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MILESTONES

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CONFIRMATIONS: We were pleased to celebrate several Confirmations on June 19th at our Patronal Service, with Deacon Margaret Birtles, Waikato Waiariki Methodist Superintendency Team and The Most Reverend Philip Richardson, Bishop of Waikato and Taranaki Anglican Diocese taking part in the service. Illness prevented Rev Shona Bettany, Executive Officer for Kaimai Presbytery from taking part. Those confirmed were Harris Chaney, Sophia Chaney, Becky O’Leary, Laura Bennett, Hayley Bennett, Michelle Bennett, Kelera Luvu, and Te Ao Tane Harrison. It was also moving to notice great-grandfather Rev Trevor Bennett and his great-granddaughter Michelle serving communion together, with four generations of Bennetts present at the service.

DEATHS: We offer condolences to those who have lost family members recently and are pleased to have been able to hold celebrations that have had to be delayed. **Beverley [Bev] McEwan** [d.26/10/01] A celebration of her life was held in Chartwell Co-operating Church on 20 June. **Tony Hitchens** [d. 15/6] loved husband of Mary. His funeral was held at Chartwell Cooperating Church on 2 July, with Jason and Hadyn able to travel from London to be present, along with Walter and Gabrielle. **Pita Kenana** [d.18/10] A service of remembrance was held at St Andrew’s on 27 June. **Leslie Haworth** [d.19/11] A memorial service was held at Fairfield Baptist Church on 22 July. **Malcolm Gooch** [d.13/7] loved husband of Rona. A service to celebrate his life was held at Chartwell Cooperating Church on 19 July. **Keith Smith** [d.17/2] loved husband of Dawn. On 30 July a service was held for the unveiling of Keith’s plaque on the wall across the courtyard.

Minister's Report

What about the Bible?

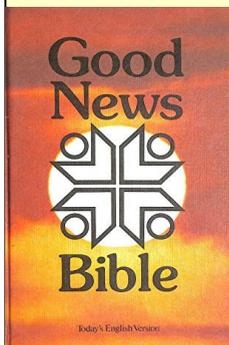


A lot around us has changed and is changing, both locally and globally. Most often changes are beyond our control. Have there been aspects of your life that have remained constant? Perhaps your personal time of prayer and devotion, your walks, staying in touch with your friends, your Bible reading and support and care from your loved ones.

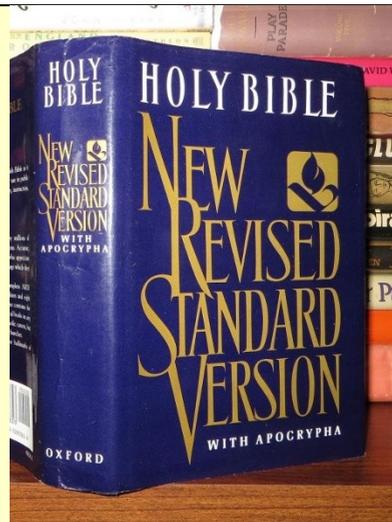
At the confirmation service in June, we presented a copy of the Bible each to Becky O'Leary, Harris Chaney, Sophia Chaney, Hayley Bennett, Laura Bennett, Michelle Bennett, Kelera Luvu, and Te O Tane Harrison. (May God continue to bless them all). This was a tangible reminder to each one of them that their faith in God through Jesus Christ is a journey. To encourage them to commit to reading the Bible, in prayerful anticipation that they will find nourishment and be challenged in their faith journey. This gift is a commitment on our part as a Church family, to provide opportunities for the newly confirmed and others, to ask questions and search for answers together. Faith confirmed is faith to be nurtured, it is a collective journey.

Growing up in a family that loved Jesus Christ and are uncompromisingly evangelical charismatic Christians, Bible reading, praying and fasting, having family prayer, attending church regularly, having personal quiet time and prayer were all normal part of my growing years. God bless my parents for their commitment and perseverance.

The Bible I read at home and at church was in my Sümi Naga language. But for personal devotions, it was first my Good News Bible and then my NRSV Bible. At college, I joined student organisations like the Evangelical Students Movement that not only reinforced my love for the Bible, but also connected me with hundreds of other youth who shared the same passion to read the Bible. At college, I also joined the Student Christian Movement of India, which helped me to be more socially aware and be involved. My passion for the Bible needed to be at par with my commitment to justice and action in the world around me.



