38

A very warm welcome to everyone, especially visitors, to the service today! Please join us for morning tea afterwards

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## Serving @ acpc

Service Leader Music Leader Bible Reader Ushers Techno Cup of Tea & Dishes

#### This week

Nathan Chan/YG/SS Peter Ting Jocelyn Ho Sammy & Amelia Bing Michael Yu, Harvey He Benson Fong, Yanna Ho, Ricky Yap

# Reaching out each week @ acpc

<u>Tea and Talk - tea and English conversation</u>: every Thursday at church from 10.30am-12pm <u>Table tennis</u>: Sundays 3 - 5pm weekly, a good way to develop your table tennis skills in a friendly, stress-free atmosphere.

# **Notices from Stuart**

Congratulations to Caddie and Luis who got married yesterday. Every blessing to you both.

Thank you everyone who bring food for the City Mission. These will be blessed on the first Sunday of the month (but on the 12<sup>th</sup> of August next month) and on any Sunday if there are perishables or a large amount of

goods. The intention is to make our offering to and support of the City Mission part of our Sunday worship.



Our Tea and Talk group has established a Chinese herb garden at Griffiths Gardens (corner Wellesley and Albert Sts). They are mostly Asian herbs that we hope to enjoy when they are ready in summer. Take a look if you go past. If you have a nice Asian herb to plant there, please suggest it to me (Stuart).

#### Pot Luck Tonight... let's talk about (and eat) Fish

It's time for our Pot-Luck Dinner and Fellowship tonight. The Wednesday Young Adults' Home Group has nominated 'Fish' as our theme, not only with food but also providing some insight into the symbolism of fish in the Bible. Bring you favourite fish dish (fresh, tinned, a cake, a pie) or just your favourite recipe or if you're pressed for time drinks, snacks or fruit to share. We'd love to have you and your friends join us (6 to 9pm).



Next week

Glenda Choy

Peter Ting Samuel Ho

**Brendon & Ginny Fraser** 

Rob Wong, Mandy Lowe

Pauliana Lo, Cindy Lowe,

Eva Yeung

They Are

No Longer

# Remember RICE (& their rally)

Our friends from Rice Movement today, to share about their Youth Rally (FOUND) coming here on 16 August... with guest speaker Francis Chan <u>https://ricemovement.org/rally/</u> If you know any high schoolers would be interested in coming, please contact Nathan. Also prayers for the organisers and those who will attend would be appreciated.





### **Simplify Your Prayers**

I've learned that simple, heartfelt, full-of-faith prayers always get God's attention. Unfortunately, we often overlook this and turn our prayers into a big show when in reality, prayer is simply communication with God.

We have to beware of talking to impress ourselves when we're praying. Sometimes I think we feel like we need to sound eloquent. We want to impress God with our phrases and sound holy. But God just wants to have a little chat with us.

He wants us to talk to Him like we would a friend—not with a different tone of voice. If we don't speak Elizabethan English during the day, we don't need to use it when we pray.

We also don't have to pray for hours on end. It's good to schedule prayer time, but we should just pray until we're finished and then go about our business until the next time we feel the need to pray some more.

The only way prayer will ever be satisfying is if you simply use it as an opportunity to worship and thank God for all He does for you, to get His help, and involve Him in everything you do. He's not here to be impressed...He's here to live life with you. Don't perform. Just invite Him in.

Joyce Meyer

#### **Personal Prayer List**

Today we are visiting four prayer stations, looking at different people and situations that we can pray and be thankful for... feel free to note them down here and see in a month or two or more how God has answered those prayers!

