

LINCOLN BAPTIST CHURCH NEWSLETTER

22 JANUARY 2012

Hi everyone

If you've just returned from holiday, welcome back, if you're about to go away on holiday may you have a refreshing break. A number of you have asked when exactly Christine & I will be concluding our time at LBC and heading to Rotorua. This detail was finalised over the Christmas/New year period and is as follows. Christine will be concluding today the 22nd of January and will begin heading North tomorrow, to get Logan sorted for school and to sort our accommodation arrangements. She will then fly back in for the weekend of 11-12 February and that will be the final Sunday at LBC for both of us. The following week, beginning 13 Feb, I will be tidying up some loose ends, and on the Thursday driving up to the Marlborough Sounds to officiate at a wedding that weekend. The day after the wedding I will catch the ferry to the North Island.

On another matter. This week I chatted to Steve & Anna Lisa Hickson about the leadership of Edge. (Sunday and social programme for school year 7-8) Over the years they, along with others have provided some wonderful leadership to this part of church life. This is a vital ministry and comes under our youth umbrella. As many of you will know these are important developmental years and also leads into youth group. Steve & Anna Lisa are available to help lead this ministry this year, but this will be their final year. We would love to have another couple and also a few other leaders to help share the load and work as a team, with the view to handing over the reins towards the end of the year. This is a fun and important opportunity, so please pray and/or consider if this is something you could be involved in. One of my great memories here was helping out at the Edge Camp a few years back, we had an absolute ball. If you want to know more or would like to offer to help, please speak to Steve or Anna-Lisa in the first instance.

Hope you have a great week ahead
Blessings,

Paul

Volunteers wanted for service ministries rosters - if you're interested to go on the **morning tea roster** please speak to Sue Dawson. Currently you'd be on around every 7 weeks but with more people on the roster it would work out to be less often.

Gaps also exist on other rosters e.g. **door greeting** and **counting the offering** - if you'd be interested to go on a roster and serve every couple of weeks, please contact Therese @ the office on 325 3396. Thank you!

Hospitality Coordination for Newcomers Lunches

We currently hold these lunches about four times per year to enable the Pastors/leaders to meet any newcomers and to welcome them to LBC.

We are wondering if there would be anyone who would like to take on the food coordination role for these lunches. We try to keep the lunches to finger food or similar. If you'd be interested in serving in this way or wish to know more, please see Ruth Wood for more detail.

FREE: Lincoln High School uniform - small to medium shorts, shirts, one jersey, polar fleeces. If you are needing a uniform / part of it / spare items please collect from Therese at the Church office.

HOUSE WANTED TO RENT - 4 bedroom house with 2 bathrooms, 2 separate living areas and be cat-friendly. Areas include Lincoln, Prebbleton, Rolleston. From early Feb 2012. Please contact Therese @ the office on 325 3396.

If anyone has any **packing boxes** to lend for a move, please contact Therese @ the office.

Ecumenical door knocking Linwood Area

If you want to be part of a team going from door to door in the Linwood Area, finding out if folks are okay or need anything after the earthquakes, please contact Wendy on 929 0539 or 021 306 949 or email her on wendy@baptist.org.nz. You'll be trained on what to do and where to go.

Help Change Lives in Australia's Outback

We're looking for someone with a real heart for mission, someone passionate about making a difference in the lives of others and the person could be you! Bible Society is sending one person and a mate on a life-changing flying mission to deliver Bibles to remote communities in Australia's Outback - and the trip's on them! Entries close on 15th February. For more details visit www.bibledelivery.co.nz.

Thought for the Week

The LORD is a stronghold for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble.

Psalm 9:9

The English Standard Version

29 January - Missions Offering for Our Team

Worship & Healing Evening Service

Sunday 19th February 2012 @ 7pm.

Everyone welcome, not only for church people. Please take an invitation from the foyer table or notice board and invite a friend or neighbour.

FOR YOUR DIARY...

SERMONS

22 Jan	Lesley Bond
29 Jan	One of our missionary families
5 Feb	Paul
12 Feb	Kim

COMING UP EVENTS -

29 Jan - One of our missionary families will be with us and speaking at next Sunday's service

12 Feb - 1st Synergy

4 March - AGM

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY & YOUTH

Sparklers	Continue through January
Ignite	Start up formally on 5 Feb Watch out for activity packs today & Next Week (29 Jan) join us for a DVD or games - Edge can join if they want to
Edge	Resumes soon
Synergy	Resumes on 12 Feb

Prayer Chain - Please contact Keith & Helen or Isobel Hollick.

Roster Reminder

Today

Morning Tea	Jose & Robbie
Door Greeting	Keith & Helen
Offering	Neil Blackburn & Michael
Laptop	Steve D
Prayer Team	Michael, Mandy & Callum

29 Jan

Morning Tea	Shirley & John
Door Greeting	Mark & Robyn
Offering	Robbie & partner
Laptop	Sandra
Prayer Team	Tony, Julie & Hamish