Starting theological studies in my teenage years was quite unsettling and liberating at the same time. For the first time, I was exposed to the fact that the Bible can be read and interpreted through different hermeneutical lens. My commitment to equality and justice was no longer an isolated local experience. This young evangelical charismatic Jesus-enthusiast found the freedom and tools to critically engage with the Scripture. There was plenty of inspiration from Biblical texts, for example: the prophets' call for justice. The people of Israel were called to act justly with fellow human beings based on what God has done for them, and as a reflection of their right relationship with God. The prophets were against a religiosity without pragmatic response to socio-economic realities of their time; for example,



Amos 5:22-24: “Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings, I will not accept them, and the offerings of well-being of your fatted animals I will not look upon. Take away from me the noise of your songs; I will not listen to the melody of your harps. But let justice roll down like water and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream;”

and Micah 6:6-8:

“With what shall I come before the Lord and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old? Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?’ He has told you, O mortal, what is good, and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice and to love kindness and to walk humbly with your God?”

The best example we have is in Jesus Christ himself, starting with his Nazareth Manifesto in Luke 4:16-20:

“When Jesus came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: ‘The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.’” (cf. Isa 61:1-2).

Throughout his earthly ministry, Jesus lived out the Scripture that he read. Jesus had

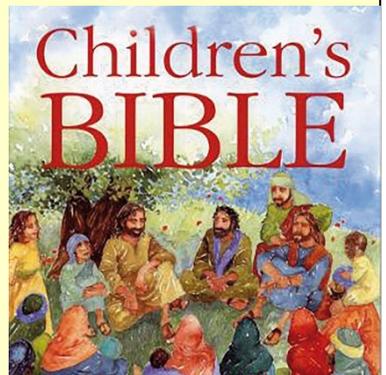
no qualms about the priority of love, the kind of love that would see no boundaries (Matt 22:36-40).

Growing up in a male priority culture, it was evident that some biblical texts were used to reinforce patriarchy. Instead of furthering the gospel of Christ, selective interpretation of the Bible, throughout Christian history, misrepresents the message of love and fullness of life. I also struggled with some passages in the Bible and sometimes wish they are not part of the canon of the Bible. However, if the Bible is about God's intervention in human history, then we get the whole story - God at work in the beauty and the ugliness of humanity all at the same time. My desire to delve deeper into the Biblical world grew more and is still growing as I discover the Bible each day, this inspired word of God, the best of all times! Whether it is for academic exercise, for personal devotion, or for public sharing of the Scripture, my engagement with the Bible is based on my faith as a follower of Jesus and has informed my personal experiences. Sadly, some people's encounter with the Bible is tainted by their experience of abuse. Unfortunately, there are people who abuse power based on their selective interpretation or misinterpretation of the biblical texts. They use biblical passages that suit their agenda to exert authority over individuals, groups of people, or communities.

Our reading and engagement with the Bible are meant to be life-giving and life-enriching both for ourselves, and for others through us. Believing in God and following Jesus makes us life-long disciples/learners/students. Just as the various contexts influenced and shaped the biblical world, the biblical texts interweaving with our life's experiences and contexts, leaves us to ask questions and grow in faith as together we journey on.

When Uday, our firstborn, was four I was reading to him the story of Jesus' ascension from his Children's Bible. He looked at me rather perplexed and said, "If Jesus is in our hearts, how come he is in heaven?" This was one of many questions that were to follow and thank God for the questions our children and young people ask. What a privilege to be able to ask questions and explore together.

Reading the Bible for personal reflection and nourishment is crucial; so is our public and communal reading. We inherited this Judeo-Christian heritage and would like to pass this legacy on to generations after us. We read to hear what God is saying to us, first and foremost, to remember what God has done in Christ for us. We read to understand what was going on in the biblical world then. We read in our public worship every week, just like Jesus and his ancestors did. We read to be inspired and be challenged for action.



