

## What's happening in January @ ACPC?

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
30	31	1	2	3	4	5
	NEW YEAR'S EVE				SAVE THE DATE A WALK IN DUDER PARK!!!	10.30am Sunday Service  Stuart Vogel New Beginnings, Re-newed People Isaiah 43:16-21
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
		6.30pm Young Adults' Group	10.30am Tea & Talk			10.30am Sunday Service  John Probert
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
		6.30pm Young Adults' Group	10.30am Tea & Talk			10.30am Communion Service  Andrew Cox Vision 2020
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
		6.30pm Young Adults' Group	10.30am Tea & Talk			10.30am Sunday Service  6.00pm Auckland Anniversary BBQ @ Cornwall Park

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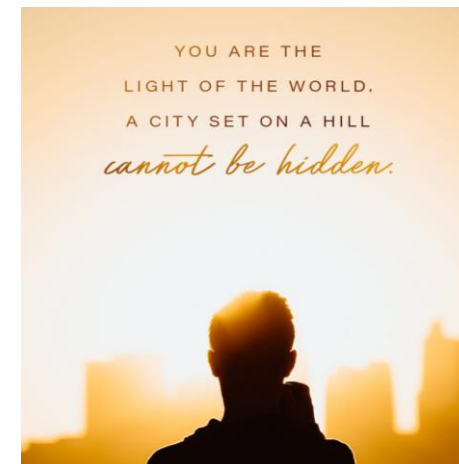
## AUCKLAND CHINESE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

105 Vincent Street, Auckland City  
29 December 2019, 5 January 2020 & 12 January 2020

### praying for others

- **Rev Tang & Pastor Cox** – for God's guidance, wisdom, love, and strength in leading our ministries. We pray for blessings on them and their families.
- **ACPC's needs** – we pray:
  - May God put His mission and His will in the prayer of each church member;
  - For our leaders' wisdom and patience when seeking God's will and guidance;
  - Praise God for His provision in our building needs, in particular we continue to pray for the sale of 105 Vincent Street;
  - Pray for all those who feel lonely over the summer holidays - for comfort and friendship; and
  - For those who are injured, unwell or troubled by difficult circumstances, may You give comfort, and peace.

### EM HOLIDAY NEWSLETTER



### Living up to your Potential

**Psalm 48: 1-3, 9-14,**  
**Matthew 5:14-16**  
John Probert

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

contact us:

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PRAYER IS A GIFT FROM GOD. WE NEED NEVER FEEL LOST OR ALONE.

CAROL F. McCONKIE

## Serving @ acpc

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

## This week

Tony Wai  
Ken Cheung  
Soo Land Wong  
Jean & Soo Land Wong  
Mandy Lowe, Rob Fong  
Jean Wong, Eve Lam,  
Natalie Wong

## 5<sup>th</sup> January

Marty Bing  
Natalie Wong  
Nathan Chan  
Samuel & Jocelyn Ho  
Harvey He, Blake O'Callahan  
Suan Tan, Quin Gee,  
Cindy Lowe

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## 12<sup>th</sup> January

Robert Wong  
Ant Yan  
Lilian Shum  
Soo Land Wong & GK Tan  
Rob Fong, Blake O'Callahan  
Sheryl Feng, Pauliana Chan,  
Allister Young

## 19<sup>th</sup> January

Glenda Choy  
Darren Koo  
Janet O'Callahan  
Brendon & Lidia Fraser  
Mandy Lowe, Rob Fong  
Linlee Chan, Eva Yeung,  
Benson Fong

## Reaching out each week @ acpc

### Tea and Talk - games, tea and English conversation:

Thursdays 10.30am-12pm starts up again on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> January.

Table tennis: is formally taking a break over December and January.

Updates coming in the New Year.

## A Word from Andrew

*Fast away the old year passes, Hail the new, ye lads and lasses! Sing we joyous all together - Heedless of the wind and weather - Fa, la, la, la, la, la, la, la, la!*

The classic Christmas song, Deck the Halls, is much more suitable to a cold winter situation, but it has a great New Year verse as well. (I removed some of the 'Fa, La, La's for space reasons.) The Old Year does indeed pass away rapidly. Whatever has happened has happened. It can't be undone. But the fresh canvas of the New Year invites us to start afresh -to be better than we were last year. Cynical? It can be tempting, especially when our weight loss goal (or whatever) didn't work so well in 2019. But when we consider the power of God and the potential of people - including ourselves - there is reason to be optimistic about 2020. So, let us "... sing and make music from [our hearts] to the Lord, always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ." (Ephesians 5:19-20)

## Coming Up... this Saturday A Walk in the Park (Duder Regional Park):

Saturday 4 January 2020. We're meeting at 10am at the park. Bring food, water, a sun hat, sunscreen, and shoes. There are beaches, and swimming afterward is an option as high tide at 3pm. Talk to Rob O if you need transport!

## And then... BBQ and Picnic at Cornwall Park: We won't have a pot luck dinner



in January. Instead, everyone is invited to Cornwall Park from 6pm on Sunday 26 January (Anniversary weekend). Meet at the grassy area near the big BBQ facilities to the south of Twin Oaks Drive. Bring meat and salad to share. Games for kids from 5-6pm.

**Church Camp:** 28 February to 1 March 2020, Moirs Point Christian Centre, Mangawhai Heads. Have a chat to those who enjoyed this year's camp (its great facilities, wonderful food, laughter, games and friendships, the inspiring studies and discussions, and did we mention the lodges?) and mark your diary today.



## New Year Goals!

Create one-year goals in key life areas<sup>1</sup>.

**Body care:** What is your goal for physical health and well-being? What are 3-5 steps that support this goal? What are the time or financial considerations related to taking these steps?



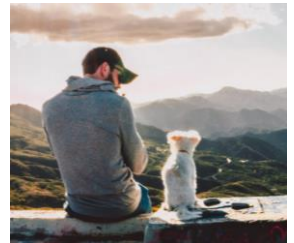
**Relationships:** How would you like to see your vital relationships made deeper or stronger? What goals do you have for your most important relationships? What are 3-5 steps that support this goal? What are the time or financial considerations related to taking these steps?



**The work of your hands:** How does the work you do, whether paid or unpaid contribute to the greater good of God's kingdom? What are your goals for the work that you do? What are 3-5 steps that support this goal? What are the time or financial considerations related to taking these steps?

**Soul care:** What are your goals for deepening your connection to the sacred and being emotionally healthy and centred? What are 3-5 steps that support this goal? What are the time or financial considerations related to taking these steps?

**Rest and play:** What helps you relax and experience what we've been given to enjoy? What is your goal for enjoying the simple pleasures of life? What are the 3-5 steps that support this goal? What are the time or financial considerations related to taking these steps?



*Don't feel like this exercise is once and for all time. It's a good idea to check in on your values and goals once a month, and re-evaluate them each year.*

<sup>1</sup> Based on the book, "Free: Spending Your Time and Money on What Matters Most" by Mark and Lisa Scandrette