



Welcome to Pakuranga Baptist Church

NEWSletter 17 September 2017

Nau Mai Haere Mai! Haahi Iriiri ki a Pakuranga

First Time Here?

Welcome to PBC. To find out more about Jesus and our Church, please pick up a Newcomers Pack from the Welcome Table. Why not fill in a Newcomers Card, today?

SUNDAY SERVICES

Pre Service Prayer 9.15am

Contemporary Service 9.45am

Back 2 the Basics:

2. I Obey

1 John 2:28-4:6

P. Andrew

Operation Christmas Child Shoebbox Collection



Christianity Explained Starts After the Offering

Mandarin Fellowship 3pm
P. James

Converge 7pm
P. Andrew

KIDZONE - (Yrs 1- 6)

Join Nicola, Alexa and the Team as they look at the topic *Clearing the Temple*.

MINIKIDZ - (Ages 1- 4)

Meet in the Children's Ministry office. Alternatively, there is an area at the rear of the church for parents with babies.

PULSE - (Yrs 7- 8)

Meet in the Activity Centre with George and Jacqueline looking at the topic *Who should we send? Who will go for us?*

What Matters

Just recently someone was asking me what I am passionate about. What drives me or inspires me in my role at PBC?

Well obviously I love people. Although it's kind of hard for an introvert to show it the people of our church are very dear to me and I just love meeting up with our church family in many and various ways. Each individual has a unique character and life story that is worth hearing and sharing.

It is also clear to me that many people in our community are growing up without knowing God. There's spiritual blindness, brokenness and opportunity. How might lives be changed if we introduce them to Jesus? How would our community be better?

Well, we already know the answer. We've seen it happen in life after life (maybe in yours), and it's my hope and prayer that we will see it in many more.

What's my motivation?
To change the world one life at a time! What's yours?

God bless you.
P. Andrew



STARTS TODAY!

It examines who is Jesus, why did He die and rise again, the importance of faith, and what is a Christian? It's held in Pastor Andrew's office after the offering and runs for 6 sessions.

Pastoral Update

We are pleased to report that Brigitte Crowe has been appointed Associate Pastor. She will be responsible for Youth, Young Adults, will be a part of the teaching team on Sundays and will oversight several other areas of church life. An Associate position is new for PBC, and we hope it will provide new flexibility, focus and growth opportunities. She will be commissioned on 1 October and will gradually assume the new role over time. The Children's & Family Pastor position will be advertised and an appointment made as soon as possible. Give thanks to God for His goodness and please continue to pray for our leadership team and church family.

TODAY AT LUNCHTIME

Don't you realize that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who lives in you and was given to you by God? You do not belong to yourself, for God bought you with a high price. So you must honor God with your body. **1 Cor. 6:19-20**

BAPTIST HUI 2017

Thurs 9 to Sat 11 November
Northpoint Baptist Church
New Plymouth

The gathering of Baptist Churches from around our nation - guest speakers include: **Lisa Woolley** (CEO, VisionWest Community Trust), **Andrew Judd** (former Mayor of New Plymouth), **Craig Vernall** (Baptist National Leader)

Also a visit to Parihaka on the Friday and Baptist Mission sharing on Saturday which will include the BMF. Share in great Baptist family events such as worship, honouring long service, welcoming fully registered Baptist Leaders, coffee, food, powhiri and catching up with one another.... so if you are interested in attending as a representative of Pakuranga Baptist, this is the last opportunity to express an interest. Please speak to Pastor Andrew by Tuesday.

Average Weekly Offerings For August

Actual \$5,610 Budget \$5,642
Give thanks for the Lord is good!

Promisekeepers Conference

'Believe' - NZ largest Christian Men's Event is on **6 - 7 October** at Victory Christian Centre, Freemans Bay, Auckland. A group of guys from PBC is going. If you would like to go, this Sunday is the last chance to join the group discount and save \$20. Please speak to Kheong or Godfrey today!