When we preach or listen to sermons based on various biblical texts, read together at our home group, or study and discussion groups, or Insight services, we do so with God's help, to share our thoughts and to learn from each other. We learn to hear each other's perspective with an open mind. The scope of God's grace teaches us to not judge but have the maturity to disagree respectfully to each other's point of view. With humility we accept that none of us have got it all. We read the Bible or listen to the Bible being read to be inspired, fulfilled, challenged, disturbed and ask questions.

The Bible is a living word, but it can only come alive to you, as a reader if you allow God to speak to you through the written texts. The biblical text read through the lens of our personal experiences can make God's words come alive to each of us, in our own various contexts.

You may have your own routine of reading the Bible - some choose to read from Genesis to Revelation while others follow the lectionary readings or have their own pattern. Some may have a challenging relationship with the Bible while for others reading the Bible is a vital spiritual discipline. For some perhaps it is a case of a lost first love. Paul wrote to Timothy, *"All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that the person of God may be proficient, equipped for every good work."* (2 Tim 3:16-17).

This really is a very basic question, "What about the Bible?" I say with the Psalmist, God's word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path. (Psalm 119:105)

Jekheli Kibami Singh

July 2022

Upcoming Services:

Aug 28: Guest speaker: Yasoon Masih Gill from Rescuing Persecuted Christians NZ.

Sept. 4th: Guest speaker: Kristel van Houte, Director of A Rocha New Zealand. Celebrating our Parish joining the Eco Church Network NZ.

Oct 2: Waste workshop/Wāngana with Para Kore (more details to follow).

Nov. 27: Guest preacher: Rev. Shona Bettany, Executive Officer, Kaimai Presbytery

Special Thanks from the Traill Family.

After 54 years of married life it was sad to say goodbye to Hilda on 2nd June 2022. Your numerous and beautiful cards which included your loving and caring comments about Hilda are what we will cherish forever.

Your many visits with food and a chat were great after having been isolated for over three months, being with Hilda daily to help her. I had to have daily negative RAT tests before I could enter Cascades to see her and all were negative thankfully.

The many floral tributes also added brightness, colour and perfume in the house. It has been an experience that we will never forget.

Hilda was not able to have visitors to see her during her stay in hospital and Cascades. This was due to the strict Covid rules and her daily decreasing energy levels. I had special dispensation from management to extend my time with her every day to seven hours to include reading all the Bible New Testament which she listened to and got comfort from.

Hilda and I spoke on many occasions during the pandemic about the inability of friends/family to attend funeral services. She agreed with us arranging a private, family only service taken by Rev Jekheli at Woolertons Chapel to be followed by cremation. It was important to the family that a memorial service should be held later in the year that would allow some family members that were unable to come to the service and all her friends to gather to **celebrate her life** later in the year. We knew from our church experience that visiting is a very important part of personal contact between members and the fellowship received since 1971.

This decision has been acceptable to all people that I have spoken to and appears to be a new trend that takes into account the unknown Covid situation now and in the future and rules that govern gatherings.

Hilda also appreciated the many phone calls from the Church Office and its members during the lockdown years. Our church is so special to belong to in these difficult times. A special thank you to the office staff and Rev Jekheli and Ministry team for their assistance during this difficult period.

I hope to be able to arrange a memorial service later in the year with plenty of notice so that all can attend.

With love and blessings to you all.
Don Traill and family



Parish Council

Highlights

June-July 2022



Our Parish Council meetings were held on the 28th June and 26th July. The next meeting is scheduled for 30th August.

COVID 19: Orange level. We continue with the wearing of masks and, for now, sharing morning tea cautiously after the services until the COVID 19 spiking Omicron case numbers reduce. We will continue to monitor our policies and procedures including our Health & Safety Policy for potential changes as required.

Parish Review

Children, Youth, and Families Facilitator. Liané began her role on 11th July. Sadly, we received a letter of resignation from Liané. Jehkeli and I met with her and reluctantly accepted her resignation with immediate effect.

Jekheli and I have met with Amanda who has generously offered to remain in her role while we undergo another recruitment process. We appreciate that her willingness to extend her employment in these unusual circumstances enables the many youth programmes to move forward with certainty. Given that Amanda is extending her time with us, we will postpone her farewell for now.

The review of our Child, Youth and Families responsibilities and capabilities continue in conjunction with the Facilitator and the Youth & Family team. We continue to seek opportunities for further funding to support the work of the Facilitator roles on the Ministry Team.

