

IN THE LORD'S SERVICE – THANK YOU

	This Week	Next Week
Worship Leader	Marty	Robert O
Music Leader	James, Peter	Anthony
Bible Reader	Rose	Tony Wai
Ushers	Robert O, Avery	Clement, Iain
Techno	Harvey, Mel	Darren, Anthony
Cup of Tea	Janet, Michelle L, Michelle T	Weng Wai, Cindy, Carl
Dishes		

HOME GROUPS

	Leader	Meeting time	Location
COLLEGE & CAREERS GROUP	Pr Mark Maney	Every Wednesday @ 7.30pm	@ ACPC 021 309 544
GREENLANE GROUP	George Lowe	Thursday fortnightly @ 8pm	@ Glenda Choy's 021 7335 9838 (George)
LADIES GROUP	Glenda Choy	Wednesday fortnightly @ 10.30am	@ Glenda Choy's 524 9391
NEWMARKET GROUP	Robert O'Callahan	Every Tuesday @ 7.30pm	@ ACPC 021 783 289
REMUERA GROUP	Ken Cheung	2 nd and 4 th Saturday @ 10am	@ Quin Gee's Contact Ken 021 431 607
ST HELIERS GROUP	Marty Bing	Tuesdays fortnightly @ 8pm	@ Marty Bing's 021 753 406
YOUNG FAMILIES GROUP	Pr Mark Maney	Saturday monthly @ 2pm	Contact Pr Mark 021 309 544
CANTONESE GROUP	Albert Ko	Saturdays fortnightly @ 4 pm	See noticeboard for more details on the Cantonese and Mandarin home groups
ALBANY CANTONESE GROUP	Peter Zen & Edith Poon	1st & 3rd Friday @ 8pm	
MASSEY CANTONESE GROUP	Rev M Tang	1st & 3rd Wed @ 10am	
CBD MANDARIN GROUP	Rev M Tang	Every Sunday @ 1pm	
ISAAC GROUP	Lydia Lam	Every Friday @ 7.30pm	

AUCKLAND CHINESE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

105 Vincent Street, Auckland City

ENGLISH MINISTRY SERVICE

9th February 2014



Speaker: Pr Mark Maney
Sermon Title – John, the Testifier
Sermon Passage: John 3:22–36



A warm welcome to everyone to the service today!!!!
 Please stay for a cup of tea after the service.

OUTREACH BBQ NEXT SUNDAY AFTER CHURCH

Exciting news!!!! After church next Sunday, Pr Mark and his team will be outside the church barbecuing sausages and offering free sausages to people walking past ACPC. We want people in the CBD to get to know that this church is a friendly and welcoming community.



Pr Mark will need people to be responsible for buying the sausages and bread, barbecuing the sausages, setting up and clearing up and also people to chat to passersby. If you can be part of Pr Mark's team, please see him today or text/email him during the week. If you would like to donate some sausages, that would be most welcome.

ACPC URBAN GARDEN WORKING BEE



Our thanks to the contributions brought today for the urban garden. Next Sunday we'll have a working bee after morning tea to arrange the garden according to the resources we have. If you are not helping out with the Outreach BBQ, you are welcome to lend a hand in the Urban Garden set-up.

ACPC CHURCH CAMP 21st – 23rd MARCH 2014



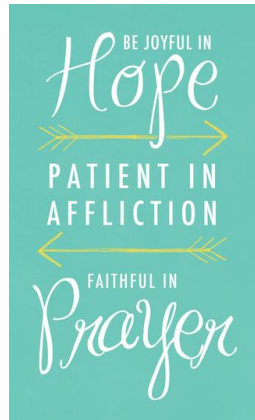
Peter Snell Youth Camp in Whangaparoa from Friday, 21st to Sunday, 23rd March. This camp boasts stunning views of the harbour.

The Camp committee consists of Soo Land Wong, (convenor), Rev Tang, Pr Mark, Lydia Lam, Matthew Lai, Peter Ting, Rea Thain and Jean Wong.

Registration forms are out next Sunday. The camp fees cover accommodation and food. We would encourage everyone to stay from Friday to Sunday for maximum enjoyment. The food is very good, the view fantastic and the company... well, out of this world.

PRAYERS

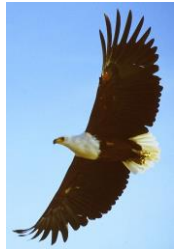
- 1) Rev Tang and Pr Mark's ministry and leadership of ACPC
- 2) The planning and good attendance at the ACPC Church Camp in March
- 3) Planning and progress on the Church Urban Garden
- 4) Planning for 2014 by the Parish Council Ministry Committees.
- 5) The spiritual and physical health and safety for all at ACPC
- 6) The home groups – that our biblical studies will impact on our daily Christian walk.



SERMON NOTES

BE PASSIONATE ABOUT IT (2)

As an eagle stirs up its nest...so the Lord...led him...'
Deuteronomy 32:11 - 12



A mother eagle knows that if she waits for her young to get out of the nest and fly on their own initiative, it'll never happen. So she pushes them out! That's radical, but they learn to fly and fulfil their destiny.

John Maxwell says: 'To succeed in life we must stay within our strength zone, but continually move outside our comfort zone. Have you ever accomplished anything of significance while you were in your comfort zone?' Think about it.

The answer is 'no', isn't it? We don't like moving outside our comfort zone. We resist it. We like to feel safe and secure. We don't want to look foolish or fall flat on our faces. And as we get older we tend naturally to become more and more complacent.

That's a problem, because complacency kills passion. It reduces us to average. It clips our wings and keeps us from soaring, no matter how much we want to. It takes initiative to succeed at anything in life. It requires us to take risks.



Playwright George Bernard Shaw said, 'I'm sick of all the reasonable people: they see all the reasons for doing nothing.'

Passion prompts us to leave our comfort zone and cross the threshold of our doubt. It pushes us out the door, so that we can get going on the journey in life that God designed for us. It's said that when you get to the door of opportunity you're not supposed to knock - you're supposed to push!

So step out in faith, take the initiative, and believe that God is with you (Deuteronomy 31:6).

Word for Today by Bob Gass

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