Changing Lives, Touching the Community

Children & Family Pastor

PBC is looking for a new leader (3 days/week) to:

- Lead and develop Sunday programs and outreach opportunities (0-Year 9)
- Equip and empower intergenerational relationships as part of our Faith@Home philosophy
- Recruit and develop volunteer children's ministry leaders
- Contribute to wider church life as part of our pastoral team.

If you would like to know more about the role and to read the job description, please contact Pastor Andrew at andrew.brown@pakbapt.org.nz. Applications close 13 October 2017.

My Favourite Things Women's Event, Sat 14 October 9:45am – 11:30am

We would love to invite you to our Women's Event "My Favourite Things". How does it work? Everyone brings three of their favourite things to a maximum value of \$10 per item. Everyone has the opportunity to share what they love about their favourite things and, even better, you get to take three of your new favourite things home!

Stuck for ideas?

Here are some examples...

- Magazine or devotional
- Voucher for favourite café
- Lip gloss
- Chocolate (always popular)
- Potato chips
- Coffee beans or tea bags
- Hand cream
- Kitchen utensil (eg. mini tongs
- avocado splitter, lemon zester etc.)
- Recipe (with ingredients!)
- Item in your favourite colour (eg. mug, tea towel, etc)
- Body wash or shampoo

There will be a delicious morning tea provided and it's a wonderful opportunity to invite your neighbours, family or friends to this informal event. A gold coin donation would be appreciated and there will be a sign-up sheet available next Sunday for RSVPs.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 17 Sept** Guess Who's Coming to Lunch TODAY
- 30 Sept** Fusion Family Night 5pm
- 8 Oct** Celebration Service & Shared Meal
- 14 Oct** Favourites Women's Event

CAN YOU HELP?

We are having a special celebration lunch on **Sunday 8 October** and we need volunteers to help. We need 8 at different times in the

kitchen, 10 for moving pews after the service, and 15 to help cook extra food. There will be sign up sheets next week or please speak to Pastor Keith.

New Library resources

TODAY and NEXT SUNDAY, please come and check out the brand-new resources! They are in the church foyer.

NOTE: The newly purchased books and DVDs are from your Wish List!

Daylight savings time begins next week!

Year 7-8

PULSE SUNDAYS - Meet in the Activity Centre with George and Jacqueline as we look at the topic 'Who should we send? Who will go for us?'

Year 9-13

CONVERGE SUNDAYS - Tonight our topic is Serving God and Others with Keegan. Overnighter on Friday, 29 September.

Young Adults
(17-40ish)

REVOLUTION - Meets every Wednesday at 7.30pm at David and Rachel's place. Contact pydchou@hotmail.com or 021 664743. All young adults welcome.

Ministry Leader Contact List

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| Pastor Andrew Brown (Senior) | 279 0022 | Avasha Singh (Community) | 576 4727 |
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| Pastor Andrew Brown (Youth) | 535 7695 | Kheong Cheah (Missions) | 021 2127773 |
| Pastor Keith Fox (Inclusion) | 533 9183 | Jacqui Lees (Kindergarten) | 576 7632 |
| Colleen Pfister (Church Office) | 576 8403 | Chwee Eng Lau (Prayer) | 537 4136 |
| Rein Puno (Finance) | 963 7453 | Andrew Chessum (Worship) | 526 4186 |

WHO'S HELPING

This week

Morning Tea Frank, Jennifer, Chrislin

Prayer Ministry Sally Tim, Im

Greeters Simon, Mina

House Duty Ian

Vacuum Seong, Ross

Offering Count Colin/June, Barry

Librarian Mina

Mini Kidz/Totzone Brigitte, Jessica

Next week

Morning Tea Stephanie, Margot, Kristie

Prayer Ministry Anton, Faye, Nelly, Chwee

Greeters Trevor

House Duty Duncan

Vacuum Colleen, Shelley

Offering Count Colleen, Cathy

Librarian En-Torng

Mini Kidz/Totzone Abi, Shinyi

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