The Executive team are reviewing roles and undertaking a general review in line with Erica's resignation as Chair. Once this review is done the Parish Review recommendations and response will finally be completed.

Strategic Plan Priorities

Through the priorities agreed in our three-year strategic plan:

- Our Church is now part of the A Rocha Eco Church NZ movement and the team are progressing our commitment to environmental stewardship. The solar panel project is progressing.
- The Parish Council approved the motion to become a Living Wage Employer and we are currently working on the process.

- The Parish Council are waiting for the presentation of the work being undertaken on the welcome pack.

General Business

Along with the usual matters of reviewing policies and day to day governance of the parish we have had a busy couple of months. In June we had our annual Patronal Festival and our biannual Confirmation Service which we were both well received, as was the Matariki celebration on 26th June. We had our annual stewardship service on 3rd July, focusing on sharing our personal gifts, skills and talents.

We are looking forward to our AGM on 21st August and a reminder that nominations for Parish Council close on 15th August. On 4th September whilst celebrating Father's Day it is also the start of Conservation Week. We are looking forward to the service on 4th August where Kristel Van Houte from A Rocha Aotearoa New will be addressing the congregation.

We once again thank you all for your ongoing patience and support of the church as we all navigate 2022. Our thoughts and prayers go out to all who are struggling during these trying times.

Carol Webb, Chair of Parish Council.

Draft full year finances (30th June)			
	12 mths to Jun-22	Budget	Jun-21
Giving	231,047	196,600	197,103
Fair/sale of donated goods	19,269	18,500	16,938
After School Care	2,328	-	(20,488)
Hall Hire	19,468	36,000	26,514
Grants (excl those incl in Outreach)	19,509	15,000	26,931
Other income (Outreach, Interest)	18,505	17,650	22,749
Total income	310,126	283,750	269,747
Admin	77,301	83,489	78,577
Ministry	142,725	144,312	149,302
Property	33,273	34,607	26,741
Assessments and Missions	22,953	23,346	23,615
Total Expenses	276,252	285,754	278,235
Surplus/(deficit) before depreciation	33,874	(2,004)	(8,488)
Depreciation	26,130	24,400	29,195
Surplus/(deficit) after depreciation	7,744	(26,404)	(37,683)

Finance Report – June 2022

The financials presented here are the draft results for the 2022 financial year. There are still a small number of year end adjustments before the final accounts are presented at the AGM and submitted to the Charities Commission.

Highlights:

- Regular giving of \$186,720 was \$5,120 more than budgeted for the year.
- Special giving (bequests from estates and giving for specific projects incl solar panels) totaled \$44,327, \$29,327 more than budgeted.
- Despite there being no fair this year, several smaller sales were held, and income totaled \$19,269, \$769 more than budget and \$2,331 more than last year.
- Grants of \$19,509 have been received. While this was less than the \$26,931 received last year, it was more than the \$15,000 included in the budget. This grant income has made many things possible including Daniel's role as our Community Connection worker.
- Hall hire income for the year was \$19,468, \$7,046 less than last year and \$16,532 less than budget. Hopefully next year will be less affected by Covid interruptions than the last two years.

Costs:

- Our total spending was \$276,252 for the year, \$1,983 less than last year.

We will be reporting a surplus this year. We are not here to make a profit, but it is important that we are good stewards with the resources we have been entrusted, and we cannot make deficits on an ongoing basis.

Aaron Bennett, Treasurer

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR CHARTER:

The editor would love to hear from you if you have a contribution for publication in Charter. If you have something you want to share, or come across an article you think others would find interesting then please let us know.

Email: office@chartwellchurch.org.nz or leave at the church office.

Deadline for next issue: **Sunday 26th September 2022**

Disclaimer: The articles contained in Charter do not necessarily reflect the views of the Ministers or Chartwell Cooperating Church. We seek to represent as wide a range of views as possible within Charter, to reflect the diversity within our congregation.

Confirmation

On Sunday June 19th we celebrated the Confirmation of Becky O’Leary , Michelle Bennett, Hayley Bennett, Laura Bennett; Sophia Chaney, Harris Chaney, Kelera Luvu and Te O Tane Harrison.

As they took this significant faith decision, we as a Church family, had the opportunity to recommit to sharing in their faith journey.

We were privileged to have Deacon Margaret Birtles, from the Waikato Waiariki Methodist Superintendency Team and Bishop Philip Richardson, Bishop of Waikato and Taranaki and the Archbishop of the Anglican Church Aotearoa NZ and Polynesia minister to us on this occasion. Unfortunately, Rev Shona Bettany, the Executive Officer of Kaimai Presbytery, could not come due to health reasons.

Our thanks to all who continue to support the confirmed in their faith journey. May God bless them all.





With most of our guests and volunteers remaining well, we have been able to meet weekly for the past couple of months.

However keeping a programme running with speakers unable to come at short notice has been a challenge.

In June we met at Alfie's Café in Rototuna Village for morning tea, although our planned trip on Rototuna circular bus did not happen due to driver shortages. On 14th July, 25 of us went over to Cambridge, joining Morrinsville and Cambridge Selwyn Centres at Trivoli Cinema. We had the choice of a couple of good movies and enjoyed sharing a light lunch. It is always good to meet up with the other Selwyn Centres.



June meetings began with Alec sharing his life story up until he met Judy. He certainly moved around a lot while growing up in a parsonage. A highlight was Mainly Music with Amanda leading a programme we could all join in. Despite only having three little children, lots of fun with the parachute, bubbles, sticks and spotted frogs was greatly enjoyed. When the speaker from St John's Health Shuttle was sick, Jack stepped up and led a morning of BINGO. Can anyone help him with the sayings used, so he can learn them for next time?

July began with Amy coming from HCC to talk about the local elections and introduce the new Single Transferrable Vote system. Her passion for her job was contagious as we shared our concerns and positive things about our city. Our other speaker was David Moxom, sharing about his five years in Rome working with leaders of different faiths to improve the lives of so many disadvantaged people. He was also very interested in seeing a Selwyn Centre in action and talking with participants, especially after the Selwyn Foundation has sold the residential properties and is planning to invest into community support for older persons.

Over the past two months, it has been encouraging to see some new friendships growing between guests now we are meeting again, and the support being given between guests when needed. We have reviewed our attendance roll, with some guests who no longer attend regularly or have moved into care now being occasional visitors. This has allowed room to welcome new guests.

Helen McAlpine



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Chartwell Cooperating Church AGM will be held at 9am on Sunday 21st AUGUST in the Worship Centre.

8:00am No Service

9:00am Annual General Meeting
—everyone is welcome

9:45am Service (no Insight)

The Annual Report will be available from early August. It will be sent out by email to the congregation and hard copies are also available on request.

Information will also be available prior to the Annual Meeting about nominations for Parish Council and associated roles. No nominations will be accepted on the floor of the meeting.

- We have two vacancies on Parish Council. Nomination forms are at the office and will be available on Sunday in the church foyer.
- Parish Councillors are expected to be on one of the committees as liaison. All the committees are seriously depleted and if we are to carry on as we have done in the past we need people to bring their talents to one of these committees - Facilities, ICT, Pastoral, Youth & Family, Fair and Fund-raising.

Please consider whether you can offer your support in any of these areas.

NB. The youth programme will run from 9am-10:45am on this day to allow parents to attend the AGM and the service.

English classes for new arrivals to NZ

Daniel Park has initiated English classes for new arrivals to New Zealand. Initially, the first class members were sourced from the Bible College in Gordonton but this has quickly grown to include members of the public who seek support of English through directed teaching and conversation. A number of volunteer ex teachers from the Chartwell congregation have joined in this initiative and offer support to small groups of students in a class setting.

The initial programme was directed by a tutor from the Gordonton Bible College and covered exercises of memory (remembering names) and extended to activities relating to each member's background and country of origin.

Subsequent sessions were expanded to include worksheets identifying descriptions of appearances and personality of self and family members, to common descriptions of types of work and workplaces, this led to conversations about the range of activities required of workers in a variety of settings and later reading scripts of conversations between workers. The emphasis is on communication fluency, not correctness. The last session before the term break encompassed a number of open ended questions which led to discussion and a lot of hilarity. It is not all serious and there is a lot of laughter and fun generated.

Hospitality is offered at each session which on the first occasion caused a great deal of mirth. Yes the smoke from the popcorn set the smoke alarms off. Believe it or not, one of the students was responsible for silencing the alarm system so we could get on and enjoy our supper in noise made by us, rather than the fire alarm. It certainly was a great start to the first session and had us all mixing to work out what we needed to do to restore a sense of order and calm. A keen sense of fun has been the hallmark in the future sessions.

The classes were in recess for two weeks and resumed again on Tuesday 26th July. New members would be very welcome. If you know of someone who could benefit from English conversational exercises, or someone who would like to assist by being a tutor, please contact the Church office. All enquiries welcome.





POINT OF DIFFERENCE







Our biggest treasure at Chartwell Church is our people. He tangata, he tangata, he tangata. That is proven time and again at events like the Fair and the Light Party, at times of loss and grief, times when help is needed, when there is fellowship to be shared and when there are things to celebrate. We grow together, beside each other, forming friendships along the way. The same can be said at the Holiday Club.

Our Holiday Club is pretty amazing (if I do say so myself) and no matter who gives us the feedback, every time, without fail, they rave about our youth leaders!

Over the last four years we have had a quite a few and they have all brought a load of energy, a great sense of humour, a caring nature and a lot of patience. We are blessed that they choose to give their time to us and to the families in our community. They are our most amazing gift and what makes our Holiday Club so popular.





A special shout out this issue to Jackson Bowcott who has volunteered at every day of every programme we have run since we started in January 2019. He has given over 50 days to the Holiday Club. Congratulations on this milestone Jackson!

“Thanks so much for helping us out in our situation by having our grandsons at your Holiday Club at the last minute. Their mother was so grateful. They usually have nothing to do with Holiday Programmes. They were discussing with their Poppa what made your programme so good yesterday. Jai said the vibe felt great and that was down to the leaders. They thought these young leaders were truly interested in what was happening and wanted the kids to enjoy themselves. At other programmes it feels like being babysat and that the supervisors are just getting through the day according to Ollie. I’m sharing this because it is a great endorsement of your organisation/planning and especially of the young people you are leading. They really are a magnificent point of difference.”

Anne Phillips



GOLD CLUB

Chartwell Gold Club members were joined by Eastside Singers in June to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. It was a joyous occasion with the choir singing English songs to the club members and then the club providing everyone with a delicious afternoon tea. You will notice in the choir there are a number of church members enjoying the afternoon. Christine Polglase was the choir accompanist.

Ruth Bridge, the club President, really dressed up for the occasion. The hall was decorated and Peter and Christine wore wonderful flags. Since this gathering, several of the choir have joined Gold Club and vice versa.

Smith and McKenzie was the venue for our Gold Club July meeting. Sixteen members not only enjoyed the food but also the company.

The Gold Club AGM will be held at our August meeting and then some of our newer members will share about their life.

Chartwell Gold Club meets once a month on the second Wednesday of the month at 1pm in the Church Hall. You would be most welcome to come along or contact the Church Office for our contact details.

Ian Bridge



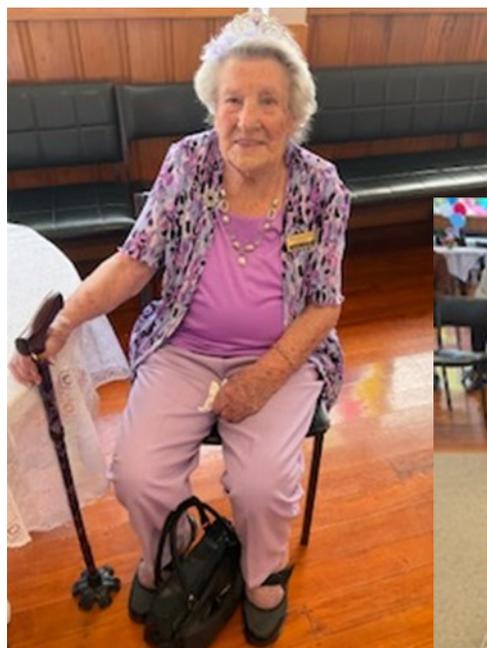
Above: Eastside Singers with Jan Hilton a Church member and Gold Club Committee member in front row second from the right.



Right: Noel Williams, Chris Deverson, Russel Young, Neil Colyer and Kath des Forges



Above: A delightful afternoon tea of homemade baking was served. Ruth Bridge with some of the Queen's souvenirs brought along.



Below: Christine Polglase on piano— she is also a Gold Club committee member.



Above: Elsie Blackmore who was a foundation member of our group in 1987 and has continued to hold roles in the club ever since. The Golden Oldies, which the club was first known as, started meeting in the Church Hall on the 22nd July 1987. Jean Vickridge was a City Councillor at the time and was approached because there was nothing for senior citizens in the new area of Chartwell Square, so initiated the formation of the Golden Oldies. Elsie is the club's only active Life Member. Happy Anniversary to Elsie and to the Gold Club!

Recycle and Reuse



The Chartwell Church Eco Church team have put together a few suggestions for you to consider in caring for the environment.

RECYCLING metal lids of glass and drink bottles:

Sylvia O'Leary acts as a collection point for metal lids off glass drink bottles (fizzy and wine) and then forwards them to Lions as part of their Kidney Kids fundraising. More information on their website:

https://www.lionsclubs.org.nz/partnerships/our-partners/kidney-kids?fbclid=IwAR0yWo0AbPISVCXcGBURMCSx7ps_Vcc8raQKtF46fAtK6u7BCZLNJaGRS5k

RECYCLING soft plastics:

The soft plastics recycling scheme includes a list of drop-off points in Hamilton.

<https://www.recycling.kiwi.nz/>

RECYCLING coffee capsules:

Nespresso used capsules can be dropped off for recycling at Florist Ilene, 129 Commerce St, Frankton and Heathcote Appliances, Te Rapa. Other places in Hamilton, including NZ Post shops, receive used capsules in a Nespresso NZ Post Recycling bag.

<https://www.nespresso.com/nz/en/how-to-recycle-coffee-capsules>

RECYCLING e-waste and batteries:

Waste Management, 17 Wickham St, Frankton recycles e-waste and batteries.

RECYCLING clothing:

Caltex opposite Chartwell Church has a recycle clothing bin. There are many others around the city and of course good quality and condition clothing can be taken to the Hospice Shop on Claudelands Road.

RECYCLING polystyrene:

For recycling polystyrene check this website: <https://www.expol.co.nz/recycling-programmes/> Mitre 10 Te Rapa is a collection point of up to two full rubbish bags of clean polystyrene (go to the drive-in section of the store).

RECYCLING ink cartridges:

Warehouse Stationery has a recycling programme for ink cartridges: <https://www.warehousestationery.co.nz/ink-toner-recycle-faq>

TREAT YOURSELF!

If you take your own reusable cup (any size) to Bunnings Te Rapa, you can get a decent barista coffee for \$3.30.

GREAT IDEAS:

Go Eco Hamilton, based in Commerce St, Frankton have a host of resources and links for recycling, reducing and reusing along with resources and learning opportunities to help care for the environment. Drop in to see them or visit their website:

goeco.org.nz

Ethique beauty care products come in solid bar or concentrate form and are a plastic-free alternative to other beauty products. You can order online or find their skin, hair and body products locally e.g. Farmers, Unichem Pharmacy Rototuna. Have a look at their website: ethiqueworld.com

'With Small' makes every day sustainable essentials e.g. toilet paper, tissues, paper towels and household cleaners. Website: withsmall.co.nz

Here are some suggestions of other fantastic organisations doing great work with reusing and recycling:

freecycle.org

<https://speedandscale.com>

<https://www.goodchangestore.com/>



Mainly Music:	Fridays in term time	9:30-10:45am
Youth Group:	Thursday nights	7-8:30pm
Messy Church:	Sunday 28th August	4-5:30pm
Toy Library:	Every Tuesday and Saturday morning	
Messy Church:	Sunday 25th September	4-5:30pm
Book Sale:	Saturday 1st October	1-3pm
Holiday Club:	October 3-5	8:30-4:30 daily

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MATARIKI

* CELEBRATING THE MĀORI NEW YEAR *

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Queenwood Fellowship

Following our July meeting, we were taught by Roger Taylor, a trained First Aider, what to do in an emergency, CPR and defibrillator use. We found this session very interesting, with some information updated and great revision. We were put through our paces on dummies, with our CPR efforts monitored and scored.



Ohakune Youth Camp 2022

O Ohakune Oasis! A place that we associate with Youth Camp. Thanks so much to the Silvester family for allowing us to visit/invade their piece of paradise. Beech House is a fantastic location and has so much to offer the youth. Even after you put new carpet down we were still allowed to come!

H Hanging Out! A great chance to relax (off screen) and to talk, play games, go for walks, ride go-carts or read a book. Making connections with each other is a real focus of the weekend. We were also able to connect with nature and have our traditional working bee planting shrubs in the wetland.

A A lot of rain and no snow! Although sad not to have any snow to play in, the young people made up for that by go-carting, lawn mower racing and jumping from the cold pond to the hot tub. I am sure the pond felt as cold as snow!

K Kai in the Kitchen! There was loads of yummy food from the minute we arrived to a large platter of chocolate eclairs, to the yummy dinners, hot scones and hot lunches. Thanks to all the youth for taking their turn on kitchen duty and proving that many hands do make lighter work.

U Under and over! The scavenger hunts for the elusive Golden Gecko and Glo Smurf were ongoing over the weekend. There were some hiding spots trickier than others but there was equally some determined searchers! Congratulations to Anara and Keziah for winning overall.

N Nature! We enjoyed a few outings around the property and in Ohakune. On one walk near the house we were very blessed to see a ruru (owl) sitting in a tree only two metres away. You can hear them often but this is the first time one has been spotted! We also took a walk to check out our favourite eel pool—there were plenty and they were big!

E Energy! These young people are full of it. They might have a slower start in the morning but they make up for it later on! Playing board games, table tennis and listening to music till the end of day, all while wrapped up in oodies! Thanks for another year of great memories.







**Isn't it wonderful that Spring, spring
cleaning and the Chartwell Church Fair
all coincide!!**

Remember the wonderful fairs that we have held over
the years? Let's help make this one the best one yet!

Clean out those cupboards and drawers!

Tidy up the garage and the shed!

Pot up those seedlings!

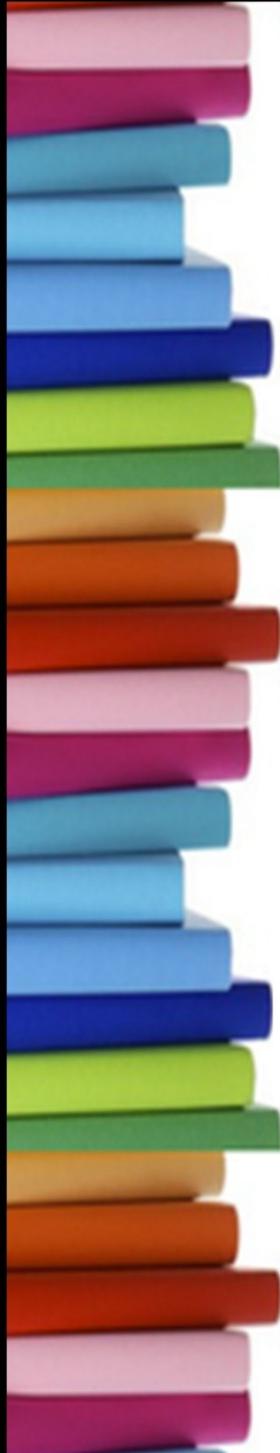
Cook up some cakes and some jams!

Sort out unwanted books, toys & puzzles!

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CHURCH LIBRARY NOTES

I was born at Rawene in the Hokianga. My parents were teachers at a small school near Opononi. The school used Readers like Janet and John. I spent some of the day in the classroom and the learned stories by heart.

When I started school at five, that became a problem. I knew the stories already and could recite them, but that didn't help me learn to read. Fortunately my parents became aware and found me alternative reading material. That helped me to grow into a lifelong love of learning.

When I was at Knox College in Dunedin, I was invited to work in the library during the holidays. And now I look after our church library.

The Church Library recently received a gift of twelve new books. They cover biographical, spirituality, inspirational and pastoral topics. On wintery days a good book to read is a blessing.

Do you need a new slant on your spiritual journey? Read a book from the library and you will discover new spiritual paths.

Ngaa mihi nui, Jan Calvert



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